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The Very Reverend Sarah Carper Morris, Rector The Reverend Bill Pendleton, Deacon Jessica Simandle, Deacon Intern

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 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 # 423

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might: thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.
- 4 Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for **People**

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 #8

1 Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweet

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect

(kneel or stand as you are able)

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 32:1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 Qui habitat

- He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, * abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- He shall say to the Lord,
 "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
 my God in whom I put my trust."
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter * and from the deadly pestilence.

- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; * his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, * nor of the arrow that flies by day;
- 6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, * nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; * I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
 I am with him in trouble;
 I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- With long life will I satisfy him, * and show him my salvation.

The Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance. gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn # 575

- 1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel, a ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand; whate'er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.
- 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due. From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
- 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our inmost spirits purify: consume the ill; purge out the shame; O God, be with us in the flame; a new-born people may we rise, more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 (stand as you are able)

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.'

Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. James Franklin

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 BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory

Doxology (tune to Hymn 380)
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.

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

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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.

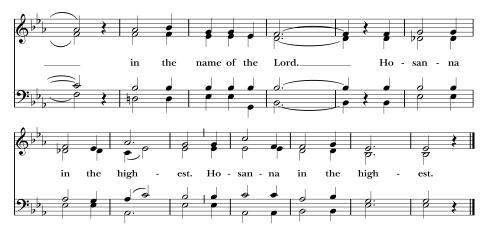
For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #130





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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

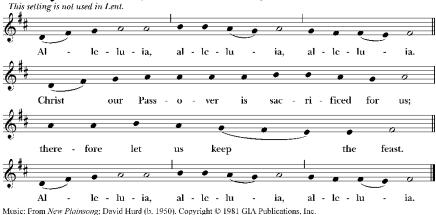
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #154



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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.]

Hymn During Communion Be Still by Charlie Dupree



After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 # 545

- 1 Lo! what a cloud of witnesses encompass us around!They, once like us with suffering tried, are now with glory crowned.
- 2 Let us, with zeal like theirs inspired, strive in the Christian race; and, freed from every weight of sin, their holy footsteps trace.
- 3 Behold a Witness nobler still, who trod affliction's path: Jesus, the author, finisher, rewarder of our faith.
- 4 He, for the joy before him set, and moved by pitying love, endured the cross, despised the shame, and now he reigns above.
- 5 Thither, forgetting things behind, press we to God's right hand; there, with the Savior and his saints, triumphantly to stand.

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: Cynthia Light Brent Wall Kitty Martin Henrietta Williams Gene Lorri Martin Riva Dakota Wood Diana Adelizzi Kenneth Matthews Lucy Wood Teresa Auld Cheryl Menezes Rusty York Johnny & Phyllis Western NC **Bromage Family** Meredith Jane Carper **Long Term Needs:** Robert Morris Heath Church Linda Carroll Bill Nichol Ken Collins Ann Cochrane Katie & Will Nichols Charlene Deaver-Vazquez Steve Hines Angie Nolfo Clarence & Rosie Derrick Carrie Krahn John Derrick Steve Phillips Barbara McGatlin Dianna Ellis Diane Prichard Rev. Bill Pendleton Vi Endter Gail Reeves Lorene Ramsey Carolyn Flippen Erika Rowe Phyllis Rose Mila Rain Floyd Stephanie Serika Candace Sammons Nancy Follett Angela Shur Mac Sammons Sid Spencer, Sr. Greg Goad Kris Saunders Jennifer Green Matthew Stevens Denny Shelton James (Pete) Havnes Jim Tatman Jeanette Staples Bowen Horton Dave & Kathy Town Betty Town Phyllis Frye James The Tucker Family Vicky Town Kyle Jones Kelli Vincen John Townsend Gus Lewis Joe Waddell

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

Christ Church, Walnut Cove Emmanuel, Warrenton

ANNIVERSARIES

October 2nd Nate Tatman, 3rd Juan Aguilar

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of my daughter Scotti's 50th birthday by Ann Vaughn.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of R.J. Berrier by Steve Scott.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend a warm welcome to The Rev. James Franklin who is here celebrating with us today during Sarah's sabbatical.

Many thanks to Brandon Duke for playing the organ for us today.

Sunday School for Children continues each week at 9:30 a.m.

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.

If you are at all curious about meditative practice and spiritual life, come to **Theology Group's special presentation** on Thursday, October 2nd at 5:30 in the Parish Hall. Brandon Duke will speak on Eastern meditative prayer and its uses in our prayer life. Dinner will be served.

The **First Sunday Potluck** will be on Sunday, October 5th following the 10:30 service. You are invited to bring your favorite dish to share.

The Blessing of the Animals will be held next Sunday, October 5th at 3:00 p.m. in Trinity Park. Bring your pet and receive a special blessing. Treats will be available.

Our choir will host a **community hymn sing** for the first hour after the service on Sunday, October 11 — the Sunday of the Autumn Leaves Festival. The hymn sing will be informal, and everyone is welcome to stay and sing along.

Autumn Leaves Festival Sign-Up Sheets can be found in the narthex. Sign up to serve as a parking lot attendant, greeter or work the ECW sale in front of the church.

Volunteers are needed for the Second Harvest Food Bank mobile event on Tuesday, October 14th at Trinity. Their nutrition team will be set up and will offer SNAP application information and will be handing out bags of produce. Staples will also be giving away food during the event. We will need volunteers to direct traffic. Please contact Pat Sanderson if you are available.

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Jessica Simandle	LECTOR	Vicky Town
Vicky Town	CHALICE BEARER	Mike Wilson
Jessica Simandle	GREETER	Vicky Town
Vicky Town	ACOLYTE	Mike Wilson

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Gloria Lawrence	LECTOR	Jackie Thornhill
Lucinda & Wendy	CHALICE BEARER	David & Josh
Pat & Morris	GREETERS	Margie & Martha
Jill Borders	ALTAR GUILD	St. Mary's Guild
Wendy Tatman	VESTRY	Ann Vaughn
Wyatt Fallin	ACOLYTE	David Silvia

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

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Today	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Book Group
	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
	5:30 p.m.	Theology Group
Saturday	11:00 a.m.	Funeral for Amory King
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	12:00 p.m.	First Sunday Potluck
	3:00 p.m.	Blessing of the Animals

TRINITY VESTRY

Jane Ciancio, 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