TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 23, 2023

Kid's bags are in the narthex. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Hymn in Procession # 423 (standing as you are able)

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.
- 4 Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for

ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

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*.

Song of Praise Hymn # S278

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

(kneel or stand as you are able)

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Psalm 139:1–11, 22–23

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and **known me**; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from a-far.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my **lips**, * but you, O LORD, know it alto-**gether**.
- 4 You press upon me behind and be-fore * and lay your hand u-pon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for **me**; * it is so high that I cannot attain **to it**.
- 6 Where can I go then from your **Spirit**? * where can I flee from your **presence**?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are **there**; * if I make the grave my bed, you are there **also**.
- 8 If I take the wings of the **morning** * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the **sea**,
- 9 Even there your hand will **lead me** * and your right hand hold me **fast**.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will **cover me**, * and the light around me turn to **night**,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the **day**; * darkness and light to you are both a-**like**.

22 Search me out, O God, and know my **heart**; * try me and know my restless **thoughts**.

(Repeat second half of chant)

23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in **me** * and lead me in the way that is ever-lasting.

The Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn # 601 (standing as you are able)

- 1 O day of God, draw nigh in beauty and in power, come with thy timeless judgment now to match our present hour.
- 2 Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid, the quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.
- 3 Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure, and finely build for days to come foundations that endure.
- 4 Bring to our world of strife thy sovereign word of peace, that war may haunt the earth no more and desolation cease.
- 5 O day of God, draw nigh as at creation's birth, let there be light again, and set thy judgments in the earth.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30,36-43 (stand as you are able)

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.

The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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

Sermon The Rev. Sarah Carper Morris

The Nicene Creed (standing as you are able)

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

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People Form III BCP p. 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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 BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

(8:30 service only)

Offertory Celebrant **People**

All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of thine own have we given Thee.

(10:30 service only)

Offertory and Doxology Hymn 432, v.4 (standing)
O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
To him be outpoured all ages along!
For love in creation, for heaven restored,
For grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Stand as you are able. The Celebrant faces the people and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

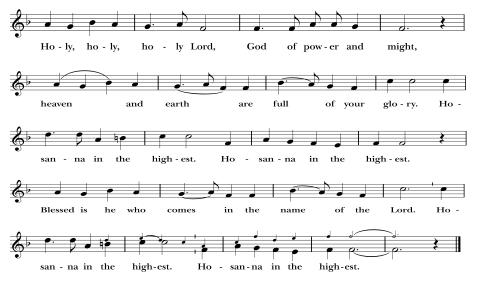
But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world.

By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting 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:

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #125



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Stand or kneel as you are able

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 Lord 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."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People AMEN.

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

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

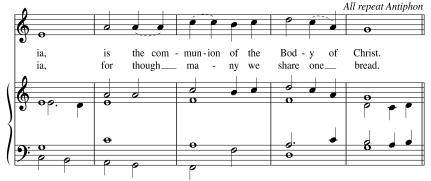
A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Fraction Anthem: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Wonder Love and Praise, #876





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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

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

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Music at Communion #702

- 1 Lord, thou hast searched me and dost know where'er I rest, where'er I go; thou knowest all that I have planned, and all my ways are in thy hand.
- 2 My words from thee I cannot hide; I feel thy power on every side; oh, wondrous knowledge, awful might, unfathomed depth, unmeasured height!

- 3 Where can I go apart from thee, or whither from thy presence flee? In heaven? It is thy dwelling fair; in death's abode? Lo, thou art there.
- 4 If I the wings of morning take, and far away my dwelling make, the hand that leadeth me is thine, and my support thy power divine.
- 5 If deepest darkness cover me, the darkness hideth not from thee; to thee both night and day are bright, the darkness shineth as the light.

Meditation after the Communion

Be still, be still, Be still and know, be still and know. Be still, and know I am God.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. (standing or kneeling)

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and for ever.

People Amen.

Hymn in Procession # 541 (standing as you are able)

- 1 Come, labor on. Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain, while all around us waves the golden grain? And to each servant does the Master say, "Go work today."
- 2 Come, labor on. The enemy is watching night and day, to sow the tares, to snatch the seed away; while we in sleep our duty have forgot, he slumbered not.
- 3 Come, labor on.
 Away with gloomy doubts and faithless fear!
 No arm so weak but may do service here:
 by feeblest agents may our God fulfill
 his righteous will.

4 Come, labor on.

Claim the high calling angels cannot share—to young and old the Gospel gladness bear: redeem the time; its hours too swiftly fly.

The night draws nigh.

5 Come, labor on.

No time for rest, till glows the western sky, till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie, and a glad sound comes with the setting sun, "Servants, well done."

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs: Craig New Linda Doerschug Wade Nichols Emily Barbara Embry Erin Apperson Bill R. Pendleton Donna Fargo Beatrice Attuah & Doug Pobgee Betty Hooven Lailaity Sylvia Poggi Cindy Blackwell Kerry Reagan Kelly Jarvis Bobbie Bledsoe Carrie Krahn Mac Sammons Tina Brown Stephanie Serika David Kroupa **Emily Jarvis Simmons** Marie Carl Susan Slate Jane Carper Wade Smith Mazie Chilton John Moore Rose Mary Smoot Ann Cochrane Johnny Springthorpe Anne Cox Angie Nolfo Tammy Springthorpe Sarah Springthorpe-Bill Pendleton Sheila Storms Denmark Debbie Dockery Sharon Sutphin Sonia Donnell Celeste Tsaklis Marcus Ford Betty Wright Evedene Schafer Ashlev Fulk Pat Zebrowski Sid Spencer, Jr. Grayson County Summer Gus Galloway Betty Town Vicky Town

Polly Hall **Long Term Needs:** Linda Hicks Stacie Adams Steve Hines Jean Amburn Melissa Hopkins *Anonymous Fred Johnson Tina Brown Joy King Kat Cook Gus Lewis Mary Couture Kay MacAllen Melissa Roth Culver Kitty Martin Roger Danley Carol Mays Paul Derrick

Arba Montgomery

Tammy Moore

Johnnie Gunter Angelia Lawrence Rebecca McNabb Michael Morgan Beverly Putynkowski Victoria Rogelin Candace Sammons

John Townsend

Jack Woltz

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Ron Doerschug

Amanda Eads, Wesley Frye, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro Christ Church, Raleigh Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh

BIRTHDAYS

July 23rd Erika Rowe, 25th Aleigha Wilsonwithers, 26th Ann Marie McGuirl

ANNIVERSARIES

July 23rd Doug & Marci Pobgee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you interested in being the Staples Coordinator or helping with Staples? Please let Sarah know.

Cursillo Lunch following the 10:30 service today. If you have ever attended Cursillo, please join us.

Class for **Confirmation**, **Reception**, **or Reaffirmation** continues this Sunday from 9:30-10:15. This class is also for anyone who wants to go deeper in their faith or to revisit or learn the basics of our Episcopal tradition. If you are interested but can't come to this class, please let Sarah know.

Our next **Backyard Bible Study** will be held on Thursday, August 3rd at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to volunteer to host, please let Sarah know. We will have a potluck supper, fellowship, and study Revelation.

The next **First Sunday Potluck** will be on Sunday, August 6th. We need volunteers to help with setting up before and cleaning up after. If you can help, please contact Roxann Moore at 336-336-429-2618.

Staples Food Program is in need of canned fruit. You may leave donations in the narthex or drop them off anytime during the week.

It's that time again! The Mount Airy Walk to End Alzheimer's is **Sept. 9th at Riverside Park**. Won't you join **Team Trinity** and walk with us or make a donation to support our efforts? Our goal is \$3000 and we might even surpass that with your help. Contact Margie Martin for more information. Registration and Donation forms can be found in the Narthex and in the Parish Hall.

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Nursery Care is available for the 10:30 service.

Restrooms are located downstairs.

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Sanderson by Pat Sanderson and family.

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Vicky Town	LECTOR	Jessica Simandle
Jim Couture	CHALICE BEARER	Mike Wilson
Mike Wilson	GREETER	Mary Fawcett
Jim Couture	ACOLYTE	Mike Wilson

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Lucinda Fallin	LECTOR	Denny Jennings
Karen Nealis	CHALICE BEARER	Roxann Moore
Wendy & Martha	GREETERS	Gloria & Larry
Pam Dickenson	ALTAR GUILD	Jane & Pam
Ross Borders	VESTRY	Roxann Moore
Roxann Moore	ACOLYTE	Karen Nealis

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Today	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		Cursillo Lunch
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Book Group
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
Ž	3:00 p.m.	Loan Closet
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

TRINITY VESTRY

Ross Borders, Margie Martin, Roxann Moore, James Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson, Lee Wilsonwithers



No matter where you come from or where you're going No matter what you believe or what you doubt No matter what you feel or just don't feel today No matter whom you love You are welcome into this space to be met by a God Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows your mind, and...

Who wants to have a relationship with you

