



**TRINITY**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AND  
CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
August 31, 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 on-line 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, *Love divine, all loves excelling (Hyfrydol)*

BLUE HYMNAL 657

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be alway blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee:  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

∞ Baptismal Acclamation

<i>Celebrant</i>	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
<i>People</i>	<b>And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	There is one Body and one Spirit;
<i>People</i>	<b>There is one hope in God's call to us.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
<i>People</i>	<b>One God and Father of all.</b>

## ∞ The Collect of the Day

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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Word of God

### ∞ The First Reading

SIRACH 10:12-18

*The People sit.*

**T**he beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

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

### ∞ The Gradual, Psalm 112



**All: Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!  
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Choir: Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.  
Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

All: It is good for them to be **generous in lending** \*  
**and to manage their affairs with justice.**  
For they will never be **shaken**; \*  
**the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

Choir: They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.  
Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

All: They have given freely to the **poor**, \*  
**and their righteousness stands fast for ever;**  
**they will hold up their head with honor.**  
The wicked will see it and be angry;  
they will gnash their teeth and pine **away**; \*  
the desires of the wicked will **perish**.

∞ The Second Reading

HEBREWS 13:1-8, 15-16

**L**et mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

**Blest are the pure in heart,  
for they shall see our God;  
the secret of the Lord is theirs,  
their soul is Christ's abode.**

**The Lord, who left the heavens  
our life and peace to bring,  
to dwell in lowliness with us,  
our pattern and our King;**

**he to the lowly soul  
will still himself impart  
and for his dwelling and his throne  
will choose the pure in heart.**

**Lord, we thy presence seek;  
may ours this blessing be;  
give us a pure and lowly heart,  
a temple fit for thee.**

∞ The Holy Gospel

LUKE 14:1, 7-14

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

*Deacon  
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**O**n one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame,

and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

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

∞ The Sermon

THE REV. GARY TAYLOR

*Silence follows the Sermon.*

∞ Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

*Celebrant*            The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented. Please name  
whom you are presenting for the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Ezryn Rhys Cassar-Cruice  
son of Arianna Claire Cassar-Cruice and Wendell Joseph Cruice, Jr.

Katherine Lynelle John  
daughter of Sidney and Thomas John

Elle Farrow Umansky  
daughter of Caitlin Claire Baker and Derrick Umansky

*Infants and Younger Children: Candidates who are unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by Parents and Godparents, as follows*

*Celebrant*            Who do you present to receive the Sacrament of Baptism?  
*Parents and*            I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.  
*Godparents*

*When the candidate has been presented,*

*Celebrant*            Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is  
brought up in the Christian faith and life?  
*Parents and*            **I will, with God's help.**  
*Godparents*

*Celebrant*            Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow  
into the full stature of Christ?  
*Parents and*            **I will, with God's help.**  
*Godparents*

*The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of infants and younger children.*

*Question*        Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*           **I renounce them.**

*Question*        Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*           **I renounce them.**

*Question*        Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer*           **I renounce them.**

*Question*        Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer*           **I do.**

*Question*        Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer*           **I do.**

*Question*        Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer*           **I do.**

*The People stand. The Celebrant asks the Congregation*

*Celebrant*        Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

*People*            **We will.**

*Celebrant*        Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## ∞ The Baptismal Covenant

*Celebrant*        Do you believe in God the Father?

*People*            **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant*        Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People*            **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**



**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of  
God in Christ?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor  
as yourself?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect  
the dignity of every human being?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## ∞ The Prayers for the Candidates

*Celebrant* Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament  
of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ∞ Thanksgiving over the Water

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in

joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ∞ The Baptism

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## ∞ The Peace

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

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

*The People greet one another.*

## ∞ Announcements

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory Anthem, *Steal Away*

SPIRITUAL, ARR. PAUL WEBER

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.  
Steal away, steal away home;  
I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder.  
The trumpet sounds within'a my soul.  
I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away...

Green trees are bending, poor sinner stand a trembling;  
The trumpet sounds within'a my soul.  
I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away...

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the lightning;  
The trumpet sounds within'a my soul.  
I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away...

## ∞ 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.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

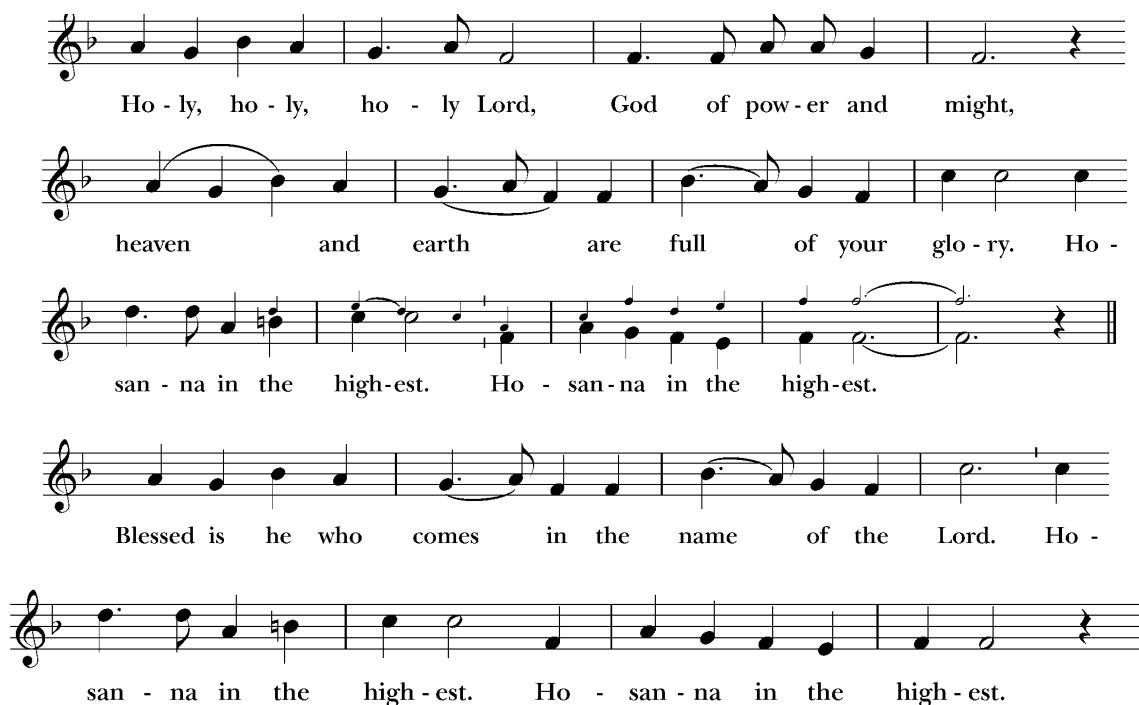
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* 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 score is written on five staves of music. Each staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff has a long note with a slur over it. The third staff has a long note with a slur over it. The fourth staff has a long note with a slur over it. The fifth staff has a long note with a slur over it.

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.

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:

*Celebrant and People*



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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,

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.*



## ∞ 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 Hymn, *Lead Me, Lord*

SAMUEL SEBASTIAN WESLEY

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;  
 make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only  
 that maketh me dwell in safety.

Communion Hymn, *Be Still and Know*

GREEN SONGBOOK 72

Communion Hymn, *Water Has Held Us*

GREEN SONGBOOK 105

∞ Sending Out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* We who are many are one Body, for we all share in one Bread, one Cup.

∞ 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, *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord*

BLUE HYMNAL 438

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age the same;  
his holy Name—the Lord, the Mighty One.**



**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!**

∞ The Dismissal

<i>Deacon</i>	Let us go forth in the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia!
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

**Postlude, *Praeludium in D Major, BuxWV 139***

DIETERICH BUXTEHUDE

### **Today's Worship Leaders**

PREACHER:	The Reverend John Pritzer
CELEBRANT:	The Reverend E. Gary Taylor
ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER:	DR. Paul Weber

### **Flower Memorials**

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

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

**Godly Play Returns! (September 7)** - Children come to know God through community, story, wonder, art, and feast. Questions? Contact [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com).



Please register your child for the Nursery or Godly Play at [https://bit.ly/Trinity\\_GPRRegistration](https://bit.ly/Trinity_GPRRegistration) or scan the QR code.

***REGISTER***

#### **What is Godly Play?**

Godly Play is a creative, Montessori-based approach to Christian formation that uses stories, symbols, and rituals to nurture faith through wondering, play, and community discovery.

**Middle School Sunday School (6th-8th)** meets at Molly's House during the 10:30am 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 Touns 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.

### **Featured Events**

**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.

**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.

**Creation: It's Still Unfolding and We Have A Role To Play (September 14)** - As we enter the Season of Creation, a time when Christians worldwide celebrate our Gospel calling to protect the Earth God entrusted to our care, discover how the Bible reveals not just one, but multiple Creation stories that are still unfolding today. Is Creation a completed event, or are we called to be active co-creators with God? Join Lex on Sunday, September 14 at 9:15am in the Parish House, as we explore these transformative questions and unpack our role as stewards, or managers, in God's ongoing work of renewal and restoration.

**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)** - Whether you are new to Trinity or just feel new, you are invited to dinner! Gather with other newcomers, clergy and staff at 6:00pm on Thursday, September 25, in Trinity's Parish House. Come with any questions and to learn more about Trinity and the Episcopal faith—but mostly, we want to meet you in person and help you connect here. RSVP is required; details and sign-up are available on our online calendar, or email [mckilliams@trinitynola.com](mailto:mckilliams@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 is October 3-5 in Bishops Hall.** We are no longer accepting rummage donations. Email Sara Allen Harper or contact the church office at (504) 522-0276 for more info on how to volunteer during the sale.

**Sale Hours:**

Friday, October 3, 9:00am - 3:00pm

Saturday, October 4, 9:00am - 3:00pm

Sunday, October 5, 11:00am - 3:00pm

**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**

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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