



**TRINITY**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
The Holy Eucharist: Enriching our Worship  
August 24, 2025 - 10:30am

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**All are welcome.**

**You are invited to stay following worship for coffee and snacks, and to connect with other parishioners, staff and clergy in Bishops Hall.**

**If you are a guest today**, welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Please help us to connect by signing our online guestbook (scan the QR code) or visit with one of our greeters and clergy. For more information, visit us online or call the church office at (504) 522-0276.



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## **Children in Church**

**Safe Church** - Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver at all times and are welcome to be in spaces for church-related activities. Please do not allow your child(ren) to enter into classrooms, the school library, or other meeting spaces alone.

**Changing tables** are located in the accessible stalls of both bathrooms in the Undercroft and Bishops Hall foyer.

**Nursery Care** is available from 10:00am - 12:00pm for children age 3 and under. A Safe Church, Safe Communities certified adult is supported by our Nursery Team to welcome our littlest church members with joy and excitement. Contact: [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com).

**The Pray Ground** is located at the front left of the church and serves as a place where young children can experience worship while being physically comfortable. Spirit Bags, soft materials, and books are available in this place. Please help your child enjoy this space quietly and peacefully.

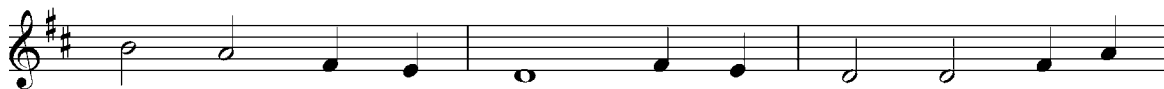
**To Parents:** Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.

**To the Members of our Parish:** The presence of children is a gift to the Church! They are members of our community and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to the parents.

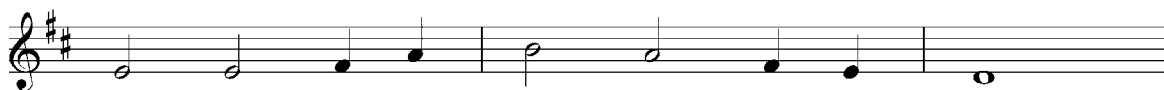
Processional Hymn, *Come, thou fount of every blessing*



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



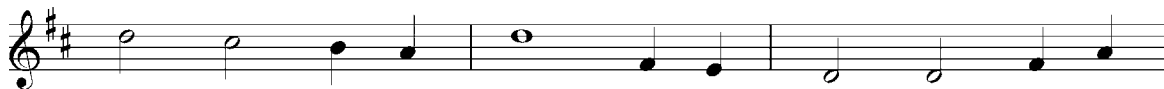
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



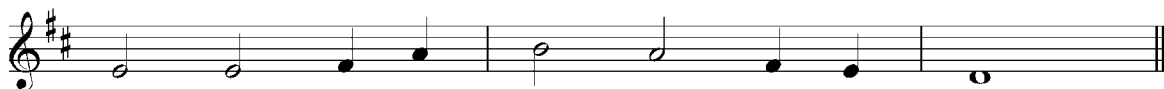
ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## ∞ Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Come, let us gather in God's presence, all of us together, ready to learn and grow.

*All* We come with open hearts and minds, ready for new beginnings.

*Celebrant* Students, teachers, and families and friends, bring your hopes and dreams for this school year.

*Children* We come with excitement and joy, ready to learn and make new friends.

*All* Let us worship God, who blesses our journeys and guides our steps.

*Celebrant* Let us join our hearts in prayer as we prepare for a new school year.

*All* Loving God, as we begin this new school year, we bring all our feelings to you. We bring our excitement and our hopes, our worries and our fears. Thank you for being with us in every moment, helping us to learn and grow. Guide our steps and give us courage to face each day with joy and trust. Bless our teachers, our friends, and our families, and help us to support one another with love and kindness. Amen.

## ∞ Canticle Of Praise



Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - ia, in ex - cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in — the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# The Word of God

## ∞ The First Reading

JEREMIAH 1:4-10

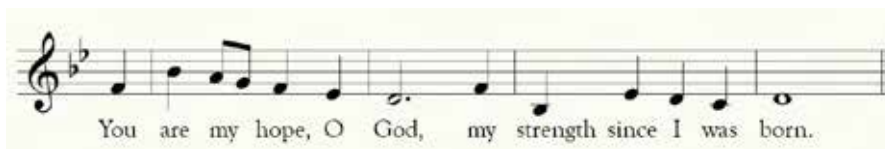
*The People sit.*

**N**ow the word of the Lord came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.” Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

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

## ∞ The Gradual, Psalm 71:1-6

CHANT BY IVOR ALGERNON ATKINS



*Antiphon, sung by the choir then all.*

Choir: In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.  
In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
incline your ear to me and save me.

*Antiphon, all*

Choir: Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.  
Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

*Antiphon, all*

Choir: For you are my hope, O Lord God, \*  
my confidence since I was young.  
I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.

*Antiphon, all*

∞ The Second Reading

HEBREWS 12:18-29

**Y**ou have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn, *Jesus Loves Me*

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus love me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus love me! He who died,  
Heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin,  
let His little child come in.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus love me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus take this heart of mine,  
make it pure and wholly Thine;  
on a cross You died for me,  
I will try to live for Thee.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus love me! The Bible tells me so.

∞ The Holy Gospel  
*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

MATTHEW 13:1-9

<i>Deacon</i>	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
<i>People</i>	<b>Glory to you, Lord Christ.</b>

**T**hat same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

<i>Deacon</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</b>

∞ The Sermon

THE REV. JOHN M. PITZER

*Children may come forward for the sermon, bringing their backpacks with them.*

*Silence follows the Sermon.*

## ∞ Blessing of Backpacks

God of fresh starts and new beginnings, we bring ourselves, our big feelings, and our backpacks to you. In our backpacks, we carry blank pages, sharpened pencils, and pointy crayons, and in our hearts, we carry big feelings, unanswered questions, and hopeful expectations. There are endless possibilities of what this new year might bring—of what we might learn, who we might meet, and who we might become. God, our friend who is always with us, be with us through it all. Be with us as we ride the bus. Be with us as we walk. Be with us as we buckle seat belts, zip-up jackets, and tie shoes. However we get there, and whatever we wear, bless this journey into something new. For the grown-ups going back to school, With-Us God, be with them too. Thank you for our teachers, helpers, caregivers, and leaders, and for all they do to help us learn and grow. God, our friend who's full of wonder, fill their hearts and bless their hands. **Amen.**

*Children may return to their seats.*

## ∞ The Nicene Creed

*All stand and say together*

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.

## ∞ The Prayers of the People

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

*Leader* God, as we begin this new school year, we thank you for fresh starts and new opportunities to learn and grow. We offer you our excitement and our worries, knowing you are with us in all things.

*Leader* We pray for all students—may their hearts be filled with courage and their minds open to wonder. Help them learn not just from books, but from each other.

*All* **Loving God, hold us and our prayers.**

*Leader* We pray for our bodies—our hands as they write and create, our voices as they speak with kindness, our feet as they walk toward friendship, and our eyes and ears as they see and hear with compassion.

*All* **Loving God, hold us and our prayers.**

*Leader* We pray for parents as they send their children into this new year. Give them peace and trust, knowing you are with their children wherever they go.

*All* **Loving God, hold us and our prayers.**

*Leader* We pray for teachers, staff, and administrators. Bless them with patience, wisdom, and joy as they serve. Help them create places where all children can learn and grow.

*All* **Loving God, hold us and our prayers.**

*Leader* We pray for health, friendship, learning, and joy in this school year ahead,  
trusting that you will be with us all every step of the way.

*Leader* Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the joy and care  
of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom as we  
bring them up, that we may teach them to love whatever is  
just and true and good, following the example  
of our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Celebrant* And let all of God's children say... **AMEN!**

∞ The Peace

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

*People* **And also with you.**

∞ Announcements

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Anthem, *Ain'a That Good News!***

SPIRITUAL, ARR. PAUL WEBER

I got a robe up in'a that kingdom, ain'a that good news!  
I got a robe up in'a that kindgom, ain'a that good news!  
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up'a my cross,  
gonna take it home'a to my Jesus, ain'a that good news!

I've got a crown up in'a that kingdom, ain'a that good news!  
I've got a crown up in'a that kingdom, ain'a that good news!  
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up'a my cross,  
gonna take it home'a to my Jesus, ain'a that good news!

I got a Savior in'a that kingdom, ain'a that good news!  
I got a Savior in'a that kingdom, ain'a that good news!  
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up'a my cross,  
gonna take it home'a to my Jesus, ain'a that good news!

## ∞ The Doxology

*Please stand as you are able.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

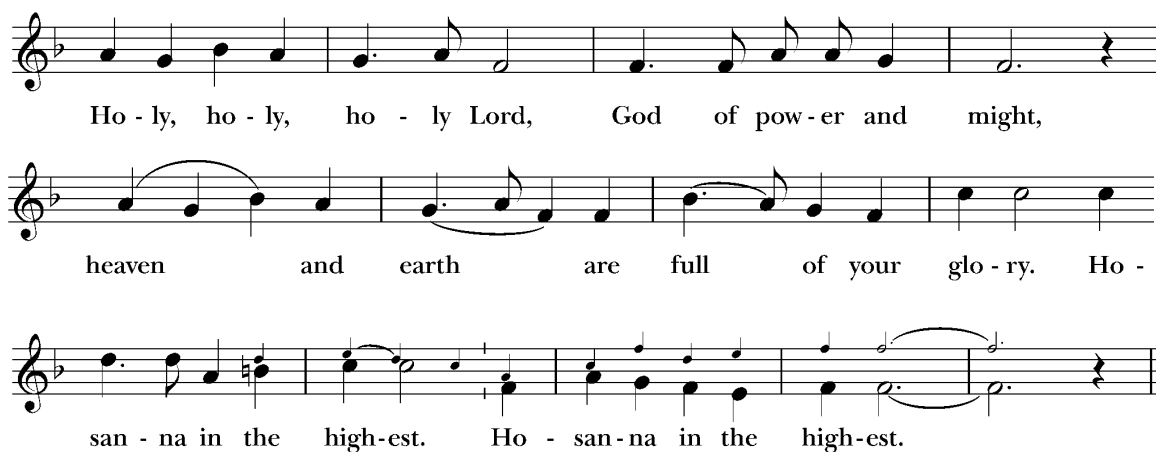
## ∞ The Great Thanksgiving - Enriching our Worship

*Please stand.*

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<b>It is right to give God thanks and praise.</b>

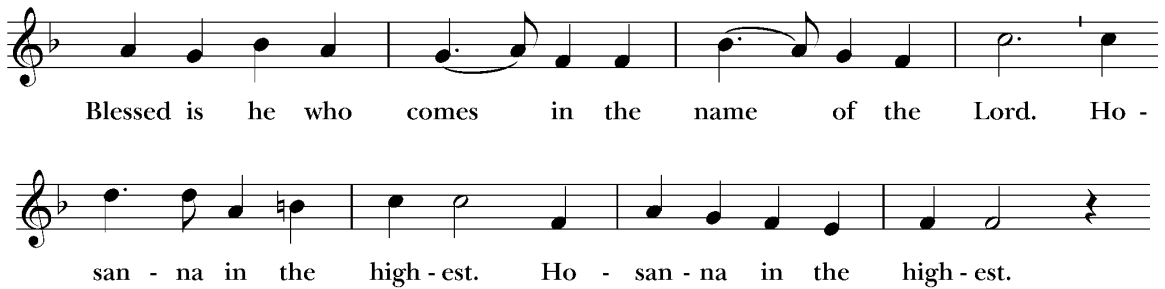
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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



The musical notation is written on three staves in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with a long slur over the first three notes. The lyrics 'heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -' are written below. The third staff concludes the phrase with a final cadence. The lyrics 'san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.' are written below. The system ends with a double bar line.

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 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.

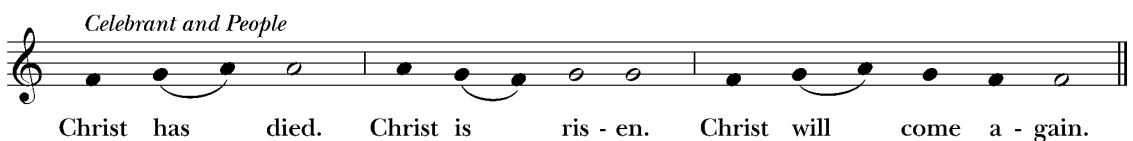
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, 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:



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 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.**

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

## ∞ The Lord's Prayer

*Read aloud together.*

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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Antiphon

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse

Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-fied for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.

Repeat Antiphon

## ∞ The Invitation

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

## ∞ The Communion of the People

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest.*

### **Communion Anthem, *Children of the Heavenly Father* Swedish folk hymn, arr. Paul Weber**

Children of the heavenly Father  
safely in His bosom gather;  
nestling bird of star in heaven  
such a refuge ne'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish,  
in His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them,  
in His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
from the Lord His children sever;  
unto them His grace He showeth,  
and their sorrows all He knoweth.

Though He giveth or He taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
to preserve them pure and holy.  
-Caroline V. Sandellberg, tr. Ernest W. Olson

### **Communion Hymn, Alleluia**

GREEN SONGBOOK 6

## ∞ Sending Out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

<i>Celebrant</i>	In the name of this congregation, I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
<i>People</i>	<b>We who are many are one Body, for we all share in one Bread, one Cup.</b>

## ∞ The Post Communion Prayer

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*All*

Loving God, we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth  
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## ∞ The Blessing

### Recessional Hymn, *I sing a song of the saints of God (Grand Isle)*



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, \_\_\_\_\_  
2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and \_\_\_\_\_  
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who \_\_\_\_\_ toiled and \_\_\_\_\_ fought and \_\_\_\_\_  
his love \_\_\_\_\_ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for \_\_\_\_\_  
hund-reds of thou-sands still, the \_\_\_\_\_ world is \_\_\_\_\_ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And \_\_\_\_\_  
Je - sus' sake, the \_\_\_\_\_ whole of their good lives long. And \_\_\_\_\_  
joy - ous saints who \_\_\_\_\_ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was \_\_\_\_\_ slain  
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the\_\_\_ green: they were all of them saints of\_\_\_  
by a fierce wild\_\_\_ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son—  
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of\_\_\_ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.  
folk like\_\_\_ me, and I mean to be one too.

## ∞ The Dismissal

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



TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHER:	The Reverend John Pitzer
CELEBRANT:	The Reverend Lex Breckenridge
DEACON:	The Reverend Carol Spencer
ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER:	Dr. Paul Weber

FLOWER MEMORIALS

The flowers on the altar of the church are given to God  
and in loving memory of Judith Elizabeth Oudt.

If you would like to honor a loved one with a flower memorial in the church or chapel,  
please contact Mary Katherine Williams at [mkwilliams@trinitynola.com](mailto:mkwilliams@trinitynola.com) or 504-670-2526.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Featured Events**

**TODAY! A Liturgy of Return and a Blessing for the Bags We Carry.** Following the service, come to Bishops Hall for food, coffee, donuts, and creative ways to connect intergenerationally.

- Wisdom Corner: Receive a blessing for wisdom and understanding from Rev. Lex Breckinridge
- Friendship Hub: A blessing station for making and exchanging friendship bracelets
- Prayer Station: Create prayer ribbons for the church
- Service Station: Decorate lunch bags for our neighbors who are hungry

**YogaMass (September 6)** - Offered on the first Saturday of every month, YogaMass brings together the practice of yoga, breath work, meditation, and Holy Communion at 10:30am in the church.

### **Program year begins Sunday, Sep 7, 2025!**

**Godly Play Returns! (September 7)** - Children come to know God through community, story, wonder, art, and feast. Email [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) or register using the QR code.



**REGISTER**

**Middle School Sunday School (6th-8th)** at Molly's House during the 10:30 service. Students gather for community, prayer, study, and donuts. We return for communion. Email [lizziekeenemusic@gmail.com](mailto:lizziekeenemusic@gmail.com) to register.

**Faith and Fiction (September 7)** will resume weekly meetings on Sunday, September 7 at 9:15am in the school library. There will be a zoom option for those unable to attend in person. New members and visitors are always welcome. Contact Merry Toups at [merryparis@yahoo.com](mailto:merryparis@yahoo.com) if you would like to be added to the email list to receive stories and announcements.

**12 Steps are for Everyone (Sundays at 9:15am)** Participants discuss the effectiveness of the 12 steps of recovery as a process for spiritual growth each Sunday, at 9:15am in the Church Board Room. Contact Patty Justice at [justicepatty8@gmail.com](mailto:justicepatty8@gmail.com) with questions.

**NEW! Quest: Men on a Journey (September 10)** is a space for men in their 30s - 50s to connect, grow, and support one another through the everyday realities of life and faith. This group will meet during the second week of each month, rotating between social gatherings, service opportunities, and faith-based conversations. **The first social gathering is Wednesday, September 10 from 6:00pm - 8:30pm** at Trinity's Parish House. Come enjoy food, conversation and fellowship. Upcoming gatherings include Saturday, October 11 (9:00am-11:00am) for a service opportunity, and Wednesday, November 12 (6:00pm - 8:30pm) for a faith-based conversation.

**Trinity Singers Concert (September 12)** - On Friday, September 12, from 7:00pm - 8:00pm in the Church, Trinity Choir singers Joy Meade, Maria Thomas, and Claire Shackleton—accompanied by Trinity Organist and Choirmaster Paul Weber—present a program of solo arias and art songs.

**The Lay Eucharistic Visitor ministry (September 13)** is looking to renew and expand its presence. We invite current Eucharistic Visitors and those interested in becoming Eucharistic Visitors to join us for a workshop on Saturday, September 13 at 9:00am-11:00am in the Menge Board Room (in Jack's House) to learn more about this quiet but powerful ministry. Please reach out to Katherine Duncan ([katherine.duncan29@gmail.com](mailto:katherine.duncan29@gmail.com)), Keith Jordan ([keithrichard\\_70131@yahoo.com](mailto:keithrichard_70131@yahoo.com)), or Maria Elliott ([melliott@trinitynola.com](mailto:melliott@trinitynola.com)) with questions or to confirm your attendance.

**Theology of Creation Care** with Lex Breckinridge Sunday, Sep 12 at 9:15 in the Parish House located at 1305 Jackson Avenue.

**Bishop's Visit and Confirmation Sunday (September 21)** - The Right Reverend Shannon Rogers Duckworth will preside and preach at the 10:30am service on Sunday, September 21, for confirmation, reaffirmation and reception.

**Walking the Mourner's Path (begins September 22)** This eight-week series is designed to help participants navigate the stages of grief and honor their loved one in a guided small group setting. To learn more, contact Maria Elliott at [melliott@trinitynola.com](mailto:melliott@trinitynola.com).

**Welcome Dinner (September 25)** - at 6pm in the Parish House located at 1305 Jackson Ave. Whether you're new to Trinity or just feel new, gather with new friends, clergy, and staff. RSVP to [mkwilliams@trinitynola.com](mailto:mkwilliams@trinitynola.com).

**SAVE THE DATE! All Parish Brunch & Ministry Fair (September 28)** - All are invited on Sunday, September 28, following the 10:30am service for brunch with mimosas, ministry fair, table discussions, information about the rector search process, and to pick up their stewardship packet.

**The WOTC Fall Rummage Sale (October 3-5) Last Call for donations!** Fall Rummage Sale will be held October 3-5, 2025 in Bishops Hall.

**NAMI Walk (October 4)** - Trinity has assembled a walking team, joining hundreds of NAMIWalks Southeast Louisiana participants to increase awareness and raise funds for mental health care. Over 100,000 individuals and family members in our community are impacted by mental health conditions each year. Let's stand together and let them know they are not alone. All proceeds provide free support, education, resources, and outreach to thousands of individuals each year. Register to participate at [www.namiwalks.org/team/TeamTrinity](http://www.namiwalks.org/team/TeamTrinity). **Questions?** Contact team captain Ken Harrell at [kenharrell1955@gmail.com](mailto:kenharrell1955@gmail.com).

**Restorative Justice Storytelling: Ubuntu Village (October 22)** - The Trinity Restorative Justice Committee will present the next in its series of "Listening Sessions" on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 from 5:30pm -7:00pm in the chapel. We will feature the work of Ubuntu Village, a remarkable organization in our City which is dedicated to restorative approaches in the juvenile justice system, specifically around mental health. The evening will include personal story-telling as well as input from law enforcement through a representative of the NOPD. Please mark your calendar and join us for an evening of song, prayer, listening and learning together on a subject that affects us all.

**Godly Play Teacher Training (October 24-26)** - Join us for an intensive 18-hour spiritual growth experience designed to equip participants as Godly Play leaders. This hands-on training combines discovery learning with practical skill development in an atmosphere of prayer and play. To register, contact Ashley Bond at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) or (504) 236-2672.

### **Diocesan Events**

**Women's Creative Process Retreat "Breathe Deep - Love Wide" (October 17-19)** - Relax, create, be restored with laughter, faith and love at Solomon Center. Contact Tracy Parker at [tracyparker@cox.net](mailto:tracyparker@cox.net) with questions.



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