



**TRINITY** *8 October 2023*

## **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! If needed, there is a nursery in the main building with a changing station. Please come back to the sanctuary at any time!

## **GATHERINGS**

Men's Study

Women's Bible Study

Trinity Scholars

Morning Prayer

Women's Prayer

Sunday School

## **DAY & TIME**

Wednesday @ 7 am

Weds. @ 10:30 am or 6 pm

Thursday @ 6 pm

Friday @ 11 am

Friday @ Noon

Sunday @ 9 am

## **LOCATION**

ZOOM

Family Center

Church

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## **SAINT FRANCIS BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - SATURDAY, OCT 14TH**

Bring your pets (leashed!) on Saturday, October 14 @ 9 am, as we commemorate Saint Francis and bless the animals. We will continue collecting supplies for Acadiana Animal Aid through October 15. Drop off your donation in the box in the foyer.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Good News, Great Joy! The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Pick up a shoebox and a gift idea sheet (in the foyer) and start shopping! Filled boxes will be collected through the month of October.

	Old Testament	Responsive	Second Reading
<b>This Week</b>	Ed Abell	Jibran Atwi	Diane Bartlett
<b>Next Week</b>	Bill Cober	Holly Hunter	Lisa Hawkins

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

**All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices let us sing  
O praise Him! Alleluia! Bright burning sun with golden beam,  
pale silver moon that gently gleams  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Great rushing winds and breezes soft,  
you clouds that ride the heavns aloft, O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Fair rising morn with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining find a voice  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**All you with mercy in your heart, forgiving others take your part  
O sing now! Alleluia!  
All you that pain and sorrow bear, praise God and cast on him your care  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Let all things their Creator bless and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit three in One:  
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia**

**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.**

*All kneel or sit for* **THE PRAYERS**

We pray to thee, Lord Christ. ***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, especially \_\_\_\_\_,  
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**

*Priest* 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.**

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**

*Officiant*      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.**

## **YOU RIGHTEOUS, PRAISE THE LORD WITH JOY (PSALM 33:1-9)**

**You righteous, praise the Lord with joy;**

**It's good that just men praise employ. With thanks the Lord O praise!**

**The harp and ten-stringed viol bring, With skill resounding praises sing;**

**A new song to Him raise.**

**For upright is Jehovah's word, He does in all His work record**

**His faithfulness and worth. In justice and in doing right**

**Jehovah always takes delight His mercy fills the earth.**

**Jehovah's word the heavens made, And all the host of them arrayed**

**His breath has caused to be. He rolls the waters heap on heap;**

**He gathers all the mighty deep In caverns of the sea.**

**Let all the earth Jehovah fear; Let all that dwell both far and near**

**In awe before Him stand. When He had spoken it was done,**

**And finished was each work begun When once He gave command.**

*All sit for* **THE WELCOME**

## COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in continual godliness, that through your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly serve you in good works, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT

**Genesis 18:16-33**

Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. The LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him." Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Behold, I have

undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” Then he said, “Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.” And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 33:1-12**

Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

**Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre;**

**make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!**

Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**For the word of the Lord is upright,**

**and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

**By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,**

**and by the breath of his mouth all their host.**

He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses.

**Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of**

**the world stand in awe of him!**

For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

**The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;**

**he frustrates the plans of the peoples.**

The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

**Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,**

**the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!**

## THE SECOND READING

## Genesis 19:1-29

The two angels came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them and bowed himself with his face to the earth and said, "My lords, please turn aside to your servant's house and spend the night and wash your feet. Then you may rise up early and go on your way." They said, "No; we will spend the night in the town square." But he pressed them strongly; so they turned aside to him and entered his house. And he made them a feast and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both young and old, all the people to the last man, surrounded the house. And they called to Lot, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us, that we may know them." Lot went out to the men at the entrance, shut the door after him, and said, "I beg you, my brothers, do not act so wickedly. Behold, I have two daughters who have not known any man. Let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you please. Only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the shelter of my roof." But they said, "Stand back!" And they said, "This fellow came to sojourn, and he has become the judge! Now we will deal worse with you than with them." Then they pressed hard against the man Lot, and drew near to break the door down. But the men reached out their hands and brought Lot into the house with them and shut the door. And they struck with blindness the men who were at the entrance of the house, both small and great, so that they wore themselves out groping for the door.

Then the men said to Lot, "Have you anyone else here? Sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or anyone you have in the city, bring them out of the place. For we are about to destroy this place, because the outcry against its people has become great before the Lord, and the Lord has sent us to destroy it." So Lot went out and said to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, "Up! Get out of this place, for the Lord is about to destroy the city." But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be jesting.



As morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, “Up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be swept away in the punishment of the city.” But he lingered. So the men seized him and his wife and his two daughters by the hand, the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city. And as they brought them out, one said, “Escape for your life. Do not look back or stop anywhere in the valley. Escape to the hills, lest you be swept away.” And Lot said to them, “Oh, no, my lords. Behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have shown me great kindness in saving my life. But I cannot escape to the hills, lest the disaster overtake me and I die. Behold, this city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Let me escape there—is it not a little one?—and my life will be saved!” He said to him, “Behold, I grant you this favor also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. Escape there quickly, for I can do nothing till you arrive there.” Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

The sun had risen on the earth when Lot came to Zoar. Then the Lord rained on Sodom and Gomorrah sulfur and fire from the Lord out of heaven. And he overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. But Lot’s wife, behind him, looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.

And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the Lord. And he looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah and toward all the land of the valley, and he looked and, behold, the smoke of the land went up like the smoke of a furnace.

So it was that, when God destroyed the cities of the valley, God remembered Abraham and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow when he overthrew the cities in which Lot had lived.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand for*

## **THE SEQUENCE HYMN**

**Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me  
Christ to comfort and restore me**

**Christ beneath me, Christ above me  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger  
Christ in hearts of all that love me  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger**

## **THE GOSPEL**

**Matthew 9:9-13**

*Lector* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

*Lector* 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

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

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you

*People*          **And with thy spirit**

*Officiant*      Lift up your hearts

*People*          **We lift them up unto the Lord**

*Officiant*      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.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**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.**

## **YOUR LOVE OH LORD**

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens.

Your faithfulness stretches to the skies.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountain.

Your justice flows like the ocean's tides.

I will lift my voice to worship You, my King.

I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings.

## **HIS MERCY IS MORE**

*Chorus:* Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness, new every morn

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What love could remember no wrongs we have done

Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Chorus*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam

What father, so tender, is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Chorus*

What riches of kindness he lavished on us

His blood was the payment, his life was the cost

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Chorus*

## 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* **IN CHRIST ALONE**

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death— This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

## THE PEACE AND THE BENEDICTION

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*Peopl* **And with your Spirit.**

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

*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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