

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 11, 2026

10:30 AM

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

TRINITY LOVES FAMILIES!

Trinity Church is a place of worship, music, prayer and fellowship for every age! We welcome families to this space, and invite your little ones to sit up front where they can more easily see and learn what's happening at the altar and in the pulpit. Explore the children's corner near the main entrance to the church, with child-sized chairs, activity bags and books. Trinity also offers a nursery for infants and toddlers during Sunday School and the 10:30 service, staffed by two adult employees of the church, located on the ground floor of the Parish Hall.

PRAYERS AND CANDLE LIGHTING

Lighting candles is as potent a symbol of offering one's prayer to God as candlelight reminds us 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 II

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER P. 355

VOLUNTARY

Deep River • Spiritual; arr. Joe Utterback

GENEROSITY MOMENT

CJ Hill

The people stand for the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Sing praise to God who reigns above • *Mit Freuden zart* • Hymnal 408

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Song of Praise • John Rutter • S 236

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord

God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____

— for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will

praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Descant
 5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -
 5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of
 depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

LORD, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the Lessons.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Philippians 4:1-9

MY brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The People stand for the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.

SEQUENCE HYMN

The King of love my shepherd is • *St. Columba* • **Hymnal 645**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

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

ONCE more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. William AJ Heine

The people stand for the Nicene Creed, the Prayers of the People and the Peace.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leaders and People pray responsively.

At the turning of the seasons, we pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for your church, that it may be grounded in love and guided by mercy. We pray for our Archbishop Sarah, our Presiding Bishop Sean, our bishop Karin, for all deacons, priests, and bishops, for Trinity Church, for the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion.
Let Christ's life inspire us everywhere
to be a presence of peace and healing.

We pray for this country, and every nation on earth, for the work of political leaders everywhere, that they might govern not for power and profit, but for the good of all. We pray for the afraid and the oppressed, for all places where there is conflict and injustice. We pray for peace in our country and around the world, especially in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Russia, Iran, Sudan, Haiti and Congo.
Breathe your healing spirit across all borders,
that people be reconciled to one another in peace.

We pray for our neighbors, for those we know and those we do not, for those who do not have safe shelter, enough food or health care; for those in prisons and institutions, those who are lonely and isolated, those who are struggling.
Help us see Christ in those around us,
and help build a community where all have enough.

We pray for your earth, the mountains and seas you have called into being, this garden where we walk and see you in every living thing.
Guide us to better care for this, our shared island home,
knowing that creation is a gift from you.

We pray for those who suffer in mind, body or spirit, especially **Ash Adams, Richard Adams, Paul Allen, Janie Ballurio, Bob & Linda, Victoria Charbonneau, David, Debbie, Sugie Battin, Katie & Ted Cathey, Dahl family, Dave, Chris Dolan, Elena, Suzy Faulkner, Becky Hartsock, Asher Heinz, Hedley, Corey Hickerson, Kenny Humphries, Mary Sue Kivlighan, Dan Klem, Kristin, Martha, Mary, Cathy Marzec, Randy McElroy, Michael McNeill, Megan, Jeff Mueller, Kayla Mullins, Nathan, Noah, Pam, April Pittman, Rick Seyforde, Russ Roberts, Michael Scott, Pam Snyder, Stephanie, Timothy, Coy Tinnel, Susan Towe, John Wheary, Community of Westwood Elementary and Members of the 116th Mobile Brigade Combat Team.**

Give them strength and grace, rest and inspiration,
and show us where we can be present for one another.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week, and give thanks for their lives, their hearts and the gifts they bring to the world, including **Margot Aiken, Audrianna Hallman, Nell Tattersall, Glendon Gill, Lucy Ivey, and Jane Becker.**

Be with them in the new year to come,
and let them know the constancy of your grace.

We pray for those who have died and for those who love and mourn for them, including **Christopher Byrd, Jane Coleman, Nancy Funk Crowther, John Griffin, Beate Harnad, Dale Hughes, Jackie Johnson, Eugenia Taylor, Charlie Trueheart, Robin Wood, Fran Wray, Gen. E. Walton Opie, Elizabeth K. Opie, Evarts W. Opie, Jr., Gen. Hierome Lindsay and Mary Ranson Opie, Ranson Opie, Hierome Lindsay and Nellie Christian Opie, Jr.**

May they be at rest with you and the saints,
and give comfort to those who remember them.

COLLECT FOR STEWARDSHIP *Said in unison*

CREATOR God, you made the earth and everything in it and all good things come from you. Open our eyes to see our earthly resources as instruments for serving you and our neighbor. Open our hearts that we may live with the generosity of your son, Jesus Christ, whose sacrifice on the cross reconciled us to you for eternity, all for the glory of your name. Amen.

LITURGY OF WELCOME

Celebrant: Is it your desire to make Trinity your church home?

Newcomers: **It is.**

Celebrant: Do you promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons,
and to follow Christ's model of love and faithfulness
as part of the life of this community?

Newcomers: **We will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: We welcome you into the congregation of Trinity Episcopal Church!
Let us pray.

All: God who welcomes and calls all beloved, be known to us
in the communion of your people, fellow travelers
on this journey of faith. May we be for each other
company in joy, comfort in sorrow and strength in prayer
as we share in the work of your kingdom.
In the name of your Son Jesus Christ, Amen.

The People stand for the Peace.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty.
For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom,
and you are exalted as head over all.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Haida • Chassidic Round; arr. Henry Leck

*The people remain 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.*



PRESENTATION HYMN

Daily doth the almighty giver • Michael
Hymnal 665, stanza 4

DAILY doth the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul
delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his
command.

THE PRESENTATION

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

The People stand or kneel.

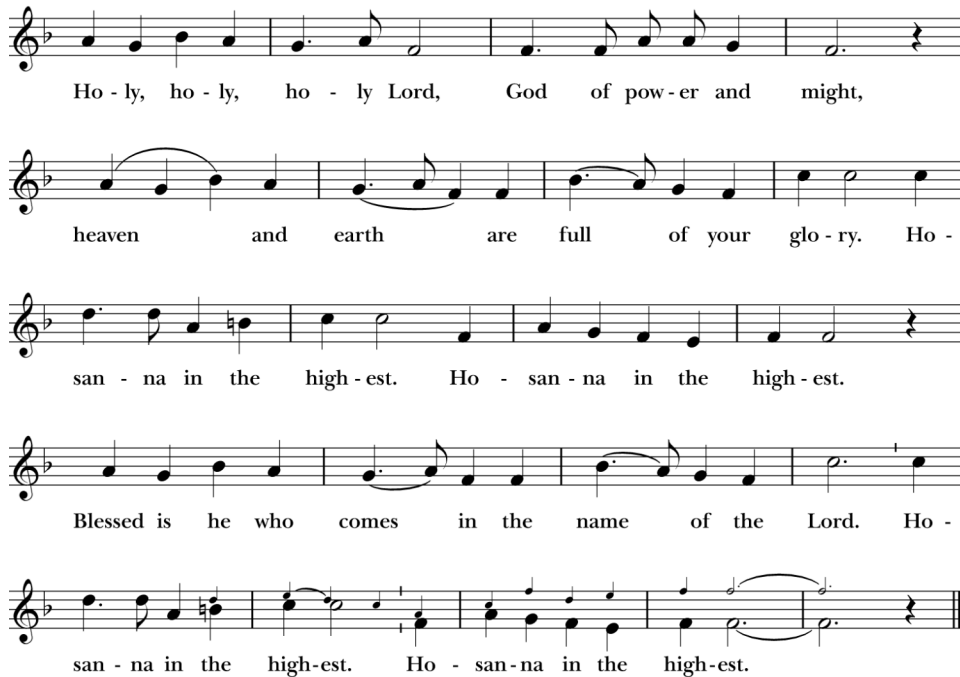
ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 3

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 him 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 for joy:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all*

Holy, holy, holy • Richard Proulx • **Hymnal S 125**



The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 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 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.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM

Christ our Passover • **Hymnal S 155**
Gerald Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

You are welcome at the Lord's table! 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! If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to life in Christ, please let our clergy know. We love questions and baptisms!

COMMUNION HYMNS

Come, my way, my truth, my life • *The Call* • Hymnal 487
This is the hour of banquet and of song • *Morestead* • Hymnal 317

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all, standing*

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

God the Omnipotent! King, who ordainest • *Russia* • Hymnal 569

DISMISSAL

After the dismissal, the people respond —

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Toccata • Eugene Gigout

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

GEN. E. WALTON OPIE

ELIZABETH K. OPIE

EVARTS W. OPIE, JR.,

GEN. HIEROME LINDSAY & MARY RANSON OPIE

RANSON OPIE

HIEROME LINDSAY & NELLIE CHRISTIAN OPIE, JR.

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 & 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, Kean Ivey, Alice Karny, Katalina, Kate, Kevin, Ellie Knappe, Leslie Long, Marcus, Matthew, Maxine McKinney, Catherine Morrison, Cheryl Owens, Patricia, Anita Pence, Cynthia Polhill, Mike Quayle, Katherine Shavers, Kim Shelton, Joanie Siegel, and Christopher Whittington.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Preacher: The Rev. William AJ Heine
Celebrant: The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett
Organist and Director of Music: Virginia Bolena
Lectors: Sarah Crittenden and Caleb Fiske
Eucharistic Ministers: Judith Owens and Glenna Quick
Choir Crucifer: Remy Athey
Crucifer: Adrienne Fiechtl
Altar Guild: Molly Brown
Ushers: Steve Sicking and Jennifer Sicking

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*
Soren Hadfield, *Sunday Attendant*



VESTRY

Paul Bugas, *Senior Warden* • Mary Faulkner, *Junior Warden* • Molly Brown, *Treasurer*
Lee Beam, *Assistant Treasurer* • Phillippa Holley, *Clerk*

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