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Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 12, 2021

8:00 & 10:00 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

"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

Cantabile

Alexandre Guilmant

Opening Hymn

When Morning Guilds the Skies



1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, My heart, a -
2. To God, the Word, on high The hosts of
3. Let earth's wide cir - cle round In joy - ful
4. Be this while life is mine My can - ti -



wak - ing, cries, "May Je - sus Christ be praised!" A -
an - gels cry: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!" Let
notes re - sound: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!" Let
cle di - vine: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!" Be



like at work and prayer To Je - sus I re -
mor - tals, too, up - raise Their voice in hymns of
air, and sea, and sky, From depth to height, re -
this the e - ter - nal song, Through all the a - ges



pair: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
praise: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
ply: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
long: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"

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The Word of God

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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.

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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

Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing

and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 19

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, **and the firmament shows his handiwork.*

² One day tells its tale to another, **and one night imparts knowledge to another.*

³ Although they have no words or language, **and their voices are not heard,*

- ⁴ Their sound has gone out into all lands, **and their message to the ends of the world.*
- ⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; **it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.*
- ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; **nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*
- ⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; **the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.*
- ⁸ The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; **the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.*
- ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; **the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.*
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, **sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.*
- ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, **and in keeping them there is great reward.*
- ¹² Who can tell how often he offends? **cleanse me from my secret faults.*
- ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; **then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.*

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, **O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.*

Second Lesson

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters,

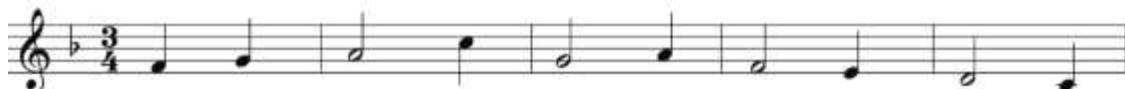
yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

The Summons



1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but



call your name? Will you go where
call your name? Will you care for
call your name? Will you set the
call your name? Will you quell the
call my name. Let me turn and



you don't know And nev - er be the same?
cruel and kind And nev - er be the same?
pris - 'ners free And nev - er be the same?
fear in - side And nev - er be the same?
fol - low you And nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, Will you
Will you risk the hos - tile stare Should your
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, And do
Will you use the faith you've found To re -
In your com - pa - ny I'll go Where your

8:00 & 10:00 am

let my name be known, Will you let my
 life attract or scare? Will you let me
 such as this un - seen, And ad - mit to
 shape the world a - round, Through my sight and
 love and foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and

 life be grown In you and you in me?
 an - swer prayer In you and you in me?
 what I mean In you and you in me?
 touch and sound In you and you in me?
 live and grow In you and you in me.

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Gospel

Mark 8:27-38

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he

rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People : Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Reverend Kevin M. Cross

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

As faithful members of the body of Christ, let us now pray for the Church, the nation and the world. Saying, *“Lord hear our prayer.”*

Almighty God, we acknowledge you with grateful hearts as the One in whom we live and move and have our being. Thank you, O Lord, for your love, your goodness and your mercy. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We pray for our brothers and sisters in the whole body of Christ. We ask your wisdom, discernment and grace for both lay and ordained leaders in the church. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve

the common good. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. In our weekly prayer intentions we pray for:

<i>Joel</i>	<i>Ida Peterson Hardon & Family</i>	<i>Charlotte Roberts</i>
<i>Berry Passano</i>	<i>Sheila</i>	<i>Billie Williams</i>
<i>John Weitzel</i>	<i>Jim Hansen</i>	<i>Nate Pusey</i>
<i>Betty Jo Mackert</i>	<i>Dale Highlander</i>	<i>Marco Penne</i>
<i>Barbara & Jack Inserra</i>	<i>Bill Paterson, Jr.</i>	<i>Marilyn Howell</i>
<i>Nancy Wooten</i>	<i>Matthew Driscoll</i>	<i>Tony Gould</i>
<i>Enzo De Masi</i>	<i>David Kerr</i>	<i>Gary Lewis</i>
<i>Rory Hamel</i>	<i>Marilyn Neal</i>	<i>Ellen Anderson</i>
<i>Chris Gilson</i>	<i>Gary Thatcher</i>	<i>Watson Straub</i>
<i>Kenneth Dial</i>	<i>Barbara Sheridan</i>	

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart. (*pause*)... *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We remember especially the members of our military who died in service to our country and we pray for comfort and solace for their families. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We pray for the victims of the Afghanistan crisis, Hurricane Ida, the earthquake in Haiti and the fires in west that they may find comforting in these difficult days and that we may be moved in our hearts to help them through compassionate acts. Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart.

(pause)... Lord, hear our prayer.

We remember those who lost their lives on 9/11, their families, and those whose lives were forever changed by the violence of that day. We give thanks for the first responders who risked their lives to save the lives of others. *We will observe a moment of solemn silence*

We pray to the Lord.

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

A moment for personal meditation is observed

Concluding Collect (read by priest):

O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed; give us courage to expose our need and ask to be made whole; that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name. ***Amen.***

*The Altar Flowers are given by Ray VanHorn
In Loving Memory of Lynne Meredith Holtzclaw VanHorn*

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 us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ and strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

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

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Siciliano

Robert J. Powell

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

God, you made us, and the world and everything in it. All the good we see comes from you. You have always loved us but people have not always loved you. You sent Jesus to show us how to live and to bring us back to you again.

He died for us on the cross so that through your Spirit we can all be your people. And so with thanks we praise you singing/saying:

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.

We are here because on the night before he died Jesus shared a meal with his friends. There he took some bread and gave thanks to you, God. He broke it into pieces and gave it to them. "This is my body," he said. "Do this and know that I am with you." Later, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you. He shared it with them, and said "This is my blood, which brings new life. Do this and know that I am with you."

And so, remembering Jesus, who died, was raised to new life by you, and is alive forever, we are glad to share that life and live in him and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

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

Send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and wine can be for us the body and blood of Jesus, and through this food give us strength to live as your people.

Help us care for your world and for each other in the way that Jesus showed us. Until he comes again, with all your people in every time and every land we worship you and say: We praise

you. We thank you. We bless you. *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

Hear My Song, O Lord

J. Southbridge

The gifts of God are 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.

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

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.

Birthdays

Anniversaries

Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: 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

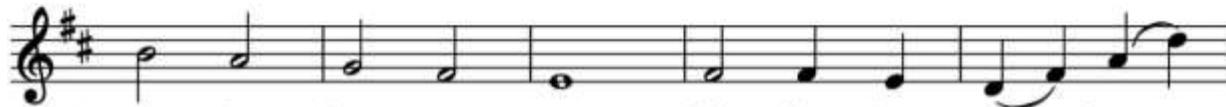
***We would like to pray for you. We invite you to email
office@holytrinityoxfordmd.org with the
date of your birthday or anniversary.***

Recessional Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign



1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc -
2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, And prais - es
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on his
4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns, The pris - 'ners
5. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Their joy - ful



1. ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from
2. throng to crown his head; His name like sweet per -
3. love with sweet - est song, And chil - dren's voic - es
4. leap to lose their chains; The wea - ry find e -
5. prais - es to our King; An - gels de - scend with



1. shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2. fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
3. shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
4. ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.
5. songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men!

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Postlude

Blessing

Sending Forth

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

Thanks be to God.

*Thank you to Alicia Parks, Emergency Services/
Rapid Re-Housing Coordinator, for joining us for
the important work of the
Neighborhood Service Center*

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

<u>Monday - September 13</u>	<u>Friday - September 17</u> OFFICE CLOSED
<u>Tuesday - September 14</u> 8:30 am - Morning Prayer via Zoom 11:00 am - Lynne Van Horn service 4:00 pm - Sacred Ground via Zoom	<u>Saturday - September 18</u> 4:00 pm - Cox/Hamlin Wedding
<u>Wednesday - September 15</u>	<u>Sunday - September 19</u> 8:00 am -Holy Eucharist 10:00 am -Holy Eucharist
<u>Thursday - September 16</u>	

Vestry Members

Gordon Fronk, Senior Warden Tot O'Mara, Deputy Sr. Warden	Louise Thorndike, Secretary	Margaret Munsch, Registrar
David Wangsness & Susan Segal, Co- Treasurers	Bill Ritchie & Michelle Mactavish, Co-Junior Wardens	Al Smith - Emeritus
Nancy Roberts	Ed Delaney	Tot O'Mara
Kathy Becker	Suzanne Fischer	Van Holston
Loretta Blume	Susie Segal	Michelle MacTavish

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

Worship Leaders	8:00 am	10:00 am
Deacon	Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb	Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb
Reader	Beverly Rohman	
Acolyte	Beverly Rohman	
Usher	Tom Reynolds	Suzanne Fischer
Vestry Greeter		Kathy Becker

8:00 & 10:00 am

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**LET YOUR SMILE
CHANGE THE
WORLD
BUT DON'T LET THE
WORLD CHANGE
YOUR SMILE**