# Trinity Episcopal Church

October 5, 2025: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, 10am Choral Eucharist

# **Welcome to Our Parish**

We are glad to have you with us for our worship today, to share in the inclusive, ever-abundant love of God. If you would like to learn more about life here at Trinity, please fill out a **Welcome Card** found in the pew racks in front of you; join us for refreshments after the service; and visit our **website** at **trinitysb.org**.

For an explanation of why worship at Trinity looks and sounds like it does, scan the QR code for our **Guide to the Episcopal Liturgy.** 



**Open Communion.** Whatever tradition you come from, and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome at our communion table. You will find simple directions on how to participate in the Holy Communion section of the program. Gluten-free wafers are available—just ask when the bread is presented to you.

**Prayer Ministers.** During communion at the 10am service, two prayer ministers are available at the back of the church to pray. The three of you will pray together in a circle and you will be offered anointing with oil.

**Children.** On Sundays, Trinity offers religious formation for our children (ages 3 to 12) through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. It takes place as early as 9am in the church school building behind the sanctuary. Children are brought into the church during the offertory hymn to join us for communion at the 10am service.

**Nursery and Toddler Care** is from 9:45am to the end of the 10am service on Sundays in the nursery upstairs. During the offertory hymn, you are welcome to gather your child from the nursery to join you for communion in the church.

**Trinity's Youth Group** (grades 7-12) meets weekly during the school year for fellowship and reflection.

**Our ushers** are always glad to be of assistance, including answering questions, providing hearing loops as needed, and giving directions to the church school building, the nursery, and other on-site facilities.



# **Ordinary Time**

For years, when my child was little, long trips in the car meant enjoying the treat of listening to books-on-tape. Among our favorites were the Winnie-the-Pooh books, read by the gravelly-voiced Charles Kuralt. Through simple, everyday stories about the lives of Pooh and Piglet, Owl and Tigger, and all the other residents of the Hundred Acre Wood, we came to know their values and how they cared for each other. The stories explored what it meant to be a friend and a neighbor; what it felt like to be excluded or included; the reparative cycle from hurt to forgiveness, from isolation to reconciliation.

While I love the high drama and excitement of the "big" seasons and celebrations of the church year—Advent and Christmas, Lent and Holy Week, Easter and Ascension and Pentecost—there's so much to appreciate about the long unfolding season of the weeks between Pentecost and Advent, what in 'church-speak' we call Ordinary Time. Over the next 5+ months, we'll hear stories of Jesus' day-to-day work and ministry in the scriptures, learning through narrative and parable what it means to be a neighbor, to be included, to be healed and forgiven and reconciled.

Our challenge in this Ordinary Time is to not take the everyday-ness of the stories of Jesus encountering and loving humanity for granted, but appreciate the rich gifts of the quotidian. I'm reminded of Mary Oliver's poem of wise counsel, especially apt this season: Instructions for living a life...

Pay attention. Be astonished. Tell about it.

Welcome to this Ordinary, and astonishing, time.

Elizabeth+

The Rev. Elizabeth Molitors, Rector

**Hearing Loop** installed in the sanctuary.

# Ministers of Today's Liturgy

#### 8am Service

Preacher: The Rev. John Draper, Deacon

Presider: The Rev. Sarah Thomas, Associate Rector

**Deacon:** The Rev. John Draper **Director of Music:** Thomas Joyce

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Michael Dean

Reader: Sarah Fenstermaker Intercessor: Michael Neal Arnold Acolyte: Michael Neal Arnold Ushers: Jim Micallef, MK Micallef

## 9am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Catechists: Stephanie Perez, Mary Gibson,

Vanessa Woods

Volunteers: Leslie Meadowcroft-Schipper, Elizabeth Patterson, Christen Foell, Aaron Sizer Director of Children and Youth: Theo Patterson

# 9am Nursery

Theo Patterson

## 10am Service

**Preacher:** The Rev. John Draper,. Deacon **Presider:** The Rev. Elizabeth Molitors, Rector

**Deacon:** The Rev. John Draper **Director of Music:** Thomas Joyce

**The Trinity Choir** 

**Prayer Ministers:** Helene Gardner, Georgia Noble

Acolytes: Terre Sanitate, Cata Carey-Pisani,

Carola Pisani

Readers: Jeannie Christensen, Cathi Speake

**Intercessor:** Pauline Nelson

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Boesch,

Anna Kokotovic, Clare Carey-Pisani

Audio Guild: Matt Evans

Stream Team: Mateo Carey-Pisani

**Ushers:** David Gartrell, Mel Sahyun, Emily Young,

**David Young** 

Greeters: Paul Zink, Elizabeth Patterson,

Susan Zink

Welcome Table: Jay Casbon, Kate Wallace Altar Guild: Chris Boesch, Terre Sanitate Coffee Hour Helpers: Claude Garciacelay,

Alexander Thomas, Matthew Kramer Flower Guild: Jasmine Peterson

Bouquet Blessings: Mary Gibson, Susan Zink,

Carol Carpenter

# Remember in Your Prayers

Veronica, Men of Lompoc prison, people of Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, undocumented immigrants, Randy Howard, David Davis, John and Yvette Hoffman, Nina Zimmer, Edith Hollister, Nick Johanson, Danae and Kaila, the Williams Family, Elizabeth Scagel, Ken Sorgman, Ryley, Sarah Dobbs, Katie Troy, Susan Zink, Maya and Rowen, the Bergquist family.

# **Those with Long Term Illness:**

Rachel Roitman, Dave Wyman, Judy Boyd, Ellen Sherman, Stephanie Campbell, Royal Claydon, Greg Hawkins, Carolyn Roberts, Michael Wilds, Karen Myers, Johnny Mac, Jack Carey, Karen McKenzie, Joan W., Cindy Sprague, the Rt. Rev. William Smalley, Rick Huyett, Ada A., Tim, Kate, Molly Ferro, Jane G., Gloria C., Barbara Winslow, Gail Lanonette, Kathy Floyd, Vera Grigorian, Scott Smallwood, Joaquin and Jan, Quinn Sellars, Jane Arnold, Billy Jones, Gina B., Nadine Wilcox, Jane Ramshaw, Travis Stockstill, Virginia Burris, Kathy and Steve Stuck.

# For the Departed:

Steve Henderson, David Edwards, Jim Heine, Melissa and Marc Hortman, Blanca Victoria Reese, Mark, John McCoy, Walter Patterson, Lynda Rothman, Irene Sahyun, Uncle Ferdy, Adele Peters, Robin Minnerly, Kenny Scagel, Edwin Weston, David Kain, Joan Rosemary Churchill, the Very Rev. Michael Pitts, Charlie Kirk and all victims of gun violence, Earl & Maryon, Christian Garvin, Matthew Bergquist, Jane Goodall.

# In the Armed Services:

Craig and Catherine Christ, Michael C. Fish, David Dees, Frederick Johnston, Nicole A. Dennis, Kyle Ray, John Whitney, Sean Dunbar, Nicholas Hoegh Guldberg, Ryan Carey, Ben Wilson, Hannah Vadnais.

# Postulant for Holy Orders (diaconate):

Phylene Wiggins

### **Pastoral Care:**

If you would like names added to the prayer list, please contact the office. Names will be removed after 90 days. If you would like to receive communion at home, are going into the hospital or are otherwise in need of pastoral care, and would like to pray with or be visited by clergy, please email office@trinitysb.org or call 805-965-7419.

## Flower Dedication:

Today's flowers are given by Dodie Little in gratitude for her North Carolina family and her Trinity family. **Prelude** 

Meditation: "Peace"

Edwin H. Lemare (1865-1934)

All who are able, please stand for the Processional Hymn

# **Processional Hymn**

New every morning is the love



# **Opening Acclamation**

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. People Glory to God for ever and ever.

# **Collect for Purity**

Loving 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

# **Hymn of Praise** All are invited to sing



# **Collect of the Day**

adapted from Prayers for an Inclusive Church

Presider

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray. God of the growing seed, you reach to the roots of our being and quench our sea-deep thirst: help us to know ourselves through the eyes of the other who calls us to answer and serve and, in the end, be filled; through Jesus Christ, the servant leader. **Amen.** 

# First Lesson Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision:

make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

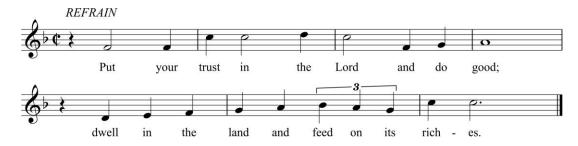
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God

## Psalm 37:1-10

All are invited to sing the REFRAIN

Thomas Joyce



#### REFRAIN

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \* do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, \* and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; \* dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, \* who shall give you your heart's desire.

#### REFRAIN

Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, \*
who will bring it to pass.

The Lord will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*
and your just dealing as the noonday.

#### REFRAIN

Be still before the Lord \* wait patiently for the Lord.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \* the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \* do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, \* but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

REFRAIN

# Second Lesson 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy

calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God

All who are able, please stand.

# **Gospel Acclamation**



The Holy Gospel Luke 17:5-10

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, O Christ.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, `Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, `Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, `We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

**Sermon** The Rev. John Draper

[Allow for a few moments of silence]

All who are able, please stand.

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

Sister Joan Chittister, OSB

We believe in God who made us all, and whose divinity infuses life with the sacred. We believe in the multiple revelations of God, alive in every human heart, expressed in every culture, found in all the wisdoms of the world.

We believe in Jesus, the Christ, who leads us to the fullness of humanity, to what we are meant to become.

Through Christ, we become new people, called beyond the consequences of our brokenness, lifted to the fullness of life.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God on earth, who keeps the Christ vision present to souls yet in darkness, gives light to hearts now blind, infuses energy into spirits yet weary, isolated, searching and confused.

We believe in God who is life. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People**

adapted from White & Graves, Hear Our Prayer

O God, increase our faith and hear our prayers as we say, God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Help your church to perceive and answer your call to serve and build the vision of your just future. God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Guide the people and leaders of this nation towards unity of purpose and mutual regard, that we might be a civil society that offers hope and opportunity to all its members. God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Embolden us to be committed stewards of the creation you have entrusted to our care that all future generations might know its abundance. God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Make your healing presence known in the lives of all who suffer and let us be instruments of your healing love. We pray for all those on our parish prayer list, and others we now name, silently or aloud.

[Pause to offer names.]

God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

May those who have died know the brightness of your love, and may we also come to join them in your presence.

[Pause to offer names.]

God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect:

God of all creation, in the life of Jesus you have shown us the model and potential of our own lives. Grant us the faith and commitment to continue Christ's mission and ministry and answer our prayers as may be best for us. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.** 

#### Confession

Deacon We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins:

People God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf; Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the

grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of

the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated.

#### **Announcements**

#### The Offertory

To make or pay your pledge, scan the QR code, on the right, with your smart phone, or visit <u>trinitysb.org/giving</u>. We also gratefully receive checks in the offertory plate or mailed to the Trinity office at 1500 State St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.



Please stay seated as the offering plates are passed, then stand, as you are able, as the ushers bring forward the offerings of bread, wine and money to the altar.

**Offertory Anthem** 

O Lord, Increase my Faith

Henry Loosemore (c.1607-1670)

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith; endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience; in all my adversity, teach me to say Amen.

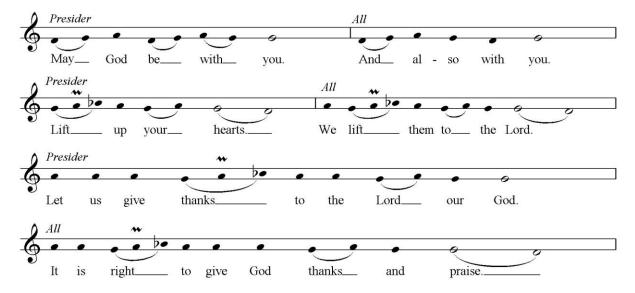
# **Entrance of the Children into the Sanctuary**

## Offertory Hymn 593

Lord, make us servants of your peace

# The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching our Worship

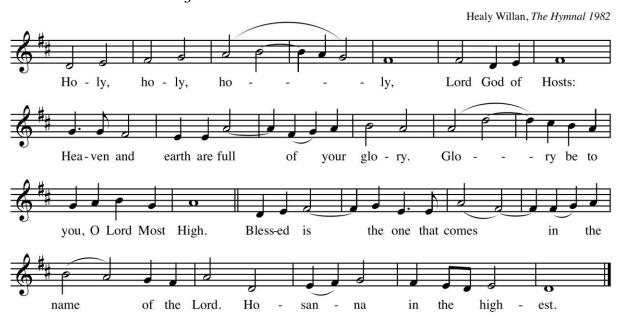


Presider

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:

#### **Sanctus**

All are invited to sing



Presider

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 new 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 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.

People

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

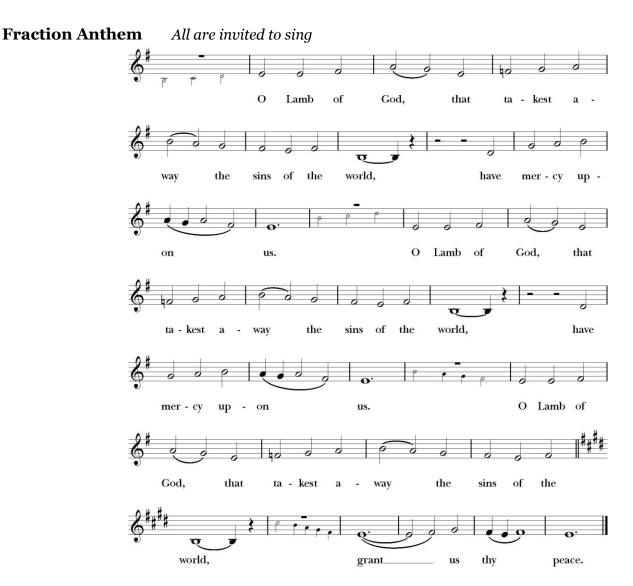
Presider

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and the 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 your 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. **AMEN.** 

## The Lord's Prayer

And now let us pray together, in the words Jesus gave his disciples:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.



#### The Invitation

Presider These are the gifts of God for you, the holy and beloved people of God.

## **The Holy Communion**

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table for communion. Please come forward to receive communion standing in a semi-circle around the altar. You have the option to receive only the bread, or the bread intincted (dipped) into the wine and placed into your hand by the clergy person distributing communion. If you wish to receive only the bread, please say "bread only" as it's your turn to receive. Gluten free wafers are also available.

Regardless of whether you're receiving the bread only, or the bread and wine, you will hear the phrases, "the body of Christ, the bread of heaven" and "the blood of Christ, the cup of salvation" as communion is offered to you. As the ushers invite your row, please use the center aisle to receive communion, then return to your seat via the side aisle. If you're unable to leave your pew, please notify an usher and communion will be brought to you. If you do not wish to receive communion, simply cross your arms across your chest; this will signal to the clergy to offer a blessing in lieu of communion.

Prayer ministers are available at the back of the church to pray for personal needs or concerns or to share your joys. If desired, anointing with holy oil is available from the prayer ministers as well.

#### **Communion Anthem**

Prayer of St. Francis

Jan Nieland (1903-1963)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Adapted from the New Zealand Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, living God, in whom we live and move and have our being, all that we are, have been, and shall be is known to you, to the very secret of our hearts and all that rises to trouble us. Living flame, burn into us, cleansing wind, blow through us, fountain of water, well up within us, that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ. Amen.

#### **Commendation of Eucharistic Visitors**

Presider Beloved community, we send our eucharistic visitors to share this Holy Communion with

those who could not worship here today.

People May they carry the prayers of all of us as they take the sacrament of the

presence of Christ.

#### The Blessing

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So, be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and always. **Amen.** 

# **Recessional Hymn 429**

I'll praise my maker while I've breath

#### The Dismissal

Deacon Our worship has ended, our service begins. Go in peace to love and serve God and one

another.

People Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Old CXIIIth Psalm Charles Wood (1866-1926)

<sup>-</sup> Prayer ascribed to St. Francis of Assisi (c.1182-1226)

## **Coffee Hour**

Our fellowship continues at Coffee Hour. Please join us outside on the labyrinth.

We are glad to have you with us for our worship today, to share in the inclusive, ever-abundant love of God. If you would like to learn more about life here at Trinity, please visit our website at **trinitysb.org.** 

**New to Trinity?** Please know you are welcome! Fill out the newcomer card in the pew rack or complete the online form using the QR code below so we can get to know you better!





# **Upcoming Events and Announcements**

Episcopal 101 Series - Last session for this series is in the Guild Hall, 11:30am-lpm

# Vestry Discernment Forum – Sunday, October 5, 11:30am-12:30pm

Are you being called to be on the vestry, now or in the future? Join us today at this forum where we will provide both the "job description" and the criteria and expectations of vestry members. Contact: Susan Krutzsch at krutzsch.s@gmail.com.

# Tonight! Compline with Story & Sound – Sunday, October 5, 7-8pm

An evening of meditative music and storytelling in the Trinity Sanctuary with incense, tea, blankets, and candlelight. Our storyteller for October is parishioner Michelle Petty. Visit the compline page on the Trinity website for more information.

# Noon Concert @ Trinity - Friday, October 10, 12:15 - 1pm (doors @ 11:45am)

Trinity's very own Thomas Joyce will be featured in a solo program of organ music from the Baroque era. Free-will offering of \$10. Please join us!

# Annual Giving Kickoff Dinner – Saturday, October 11, 5:30-8pm

This festive, all-parish, family friendly gathering will be another opportunity to connect with new and long-time Trinity friends. We hope you will attend this special night of fellowship as we kick off our fall season of annual giving. Sign up to attend and to help at the event. Find both sign-up easels at coffee hour or, sign up online on the website under *Upcoming Events*.

# Introduction to Centering Prayer – Sunday, October 12, 11:30am – 12:15pm

Please join us in the Guild Hall for a presentation on the contemplative practice of Centering Prayer. You will learn about this form of silent prayer, the history of this ancient practice of early Christianity and how to practice this form of prayer. For additional information, contact Rev. Christine Purcell at <a href="mailto:christinefpurcell@gmail.com">christinefpurcell@gmail.com</a>

# Together at the Table - Fall Gatherings

There are still a couple of opportunities to join a potluck!

- October 12, 5pm. Goleta 93117
- October 24, 6pm. Santa Barbara 93110

Sign up online or contact the office at office@trinitysb.org or (805) 965-7419.

