TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 23, 2023 8:00 A.M. &10:00 A.M.

A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING



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 worshiping with us this morning.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS If you are new to Trinity, we hope that you will introduce yourself and sign

one of the guest books at either entrance to the Church. Restrooms are located in two places. Exit through the rear doors of the Sanctuary and go to your right. The white doors on your left are the restrooms. Restrooms can also be found if you exit the door at the front right of the Sanctuary and go down the hall toward the exit to the parking lot. The restrooms are on your right once you pass the fireplace.

NAMETAGS In order to make it easier for us to get to know each other, we ask everyone

to wear a nametag. If you do not have a reusable nametag, there are stickers and markers at each entrance. If you would like to have a reusable nametag made for you, please print your name on the clipboard next to the trays of

reusable nametags.

KIDS IN CHURCH Copies of 'The Sunday Paper Junior' coloring sheets and crayons available

at each Sanctuary entrance. Each week the coloring sheet will highlight some aspect of the Scripture for the day and includes notes to help parents talk to their kids about the theme. Please feel free to let your kids color and otherwise be themselves during the worship service. All are welcome as they

are, including kids!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER Private intercessory prayer is available with members of our Intercessory

Prayer team in the side aisle while Communion is being distributed at the 10:00 AM 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.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP Most of the worship service is printed in this leaflet. Music that is not

printed in the leaflet can be found in *The Hymnal 1982* (the red book on the shelf under the chair in front of you) or in *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (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 personal

tradition, for prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

Chant de Paix

Jean Langlais



Presider **People**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

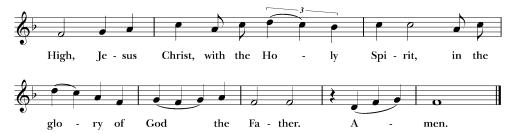
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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA

1982 Hymnal #S280





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit.

People

THE FIRST READING Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? * where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; * if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me * and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, " and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; * darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; * try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me * and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

THE SECOND READING Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Teach Me, My God and King

1982 Hymnal #592



Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815).

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON The Rev. D. Littlepage

Silence for reflection.

Please stand.

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.

^{*}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 'of the Son' was added a few hundred years later by a regional synod and was never adopted by Eastern Orthodox Churches).

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. 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 FORM III

BCP 387

The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Intercessor O God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest. We pray for all recently killed by gun violence.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People are invited add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

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

Silence may be kept.

AllMost 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.

Presider 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. People

Please sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY PRAYER BCP 830

All

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC Felix Mendelssohn Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Minor, II. Adagio

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race

and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill.

You made us the stewards of creation.

But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return.

Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law.

And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son,

born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

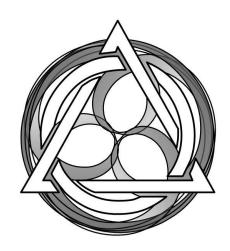
People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

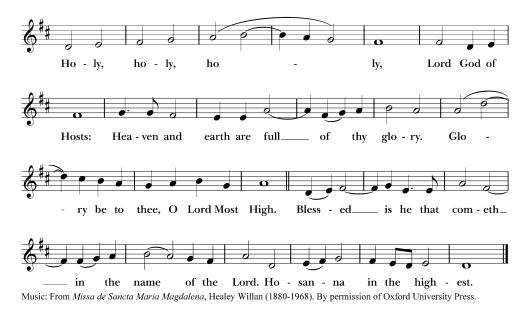
Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus,

with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,

and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope,

to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:





Presider

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Presider Lord God of our Ancestors:

God of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Isaac, Rebecca, Jacob, Rachel, and Leah;

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.

Deliver us from the presumption

of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength;

for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ,

that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Presider Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest,

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship,

from generation to generation.

People AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider 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,

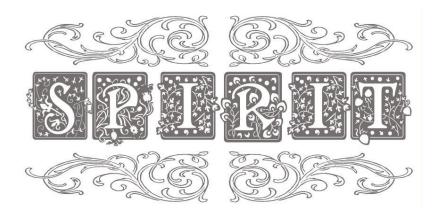
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

And deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

Now and forever. Amen.



FRACTION ANTHEM

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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

At the time of the administration of Communion, 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 wish not to receive wine, receiving Bread only imparts the full benefit of the Sacrament.

Please sit.

COMMUNION MUSIC

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER BCP 366

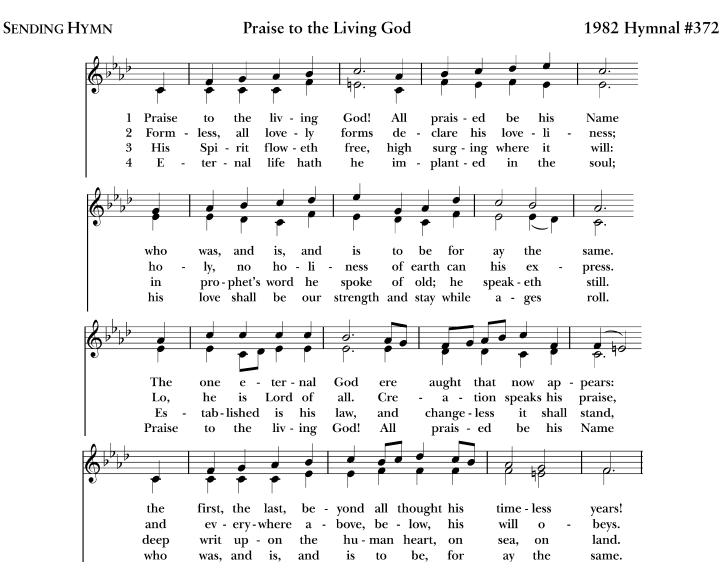
Presider

Let us pray.

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING



THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Minor, IV. Felix Mendelssohn

Allegro assai vivace

You may choose to stay for the postlude (and express a spoken "amen" afterward if you'd like), but it is never expected! You may leave after the final hymn if you'd rather.

Please feel comfortable to make whatever choice is best for you.



Welcome Ted Babbitt, Substitute Organist

Michelle Horsley is on vacation today, taking some well-deserved time off. In her place, we welcome Ted Babbitt, who is a student at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia, studying music education and organ. Ted began studying organ in his freshman year of high school. Ted currently serves as the assistant organist/choirmaster at Christ Episcopal Church in Macon, Georgia, co-directing the adult choir and chorister program. Welcome, Ted!

LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Marcia Lee; Jacqui and Marc Lucier; and Adair Lummis.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. John's, Salisbury; Trinity, Seymour; Christ Church, Sharon; parish office volunteers; curates; seminary interns; parish assistants and associates; missional curacies.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

We pray for

Everett Post Cassandra Watson Sonia Watson

Krystal Reid and Adrian MacLeach Bishop Michael Curry

The Wallace Family

Nancy Miller

Phillip Andrews (brother of Dianne Bowens-Waller)

Carol Walter Dianne Lewis Gwendolyn Stevens The Stevens Family

Betty Chien Reed (mother of

George Chien) Margaret Daniel Tony Charron Vreeland (son of Peter Vreeland)

Cheryl Russo Winifred Costa Jacqui Lucier John E. Robinson Grace Crooks

Philip Green (son of Peter &

Anne Green) Nora Baldwin

Stephanie Holland (niece of

Kitty Peterson) Elizabeth Mackie Sandy Cone Foley J.B. Parke Laurie Lavoie

Paulette McCurdy Rhonda McKenzie Carmen Belgrave Linda Cushner Kate Smith

Juli Porter Juhudi Mgombo Katie Reynolds

Tori and Trevor Henry Louise Krippenstapel

Carlene Lewis
Judy Miller
Valentina Moore
Lindsey Tengatenga
Richard Green (brother of

Peter Green)

Donald Bowens (son of Dianne Bowens-Waller)

Peter Vreeland

+ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP +

The Rev. D. Littlepage – Presider and Preacher

Readers

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM) Martha Freimuth (10:00 AM) Linda MacGougan (10:00 AM)

Intercessor

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM) (10:00 AM)

Minister of Communion

Flowers Anne Rapkin

Virtual Verger Casey Rousseau, Jake Troiano

> Intercessory Prayer Bill Kofalk

Director of Music Michelle Horsley

Altar Guild Louisa Cummings, Mary Register, Kitty Peterson

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Announcements



Giving statements for the period ending June 30, 2023 were mailed last week. Please allow several days for the post office to make deliveries. You can check your balance on the statement.

We hope you have a chance to unplug this summer and enjoy some rest. So, a reminder: If you're going away, please keep your pledge up to date.

If you haven't received your statement, contact Barbara Roos at office@trinityhartford.org or 860-527-8133 ext. 204. If you have questions about your statement, contact Fran Times-Mack at ftimesmack@trinityhartford.org or 860-527-8133 ext. 206. Thank you!



2023 Backpack Ministry for Covenant to Care

Trinity is once again participating in the Adopt A Social Worker program of Covenant to Care to provide back-to-school materials for Hartford children in need. We've been asked to provide backpacks with new school supplies for Middle School students (ages 11-13).

Flyers with the details and suggested list of materials on bright orange paper are on the bulletin table in Goodwin Hall. Backpacks are to be returned by Sunday, August 6, and will be blessed that day.

Thank you for considering this important ministry!

IRIS Volunteers Needed

IRIS-Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services-CT's largest refugee resettlement program, has an immediate need for volunteers for its Summer Learning Program (SLP) in Hartford. The program is a social-academic program that serves about 80 students of all ages (infant-grade 12) and cultures (Afghan, Syrian, Congolese, Ukrainian, South and Central American, etc.) with a focus on English language learning. The program runs for 6 weeks Mon-Fri 8:30 am-12:30 pm except on Weds, until 1:30 pm. Volunteers can choose which days and times they can assist. This is a great opportunity for those who enjoy other cultures and working with children, though we also have opportunities to work with our adult clients enrolled in adult English classes as well. We need help with serving breakfast and lunch, cleaning up, working with students one on one or in small groups to support the efforts of our teachers and assistant teachers, etc. Many of our staff members speak the languages of our students and are available to provide language assistance.

If interested, please complete an application, found at https://irisct.org/volunteer-application/. All volunteers will need to complete a background check as well once an application is submitted. For more information, please email Elisabeth Neiterman, Volunteer & Intern Coordinator, at eneiterman@irisct.org or call at 860-560-1820.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 23 rd	The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Memorial Garden)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
Friday, July 28 th 7:00 P.M.	NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)
Sunday, July 30 th	The Nineth Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Memorial Garden)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
6:00 P.M.	NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)

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