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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist

August 16, 2026, at 8:00am and 10:30am



Welcome to Trinity!

Trinity is an open and affirming congregation, where we believe every person is created in God's image and all creation is sacred. Our deep values are **Diversity** and **Inclusion**, **Community**, **Engaging our Neighbors**, and **Sacred Place, Holy Space**.

The 10:30am service is being broadcast and recorded. By attending, you consent to your likeness and voice being broadcast, recorded, and published on the Internet.

Whether you are joining us in person or livestream, we are so glad you are here to worship with us on this holy day.

We acknowledge that we worship on the unceded ancestral land of the Duwamish People past and present, the first people of Seattle, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe, to whom we pay Real Rent.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE (10:30)

WELCOME

Please rise as you are able.

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

HYMN (10:30)

From all that dwell below the skies

Old 100th

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711). Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?).

The Hymnal 1982 #380

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin

wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Psalm 133

ANTIPHON



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- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

Antiphon

Antiphon

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The Word of the Lord.

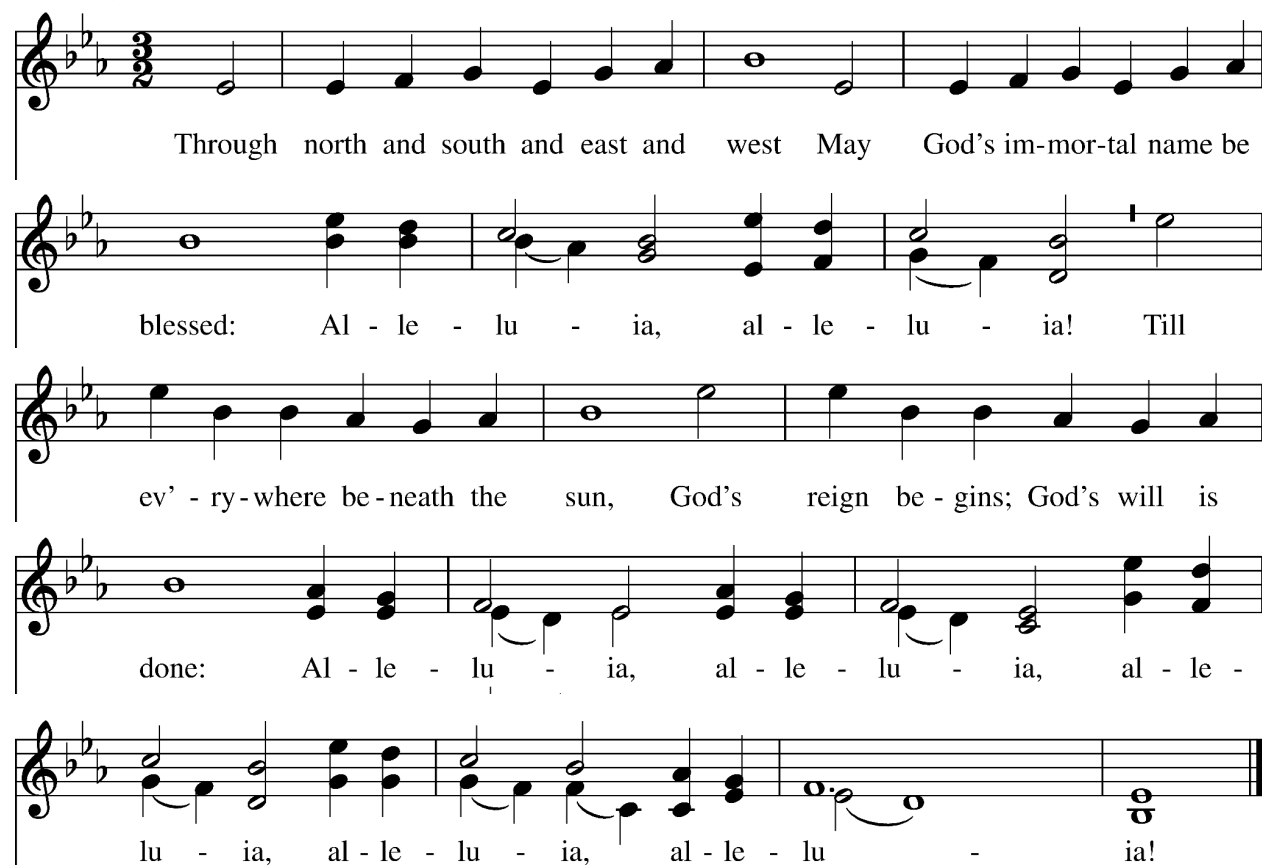
Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Through north and south and east and west

Lasst uns erfreuen



Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be
blessed: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Till
ev' - ry - where be - neath the sun, God's reign be - gins; God's will is
done: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: from *Songs of Praise*, alt. Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Wonder, Love, and Praise #822

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15: 21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

Rev'd Sabeth Fitzgibbons

SERMON

Rev'd Adam Conley

A brief period of silence follows the Sermon.

Please rise as you are able.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Prayer Leader

Holy God, be in the midst of us now as we pray for ourselves and the world saying
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray in gratitude for all the blessings of our lives, praising you for *prayer list*
and those gifts we name now silently or aloud.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church, the body of Christ, that you would be in our midst
everywhere we are. We pray for *diocesan prayer cycle*, for Phil our bishop and
Sean our Presiding Bishop, for our priests Sabeth and Alison, for Nathan as he
prepares for ordination, and for all people who offer their gifts to your service.
Strengthen us, reorient us and send us to be your people to the world.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the health, welfare, and legacy of this nation. We pray for the
prosperity and needs of our brothers and sisters across our country and around
the world. Embolden us to serve the common good and advocate for the needs of
all people.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all creatures of the earth, and for the earth itself. We pray for an end to pollution and the apathy that destroys the creation you called Good. We ask your blessing as we install an energy efficient heating and cooling system in this historic building. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation, give us hearts that long for you and hands that serve others in your name. We pray for your guidance as we discern ways to use our unique gifts to serve you and our community. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are hungry, unhoused, unemployed or underemployed; for the women of WHEEL, and for the Duwamish People. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick, suffering, anxious, hopeless, imprisoned, persecuted, or alone. We pray for *prayer list and* those whom we name now silently or aloud. *Silence.* Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Be with the dying, comfort the grieving, and hold us in your heart this day and always. We pray for those who have died *prayer list and those* whom we name now silently or aloud. *Silence.* Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Presider

God of comfort and mercy, you have promised to be with us whenever we gather in your name, be with us now. Hear and respond to our prayers. By your Holy Spirit, show us the path to be your people more perfectly. All this we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to God. *Silence*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil

we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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.**

BLESSINGS & CELEBRATIONS (*prayers on page 16*)

PEACE

We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Please be seated while the table is prepared.

OFFERTORY

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

You may make an offering at any time, before, during or after the conclusion of the service using our “Virtual offering Plate” (<https://onrealm.org/TrinitySeattle/give/now>).

To contribute via text: Text MYTPC \$25 (or any amount) to the phone number 73256. You'll receive a text message in response with your next steps. Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel. Privacy Policy: <https://legal.acst.com/privacy-policy> Terms of Service: <https://legal.acst.com/terms-service-use>



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

In boldness, look to God

Morning Song

Please rise as you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love.

Accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

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:

(8:00) **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.

(10:30)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner, harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
Wonder, Love, and Praise #858

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, Holy God,

We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(8:00)

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

(10:30) Sung

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

We invite those participating remotely at 10:30am to join us in spiritual communion by praying from wherever you are:

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

INVITATION AND COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.

All who seek God are welcome at Christ's Table.

- *Gluten-free wafers are available by request.*
- *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat.*
- *Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.*
- *Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time.*
- *To receive a blessing instead of the bread or wine, cross your arms over your chest.*
- *If you need communion brought to you at your seat, please notify an usher.*

Please rise as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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 Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Let God's hope be a clearing sky before you, a compass in your heart, guiding you to where you belong; and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you today and always. **Amen.**

HYMN

Thou, whose almighty word

Moscow

1 Thou, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard,
 2 Thou who didst come to bring on thy re - deem - ing wing
 3 Spi - rit of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly Dove,
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,

and took their flight; hear us, we hum - bly pray, and, where the
 heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the
 speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face bear - ing the
 wis - dom, love, might; bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in

Gos - pel day sheds not its glo - ri - ous ray, let there be light!
 in - ly blind, now to all hu - man - kind, let there be light!
 gifts of grace, and, in earth's dark - est place, let there be light!
 full - est pride, through the world, far and wide, let there be light!

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt. Music: *Moscow*, Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916, based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Hymnal 1982 #371

DISMISSAL

Friends, life is short. We do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel this way with us. So, be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Please stay and enjoy **Coffee Hour** in the Parish Hall across the Courtyard.*

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MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Thank you to those who make a worship offering at 8:00AM and 10:30AM as Ushers, Acolytes, Readers, Prayer Leaders, and Eucharistic Ministers this morning. Find out more and sign up at the Welcome table.

BOTH SERVICES:

Presider & Preacher: the Rev. Adam Conley

Children's Message: the Rev. Sabeth Fitzgibbons

Vestry Person of the Week: William Pearson

10:30AM

Livestream: Kyle McCaffery

Cantor: Robin Wyatt-Stone

Organist: James Middaugh

Director of Music: Markdavin Obenza

BLESSING PRAYERS

For Birthdays

Watch over your child(ren) _____, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Anniversaries

O God, faithful and true, whose steadfast love endures for ever: we give you thanks for sustaining _____ and _____ in the life they share and for bringing them to this day. Nurture them and fill them with joy in their life together, continuing the good work you have begun in them; and grant us, with them, a dwelling place eternal in the heavens where all your people will share the joy of perfect love, and where you, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For Travelers

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel [in particular _____]; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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TRINITY CHIMES: NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Curate Swap - Welcome Rev. Adam Conley!

Today we are exchanging Curates with Saint Mark's Cathedral! We welcome the Rev. Adam Conley who will be preaching and presiding at Trinity, while Rev. Alison Leary takes a turn at Saint Mark's.

Thank You for Wearing a Nametag

A simple way that *everyone* can participate in our ministry of hospitality to one another—whether you are a longtime member, or here for the first time today—is to make and wear a nametag at worship and coffee hour. Supplies are on the table in the rear of the sanctuary and in the Parish Hall. God calls you by name and we would like to do so as well!

Community Lunch (3rd Sundays) - *All hungry humans are invited to eat!*

TODAY, at 11:45AM in the Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch, after the 10:30 service, as we host a FREE hot meal for our community and neighbors. **We'll also be enjoying ice cream in celebration of Trinity's 161st birthday this past Friday!**

Caring Community

TODAY, at 12:30PM in the Office Work Room

The Caring Community meets following the Community Lunch for fellowship, a small service project, and the prayers that are on our hearts.

WHEEL / Women in Black (WIB) Silent Vigil

Wednesday, August 19 at Noon to 1:00PM on the steps of City Hall (4th/James)

Please join WHEEL/WIB in standing vigil to honor and remember 17 of our homeless siblings who died unsheltered or in public in July.

Trinity Vestry (Leadership) Meeting

Wednesday, August 19, at 7:00-9:00PM in Upstairs Vestry Room and on Zoom
Regular Vestry meetings are open to all members of the congregation.

Zoom Link: <https://tinyurl.com/TPCVestry>

SMC Community Resource Day at Rainier Community Center

Friday, August 21, 10:00AM to 3:00PM at 4600 38th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98118

FREE Event - Registration encouraged: www.seattle.gov/courts/community

Seattle Municipal Court (SMC) and Seattle Parks & Rec (SPR), in partnership with **over 40 other organizations**, invite you to a free community event designed to connect Seattle residents with valuable services, information, and support.

Resource offerings include:

- SMC Warrant Quash
- SMC Court Ticket Options
- Employment and Training
- Food Assistance
- General Community Resources
- Housing/Shelter Assistance
- Medical Health Services
- Mental Health Services
- Legal Services
- Resources, Referrals & More

First Hill Farmer's Market (Pike Place Express Market)

Fridays (through Sep. 11), 10AM-2PM on Terry Ave between Spring & Madison

Pick up fresh fruits and flowers, and grab lunch at a nearby First Hill eatery.

Weekly AA Meetings at Trinity

- ***Sober in Cal AA - Tuesdays at 8:00PM***
- ***TANBIR - Thursdays at 8:00PM***

The Trans And Non-Binary In Recovery AA group is an open meeting.

- ***Live and Let Live - on a temporary pause until after Labor Day***

Live and Let Live is an open AA meeting that welcomes LGBTQ+ participants. *Meetings are currently on a temporary pause; they will resume on Fridays at 8:00PM sometime after Labor Day.*

MORE EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Quick Survey: Your Voice Shapes Our Worship Life

This summer we have been trying a model of self-sign-ups (both in advance and in the moment) for Ushering, Reading Lessons, Leading Prayers of the People, and more worship ministry roles. **We need your feedback, even if you have not signed up for or made a worship offering this summer.** Please complete this simple survey: <https://forms.gle/pFpyy5vKiB2vY5J68>.

Your responses will help us understand how to make sign-ups easier and more inclusive of anyone who would like to offer their time and talent during worship.



Making Your Worship Ministry Offerings - Today or a Future Sunday

Thank you to Mary M., Cyndi W., Mary J., Stephen, Cami, Stuart, Julien, and Austin who made worship offerings on Sunday 8/9.

Everything we do is an offering to God. You are invited to make an offering of your gifts during Sunday worship as a **Reader, Prayer Leader, Usher, *Acolyte**, or ***Eucharistic Minister** (chalice bearer). (*Roles with an * require a training session; if you haven't served in this role at Trinity or if it has been a while and you'd like a refresher please contact the Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org.*)

- **HOW to make your offering:** There is a Worship Offering binder located on the table at the back of the church:
 - **If you like to sign up in advance:** Look ahead in the binder and choose your dates for a future Sunday.
 - **If you are more spontaneous:** When you get to church, look to see what roles are still needed and sign up to make your offering.
- **INSTRUCTIONS for each role** are included on the **Ministry Offering Cards** next to the sign-up notebook.
 - Pick up a card to review on the day you make your offering
 - Return the card after the service

Interested in Baptism?

Whether you're considering baptism for yourself, your child, or simply want to learn more about what baptism means in the Episcopal Church, you're invited to join a three-part Baptism Preparation Class this September. Together we'll explore the meaning of baptism, the promises we make, and how baptism shapes our life of faith. ***Upcoming baptism dates: 10/4 and 11/1.*** If you'd like to learn more or are interested in participating, please contact the Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org.

Job Opportunity: Sunday Nursery Caregivers

We're looking for two additions to our ministry team! Trinity is hiring Sunday Nursery Caregivers to provide a safe, warm, and welcoming environment for our youngest children during Sunday morning worship from 9:00AM - 12:00Noon. If you know a college student, retired teacher, childcare professional, or someone with experience caring for young children who would be a great fit for this ministry, please encourage them to apply. Experience with infants and young children is required; must be at least 18 years of age. Background check and Safe Church training are part of the hiring process. For more information or to request a job description, please contact Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org.

Looking Ahead in September and October

- **Sunday 9/6** - Outdoor Worship to begin the Season of Creation, Backpack Blessings (all students and teachers bring your school bags!), Potluck Coffee Hour, Skyline Episcopal Holy Eucharist (at 1:30PM)
- **Sunday 9/13** - Trinity Choir returns at 10:30AM, Sunday Nursery Care begins (9:00AM to Noon), Bookmarks! (12:15PM)
- **Thursday 10/1** - Compline Resumes (8:15PM, 1st Thursdays)
- **Sunday 10/4** - Bishop's Visitation from The Rt. Rev. Philip N. LaBelle, Baptisms, Confirmations, Receptions, Animal & Plant Blessings
- **Saturday 10/10** - Memorial Service for Gussie Howe (11:00AM)
- **Friday - Saturday, 10/23 - 10/24** - Diocesan Convention

Potluck Coffee Hour *(1st Sundays)*

Sunday, September 6

On the 1st Sundays of the month you are invited to bring something to add to the Coffee Hour table. *All are welcome to eat whether or not you bring something.*

Bookmarks! *(2nd Sundays)*

Sunday, September 13 at 12:15PM in the Trinity Library

For September Bookmarks! will be discussing *Good Nature: Why Seeing, Smelling, Hearing, and Touching Plants is Good for Our Health*, by Kathy Willis.

All are invited to join in Bookmarks! discussions whether you've read the book or not. Here is a list of other upcoming titles:

- October: *The Well is Deep: COVID Through a Chaplain's Eyes*, by Hillary Kimsey.
- November: *The View from the Center of the Universe: Discovering Our Extraordinary Place in the Cosmos*, by Joel Primack.

Sharing Our Stories

Do you have a story about **a meaningful experience as a member of Trinity's community**? If so, please contact a member of the Stewardship Committee: Caleb Triche, Cindy Johnson-Garnett, Beverly Cravens, or Mary Johnstone. We are continuing **sharing our stories** as a way of getting to know each other better, building community, and highlighting the many ways we share our gifts with one another and with our neighbors.

AROUND THE DIOCESE & WIDER CHURCH

D-House Blessing (5PM) and Open House (3PM-7PM)

Wednesday, September 9: Open House 3:00PM–7:00PM, Blessing 5:00PM

Diocesan House, 1551 10th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102

You're invited to an open house and blessing of the recently restored diocesan house (historic Leary Mansion) of the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia. This is a family-friendly event; people of all ages are welcome (there will not be childcare).

An assortment of small bites will be served. **Please RSVP by September 3 (11:45PM)** at <https://tinyurl.com/DHouseBlessing>.

Wildfire Relief Efforts in the Diocese of Spokane

The Episcopal Diocese of Spokane has established a Disaster Relief Fund to support those affected by devastating wildfires. The Diocese, with the support of Episcopal Relief & Development, is responding through seven churches to fires in Spokane and other parts of the Diocese, including tribal communities near Yakima, Washington. As part of the response, churches are providing shelter for those displaced by the fires, and serving as distribution centers for food, fuel and cash assistance in the form of gift cards. Every gift, no matter the size, is a tangible expression of hope, healing, and God's love.

- **Donations can be made online** at <https://tinyurl.com/SpokaneRelief2026>.
- **Checks** can be mailed and made payable to **Diocese of Spokane** with “**disaster relief**” in memo line:
 - Diocese of Spokane, 245 E 13th Ave, Spokane, WA 99202

Exploring Discernment Retreat

Saturday, September 12, St. Mary's, Lakewood

Do you have a big question in life that you are thinking about and wondering what God would have you do? A question like: Should I retire? Should I go back to school? Should I try this ministry? Should I start my own business? Where should I volunteer my time? Such questions are invitations to explore your relationship with God, yourself, and others more deeply and this one-day retreat will give you resources to do just that. **Learn more and register:** <https://tinyurl.com/Discern912>.

Lay Preaching Course with Backstory Preaching

Preaching Among Friends is a seven-week online course offered by Backstory Preaching for lay preachers. The course meets Sunday evenings from **September 20 through November 5** and offers practical instruction in sermon preparation, biblical interpretation, and the spirituality of sermon writing – all within a supportive community of peer feedback. Contact the Rev. Dr. Lisa Cressman (lisa@backstorypreaching.com) or the Rev. Courtney Jones (cjones@ecww.org) to learn more.

Online Anti-Racism Training

Saturday, September 26, 10:00AM - 3:00PM on Zoom

Register for the zoom session: <https://tinyurl.com/ARTSept26>.

Join Cn. Carla Robinson for our online offering of anti-racism training. All lay church leaders are highly encouraged to complete this program. This one-day training experience is based on “Seeing the Face of God in Each Other: The Antiracism Training Manual of the Episcopal Church.”

‘Vote Faithfully’ Series by The Episcopal Church’s Public Policy and Witness Team

First Thursdays 9/3, 10/1 at 10:30AM on Zoom

Learn to support voter engagement in ways consistent with Episcopal values. In this series of “Vote Faithfully” calls, hosts will share resources and ideas to help congregations promote voting and civic participation while remaining nonpartisan (avoiding support for specific political parties, candidates, or platforms). **Register for calls at** <https://tinyurl.com/bdfsunpb>. *PS - this office has lots of good resources for understanding current legislative issues and engaging legislators in Washington, DC.*