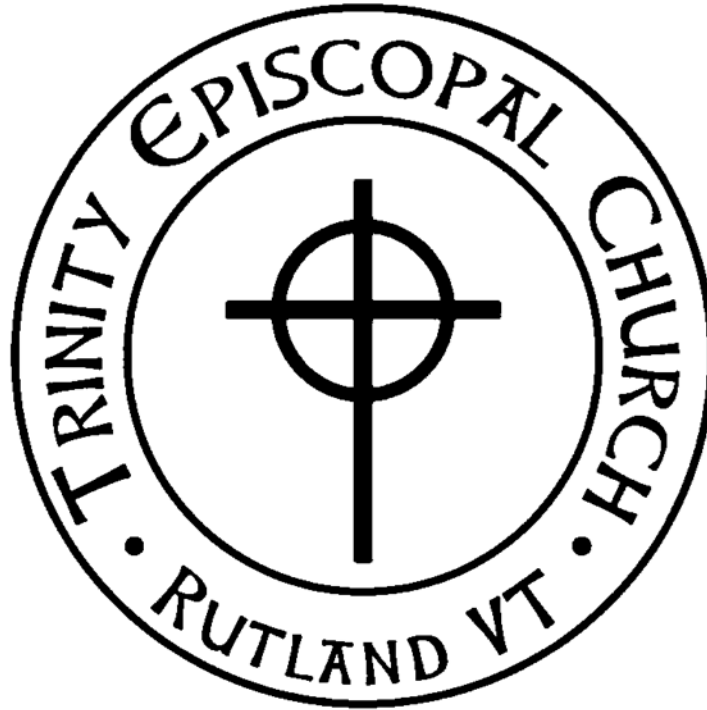


TRINITY CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025

9:30 a.m.



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

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9:30a.m. 11th Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Eucharist

The Word of the Lord

Prelude	<i>Two Quiet Preludes</i>	<i>Frederick Jacobi</i>
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Opening Hymn #410	<i>Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven</i>	<i>Lauda Anima</i>
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Opening Acclamation

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

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

All: *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.*

Hymn of Praise #377	<i>All people that on earth do dwell</i>	<i>Old Hundredth</i>
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Lessons of the Day

First Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14

Reader: A reading from the book of Isaiah.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Celebrant: Please join me in reciting from Psalm 103 responding on the italicized verses.

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless God's holy Name.
2 *Bless the Lord, O my soul, **
and forget not all the benefits of the Lord,
3 who forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;
4 *who redeems your life from the grave **
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
5 who satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
6 *The Lord executes righteousness **
and judgment for all who are oppressed.
7 To Moses were made known God's ways *
and to the children of Israel the works of the Lord.
8 *The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, **
slow to anger and of great kindness.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-29

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken— that is, created things— so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn #511

*Holy Spirit, ever living**Abbot's Leigh*

Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite

unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

the Rev. Sarah Ginolfi

The Nicene Creed (Congregation)

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

People: 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.

Intercession Prayers

from the Iona Community

Intercessor: It is in this mystery of communion with Christ that we pray for the Church throughout the world, praying in particular for the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Shannon, our Bishop; Thomas and Rob, our companion Bishops of Maine and New Hampshire; for Sarah, our priest; and for Liz, our Deacon; and for all our lay leaders.
God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor: We pray for the people and communities of faith from whom we have come and to whom we shall return. In our diocesan cycle of prayers, we pray for **The Church of the Province of South East Asia; All Saints Church, South Burlington; the Rev. Anne Hartley, and their constellation partner, St. Paul's, Vergennes.***

God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for the sick, the bereaved, the oppressed and the homeless, praying in particular for **John, Mona, Kathi, Chris, Jim, Tom, Jim Jr., Joe, John, Harriet, Joyce, Becky, Susan, Hawa, Matthew, Deborah, Leah, and Ed.**

God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for those who died, especially **Jim Slenker** who died last week, **Jim Ruth** on the anniversary of his and **Mary's** anniversary, and **Leone and William Fryer**, and **Patricia and Alfred Peterson** for whom the altar flowers have been given, that they may rest in eternal light.

God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth as it yearns for healing. **We pray for Cristosal as they continue fighting for human rights in exile, and especially for Ruth Lopez and Enrique Ananya who were arrested without charges. We pray also for all who are suffering in Gaza.** We pray for the children under the protection of Orphan Care Volunteers Association in Uganda.

God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: And because you are one with us, O Christ, enable us to share your life with the world by sharing our own lives with the world. We honor those in our congregation celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week: **George & Nancy Blosser, Marc & Arlyn Brierre, Ismael & Lindsey Ramirez, Gabriel Whitcomb, Katya Cooke, Steven Coote, Becky Blosser, Dana Peterson, Lesley Scott, Ernie Hathaway.**

God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Let us pray. O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship, and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Confession and Absolution

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Announcements

Thank you for your financial commitment to the life of Trinity Church—especially during the slower, summer months. Your faithful stewardship helps our mission to follow Jesus, build community and love others through service. The Offering plate is located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

St. Agnes

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: 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 God thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. 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:

Sanctus

*All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Eucharistic Prayer 1 (People stand or kneel as able.)

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and 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 Savior 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." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of daughters, sons, and children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

All: 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 Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Invitation

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

You are welcome at God's table! To join in this sacred meal, proceed up the center aisle to the communion rail. Use the side aisles to return to your pew. If that's too far a walk, please alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat. There are two options to receive the wine: by sharing from the common chalice (cup) or by intinction (dipping the wafer) into the Communion Bowl. Please do not use the common cup for dipping. Gluten free wafers and/or grape juice are available upon request. Finally, those wishing to receive a blessing instead of Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing	<i>The Blessing of Discomfort</i>	<i>by Sr. Ruth Fox, OSB (1985)</i>
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Celebrant: May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.
 May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.
 May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.
 And may God—Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done to bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn #609	<i>Where cross the crowded ways of life</i>	<i>Gardiner</i>
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Dismissal

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 People: *Thanks Be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude	<i>Fugue "alla Handel" in F major</i>	<i>Alexandre Guilmant</i>
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Exiting: Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift.