TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2026 ~ 8:15 AM & 10:30 AM

The Rev. Kurt C. Wiesner, ***Preaching & Presiding***

Trinity's Mission: *to follow Christ through the ministries of worship, education, and service.*
Trinity's Vision: *to be a major Christian presence in the Highland Lakes area, proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church

We're delighted to have you with us today! Please fill out a Visitors' Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

If you're new to the Episcopal service, people generally (but are not required) to:

- Stand to sing hymns, say the creeds, and hear the Gospel.
- Sit for readings, the sermon, and music.
- Stand or kneel for prayer.

Our 10:30 AM service includes music; the earlier service is spoken.

We're glad you're here and hope you'll join us again.

To learn more about Trinity and the Episcopal tradition, please speak with the Reverend.



Our congregation welcomes children in worship.

We believe every sound and movement is part of our shared praise—each child's joyful noise blesses us all!

If you need to step out with your child during the service, a space is set aside in the foyer—but please feel free to return when ready.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Prelude

✠ **The Processional** *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord* *Hymnal 637*

The Opening Acclamation
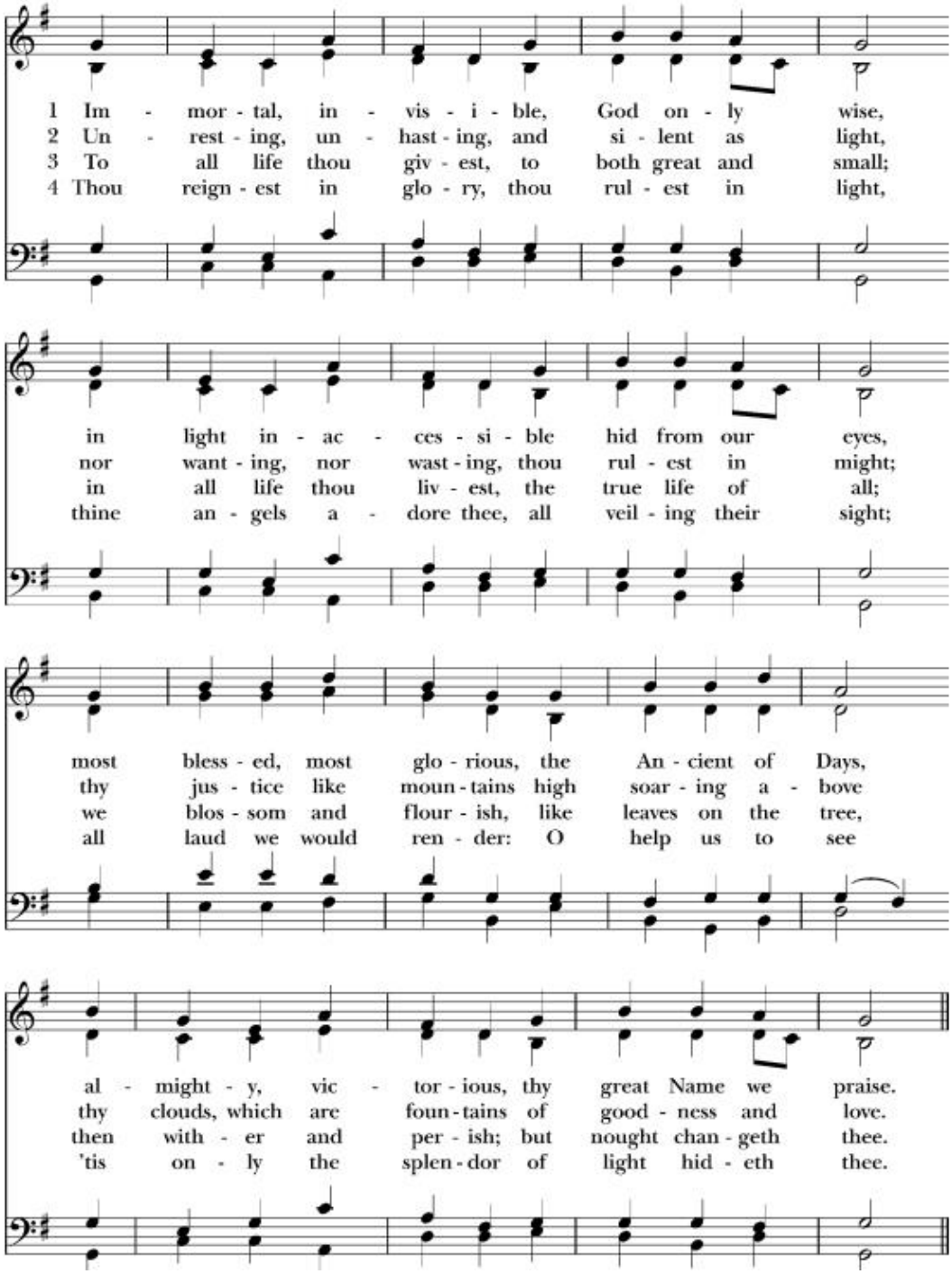
Blessed be the one, holy, living God.

✠ **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

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.**

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✠ **Hymn of Praise** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* *Hymnal 423*



The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

✠ **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Reading *1 Kings 19:9-18*

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "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. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

✠ The Psalm 85:8-13 *(The People say the Psalm)*

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Second Reading *Romans 10:5-15*

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God**.

The Sequence Hymn *In Christ there is no East or West* *Hymnal 529*

The Holy Gospel *Matthew 14:22-33*

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

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached

out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Kurt Wiesner

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 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

Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

✠ **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

✠ **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

✠ **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

✠ **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

✠ **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For our Bishops; and all bishops and other ministers;

✠ **For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

✠ **For your mercy is great.**

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays:

We commend to God's gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, all first responders, and all who labor for justice and peace in the world.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

✠ **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

✠ **Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

✠ **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord

Announcements and Prayer for a Birthday and other milestones

✠ **Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

The Offertory—8:15am

All things come of thee, O Lord,

✠ **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Offertory—10:30am

✠The Doxology

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

The people remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3
Enriching Our Worship

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you**.

Lift up your hearts.

✠ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

✠ **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

✠ The Sanctus

8:15 AM (spoken) *10:30 AM (sung)* Hymnal S-129

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand or kneel.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

✠ **Dying, you destroyed our death.**
✠ **Rising, you restored our life.**
✠ **Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

✠ **Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,	**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,**
hallowed be thy Name,	**santificado sea tu Nombre,**
thy kingdom come,	**venga tu reino,**
thy will be done,	**hágase tu voluntad,**
on earth as it is in heaven.	**en la tierra como en el cielo.**
Give us this day our daily bread.	**Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.**
And forgive us our trespasses,	**Perdona nuestras ofensas,**
as we forgive those who	**como también nosotros perdonamos**
trespass against us.	**a los que nos ofenden.**
And lead us not into	**No nos dejes caer en tentación**
temptation,	**y líbranos del mal.**
but deliver us from evil.	**Porque tuyo es el reino,**
For thine is the kingdom,	**tuyo es el poder,**
and the power, and the glory,	**y tuya es la gloria,**
for ever and ever.	**ahora y por siempre.**
Amen.	**Amén.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Silence is kept.

The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. Those worshiping virtually are invited to say the following prayer while communion is being distributed to the in-person gathering :

✠ Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, and we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. Loving you above all things, we long to be united to you in love. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

(Adapted from St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

✠ The Communion Hymns

Eternal Father, strong to save *Hymnal 608*
O God our help in ages past *Hymnal 680*

The Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

✠ **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

✠ The Recessional *O worship the King, all glorious above* *Hymnal 388*

The Dismissal

The Priest announces the dismissal, after which the People respond:

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

The altar flowers are dedicated to
the Glory of God and
in Thanksgiving
by Lisa Cobb Alexander

Ministers in the Lord's Service

	8:15am	10:30am
Preacher & Presider	**Rev. Kurt Wiesner**	**Rev. Kurt Wiesner**
Organist		**Georgia Parsons**
Acolyte	**Kathy Nicholl**	**Lee Parmeter**
Lector	**Sharon Hawley**	**Kathi Walker**
Chalice Bearer		**Teresia Harwell**
		Pam Rodgers
Vestry Host	**Karen McRight**	**Karen McRight**
Ushers	**Michael Gay**	**Basil Bigbie**
		Malcolm Gray
		Ruth Gray
Altar Guild	**Jean Burton**	**Suzanne Bigbie**
		Jenny Waldo
AV-video		**Barb Parmeter**
AV-audio		**David Waldo**

From the Rector

Please make sure all of these events are on your calendar!!!

Sunday August 16th: The Blessing of Backpacks
It's the Sunday before school begins! Please bring your school backpacks, or other items essential to your school wellbeing, to be blessed in our 10:30am Sunday service. Pizza in the Parish Hall to follow!

Children and Youth Acolytes will have refresher time and breakfast in the Parish Hall at 9:30am that morning.

Sunday August 23rd: Bishop Ryan's Visitation:
COMBINED SERVICE 10am

Sunday August 30th: Our first session of our Children and Youth Program, HOLY MOLY!, happens during the first half of the 10:30am service in the Parish Hall.

Sunday September 13th: MINISTRY FAIR after both services

Learn all about the many active ministries at Trinity, including some newly starting. It's your opportunity to ask questions, and become part of something that engages your mind and moves your soul.

Sunday September 20th: Ministry Training Sunday

Unless otherwise directed by your ministry head, all of our liturgical ministries will have a training session at 9:15am in the Church. We will meet together in the Church to walk through our roles, and explore any questions you may have.

Please ask me if you have questions, comments or concerns!

Faithfully,

Rev. Kurt
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Trinity News

Bishop Ryan Visit August 23rd
Confirmation/Reception Opportunity
Combined 10:00 am service

The Rt. Rev. Kay Ryan will preside and preach for Trinity's annual Bishop visit.

Are you interested in formally/liturgically becoming an Episcopalian? Please ask Rev. Kurt about the nature of the opportunity and to plan for the service.

HE NEEDS TO KNOW BY TOMORROW!!! 😊

Education for Ministry (EfM)

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a small-group program (6–12 participants) that combines theological study, reflection, and discussion. In addition to the traditional four-year program, a new one-year option, **Wide Angle**, offers an introduction to EfM without a long-term commitment.

Our EfM group will meet Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, September 2, 2026–May 26, 2027.

Registration deadline is Sunday, August 16.

We need **at least six participants** to offer the class, so please sign up soon. If minimum enrollment is not met, the class may have to be canceled.

For more information or to register, contact Barb Parmeter in the church office at (830) 693-2822 or webminister@trinitymarblefalls.org. Learn more about EfM at https://theology.sewanee.edu/education-for-ministry/program/.

The History and Archaeology of the Bible

Discover the ancient evidence of major biblical events with archaeologist and National Geographic author Prof. Jean-Pierre Isbouts as he takes you into the Holy Land to explore exciting new sites and excavations.

This will be a 24-week study and discussion opportunity. Each session will have a video lecture followed by an interactive discussion about what we saw and heard. We will be chasing rabbits down whatever holes are interesting.

Join us starting August 6th. We'll meet at 4:00 on Thursdays at the Burnet County Community Resource Center - 1016 Broadway, Marble Falls, TX. (please use the rear entrance)

Please RSVP to Jerry Watkins at 847-736-0791
Hill Country United Methodist Church

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, August 9

8:15am Spoken Eucharist Service
10:30am Eucharist Service with music

Monday, August 10

4:15pm Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, August 11

9:00am Worship in the Courtyard (Morning Prayer)
9:30am Daughters of the King Meeting

Thursday, August 13

3:00am Finance Committee Meeting

Next Week at Trinity

Sunday, August 16 – Food Pantry Sunday & Blessing of the Backpacks

8:15am Spoken Eucharist Service
9:30am Children & Youth Acolytes Meeting & Breakfast
10:30am Eucharist Service with music + Backpack Blessing
(Pizza in the Parish Hall to follow)

Tuesday, August 18

9:00am Worship in the Courtyard (Morning Prayer)

Looking Ahead

Sunday, August 23 – Bishop Ryan's Annual Visit

10:00am **Combined** Eucharist Service with Bishop Ryan

Sunday, August 30 – 5th Sunday Ministry

8:15am Spoken Eucharist Service
10:30am Eucharist Service with music
10:30am Holy Moly! Children & Youth Program Begins (during 1st half of 10:30am service)
2:30pm 5th Sunday Ministry at Marble Falls Assisted Living

Tuesday, September 1

3:30pm Community Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, September 2

9:00am Men's Bible Study Resumes
3:30pm Choir Practice Resumes

Sunday, September 13 – Ministry Fair (after both services)

Come learn about all of our ministries here at Trinity

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