

**THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2024**

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**8:00 AM**



## THE SEASON IS...

the Season after Pentecost—sometimes called Ordinary Time. This season begins after the feast of Pentecost and runs through to the first Sunday of Advent. The focus of the season is the daily Christian life — life lived in the light of the resurrection, in the faith that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ. The liturgical color of the season is green.

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## OUR PRAYER LIST

Prayer requests for the bulletin should be sent to the parish office by Wednesday to appear in the Sunday bulletin. The clergy and members of our church are happy to pray with you on the phone if you would like.

## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Reverend Patricia Downing—Rector  
David Simmons—Director of Music  
Jerry Lucas—Reader/Intercessor/Server/Coffee Hour Host

Team 3: Kathryn Jakabcin, Bob Contino, Ray Stiles—Altar Guild  
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and Neal C. Haggerty.

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# The Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

### Processional Hymn TH 400

### All Creatures Of Our God And King



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us  
\*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -  
\*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to  
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing  
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing  
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -  
4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,  
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:

#### *Refrain*



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## The Word of God

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

## **The Collect for Purity** *Celebrant and People*

***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.***

**Gloria** *Spoken in unison.*

***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.

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.***

## **The Lesson**

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther,

“Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?” Esther said, “A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!” Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, “Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high.” And the king said, “Hang him on that.” So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

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

**Psalm 124** *Prayed in unison.*

*If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
let Israel now say;*

*If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
when enemies rose up against us;*

*Then would they have swallowed us up alive \*  
in their fierce anger toward us;*

*Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \*  
and the torrent gone over us;*

*Then would the raging waters \*  
have gone right over us.*

*Blessed be the Lord! \*  
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.*

*We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.*

*Our help is in the Name of the Lord, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.*

**The Epistle**

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you

may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

**The Gospel**    *People stand as they are able.*

Mark 9:38-50

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.    *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Patricia Downing

**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**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Presiding Bishop elect Sean, and our Bishop Kevin; for this gathering; and for Patty and Marta our priests, and all ministers and people; in the Anglican cycle of prayer we remember the Church of Pakistan (United), and in our own diocese, the Immanuel Highlands Episcopal Church, Wilmington. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; for Joseph, our President, John, our governor, and Mike, our mayor, and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, especially Marie Hunt, Anne Digan, Jim Yandle, Melissa Perry, Marilyn Serrano, Paquito Ocasio, Ofelia Pitalúa, Emiliano Morales, Michael Dean, Evonn Ingram, Ron Clineff, Jane Owen, Maureen Lyons, Andy Boutcher, Phil Simmons, and Odilon Tlaseca-Flores; and for the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Kait Best. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

I ask your thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week: Ashley Cruz, Deenie Reeves, Juan Gonzalez, Shawn Beard, Brandon Sanchez, Michael Redmond & Loretta Janowski, Gary Rowe & Leslie Acker Rowe, David & Marie Smith, and Tom Hopper & Ray Stiles.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy. ***Hear our prayer.***

### **The Concluding Collect**

*Celebrant*

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence.*

*Leader and People*

***God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.***

*Celebrant*

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**

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

### **The Holy Communion**

*All are invited to join us in receiving Communion.*

### **The Offertory**

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.



All Things come of Thee, O Lord, *and of thine own have we given Thee.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God: through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out: You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we lift our voices and sing:

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant and People*

***Dying, you destroyed our death.***

***Rising, you restored our life.***

***Christ Jesus, come in glory!***

*The Celebrant continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

***Blessed are you now and forever. 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**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

***Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen***

## **Announcements**

## **The Blessing**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

# Recessional Hymn TH 344

# Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's  
 3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion  
 world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,  
 in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,  
 glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;  
 may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

Words: Att. to John Fawcett (1739/40-1817). Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody; first published *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792, alt.

## The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

## Announcements

**Trinity Parish welcomes you to the Blessing of the Pets** on Saturday, October 5 at 9 am in Rockford Park, Wilmington. Bring your dog, cat, lizard, hamster, bird, or other pets to receive a blessing from our rector, Patty. All are welcome!

**CHORAL FESTIVAL - Sunday, October 6 - 10:00 am Service of Worship**—As part of the 10:00 am Service of Worship on October 6, we will celebrate the role that choral music plays in our weekly worship services. The Trinity Choir will sing extra choral selections that morning in a variety of musical styles and genres. The regular ranks of our incredibly devoted and inspirational choir will be joined by numerous guest vocalists and guest instrumentalists for this special service. We hope that you can join us for this unique Sunday in the life of our parish. It would be a wonderful opportunity to invite friends, neighbors and family to join you for our 10:00 am Service of Worship on October 6. As Psalm 150 implores all of us ... ‘Praise Him with the tambourine and dancing; praise Him with strings and flutes! Praise Him with a clash of cymbals; praise Him with loud clanging cymbals. Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord!’”

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 AT NOON, TRINITY CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE**—Trinity will have one bilingual service on Sunday, October 13 in honor of Hispanic Heritage. The service will include special performances by an Aztec dancing troupe. Please join us!

**TAAT Season opens on October 25 - The Arts at Trinity will present THE JAMES FERNANDO TRIO with Taisha Estrada** on Friday, October 25, at 7:30 pm. Hailed as a “prodigiously gifted composer and virtuoso pianist,” James Fernando creates music that lies at the intersection of jazz, classical, and electronic music. His trio delivers genre-expanding original compositions, as well as an eclectic mix of well-known compositions from many different eras and styles of jazz. The trio will be joined by Puerto Rican singer Taisha Estrada, whose vocals, rooted in the traditions of Latin and American jazz, have an innovative, multi-genre sound. As with all TAAT concerts, admission is FREE, including receptions before and after the concert. Kick off your October weekend with a Friday evening of soulful, autumnal jazz!

**Thanksgiving Baskets** - Trinity Parish is providing 20 Thanksgiving baskets this fall to assist parishioners in need. If you would like to receive a basket, please sign up on the chart in the lobby or speak with a member of the clergy. To donate items or help assemble/distribute the baskets, sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48ADA92DA57-51504541-thanksgiving>. All food donations must be received by Sunday, November 17th. The completed Thanksgiving baskets will be available for pickup on Sunday, November 24th. If you have any questions, contact the parish office at [office@trinityparishde.org](mailto:office@trinityparishde.org) or 302-652-8605 ext 1010.