

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

---

## THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 18, 2026

PROPER 24 A

10:00 A.M.

---

**A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING**



**120 Sigourney Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06105-2796  
860.527.8133      [www.trinityhartford.org](http://www.trinityhartford.org)**

---

# GOOD MORNING!

---

**Whether this is your first time at Trinity, your first time in a long time, or if you're here every Sunday, we are delighted that you are worshipping with us this morning.**

|                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>WELCOME</b>             | If you are new to Trinity, we hope you will introduce yourself and sign one of the <b>guest books</b> at either entrance to the Church.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>RESTROOMS</b>           | Two places: Exit through the <b>rear doors</b> of the Sanctuary, turn right, and the white doors on your left are restrooms. Restrooms can also be found if you exit the door at the <b>front right</b> of the Sanctuary and go toward the exit to the parking lot. The restrooms are on your right past the fireplace.                                                                                             |
| <b>NAMETAGS</b>            | To make it easier for us to get to know each other, we ask everyone to wear a <b>nametag</b> . Either a reusable one or there are stickers and markers at each entrance. If you would like a reusable nametag, please print your name on the clipboard next to the trays of reusable nametags.                                                                                                                      |
| <b>KIDS IN CHURCH</b>      | If you need to step out of the service with your infant or toddler and are in search of a quiet space to spend a few moments, the <b>parent room</b> (at the end of the North Narthex past the door to the Memorial Garden) is open during the 10 A.M. service. There is no childcare attendant, so all children must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.                                                      |
| <b>INTERCESSORY PRAYER</b> | Private <b>intercessory prayer</b> is available with members of our Intercessory Prayer team in the side aisle while Communion is being distributed at the 10:00 A.M. service. Additionally, there are Prayer Jars at each entrance to the Sanctuary where you can share prayers requests that will be prayed over for the next month.                                                                              |
| <b>HEARING ASSISTANCE</b>  | Our church offers <b>assistive listening devices</b> for individuals with hearing difficulties. These devices allow them to receive amplified sound directly through their compatible hearing aids. If you need assistance using an assistive listening device, please see a church usher.                                                                                                                          |
| <b>ABOUT OUR WORSHIP</b>   | Most of the <b>worship service</b> is printed in this leaflet. Music that is not printed in the leaflet can be found in <i>The Hymnal 1982</i> (the red book on the shelf under the chair in front of you) or <i>Lift Every Voice and Sing II</i> (the red, black, and green book found on a cart at each entrance). We stand, if able, for the hymns and stand or kneel, according to one's tradition, for prayer. |
| <b>THE PEACE</b>           | Welcome to Trinity Church, the home of the most enthusiastic <b>Passing of the Peace!</b> If you wish to be greeted by many people with a wave or a handshake, sit toward the center aisle. If you wish to be greeted by fewer people, sit towards the side aisles.                                                                                                                                                 |

## PRELUDE

Berceuse, from *24 Pièces en style libre*, Op. 31, No. 19

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“All my hope on God is founded”

The Hymnal 1982 #665



1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my  
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -  
3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom  
\* 4 Dai - ly doth the al - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on  
5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of

1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he  
2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we  
3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -  
4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -  
5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es

1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -  
2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's  
3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - e -  
4 ligh - teth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth  
5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his Son. Christ doth

1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.  
2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.  
3 rmore from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.  
4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.  
5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Meter: 87. 87. 337. Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt.; after Joachim Neander (1650-1680).

Music: Michael, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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

## GLORIA

The Hymnal 1982 #S280



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - mighty 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



Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## THE FIRST READING

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen." Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

234

John Camidge II



1 The LORD is King;  
 let the<sup>1</sup> people<sup>1</sup> tremble; \*  
 he is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
<sup>1</sup>let the<sup>1</sup> eä<sup>1</sup>rth<sup>1</sup> shake.

2 The LORD is<sup>1</sup> great in<sup>1</sup> Zion; \*  
 he is<sup>1</sup> high a<sup>1</sup>bove all<sup>1</sup> peoples.

*Sung to the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 half of the chant*

†3 Let them confess his Name, which is<sup>1</sup> great and<sup>1</sup> awesome; \*  
 —<sup>1</sup>he is the<sup>1</sup> Holy<sup>1</sup> One.

4 “O mighty King, lover of justice,  
 you have es<sup>1</sup>tablished<sup>1</sup> equity; \*  
 you have executed justice and<sup>1</sup> righteous<sup>1</sup>ness in<sup>1</sup> Jacob.”

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
 and fall<sup>1</sup> down before his<sup>1</sup> footstool; \*  
 —<sup>1</sup>he is the<sup>1</sup> Holy<sup>1</sup> One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
 and Samuel among those who<sup>1</sup> call upon his<sup>1</sup> Name, \*  
 they called upon the<sup>1</sup> LORD, and he<sup>1</sup> answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the<sup>1</sup> pillar of<sup>1</sup> cloud; \*  
 they kept his testimonies and the de<sup>1</sup>crée<sup>1</sup> that he<sup>1</sup> gave them.

8 “O LORD our God, you<sup>1</sup> answered them in<sup>1</sup> deed; \*  
 you were a God who forgave them,  
 yet punished them<sup>1</sup> for their<sup>1</sup> evil<sup>1</sup> deeds.”

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
 and worship him upon his<sup>1</sup> holy<sup>1</sup> hill; \*  
 for the<sup>1</sup> LORD our<sup>1</sup> God is the<sup>1</sup> Holy One.

*Please sit.*

## THE SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Reader        The Word of the Lord.

People        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

## SEQUENCE HYMN

“O for a closer walk with God”

The Hymnal 1982 #684

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five verses of the hymn, and the second system contains five more verses. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a clear harmonic structure.

1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven - ly frame,  
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?  
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;  
4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,  
5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!  
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?  
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.  
4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.  
5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

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

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

*Please sit.*

## SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Marta S. Rivera Monclova, OCC

*Silence for reflection.*

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

## THE NICENE CREED

From *Enriching Our Worship*\*

All            **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,  
         was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
         and became truly human.  
         For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
         he suffered death and was buried.**

---

\*This version of the Nicene Creed is from one of the sources that has been approved for use by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church. The most significant difference is that this version changes 'who proceeds from the Father and the Son' to 'who proceeds from the Father.' This change restores the Creed to the version that was originally accepted by both Western and Eastern Orthodox Churches. (The phrase 'and the Son' was added a few hundred years later by a regional synod and was never adopted by Eastern Orthodox Churches.)

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the welfare of the Holy Church of God in all the world: renew our faith, heal our divisions, and strengthen our witness. To sharing in your mission of reconciliation:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Jeff and Laura, our own bishops; for Marta our priest; for Andrew, Horace, Frank, Nancy, George and all clergy, priests, and deacons. To supporting and upholding all who minister in your name:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For those in positions of public trust especially Donald, our president; Richard and Chris, our senators; John, our U.S. Representative; Ned, our governor; Arunan, our mayor; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, that they may serve justice, the common good, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. To representing our values boldly in the public sphere:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For the people in this land, and in all nations, who work for peace, justice, and goodwill among people and nations; for the care and well-being of all people. To honoring all people and serving the common good:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

Gracious God, open our hearts and stir our imaginations as we seek new ways to serve and engage the community, our neighborhood of Asylum Hill, and our neighbors in it, that we may be a place of welcoming light to those outside. To walking with those around us in dignity and peace:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For honest soul-searching, that we may listen deeply to our neighbors and discern where our gifts meet their hopes and needs, indeed, also where their gifts meet our hopes and needs. Inspire us to embrace creative possibilities, the courage to try something new, the wisdom to know what will bear fruit, and the willingness to meet our neighbors both within and beyond our walls. To listening, learning, and doing:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For our honored elders, our parishioners who cannot be present with us, for those who have lost loved ones and who grieve, for all who are in danger, sorrow, experiencing poverty, illness, hunger, and oppression, for refugees, and for those who are in prison. To standing with those in need and witnessing with all who need companionship:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

For the departed, for saints and sages of all ages and generations, especially those who founded and nurtured this our Trinity Church. For all those who stewarded this place and these people. For those who have enlightened our earthly sojourn with their wisdom and love, whom we boldly name now:

*[The intercessor pauses, and the people may add their own remembrances silently or aloud.]*

To always remembering those who have gone before us:

**Loving God, by your grace, we offer our lives.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect:*

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

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

*We keep silence and reflect.*

All **God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

*The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Please sit.*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Wherever you are in your journey, you are welcome here.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Revelation 4:11

Celebrant O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

O Brother Man

Roy Ringwald (1910 -1995)

Text: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

O brother man! Fold to thy heart thy brother;  
Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there.  
To worship rightly is to love each other;  
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

Follow with reverent steps the great example  
Of Him whose holy work was “doing good”;  
So shall the wide earth seem our Father’s temple,  
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangor  
Of wild war music o’er the earth shall cease.  
Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger,  
And in its ashes plant the tree of peace!

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

**People And of thine own have we given thee.**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Enriching Our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 1*

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.

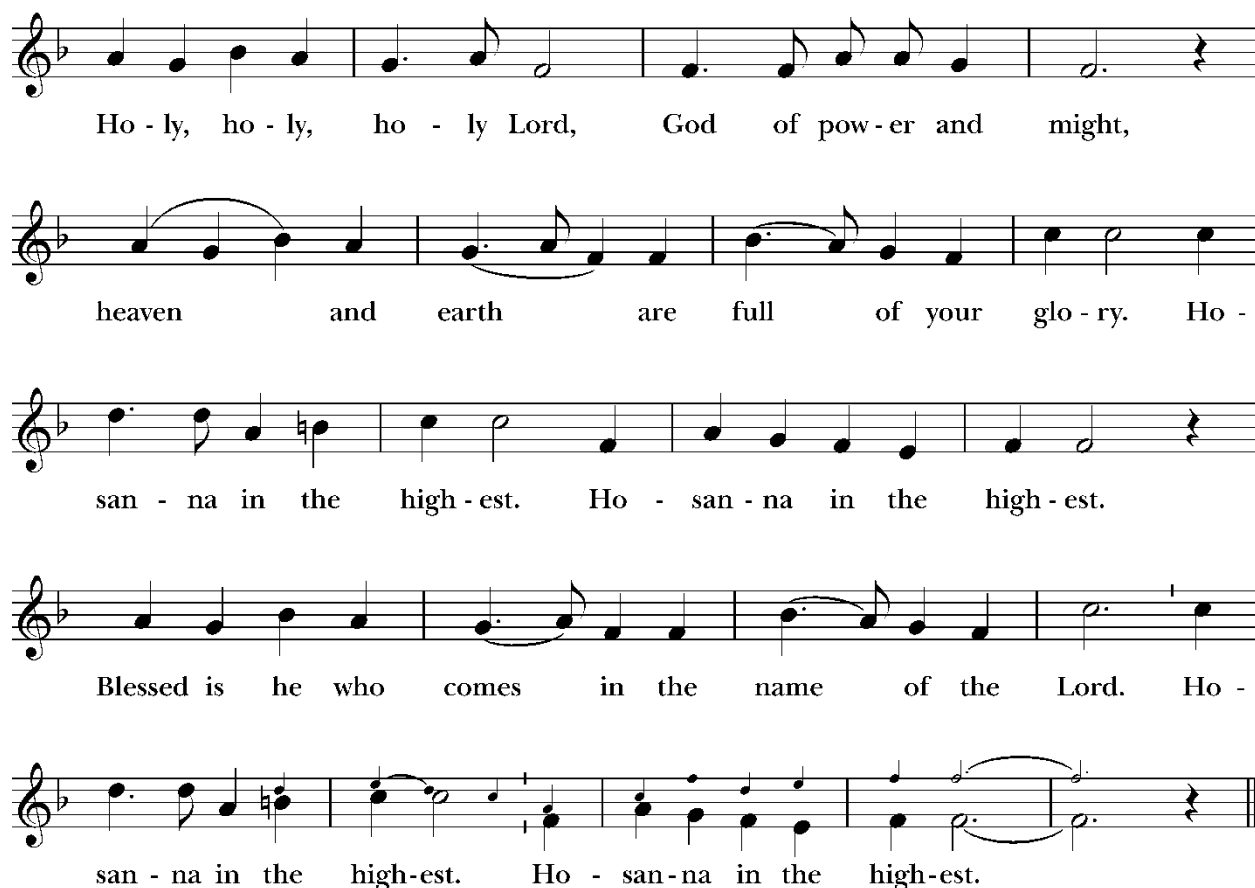
**People It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks,  
all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.  
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love;  
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.  
Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation,  
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## SANCTUS

The Hymnal 1982 #S125



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.

Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.  
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.  
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and  
show forth your bountiful grace.

But we fail to honor your image in one another and in ourselves;  
we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violate your creation,  
abuse one another, and reject your love. Yet you have never ceased to care for us,  
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from  
enslavement, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of  
salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born

into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All*    **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled ✠ with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mother Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Celebrant    As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*All*            **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant    Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

## FRACTION ANTHEM

The Hymnal 1982 #S374

*8va bassa* — — — — — Lamb of God, — you take a -

way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, — you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, —

— you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938–1984).

Copyright © Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship. Used by permission of Augsburg Publishing House.

**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.

*All are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail. If you would like to have a blessing instead of receiving Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available on request. Please remember that if you do not wish to receive wine, receiving only bread imparts the full benefit of the Sacrament. If you are unable to come to the front, please let an usher know and the Sacrament will be brought to you.*

## Communion Anthem

A Prayer Of St. Richard Of Chichester

Leonard J. White (1910 - 1970)

O holy Jesus, Most merciful Redeemer,  
Friend and Brother,  
May I know Thee more clearly,  
Love Thee more dearly,  
And follow Thee more nearly,  
Day by day. Amen.

*Please rise in body or spirit or adopt another posture of prayer.*

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION**

Enriching our Worship

Celebrant     Let us pray.

All            **God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us  
with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth  
in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever  
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

Celebrant     Life is short, and we do not have much time  
to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us.  
So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.  
And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us  
be with you now and forever.

People        **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN "God of our fathers, whose almighty hand" The Hymnal 1982 #718

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

Words: Daniel Crane Roberts (1841-1907). Music: *National Hymn*, George William Warren (1828-1902).

## THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant     Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
People        **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Give me Jesus

Traditional African American spiritual

*Rev. George Chien, baritone*

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.

O when I come to die, give me Jesus.

You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

---

## The Rev. Dr. Marta S. Rivera Monclova, OCC

[mriviera@trinityhartford.org](mailto:mriviera@trinityhartford.org) ✆ 860.527.8133 X202

The Rev. Dr. Marta S. Rivera Monclova (Mother Marta, or just Marta) is the priest at Trinity Hartford, as of July 1, 2026. She loves to welcome newcomers and still loves to welcome newcomers even when it seems that she's running in three directions at once! Feel free to say hello or drop a line during the week to set up a chat! She loves talking about liturgy, books, television, and cooking.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the marriage yesterday of Martha Freimuth and Steven Zhitnik, and in loving memory of Anne Rapkin and Steve Smith.

---

### Upcoming After-Church Forums in the Library

**Sunday, Oct. 18:** Diocesan Convention Preview – Led by Casey Rousseau and Elizabeth Rousseau

**Sunday, Oct. 25:** Bible Study – Led by the Rev. George Chien

---

### Bishop's Visitation!

On **November 15, 2026**, Bishop Jeff Mello will join us at Trinity Church for our 10AM Eucharist. He will preside and preach. There will be a Parish Forum Q&A afterwards, and following that, Bishop Jeff will meet with the Vestry in the library.

As a preview of your soon-to-arrive Stewardship Letter, this will also be “ingathering” Sunday, when we will offer our pledge cards in addition to our usual offering. For those (like me!) who haven't been here before for this, at the offertory, instead of the plate being passed, everyone brings their offering and pledge up to the front. It strikes me as a touching reiteration of our rededication Sunday. We rededicate our resources! (And of course, if you have any difficulties, the ushers will happily bring up your offering.)

It's not a tradition I've witnessed before, but when I mentioned it to Bishop Jeff, it turns out it is a tradition his prior church in Brookline, MA did, so he was quite enthusiastic.

## Rev. Horace

The Rev. Horace Johnson, still recovering from shoulder surgery, will be going in for surgery on his brain on October 21, next Wednesday. He appreciates all our ongoing prayers greatly.

---

## Staffing Updates

Trinity's leadership has undertaken a broad review of Trinity's business and administrative operations and considered how best to structure that work for the future. We reached the conclusion that a full-time Business Manager, encompassing financial management, administration, human resources, and parish operations, would best serve the needs of our church.

While we interview for this new position, Trinity has retained Marcio Coelho, whose MBA complements his financial expertise, and Sr. Gregory Simmons, who holds a master's degree in computer science, to provide interim financial and administrative support. Their combined experience is especially well suited to this moment: maintaining essential operations while bringing systems, records, technology, and processes into good order for a smooth handoff to our future Business Manager.

---

## Technology Updates

Both our server and at least one workstation are operating well past end of life. Although we have been paying for cloud storage for several years, our files still live on the failing server. Next week, after our cable internet is upgraded to provide the higher speeds we have been paying for, we will begin the transfer of files to the cloud and sunset the server. We will also be replacing five staff workstations. Sr. Gregory will help to manage the file migration, workstation setup, and associated tasks as a much cheaper alternative to having our current IT support company do all this work. She has a master's degree in Computer Science and extensive experience in this work. She will also be helping cover the basic administrative work of the office until our new Business Manager is in place.

---

## Trinity's Book Group

*Mink River* by Brian Doyle is the novel to be discussed at Trinity Book Group's next gathering, on **Friday, Nov. 13th, 7:00-8:30**. It's a whimsically-related tale of a town on the coast of Oregon, home to a diverse population including Native Americans and Irish immigrants, young and old.

Jon Reik will host the meeting at his home in Farmington. Please let him know if you plan to attend. (text/call 860-463-1267). Everyone is welcome to attend Trinity Book Group meetings, whether once or regularly, as your interest and schedule allows!

---

## Confirmation, Reaffirmation, Reception

If you are interested in confirmation, in being received into the Episcopal Church from another denomination, or reaffirming your commitment to the church, we will be gathering a group together for that purpose. Email [mrivera@trinityhartford.org](mailto:mrivera@trinityhartford.org) with your interest, and your availability to meet in person or online.

## ✠ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP ✠

**Preacher & Celebrant:** The Rev. Dr. Marta S. Rivera Monclova, OCC

**Organist & Director of Music:** Markus Centola

**Lay Readers:** Kate Smith and Cathy Rowe

**Intercessory Prayer Team:** Bill Kofalk

**Intercessor:** Linda MacGougan

**Ministers of Communion:** Cathy Rowe

**Ushers:** Neill Derick, William A. Kofalk, Sonia Watson, Marc Wiest, Dianne Bowens-Walker

**Virtual Vergers:** Mark MacGougan, Casey Rousseau, Elizabeth Rousseau, Jake Troiano

**Altar Guild:** Marcus Clark, Kitty Peterson, Mary Register, Cathy Rowe, Cecelia Timothy

**Flowers:** Percy Williamson

---

*The words of the service are taken from The Book of Common Prayer and Enriching our Worship 1.*

*Scripture quotations are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible © 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Hymns and service music are all from The Hymnal 1982, © 1985 and LEVAS II The Church Pension Fund. Used by permission of Church Publishing, Inc., New York, NY. All rights reserved. Used by permission of One License.net #A-712490.*

**Cover Art:** We are grateful to The Rev. George Chien (MCC) for creating the artwork on the cover.

---

## CYCLES OF PRAYER

**In our Parish Cycle of Prayer** we pray for Marsha McCurdy Adell, Zoe & Sage, Phyllis Appadu, and Amy Arlin.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for St. John's, Waterbury; Christ Church, Waterbury; All Saints Chapel, West Cornwall; Convention planning committee, Convention worship committee, and all who participate in Annual Convention.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Anglican Church of Canada.

**And we pray for the special concerns of this Congregation:**

Ann Marie Pacileo; Cathy Rowe; The Rev. Horace S. Johnson, who is recovering at home from rotator cuff surgery; Aiyanna Coulter; Kyra Little; Tori, Trevor and Henry; John E. Robinson; Fred Margeson and his daughter, who is pregnant with her first child.; Jim Bradley; and in loving memory of Renate Centola.

## Weekly Calendar

|                                                      |                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday, October 18</b><br>10:00 A.M.<br>6:00 P.M. | <b>The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>Holy Eucharist – Rite II (Church)<br>NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)  |
| <b>Monday, October 19</b><br>12:00 P.M.              | <b>St. Luke the Evangelist</b><br>Holy Eucharist – Rite II (Chapel)                                                        |
| <b>Tuesday, October 20</b><br>6:30 P.M.              | Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)                                                                                               |
| <b>Thursday, October 22</b><br>7:00 P.M.             | Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday, October 25</b><br>10:00 A.M.<br>6:00 P.M. | <b>The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>Holy Eucharist – Rite II (Church)<br>NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall) |

## Upcoming Special Liturgies

**Monday, October 19, 12:00pm:** Eucharist for the Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist  
**Saturday, October 31, 5:00pm:** Vigil Eucharist of All Saints' Day

---

## Trinity Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Marta S. Rivera Monclova, OCC**

Markus Centola, Organist & Director of Music ✠ Vinnie Pacileo, Facilities Manager  
Sr. Gregory Simmons, Interim Office Manager ✠ Marcio Andrade Coelho, Finance Manager

## Vestry of Trinity Church

Kate Byroade, Warden ✠ Alan Rice, Warden  
Cathy Rowe, Clerk ✠ Peter Green, Treasurer ✠ Jake Troiano, Assistant Treasurer  
Amy Arlin ✠ Penny Pearson ✠ John Robinson ✠ Kathie Wilson ✠ Paul Zimmerman

---



Scan to make a

- Pledge payment
- General offering/donation
- Special Fund Offering
- Outreach & Mission

