

Trinity Church

*The Sixteenth Sunday after
Pentecost*

September 13, 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 390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

THE WORD OF GOD

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) pg 355

COLLECT FOR PURITY *(said by Presider)*

SONG OF PRAISE – Gloria

(BCP pg 356)

(8:00 am, said together)

(10:00 am, sung, Old Scottish Chant arr. K. Holst)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

GENESIS 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103:8-13

- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

ROMANS 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.

For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 379

God is love, let heaven adore him

THE GOSPEL MATTHEW 18:21-35

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Wrathall

THE NICENE CREED

(BCP pg. 358)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively saying: Hear us, Lord.

(See names on page 6 of the bulletin)

CONFESSION OF SIN

(BCP pg. 360)

THE PEACE *(Please stand)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN 665

All my hope in God is founded

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 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 (WLP) 825
Bless the Lord, my soul

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP pg. 365)

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL HYMN 347

Go forth for God

DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Please pray for those on our Prayer List: *Nancy, Elaine, Frank, Jim, Tim, Janet, Cindy, Vanessa, Katie, Carl, Lee-Ann, George, Becca, Bruce, Cory, Gabi, and Sandy.*

Birthdays this week:

Ben Mannix (9/13) and Hope Halvarson (9/19).

*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: Cathi Beattie

Reader: Theo Aschman

Acolyte: Jeannette Hogan

Usher: Tom Hogan

10:00 AM

Euch Min: Rev. Ed Dean

Reader: Kathleen Palmer

Acolytes: Rob Duncanson,
Norah Duncanson,
Louise Pfanstiehl

Usher: Kelley Elderkin

Video: Cathi Beattie

THIS WEEK

Monday, 9/14	Guitars 4 Vets, 4 pm Christian Meditation, Church, 6:00 pm AA, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm
Tuesday, 9/15	Men's Group, Education Room, 9:30 am Knitters, Bay room, 9:30 – Noon Perspectives, Parish Hall, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm PVA Meeting, Parish Hall, 6 pm
Wednesday, 9/16	Pawtuxet Rangers, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 9/17	A Look at the Gospel, Education room, 9:00 am Music Together, 9 am Perspectives, Parish Hall, Noon to 3:00 pm AA, 7:00 pm
Saturday, 9/19	The Village Board Meeting, 10 am – 4 pm

For routine communication, please email Mother Susan Wrathall
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