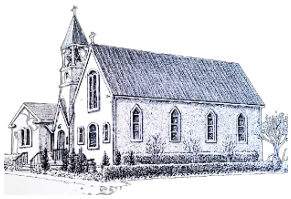

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2026
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
10:30 AM

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Whether you are visiting, new to the area, new to the Episcopal Church, or a longtime member, please know we are glad you are here. All are warmly invited to be in touch with the Rector, The Rev. Elizabeth F. Keeler (rector@trinwash.org) who would love to hear from you.

The Entrance Rite

The service follows the order for Holy Eucharist, which begins on page 355 in The Book of Common Prayer *(BCP). Our music is from* The Hymnal 1982 *(H, blue book);* Lift Every Voice and Sing II *(LEVAS, black & red book); and* Wonder, Love, and Praise *(WLP, green book).*

Prelude: *Three Piano Variations on St. Anne* — Nancy Raabe

H 680: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* — *St. Anne*

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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.**

The Gloria

S 204: *Glory be to God* — Scottish Psalter

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever**. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

All are invited to sit for

The First Lesson: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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

PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45B *Confitemini Domino*

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;*
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,*
and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name;*
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength;*
continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done,*
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant,*
O children of Jacob his chosen.

Then he called for a famine in the land*
and destroyed the supply of bread.

He sent a man before them,*
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

They bruised his feet in fetters;*
his neck they put in an iron collar.

Until his prediction came to pass,*
the word of the Lord tested him.

The king sent and released him;*
the ruler of the peoples set him free.

He set him as a master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,

To instruct his princes according to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom.

Hallelujah!

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!"

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

All stand and join in singing the hymn. Stanzas 1-3 precede the reading of the Holy Gospel; stanza 4 follows

LEVAS 62: *In Christ There is No East or West (vss 1-3)* *McKee*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

LEVAS 62: *In Christ There is No East or West (vs 4)* *McKee*

THE HOMILY The Rev. Elizabeth Keeler

After the homily, the People stand

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People and Celebrant

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.

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The People pray responsively, either kneeling, sitting, or remaining standing

Let us pray for the Church, for the world, and for our community.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal Church. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal Church (Anglican Cycle of Prayer). We also hold in prayer our partner parish: St. Marc's Church, Trouin "Twenh" (Haiti).

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We remember all those who serve in the military and their families, especially Will Eastham, Jackson Tennant, Joe Stacey, Michelle Stacey, Josh Johnson, Andrew Butler, Emma & Oren Abusch, Vincent Hagen, Christopher Foran, and JT Mayo. We also hold in prayer those who suffer from war, forms of violence, and natural disasters in the world and in our country.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Give us a reverence for the earth and our community as your own creations, that we may use their resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. We pray for Trinity's outreach ministries and for those which our parishioners are involved: the Food Pantry and Backpack Program, Fire and Rescue volunteers, the Benevolent Fund, Headwaters, Family Futures, the Child Care & Learning Center (CCLC), the Senior Center, Rappahannock Schools, our Haitian Trade School, and the Kings Children's Home.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the birthdays this week of Elizabeth Keeler, Robbie Morris, Rod Grandon, Rick Robinson, Sarah Cheatwood, and Judy Segaar; and for the wedding anniversaries of Peter & Cathy Sewell and Juliet & Michael Del Grosso.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. We remember these members of our parish: Renee Ellis, Noel & Charlotte Laing, Margy White, Susan Jones, Nancy Ely-Raphel; and also these parish friends and relatives: Sofia Ayers, Joyce Harman, and Henry Evan Weaver.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession and absolution

Celebrant
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People
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.

The Celebrant continues

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.**

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Greetings and Announcements

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

The Offertory

H 608: *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* *Melita*

All stand and join in singing

The Doxology

H 380: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (vs3)* *Old 100th*

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 our thanks and praise.**

WE praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS: S 125: *Holy, Holy, Holy* Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand, kneel or be seated. The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever**. AMEN.**

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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.**

THE COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table. Those who are Baptized in any tradition are invited to receive the bread and wine.
If you would rather receive a Blessing, kindly cross your hands over your chest.
Please indicate to the Priest if you would like gluten free Communion.

H 652: *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* *Rest*

H 699: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* *Aberystwyth*

LEVAS 106: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* *Precious Lord*

The people may stand, kneel or be seated.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER BCP pg. 836

Celebrant and People

ACCEPT, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

THE BLESSING

H 559: *Lead Us, Heavenly Father* *Dulce carmen*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE: *Organ Chorale on Dulce carmen* Paul Manz

Thank you for worshiping with us at Trinity Episcopal Church.
All are warmly invited to coffee and fellowship in the parish hall following the service.

Focus on Kneelers

Today's Kneelers: Please look for these at the chancel steps.

- Apricots were extensively cultivated in the Mid-East and eaten raw or dried.
- Latin cross with IHS letters and fern fronds. IHS is lettering that refers to Jesus and is the first three letters of his name when written in the Greek alphabet.

Parish Announcements

Save the Dates
Homecoming Sunday: September 13
First Breakfast and Forum: September 20
Sunday School Resumes: September 20
Youth Group Kick Off: September 27

Trinity Day School Back-to-School Bash: Wednesday, August 12, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Join us as we kick off the opening of Trinity Day School! Enjoy food, face painting, Moo-Thru ice cream, a back-to-school raffle, and the official dedication of our new natural playground.

August Food Pantry Collection: Soap, Body Wash, and Lotion
Please donate these items for our Mission & Outreach partner friends at the Food Pantry — just add them to your grocery list and place them in the red wagon in the narthex! Please note, coffee, tea and soup are always in need.

Assisting Our Sunday Worship and Fellowship

Harold Beebout & Bob Kramer; *Ushers*
Fred Catlin; *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
Jason Williams; *Acolyte*
Mark McCloud; *Lector/Litanist*
Beth Gall; *Coffee Hour Host*
Beth DeBergh; *Flower Guild*
Carolyn Emerick, Debbie Massie, Sarah Cheatwood, Loraine Channing; *Altar Guild*

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