

# Trinity Church

*The Seventeenth Sunday after  
Pentecost*

September 20, 2026

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.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

There is one Body and one Spirit:  
*There is one hope in God's call to us;*  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*One God and Father of all.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*  
Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

JONAH 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

#### PSALM 145:1-8

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you \*  
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \*  
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \*  
and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \*  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

## PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well - since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God.*

SEQUENCE HYMN 482

*Lord of all hopefulness*

THE GOSPEL MATTHEW 20:1-16

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.'

When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.'

When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Wrathall

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

BCP pg. 301-302

BAPTISM: William Henry Rogers

Dahlia Faye Rogers

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

BCP pg. 304-305

Prayers for the Candidates

BCP pg. 305-306

Thanksgiving over the Water

BCP pg. 306

THE BAPTISM

BCP pg. 307-308

ASPERGES HYMN 296

*We know that Christ is raised*

THE PEACE

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*God Be In My Head*

THE DOXOLOGY

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 A, BCP p. 361)*

SANCTUS S124

*Pew Card*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(BCP pg. 364)

FRACTION S154

Pew Card

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

COMMUNION

*All Christians are welcome to receive communion. 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 HYMN

WONDER, LOVE, AND PRAISE 825

*Bless the Lord my soul*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP pg. 366)

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN 551

*Rise up, ye saints of God*

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

*Childcare provided in the nursery for the 10:00 am service.*

*Please join us for coffee in the Bay Room following each service.*

**Please pray for those on our Prayer List** *Emily, The Metts Family, Sir L, Melissa, Nancy, Elaine, Frank, Jim, Tim, Janet, Cindy, Vanessa, Katie, Carl, Lee-Ann, George, Becca, Bruce, Cory, Gabi, and Sandy.*

***We wish a Happy Birthday to*** Nancy Plumb (9/20) and Sebastian Crikett Young (9/24), ***as they celebrate this week.***



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of Jim (James) T. Crowshaw  
by Colleen Burg*

#### PARTICIPANTS

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

Presider: The Reverend Susan Wrathall

Deacon: The Reverend Ed Dean

Euch.Min: Cathi Beattie

Reader: Nancy Haight

Acolytes: Violet Umstadter, Norah Duncanson, Rob Duncanson,  
Louse Pfanstiehl

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*For online giving, please scan the QR code with your  
smartphone's camera. Thank you.*

## THIS WEEK

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| Monday, 9/21    | Education for Ministry, Bay Room, 9:30 am - Noon<br>Guitars 4 Vets, 4 pm<br>Meditation, Church, 6:00 pm<br>AA, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm |
| Tuesday, 9/22   | Men's Group, Education Room, 9:30 am<br>Knitters, Bay room, 9:30 – Noon<br>Perspectives, Parish Hall, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm.           |
| Wednesday, 9/23 | Pawtuxet Rangers, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm                                                                                              |
| Thursday, 9/24  | A Look at the Gospel, Education Room, 9:00 am<br>Perspectives, Parish Hall, Noon to 3:00 pm<br>AA, Parish Hall, 7:00 pm             |
| Saturday, 9/26  | Courage To Grow Old, 9-10:30 am                                                                                                     |

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