



HOLY TRINITY

ANGLICAN CHURCH

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 - 10:30 AM

WELCOME - To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who are weak and desire strength; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are lonely and want a home; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



Parable of the Workers (Stained Glass), Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany, New York

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

1. Praise, my soul, the King of Hea - ven; to his
 2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his
 3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our
 4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be -

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feet thy tri - bute bring; ran - somed, healed, re -
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still, the
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hand he
 hold him face to face; saints tri - um - phant,

12

stored, for - giv - en, er - er - more his prais - es sing:
 same as ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless:
 gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
 bow be - fore him, ga - thered in from ev - ery race.

18

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Text: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt.
 Music: *Lauda Anima*, John Goss (1800-1880)

*Please turn in your Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to pg. 123,
 where our liturgy begins with 'The Acclamation.'*

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, bro - ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For thy Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,
 6 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to our race so free - ly given



for the love which from our birth ov - er and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 of - fering up on ev - ery shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Words: Folliot Sandford Pierpont (1835-1917), alt.

Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP pg. 125)

O Lord, you have taught us that without love, all our deeds are worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS (BCP pg. 126)

A reading from the Prophet Jonah [3:10-4:11].

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

4:1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. 2 And he prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. 3 Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 And the Lord said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

5 Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. 6 Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. 7 But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." 9 But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." 10 And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

After the Lesson the Reader says
The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

A reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians [1:21-27].

21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. 24 But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew [20:1-16].

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

1 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, 4 and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' 9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. 11 And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'

13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first last."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

After the Sermon, please turn in your BCP to pg. 127 for the Nicene Creed. We will continue to use the BCP for the rest of the service, making use of the service booklet for music when applicable.

THE OFFERTORY (BCP pg. 131)

Our tithing tokens are available for you to set in the offering basket if your financial gift was given digitally. Please find them on the ushers table in the transept. Simply place one in the basket at the Offertory to represent what you've already given. It allows us to keep the tradition of giving together alive, while making room for the way many of us give today.

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow'r and might;

5 heav'n and earth are full, full of your glo - ry,

9 of your glo - ry. *Refrain* Ho - san - na! Ho - san -

15 -na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -

20 -san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san -

25 -na in the high - est! Bles - sed is he who comes in the

30 *To Refrain* name of the Lord, of the Lord. Ho

IN THE LORD

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -

joice! Look to God do not be a - fraid; lift up your

voic - es the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es the Lord is near.

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TASTE AND SEE

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord.

O taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord, _____ of the Lord.

Words and Music: James E. Moore Jr. (1983)
GIA Publications, Inc.

Chorus

We will feast in the House of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored! He has

done great things we will say to - ge - ther; we will feast and weep no more!

Verses

1. We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord_____our God.
2. In the dark of night be-fore the dawn, my soul be not_____ a - fraid.
3. Ev - ery vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed, You are the faith - ful one,

We are not con - sumed by the flood: up - held, pro-tec - ted, ga - thered up!
 For the pro-mised mor - ning o how long? O God of Ja - cob be my strength!
 and_ from the gar - den to the grave, bind us to-ge - ther bring sha - lom.

After the Ministration of Communion, the liturgy resumes on pg. 137 of the BCP with 'The Post Communion Prayer.'

WELCOME, VISITORS!



If you are visiting today, we are so glad you are here.
Please explore our visitor's page via the QR code.
Regular attenders, please welcome those around you who may be new.

REMINDERS & UPDATES

Register for Discipleship Weekend - Oct 2nd and 3rd: How do we live out God's justice and righteousness and contend for Shalom together in this community. Starting on Friday night, Oct 2nd at 6 PM and Saturday Oct 3rd from 9 AM through lunch for a Discipleship Weekend with Christine Warner from the ACNA's Matthew 25 Initiative. Registration is \$30 per person (Early Bird) through the September 15th - this to cover costs of three meals. Also join us for our Sunday morning Faith Formations classes at 9:30 on related topics. For the registration link email kellan@holytrinitych.org or refer to News and Needs.

Feast of Saint Matthew Eucharist: Join us at noon on Monday, September 21st to celebrate Saint Matthew, the tax collector who rose at Christ's call of "Follow me" to become an apostle and evangelist, author of the first Gospel. His life reminds us that no one is beyond the reach of God's grace. Come give thanks for his witness, and pray for the same readiness to follow. All are welcome.

Upcoming Dates for Baptisms: We are delighted to announce two upcoming baptism dates: Sunday, October 18th, and All Saints' Day, Sunday, November 1st. If you would like to have your child baptized on one of these days, or simply wish to learn more, please contact Kellan Borrer, our Parish Administrator.

Small Groups This Fall: We encourage all who call Holy Trinity their church home to join a small group--to move from attending to deeper belonging. We have an array of groups meeting twice a month, in a variety of locations, days and times. Reach out to Lisa McCowen (lisa@holytrinitych.org) if you would like to join or have questions.

EVENTS

Sung Compline, September, 20th at 7pm: Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (completorium). It is an ancient service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day. The beauty of Compline remains in its simplicity, as we entrust ourselves to the care of our Lord. Our Compline Choir leads this service. All are welcome.

Service for JoAn Macdonald: With grateful hearts and sure hope in the resurrection, we invite you to join us for the funeral service of JoAn Macdonald on Saturday, September 26th at 3:00 PM at Holy Trinity. JoAn was a cherished member of our Holy Trinity family, and we will gather to give thanks to God for her life, to commend her to the Lord she loved, and to surround her family with our love and prayers. All are warmly welcome.

Men's Backpacking Trip: After a brief hiatus in 2025, the beloved men's backpacking trip is returning this fall. We will be headed into Pisgah National Forrest, west of Brevard, October 16th through 18th. If you are interested, please reach out to Shae McCowen for further details shaemccowen@yahoo.com.

Annual Banquet of Pregnancy Support Services: Save the date for Monday, October 26th from 6:30 to 8 PM at Bay 7 in the American Tobacco Campus. Registration details are coming soon...

NEEDS

Support the Youth Group! Ever wondered if you could support the youth group with your particular gifts and talents? The answer is probably yes! There are plenty of needs from regular prayer, providing snacks, to volunteering. Fill out the form in the News & Needs to let us know how you can engage, and we'll be in touch!

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

- For those who have lost faith or feel distant from God, that they may experience renewal
- For those caring for loved ones with mental illness, that they may find patience, rest, and encouragement
- For expectant mothers, that they may have healthy pregnancies, safe deliveries, and joy in welcoming new life - Elsemarie, Tessa, Becca, and Katie
- For those facing illness, surgery, or recovery, that they may receive comfort and healing - Alex Doyal, Bill Wismer, Lib Peele, David Martin, Steve McClintock, Monty Thull, Lois Rizzardi, Caroline Daniels, Genny Taylor, Reece Butler
- For Bob and Nancy Macdonald, grieving the loss of Bob's mother JoAn
- With thanksgiving for the birth of Louisa Ellen born to Kelly and James White