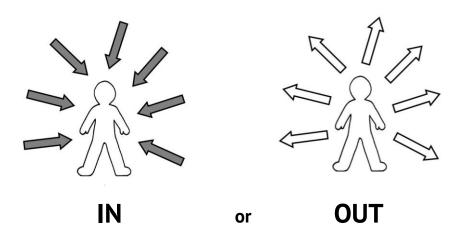
# The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost August 3, 2025

## Which Way Are You Living?



## 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!** 

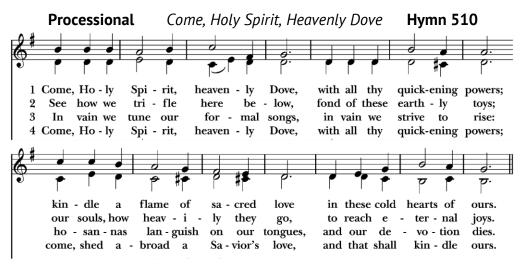
## **Church of the Holy Trinity**

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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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### Collect of the Day

**BCP 180** 

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

## A Reading from the book of the prophet Hosea. Hosea 11:1-11

<sup>1</sup>When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. <sup>2</sup>The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. <sup>3</sup>Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. <sup>4</sup>I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. <sup>5</sup>They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. <sup>6</sup>The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests. and devours because of their schemes. <sup>7</sup>My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. 8How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. <sup>9</sup>I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. <sup>10</sup>They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west.

<sup>11</sup>They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

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

**Psalm 107** read responsively by whole verse

**BCP 746** 

<sup>1</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble

<sup>3</sup>and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>4</sup>Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town;

5hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

<sup>6</sup>Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress;

<sup>7</sup>he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

<sup>8</sup>Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

<sup>9</sup>For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

<sup>43</sup>Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

## A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Colossus. Colossians 3:1-11

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.





#### **Holy Gospel**

Luke 12:13-21

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

<sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' <sup>18</sup>Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I

will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'

<sup>20</sup>But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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 Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask; Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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.

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 Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People 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,

Two options exist for receiving wine.

and then dip your wafer in the small chalice.

## The Closing Prayer

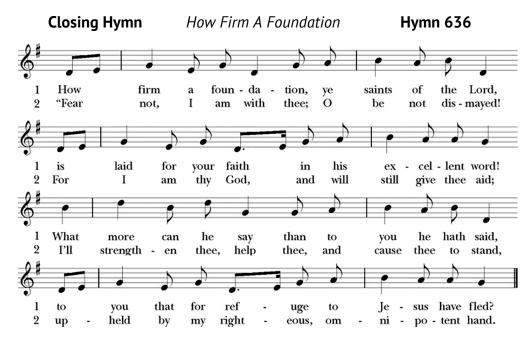
**BCP 366** 

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.

## The Blessing



#### **Dismissal**

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

#### **Postlude**

## **Serving Today**

#### 8am

**Greeters/Ushers**Liz & Jim Carney

Lectors

Louise Otero Christopher

St. Pierre

Chalice

Bob Hillyer Rev John Long Rev Dr. Clay Lein 10:30am

**Greeters/Ushers**Cheryl Hejl

Sue Everett

Lectors

Sue Carraher Beth Davidson

**Coffee Shepherd** 

Vicky White

Chalice

Liz Johnson

David Bloomquist

Dana Visger Joni Cover

Rev Dr. Clay Lein

Rev John Long

**Altar Guild** 

Babette Dickinson



Join us on August 31<sup>st</sup> One COMBINED Worship Service @ 10:00 am

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!



## The West Entrance is Officially Under Construction - And CLOSED!

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.

#### Thank You Jane Janesch!

Almost five years ago Jane Janesch accepted a call to be the Children's Minister here at Holy Trinity. That YES has transformed our church. She revitalized the Children's Ministry. She mobilized people to host our first VBS in years.



Jane's first day of work here!

She launched our existing Sunday School program. She helped with Kids Camps and Parent's Night Out. She encouraged parents, loved on kids, pastored youth, and organized our Sudanese Sunday School program.

She is an amazing person who has been a blessing to us all. Her plan is to stick around and be one of the best volunteers we've got.

We'll be having cake after each service so please join us. And if you get a chance tell her THANK YOU!!



## Seniors Coffee Hour August 19, 2025 @ 2pm in the Memorial Room

Every 4<sup>th</sup> 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



Ever Wonder How to Get to Know People at Church?

Interested in Developing More Friendships in Your Life?

CIFCLES 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 <a href="mailto:Sbeverett51@gmail.com">Sbeverett51@gmail.com</a>

## **Summer Sunday Chapel!**

August is the *last* month this year for Summer Sunday Chapel! If you're new, this is the perfect opportunity to catch just a glimpse of what we do in our regular Sunday School programming during the school year (September – May); we'd LOVE for all ages to join us any Sunday this month *except* 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (August 17<sup>th</sup>).

Please Pick Up Your Quarterly Statement in the Foyer





# Come Join Us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month ~ August 27<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 am

Intentionally family friendly with communion, sermon, readings, prayer and

music for young and old.

If you've been looking for a way to help your kids or grandkids feel like Holy Trinity IS a place for them, then this service is for you.

All Kids & Youth are invited to sing with us for our August 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Check out the video for words and actions for "Deeper Still" by scanning the QR code







## Starts September 8, 2025 Mondays @ 6pm

New education, discussion, and study groups starting soon!

Please contact Deacon Christine for more information. 402-560-0024 <a href="mailto:cgrosh@windstream.net">cgrosh@windstream.net</a>

## Altar Flowers-Sponsors Needed Sign up in the Foyer

During the year, our altar is a reflection of God's blessings because so many of you step forward

to offer altar flowers as a remembrance, celebration or thanksgiving. While our Altar Flowers are not a part of the Church's operating budget, our flowers appear at our altar each week because of your generosity.

The Church, generally, incurs an expense each week of \$80.00 for two fresh floral arrangements. All donors, however, are asked to contribute an amount with which they are comfortable.

We have many Sundays available that do not have a sponsor. If you have a special occasion in 2025 or wish to remember a loved one, please contact Roxane Graham either by phone (402/540-4294) or email (gma-bowler@hotmail.com). Thank you.



## Our Youth Had a Blast @ Camp Canterbury!

This year Holy Trinity sent 12 of our teenagers (and Fr. Clay!) to summer Camp Canterbury in Fremont, NE. Thank you *immensely* for your prayers and for your financial support!

More than a hundred other youth from the Diocese of Nebraska joined with us to experience a community of gracious love and faith. And of course, have FUN!



## 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:

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.

## We pray for the repose of the soul of:

The Rev. Deacon Sarah Grubb and Debra Kem, wife of Father Robert Kem

#### 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 3, 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
1:30pm Dinka Language
Communion (S)

3pm Sudanese Thanks Celebration

#### Mon Aug 4, 2025

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

#### Tue Aug 5, 2025

12pm AA (U) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH) 8pm Tues AA (U)

#### Wed Aug 6, 2025

9:30am Exercise Class (PH) 12pm Al Anon (MR) 6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

#### Thu Aug 7, 2025

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

#### Fri Aug 8, 2025

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

#### Sat Aug 9, 2025

#### Sun Aug 10, 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
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

Find the updated calendar of events

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church |
Calendar



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
Ky Machmer-Frederick, A/V Coordinator
Rebecca Schultz, Finance Administrator
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