

# IN THE CITY OF ASBURY PARK, NJ

# **Trinity Sunday**

June 15, 2025 at ten o'clock

# Festival Eucharist in Celebration of Trinity's 150th Anniversary with the Rite of Confirmation

At Trinity, we strive to use expansive language in our liturgy to reflect our beliefs that God transcends and includes all genders and that all gender expressions reflect the beauty of God's creation. Sometimes, however, our liturgy, scripture readings, and music use gendered language for God and humanity as part of the common spiritual heritage of Anglicanism and the Christian Church. In congregational responses and hymns, we invite you to use whatever pronouns and titles help you to see the divine in both God and humanity. As the scripture lessons are read, we invite you to consider that the writings contained in the Bible are contextual--reflecting particular times, places, and cultures-but that they can be understood in universal and expansive ways. God is love!

Hymn numbers refer to either the Hymnal 1982 or Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS), copies of which are in the pew racks.

**Prelude** Three Hymns from the British Isles Canzon per Sonare #4

John Jay Hilfiger, arr. Giovanni Gabrieli; David Marlatt, arr.

Introit God is in His Holy Place followed by Total Praise Richard Smallwood; arr. DSKing

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; He himself gives might and strength to his people.

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills, Knowing my help is coming from You. Your peace You give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength. You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

Dr. James Balmer, Organ



Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

# **Collect for Trinity Sunday**

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.** 

# The First Lesson/La Lectura Prima: Proverbs/Proverbios 8:1–4, 22–31

Please be seated

Read by Mary Perez, Vestry member and Lay Leader for Spanish Ministry

# A Reading from the Book of Proverbs

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before

#### Lectura del libro de los Proverbios

La sabiduría clama a voz en cuello; la inteligencia hace oír su voz. Se para en lo alto de las colinas, se detiene donde se cruzan los caminos, se hace oír junto a las puertas, a la entrada de la ciudad: Para ustedes los hombres van estas palabras mías. El Señor me creó al principio de su obra, antes de que él comenzara a crearlo todo. Me formó en el principio del tiempo, antes de que creara la tierra. Me engendró antes de que existieran los grandes mares, antes de que brotaran los ríos y los manantiales. Antes de afirmar los cerros y los montes, el Señor ya me había en-

the hills, I was brought forth-- when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

Sung by the choir

- 1 O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? the son of man that you should seek him out?

gendrado; aún no había creado él la tierra y sus campos, ni el polvo de que el mundo está formado. Cuando él afirmó la bóveda del cielo sobre las aguas del gran mar, allí estaba yo. Cuando afirmó las nubes en el cielo y reforzó las fuentes del mar profundo, cuando ordenó a las aguas del mar no salirse de sus límites, cuando puso las bases de la tierra, allí estaba yo, fielmente, a su lado. Yo era su constante fuente de alegría, y jugueteaba en su presencia a todas horas; jugueteaba en el mundo creado, ¡me sentía feliz por el género humano!

Palabra del Señor. **Demos gracias a Dios.** 

William Henry Harris

- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

# **The Lesson:** A Reading from the Letter to the Romans (5:1-5)

Read by Lisa Bovino, Parish Treasurer

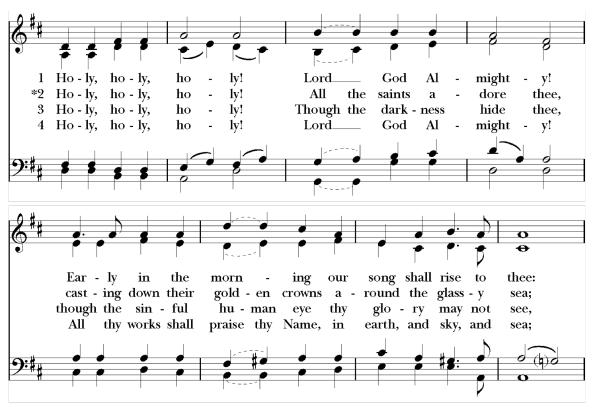
Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The Reader says, The Word of the Lord. All Reply, Thanks be to God

All who can, please stand

**Hymn** 362 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almight'y Verses 1-2 are sung before the Gospel and verses 3-4 are sung after the Gospel.

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# The Holy Gospel John (16:12-15)

All who can please stand

The Rev. Gail Bennett, Parish Deacon

At the Announcement, all say Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Reader says, The Gospel of the Lord. All Reply, **Praise to you, Lord Christ** 

*Verses* 3-4 *of the hymn will now be sung.* 

# Prayer of Thanksgiving for the 150th Anniversary of Trinity Church

Read by Carol Scollay, Warden; William Presutti, Warden; and Dr. Dell O'Hara, Parish Archivist and Past Warden

Eternal and loving God, today we give thanks to you for your goodness through all the years of worship and witness in this parish of Trinity Church. We give you thanks for your grace in calling us to be your people, for your love revealed to us in Christ, for your gift of the Spirit, and the joy of salvation:

We give thanks for those who established this congregation 150 years ago and for their faith and vision, for their gifts and abilities: We give thanks for all who have been members of this congregation, those who have given freely of their time and resources, and for those whose wisdom guided our congregation. We give thanks for all who have preached and taught here: for all who have confessed here that Jesus is Lord; and for all who today lead in worship, witness, and service in our parish.

We celebrate all the joys that have been brought to life in these 150 years. We celebrate all the happy times, all the accomplishments, and all the triumphs. We also acknowledge that there have been, and will continue to be, struggles and heartaches in our journey. Yet we have traveled together under your protection and love, and we and so many others have found this parish to be a place of refreshment and strength.

May you deepen within each of us a sense of gratitude for the sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. May we continue to see, by faith, the needs and possibilities of those around us and those who shall come after us. May our words and deeds always witness to the riches of your unconditional love.

All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Sally French, Bishop of New Jersey

#### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Bishop says The Candidate(s) will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

*Presenters* I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in

their life in Christ?

People We will.

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our

own baptismal covenant.

#### The Baptismal Covenant

All who can please stand

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of

heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the

power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of

bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of

every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

#### **Prayers for the Candidates**

Read by Wendy Jaghab, Clerk of the Vestry

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

#### The Bishop says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**.

A period of silence follows.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Candidates then approach the Bishop, who says

#### For Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your Holy Spirit; empower *her* for your service; and sustain *her* all the days of *her* life. **Amen.** 

#### For Reception

*N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.** 

The Bishop then concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### Welcome and Announcements

Please be seated

# The Offering

#### Choral Anthem Let Us Go Rejoicing

Peter Latona

Dr. James Balmer, Organ

Refrain: Sung by the choir first four times; congregation is invited to stand and join in singing the final three refrains.



God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; He himself gives might and strength to his people.

*Refrain:* Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." And now our feet are standing within your gates, o Jerusalem. *Refrain* . . .

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. As it is decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. *Refrain* . . .

There were set the thrones for judgment, the thrones of the house of David. For the peace of Jerusalem pray, "May they prosper, those who love you." *Refrain* . . .

May peace abide in your walls, and security be in your towers.

#### Congregation stands and joins in singing the Refrain.

For the sake of my family and friends, let me say, "Peace upon you." For the sake of the house of the Lord, our God, I will seek good things for you.

#### Refrain, sung by All.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Refrain, sung by All.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer

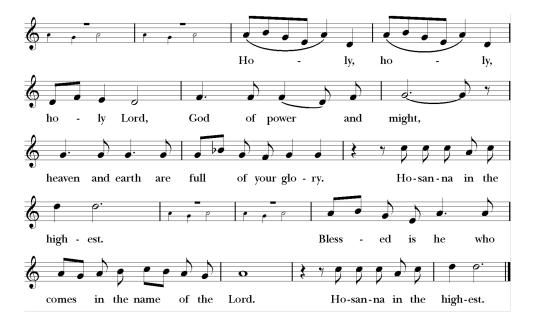
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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:

Sanctus William Mathias



The Celebrant proceeds 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 the Virgin 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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 [\_\_\_\_\_and] 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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father (or Mother/Parent), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Fraction Anthem** Agnus Dei from Missa Secunda Sung by the choir

Hans Leo Hassler; DSKing, arr.

Translation:

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, Grant us your peace.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

#### The Invitation

#### At the Communion



The sacrament of Holy Communion is a profound and central part of our worship. In it we receive God's promise to set aside all that separates us; we strengthen our union with Christ and one another; and we experience a foretaste of the time when all creation will share the feast God has prepared for us. All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are invited to join us at the Lord's Table.

Follow the usher's direction to communion. Receive the bread in open palm. Wine is available in the silver chalice, and non-alcoholic grape juice in the wooden cup. You may receive the wine by taking a sip or touching your wafer to the wine. For the grape juice, please only touch the wafer to the juice. If you would like a blessing in lieu of communion, indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask the clergy for one if desired. Please let the usher know if you need the Celebrant to come to your pew to administer communion.



During communion, those who would like someone to pray with them for themselves or someone else are invited to come to one of our prayer stations for individual prayer. Prayer stations are located at the back of the church (near the entrance doors) where a member of the Trinity Prayer Team will be sitting in a chair, ready to say a prayer with you. See insert for more information.

# **Anthem** Choral Reflection on Amazing Grace

Roger Ames, arr.

# Amanda Duspiva, Soprano

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

Through many dancers, toils and snares We have already come.
'Twas grace that brought us safe thus far, And grace will lead us home.

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed! When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures. He will my child and portion be As long as life endures.

Alleluia.

## **Anthem** Too Often, God, Your Name is Used

K Lee Scott

Too often, God, your name is used to sanction hate and fear So love and justice are refused to people you hold dear. O never let us use your name to harm or hurt of kill Or consecrate a vicious aim as your almighty will.

But move through us in deeds that spell your name as Love and Light, For faithful actions far excel beliefs that we recite. Let naming you through how we live become our public creed: The clearest witness we can give in meeting human need.

And keep us ready to receive the good that others do, That helps expand what we believe and why we trust in you. For where deep love and justice meet we see anew your face And for a moment glimpse complete the world transformed by grace.

That vision opens wide the church to look beyond its walls, To honor all who ask and search for where your spirit calls. Their questions and their wondering help us more fully claim Our mission as an offering that glorifies your name.

The above anthem was commissioned in 2005 for the 30th anniversary of the Rev. Geoff Curtiss's ordination and his 25th anniversary as Rector of All Saints, Hoboken

## [Blessing of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

*Celebrant* Bless you for your ministry and bless those to whom you bring these holy gifts, that they may be united with this community in the holy sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

*People* Though we are many, we are all one body because we share in the one bread.]

## **Post Communion Prayer**

All who can please stand

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.

#### **Blessing**

The Bishop blesses the people, first saying

Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People The maker of heaven and earth.

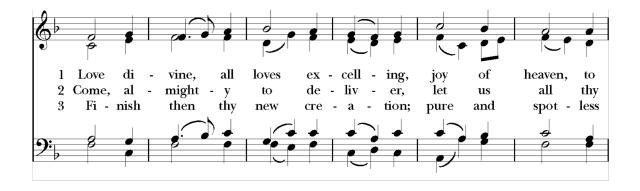
Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

*People* From this time forth for evermore.

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

**Hymn** "Love divine, all loves excelling"

Hyfrydol





Dismissal People's Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude** Prelude to Te Deum Little Fugue

Megan Anne Jones

Marc-Antoine Charpentier; David Marlatt, arr. Johann Sebastian Bach; David Marlatt, arr.

#### Instrumentalists for this Morning's Service

Samuel Friedman, Trumpet Ariel Shores, Trumpet Amber Dai, Horn Marco Jaimes, Trombone Will Marinelli, Timpani

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CONFIRMED AND RECEIVED TODAY:

Julia Elizabeth Beyer Sherwin J.Klass Lily Susan LiCausi Levi Harper Beyer Lila Isabelle Beyer Mary A. Perez Vivienne Joyce Brown Graysen C. Shaffer Brice Michael Byham Jr. Christy Trivisonno Brody Miles Byham Christopher J. Vecere Lexie Michael Dangler Gallo Braedyn Dillon Williams **Broderick Kelly Williams** Frances J. McLaughlin Nathaniel Thomas Williams Mia McLaughlin

All are invited to join us for a festive reception in the auditorium!

## **Trinity Church Vision Statement**

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God...For if we love one another, God abides in us, and God's love will be perfected in us." (1 John 4:7, 12)

Love is at the very core of Trinity Church. Through our faith and ministry, we seek to share Jesus Christ's unconditional, revolutionary love for all of God's creation and people. We demonstrate love in action by respecting the dignity of all, practicing radical hospitality, standing in solidarity with the marginalized, advocating for peace and justice, dismantling structural racism and every system of oppression, embracing inclusivity, maintaining our sacred space as a spiritual and physical sanctuary, and pursuing ecological sustainability. Strengthened by joyful worship, prayer, lifelong spiritual formation, stewardship of resources, pastoral care, and fellowship, we commit to follow Jesus in the Way of Love.

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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