

**TRINITY** 9 November 2025

#### ABOUT TRINITY

Trinity is a growing Anglican Church in Lafayette. Our mission is to live the gospel through worship, friendship, and scholarship.

#### Families With Children

We welcome children in the sanctuary – their sounds are the sign of a growing church!

**COVER ART:** Kevin Lindholm

Weekdays	Day & Time	Location
Women's Bible Reading Group	Tuesday @ 10 AM	Family Center
Men's Bible Study	Wednesday @ 7 AM	ZOOM
4th Point Home Group	Wednesday @ 5:30 PM	Cober's Home
Youth Choir & Folk Dance	Thursday @ 4 PM	Sanctuary
Morning Prayer	Friday @ 11 AM	Sanctuary
Prayer Group	Friday @ 3 PM	Library
Trinity Scholars	Saturday @ 8 AM	Family Center
Sundays		
Coffee & Catechism	Sunday @ 9 AM	Family Center
Communion Service	Sunday @ 10 AM	Sanctuary

**First Fruits Pledges & Harvest Sunday** - Please pray over your pledge for 2026 giving, fill out your card, and bring it to our Harvest Sunday service on November 16th.

### "Gifting Grace" Christmas Tree

Give Christmas gifts to homeless and foster children in Acadiana! Select a child's tag from the Christmas tree in the narthex, purchase gifts, and bring to our St. Nicholas Party on Sunday, December 7th.

**Food & Friendship Lunch** ~ Everyone is invited to join us for lunch in the Family Center following morning service. Food and drinks are provided.

	Old Testament	Responsive Reading	New Testament
This Week	Pat Briney	Eric Carlson	Virginia Reinhardt
Next Week	Riley George	Penn Tompkins	Donna Guillory

# All stand and sing the THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Wondrous King, all glorious, Sovereign Lord victorious, O, receive our praise with favor!
From thee welled God's kindness though we in our blindness Strayed from thee, our blessed Saviour.
Strengthen thou, help us now; let our tongues be singing, Thee our praises bringing.

Heavens, spread the story of our Maker's glory, All the pomp of earth obscuring. Sun, thy rays be sending, Thy bright beams expending, Light to all the earth assuring. Moon and star, praise afar Him who glorious made you; The vast heavens aid you.

O my soul, rejoicing, sing, thy praises voicing, Sing, with hymns of faith adore him! All who here have being, shout, your voices freeing, Bow down in the dust before him. He is God Sabaoth; praise alone the Saviour, Here and there for ever.

Hallelujahs render to the Lord most tender, Ye who know and love the Saviour. Hallelujahs sing ye, ye redeemed, O, bring ye Hearts that yield him glad behavior. Blest are ye endlessly; sinless there for ever, Ye shall laud him ever.

#### THE ACCLAMATION

Priest The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand.

People We will repent and believe the good news.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Priest Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

People You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

Priest This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it:

People You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Priest On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

# All kneel or sit for THE PRAYERS

Deacon We pray to thee, Lord Christ.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

For our bishops and clergy, and all congregations of the faithful, that they may preach the pure Word of God and duly minister the sacraments, we pray to thee, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For our elected officials and all public institutions, that they may govern according to thy truth, we pray to thee, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know the peace of God, we pray to thee, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For those who do not believe, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, and be born again to new life, we pray to thee, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For those requesting praye	r:, and others we now name silently
or aloud,	we pray to thee, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves and all who have died, that by faith in Christ we may be delivered on the Day of Judgment, we pray to thee, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.* 

### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

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

We take a moment of silence for repentance.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee, by thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy name. Amen.

Priest 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.** 

# All stand for The Apostle's Creed

Deacon Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

# Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise; I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days. Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend; He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid; He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed. Heaven and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain; He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning prisoner free, Raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eyes to see, Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger He befriends, Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise; I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days. Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King; Unto Him, thy God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

All sit for THE WELCOME

#### COLLECT OF THE WEEK

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 9:1-7

And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

"Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image.

And you, be fruitful and multiply, increase greatly on the earth and multiply in it."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### THE RESPONSIVE READING

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments,

for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.

Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.

So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.

It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;

then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.** 

# All stand for THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King, Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain, Alleluia! Amen! On Heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore; Singing for evermore. Alleluia! Amen! THE GOSPEL John 6:52-64

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

People Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV'D DR. PETER JOHNSTON

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#### THE OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY



- + "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)
- + Use this QR Code to give from your phone.
- + Visitors should feel no obligation to give.

All stand to sing

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### THE COMMUNION PRAYERS

Priest The Lord be with you

People And with thy spirit

Priest Lift up your hearts

People We lift them up unto the Lord

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God

People It is meet and right so to do

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, forever praising thee and singing

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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.
Hosanna in the highest.

#### All sit or kneel

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou did give thine only son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world, and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

#### Here the Priest circles the altar and faces the people

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, Lord Jesus, according to thy commandment, we with these gifts make that memorial; remembering thy blessed passion and precious death, thy mighty resurrection and glorious ascension.

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

# People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Come thou, Holy Spirit, descend upon us and fill this place, that we who in faith receive these gifts of bread and wine may partake of the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Here we present unto thee ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice, that dying to ourselves, we might live in Christ.

By Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be thine, Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.** 

# THE LORD'S PRAYER AND THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

Priest In the words that Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest 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.

People We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

- + All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.
- + Wine is distributed, grape juice is on the pedestal.
- + To receive a blessing instead of communion, cross hands in front of chest.

LORD, I NEED YOU
Lord, I come, I confess,
Bowing here, I find my rest.
Without You, I fall apart.
You're the One that guides my heart.

Refrain: Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.
Every hour I need You!
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need You!

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. Where You are, Lord, I am free: Holiness is Christ in me!

# Refrain

Bridge: So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
When I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

# Refrain

My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You!

My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You!

#### Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' name.

Refrain: Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

# Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless stand before the throne.

# Refrain

# THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank thee for feeding us with the spiritual food, of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of thy Son, and heirs of thine eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work thou hast given us to do, to love and serve thee as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to thee, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

All stand to sing 10,000 REASONS

Refrain: Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul

Worship His Holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

# Refrain

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

# Refrain

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

# Refrain

### THE PEACE AND THE BENEDICTION

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your Spirit.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Priest And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

As we go, we share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

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# **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Genesis 9:1–7 forms a chiastic pattern with the lifeblood at its center. How does this structure highlight the importance of blood in God's covenant? Why is blood symbolizing life so central to His justice and mercy, and how does this shape Christian thinking about abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment? (See also Leviticus 17:11 and Genesis 4:10.)
- 2. In both Genesis 4 and 9, brothers face conflict and the temptation toward violence, yet Jesus is the true Brother who has interceded for us. How does His example call us to be intercessors and peacemakers in our families, churches, and communities? (See also Hebrews 12:24 and Matthew 5:9.)
- 3. God's covenant command is, "Be fruitful and multiply." How can we live out this blessing in family, church, and community while keeping the blood of Jesus at the center of our life together? What happens when people seek blessing without the blood? (See also John 6:53–56.)
- 4. Pray for gratitude for the lifeblood of Christ, for reconciliation among brothers and sisters, and for grace to be fruitful and faithful in His covenant of life.

#### TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

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