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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist

August 23, 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.

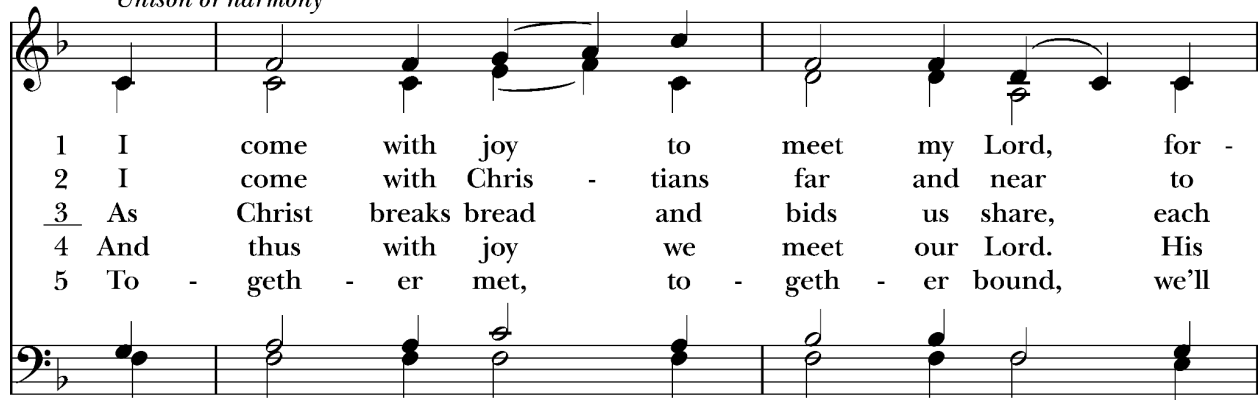
People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

HYMN (10:30)

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

Unison or harmony



1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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The Hymnal 1982 #304

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

Please be seated.

READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women,

and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Psalm 124

ANTIPHON



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- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us; *Antiphon*
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us. *Antiphon*
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth. *Antiphon*

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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 16:13-20

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (10:30)

Rev’d Alison Leary

SERMON

Rev’d Sabeth Fitzgibbons

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

Submit your prayer request here (or use QR code):

<https://rb.gy/erserv>



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 human siblings 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 18)*

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

Holy Spirit, font of light

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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)
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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

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Austria



1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty
2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and



of our God; he whose word can - not be
ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a



bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
daugh - ters and all fear of his want re - move.
cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.



on the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake thy
Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and

sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.

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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. Sabeth Fitzgibbons

Children's Message: the Rev. Alison Leary

Vestry Person of the Week: Sterling Llamas

10:30AM

Livestream: Kyle McCaffery

Cantor: Sophie Nash

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

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!

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

Curious About How We Worship in the Episcopal Church?

Sundays, September 13, September 20, & October 18, Noon to 2:00PM

Would you like to know more about why we worship as we do and the beliefs that shape our common life? This **three-part class** offers an introduction to Episcopal worship, beliefs, and practices and is open to anyone who would like to learn more. This class is required preparation for Confirmation or Reception into The Episcopal Church when Bishop Phil visits on 10/4. Our first class will meet in the sanctuary, where we will explore the meaning behind the setting of our worship and how the space itself helps tell the story of our faith. Each session will be interactive and informative, with time for questions and conversation. **Lunch is included, so please let us know if you plan to attend to help us plan for lunch.** For more information or to RSVP, contact the Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org.

The Bishop is Coming!

Sunday, October 4

It will be a special day at Trinity as we welcome the Rt. Rev. Philip N. LaBelle, Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia, for his visitation. A bishop's visitation is a celebratory occasion in the life of an Episcopal parish and it connects us to the wider Church. During his visit, Bishop LaBelle will preach and preside. This is also an occasion for baptisms, confirmations, and/or receptions, along with blessings of animals and plants. **Those who would like to be Confirmed or Received are required to attend our three-part class on Episcopal worship, beliefs, and practices, beginning Sunday, September 13.** More details about the class are included in the announcements above. Please contact the Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org with any questions.

Quick Survey: Your Voice Shapes Our Worship Life

If you have not yet completed the Worship Offering survey, we would appreciate your feedback today (whether or not you've made a worship offering this summer): <https://forms.gle/pFpyy5vKiB2vY5J68>.

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



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 (9:15AM to Noon), 3-Part Class Begins on Episcopal Worship, Beliefs, and Practices (Noon to 2:00PM); 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 - read more at this link: <https://ecww.org/diocesan-convention-2026/>.

Making Your Worship Ministry Offerings - Today or a Future Sunday

Thank you to Paul, Melissa, Betsy, Marshall, Will, Bill, Shawn, Cindy G., Mahalia, Leslie, and Cindy J.-G. who made worship offerings on Sunday 8/16.

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

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.*

Nursery Care Available Beginning Sunday, September 13

We are pleased to announce that nursery care will be available on Sunday mornings beginning September 13, from 9:15AM to Noon. Our nursery provides a safe, warm, and welcoming environment for Trinity's youngest children while parents and caregivers participate in worship and other Sunday morning activities. For questions about nursery care, please contact the Rev. Alison Leary at alison@trinityseattle.org.

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.

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

Sunday, September 20, 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.

Trinity Vestry (Leadership) Meeting

September meeting date TBD; meets in Vestry Room and on Zoom

Regular Vestry meetings are open to all members of the congregation.

AROUND THE DIOCESE & WIDER CHURCH

LAST CALL! General Convention 2027 - 2 Lay Alternate Deputies

Nomination form deadline: September 8, 2026

Do you love the Episcopal Church and have a fascination for how the church makes decisions about changing liturgies and taking positions on social justice issues? You might just love the General Convention (GC) of the Episcopal Church (taking place July 3-8, 2027 in Phoenix, AZ), the church's main legislative body. The Diocese of Olympia is electing 2 more alternate lay deputies at our Diocesan Convention in October. Rev. Sabeth has served as a deputy 3x and would gladly talk with you if you're curious. Read more and find the nomination form here: <https://qrkc.link/go/JX8LELV6JYR>.

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

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>.

'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.*

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."