

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 9, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

*Worship begins in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) on page 355.
All hymns and service music may be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal.*

Prelude *Prelude and fugue in a minor BWV*

J.S. Bach

Welcome

The Word of God

Processional Hymn 390 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
Please stand, as able.

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The Opening Acclamations

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People ***Amen.***

Gloria S280 *Sung*

All ***Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People ***Amen.***

Children's Chapel: Children ages 3-8 come to the front of the church and follow the leader to Children's Worship (located in the Children's Ministry Building). They will return at the Peace.

The First Lesson

I Kings 19:9-18

Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Lector The Word of the Lord

People ***Thanks be to God***

The Psalm 85:8-13 *Sung*



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- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together, *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Second Lesson

Romans 19:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Lector The Word of the Lord
People ***Thanks be to God***

Sequence Hymn 699 *Jesus, Lover of my soul*

Aberystwyth

The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

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

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord

People ***Praise to you Lord Christ***

The Sermon

The Rev. Christine Mendoza

The Nicene Creed

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Please stand, as able.

All ***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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People ***That we all may be one.***

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

Intercessor We pray for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Andrew, Brian, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our bishops; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest;

People ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, praying together for those on our parish prayer list;

All ***Gus, Joseph, Linda, Lindsey, Oliver, Patsy, Patti, Peggy, Roger***

The People may add their own petitions.

The Deacon and Celebrant may insert their own petitions.

The Celebrant gives the Concluding Collect.

People ***Amen.***

The Confession of Sin

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Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People ***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

The Celebrant pronounces the absolution.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Announcements and Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Ministry in a Minute-Giada Laubsch, Trinity Acolyte

Back to School Blessings

If you are visiting with us, please fill out a Guest Card located in the pew rack in front of you, so we can share with you what God is doing here at Trinity and how you can be a part of it.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Anthem *Sizohamba Naye*

Trinity Family Choir

arr. Terry D. Taylor

Sizohambe naye (We walk the Lord's road.)

Sizohala lisa (We sing the Lord's praise.)

Sizohlabe lela (We live the Lord's word.)

Traditional South African

Doxology *Sung*

As the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar, please stand.

***All Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your people for the work of your Church.

People ***Amen.***

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

The Celebrant praises God according to the occasion.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus et Benedictus (S129 Sung)

All ***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...
The Celebrant gives thanks for God's steadfast love and saving acts through Christ.
...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All ***Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.***

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...
The Celebrant asks God's blessing on this celebration and the gathered community.
...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and
glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All ***AMEN.***

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
All ***Our Father, 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.***

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

The Invitation & The Communion of the People

The Celebrant gives the invitation to Holy Communion.

By your Baptism you are welcome to receive communion with us. Gluten free wafers and wine are available at the far end of the Altar Rail on the Gospel side (left side as you face the Altar). If you do not wish to receive communion, simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing from a priest. If you would like Communion brought to you in your pen, please inform an usher.

Choral Anthem



The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

Communion Song *Oceans (Where feet may fail)*

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Saviour

I will call upon Your name
Keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your embrace
I am Yours and You are mine

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Communion Hymns

Hymn 689 *I sought the Lord*

Faith

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm,
through the night, lead me on to the light,

take my hand, precious Lord, lead me on.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone; hear my cry,
hear my call, hold my hand, lest I fall,
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me on.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone;
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand,
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me on.

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O Lord My God, When I in Awesome Wonder

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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Send him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God how great thou art.

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The Post Communion Prayer

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Celebrant
All

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

On occasions when the Eucharist is to be sent out, the following commendation is prayed.

The Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

People ***We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.***

The Blessing

The Celebrant gives the blessing.

People ***Amen.***

Recessional Hymn 539 *O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling*

Tidings

Please stand, as able.

The Dismissal

The Deacon or Celebrant gives the dismissal.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude *Toccata*

Ramon Noble



Rector - The Rev. Christine Mendoza
Associate Rector - The Rev. Frank Samuelson
Deacon - The Rev. Russ Oechsel
Director of Music - Micki Balog
Music Associate and Principal Organist - Jack Balog
Coordinating Verger - Bill Cox

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Trinity

We are so happy that you chose to worship with us today. Trinity is a wonderful place to be! Please fill out the Guests Card you see in the pews. It's so simple! You can scan the QR code and it will contact Jennifer Davenport for membership information or any questions. We are glad you are here!

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by the Polley Family in celebration of Emma's birthday.

THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW RECTOR & HOLY EUCHARIST

By the grace of God, the people, Vestry, and Wardens of Trinity Episcopal Church joyfully invite you to the Installation of The Rev. Christine Mendoza as Rector and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Sunday, August 30, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. The Right Reverend Jeff W. Fisher Bishop Suffragan of Texas, Presiding. A reception will follow in Butler Fellowship Hall. Your presence and prayers will be a blessing to our entire church family as we celebrate this joyful occasion and begin an exciting new chapter in the life of Trinity.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Interested in joining Trinity or learning more about the Episcopal Church? Join us for our New Members Class on Saturday, September 5, from 10AM - 2PM. Those wishing to be presented to the Bishop on September 13 should attend. Register with Melanie Sheffield in the church office or sign up on our website.

ACOYLIE TRAINING

Calling all youth ages 9 (3rd grade) and up who are interested in finding out more about becoming an acolyte. If you have ever thought it might be fun to carry a torch or cross in the procession, come try it out. We will have our next meeting/training on August 23rd following the 10am service in the sanctuary (Note: This is a new date). All current acolytes should plan to attend this meeting as well. Commissioning will be during the 10am service on September 27th. All new and current acolytes should attend. See Acolyte Master Daniella Laubsch or one of our senior acolytes if you have any questions.

COMMUNITY OF HOPE TRAINING

Join us this fall for a 12-week Community of Hope training course beginning August 22. This meaningful program equips participants with skills and spiritual formation for a variety of caring and pastoral ministries within the church and community. For more information or to register, contact Lynn Schieber by phone 832.687.4662 email: samthequiltingcat@gmail.com. We look forward to having you join us!

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

All baptized students in grades 7-12 are able to be confirmed. Our next Confirmation will be September 13, 2026 at the 10 o'clock service. We will start classes in August as one of our small groups during our regular Community time, Sundays 6-8pm. Class dates are **August 16, 23, 30, and September 6**. Contact Jen at jdavenport@trinitywoodlands.org to sign up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - LAWN CREW MINISTRY

The Lawn Crew Ministry keeps our campus looking beautiful through mowing, edging, trimming, and other weekly grounds maintenance. We need **more** volunteers! The commitment is just **2–3 hours one Friday or Saturday morning each month**, and **all equipment is provided**. If you'd like to help care for our church grounds, please contact Will Holt at wbholt@yahoo.com.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EfM)

Are you looking to deepen your faith? Are you hoping to understand how your personal experiences and beliefs bring you closer to God and God's people? EfM is a life-changing and affirming intensive weekly study developed and administered by Sewanee, The University of the South's School of Theology. Through study, prayer, worship, and reflection, EfM groups journey together through Scripture, church history, and theology. Susie Crain and Bev Redd will be mentoring this group, which starts in September. EfM is offering two exciting pathways this year. There is the classic 4 year program (people commit for just one year at a time) of intentional learning and worshipping community exploring the Hebrew Scriptures, the New Testament, Christian Tradition, and Ethics and Christian Spirituality. There is also another exciting option called EfM Wide Angle which is an introduction to all 4 of these topics in just one year. Please reach out to Susie Crain at susiemohrcrain@gmail.com or Bev Redd at bevredd@gmail.com to reserve a spot (there are limited seats) or to ask any questions.

YOUTH COMMUNITY

Starts August 16th! Calling all 7th-12th graders! Youth Community every Sunday from 6-8 p.m.! We will meet in Butler Hall for dinner and games, and then move to the Youth Community Building (YCB) for small group Bible study. Bring a friend! Follow us on Instagram [@trinity.youth.community](https://www.instagram.com/trinity.youth.community), join our band via Band App, check our website or please contact our Youth Director Jennifer Davenport (jdavenport@trinitywoodlands.org)

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

During the 10 o'clock service, children ages 3-8 are invited to their very own Children's Chapel, where they experience a special Liturgy of the Word designed just for them. After gathering outside, children split into two groups - ages 3-5 and ages 6-8 for age-appropriate activities. Together, we sing songs, pray simplified versions of the same prayers heard in "Big Church," read the day's Scripture from a children's Bible, enjoy a short children's sermon and activity. Children return to their families during the Peace.

NURSERY

Our Trinity Nursery is open throughout the entire 10 o'clock service and welcomes children ages 0–3 in the Children's Ministry Building. Our nursery caregivers, Ms. Zoe, Ms. Naomi, and Ms. Callie provides a safe and loving environment for our youngest members.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing: Violet, Lindsey S., Sarah K., Matt H., Anthony N., Bonnie, Amanda A., Samantha, Kelly, Alex, Lorraine, Dan M., Jim H., Janice F., and Lois W.

Thanksgiving: Fr. Frank Samuelson and Richard Mayer

Guidance: Chris, Scott, and Ryan