



1st Sunday after Pentecost
Trinity Sunday
May 31, 2026
10:00 a.m.



The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, *Bishop*
The Rev. Dr. Paul Jacobson, *Rector*
The Venerable Harry Leip, *Deacon*
The Rev. Stephen Weissman, *Priest Associate*
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Welcome! We are blessed by your presence with us this morning and hope that you will find strength, comfort and fulfillment through our worship. Children are welcome to stay through the service. We welcome all seekers of God to Holy Communion and look forward to meeting you following the service.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE TWO

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Prelude No. 1

Alexandre Guilmant

Following the Prelude, the community is invited to stand and face the door to the Nave.

Station at the Door



Let us glorify our God: the Holy and Undivid-ed Trinity:



Praise and highly exalt God for - ev - er.

The door to the Nave is honored with incense and holy water.

Celebrant May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trinity of Persons: Give us grace to continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; for you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Deacon Let us go forth in peace.

People **In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

The Hymnal 1982, #370

I bind unto myself today

St. Patrick's Breastplate



1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name



of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion



of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of

*3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great

*4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues

*5. I bind un - to mys - elf to - day the power of

faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the
love of cher - u - bin; the sweet "Well done" in
of the star - lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life -
God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his

Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
judg - ment hour; the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;
giv - ing ray, the white - ness of the moon at even,
might to stay, his ear to heark - en, to my need;

his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing
con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'
the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing
the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to

up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the
prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -
wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the
guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to

day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.
to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.
deep salt sea, a - round the old c - ter - nal rocks.
give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

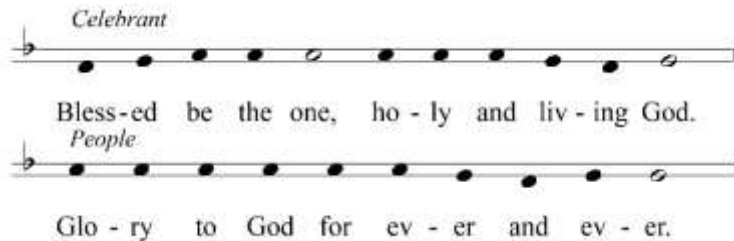
win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.



7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

Words: Au. Patrick (372-466); tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895). Music: *St. Patrick's Breastplate*, Irish melody; adapt. Charler Villiers Stanford (1852-1924); St. 6, *Deirdre*, Irish melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

Opening Acclamation



Celebrant
Bless-ed be the one, ho - ly and liv - ing God.
People
Glo - ry to God for ev - er and ev - er.

Canticle 13: A Song of Praise

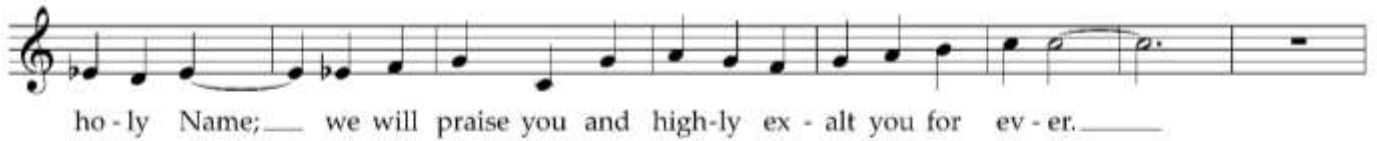
Hymnal S236

John Rutter


Benedictus es, Domine



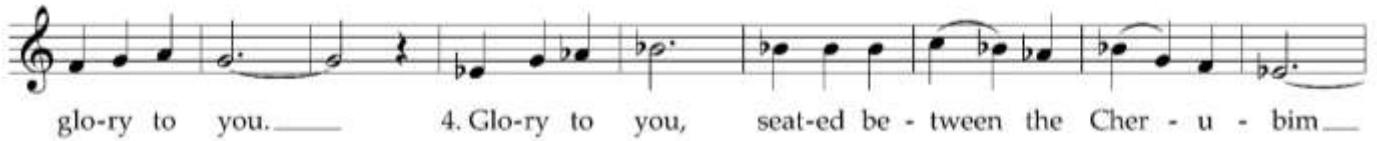
1. Glo-ry to you, — Lord God of our fore-bears; — you are wor-thy of
praise; glo-ry to you. — 2. Glo-ry to you — for the ra - di-ance of your



ho-ly Name; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.



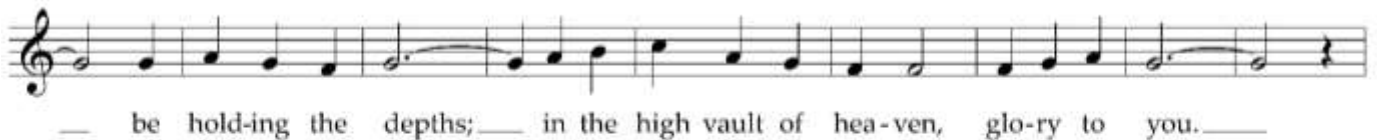
3. Glo-ry to you in the splen-dor of your tem-ple; on the throne of your ma - jes-ty,



glo-ry to you. 4. Glo-ry to you, seat-ed be - tween the Cher - u - bim



we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. 5. Glo-ry to you,



be hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of hea-ven, glo-ry to you.



6. Glo-ry to you, Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi-rit; we will praise you and



high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant May God be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in God’s image,
in the image of God God created them;
male and female God created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant

yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8 *Domine, Dominus noster*

Hymnal S-415

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



O God our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children, *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the a-venger.
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
What are we that you should be mindful of us, *
mere mortals that you should seek us out?
You have made us but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn us with glory and honor;
You give us mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under our feet:
All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
O God, our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Wonder, Love & Praise, #743 O threefold God of tender unity

Flentge

1. O three - fold God of ten - der u - ni - ty,
 2. O blaze of ra - diance, source of light that blinds,
 3. Most lov - ing Par - ent, Child of joys and pains
 4. In ev - 'ry ma - king, each cre - a - tive dream
 5. O three - fold God of ten - der u - ni - ty,
 life's great un - known that binds and sets us free:
 the fie - ry splen - dor of pro - phe - tic minds,
 cre - a - tive Spi - rit, life - force that sus - tains,
 and in the flow of life's great heal - ing stream,
 life's great un - known that binds and sets us free:
 felt in our lov - ing, great - er than our thought,
 you live in mys - tery, yet with - in us dwell;
 in bone and flesh, we touch your gen - tle hand,
 when love is born or peo - ple re - con - ciled,
 felt in our lov - ing, great - er than our thought,
 you are the mys - tery found, the mys - tery sought.
 life springs from you as from a liv - ing well.
 your face we see in wa - ter, air, and land.
 we share your life, O Par - ent, Spi - rit, Child.
 you are the mys - tery found, the mys - tery sought.

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The Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Stephen Weissman

A period of silent reflection is observed.

The 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

Celebrant God so loved the world that God gave the Christ for our salvation. As beloved children of God, let us pray.

Intercessor Triune God, you have adopted us as your children and made us joint heirs with Christ: may your Church share in Christ's suffering and glory, his death and new life.

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Triune God, in Jesus you came into the world not to condemn but to save; may the people whom society casts away experience the depth of your limitless love.

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Triune God, we have been made of dust, born of water, and carried on the wind: give us eyes to see our connectedness to everything you have created.

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Triune God, you have blessed us with this sacred community we call Trinity: give us a vision for the future. Send us into the world to share the love we experience in this place. (*You may add your thanksgivings, aloud or in silence, now.*)

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Triune God, you are a God of healing: we name in your presence all those who are sick and hurting, the struggling and the needy, especially Adrienne, Nan, Bill, Kitty, Nicole, Etta, Helen, Glenda, Thomas, Gloria, Dolores, John, Steven, Julien, Joan, Kevin, David, Betsey, Pat, Ray, Gwen, Charlene, Bruce, and those we name now...

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Triune God, you offer us eternal life through Jesus: we pray for those who have died, especially those we name now (*silence*). At the last, bring us, with them, to see you in your one and eternal glory.

Silence

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The Celebrant says

One God in three persons, we give you praise and thanks, and ask that we may join our voices to sing your unending praise, now and forever. ***Amen.***

The Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Choir Anthem

Holy Father, Cheer Our Way

Friedrich Filite

Holy Father, cheer our way
with Your love's perpetual ray;
grant us every closing day
light at evening time.

Holy Saviour, calm our fears
when earth's brightness disappears;
grant us in our latter years
light at evening time.

Holy Spirit, from on high
when in mortal pains we lie;
grant us, as we come to die,
light at evening time.

Holy, blessed Trinity,
darkness is not dark with thee;
those thou keepest always see
light at evening time.

--Richard Hayes Robinson, alt.

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 *2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1 from *Enriching Our Worship*

Celebrant *People*
 May God be with you, And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. 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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus WLP #858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.
Bless - ed is — the One who comes in the name of the Lord. — Ho -
san - na in — the high - est, — ho - san - a in — the high - est.

Wonder Love & Praise, #858

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lord's Prayer *Contemporary*


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 forever. Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread


*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept, after which the following is sung*

Presider



Al-le-lu-ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us:

All



There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu - ia.

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)
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As the elements are prepared, the following is sung

Fraction Anthem



Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;
 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,
 nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;
 thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;
 in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

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Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
 Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
 and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion of the People

Invitation to Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is central to the Christian community. As Christ gave freely of himself, so the sacred meal in his name is also freely given. Rejoicing in the spirit of Christ's inclusive love, all are warmly invited to receive the bread and wine at the Supper of the Lord.

Following the direction of the ushers, come forward to the communion rail, where you may kneel or stand. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

To receive the bread, your right palm on top of your left palm. *Gluten-free wafers are available.* Please assist us by crossing your right arm over your chest so we may serve you correctly. To receive the wine, please help guide the chalice to your lips. If you do not receive wine, you may touch the chalice when it is offered, or simply cross both arms after receiving the bread.

Due to our Diocesan health policy, we ask you not to dip your communion bread into the chalice (*i.e.*, intinction). If you are not comfortable drinking directly from the chalice, you are welcome to receive just the bread; or you may touch the chalice when it comes to you.

If you are unable to come to the altar rail, notify an usher, and we will bring communion to you.

The Hymnal 1982, #335

I am the bread of life

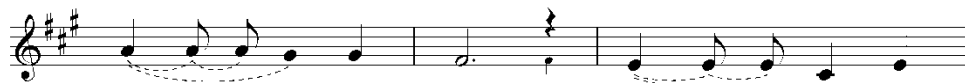
I Am the Bread of Life



1 I am the bread of life; — they who
 2 (The) Bread that — I will give — is my
 3 (Un-) less — you eat — of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion, —
 5 (Yes,) Lord, — we be - lieve — that —



1 come to me shall not — hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of — Man — and —
 4 I — am the — life. — They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat — of this bread, they shall — live for
 3 drink — of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve — in me, e - ven — if they
 5 Son — of God who — has



1 me — un - less the — Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. — they shall — live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, — they shall — live for ev - er.
 5 come — in - to — the — world. —

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

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last day. 5 Yes, day.

last day. 2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes, (2)

Final Ending

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.
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Postcommunion Prayer

*God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Closing Hymn

In the midst of new dimensions

New Dimensions



1. In the midst of new di - men - sions, in the face of chang - ing ways,
2. Through the flood of starv - ing peo - ple, war - ring fact - ions and des - pair,
3. As we stand a world di - vid - ed by our own self - seek - ing schemes,
4. Should the threats of dark pre - dic - tions cause us to with - draw in pain,



who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples wan - der - ing their sep' - rate ways?
Who will lift the o - live branch - es? Who will light the flame of care?
Grant that we, your glo - bal vil - lage, might en - vis - ion wi - der dreams.
May your blaz - ing phoe - nix Spir - it res - ur - rect the Church a - gain.



God of rain - bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead - ing where the ea - gles soar,



we your peo - ple, ours the jour - ney, now and e - ver, now and e - ver, now and e - ver more.

Words: Julian B. Rush, 1985

Music: New Dimensions, Julian B. Rush (b. 1936)

Dismissal

*The Deacon dismisses the People, who respond:
Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Victory

Richard Jules Conway

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Notes on the Service for May 31, 2026, the First Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday
by the Rev. Stephen Weissman

In the church calendar, the period from December to May or the seasons from Advent to Pentecost feature days which mark events of Christ's life, from his birth and baptism to his ascension and the Spirit's arrival; all those saving events are crystallized the doctrine of the Trinity, that most distinctively Christian teaching about God.

In place of the *Gloria in excelsis*, today we use a canticle, *Benedictus es*, which comes from additions to the Book of Daniel. The canticle is in the Apocrypha because it appears only in the Greek version of Daniel, not the Hebrew-Aramaic version. It is the first part of a hymn in the mouths of the three young men thrown into Nebuchadnezzar's fiery furnace. Some think that it could have been a thanksgiving for the restoration of worship in the Jerusalem temple after the Wars of the Maccabees. For use in our liturgies, Christians have added to it the *Gloria Patri*.

A late medieval composition, the collect for today's Eucharist prays that we may be kept steadfast in our faith in and our worship of the Holy Trinity.

Genesis 1 was written by a learned Jew who knew the best Babylonian science of his day, about 500 B.C. According to this priestly writer, God speaks the universe into being out of chaos. God's word is an active Agent. Christians developed Genesis' account of the creating Word into our doctrine of the Word who creates the cosmos and who becomes flesh, the foundation of the Trinitarianism expressed in the Nicene Creed..

Hebrew practice reckons days as starting on the evening before, a reckoning which the church follows so that a feast (Christmas, for example) begins on the evening before (the Eve). A refrain repeated at the completion of each day, "And God saw that it was good," expresses the Jewish conviction that existence is good, in contrast with, e.g., the Buddhist belief that existence is suffering. What Genesis calls the firmament is a dome which ancient astronomers thought vaulted over the sky, holding back waters above it. Windows in it God opens to let precipitation fall onto earth. Human beings are images of God not because God has physical human features, but because people mirror God's attributes such as freedom, reason, and love, and because we speak, and we hold dominion over the other creatures as God holds dominion over us.

Psalm 8 has been called a "poetic reprise of Genesis 1." (D. Alter) Contemplating the night sky, the author marvels that its Creator deigns to regard mankind.

The end of II Corinthians must have been picked as Trinity Sunday's epistle because of its last sentence which names Jesus, God, and the Spirit. Like the *Benedictus es*, that formula, called the Grace, is used in Morning Prayer. The "holy kiss" was the ancient greeting revived in 20th century congregations as the exchange of Peace among the people. By "saints" Paul means faithful believers.

At the end of the Gospel according to Matthew, the risen Christ instructs his followers to baptize in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the formula which became the rule, despite some apostles having baptized converts "in the Name of Jesus."

Sunday Service Schedule

8:00 AM Rite I - Spoken Eucharist
10:30 AM Rite II with music

Weekday Service Schedule

Thursday Eucharist at 7:00 AM

Food Ministry Hours

Hot Lunch: Sunday 2-2:30pm
Pantry & Take-out Meal: Tues. 1:30-3pm,
Thurs. 4-5pm
Wednesday Cafe & Conversation: 12-1:30pm

Parish Office Hours

Sunday 7am-1pm
Wednesday-Thursday 8am-4pm
Friday 8am-Noon



From Father Paul

Dear Ones,

The week after Memorial Day has brought with it the promise of heat and humidity – vivid memories of my childhood! The summer also brings memories of Forest Park, though now I can be in the park year-round. Recently, Travel & Leisure Magazine named Forest Park the “Best City Park in the USA” – yay us!



You can find the article here: <https://www.travelandleisure.com/best-city-park-usa-forest-park-st-louis-11962038>

Strawberry Fields Forever!

Many thanks to those who provided bushels of red yumminess for our Pentecost celebration!



Members of the 2026 Strawberry Squad
Michael Shepley, Phyllis Evans, Adrienne Fly, & Anne Trolard
(*not pictured*: Margaret and John Emert for the 8am crowd)

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday, when we will gather as one congregation at 10, giving God thanks for the gift of being this wonderful and particular sign of the Beloved Community here in the Central West End. Following the service, we will move to the South Parish Hall to continue our celebration of being a loving community with food and fellowship.

The following Sunday, June 7, is Wear Orange Sunday, part of a weekend that honors victims and survivors of gun violence and raises awareness of the impact of gun violence. There are more details on activities below, and you are encouraged to wear orange on that day. Preaching, singing, and prayers will raise up this ongoing and distressing crisis while calling us to be beacons of action and hope.

Summer Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Perry'.

Thanks to Charlotte & Ben Kiel, Ed Riedel, Maura Salsish, Perry Trolard, and Adam Turner for serving at Sunday's Hot Lunch.

And thanks to Andrea Callard, Adrienne Fly, Duncan McArthur, Molly Perlison, Michael Shepley, Kate Worland and Fr. Paul for assisting with Sunday's multilingual reading at the 10:30am service.



Today we will celebrate Trinity Sunday with a potluck after the 10:00 a.m. service in the South Parish Hall.

Did you Ever? A large brass plaque in the narthex (entryway) declares that ours is a memorial church. Did you ever notice it?



This church was erected in loving memory
of a very dearly beloved daughter, whom
GOD called to Eternal Life
July 29th AD 1891,
Lulie Simmons, aged 16 years,
Daughter of
Edward C. and Garrie W. Simmons.

Our dearly beloved church home exists only because of Lulie's tragic life. She was beautiful, intelligent, and talented, but died much too soon. A poignant and carefully researched booklet of her life in Victorian Era St. Louis is available for \$20. All profits will go to the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**, which helps people in unexpected circumstances. On and after May 31, you can order a copy from Kate Worland by subscription with a cash payment. Our clergy and staff have advanced copies, which you can see.



Wear Orange Weekend June 5-7

Wear Orange is a nationwide observation the first weekend of June each year to honor victims and survivors of gun violence and to raise awareness of the impact of gun violence. The movement began in 2013 by friends of Hadiya Pendleton. Hadiya marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade. One week later, she was shot and killed on a playground in Chicago. Soon after this tragedy, Hadiya's friends commemorated her life by wearing orange, the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others.

On Sunday, June 7 we are encouraging everyone to wear orange to church, in solidarity with many Americans who wear orange in tribute to more than 43,000 Americans killed with guns and 76,000 more shot and wounded each year.

That afternoon, everyone is also invited to attend a march and rally for gun violence awareness in Webster Groves in West St. Louis County. The event begins at Webster Groves Presbyterian Church (45 W. Lockwood) with registration beginning at 1:00 p.m. There will be a welcome and prayer at 1:30, followed by a march to Emmanuel Episcopal Church (9 S. Bompert). There will be a rally at 2:30 featuring Emmanuel Church's rector The Rev. Dr. Valori Mulvey Sherer, Webster Groves Mayor Laura Arnold and our Bishop, Deon Johnson.

This is an event for the whole family, with activities for children, so please bring your family and friends, your signs, and your orange and be part of this event for gun violence awareness.

Another important event during Wear Orange weekend is a gun buyback program

coordinated by the St. Louis Chapter of Guns to Gardens at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ferguson MO. On Saturday morning, June 6, anyone who surrenders a working firearm will receive a \$100 Aldi's gift card. This is an important and practical way to reduce gun violence in our communities. While the majority of the event is well taken care of, if you would like to support the effort, donations toward the gift cards are most welcome. Follow this link to donate - <https://diocesemo.org/give> and when making your donation select Gun Violence Prevention from the available funds and include Guns to Gardens in the memo line. Thank you very much for supporting this event.



Needs for this week:

- Chili with Beans (not Chili Beans)
- Peanut Butter (Smooth and Crunchy)
- Vienna Sausages
- Cereal
- Jelly (Grape and Strawberry)
- Canned Fruit (Peaches and Mixed Fruit)

Statistics for week ending 5/24

Food Pantry: 129 Individuals in 53 families (10 new families)

Wednesday Cafe: 31

Sunday Lunch 25

We continue to welcome new families, which make up 20% of the total each week. If this continues, we will see a sustained increase in monthly numbers over time. We have been blessed by the start of garden donations of fresh produce as well as the continuing drop in egg prices at our supplier. That, coupled with your generosity, allows us to continue to grow with the need.

Warmer temperatures are upon us, bringing an increased need for soap, shampoo, and deodorant as well as small towels and washcloths. Bottles need not be large (8 oz), as well as soap bars would be perfect.

The return of Shawn Hall to our family has been a blessing for everyone who missed him. If you are at the church and see him, be sure to welcome him back. If you are interested in volunteering or just visiting us, you are always welcome to. Come to Wednesday Café (Noon to 1:30) and you can sample the wonders of the Wednesday Kitchen Crew, along with Cathy Tierney's wonderful baking.

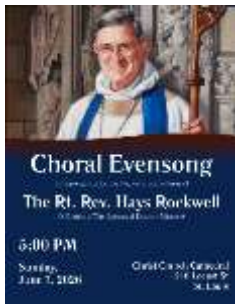
- Chuck Dombek



The Episcopal Diocese of Missouri

Summer 2026 Ordinations - Saturday, June 6 @ 11am Christ Church Cathedral (1210 Locust St)

The Diocese of Missouri gathers to celebrate a sacred moment in the life of the Church. Carol Brazeale and Bob Crecelius will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and Bethann Rohlring will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests. Several of you may remember Bethann who was with us on Sunday mornings and also with the Trinity Food Ministry while she was studying for her priesthood.



Choral Evensong in Thanksgiving for a Faithful Life - Sunday, June 7 5pm @ Christ Church Cathedral (1210 Locust Street)

You are warmly invited to gather for Choral Evensong in thanksgiving for the life, work, and witness of The Rt. Rev. Hays Rockwell, IX Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri.

Pride Evensong with Bishop Gene Robinson - Sunday, June 14 5pm @ Emmanuel Episcopal Church (9 South Bompert Avenue, Webster Groves)

The LGBTQIA+ Ministry warmly invites you to gather for Pride Evensong which weaves together the contemplative beauty of Evensong with the joy, celebration, and witness of Pride Month. It is a time set apart to reflect, to give thanks, and to affirm the dignity and belovedness of every person. We are honored to welcome guest preacher Bishop Gene Robinson, whose historic and courageous witness has helped open the life of the Church more fully to all of God's people. The event will be followed by a picnic and discussion with Bishop Robinson in the parish hall.





This Week's Core Value: Anglo-Catholic Worship

We believe that devotion to the Real Presence on the Altar leads us to devotion to the Real Presence in our neighbor. We gather for a multi-sensory experience, rooted in consistency and ancient rhythms that anchor our wandering bodies and souls.

May 31: The First Sunday after Pentecost/Trinity Sunday

In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of The Journey Church (2023) in Fulton and Jessica their Priest.

- In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for St. Andrew's Episcopal College (Colegio Episcopal San Andrés).
- In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.
- In the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, we pray for our chaplains, military members, their families, and for those serving in Oregon—at the 173rd Fighter Wing Air National Guard, Camp Rilea, the 142nd Wing Air National Guard, Camp Umatilla, Federal Correctional Institution Sheridan, and the White City VA Medical Center.

We keep in our prayers those who are ill or in need:

Desiree Bratton
Adrienne Fly
Nan Sweet
Bill Mayhan
Katherine "Kitty" Drescher
Nicole Adams
Etta Taylor
Helen Hendry
Glenda Wiman
Thomas Kirk
Gloria Winston
Dolores Friesen
John Biggs
Steven Forsyth
Julien Worland
Joan Dunbar
The Rev. David K. Fly
Betsey Gardner
Pat Way
Ray Becvar
Gwen Sims
Charlene Wright
Bruce Baldwin

Friends and Relatives:

Carol Hall, Brian Alm's sister.
Bill Anderson, friend of Ed Riedel & Deacon Harry

Treyvon and his parents.

Denise Huber, friend of Jerry Martin, recurring cancer.

Teri Smith-Jones, former parishioner, recovery from accident

Geraldine Caldwell, friend of Carter Whitson, profound dementia.

Harry Forbes and Bruce Deal, NYC friends of Michael Shepley

Marshan Leib, friend of Brian Alms, Lewy's Body Dementia

Tim, friend of Mary Moore, cancer

Angela Salvador, friend of Brian Alms, breast cancer

Dennis Jones, friend of Sharron Underwood.

Tiffany Cruz, friend of Lisa Carpenter, breast cancer

Joe Richardson (Of Feed My People), friend of Jerry Martin, multiple health issues.

Karla, friend of Cathy Tierney, heart issues

Ken, Molly Perling's grandfather

Warren Frank Moseley (Cynthia and Patrick Fox's son), and his friend, Janese Julien for comfort and healing

Hope, health challenges.

Teresa, Eliza Williamson's stepmother, chronic illness

Mike, Jeannette Lehrmann's brother, prostate cancer.

Pat R., friend of Cathy Tierney, bladder cancer

Frank Menkhus, Pat Way's friend with heart problems

Sally Moylan, Pat Way's friend with multiple health problems

For Diocesan Clergy: Desiree Bratton, diocesan canon; The Rev. Canon Doris & David Westfall; The Rev. Helen Ludbrook and The Rev. David K. Fly.

For Trinity Food Ministry and its volunteers.

For service members in harm's way.

Birthdays May 31 - June 6: Sadie Kiel, Sharron Underwood, Katie Berry, Jeff Nall.

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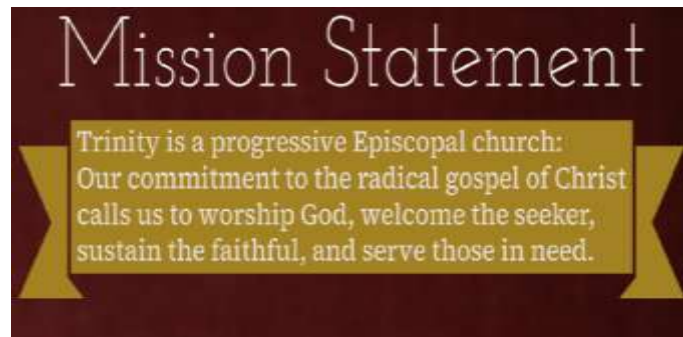
Readings for next Sunday, June 6 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 12:1-9

Psalms 33:1-12

Romans 4:13-25

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26



Vestry

Senior Warden: Perry Trolard

Junior Warden: Ben Kiel

2027

Andrea Callard
Adrienne Fly
Mary Patton

2028

Carlos Daughaday
Ben Kiel
Perry Trolard

2029

Jackson Gress
Ted McNamara