

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost



Holy Eucharist
Sunday, October 25, 2026
8:30 a.m.
At Christ UCC

TRINITY
Episcopal Church



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The Service of the Word

✠ *Worship in the form of quiet meditation begins with the prelude*

PRELUDE

Dolcezza, Reflections
Jonathan Boksan, Guest Organist

Percy Whitlock

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Lord of all being, throned afar

MENDON

1 Lord of all be - ing, throned a - far, thy glo - ry
2 Sun of our life, thy quick - ening ray sheds on our
3 Lord of all life, be - low, a - bove, whose light is
4 Grant us thy truth to make us free, and kin - dling

flames from sun and star; cen - ter and soul of
path the glow of day; star of our hope, thy
truth, whose warmth is love, be - fore thy ev - er -
hearts that burn for thee, till all thy liv - ing

ev - ery sphere, yet to each lov - ing heart how near!
soft - ened light cheers the long watch - es of the night.
blaz - ing throne we ask no lus - ter of our own.
al - tars claim one ho - ly light, one heaven - ly flame.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

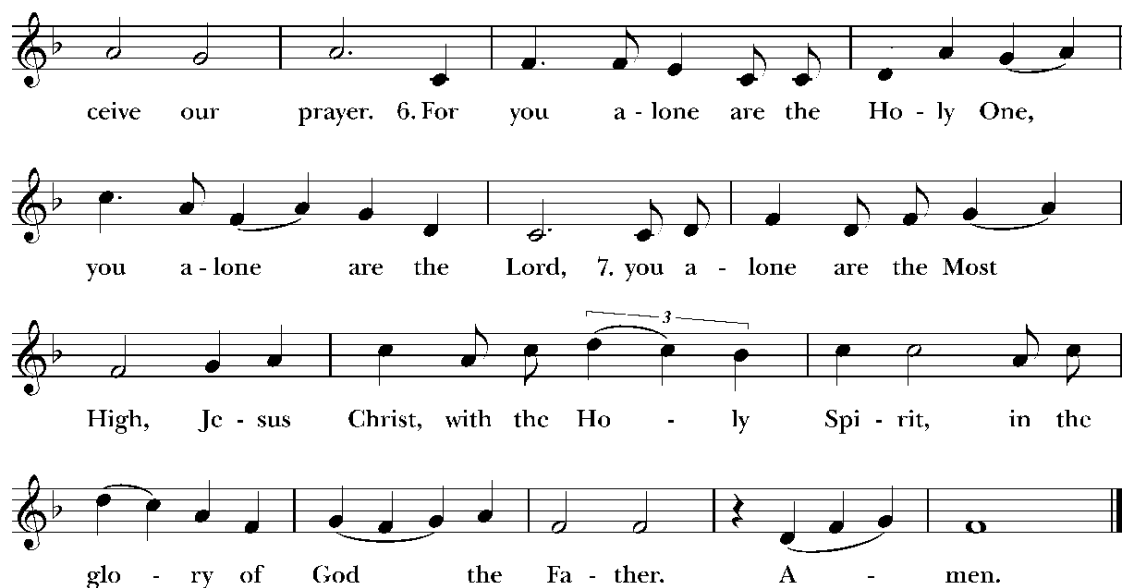
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA

Hymnal S280



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. ***Amen.***

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar.

The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he

died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

THE PSALM

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17



Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

ANTIPHON

You turn us back to the dust and say, *
“Go back, O child of earth.”

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

ANTIPHON

You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

ANTIPHON

Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

ANTIPHON

Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

ANTIPHON

THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! (v 1-3)

CORONATION

6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
* 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
* 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

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 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Michael Angel Molina

THE NICENE CREED

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit*

*he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Called to serve God and our neighbor, let us pray in the name of Jesus for all who are in any need or trouble, saying: *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For the Church: especially Sean our Presiding Bishop and Audrey and Kevin our bishops, that we may always experience the wonder and joy of loving and being loved by God. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For this parish family, that we may share the good news with one another and live as signs of God's love. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For a greater sense of gratitude, that we may recognize all the ways that God has shown love for us and be filled with awe and thankfulness for God's gifts. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For the growth of peace, that God will touch the hearts and change the minds of all who are leading conflict and warfare and give them courage to enter dialogue and establish ceasefires. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For all those affected by shootings and violence, and those living with fear and uncertainty, that God will be their refuge and strength. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For all those suffering from war, especially the people of Ukraine, that the God of peace will hold them close in loving care and protection, give them strength to endure great hardship, and fill them with the hope of freedom and justice. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For refugees, immigrants and all who live in a strange land, and for all those who are in need of our prayers especially Marcie, The Quintrell family and those we now name, (*pause*) that they may find refuge and healing in God's care. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

For all the departed, remembering especially those we now name, (*pause*) that they may be welcomed by the Son God raised from the dead. *Hear us, O Holy One.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, Simon and Jude the Apostles and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Holy One we give praise and glory.*

Celebrant Gracious God, you established your Holy Law on the two commandments to love you and to love our neighbor; hear our prayers and grant that by keeping your precepts we may rejoice to enter your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. *AMEN.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

The Service of the Table

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

All Glory Be To Thee Most High

Rachel Aarons

All glory be to thee, Most High, to thee all adoration! In grace and truth thou drawest nigh to offer us salvation. We bless and worship thee and raise our voices in unending praise; we praise thy Name forever. O Jesu Christ, our God and Lord, Son of the heavenly Father, O thou, who hast our peace restored, the starting sheep dost gather. Thou Lamb of God, to thee on high out of the depths we sinners cry: have mercy on us, O Jesu! O Holy Ghost, thou precious gift, thou Comforter unfailing. From Satan's snares our souls uplift, and let thy power, availing, avert our woes and calm our dread; for us the Savior's blood was shed. We trust in thee to save us!

The Great Thanksgiving

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant, the second for the People, the third for the Celebrant, and the fourth for the People. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." (Staff 1), "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." (Staff 2), "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." (Staff 3), and "It is right to give him thanks and praise." (Staff 4).

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

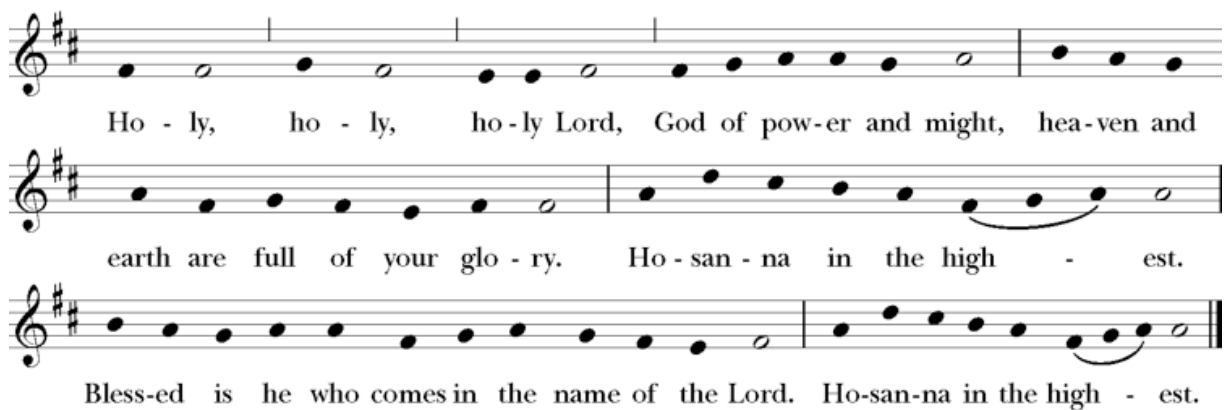
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Hymnal S124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

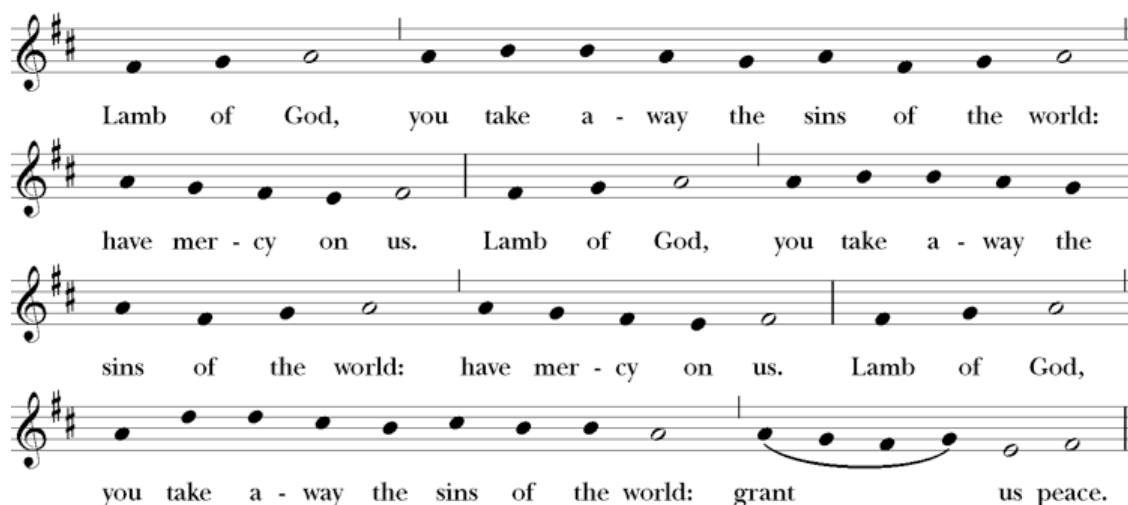
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. *AMEN.*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.*



COMMUNION ANTHEM

O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our King; And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table. You may receive communion, or you may come for a blessing. The common cup is received only by sipping. Gluten-free wafers are available.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of constant love,
 you have guided your people
 in all times and ages.
 May we who offer you our thanks today
 always be ready to follow where you lead;
 we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
 2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long; Lord,
 3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
 bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
 quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Deacon *People*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Roman March

A. Lefebure-Wely



Service Participants

October 25, 2026

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8:30 a.m.

Steve Filko
Ann Szmania
Ross Mangina
Cole Hamel
Linda Cortis
Ross Mangina
Wayne Parr

Altar Guild
Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Intercessor
Usher
Usher
Acolyte

Choir

Garry Applegate
Jonathan Boksan
Bailey Fulginiti
Stacy Gabel

Hattye Magee
Joyce Meinke
Christina Shoemaker
Stephan Taylor

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

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Our Partner-Parish:

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

In the Diocese of The Susquehanna:

The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan, Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Kevin, Nichols, Assisting Bishop
St. James, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paul's, Philipsburg



In the Anglican Communion:

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

Please pray for:

- ❖ Marcie Lightwood
- ❖ The Quintrell family, friends of Kay Kully

Please pray for these friends in need:

Randy Alderman, Susan Asbury, Loretta Brobst, Joan Dawson, June Ding, Charlotte Edwards, Connie Evans, Clare Filko, Jerry and Rosanne Foreman, Cole Hamel, Penny Heidt, Flex Illick, Sally MacIntosh, John Majczan, Rheta Matthews, Jody Miller, Bob Opdyke, Patti Pasda, Teresa, Terri Sheldon, Judy and Barry Smith, Donna and Gary Thorne, Carol Vickrey, Dawn and Bill Winterburn

For the Search Committee: Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Be with those called to seek a new Rector for our Parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor and priest who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Parish: Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please send an email to:
prayerlist@trinitybeth.org - by noon on Wednesday.

Names will remain on the list for a month.

Announcements



2027 Stewardship Season

Beloved Community – Sandy Mesics

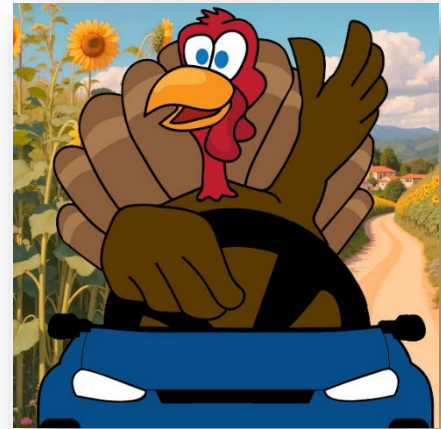
Our parish is a place of belonging — a community where each person matters, and each gift is needed. Together we are the Body of Christ.

Trinity's Thanksgiving Turkey Drive is November 20

The Outreach Committee of Trinity Episcopal Church is sponsoring a Turkey Drive Friday, November 20th, from 10 AM until 1 PM. Committee members will be outside of Trinity at 44 East Market Street in Bethlehem, to accept your frozen turkey.

Many grocery stores give away frozen turkeys in November, and some folks cannot use them, so we hope to gather many of those. They will be donated to a larger drive sponsored by New Bethany and other organizations for distribution to agencies throughout the Lehigh Valley: Schools, senior citizens centers, day care facilities, community centers, shelters and feeding programs.

Please ask your friends, families and neighbors to support this drive. Call the church office at 610-867-4741 with questions or requests for someone to pick up your donation.



Trinity's Coffee Hour is TODAY!

Please join us for Coffee & Fellowship Hour after the service TODAY. We will meet in the UCC's ALL PURPOSE room. There will be light refreshments.

Coffee & Fellowship Hour will be offered the *last Sunday of every month* immediately following the service. If you would like to HOST, providing the light refreshments, (beverages and paper products are provided) please contact Joanne Gulya 484-358-3402.

About Trinity Episcopal Church

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Livestreamed Services: www.vimeo.org/trinitybethlehem

Office Hours: Receptionist 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Clergy

The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Carr, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Gerard R. Gaeta, Obl.S.B., Priest Associate

Staff

Kay Kully, Parish Administrator – churchadmin@trinitybeth.org

Aram Basmadjian, Artist in Residence

Karen Ernst, Treasurer - bookkeeper@trinitybeth.org

Ministers: All Baptized Members

Vestry

Garry Applegate

Linda Cortis

Ken Grieshaber (Senior Warden)

Joanne Gulya (Junior Warden)

Ross Mangina

Ivan Martin

Sandy Mesics

Glen Walls

Rick Weaver

Search Committee

Linda Cortis

Jose Garcia

Cole Hamel

Marcie Lightwood

John Majczan

Ross Mangina

Susan Martin, Chair

Chris Martocchio