

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Oct. 19, 2025 7:30 a.m.

Trinity Episcopal Parish

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. You will find that our worship blends the ancient mysteries of the church with a modern and vibrant faith. Everything you need to worship with us is in this bulletin. Located in the pew rack are Welcome, Small Group, Volunteer, and Giving connection cards. Please complete a Welcome Card so we can learn a little more about you.

RESTROOM: A restroom is located to the right as you enter the church, to the left as you exit.

LIGHTING A VOTIVE: The Little Side Chapel (located in the alcove to the left as you enter the church) is available to anyone wishing to light a candle and have a few moments of reflection and prayer.

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, Have mercy upon us.

GLORIA

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes,

and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:97-104

97 Oh, how I love your law! * all the day long it is in my mind.

98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, * and it is always with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, * for your decrees are my study.

100 I am wiser than the elders, *

because I observe your commandments.

101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *

that I may keep your word.

102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *

because you yourself have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste! * they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; * therefore I hate every lying way.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation

through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP, p.328)

CONFESSION OF SIN
Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

And with thy spirit.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

You may leave your offering in the plates as they are passed, or visit https://trinityparish.com/giving/ or scan the QR code using your phone's camera to give online.



You may also mail your offering or pledge to: 317 Franklin Street, Clarksville, TN 37040 Today is the third Sunday, and all undesignated offerings will go to the Discretionary Fund for the poor and needy.

DOXOLOGY

The People stand and sing while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

All things come of Thee O Lord.

And of Thine own have we given thee

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer I)

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (see BCP p. 334)

The People kneel or stand.

... By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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.

DISTRIBUTION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Here are the options:

Bread intincted by the priest: Proceed to the right (pulpit) side, standing or kneeling. The priest will carefully intinct (dip) the bread in the wine and place it in your open hand.

Bread and wine (common cup): Proceed to the left (eagle lectern) side, standing or kneeling. You will receive bread in your hand, which you should immediately consume, and then you will drink from the chalice. Touching only the base of the chalice, you may assist in directing the wine to your lips. Please do not touch the upper part of the chalice or intinct the bread.

Bread only: Left side. After receiving bread, cross both arms over your chest to indicate no wine. **Blessing only:** Either side: If you or your child wish to receive a priest's blessing instead of bread and wine, please cross your arms over your chest.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to

whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately following today's service for coffee and refreshments.

Those serving today

Lector: Thommy Barbeauld Acolyte: Blake Yrabedra

LEM: Kathy McBeth Murray Usher/Greeter: Tom, Cindy Fanning

Flower donation

Flowers Donated By Glory Of God by Ric and Jennifer Williams in memory of Mary Zemanek and Robert J Christenson

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

THE DANDRIDGE TRUST COMMITTEE

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Kathy Murray and Robert Frost Nancy Gibson Richard Gildrie and Meredith Gildrie

Parish Prayer List

Tim Kimbro

Calendar

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

- 7:30 a.m. Sunday: Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken
- 10 a.m. Sunday: Holy Eucharist Rite II, with music, nursery available

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

9 a.m.

- Children: Goldy Play for students pre-school through 5th grade.
- Youth: Students 6th through 12th grade.
- Adults: Luke's Gospel and Acts of the Apostles

11:30 a.m. (following 10 a.m. service)

Adults: Walk in Love: "Episcopal Beliefs and Practices" by Scott Gunn

Nursery is available starting at 9 a.m. through the 10 a.m. service for infants up to 3 years old.

FELLOWSHIP:

- Small Groups meet weekly or bi-weekly. To sign up, go to
 https://trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/ or call the church office, 931-645-2458.
- Women's Study, "The Gift of Years," second Saturdays at 9 a.m., Parish Hall Library.
- Loaves & Fishes Trinity volunteer Day, third Wednesdays at noon, 325 Crossland Ave.
- Circuit Workit low-impact exercise, Saturdays at 9:30 a.m., Parish Hall.
- Chair Yoga, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m., Parish Hall.

Announcements

Today we welcome **the Rev. Canon Jody Howard**, Canon to the Ordinary for the Diocese of Tennessee. A native of Asheville, North Carolina, he is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and the University of the South School of Theology. He previously served as Assistant Priest at Trinity Church, Winchester, Vicar of St. Francis Church, Goodlettsville, and as Rector of St. Joseph of Arimathea Episcopal Church in Hendersonville, where he resides with his wife Anna and their sons, Eli and August.

For the next several Sundays -- and for Christmas Eve services! -- we will be joined by **the Rev. John Smith** of Madison, Tennessee, who has previously celebrated with Trinity.

Do you have announcements to share? Send 'em in! Please do so by Thursday night, though, as the bulletin is printed bright and early Friday morning.



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Our Team

Office Administrator: Kelsey Deboard Nursery: Kelly Loy and Lisa Mejeun Treasurer: Beverly Kimbrough Lead Verger: Chris Smith

Our Vestry

Howell Foust, Senior Warden
Steven Stroman, Junior Warden
Maryalice Telford
Heather Fleming
Sherri Robinson
Will Green

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Bob Houston
Martha Brunet
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