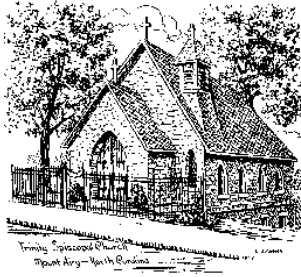


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The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 31, 2025

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Restrooms are located downstairs.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Kid's bags are in the narthex including a children's bulletin, crayons and other fun for the kids during church. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Processional Hymn LEVAS # 205

- 1 When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.*

- 2 Not a shadow can rise,
Not a cloud in the skies,
But His smile quickly drives it away;
Not a doubt nor a fear,
Not a sigh nor a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.

Refrain

- 3 Not a burden we bear,
Not a sorrow we share,
But our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss,
Not a frown nor a cross,
But is blest if we trust and obey.

Refrain

- 4 But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows,
And the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.

Refrain

- 5 When in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go,
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Refrain

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

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

The Collect for Purity

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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. *Amen.*

Song of Praise LEVAS # 221

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect

(kneel or stand as you are able)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated during the reading of the Lessons and the Psalm.

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless
themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the Lord
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes through,
where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my land,
and made my heritage an abomination.
The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?"
Those who handle the law did not know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal,
and went after things that do not profit.
Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord,
and I accuse your children's children.
Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has ever been such a thing.
Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.
Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
be shocked, be utterly desolate,
says the Lord,
for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

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

Psalm 81:1, 10-16 *Exultate Deo*

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said,
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, *
and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their
hearts, *
to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! *
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies *
and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him,
and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat *
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn # 662

- 1 Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:
when other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.
- 2 I need thy presence every passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.
- 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.
- 4 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (*stand as you are able*)

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Very Rev. Sarah Carper Morris

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:
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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or
trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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 concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

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

The Peace

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory

Contemporary Doxology

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Eucharistic Prayer B

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Stand as you are able. The Celebrant faces the people and sings or says

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.

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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord Sanctus

Tune of Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Capo 3

D F A7 C7 Bm Dm G Bb D F D/A F/C A C

Voice

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord *mf* God of pow'r and mi - ght,

Voice

Heav'n and earth are full *mf* full of your glo - ry *mp*

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D F A7 C7 Bm Dm G Bb D/A F/C A C D F

Heav'n and earth are full *mf* full of your glo - ry *mp*

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D F G Bb D F D/A F/C A C

Ho - san - na in the highest. Bless'd is he who comes

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D F Gb/Db A/E Bm Dm G Bb D/A F/C A C D F

in the name of the Lord. *mp* (Ho)san - na in the high - est.

Stand or kneel as you are able

Then the Celebrant continues

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 Lord 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 he 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 Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

People *AMEN.*

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

People and Celebrant

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

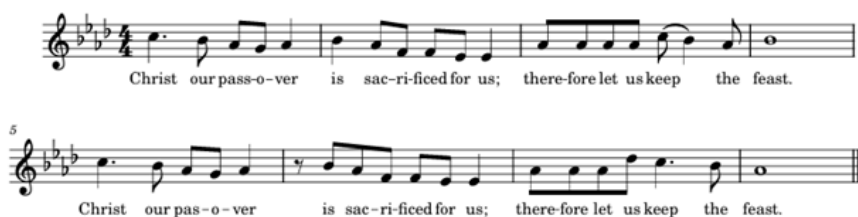
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

Guitar Friendly Melody



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Communion Song

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Communion Hymn # 490

- 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

*In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

- 2 I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.

Blessing

Celebrant Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and for ever.

People Amen.

Processional Hymn # 362

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky,
and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the
power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:

Gene
Riva
Diana Adelizzi
Teresa Auld
Bromage Family
Jane Carper
Heath Church
Ken Collins
Charlene Deaver-Vazquez
Clarence & Rosie Derrick
John Derrick
Dianna Ellis
Vi Endter
Carolyn Flippen
Mila Rain Floyd
Nancy Follett
Jennifer Green
James (Pete) Haynes
Bowen Horton
Phyllis Frye James
Kyle Jones
Gus Lewis
Cynthia Light

Debra Martin
Kitty Martin
Lorri Martin
Kenneth Matthews
Cheryl Menezes
Johnny & Phyllis
Meredith
Robert Morris
Bill Nichol
Katie & Will Nichols
Angie Nolfo
Steve Phillips
Diane Prichard
Gail Reeves
Erika Rowe
Stephanie Serika
Sid Spencer, Sr.
Matthew Stevens
Jim Tatman
Carolyn Town
Zack Tucker
Ann Vaughn
Kelli Vincen
Joe Waddell

Brent Wall
Jacqui Weiss
Henrietta Williams
Dakota Wood
Rusty York
Western NC

Long Term Needs:

Linda Carroll
Ann Cochrane
Steve Hines
Carrie Krahn
Barbara McGatlin
Rev. Bill Pendleton
Lorene Ramsey
Phyllis Rose
Candace Sammons
Mac Sammons
Kris Saunders
Denny Shelton
Jeanette Staples
Betty Town
Vicky Town
John Townsend

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch,
Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble,
Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Emmanuel, Southern Pines
Chapel of the Transfiguration, Southern Pines

BIRTHDAYS

August 31st Bill Hicks

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ, the
unfailing love of God, and the fellowship of His Holy Spirit
By Ross & Jill Borders.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to Lee Wilsonwithers for playing for us today.

Help Needed-Josh Holt has a neighbor that is starting over after a domestic abuse situation. If you have household items to donate, please contact him at 336-648-9540.

First Sunday Potluck Sunday, September 7th- Join us for good food and fellowship in Trinity's Parish Hall for a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service, approx. 12:00 p.m. Bring your favorite salad, bread, dessert or casserole to share.

Our **Backyard Bible Study** concludes on September 18th at the home of Ginny Gilbert at 415 Howell Rd. Pilot Mountain. We will have a potluck supper at 5:30 followed by the study.

Staples needs extra people on Tuesdays at 10:00 to pack the bags.

A new **Young Adult Ministry** begins in September! On Sunday, September 14th we are asking those interested in our newest ministry to meet for a potluck lunch following the 10:30 service. Ages 18+ singles and couples welcome. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

Save the Date: *Sept. 20th* for the Mount Airy Alzheimer's Walk at Riverside Park. Registration and donation forms are available in the Parish Hall, at Alz.org and from Margie Martin. Be a member of our award-winning TEAM TRINITY!

The **Wednesday Book Group** will begin on October 1st, a change from what had been announced before. The group meets every week from 10:30-12:00. All are welcome. The book we will be reading is *The Woman with the Alabaster Jar*. There are some books available in Tobi's office for \$7.00.

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Pat Sanderson	LECTOR	Pat Clark
Vicky Town	CHALICE BEARER	Mike Wilson
Pat Sanderson	GREETER	Ted Ashby
Vicky Town	ACOLYTE	Mike Wilson

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Wendy Tatman	LECTOR	Margie Martin
Jesse & Roxann	CHALICE BEARER	Karen & David
Margie & Martha	GREETERS	Josh & Ann Marie
Margie & Duke	ALTAR GUILD	Pat Gallagher
Mike Wilson	VESTRY	Steve Delacroix
Roxann Moore	ACOLYTE	Karen Nealis

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Today	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
	1:00 p.m.	Art Class
	3:00 p.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist First Sunday Potluck

TRINITY VESTRY

Jane Ciano, Steve Delacroix, Brenda Goings,
Pam Smith, Wendy Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson

*No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
Who wants to have a relationship with you*