

**10/5** *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*, H 390





1. I will sing a new song to my God, for you are great and glorious,



wonderful in strength, in - vincible.



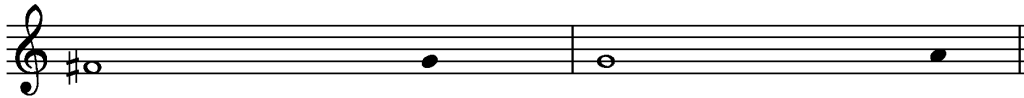
I will sing a new song, sing a new song to my God.



I will sing, I will sing, sing a new song to my God.



2. Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.



3. You sent your breath and it formed them, no one is able to resist your voice.



4. Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths rocks melt like wax at your presence.



I will sing a new song, sing a new song to my God.



I will sing, I will sing, sing a new song to my God.



5. But to those who fear you, you continue to show mercy.



6. No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you,



## The Lessons: Old Testament, Psalm, Epistle

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## Sequence Hymn

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*Day by Day*, H 654

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*What wondrous love is this*, H 439

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*Seek Ye First*, H 711

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*Breathe On me Breath of God*, H 508

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*O Jesus, I have promised*, H 655

## The Gospel

*These are also found at the back of your bulletin.*

## The Sermon

## The Creed

*Please stand, sit, or kneel as best helps you pray.*

**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 human. 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; who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who 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

*Deacon* Eternal God: We thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance of nature. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We pray for the faithful witness of the Church throughout the world, called to reconcile and heal and share the promise of abundant life for all. We pray especially for [Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer]. God of grace:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, their leaders, and for all who make or influence decisions for the health of our planet and the well-being of its peoples. God of justice:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We thank you for those who in their daily work are stewards and protectors of God's creation in ways large and small; for gardeners, farmers, and ranchers; for rangers and park managers; for fishers and foresters; for climate scientists, ecologists, and for all who work to restore and heal our wounded Earth.

*Invite the congregation to offer their thanksgiving silently or aloud.*

God of wisdom:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. We plead for an end to violent competition for limited resources and for the restoration of those who suffer illness, poverty, or exile because of environmental degradation. God of glory:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* As every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care: *[parish prayer list]*.

*Invite the congregation to offer their supplications silently or aloud.*

God of compassion:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We pray for those who have died *[especially (parish list)]*, whom we entrust to your eternal love; may we support and comfort those who mourn.

*Invite the congregation to offer their prayers for the deceased.*

God of peace:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Holy and Undivided Trinity, in your goodness, you have called us to be one as you are one. Therefore, we offer you together our Trinity prayer for mission.

*People* **Loving God, we give you thanks that you have called Trinity Church to be a caring, Christ-centered community, empowered to worship, serve, and grow in faith. Guide us and strengthen us to be ever more welcoming and inclusive, and to encourage all people to love God and one another. Amen.**

## **The Confession & Absolution**

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

*All* **Merciful and sustaining God, we have sinned against you.**

**We confess our lack of gratitude for the beauty and bounty of your creation:  
teach us to see that your earth sustains us and all that lives.**

**We confess that we have misused your earth: grant us amendment of life.**

**We confess that we have been intemperate in our appetites:**

strengthen us in self-control.

**We confess that we have taken the abundance of your world for granted:**

**make us urgent now for its protection.**

**Forgive and renew us now through our Savior Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. 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.

*People* **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Announcements and Blessings**

*Those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries and those who are preparing to travel are invited forward to receive a blessing.*

**Birthdays:** O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant/s as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anniversaries:** O God, who has given us the sacrament of marriage that we may know you through the intimacy of married love; send your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and kindness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Travelers:** O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel especially *these your children*; surround *them* with your loving care; protect *them* from every danger; and bring *them* in safety to *their* journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

*Celebrant* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.



*The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can give by putting cash or checks in the offering plate as it comes by or make an electronic offering by texting Trinitytowson to 73256 or using the QR code provided.*

*If you give electronically, please participate in the liturgy by placing one of the e-giving cards found in your pew into the plate. Even if you can't make a financial contribution, you can acknowledge your offering of time and talent to Trinity by using one of the "I give my heart to God" cards found in the Narthex (lobby) of the Church.*

### **Offertory Hymn or Anthem**

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

**9/7**

**9/14**

*Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old, H 567*

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven H 410*

9/21      *Let It Be Said of Us*, by Steve Fry, *See Insert*  
 9/28      *Take My Life and Let It Be*, H 707  
 10/5      *Amazing grace! how sweet the sound*, H 671

## Doxology

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing and pray.*

8:00am

*All*      **All things come of thee, O Lord; And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

10:15am

H 11, verse 4

*All sing.*

\*4 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing as able.*

*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*      Praise and thanks are yours, O God of all Creation. From the dust of the Earth you shaped human beings in your own image, and you filled the earth and seas and skies with a myriad of wonders. Yet we consistently turn your generosity into our scarcity, your elegance into our meanness, and your simplicity into our corruption. Though we pollute and destroy your good Creation, you continue to offer us your abundance. In your mercy, you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus, transforming death into life.

Through the Spirit you continue to call us into covenant with you—for the restoration of Creation and the reconciliation of all people. And so we give you thanks, rejoicing with all of Creation, as we join the saints and angels in their unending hymn:

8:00am

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.**

10:15am

*Sanctus*

LEVAS 254

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow - er and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
Heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - san - na in \_\_\_\_\_ the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
in \_\_\_\_\_ the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

*You may remain standing or sitting, or you may kneel.*

*Celebrant*

In the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread, gave it to his friends and said: "Take and eat, for this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

He took the wine, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He gave it to his friends saying: "This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me."

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:



*All* Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Celebrant* Merciful God, we come to this table seeking reconciliation: with you, with one another, and with all creation. Through these mysteries reconcile us to our world and empower us to restore your Creation and fulfill your will. Send your life-giving Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive.

Heal your stricken world, that the soil, the skies, and the seas may be filled with your life anew. Fill every heart with the sure and certain hope that we shall enter into the fullness of your joy, when your whole Creation is justified by faith and sanctified by love, and you are all in all. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, everlasting God, now and forever.

*All* AMEN.

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant raises the bread, breaks it, and following a period of silence*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

8:00am

*All* **Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Grant us your peace.**

10:15am

*Agnus Dei*

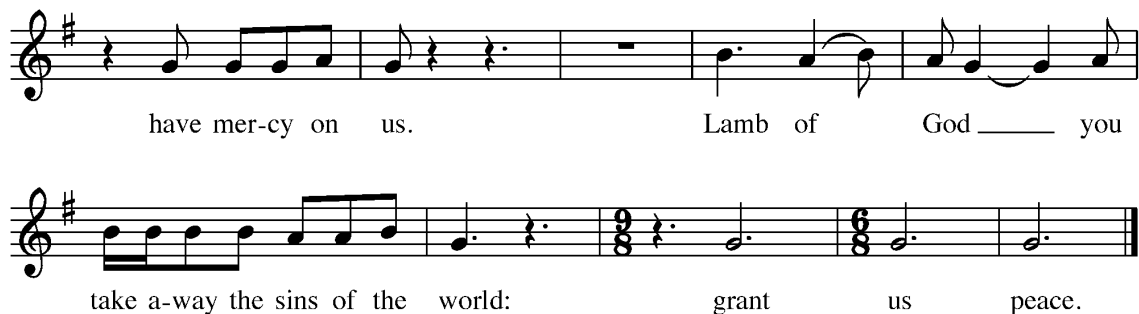
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*All sing*

Lamb of God \_\_\_\_\_ you take a-way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

God \_\_\_\_\_ you take a-way the sins of the world:



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**Celebrant** The gifts of God for the People of God. This is the Table not of the Church but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come, for it is Jesus who invites you. It is his will that those who wish to meet him should find him here.

*In the Episcopal Church we distribute both the Bread and Wine of the Holy Communion, but receiving the Bread only is a full and valid communion. Please ask for a gluten-free wafer if you need one. Our normative practice is to drink from the deeper common cup, but you may also dip your wafer in one of the shallow chalices. If you would prefer not to receive communion, we invite to come forward your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. The sacrament of Baptism is the ancient and normative entry point for receiving the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, **but here at Trinity no one who comes forward to receive communion is ever turned away.***

## Distribution

*The Bread and the Cup are given to communicants with these words.*

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

## Communion Hymn

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

**9/7** Lord Make Us Servants of Your Peace, H 593

**9/14** The King of Love My Shepherd Is, H 645

**9/21** Near the Cross, LEVAS 29, See Insert

**9/28** Lord Make Us Servants of Your Peace, H 593

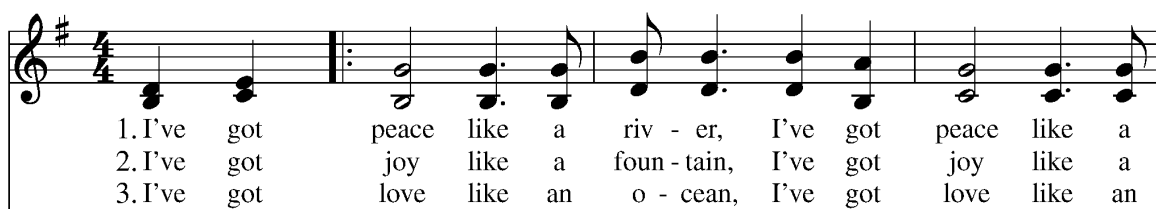
**10/5** O Master, let me walk with thee, H 660

## Communion Hymn

*As needed*

*I've Got Peace Like a River*

LEVAS 201



1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my  
 2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my  
 3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got riv - er in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got foun - tain in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got o - cean in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_

## Post-Communion Prayer

*You may stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **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.**

## Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

*When communion is to be brought to homebound parishioners,*

*the Deacon or Celebrant here hands over a communion kit to the visitors and says,*

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. With whom will you share this communion?

*Eucharistic Visitors reply with name(s).*

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread one cup.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant* May God who established the dance of creation, who marveled at the lilies of the field, who transforms chaos to order, lead us to transform our lives and the Church to listen to the voice of all creatures that reflect God's glory in creation. The blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life, be upon you and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

**9/7**

*God of Grace and God of Glory, H 594*

**9/14**

*Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise, H 423*

**9/21**

*Let It Be Said of Us, See Insert*

**9/28**

*Go forth for God, H 347*

**10/5**

*Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, H 535*

## The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve God's Creation.  
All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

## Voluntary

*Please join us for fellowship in Memorial Hall across the driveway after the service.*

## Readings for the Season



### 9/7 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 18

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess.

But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses.

Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

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

#### Response: Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law of the Holy One, and they meditate on that law day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes nor the sinner in the council of the righteous;

**For the Holy One knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

#### Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

A Reading from Paul's letter to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received

much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

### **The Gospel: Luke 14:25-33**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and

mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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



### **9/14 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 19**

#### **First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14**

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."



But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'"

And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

#### **Response: Psalm 51:1-11**

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

**Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.

**Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb.**

For behold, you look for truth deep within me and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

**Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**

Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.

**Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all**

**my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

#### **Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

A Reading from the first letter to Timothy.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

#### **The Gospel: Luke 15:1-10**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he

comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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



**9/21 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost,  
Proper 20**

**First Reading: Amos 8:4-7**

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

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

**Response: Psalm 113**

Alleluia! Give praise, you servants of God;  
praise the Name of the Most High.

**Let God's Name be blest, from this time  
forth for evermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its going down,  
let God's holy Name be praised.

**God is high above all nations, and God's  
glory above the heavens.**

Who is like our God, who sits enthroned on  
high, but stoops to behold the heavens  
and the earth?

**God takes up the weak out of the dust and  
lifts up the poor from the ashes,**

To set them up on high, with the rulers of the  
people.

**God makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children.**

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

A Reading from the first letter to Timothy.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all.

This was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

**The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.'

"Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.'

"And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



## **9/28 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 21**

### **First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7**

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

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

### **Response: Psalm 146**

Alleluia! Praise God, O my soul! I will praise God as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.**

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

**Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in their God;**

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; whose promise abides for ever;

**Who gives justice to those who are oppressed and food to those who hunger.**

God sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind; God lifts up those who



are bowed down;

**God loves the righteous and cares for the stranger; God sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

God shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!

### **Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19**

A Reading from the first letter to Timothy.

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.

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

### **The Gospel: Luke 16:19-31**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.’”

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



**10/5 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost,  
Proper 22**

**First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4**

A Reading from the prophet Habakkuk.

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous--therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Response: Psalm 37:1-10**

There is a voice of rebellion deep in the heart of the wicked; there is no fear of God

before their eyes.

**They flatter themselves in their own eyes that their hateful sin will not be found out.**

The words of their mouths are wicked and deceitful; they have left off acting wisely and doing good.

**They think up wickedness upon their beds and have set themselves in no good way; they do not abhor that which is evil.**

Your love, O God, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save all your creatures, O God.**

How priceless is your love, O God; your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

**Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

**Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

A Reading from the second letter to Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, to Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and

now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.



*Psalms texts are taken from the St. Helena Psalter.*

*All other scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version translation of the Bible.*

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

### **The Gospel: Luke 17:5-10**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

## Who We Are

Trinity Towson is a caring and diverse, Christ-centered community called to create and share opportunities for all people to worship God, serve others, and grow in faith as we travel on our spiritual journey.

We pursue this mission through Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity Episcopal Preschool, and the Surprise Shop. We strive to be a welcoming and inclusive community that encourages all people to love God and one another.

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## Sunday Service Schedule

8am: Holy Communion Quiet Service  
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## Weekday Services & Bible Study

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