

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 9, 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 with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy 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

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 *Spoken by all*

Psalm 85:8-13

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.
9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

THE SECOND LESSON

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 People stand.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

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

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 be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated.

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, Lt. Pia Mackie, and Declan Dowe.**

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, Jaqueline Coffey, Jim Coffey, Dave, Chris Dolan, Elena, Hedley, Kenny Humphries, Kean Ivey, Dan Klem, Kristin, Mary, Randy McElroy, Nancy Merrill, Nancy Miller, Ken Monroe, Catherine Morrison, Mira Mueller, Jeff Mueller, Kayla Mullins, Richard Obenschain, Kai Peterson, Cynthia Polhill, Mike Quayle, Rick Seyford, Kim Shelton, Tanner Rosebrook, Russ Roberts, Joanie Siegel, Stephanie, Forest Thompson, Timothy, John Wheary, and Robin Wood.**

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 **Mike Martin, Caleb Nolen, Linda Mahler, Julian Hickman, Wayt Timberlake III, Leighton Carruth, Dylan Boeckmann, Braelynn Regi, Buckley Cason, Iris Lockhart, Bill Mitchell, Michael Quillen, and Sharlene Richards.**

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 **Winifred Anderson, Jim Boulton, Dorothea DiStefano, Denis Finnegan, Marc Hroncich, Jane Manning, John Parrott, Doug Roller, Mary Lou Seilheimer, and Edwin O'Shea.**

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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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

EDWIN O'SHEA

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, Barbara Firehock, Lois Fisher, Sean Flanders, Barbara Golden, John Goodloe, William Haupt, Ernest Holley, Ian, Alice Karny, Katalina, Kate, Kevin, Ellie Knape, Leslie Long, Marcus, Matthew, Maxine McKinney, Cheryl Owens, Patricia, John Payne, Anita Pence, Katherine Shavers, and Christopher Whittington.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. William AJ Heine

Lector: Cass Cannon

Eucharistic Minister: Dale Whitsit

Altar Guild: Susanna Larner

Usher: Katie Cathey

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

Lindlee Baker • Rick Chittum • James Dungan • Kristin Reichert

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