

The CHURCH of the HOLY TRINITY
An Episcopal Church

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 19, 2026

8:00 & 10:00 am

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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

"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."

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Arr. Jason Krug

Processional Hymn

Come Ye Thankful People Come



1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home!
2. We our - selves are God's own field, Fruit un - to His praise to yield;
4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come, Bring Thy fi - nal har - vest home;



All is safe - ly gath - er - ed in, Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown Un - to joy or sor - row grown;
Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin;



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied:
First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear;
There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy pres - ence to a - bide;



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.
Come, with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

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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.

Gloria



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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Scripture

First Lesson

Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place — and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

- ¹ LORD, you have searched me out and known me; **you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.*
- ² You trace my journeys and my resting-places **and are acquainted with all my ways.*
- ³ Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, **but you, O LORD, know it altogether.*
- ⁴ You press upon me behind and before **and lay your hand upon me.*
- ⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; **it is so high that I cannot attain to it.*
- ⁶ Where can I go then from your Spirit? **where can I flee from your presence?*
- ⁷ If I climb up to heaven, you are there; **if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.*
- ⁸ If I take the wings of the morning **and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,*
- ⁹ Even there your hand will lead me **and your right hand hold me fast.*
- ¹⁰ If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, **and the light around me turn to night,*"
- ¹¹ Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; **darkness and light to you are both alike.*
- ²² Search me out, O God, and know my heart; **try me and know my restless thoughts.*
- ²³ Look well whether there be any wickedness in me **and lead me in the way that is everlasting.*

Second Lesson

Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

The Lord's My Shepherd I'll Not Want



1. The Lord's my Shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie In
2. My soul He doth re - store a - gain; And me to walk doth make With-
5. Good-ness and mer-cy all my life Shall sure - ly fol - low me; And



pas-tures green; He lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.
in the paths of right-eous-ness, E'en for His own name's sake.
in God's house for - ev - er - more My dwell-ing place shall be.

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Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 35-43

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers,

Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'” Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Reverend Kevin 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

Diocese of Easton Discernment Prayer

O God our Comforter, who guides us in the ways of justice and truth and holds us close in times of uncertainty: Inspire us with your grace and wisdom, that we might do everything according to your will and ground ourselves in your love. Give us a sense of openness about the future ministries and mission of the Diocese of Easton. Help us remember that we do not hold all of the answers, nor do we need to. Encourage us when we are anxious about change, reminding us that all things are in your hands: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

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 and 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.*

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: *(read the names on the prayer list)...*

<i>Joel</i>	<i>Elsbeth Ritchie</i>	<i>Mike Fisher</i>
<i>Ritzi Miller</i>	<i>Owen M.</i>	<i>Everett Kimball</i>
<i>Rich Wagner</i>	<i>Shaun</i>	<i>John Dillon</i>
<i>Eleanor Dallam</i>	<i>Fr. Ambrose Boyd</i>	<i>Tom Bixler</i>
<i>Michael Delean</i>	<i>Lisbeth Drake</i>	<i>Ron Kaufman</i>
<i>Carole Pfeiffer</i>	<i>David Harrell</i>	<i>Diane Lapp</i>
<i>Donna Richards</i>	<i>Dan O'Neill</i>	<i>Cora Bruner</i>
<i>Gary Kaufman</i>	<i>Leslie Howells</i>	<i>Peg Keller</i>
<i>Andy Coleman</i>	<i>Jackson Beaumont</i>	<i>Kate</i>
<i>Betty Jo Mackart</i>	<i>Courtney</i>	
<i>Betty Mackart</i>	<i>Polly Obermeier</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, *Marrie Retallack*, 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.

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

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people in the war torn areas of the world today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their

decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you will hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace. *Dear God, hear our prayer.*

A period for personal meditation is observed

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.

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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 and 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

Hymn of Grateful Praise

Arr. Paul Taylor

Doxology *(please stand)*

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.

Presider: All things come from Thee O Lord.

People: And of thy own we have given Thee.

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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Arr. Malcolm Archer

The musical score for the Sanctus is written on five staves in treble clef with a common time signature (C). It begins with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. The score ends with a triplet of eighth notes.

Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord
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san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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 forever.
AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion *(Prayed with those joining us from home and hospital bed)*

My Jesus, I believe 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, I reaffirm your presence in my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion

Like a River Glorious

Arr. Lloyd Larson

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.

Birthdays

Pepper Rohman, 7/25	
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Anniversaries

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Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Love Divine All Loves Excelling



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - celling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;
2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled breast!
4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be.



fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown!
Let us all in thee in - her - it; let us find that sec - ond rest.
Let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
Take a - way our bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,



vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
end of faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

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Sending Forth

Go in laughter; go in grace. Keep the Lord in your heart and a smile on your face. The world needs our joy, Alleluia, Alleluia
Let us go to share it. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Ye Servants of God

Arr. Craig Courtney

*Thank you, Margot McConnel and Maggie McConnel, for
hosting Fellowship hour.*

Thank you Amy Morgan for joining us today.

Summer Concerts

**July 26 3 p.m. Summer International Child Prodigy
Concert from The Leon Fleischer Academy**

**August 30 4 p.m. Hymn Sing with Monte Maxwell,
USNA**

Summer Choir

**Everyone is welcome to come sing with us this Summer!
Easy to sing anthems with familiar melodies.
All ages welcome!**

August 2 9:30 a.m. Service (come at 9 a.m.)

Worship Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:00 am

First Sunday of the month 9:30 am

<u>Monday - July 20</u> 9:30 - Grief Group <u>Tuesday July 21</u> 7:30 am - Soupmasters 8:30 am - Prayer Group <u>Wednesday - July 22</u> 8:30 am - Lunch Bunch 2:30 pm - Wedding Rehearsal <u>Thursday - July 23</u> 7:30 am - Scott's Food Pantry	<u>Friday - July 24</u> OFFICE CLOSED 4:00 pm - Schultz Wedding <u>Saturday - July 25</u> OFFICE CLOSED <u>Sunday - July 26</u> 8:00 am -Holy Eucharist 10:00 am -Holy Eucharist

Vestry Members

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Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

Worship Leaders	8:00 am	10:00 am
Reader	Susan Devlin	Susan Dillon
Acolyte	Dennis Roberts	Dennis Roberts
Usher	Marty Sikes	Mike & Maggie McConnell
Vestry Greeter	Al Sikes	Margot McConnell
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