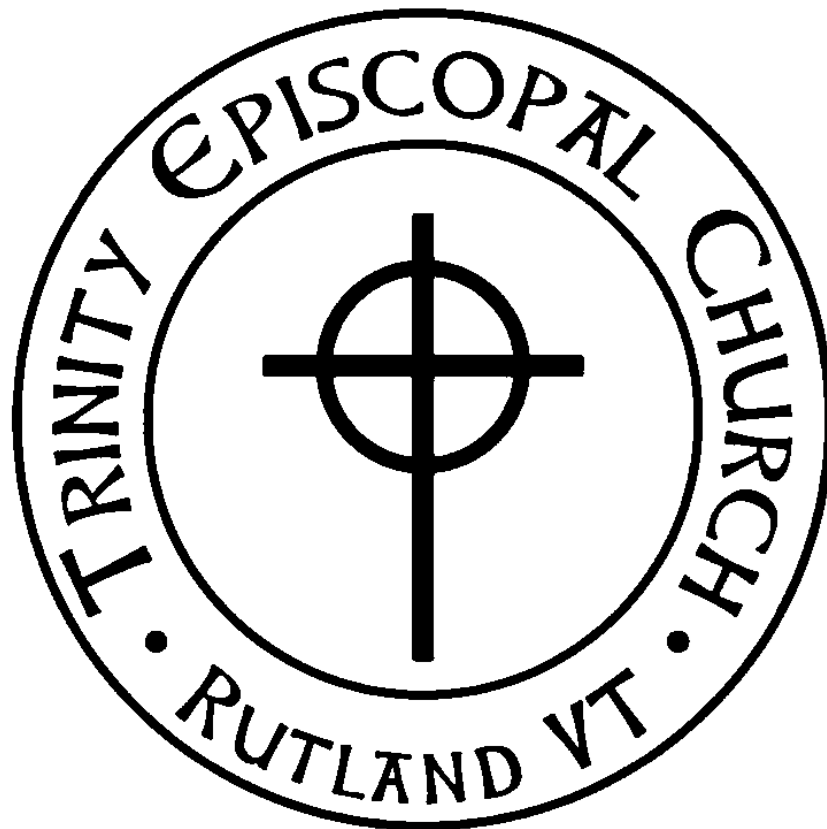


TRINITY CHURCH

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

9:30 a.m.



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

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9:30a.m. Seventh Sunday of Easter – Morning Prayer

The Invitatory and Psalter

Please silence your mobile devices. We invite you to quiet conversation when the prelude begins.

Prelude	Two versets on "Exultet coelum"	Jean Titelouze
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Opening Hymn #450, st. 1,2,3,6	All hail the power of Jesus' Name	Coronation
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Opening Sentences

Officiant: Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

Invitatory

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

All: *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.*

Officiant: Alleluia. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

Christ Our Passover

Officiant: Let us say together:

All: *Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,*

*Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.*

*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has dominion over him.*

*The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.*

*So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

*For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.*

*For as in Adam all die, *
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.*



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1 Let

God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.

2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.

4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!

6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,

8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.

10 Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.

34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

35 Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.

36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!

The Lessons

Lessons of the Day

First Reading

Acts 1:6-14

Reader:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader:

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

People:

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

#603

When Christ was lifted from the earth

St. Botolph

Second Reading

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Reader:

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader:

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

People:

Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the Gospel

John 17:1-11

When a Gospel lesson is read during daily offices, the congregation remains seated as with the other readings.

Responses are those of the lessons.

Officiant:

A reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom

you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Officiant: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Choral Anthem	If Ye Love Me	Thomas Tallis
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Apostles’ Creed (Congregation)

Officiant: Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

All: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Peace

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Announcements

Thank you for your generous stewardship of Trinity Church. Through your gifts, you join the Good Shepherd in tending this community—nurturing faith, strengthening fellowship, and caring for others in Christ’s name. Unlabeled cash offerings support our discretionary outreach ministries. To give to the parish’s general fund, please use the labeled envelopes in your pew.

The Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Officiant: Let us pray.

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 Suffrages A

Officiant: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People: *And grant us your salvation.*

Officiant: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People: *Let your people sing with joy.*

Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People: *For only in you can we live in safety.*

Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People: *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*

Officiant: Let your way be known upon earth;
People: *Your saving health among all nations.*

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People: *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People: *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

The Collects

Officiant: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant: O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Officiant: Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The General Intercession Prayers

Intercessor: Let us bring before God the needs of the Church, the world, and all who are in need. God of mercy, we pray for your Church in a time of change and uncertainty. Where there is division, bring humility and listening. Where there is weariness, renew hope. Where there is fear, kindle courage to follow Christ faithfully. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially we pray for the Most Rev. Sarah Mullally, 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. In our Diocese, we pray especially for **The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, Christ Church, Bethel; Nancy Wuttke, Senior Warden Lord.** Lord, in your mercy,
People: *hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: We pray for the nations of the world—for places torn by war, violence, and displacement, for those living under threat, and those who have lost homes and loved ones. Raise up leaders who seek peace over power, and give strength to those who work for reconciliation. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for our own country and community—in a time of deep differences, sharpen our compassion rather than our judgment. Help us to speak truth with love, to listen more than we react, and to seek the good of our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for all who are burdened by the cost of living—for families struggling to afford food, housing, and healthcare, for those working multiple jobs and still in need, and for those who feel unseen or left behind. Move us to generosity and wise stewardship. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for the earth, our common home—as seasons shift and climates change, for those affected by storms, fires, drought, and flooding. Teach us to live more gently upon the earth and to act with urgency and care. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for those whose mental and emotional burdens are heavy—for the anxious, the grieving, the lonely, and the overwhelmed. For those who suffer in silence, and for those who feel they have no hope. Surround them with your presence and loving support. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for those who are sick or in need of healing, especially **David, Mary Ann, Frances, Ed, Jane, Brian, Anthony, Chelsea, John, Kathi, Chris, Joseph**. For caregivers, medical workers, and all who tend the vulnerable. Grant strength, patience, and moments of grace. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We remember those who have died, and those who mourn them. Hold them in your eternal love, and comfort all who grieve. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We give thanks for signs of hope—for acts of kindness, courage, and quiet faithfulness that often go unnoticed but change the world. Help us to be bearers of that hope. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We celebrate with you, Lord, the birthdays and anniversaries and special occasions of your beloved children; especially **Jim & Maria Cruise, Elizabeth (Bushey) Canchola, Erica Senecal, Melissa Slenker, Sarah Danner, Will Peterson, Cynthia Readnour**. We also celebrate the **Diocesan Youth Retreat at Rock Point** for whom the altar flowers have been given. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of all compassion, you hear the cries of your people and know the needs of every heart. Receive these prayers, spoken and unspoken, and give us grace not only to pray, but to be part of your answer; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Officiant: O God, whose care reaches to the uttermost parts of the earth: We humbly ask you graciously to behold and bless those whom we love who are now absent from us. Defend them from all dangers of soul and body; and grant that both they and we, may be bound together by your love in the communion of your Holy Spirit, and in the fellowship of your saints; this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission

Officiant: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

The Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Let us pray together.

All: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Sending of the Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Officiant: In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may be reminded that they are cherished members of our faith community. May your visit bring comfort, joy, and the assurance of God's grace.

All: Go in peace, and May the Spirit guide you in your ministry today. Amen.

Opening Hymn #494

Crown him with many crowns

Diademata

Dismissal

Officiant: Alleluia! Alleluia. Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

Response: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!*

The postlude is an integral part of our worship. We invite you to remain in worship through the postlude.

Postlude

Praise we our God on Heaven's throne

Ernst Pepping