HOLY TRINITY
ANGLICAN CHURCH

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 18, 2026 - 10:30 AM

Luke the Evangelist and Companion of Paul

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.



St. Luke Writing His Gospel, Byzantine Icon

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Please turn in your Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to pg. 161 for the liturgy for Holy Baptism.

COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP pg. 161)

Almighty God, you called your servant Luke to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: Grant that, by the wholesome medicine of the doctrine he taught, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

A reading from the Book of Sirach [38:1–14].

1 Honor physicians for their services,
for the Lord created them,
2 for their gift of healing comes from the Most High,
and they are rewarded by the king.
3 The skill of physicians makes them distinguished,
and in the presence of the great they are admired.
4 The Lord created medicines out of the earth,
and the sensible will not despise them.
5 Was not water made sweet with a tree
in order that its power might be known?
6 And he gave skill to human beings
that he might be glorified in his marvelous works.
7 By them the physician heals and takes away pain;
8 the pharmacist makes a mixture from them.
God's works will never be finished,
and from him health spreads over all the earth.

9 My child, when you are ill, do not delay,
but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you.
10 Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly,
and cleanse your heart from all sin.
11 Offer a sweet-smelling sacrifice and a memorial portion of choice flour,
and pour oil on your offering, as much as you can afford.
12 Then give physicians their place, for the Lord created them;
do not let them leave you, for you need them.
13 There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians,
14 for they, too, pray to the Lord
that he grant them success in diagnosis
and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

After the Lesson the Reader says

Here ends the reading.

A reading from 2 Timothy [4:1-13].

1 I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus,
who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing
and his kingdom: 2 preach the word; be ready in season and
out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete
patience and teaching. 3 For the time is coming when
people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching
ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit
their own passions, 4 and will turn away from listening
to the truth and wander off into myths. 5 But as for you,
always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an
evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

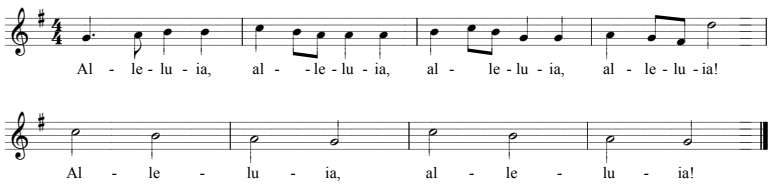
6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering,
and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought
the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the
faith. 8 Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of
righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will
award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all
who have loved his appearing.

9 Do your best to come to me soon. 10 For Demas, in
love with this present world, has deserted me and gone
to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to
Dalmatia. 11 Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring
him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. 12
Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. 13 When you come, bring
the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and
above all the parchments.

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**



All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew [22:1-14].

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

14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to
Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the
surrounding country. 15 And he taught in their synagogues,
being glorified by all.

16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought
up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the
Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. 17 And the scroll of
the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll
and found the place where it was written,

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

20 And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the
attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue
were fixed on him. 21 And he began to say to them, "Today
this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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. 162 for the 'Exhortation' in the liturgy for Holy Baptism.

THE OFFERTORY (BCP pg. 131)

After Holy Baptism, our liturgy continues with Communion, beginning at the Offertory.

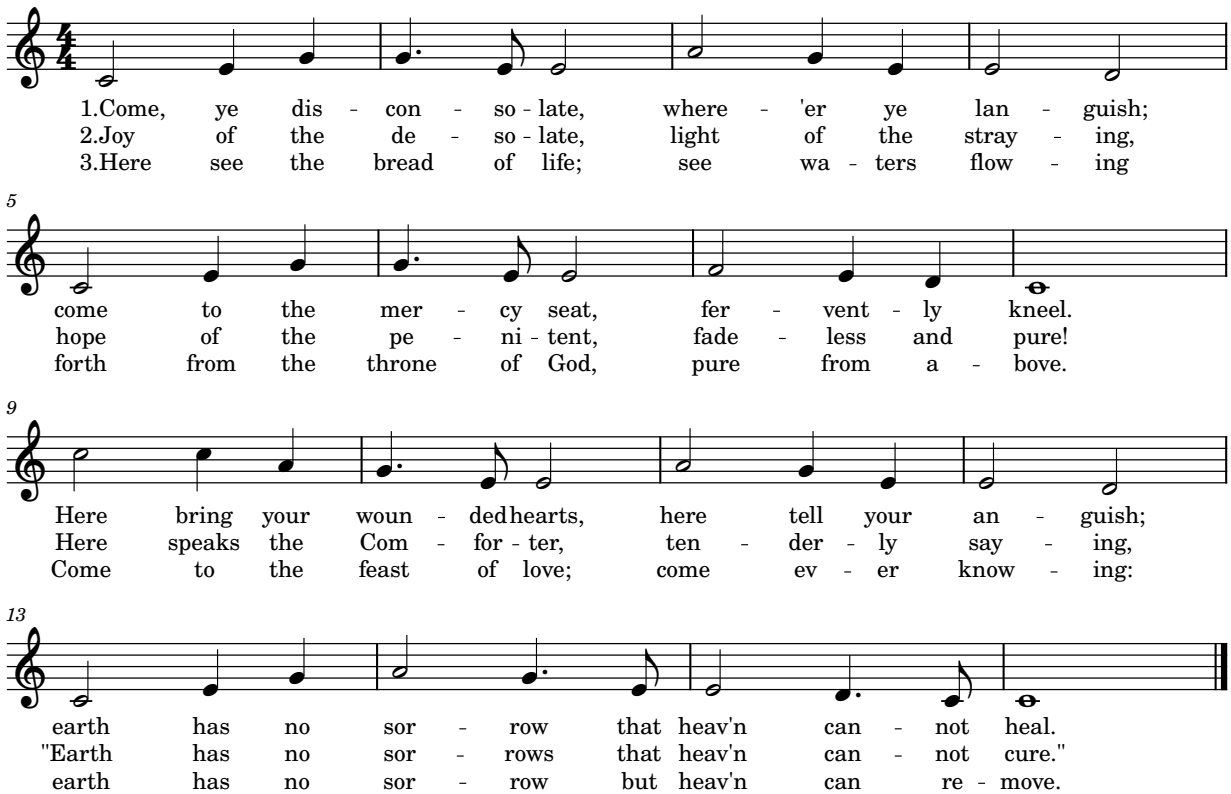
Our tithing tokens are available for you to set in the offering basket if your financial gift was given digitally. Please find them on the ushers table in the transept. Simply place one in the basket at the Offertory to represent what you've already given. It allows us to keep the tradition of giving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

THE SANCTUS



Music: Ben Bowman (2026)

COME, YE DISCONSOLATE



Words: Thomas Moore (st. 1-2) (1779-1852); Thomas Hastings (st. 3) (1784-1872)
Music: Ben Bowman, 2023

ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY



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PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS



Words: Rusty Edwards (b. 1955)
Music: *Beach Spring*, from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844
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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

Faith Formation Class — Living Wisely in a Technological Age: From smartphones to social media and AI, digital tools shape how we communicate, work, relax, and even worship. They offer extraordinary gifts, yet can also distract us and distort our discipleship. Join us for a five-week class on living intentionally with technology, led by The Rev'd Dr Andrew Borror at 9:30 AM, between the two services.

Remembering the Faithfully Departed: It is our custom to remember the names of the faithfully departed on the Sunday after All Saints Day in order to give thanks to God for those whom we have known, loved, and who nurtured us in the faith. To have the name of a loved one who died in the faith of Christ included in this remembrance on Sunday, November 1st, please enter their names at the link in the News & Needs by midnight Oct. 20.

EVENTS

Justice and Reconciliation Meeting, Today: The Justice and Reconciliation Team will be meeting after church on Sunday, October 18 in the downstairs lounge area. Micah Jones will be talking about the legal work (and presence of Christ) he provides in the family courts in Chatham and Orange Counties for poor families. A light lunch will be served.

Public Service of Healing Today After 10:30 Service: The rite for the anointing with oil and the laying on of hands gives us permission to be honest about the weaknesses, the challenges, and the darkness we face while also coming to the Lord with hope for healing, wholeness, and redemption. All are welcome.

Sung Compline, TONIGHT at 7 PM: 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.

Register Now for the Annual Banquet to benefit Pregnancy Support Services - one of our Matthew 25 Ministries. It will take place Monday, October 26th, at 6:30 PM, Bay 7, 324 Blackwell Street, Durham. Go to https://pssbanquet.givesmart.com to register one or more individuals. Enter "Holy Trinity Anglican CH" in the Group box. There is no need to pay to attend!

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.

Church Calendars Purchase by October 30: Two church calendars are available for purchase through the church, Salt of the Earth ($15) and the ACNA Calendar ($4). To learn more and to order a calendar, see the link in the News & Needs. Calendars will be available for pick-up at the church before December 1st. Questions? Email kellan@holytrinitych.org.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

- For the men backpacking together this weekend, that they may enjoy deep fellowship with one another and the Lord in the beauty of creation
- For all who desire greater healing and wholeness from the Lord, in mind, body and spirit
- For mental health professionals, that they may have wisdom, compassion, and strength as they care for those who are suffering
- For expectant mothers, that they may have healthy pregnancies, safe deliveries, and joy in welcoming new life - Tessa, Becca, Katie, and Kellan
- 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
- For those in hospice care - Phyllis Martin