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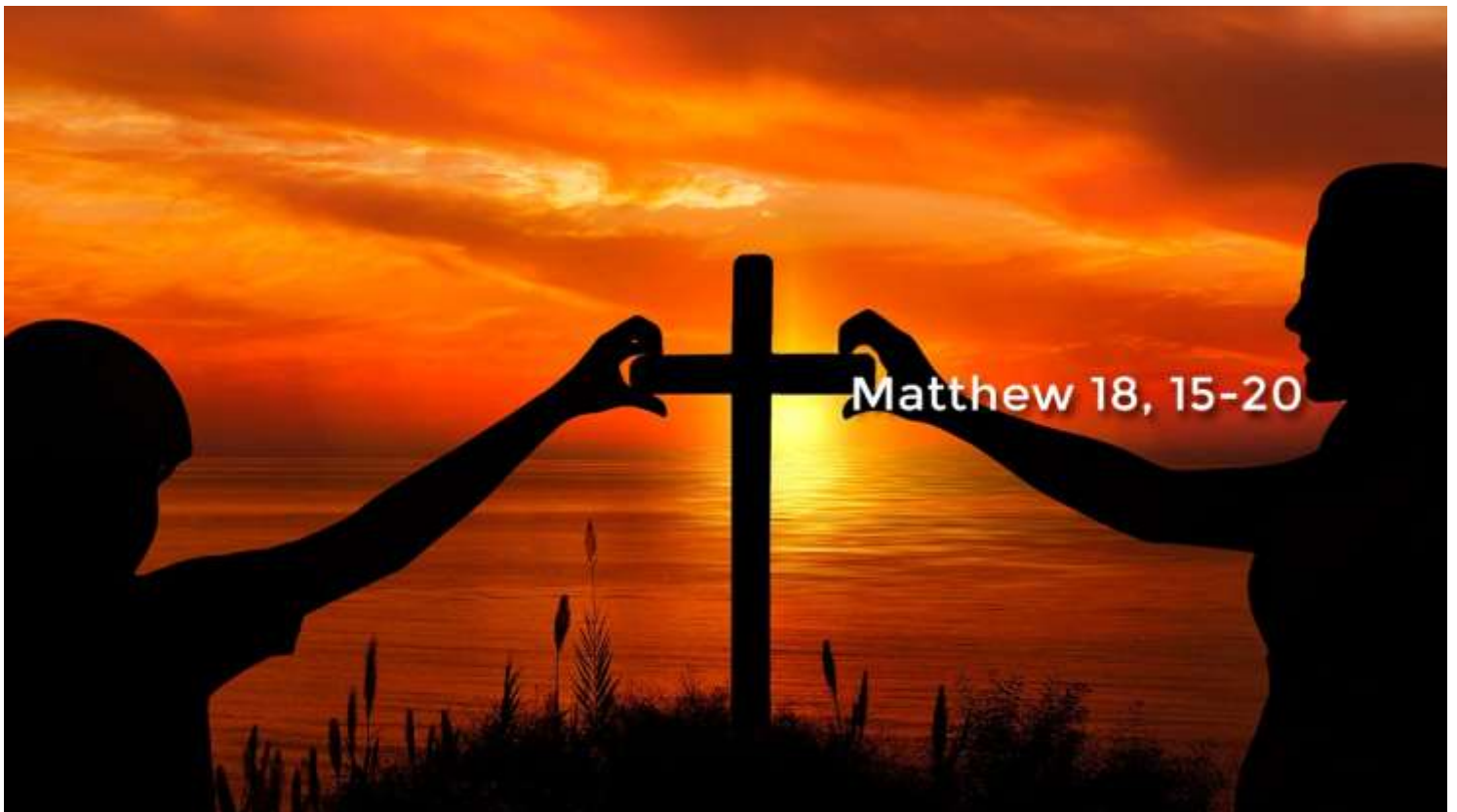
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Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 6, 2020

9:30 am

The Reverend Kevin M. Cross, Rector



GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

"I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord" Psalm 122:1

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Please note: Masks must be worn at all times. Stay socially distant.

"The prelude begins our service. Once it begins, please take a moment for silent prayer/meditation so that we enter into our worship with quieted, prayerful minds. Thank you."

Prelude

Various Selections

Tred Avon Four

Opening Hymn

Amazing Grace

John Newton

Tred Avon Four

Back to School Blessing

The Lord be With You.

And with you.

Let us pray

God of Wisdom, we give you thanks for schools and classrooms, homes and tabletops, and for the teachers, parents, grandparents and students who fill them each day. We thank you for this new beginning, for new books and new ideas. We thank you for laptops, tablets, Zoom, pencils, crayons, markers, and blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank you for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers. Today we give you thanks for these your children, and we ask you to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May they have everything they need to learn and grow this year in school. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. Amen.

The Word of God

Presider Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

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.

Gloria

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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen..

Scripture

First Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they

shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 149

- ¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song; **sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.*
- ² Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; **let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.*
- ³ Let them praise his Name in the dance; **let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.*
- ⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in his people **and adorns the poor with victory.*
- ⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; **let them be joyful on their beds.*
- ⁶ Let the praises of God be in their throat **and a two-edged sword in their hand;*
- ⁷ To wreak vengeance on the nations **and punishment on the peoples;*
- ⁸ To bind their kings in chains **and their nobles with links of iron;*
- ⁹ To inflict on them the judgment decreed; **this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!*

Second Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Do Lord

Griffith Jones

Tred Avon Four

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Gospel of the Lord

People : Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia No. VII



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Sermon

Deacon Postulant Lisa Webb

Nicene Creed

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 Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified. 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.

Prayers of the People for Post Pentecost Sundays

Friends in Christ, God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world.

That the Church, in the power of the Spirit, may make the Gospel understandable to people of every race, language, and culture. *Lord hear our prayer.*

That the Holy Spirit of Peace may unite and reconcile the peoples and nations of the earth, bringing an end to war, hatred, and discrimination. *Lord hear our prayer.*

That the Lord and Giver of Life, may renew the face of the earth and make it a place where the poor are fed, the strangers are welcomed. *Lord hear our prayer.*

Lord of life, *Hear us in your love.* Remember in your love all those who suffer from illness, loneliness and a lack of hope and joy. Today we pray especially for:

<i>Joel</i>	<i>Ingrid Blanton</i>	<i>Enzo De Masi</i>
<i>Berry Passano</i>	<i>Gary and Lisa Strang</i>	<i>Linda Bellimio</i>
<i>John Weitzel</i>	<i>Diane Wilson</i>	<i>Lindsay</i>
<i>Betty Jo Mackert</i>	<i>Gordon Graves</i>	<i>Mary Ann Hensinger</i>
<i>Barbara & Jack Inserra</i>	<i>Bill Pugh</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Shirley Deeley</i>	<i>Anne Martien</i>	<i>Randolph S. Sheen</i>
<i>Father Kevin Cross</i>	<i>Nancy Wooten</i>	<i>Elaine Johnson Wold</i>
<i>Lisa McDougall</i>	<i>George</i>	<i>Jeffery Rappaport</i>
<i>John Hanson</i>	<i>Carter Mitchell</i>	<i>Tim Matthews & Family</i>

Are there others? You are invited to name them aloud or silently in your heart...*Lord hear our prayer.*

That each baptized Christian may develop more fully his or her response to all the gifts which the Spirit bestows for the service of the Body of Christ, *Lord hear our prayer.*

That our God, who purifies us of sin and raises the dead, may bring all our departed loved ones into the fullness of God's presence. Remember in your love those who have died, *Alyson Webb*. We also remember those in our armed forces who have died in service to their country.

Are there others? You are invited to name them aloud or silently in your heart...*Lord hear our prayer.*

Gracious God, in this time of the pandemic, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored to health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Lord Hear Our Prayer.*

All: God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to all who wait or work in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make them the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring them courage to endure what cannot be avoided for your will is health and wholeness; you're God and we need you. Amen.

We will now observe a moment for private prayer...

Celebrant:

Lord God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus has united our burdens and healed our spirits. We lift up the prayers of our hearts for those still burdened, those seeking healing, those in need within the church and the world. *Amen*

*The Altar Flowers are given by Anne Lise Fink
in Loving Memory of Her Husband Walter Fink*

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

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.*

Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

In The Garden

C. Austin Miles

Tred Avon Four

Doxology (Please speak the Doxology)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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.

Hosana in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature,

to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Communion

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Saviour 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

Sending Forth

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

God Bless America

Irving Berlin

Tred Avon Four

*Thank you to the Tred Avon Four
Vicki McAndrews, Ukulele; Larry Denton, Mandolin;
Lee Phillips, Guitar.; Bill Ridgely, Accordion
for providing us with inspirational music this morning.*

Birthdays
Nan Peterson

Anniversaries

Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray, on your servant ___ as *he/she* begins another year. Grant that *he/she* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his/her* trust in your goodness all the days of *his/her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***Happy Birthday to you,
Remember Jesus
loves you
He made you so special
Happy Birthday to you!***

Anniversary Blessing

Gracious God, Father of all we give thanks for another year of lives shared in human love and in your love that never fails. Bless this couple in all that is yet to come, confirming and strengthening them in the vows which they have made to one another in your name. Bless all who have shared the delight of this married life and been enriched by its mutual love. As they rejoice on this anniversary, Give them grace to continue in support and prayer and to find in this family a sign of the family of all Christian people united in fellowship and love. Amen

***We would like to pray for you. We invite you to email
office@holytrinityoxfordmd.org with the date of
your birthday or anniversary.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 6, 2020

Pledges

We have all changed our daily routines in an effort to guard against the potential harm from the COVID- 19 virus. Frequently washing our hands, traveling less, and social distancing are all part of the new normal for daily life. Unfortunately, we continue to incur most of our monthly expenses at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Your effort to continue your generous pledging routines will help us meet our continuing financial obligations. Thank you for your consideration. Holy Trinity, POB 387, Oxford, MD 21654.

David Wangsness

Sunday Services

Sunday Services at 9:30 am will be held on our front lawn during sunny weather.

Please note: During inclement weather our service is broadcast only.

Service Broadcasts:

go to our web page www.holytrinityoxfordmd.org Down load a copy of the bulletin and click on the appropriate button in the bottom right corner.

Morning Prayer - Tuesdays at 8:30 am using Zoom technology

A template for Morning Prayer can be downloaded at
<https://files.constantcontact.com/777ce2b0301/d5fdd394-ab87-4371-8e90-b5c741e5282c.pdf>

For meetings Morning Prayer, and other activities using Zoom, go may go to our web site:
www.holytrinityoxfordmd.org and click on the green service button.

Worship Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays on lawn weathering permitting or broadcast at 9:30 am; Morning Prayer Tuesdays at 8:30 am via Zoom

This Week at Church of the Holy Trinity

Monday - September 7

Friday - September 11

OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday - September 8

8:30 am - Morning Prayer via Zoom

Saturday - September 12

Wednesday - September 9

9:00 am - Women on a Journey via Zoom

Sunday - September 13

9:30 am - Holy Eucharist lawn and/or broadcast

Thursday - September 10

1:00 pm - Office Angels

Vestry Members

Gordon Fronk, Senior Warden

Louise Thorndike,
Secretary

Ellen Anderson,
Registrar

David Wangsness, Co-Treasurer

Al Smith - Emeritus

Bill Ritchie, Junior Warden

Meg van den Berg

Nancy Roberts

Ed Delaney

Kathy Becker

Suzanne Fischer

Tot O'Mara

Van Holston

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

Worship Leaders

9:30 am

Deacon Postulant

Dr. Lisa Webb

Reader

Barbara Cross

Acolyte

Barbara Cross

Usher

Simon Arnstein and Connie Greenhawk

Medical Team

Thomas DeMarco, MD and Susan Delean-Botkin, CPNP