The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost August 24, 2025



Welcome to All Worshippers Today

No matter where you come from or what you're going through,
No matter what you believe or what you doubt,
No matter whom you love;
You are welcomed to this place
To be met by a God who knows you by name,
Who knows your heart and mind,
And who wants to have a relationship with **YOU!**

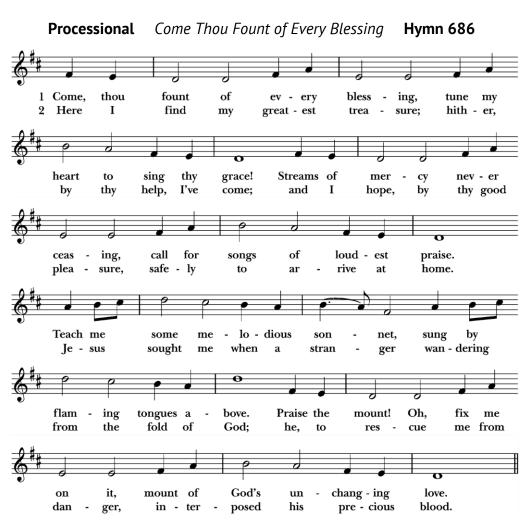
Church of the Holy Trinity

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Staffed Nursery for our Smallest Guests @ 10:30

We are excited to offer a fully staffed Nursery for our smallest guests at the 10:30 am service. Feel free to entrust your children up to age 4 to our nursery staff. Then pick them up after the service.

Prelude & Welcome



Summer Sunday Chapel: At the 10:30 service we invite children through 5th grade to follow the cross out to the children's chapel room after the processional. They will rejoin us at the announcement time for communion.

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

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*.

The Gloria Hymn S280

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory 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*.

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah. Isaiah 58:9b-14

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will quide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; 14then you shall take delight in the LORD,
 and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
 I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
 for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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

Psalm 103:1-8 responsively by whole verse **BCP 733**

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

²Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits.

³He forgives all your sins * and heals all your infirmities;

⁴He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

⁵He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶The LORD executes righteousness * and judgment for all who are oppressed.

⁷He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.

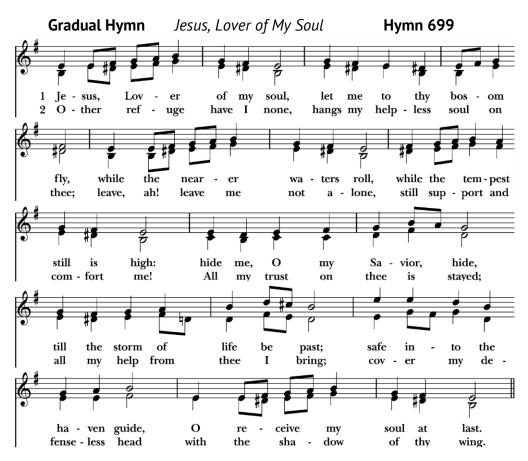
⁸The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness.

A Reading from a letter to the Hebrews Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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



Holy Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day."

¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Clay Lein

Nicene Creed All stand. BCP 358

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.

The Prayers of the People

BCP 387

- V. Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
- R. That we all may be one.
- V. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
- R. That your Name may be glorified by all people.
- V. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
- R. That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
- V. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world:
- *R.* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
- V. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
- R. That our works may find favor in your sight.

- V. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
- R. That they may be delivered from their distress.
- V. Give to the departed eternal rest;
- R. Let light perpetual shine upon them.
- V. We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
- R. May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
- V. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

 In the silence people may add their own petitions.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin Please kneel as you are able. **BCP p. 360**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Celebrant 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 (please greet each other)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements & Blessings

Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving BCP 361

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 him 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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

8:00am Sanctus (spoken)

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.

10:30am Sanctus (sung)

Hymn S130

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

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

The people stand, sit, or kneel

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. AMEN.

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.

Celebrant People Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia

All Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table. Follow the directions of the ushers to come forward. If you would like communion brought to you, please inform the ushers.

If you would prefer to receive only a blessing, please come forward and a priest will bless you and/or your kids.

Offering plates are placed at the front on each side so we might bring our gifts as we come forward.



Wine and wafer packets are available. Simply take one from the tray, and then discard the packaging in the designated area when you return to your pew.



To instead receive a wafer, place your hands in front of you, slightly overlapping. The priest will place a wafer in your palm.



If you wish to use the common cup, reach out and guide the large chalice to your mouth.



If you wish to dip your wafer in the wine, hold it in front of you, and then dip your wafer in the small chalice.

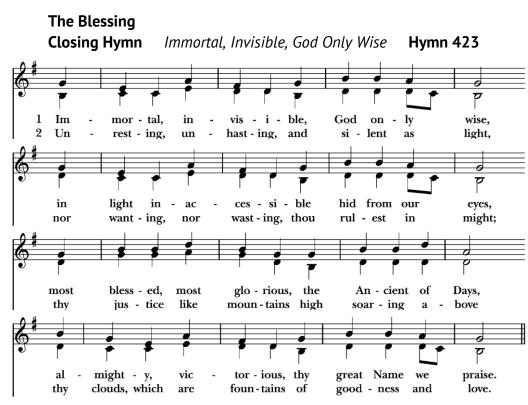
Two options exist for receiving wine.

The Closing Prayer

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.



Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia. *Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Postlude

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their college friends James Krajicek and Paula Krajicek Whitney who passed within 3 weeks of each other. They are both pain free and in the loving arms of Jesus. Please pray for the Krajicek family.

Serving Today

8am

Greeters/Ushers

John & Bonnie

Engelhardt

Lectors

Joe Fox

Julie Silvertrust

Chalice 8am

Bob Hillver

Rev Dr. Clay Lein

Rev Verneda Kelly

10:30am

Greeters/Ushers

Scott & Angee

Dostal

Lectors

Peter Sewell John Andrews

Coffee Shepherd

John Schomerus

Chalice

Sue Everett

David Bloomquist

Don Rabbe

Cheryl Helj

Rev. Dr. Clay Lein

Rev Verneda Kelly

Altar Guild

Linda Rabbe

NOW BOARDING: SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Attention all students, grades Kindergarten - 12th!!!

Want to travel through time and learn all about Jesus with Holy Trinity? NOW is your chance!

Sunday School kicks off on September 7th at 9:15am; here's what to expect:

Large group prayer & praise

Meaningful, connected Bible lesson

Small group discussion/activity

Snack time

End-of-Unit Celebration Sundays

Friendships & mentorships to last a lifetime



Contact Darby at darbyd@htlnk.org for more info!



Ever Wonder How to Get to Know People at Church?

Interested in Developing More Friendships in Your Life?

Then Dinner Circles ARE for you!

These are groups of 6-8 adults who meet for a meal together 4-5 times between September 2025 and February 2026. Register today and we'll connect you with a group. Then schedule a time to share a meal and begin getting to know one another. Groups can meet at homes or restaurants (all pay for their own meal).

This activity is open to all adults. Each group will have a lead person to kick things off. Please consider this fun activity. Sign up in the Narthex or email Sue at Sbeverett51@gmail.com

Join us on August 31st One COMBINED Worship Service @ 10:00am

We Will Be INDOORS!

Church Potluck Right After: All are invited to bring sides, covered dish or dessert. If you are unable to bring food, please do still come. God always provides enough!





LPS Emergency Pantry at Bryan Community School 2:45pm-5:45pm on the fourth Friday of the month.

The pantry is open three days a week when school is in session and Holy Trinity will provide three volunteers to work at the pantry on the fourth Friday during the school year. Please consider signing up for one or more sessions and contact Cheryl Hejl with any questions.



Seniors Coffee Hour

August 26, 2025 @ 2pm in the Memorial Room

Every 4th Tuesday at 2:00pm we'll enjoy coffee, snacks, fellowship and a chance to learn more about the world around us.

For more information contact Rev. Verneda 402-310-5854



Starts September 8, 2025 Mondays @ 6pm

EFM is a Faith Forming journey that anyone can begin. We meet regularly in a small group context to grow deeper in our understanding of our faith.

This year we are offering a 1-year version called "Wide Angle." It covers much of the same territory but with a bit less depth. This is perfect for those who might want to begin with a smaller step.

Please contact Deacon Christine for more information. 402-560-0024 cgrosh@windstream.net

Chalice Bearers, Greeters and Ushers Needed for Sunday Worship

Please consider joining the team of volunteers that make Sunday mornings happen. You'll be helping others and enriching your own worship experience. Training will be provided.



Ushers and greeters are the first people encountered when you enter the church for services. They are the face of Holy Trinity in a very tangible way.

If you feel called to serve in these ways at the 8:00 or 10:30 am services please do let us know by emailing Nicole at HolyTrinity10@Yahoo.com.

The West Entrance is Officially Under Construction!

Please use the south entrance, by the circle driveway or east entrance by the kitchen when entering the building.

Parking is available on the south and east side.

Coming Soon: Playground Fence and Children's Chapel!









Are You Intimidated By the Bible?

Ever Wonder Where to Start Reading it?

Then **His Story** could be just what you've been looking for. His Story is a one-year guided journey through the Bible in chronological order. Together, we will read selected highlights averaging about 35 verses a day. They will trace the story of

the Bible from beginning to end in the order it all happened.

HIS STORY

ONE-YEAR CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE STUDY

Sign up by sending an email to Sue Everett at

<u>SBEverett51@gmail.com</u> Or give us your email address on one of the sign-up sheets in the narthex.

When you sign up, we'll send you a weekly email. It will include a listing of the selections that we'll all be reading that week. It will occasionally have engaging video resources that can flesh out the background or give us deeper insight into that week's story.

You can also pick up paper copies of the next week's readings at church.

We are also making available a full-color notebook binder filled with charts, graphs, maps, outlines and summaries for the bible student that wants a great reference library in one volume (\$10). Just let us know if you want to order one.

So, please join the rest of us at Holy Trinity as we take this journey and discover **His Story!**

Need a prayer? Text or call the Holy Trinity Prayer Chain (531) 280-8515 or Email holytrinityprayer10@gmail.com to ask for immediate prayers or become involved in our prayer chain.

Prayer requests for Holy Trinity's prayer chain will include them on our list for a total of two weeks. Please help keep us updated.

This week we pray for: Susan; Sara; Mike & Cheri; Carrie C; Amy; Alessa; Devyn; Jim; Paul, Ward, Lynn, Kevin, Anne H.; Pat H.; Sergio; JoAnn, Deana, Michael B.; Natalie, Mary T., Lindsey; Kacie and her small children; John C.; Amy; Sabrina; John B & family; Jo D; Wade; George; Joseph; Bob B; Tami; Lucy, Aaron; Charlene; Marlene P.; Josh; Opal S.; Shawn; Richie F; Ann H.; Dow C.; Donna; Jackie H; Christopher; Tom H; Madison.

In Thanksgiving we pray for August Birthdays

- 4 Lincoln McCully, 5 Emily Reese, 8 Paula Noble, 9 Vicki White
- 10 Jane Janesch, 10 Zachariah Reese, 13 Michael Cover,
- 13 Marlene Perkins, 17 Marlys Jones, 18 Eugenia Bornemeier,
- 22 Anne Gasper, 24 Gregory Bernt, 26 Ed Love,
- 27 Jenny Winter.

This This Week at Holy Trinity

Sun Aug 24, 2025

8am Coffee Hour (PH)
8am Holy Eucharist (S)
9:15am Fellows Program (MR)
10:30am Holy Eucharist (S)
10:30am Online Livestream Service
10:30am Summer Sunday Chapel
1:30pm Dinka Language Worship

Mon Aug 25, 2025

9:30am Exercise Class (PH) 3pm EFM (MR) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

Tue Aug 26, 2025

12pm AA (U) 2pm Sr. Coffee Hour (PH/MR) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH) 6:30pm Community Bells (BR) 8pm Tues AA (U)

Wed Aug 27, 2025

6am Adult Bells (BR) 9:30am Exercise Class (PH) 12pm Al Anon (MR) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH) 7pm OH Rehearsal (PH)

Thu Aug 28, 2025

9am Building Team Huddle (Zoom) 12pm Thursday AA (U) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

Fri Aug 29, 2025

9:30am Exercise Class (PH) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH) 7pm Pius X FB Game 7:30pm Friday night AA (U)

Sat Aug 30, 2025

Sun Aug 31, 2025

10am Holy Eucharist (S) 10am Online Livestream Service 10am Summer Sunday Chapel (CC) 11am Pot Luck 1:30pm Dinka Language Worship 1:30pm Sudanese Sunday School

PH-Parish Hall
S-Sanctuary
MR-Memorial Room
CC-Children's Chapel
LGR-Large Group Room (downstairs)
CR- Choir Room (downstairs)
U-Undercroft/Downstairs
BR-Bell Room

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The Rev. Dr. Clay Lein, Rector
The Rev. Verneda Kelly, Pastoral Care Coordinator
The Rev. John Long, II, Deacon
Loretta Love, Music Director & Organist
Nancy Youngman, Hand Bell Choir Director
Nicole Sherer, Parish Administrator
Darby Davidson, Children & Youth Ministry Director
Jane Janesch, Children's Ministry Lead
Jill Lein, Children's Ministry Lead
Sue Everett, Ministry Coordinator
Harve Evans, Sexton
Garang Deng, A/V Coordinator
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