TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 30, 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

Be Thou My Vision

Trad., arr. Dale Wood

GATHERING HYMN

All My Hope on God is Founded

1982 Hymnal #665



Presider *People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and

ever.

People Amen.

Please sit.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 29:15-28

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105:1-11, 45b BCP 738

- Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; * make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, * and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; * let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 Search for the LORD and his strength; * continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, * his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, * O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 7 He is the LORD our God; * his judgments prevail in all the world.
- 8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, * the promise he made for a thousand generations:
- 9 The covenant he made with Abraham, * the oath that he swore to Isaac,
- 10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, * an everlasting covenant for Israel,
- 11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan * to be your allotted inheritance."

45b Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.



The Rev. D. Littlepage

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Silence for reflection.

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

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.

^{*}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).

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 Crystal Cooper, Marion Edwards, Irving

Lollar, Joseph Vargas-Mercado, Alondra Vega-Martinez, and Carolyn Williams who were killed by gun violence in Hartford in the past weeks. 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 359

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

Silence may be kept.

All 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.

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.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC I Have Decided to Follow Jesus Spiritual, arr. M. Horsley (b.1990)

Shaylah Haywood and Amy Arlin

Shaylah is 12 years old and a chorister in The Choir School of Hartford. This is her first time singing a duet and we celebrate her progress!

Please stand or adopt another posture of prayer.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

BCP 369

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.

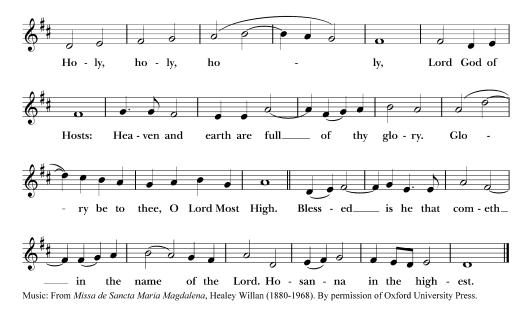
People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

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,

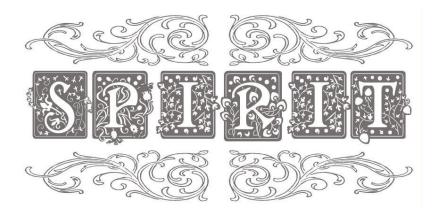
as we forgive those who sin against us.

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

Ave Maria

Marcel Dupre (1886-1971)

Terri Huntington, soprano

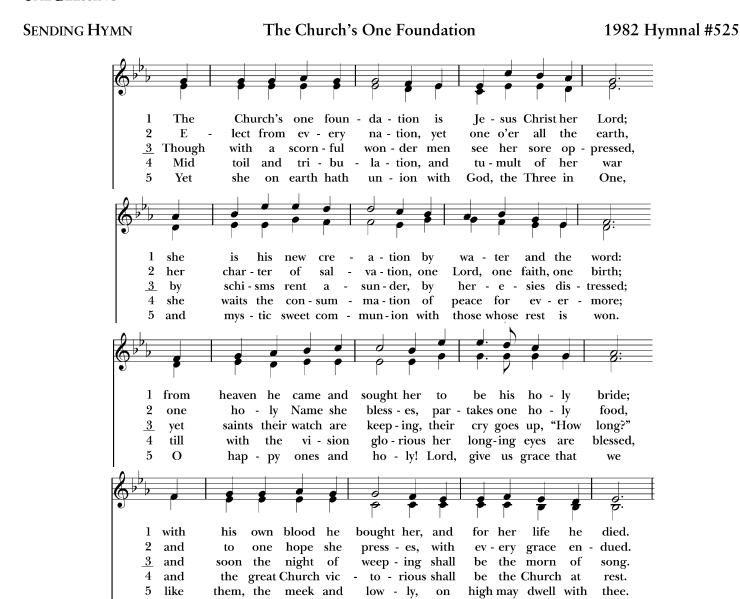
POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER **BCP 366**

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 Pasticcio Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

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.



LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Linda and Mark MacGougan; Maria Maldonado; Fred Margeson.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Good Shepherd, Shelton; St. Paul's, Shelton; Christ Church Cathedral's ministry in Hartford; the Cathedral Chapter; honorary canons of our Cathedral.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

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 I.B. Parke Laurie Lavoie Paulette McCurdy Rhonda McKenzie

Carmen Belgrave Linda Cushner Kate Smith Iuli 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 Rt. Rev. Andrew Smith – Presider The Rev. D. Littlepage – Preacher

Readers

Walton Brown-Foster (8:00 AM) (10:00 AM)(10:00 AM)

Intercessor

Walton Brown-Foster (8:00 AM) Cathy Rowe (10:00 AM)

> Minister of Communion Jacqui Lucier Cathy Rowe

Flowers Peter Green

Virtual Verger Casey Rousseau, Jake Troiano

> **Intercessory Prayer** Ion Reik

Director of Music Michelle Horsley

Altar Guild Louisa Cummings, Mary Register, Kitty Peterson

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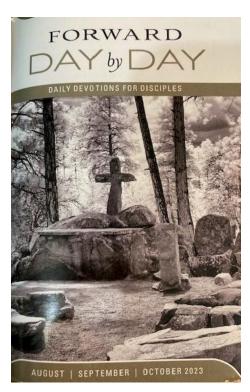


2023 Backpack Ministry for Covenant to Care

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 next Sunday, August 6, and will be blessed that day.

Thank you for considering this important ministry!



Forward Day by Day is a booklet of daily inspirational meditations reflecting on a specific Bible passage, chosen from the daily lectionary readings as listed in the Revised Common Lectionary or the Daily Office from the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer.

The August / September / October 2023 issue is now found in both the North and South Narthexes.

The meditations are rich in substance and offer a wide range of witness and experiences. Each month's meditation is written by a different author.

Inspiring readers since the first issue was published in 1935, Forward Day by Day remains a significant resource for daily prayer and Bible study to more than a half million readers worldwide.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 30th	The Ninth 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)
Friday, August 4th	
7:00 P.M.	NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)
Sunday, August 6th	The Tenth 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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