

The Reverend Bob Farrow, Priest in Charge  
Kevin Anderson, Music Director

**The First Sunday After Pentecost**  
Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**

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*Please be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is a house of prayer for all people.*

Today we welcome our guest celebrant, Father Darius Sudayi.

PRELUDE

*All stand as able and sing.*

PROCESSIONAL | *Nicaea* Holy, holy, holy!

Hymnal 362  
vv. 1, 3-4

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the reading of the lessons.*

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## THE WORD OF GOD

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### THE FIRST LESSON | Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

Lector: A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day

from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM | Canticle 13: *The Song of Three Young Men*, 29 - 34 Hymnal S 231

*The Canticle will be chanted by Kevin Anderson. Please join in if you feel so moved.*

*Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.*

*Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

*Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.*

*Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

*Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.*

*Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Amen.*

THE EPISTLE | 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Lector: A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able and sing.*

SEQUENCE HYMN | *Moscow* Thou whose almighty word

Hymnal 371

THE GOSPEL | Matthew 28:16-20

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated for the sermon.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Darius Sudayi

*All stand as able.*

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
for Trinity Sunday

from *Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the  
Revised Common Lectionary*

*Please kneel or stand as you are able. The Intercessor and People pray responsively.*

Wondrous God, we offer our prayers to you in hope and confidence as we say, “Glory and praise to you, O Living God.”

For the whole church of God, that we might strive to be as one, as our God is one, that we might fulfill your call to ceaselessly give witness to the power of Christ’s example and persevere in continuing his ministry of reconciliation and healing.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

Embolden us to hold our leaders accountable to the possibility of hope and transformation; grant them wisdom and courage to work for the greatest good for all people.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

For the creation, that we might be effective stewards and use the abundant resources you have given us wisely and sustainably.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

We pray for your mercy on the members of our diocesan family currently held in immigration detention and their families. We pray also for the children held in detention across our nation. We pray for their release and for the restoration of humane and ethical immigration enforcement.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

For this assembly, that we might discern your will for us and deploy the gifts you have given us to build the kingdom of God through our daily lives.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

Bring healing to what is broken in our lives and in the lives of those important to us; help all who suffer that they may find release from their anguish and find wholeness in their souls. We pray especially for Andy, Katherine, and Mary.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

Welcome the dying, comfort the grieving, and grant us entry into your eternal presence in the age to come.

**Glory and praise to you, O Living God.**

#### CONCLUDING PRAYER

Glorious, loving, and creating God, you have never abandoned us and have always offered the lighted path out of our own darkness. Hear and respond to our prayers as may be best for us and always to your glory. All this we ask through Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Together*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS

#### MINISTRY MOMENT

Martha Dimon

OFFERTORY HYMN | At Calvary

1. Years I spent in van - i - ty and pride, Car - ing not my Lord was  
 2. By God's Word at last my sin I learned— Then I trem-bled at the  
 3. Now I've giv'n to Je - sus ev - 'ry - thing, Now I glad - ly own Him  
 4. O the love that drew sal - va - tion's plan! O the grace that bro't it

cruc - i - fied, Know - ing not it was for me He died On Cal - va - ry.  
 law I'd spurned, Till my guilt - y soul im - plor - ing turned To Cal - va - ry.  
 as my King, Now my rap - tured soul can on - ly sing Of Cal - va - ry.  
 down to man! O the might - y gulf that God did span At Cal - va - ry.

*Refrain*

Mer - cy there was great and grace was free, Par - don there was mul - ti -

plied to me, There my bur - dened soul found lib - er - ty—At Cal - va - ry.

TEXT: William R. Newell  
 MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner

CALVARY  
 9.9.9.4. with Refrain

*Please stand as you are able for the presentation of the offering.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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## HOLY COMMUNION

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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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of  
Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O  
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Together*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

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

**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

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

# FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S 155



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.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

## *Celebrant:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## THE SHARING OF BREAD AND WINE

*All people are invited to receive Communion. The ushers will come stand by your pew, at which time you may go kneel or stand at the railing. If you do not wish to receive, please cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. If you have mobility challenges and need communion brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know. Gluten-free wafers are available.*

## COMMUNION HYMN | The church of Christ in every age

*The hymn will be performed by Kevin Anderson.*

## BLESSING

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

RECESSIONAL | *St. Denio* Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Hymnal 423

## DISMISSAL

Officiant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

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Thank you for worshipping with us today.

**Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Room,  
to the left as you exit the nave.**

*St. Nicholas' mission is to actively share Christ's love for all people.*

*Our vision is to strive to be a welcoming community who worships a caring and merciful God, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace, and love.*

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## IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Your prayers are asked for Andy Butzon, Katherine Johnson, and Mary Butcher.

Continued prayers and loving thoughts for those who have ongoing needs and struggles: Liz Dixon, Stafford Long, April Moore, Hudson Garrett, and Kenny Hall and his family.

We pray for wisdom for those in authority, for guidance for those who feel called to action, and for safety and peace for those who feel fear in these times. We continue to pray for all those in need within our community and those in the world who have suffered due to war and natural disaster.

### VESTRY

Drucye Cox, *Senior Warden*

Linda Pace, *Junior Warden*

Sheri Cody, Kathy McMurtry,  
and Steve Morse

Alex Garrett, *Clerk of the Vestry*

Jim Gilliam, *Treasurer*

### MINISTERS THIS WEEK

Lector: Margaret Zachry

Usher: Sheri Cody

Virtual Minister: Drucye Cox

Eucharistic Minister: Connie Blackmon

Crucifer: Riley-Anne Johnson

Flowers: Carleen Frokjer

## UPCOMING IN THE PARISH

JUN 3: St. Nicholas Book Club after Evening Prayer at 5:00 p.m.

JUN 6: Green Team Summit at St. Thomas (see newsletter for more)

JUN 17: Cookies, Crafts & Conversation 3:00 p.m.

JUN 24: St. Nicholas Game Day 1:00 p.m.

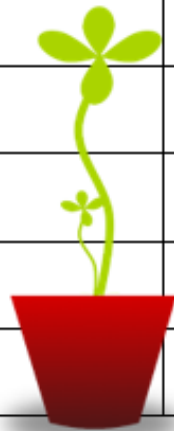
JUN 30: Deadline for pledges to Capital Campaign (payment deadline: 11/30)

Coming in June: Boston Butts!

# Capital Campaign 2026



	\$73,000 !!!!
	\$66,000
	\$60,000
	\$54,000
	\$48,000
	\$42,000
	\$36,000
\$29,600	
	\$24,000
	\$18,000
	\$12,000
	\$6,000



## Ready? Let's GROW!

Pledge cards are in the narthex, or go to the website and look at the top for “2026 Capital Campaign.” Everything you need is there, including FAQs and links to submit your pledge and payments electronically if you so choose.

The deadline to submit your pledge is **June 30**; however, payment does not have to be received until **November 30**. We encourage you to pledge early so the team can assess where we will stand when the time comes to renew or refinance the mortgage.

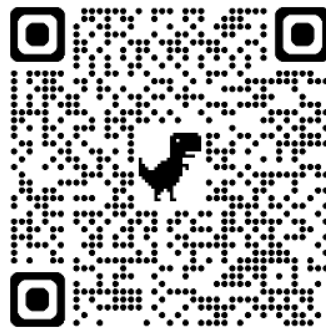
You can always see Beth Brown or Jim Gilliam if you have questions.

**It's hot, sticky season again.** Time to give the doors an extra push to be sure they're closed – and if you don't know how to arm the alarm before you leave, please contact Erin or ask someone to show you.

On **Sunday, July 5**, St. Nicholas will be worshipping at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Columbus. They have invited us to share their Independence Day worship service beginning at 10:30 a.m. so there will be no worship service at St. Nicholas that day. Steve will be driving a van – sign up in the kitchen pass-through if you need transportation.

If you are a **Vanco** user – you may soon get a prompt to update your phone app. This is legitimate and you should go ahead and follow the instructions to download the new version from your app store.

*Get all the news: Use this QR code to access the weekly newsletter.*

A colorful poster for a Pride Eve event. The word "PRIDE" is in large, multi-colored block letters, and "eve" is in a large, black, cursive font. Below it, it says "AT THE SPRINGER PATIO" and "ALL ARE WELCOME". A list of activities includes music, art projects, kids activities, hotdog dinner, soda bar, ice cream truck, selfie station, blessing booth, and community connections. The date and time are "MAY 31 4-7 PM". The Springer logo is in the top left, and the St. Thomas Episcopal Church logo and website are in the bottom right.

**PRIDE** *eve*

AT THE **SPRINGER PATIO**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

- ♥ MUSIC
- ♥ COLLABORATIVE ART PROJECT
- ♥ KIDS ACTIVITIES
- ♥ HOTDOG DINNER, PRIDE SODA BAR, ICE CREAM TRUCK
- ♥ SELFIE STATION
- ♥ BLESSING BOOTH
- ♥ COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Love God. Love Every Person. Learn & Serve Together.  
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**MAY 31**  
**4-7 PM**