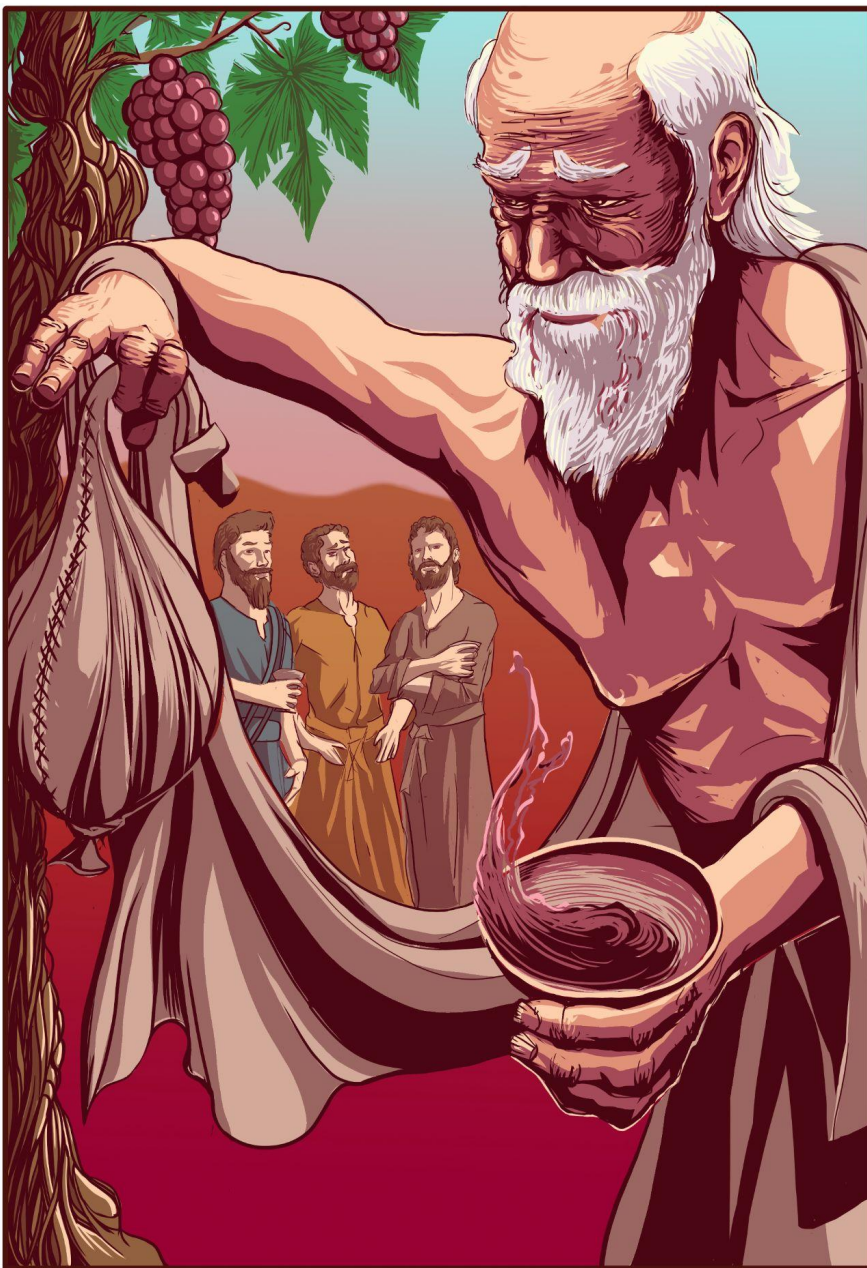




TRINITY *23 November 2025*

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	On break this week	
Men’s Bible Study	On break this week	
Youth Choir & Folk Dance	On break this week	
Morning Prayer Meeting	On break this week	
Prayer Group	On break this week	
Trinity Scholars	On break this week	

Sundays		
Coffee & Catechism	Sunday @ 9 AM	Family Center
Communion Service	Sunday @ 10 AM	Sanctuary

Wreath Making ~ Next Sunday, November 30 ~ We invite everyone to join us in the Family Center after morning service to make Advent wreaths to take home. All supplies and instructions will be provided.

Greening of the Church ~ Saturday, December 6 @ 2PM ~ Come join us as we decorate our church for the Advent and Christmas seasons!

“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 ~ Our Food & Friendship Lunch is on break until 2026. Thanks to everyone who prepared food and helped with the set up and clean up each Sunday!

	Old Testament	Responsive Reading	New Testament
<i>This Week</i>	Diane Bartlett	Elizabeth Carlson	Bill Cober
<i>Next Week</i>	Eric Carlson	Donna Guillory	Andreas Atwi

All stand and sing the **THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of Heav'n to Earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown;
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find thy promised rest;
Take away our love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver; let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy host above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory till in Heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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 prayer: _____, 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.

CALL JEHOVAH YOUR SALVATION

**Call Jehovah your salvation, rest beneath th'Almighty's shade,
In His secret habitation dwell, and never be dismayed.
There no tumult shall alarm you, you shall dread no hidden snare:
Guile nor violence can harm you, in eternal safeguard there.**

**From the sword at noonday wasting, from the noisome pestilence,
In the depth of midnight blasting, God shall be your sure defense;
Do not fear the deadly quiver, when a thousand feel the blow,
Mercy shall your soul deliver, though ten thousand be laid low.**

**He shall charge His angel legions watch and ward o'er you to keep;
Though you walk through hostile regions, though in desert wilds you sleep:
On the lion vainly roaring, on his young, your foot shall tread,
And, the dragon's den exploring, you shall crush the serpent's head.**

**Since, with pure and firm affection you on God have set your love,
With the wings of His protection, He will shield you from above.
You shall call on Him in trouble, He will hearken, He will save;
Here for grief reward you double, crown with life beyond the grave.**

All sit for **THE WELCOME**

COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 9:18-29

The sons of Noah who went forth from the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.) These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the people of the whole earth were dispersed.

Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard. He drank of the wine and became drunk and lay uncovered in his tent. And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside. Then Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned backward, and they did not see their father's nakedness. When Noah awoke from his wine and knew what his youngest son had done to him, he said,

“Cursed be Canaan;
a servant of servants shall he be to his brothers.”

He also said,

“Blessed be the Lord, the God of Shem;
and let Canaan be his servant.
May God enlarge Japheth,
and let him dwell in the tents of Shem,
and let Canaan be his servant.”

After the flood Noah lived 350 years. All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Proverbs 3:1-10

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.**

THE NEW TESTAMENT

Ephesians 5:15-21

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

Mark 14:22

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

People **Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.**

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though they all fall away, I will not." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." But he said emphatically, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." And they all said the same.

And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

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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SERMON NOTES

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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.*

GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ, His Son

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong."

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us"

And now let the weak say, "I am strong."

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us"

GOODNESS OF GOD

**I love You Lord, for Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God**

***Refrain:* All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God**

**I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire
In darkest nights, You are close like no other
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God**

Refrain

**Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me**

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 **O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home;**

**Under the shadow of your throne, your saints have dwelt secure.
Sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away.
We fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Still be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.**

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. *The Wine of Joy — God's Good Gift*

Where do we see Scripture affirming wine and other created gifts as good (e.g., Psalm 104:15; John 2)? How can Christians cultivate gratitude and moderation so that God's gifts lead us to joy rather than excess?

2. *The Wine of Judgment — When Good Gifts Go Wrong*

What warnings does Noah's drunkenness give us about the danger of misusing alcohol (or any good thing)? What habits or boundaries help us stay sober-minded, wise, and self-controlled?

3. *The Alternative to Drunkenness — Being Filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:15–21)*

Ephesians 5 contrasts being "drunk with wine" with being "filled with the Spirit," overflowing in song, gratitude, and joyful worship. How do singing, thanksgiving, and shared worship form us in true joy? How can these practices become the Christian alternative to escapism or unhealthy indulgence?

4. *Prayer — Receiving the Wine of Jesus*

Where do you personally need Jesus' grace—the places where you misuse good gifts, struggle with weakness, or carry shame? Take time to pray, asking Him to fill you with the Spirit, cover what is exposed, and give you the joy of His "new covenant" cup.

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