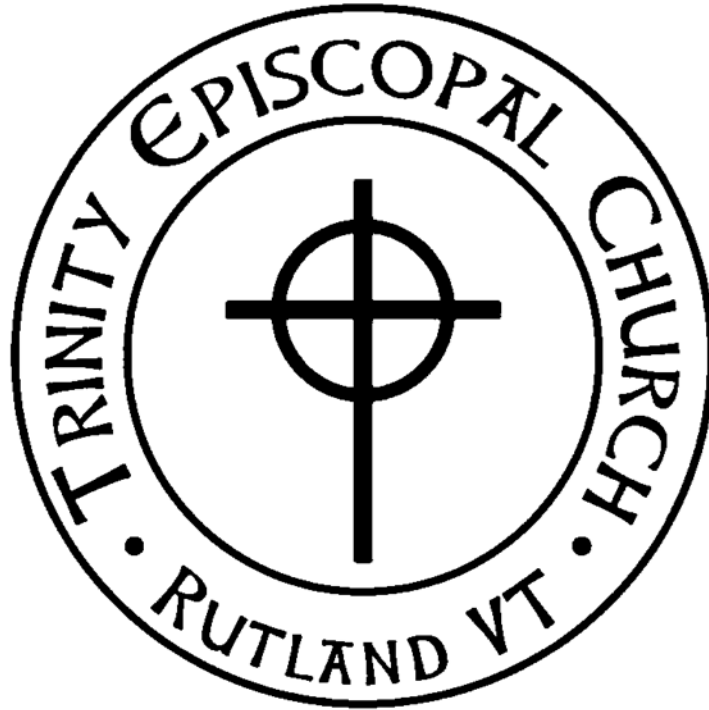


TRINITY CHURCH

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025

9:30 a.m.



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

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9:30a.m. 10th Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Eucharist

The Word of the Lord

Prelude	<i>Aria</i>	<i>Flor Peeters</i>
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Opening Hymn # 637	<i>How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord</i>	<i>Lyons</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 # 376	<i>Joyful, joyful, we adore thee</i>	<i>Hymn to Joy</i>
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Lessons of the Day

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Reader: A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

Am I a God nearby, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back? those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully.

What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Celebrant: Please join me in reciting Psalm 82 responding on the italicized verses.

1 God stands in the council of heaven; *
and gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
2 *"How long will you judge unjustly, **
and show favor to the wicked?
3 Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;
4 *Rescue the weak and the poor; **
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
6 *Now I say to you, 'You are gods, **
and all of you children of the Most High;
7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any leader."
8 *Arise, O God, and rule the earth, **
for you shall take all nations for your own.

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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 Scottish Episcopal Church; Grace, Sheldon; the Rev. Darcey Mercier and their constellation partner, St. Luke's, St. Albans.**
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 **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 Rudolph "Rudy" Lurvey who died last week, and Scott S. Brush 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: **Charlene & Dennis Clark, Shelley Susina, Marc Brierre, Becky Sanford Wilson, Annie Mauhs-Pugh.**
God, in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Let us pray. Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; 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 Anthem

Dona Nobis Pacem

sung by Brush–Webb family

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 # 583	<i>O holy city, see of John</i>	<i>Morning Song</i>
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Dismissal

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

Postlude	<i>Festival Voluntary</i>	<i>Peeters</i>
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Exiting: Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift.