

Christ the King Sunday



Last Sunday after Pentecost

Nov. 23, 2025

10 a.m.

Trinity Episcopal Parish

317 Franklin Street

Clarksville, TN 37040

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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.

NURSERY: Kids of all ages are welcome to attend the service! However, parents may prefer to take infants and toddlers up to 3 years old to our staffed nursery, located downstairs in the Parish House next to the sanctuary. The ushers or greeters can accompany you to the nursery.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL: Children's Chapel is available for children ages 4-7 every Sunday (except the first Sunday Family Service). Participating families are asked to sign in using the check-in station as you enter. During the singing of the Gloria, children will gather and process to Children's Chapel. Children are escorted back to their families at the Peace.

Please note that the Parish House doors are locked during the service. Should you need access to the Nursery or Children's Chapel during the service, please see an usher, or go to the breezeway door and the gatekeeper will assist 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.

PRELUDE
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
SILENT MEDITATION AND RINGING OF THE BELL

The Word of God

OPENING HYMN: Come, ye thankful people, come..... Hymnal 290

Hymnals are found in the pew racks.

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

GLORIA..... Hymnal S280

Hymn numbers with an S are at the beginning of the Hymnal.

The People sing:

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE: CANTICLE 16, The Song of Zechariah

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *

holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness

and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths Hymnal 628

All stand

Verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel and Verse 3 after.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord 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 ("Tell Out My Soul," for the stewardship season)

Priest: As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise, thanking God for the opportunity to tell out our souls in joy.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the church, God's greatest gift to us. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our bishops, priests, deacons, and laypeople, especially Sean, our presiding bishop, John, bishop of Tennessee, and [____] our priest today ... Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our House of Prayer.

Leader: I bid your prayers for our nation and for all nations; for all refugees, for an end to terror and war, for a spirit of goodwill. We pray for our national institutions that they will work together in justice, remembering especially Donald, president of the United States, Bill, governor of Tennessee, and Wes and Joe, our mayors ... Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of the Promise of Liberty.

Leader: I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts. ... Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our Love.

Leader: I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, and who we name now either silently or aloud. [silence] ... Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our Compassion.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, and for those who mourn. We pray for those we name now with our voices or in our hearts. [silence] ... Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our Stories.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the men and women in the service of our nation, and their families, at home and abroad. We pray for their safety, their courage, and a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be. ... Tell Out my Soul,

The Greatness of our Sacrifice

Leader: I invite your celebrations, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with grace. ... May we be inspired to share our wealth, works, and wisdom with our neighbors and our church as we Tell Out our Soul,

The Greatness of the Lord.

Priest: Hear the prayers of your people, O God, and inspire us with gratitude and abundance as we share our many gifts with you and the world you made. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer B)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS Hymnal S125

The People sing:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People remain standing or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [] and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM Hymnal S154

The People sing:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Please join in the singing of the Communion hymns.

Watchman, tell us of night Hymnal 640

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: Now Thank We All Our God Hymnal 397

DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

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

Those serving today

1st reading: Privott Sledge Stroman

Psalm: Jan Hodgson

2nd reading: Will Green

Prayers: Nathaniel Olmos

Verger: Katie Dean

LEM/Cross: Steven B. Stroman

Torch/server: Allison Lee Stroman

Torch/cup, plates: Ophelia Potts

Ushers: Larry M Faust, Ken Mory

Greeters: Christie Crawford, David Graham

Organist: Mike Epley

Livestream: Jamie Loy

Gatekeeper: Sheila Casey Foust

Children's Chapel: Merrilee Laugeness Katy Potts

Celebrant

We are joined today by the Rev. John Smith of Madison

Flower donation

Given in Thanksgiving by Marlin Huddleston and Christie Crawford for the Crawford Jones and Huddleston Families.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

CHRIST CHURCH, TRACY CITY

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Tracy Hoard

Jan Hodgson

John, Elizabeth, Sarah, Harrison and Jackson Holt

Parish Prayer List

Micheal and Ina Claire Washington

Calendar

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

9 a.m.

- **Children:** Godly Play for students pre-school through 5th grade.
- **Youth:** Students 6th through 12th grade.
- **Adults:** Walk in Love: "Episcopal Beliefs and Practices" by Scott Gunn

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

- **Adults:** Luke's Gospel and Acts of the Apostles

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



Tell Out My Soul

How does your Soul Tell Your Story at Trinity?

Our Stewardship Campaign is underway, and we are asking all Trinity parishioners to reflect and discern how their story can best be told. Stewardship comes in many forms, such as time, talent and treasure. How can you share your time at Trinity? How can you share your talents at Trinity? How can you share your treasure at Trinity? Pledging for your annual contribution allows our Vestry to budget and plan for the year ahead. Budgeting covers everything from outreach to electricity.

SpiritFest and Trees of Trinity

SpiritFest is coming up Saturday Dec. 6th @2pm-4pm

Join us Friday, Dec. 5 to help decorate the Trees of Trinity for SpiritFest on Dec. 6. Bring your family to share a meal, decorate a tree and enjoy some Christmas spirit together. We have 7 trees to decorate; we also have enough decorations but you (and a ministry group!) can choose to "sponsor" a tree and bring along your own themed decorations. Kids are welcomed and encouraged to participate!

Decorating the Trees of Trinity

Fri., Dec. 5 4 to 7 pm, Parish Hall

Mark your calendars for Friday, December 5 and join us as we decorate trees in preparation for SpiritFest the next day! Food, fun, and trees will be provided!

Come back downtown Saturday Dec. 6 from 2-4 pm for SpiritFest and stay for the Christmas Parade. Trees will be left in the Parish Hall through Epiphany for everyone to enjoy!

Join the Altar Guild!

Trinity's Altar Guild is a ministry of women and men who serve on teams of volunteers who maintain and prepare the Altar for services. Their tasks include cleaning the linens and vessels, and preparing the sacraments for the Eucharist. The guild's behind the scenes work is essential to our worship. We are in need of new members. Please consider joining us. Contact Jeanie Faust, Altar Guild Chairperson, by calling 931-624-7265 or email faustjeanie@gmail.com, or talk to her after Sunday's services.

Kitchen Cleanup

Please join the Kitchen Guild Nov. 22 at 2pm for our quarterly kitchen cleanup! No scrubbing while on your knees required. Help us get the kitchen nice and tidy for Thanksgiving and Advent. Clean up normally lasts two hours, but we'll get done even faster with your help! Reach out to Allison Graham with any questions!



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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
Will Green

Frank Lott
Bob Houston
Bill Kimbrough
Cornelia Mitchell
Chris Nolder
Amy Truesdale

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