

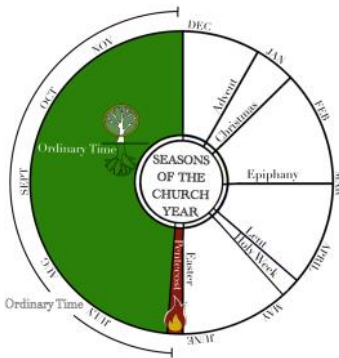
Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Pentecost Season - July - August, 2026



We are now in the sixth week of the Season of Pentecost (also called Ordinary Time). It's about half of the calendar year. The Liturgical color (on the altar and the clergy's stole and chasuble) is green.

You'll have seen this



lovely piece of liturgical art, made of different shades and textures of green with the representation of the Holy Spirit as a dove, on Trinity's calendar for the past 6 weeks and it will continue to be featured. The design suggests movement - learning and growth and fostering community, through the power of the Holy Spirit, the gift the church received on the Day of Pentecost, the major feast day which marked the beginning of this season.

But you can see on your liturgical calendar, if you have taken one home, or on the Trinity calendar, that not all of the days of the season are consistently green. There are other colors. In larger churches there are celebrations of the Holy Eucharist on those days and the church and clergy wear those colors.

Briefly, **white** indicates a Saint's Day or Major Feast Day; **red** indicates a saint who was martyred. There are four major saints' days in July and August.

St. Mary Magdalene, July 22. Despite the patriarchal tendency to define her as some sort of "fallen woman," she might be better known as the First Evangelist. She has been called the "Apostle to the Apostles". She was a faithful follower of Jesus, supported his ministry, stood with his mother at the crucifixion, and was the first to find the empty tomb on Easter morning and run to tell the Apostles the Good News. She is sometimes symbolized by a jar of ointment (to anoint his body).

St. James the Apostle, July 25, also known as St. James the Greater. He was the son of Zebedee and Salome, making him a cousin of Jesus. He and his brother John were fishermen and partners with Peter and Andrew. Jesus called them to follow him while they were fishing, and they immediately left their nets to become "fishers of men." He and his brother, John, were nicknamed "Sons of Thunder" by Jesus due to their zeal in spreading the Good News. His travels to Spain to spread the gospel were extensive. He was executed by King Herod Agrippa, so was the first martyr (hence the red date on our calendar). His body was returned to Spain and the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela was built over his tomb. The Camino de Santiago, a famous pilgrimage route in Spain, honors his legacy and draws thousands of pilgrims annually. He is often symbolized by a scallop shell.

In August we celebrate two saints:



St. Mary, Mother of Jesus, August 15 (white). We don't know a lot about Mary, other than that she was probably from a peasant family in Nazareth and was betrothed to Joseph, a carpenter.

She is venerated in many traditions. In the Episcopal church, we revere her for faith, obedience, and trust in God. Trinity has many symbols dedicated to her, most notably the two large icons in the front and back of the church.




St. Bartholomew, August 24 (red) was one of the Twelve. He is said to have preached in India, Mesopotamia, and Armenia, where he converted many, including a king. Tradition holds he was flayed alive and beheaded for his faith. Venerated across Christian traditions, he is patron of Armenia, tanners, and leatherworkers. He is symbolized by knives, due to the manner of his death.

Want to know more? Start with Google. Look up September's saints: Matthew and Michael and All Angels and share with us in the September Newsletter!



Trinity Episcopal Church - July 2026




Season of
Pentecost

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Trinity</i> 7/5 Doug, Rosemary, Sarah Plank. 7/12 Jack Strange, Josie Thomas. 7/19 Kathy Patterson, Alexandra and Jonathan Ayres. 7/26 Paula and Roger Bacorn.</p>			<p><i>Anglicans Around the World</i> 7/5 The Anglican Church of South America, Bishop Brian Williams. 7/12 Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, Bishop Justin Badi Arama. 7/19 Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, Archbishop Ezekiel Kumir Kondo. 7/26 The Anglican Church of Tanzania, Archbishop Maimbo Mndolwa.</p>		<p><i>Kajo-Keji (Our Sister Diocese)</i> 7/5 St. John Litaba Parish. 7/12 St. Paul Pamoju Parish. 7/19 Sera Jale Parish; Dwani-Star of Bethlehem Primary School. 7/26 Emmanuel Parish Kiri.</p>	
<p>Flowers from your garden for the altar are always welcome.</p> 	<p><i>Susquehanna</i> 7/5 St. Luke's, Lebanon; St. James, Lancaster; The Commission on Ministry. 7/12 All Saints, Leighton; St. James, Lancaster. 7/19 Good Shepherd, Milford; St. Thomas, Lancaster. 7/26 St. Paul's, Montrose; St. Matthew's Chapel; St. Andrew's, Lewisburg.</p>		<p>1 AA Intergroup 5:30 AA 7:30 pm <i>Tim Cama, Paul Kelley Dan & Marny Gerhart</i></p>	<p>2 <i>Bruce Barton</i></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Independence Day</p>
<p>5 Pentecost 6 P-9 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour <i>Alex Maneval</i></p>	<p>6 AA 7 and 8:00 pm <i>Elise Barton</i></p>	<p>7 <i>Dave Fish</i></p>	<p>8 AA 7:30 pm <i>Jon & Wendy Murray</i></p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 Pentecost 7 P-10 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour</p>	<p>13 AA 7 and 8:00 pm</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Senior Expo, 10-1 Lynch-Bustin School, Athens Town Hall at 11:30</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 Pentecost 8 P-11 1:30 HEII Coffee Hour</p>	<p>20 AA 7 and 8:00 pm</p>	<p>21 <i>Sean Bubniak</i></p>	<p>22 St. Mary Magdalene AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>23 <i>Justin Bailey</i></p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 St. James</p>
<p>26 Pentecost 9 P-12 **Noon, Vestry Meets** 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour</p>	<p>27 AA 7 and 8:00 pm</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>30 <i>Ron Hunt</i></p>	<p>31 <i>Andy Patterson</i></p>	



Trinity Episcopal Church - August 2026

Season of Pentecost

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Trinity Cycle of Prayer: 8/2 The Bailey family. 8/9 Kay Bennett, Jake Parshall. 8/16 David, Chela, Brandon, Sean Bubniak. 8/23 Tom and Shannon Bubniak, Rick Bubniak. 8/30 Joe and Laura Cama.		Susquehanna: 8/2 St. Thomas, Morgantown; St. Mark's, Lewistown. 8/9 St. Mark's, Moscow; St. Paul's, Lock Haven. Mission and Resource Committee. 8/16 St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Mountaintop; St. Paul's, Maneheim. 8/23 Trinity, Mt. Pocono; St. James, Mansfield; Audit Committee. 8/30 St. Brigid's, Nazareth; St. John's, Marietta.		 Kajo-Kaji 8/2 Koiba Parish. 8/9 Diocesan Office; St. Matthew Wurta. 8/16 St. Philip Andasire Parish. 8/23 St. Joseph Jalimo Parish. 8/30 Ajira Parish, Gaderu-Victoria Leach Primary School.		1
2 Pentecost 10 P-13 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour	3 AA 7 and 8:00 pm	4 <i>Wendy Murray</i>	5 AA Intergroup 5 pm AA 7:30 pm <i>Kathe Maneval</i>	6 The Transfiguration	7	8 <i>Dave & Chela Bubniak</i>
9 Pentecost 11 P-14 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour	10 AA 7 and 8:00 pm	11	12 AA 7:30 pm	13 <i>Doug Plank</i>	14	15 St. Mary the Virgin 
16 Pentecost 12 P-15 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour	17 AA 7 and 8:00 pm	18	19 AA 7:30 pm	20 <i>Josie Thomas</i>	21	22
23 Pentecost 13 P-16 **Vestry meets, noon** 1:30 Holy Eucharist II Coffee Hour <i>James Caum</i> <i>Michael Maneval</i>	24 St. Bartholomew AA 7 and 8:00 pm <i>Jake Parshall</i>	25	26 AA 7:30 pm	27	28	29 <i>Steve Kormanik</i>
30 Pentecost 14 P-17 1:30 Worship TBA Coffee Hour	31		Anglicans Around the World 8/2 The Church of the Province of Uganda, Archbishop Steven Kaziimba. 8/9 The Episcopal Church, Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe. 8/16 The Church in Wales, Archbishop Cherry Vann. 8/23 The Church of the Province of West Africa, Bishop Cyril Kobina Ben-Smith. 8/30 The Church of the Province of the West Indies, Bishop Philip Wright.			United Thank Offering Ingathering is October 11th <i>Every day, in every way, Give Thanks.</i>

Summer Highlights

*Sunday worship is at 1:30 p.m. followed by coffee hour.
Please be silent after the bell rings before worship begins.*



Heat cancellations will be announced. As this newsletter goes to press we're having a dangerous heat wave. As you all know, Trinity does not have air conditioning and our fans don't do much to cool. Throughout the summer, if it looks like the church will be too hot for good health on a Sunday, we will cancel that day's worship. **You will be notified by text or email and there will be a notice on our website.**

Sunday, July 5 - HE II. Canon Melinda, Celebrant and Preacher; guitar music.

Sunday, July 12 and Sunday July 19 - HE II. The Rev. Betsy Sentigar, Celebrant and Preacher; organ music the 12th, guitar music the 19th.

Sunday, July 26 - HE II. The Rev. Hazel Hunt, Celebrant and Preacher; organ music. **Vestry meets at noon.**

Sunday, August 2 - HE II. Canon Melinda Celebrant and Preacher; guitar music.

Sunday, August 9 and Sunday, August 16 - HE II. The Rev. Betsy Sentigar, Celebrant and Preacher; organ music the 9th, guitar music the 16th.

Sunday, August 23 - HE II. The Rev. Hazel Hunt, Celebrant and Preacher; organ music. **Vestry meets at noon.**

Sunday, August 30 - Service TBA. Guitar.

Pledge Statements will be ready soon for the first half of the year. They are for information only, so that you can make sure your records and ours match; it is most certainly *not* a bill or invoice. If you find a discrepancy, call or email Barbara Caum, who has the computer records.

Building and Grounds

- **The church front doors** have been sanded, sealed and varnished and look great. They take the brunt of the westerly wind, sun, rain, and snow and need to be redone every few years. Thanks to Nate Schwartzberg for his hard work. The next step will be refinishing the trefoils, which Doug Plank plans to do, and then the upper tracery will be professionally refinished.

- **The wooden sign box** has been rebuilt and refinished. Originally made by Jack Strange, the box has also been beaten up by the weather and has been down for repair but is back up and it also looks great. Again, thanks to Nate.

- **The Storage Shed Ramp** was replaced. The original ramp was installed when the shed was put up as part of an Eagle Scout project in 2012. It lasted an amazingly long time, but finally broke through. Again, thanks to Nate.

A bit of history about our front doors -

Originally there were no doors. The previous doors were designed by The Rev. Albert Holloway in 1942 with seven trefoils representing Christmas roses and giant faux hinges represented the keys to the Kingdom. But the materials included plywood, which had rotted by the turn of this century and were replaced in our major renovation project (2011-13) and dedicated on Trinity Sunday, 2013. The handrail was generously donated by Vulcraft in 2015.



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Summer at Trinity
The Season of Pentecost

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