

**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
**Hear the Spirit ~ See God's Beauty ~ Act in Love**

*Trinity Sunday*  
*May 31, 2026 10am*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Prelude** *Gloria Tibi Trinitas*

Matthias Weckmann (1616-1674)

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Hymn #362** *Holy, holy, holy!*

NICAEA

**Opening Acclamation**

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **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.

**The Gloria S-277**

*Service music is found at the beginning of the hymnal, listed in numerical order before the hymns*

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**The Collect of the Day**

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*Presider* The Lord be with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

**The First Lesson:** Genesis 1:1-2:4a

*insert*

*Reader*                    The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 8**      *Domine, Dominus noster*                    *Tone VII.3*



- 1 —O LÓRD our Góvornor, \*  
    how exalted is your Náme in áll the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of ínfants and ćhildren \*  
    your majesty is praised abóve the héavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold againśt your advérsaries, \*  
    to quell the enemy ánd the avénger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the wórk of your fíngers, \*  
    the moon and the stars you have sét in their cóurses,
- 5 What is man that you should be míndful óf him? \*  
    the son of man that yóu should séek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower thán the ángels; \*  
    you adorn him with glóry and hónor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the wórks of yóur hands; \*  
    you put all things únder híś feet:
- 8 All shéep and óxen, \*  
    even the wíld beasts óf the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the físh of thé sea, \*  
    and whatsoever walks in the páths of thé sea.
- 10 O LÓRD our Góvornor, \*  
    how exalted is your Náme in áll the world! [*Ant.*]

**The Second Lesson:** 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

*insert*

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn #613** *Thy kingdom come, O God*

ST. CECILIA

*Verses 1 - 4 will be sung before the reading of the Gospel.*

*Verse 5 will be sung after the reading.*

**The Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20

*insert*

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Following the Gospel*

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Rector

**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 worshiped 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**

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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Julia, our bishop; for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in the Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Bridget, Tony, Lyn, Megan, Cecilia, Elizabeth, Lin, David, Alicia, Mateo, Sam, Ellen, Ned and Katherine McCrady, and those we now name either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

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 James Busby and 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.*

Leader and People

**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 Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

### **The Peace**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*All are invited to exchange greetings of peace.*

### **Welcome and Announcements of our Ministries**

The Rector



*During the Offertory Hymn, our ushers will pass the collection plate. You are welcome to make an offering by leaving cash or a check in the plate, or by scanning the QR code to donate online via Tithe.ly. Whether you are able to support our ministry financially or not, please know that you are invited to full participation in this church on exactly the same terms and conditions as God's grace and love: completely free of charge.*

### **Offertory Hymn #368 Holy Father, great creator**

REGENT SQUARE

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The Presider gives thanks to God, continuing until the words*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

#### **The Sanctus Hymnal S-127**

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 Presider continues the Eucharistic Prayer, continuing until the words*

Therefore according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.**

*The Presider continues the Eucharistic Prayer, continuing until the words*

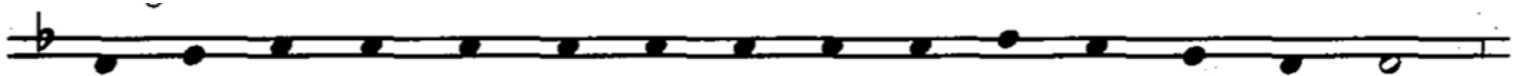
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*Presider* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*



**The Postcommunion Prayer** *Please stand as able.*

*Presider* Let us pray.

*People* **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn #367** *Round the Lord in glory seated*

RUSTINGTON

**The Dismissal**

*Presider* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** *Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren*

Otto Dienel (1839-1905)

*You are invited to remain seated in the Sanctuary for the Postlude  
or move immediately to coffee hour.*

*Please help maintain a quiet atmosphere in the sanctuary during the Postlude.*

*Today's altar flowers were arranged by Alice Krapf*

**Ministers Serving Today:**

The Rev. Greg Johnston, Rector  
Douglas Witte, Organist and Choir Director  
Julianne Gearhart, Vestry Person of the Day  
Pell Osborn and Paul Tompros, Readers  
Louise Ambler Osborn, Intercessor  
Kate Gunsch, Chalice Bearer  
D. Lawrence Ross, Altar Guild  
Catherine Womack and Cary Cox, Ushers  
Simon Ringrose and Catherine Womack, Coffee Hour Hosts

A special thanks to Douglas and our wonderful choir for their beautiful music throughout the program year. The choir begins their summer hiatus next Sunday.

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