

# **Last Sunday after Pentecost**

Nov. 23, 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, 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.

CANTICLE 16: The Song of Zechariah, Benedictus Dominus Deus

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.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

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

## Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP, p.328)

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# 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, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

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.

# And with thy spirit.

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### 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.

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the altar.

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: Laura Harpel Acolyte: Blake Yrabedra

LEM: Blake Yrabedra (K)

Usher/Greeter: Charlene Beard Lollar

#### 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**

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## **Parish Cycle of Prayer**

Tracy Hoard Jan Hodgson

John and Elizabeth and Sarah and Harrison and Jackson Holt

#### **Parish Prayer List**

Micheal and Ina Claire Washington

# 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: 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 <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**



#### 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
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