

THE 24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 8, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church

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Morning Prayer - Rite Two

The service begins in silent prayer.

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin

Officiant: Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence.

All: 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.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

All Stand

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.
People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Officiant: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

Venite "Come Let Us Sing to the Lord" *Hymn* S-35

The Psalm *(Please Stand)* Psalm 78:1-7

Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, *
and the wonderful works he has done.

He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;

That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments;

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

First Reading Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Reader: A reading from the book of Joshua.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived

beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord.

Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle A Song of Praise *Hymn #S-236*

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Reader: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do

who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn "Sleepers, Wake" *Hymn #61*

Third Reading Matthew 25:1-13

Reader: A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Homily "Be Prepared to Wait" *The Rev. Dr. Amy Richter*

The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
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.
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. Amen.

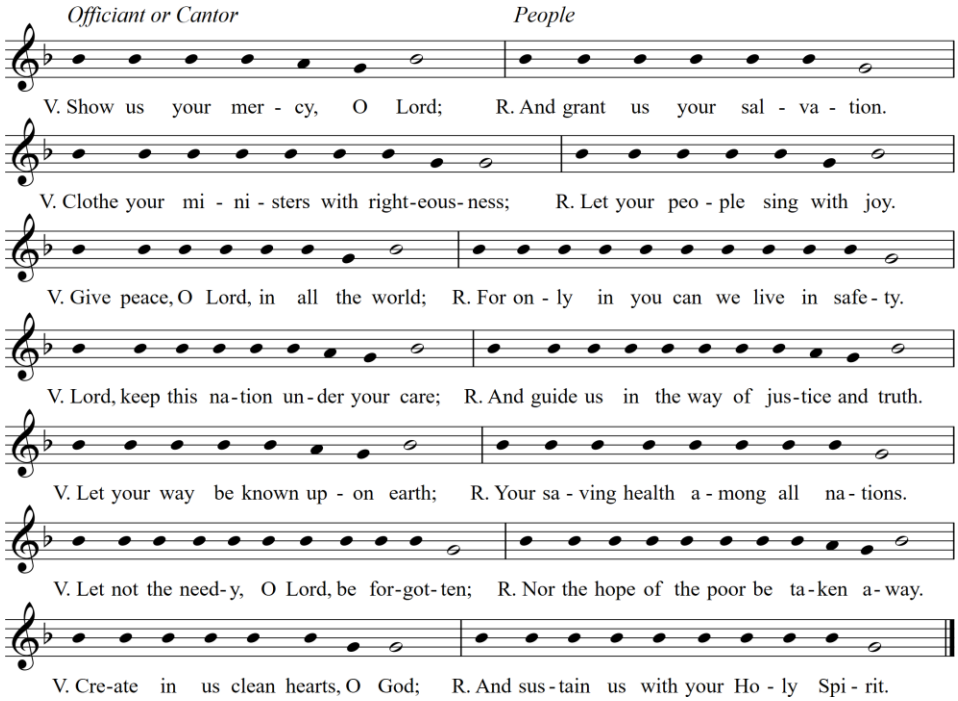
The Prayers

The people stand or kneel

Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.
All: 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 for ever. Amen.

Suffrages



The Collects

Officiant: O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Officiant: Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Officiant: Almighty God, giver of all good things: We thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of this land. They restore us, though we often destroy them.

All: Heal us.

Officiant: We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make us rich, though we often exploit them.

All: Forgive us.

Officiant: We thank you for the men and women who have made this country strong. They are models for us, though we often fall short of them.

All: Inspire us.

Officiant: We thank you for the torch of liberty which has been lit in this land. It has drawn people from every nation, though we have often hidden from its light.

All: Enlighten us.

Officiant: We thank you for the faith we have inherited in all its rich variety. It sustains our life, though we have been faithless again and again.

All: Renew us.

Officiant: Help us, O Lord, to finish the good work here begun. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, and to abolish poverty and crime. And hasten the day when all our people, with many voices in one united chorus, will glorify your holy Name. *Amen.*

Officiant: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Province of the Anglican Church of Congo. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Hailey. In the Diocesan Human Rights Cycle of Prayer we pray for humane immigration reform, an end to dehumanizing rhetoric, and practical welcome rooted in solidarity.

Officiant: We pray for those on our parish prayer lists: Clayton B, Pope Leo XIV, Doug B, Michelle E, Sarah J, Alex & Susu, Josh & Family, Baby Hall, Denny, Chris, David W, Julie, Jayne, Rox & Russ, Sarah J, Kerry H, Reed W, Eden, Susan B, Bob K, Jakob, Trent, Fran M, Martin & Sue, Robert G, Fr. James, Curtis, Terrie, LaRue, Dolores, Micah & Emily, AJ, Virginia, Scotti, Janie, Jeffre, Tom & Talya, Fran T, Taylor, Jeff, Chad, Rev. Doug & Deacon Eileen, and the Pocatello Women's Correctional Center Residents and Staff.

We pray for all we name before you now, either silently or aloud.

Do we have any birthdays, anniversaries, or special occasions for prayer?

Announcements

Offering of the People

Officiant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory "Keep Your Lamps" *Andre Thomas*

The General Thanksgiving

All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to
your service, and by walking before you in holiness and
righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom,
with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all
ages. Amen.

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" *Hymn #68*

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.
Amen. *Ephesians 3:20,21*

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Please join us for coffee & conversation in the Parish Hall following the service

Tribute Concert for Diane Bilyeu. Join us in celebrating Diane Bilyeu before she starts her next chapter in Boise! We'll start with a Chamber Music Concert by the Idaho State Civic Symphony's Hyeri Choi (violin) and Eleanor Christman (cello). This hour-long event will start at 5pm on Saturday, November 14, and will be followed by a reception in the parish hall. Please let the church office know if you are planning to attend.

Stewardship Campaign. Trinity's "Plenty Good Room" pledge campaign is in full swing. Turn in your pledge card any time on or before Sunday, November 15—we'll bless them all, and our life together, at our Eucharist that morning. Don't have a pledge card? An usher would be delighted to give you one!

Parish Survey. Have you responded to the parish survey discussed in the Call? If not--or if you did but there's something you'd like to add--we hope you'll do so. Paper surveys are at the back of the church, but if an electronic response is easiest for you, there's a link in the Weave

ECW: Our next meeting will be Saturday, November 21, at 11:00 AM. We will complete plans for the Trinity Holiday Fair and possibly plant bulbs for next spring. Bring your own gloves and planting tools. Please join us! All are welcome.

Loving the Questions. What do we mean when we say "Christ is King"? Our whole church calendar builds to the feast of Christ the King, which falls on November 22 this year. But how does our understanding of kingship relate to the bible's images of kings? If Christ is king, how do we relate to other governing authorities? And what kind of kingship are we hoping for, anyway? We'll explore these questions at 9:30 am on Saturday, November 21. Grab a cup of coffee and join us

Blanket Drive. The Annual Portneuf Valley Interfaith Blanket Drive is going on now through December 14th. Bring warmth to others in our community. Please donate a new or gently used blanket, or make a monetary donation to help provide more. Blankets can be dropped off here at the church on Sunday morning or during office hours.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, November 9, 2026	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	2:00 p.m.	OGP
	4:15 p.m.	Alleluia Choir
	5:15 p.m.	Girl Scouts
	6:15 p.m.	Collegium Vocale
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Tuesday, November 10, 2026	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Wednesday, November 11, 2026	10:00-2:00	Remote Office Hours
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
Thursday, November 12, 2026	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, November 13, 2026	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	10:00-2:00	Rev. Haydie Office Hours
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Saturday, November 14, 2026	5:00 p.m.	Diane Bilyeu Tribute concert
Sunday, November 15, 2026	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	1:30 p.m.	My Brother's Table

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Officiant: Trent Clegg
Lectors: Catherine Buttrick, Ruta Casabianca, Tom Eckert
Ushers: Jeffre Miller, Rita Haggardt
Altar Guild: Angela Young
Vestry on Duty: Kathleen Kangas
Music Director Trent Clegg
Audiovisual Facilitator: Geoffrey Friedley
Coffee Hour Hosts: Sue Frasure, Rita Haggardt