

Trinity Church

*The Fourteenth Sunday after
Pentecost*

August 30, 2026
8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



We are glad you are here today.

If you are looking for a place to say your prayers, seek God, and discover companions for the journey, you are invited to be at home here. If you are new, please complete a pew card and place it in the collection plate. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to tell you about life at Trinity.

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WONDER, LOVE, AND PRAISE 782
Gracious Spirit, give your servants

THE WORD OF GOD

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. 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*

SONG OF PRAISE

(8:00 am said, 3 times)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

(10:00 am sung)

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

JEREMIAH 15:15-21

O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 26:1-8

- 1 Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

ROMANS 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL MATTHEW 16:21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Wrathall

THE NICENE CREED

(BCP pg. 358)

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 worshipped 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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Presider: Jesus leads us into a life of discipleship. Let us offer prayers of thanksgiving and intercession through the one who shows us the way, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the Church throughout the world, that it may proclaim the glory and majesty of God. For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Nicholas our bishop, and Susan our priest, and all ministers in the church, that they may proclaim the gospel with courage and joy. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, for the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That our President, the Congress, the Courts, and all those who hold authority in our common life may be strengthened and led to wise and just decisions, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the reconciling love of God may overcome poverty and racism, war and conflict, especially in Ukraine, the Holy Land and the Middle East, and lead to justice and peace, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. For those celebrating birthdays this week: Frank Castellone (9/1), Carol Deming (9/3), Capri Ford (9/3), and for all other gifts which we now name either silently or aloud (*pause*), we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who are ill and have asked for our prayers: *Elaine, Frank, Jim, Tim, Janet, Cindy, Vanessa, Katie, Carl, Lee-Ann, George, Becca, Bruce, Cory, Gabi, Sandy*, and those whom we name at this time, (LONG PAUSE), that they may know the healing presence of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and those whom we remember now, (*significant pause*) that they may be drawn ever closer to the heart of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

With confidence in Jesus who calls us into new life, let us continue to offer our prayers, either silently or aloud.

CONFESSION OF SIN

(BCP pg. 360)

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and People

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.*

Presider concludes with the absolution

THE PEACE (*Please stand*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN 655

O Jesus, I have promised

THE DOXOLOGY (8:00 am said)

All things come of thee O Lord.

And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

(10:00 am sung)

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Eucharistic Prayer C, BCP p. 369)

SANCTUS S129

Pew Card

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(BCP pg. 364)

FRACTION WLP 875

Pew Card

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION

All Christians are welcome to receive communion. No one will be turned away. Please come to the communion rail as you are able and kneel or stand to receive. You may sip from the chalice or the eucharistic minister can intinct for you. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you cannot come to the rail, communion will be brought to the pavement or to your seat as needed. Gluten free wafers are available.

COMMUNION

ORGAN SOLO

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP pg. 366)

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS (10:00 am)

RECESSIONAL HYMN 344

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Childcare provided in the nursery for the 10:00 am service.
Please join us for coffee in the Bay room following each service.*

PARTICIPANTS

Altar Guild: Wayne Barnes, Kelley Elderkin, Dawn O'Hara,
Linda Whittaker

Presider: The Reverend Susan Wrathall

8:00 AM

Euch Min: Colleen Burg
Reader: Cindy Castellone
Acolyte: Colleen Burg

Usher: Tom Hogan

10:00 AM

Euch Min: Cathi Beattie
Reader: Nancy Haight
Acolytes: Rob Duncanson,
Norah Duncanson,
Louise Pfanstiehl
Usher: Katie Duncanson
Video: Kevin Cliff

Today we welcome Vance Morgan as our guest organist.



Reminder!

While our backpacks are being blessed, we are still collecting school supplies for other children in our neighborhoods.

Please be sure to bring your donations to the church by September 13 so that we may distribute them to children still waiting.

THIS WEEK

Monday, 8/31	Guitars 4 Vets, 4 pm Christian Meditation, Church, 6:00 pm AA, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm
Tuesday, 9/1	Men's Group, Education Room, 9:30 am Knitters, Bay room, 9:30 – Noon Perspectives, Parish Hall, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Girls on the Run, Parish Hall, 4:30 – 8:30 pm
Wednesday, 9/2	Pawtuxet Rangers, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 9/3	A Look at the Gospel, Education room, 9:00 am Perspectives, Parish Hall, Noon to 3:00 pm AA, 7:00 pm

For routine communication, please email Mother Susan Wrathall
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