

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 5, 2026

8:00 AM

WHEREVER YOU ARE IN YOUR FAITH JOURNEY,
YOU ARE WELCOME AT TRINITY CHURCH!

PRAYERS AND CANDLE LIGHTING

Lighting candles is as potent a symbol of offering one's prayer to God as candlelight is of God's abiding presence. During Holy Communion, all may light a votive in our Baptismal Chapel, to the left of the altar. You may write prayer requests on a provided card and leave them in the prayer bowl on that chapel's altar. Throughout the week parishioners, especially the Daughters of the King, will join you in that prayer. Anytime our church is unlocked (generally Monday-Thursday 10 am-2 pm and Sunday morning), votives and prayer cards await in the chapel.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

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The People stand.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

THE GLORIA

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who hast taught us to keep all thy commandments by loving thee and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to thee with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE NATION

LORD God Almighty, who hast made all peoples of the earth for thy glory, to serve thee in freedom and in peace: Grant to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with thy gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the Lessons.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-12

REJOICE greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM *Spoken by all*

Psalms 145:8-15

THE Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

10 All your works praise you, O Lord, *
and your faithful servants bless you.

11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;

12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 7:15-25a

I DO not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

JESUS said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. William AJ Heine

The people stand.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Creator God, in wind and flame you sent your Holy Spirit to challenge your Church to carry light and love in a hurting world. Hear the prayers of your people.

God who inspires, you are at work in the communities where we live. We pray for our neighbors, both strangers and friends, for those who have no safe shelter, for public servants, first responders, teachers and activists; for hospitals, libraries and all institutions which care for our people. We pray for all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including **Lt. Col. James Quillen** and **Lt. Pia Mackie**.

You open your hand, and we are full of good things:
Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God who creates, we are surrounded by your beautiful world. Remind us to live more gently in it, to help protect our water, land and air and all the creatures, great and small, who live in it, so that it will be home for centuries to come.

You renew the face of the earth:
Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God who guides, we pray for the leaders of our country and around the world, that they might govern with justice, peace, mercy, and equity, that all vulnerable will be protected and that oppression and conflict will end. We pray for our president, Donald, our governor, Abigail, our mayor, Michele and county chair, Jeff. We pray for an end to violence, especially in Gaza, Israel, Lebanon, Iran, Haiti, Sudan, Ukraine and Russia.

You name as beloved every nation under heaven:

Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God who loves, speak hope through your church. We pray for Archbishop Sarah, Presiding Bishop Sean, our Bishop Karin, for our diocese and this church, its clergy, staff and congregation. We pray for the Church Universal, that it may be in the world the body of Christ.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever:

Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God of compassion, we pray for all those who suffer in mind, body or spirit, including **Paul Allen, David, Debbie, Christopher Byrd, Roland Carlton, Jaqueline Coffey, Jim Coffey, Brandon Collins, Dave, Chris Dolan, Stephen Edelstein, Elena, Barbara Firehock, Betsy Gaffney, Beate Harnad, Hedley, Pete Holberg, Kean Ivey, Dan Klem, Randy McElroy, Nancy Merrill, Nancy Miller, Ken Monroe, Catherine Morrison, Kayla Mullins, Richard Obenschain, John Parrott, Cynthia Polhill, Mike Quayle, Rick Seyford, Kim Shelton, Russ Roberts, Melinda Rodgers, Joanie Siegel, Stephanie, Stewart, Susie, Forest Thompson, Timothy, and Dale Whitsit.**

Let all who are thirsty come to you:

Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God who knows us in the womb, we pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, including **Phil Atkins, Laurie Nolley, and Stephanie Otteni.**

We will sing to you as long as we live:

Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

God who brings us home at the end of the day, we pray for all who have died and for those who love and mourn for them, including **Denis Finnegan, Tom Cabe, Genevieve Marie Henican Babington, Annette Heston, Jack Cowherd, Audrey Jarratt Carlton, Richard O. and Isabel Obenschain, Gilpin and Isabel Willson, and Gilpin Willson III.**

We will praise you, O God, while we have our being:

Send us the light of your Holy Spirit.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people remained seated while the people's monetary gifts are received. During the offertory, we respond to all that God has given us by offering our gifts to sustain God's work in the world. If you wish to make your offering electronically, please scan the QR code.



THE PRESENTATION

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

You are welcome at the Lord's table! All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist. Ushers will guide you to the altar rail, where you can either stand or kneel. Both bread (including gluten free, just ask) and wine are offered. When it comes to the wine, you can choose to "sip, dip, or skip." If you choose to "dip," please hold the wafer up so that the chalice bearer knows your intention. If you are not receiving, please come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest).

If you are unable to come forward, please let the usher know and we will happily come to you! And if you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to life in Christ, please let our clergy know. We love questions and baptisms!

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

We send you out to share Communion this day.
May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.
May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all, standing*

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THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

After the dismissal, the people respond—

Thanks be to God.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of

RICHARD O. AND ISABEL OBENSCHAIN

GILPIN AND ISABEL WILLSON

GILPIN WILLSON III

Our continued prayers are offered for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Austin, Cowles Andrus III, Ava, Boger Family, Carol Brown, Martin Brown, Padi Burtner, Charlotte, Gloria Cline, Charlotte Dickson, Natalie Dodge, Emily, Ken Farley, Lois Fisher, Sean Flanders, Barbara Golden, John Goodloe, William Haupt, Ernest Holley, Ian, John Payne, Alice Karny, Katalina, Kate, Kevin, Ellie Knape, Marcus, Matthew, Maxine McKinney, Cheryl Owens, Patricia, Anita Pence, Tanner Rosebrook, Katherine Shavers, Deann Smith, and Christopher Whittington.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. William AJ Heine

Lector: Shannon Payne

Eucharistic Minister: Sally Mueller

Altar Guild: Sandra Logan

Usher: Susan Baldwin

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rt. Rev. Karin MacPhail, *Bishop*

The Rev. William AJ Heine, *Rector*

The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett, *Associate Rector*

Virginia Bolena, *Organist and Director of Music*

Katie Faulkner, *Community Life Coordinator*

Ana Duncan, *Parish Administrator*

Autumn Nolen, *Communications Coordinator*

Jeff Selkirk, *Maintenance Manager*



VESTRY

Paul Bugas, *Senior Warden* • Mary Faulkner, *Junior Warden* • Molly Brown, *Treasurer*

Lee Beam, *Assistant Treasurer* • Phillippa Holley, *Clerk*

Paul Bugas • Mary Faulkner • Fred Odell • Jean-Paul Shibut

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