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Holy Eucharist

Sunday, June 29, 2025 8:30 a.m. at Christ UCC

> **TRINITY** Episcopal Church





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The Liturgy of the Word

• Worship in the form of quiet meditation begins with the prelude.

PRELUDE

Nyland

Carolyn Hamlin

HYMN IN PROCESSION	The Church's one foundation
(See hymn on opposite page)	

AURELIA

OPENING ACCLAMATION

CelebrantBlessed be the most holy, glorious, and undivided TrinityPeopleAnd blessed be God's realm, 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

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21

The Lord said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.



THE PSALM

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *	
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,	
my good above all other."	
All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *	
upon those who are noble among the people.	
But those who run after other gods *	
shall have their troubles multiplied.	
Their libations of blood I will not offer, *	
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.	ANTIPHON
O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *	
it is you who uphold my lot.	
My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *	
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.	ANTIPHON
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *	
my heart teaches me, night after night.	

I have set the Lord always before me; *	
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.	
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *	
my body also shall rest in hope.	ANTIPHON
For you will not abandon me to the grave, *	
nor let your holy one see the Pit.	
You will show me the path of life; *	
in your presence there is fullness of joy,	
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.	ANTIPHON

THE EPISTLE

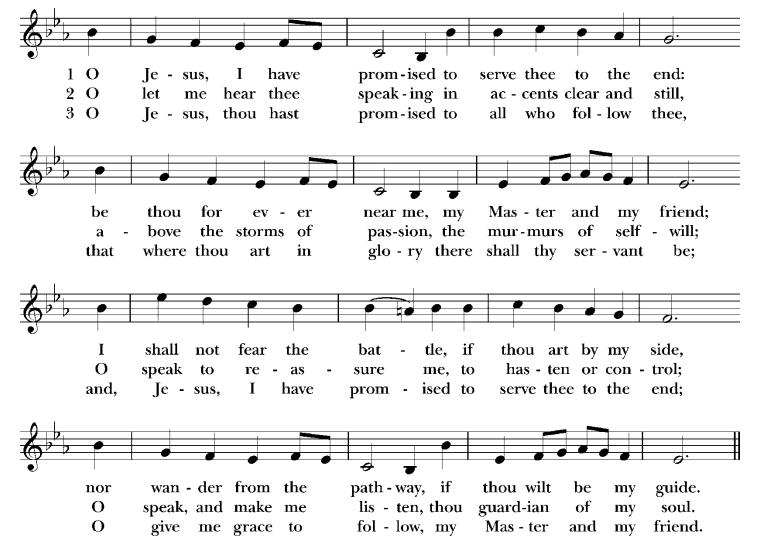
Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.



THE GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

SERMON

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 follow Jesus, let us offer our prayers for all people, saying: *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For the Church: especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our bishop, and Audrey bishop of Central Pennsylvania, that we may hear God's call to discipleship and follow in faith and joy. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that we who are God's beloved community, may serve those in need around us and not be controlled by the expectations and demands of society. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For peace throughout the world, that conflicts will end, injustices and jealousies be addressed, and that all nations may use their resources to defeat disease and hunger. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For those who take risks for peace, that God will give them courage to make bold decisions and explore new possibilities, that all God's people will come to know the blessings of a world without war and conflict. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For those of different religious traditions and understanding of the Scriptures, that they may recognize the God who is at work in every heart and experience renewal of their relationships with others and new ways to cooperate. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For all who those who are weary in body, mind, and spirit, remembering especially Sue, Richard and others we now name, that they may find wholeness and peace in Christ. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For all the departed, remembering especially those we now name, that they may live for eternity in the power of the Spirit. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, Peter and Paul, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant God of wisdom, hear the prayers we offer this day. Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit, that we may follow the way of Christ, and serve one another in freedom through 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

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

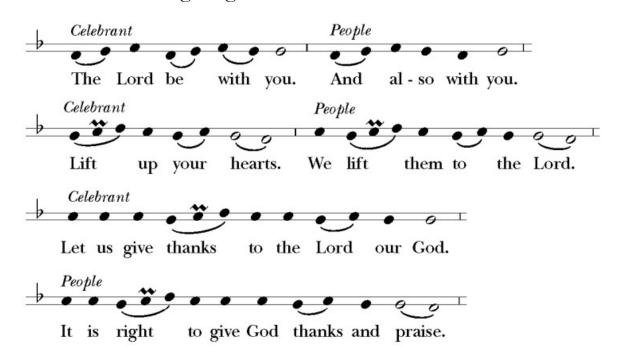
OFFERTORY

God be in my head

John Rutter

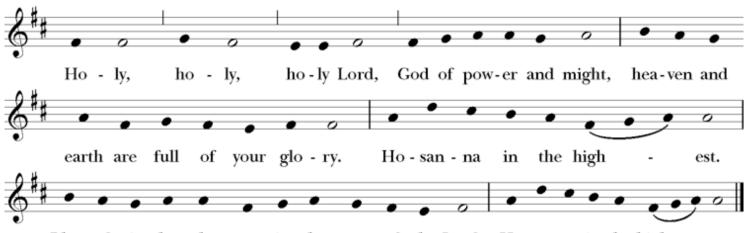
God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at mine end and at my departing.

The Great Thanksgiving



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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

> 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:



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

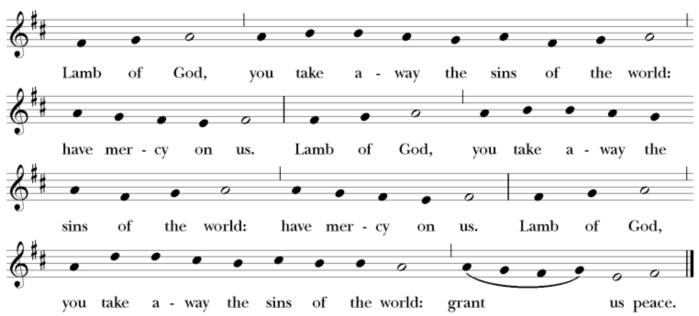
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

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.

FRACTION



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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O Bread of Life from Heaven

David Ashley White

O Bread of Life from heaven, to saints and angels given; O Manna from above! The souls that hunger, feed thou. The hearts that seek thee, lead thou, with thy sweet, tender love.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Empower us by your Spirit always to proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY





POSTLUDE

Psalm XIX: The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello



Liturgical Ministers June 29, 2025 The Third Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m.

Steve Filko Joanne Gulya Ross Mangina Ivan Martin Susan Martin Ross Mangina Ivan Martin Altar Guild Eucharistic Minister Reader Intercessor Usher Usher Acolyte

Choir

Garry Applegate Jonathan Boksan Bailey Fulginiti Stacy Gabel Hattye Magee Joyce Meinke Jody Miller Sebastian Paff Christina Shoemaker Mark Shoemaker Stephan Taylor

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK June 29, 2025

Our Partner-Parish:

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

In the Diocese of Bethlehem:

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop Christ Church, Susquehanna; and St. Mark's, New Milford

In the Anglican Communion: The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

Please pray for:

- Sue Ditterline, as she faces end-of-life decisions.
- ◆ Richard Carr, Cliff Carr's brother, as he recovers from emergency surgery.

Please pray for these friends in need:

Randy Alderman, Gary Battersby, Carrie Basmadjian, Harold and Pam Basmadjian, Loretta Brobst, Joan Dawson, Jonathan Decker, Amedeo DeEdwardo, Sue Ditterline, Connie Evans, Jerry and Rosanne Foreman, Vanessa Gogate, Noah Lane, Rheta Matthews, John Majczan, Joe Mesics, Harley Newman, Patti Pasda, Lynn Pearce, Pat Sisson, Judy and Barry Smith, Carol and Jack Vickrey.

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

Please join us for Sunday Brunch TODAY!



Please join us after the service today at:

Borderline Restaurant

2100 West Union Blvd.

Bethlehem, PA

Hope to see you there!



REMINDER...

Trinity's Night Out at Coca-Cola Park to watch the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs take on the Scranton Rail Riders is this

Wednesday, July 2nd @ 7:05 PM!!



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