

# **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

Oct. 26, 2025 7:30 a.m.

## **Trinity Episcopal Parish**

317 Franklin Street Clarksville, TN 37040 931-645-2458

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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, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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: Joel 2:23-32** O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

The Word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 65

1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; \* to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, \* because of their transgressions.
3 Our sins are stronger than we are, \*

but you will blot them out.

4 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! \* they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.

5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,

O God of our salvation, \*

O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

6 You make fast the mountains by your power; \*

## they are girded about with might.

7 You still the roaring of the seas, \* the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.

8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; \* you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; \* the river of God is full of water.

10 You prepare the grain, \*

for so you provide for the earth.

11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; \* with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

12 You crown the year with your goodness, \* and your paths overflow with plenty.

13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, \* and the hills be clothed with joy.

14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; \* let them shout for joy and sing.

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

## Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

#### 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 A second offering is collected for FUEL, which provides weekend food packages to schoolchildren in need.

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: Shirley Woodham Hood Acolyte: Blake Yrabedra
LEM: Laura Harpel Usher/Greeter: Phil Harpel

#### Flower donation

Flowers Donated by Glory of God by Matha Kimbrough Brunet in memory of son Andrew Seth Brunet, sister Mary Evelyn Kimbrough Webb in celebration of Rachel Arie Brunet

## **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, PULASKI

## **Parish Cycle of Prayer**

Shanti Sheri Gonyea Will and Chrisoula and Alexander and Luke and Niko Gotlick David and Allison and Theresa Graham

## **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 <a href="https://trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/">https://trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/</a> 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**

This morning we are joined by Father John Smith, who just celebrated his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the priesthood. He has been assisting at St. James the Less in Madison. He leads the parish Bible study there on the Book of Leviticus. He tries to see how the Gospel of Jesus' teaching speaks to our current life situations.

This morning, we'll be celebrating **Joan Truesdale's 94th birthday** with cake **after the 10:00 a.m. service**. Please join us in the fellowship hall to wish Joan a very happy birthday and enjoy some cake together!

Empty Bowls Painting Party- November 9th @12pm Trinity Fellowship hall

**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.

## **Small Group Connections**

Looking to build community, dig deeper and have some fun? Join one of Trinity's Small Groups. To meet a variety of schedules, they are set on a variety of days and times. Pick the one that's best for you, and sign up at trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/ or call the church office, or reach out to one of the leaders. Let's get together!



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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 Frank Lott
Bob Houston
Martha Brunet
Bill Kimbrough
Chris Nolder
Amy Truesdale

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