

**Church of the Trinity
Coatesville
Of the Diocese of Pennsylvania**

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.



**The Holy Eucharist Rite Two
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, in the Season of Creation
Sunday, September 6, 2026**

PRELUDE

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE HYMN *Jesus, thou divine Companion (Pleading Savior)* (H 586)

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

The Celebrant may say

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.**

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE *S 278 Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Mathias)* (BCP p. 356)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹Say to them, “As I live, says the Lord

GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?"

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 119:33-40

Remain seated.

³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

³⁶Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

³⁷Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

³⁸Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

³⁹Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The 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." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides 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; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *All Stand.*

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!
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GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20

All stand.

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] ¹⁵“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. ¹⁶But 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. ¹⁷If 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. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, 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. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON BY THE REV. KRISTEN OSTENDORF

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

All stand.

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; has 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 the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 359)

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Prayer leader

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. May we especially be called to guard your goodness in Creation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

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. Guide our leaders to make sound decisions, particularly to protect our land, water, and skies and create a society where all may have an equitable share of our resources.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

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. We repent and lament all the sins of our society that create scarcity, hunger, thirst, war, and disease.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for Pat Bush, who celebrated her birthday last week, and Michael Thompson and Liam Hana, who celebrate this week. We also give thanks for Pat and John Bush, who celebrated their anniversary this past week.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

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. We remember especially Christopher, brother of Bill Gray, who has asked for our prayers. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, our military and first responder list, and those being prayed for privately by our prayer chain ministry. We also pray for all those who suffer because they lack access to clean water.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

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 Thelma Taltoan, sister of Al Carey, and Bob Hankey, brother-in-law of Jim and Mary Davis, who both died recently. We also remember Anna Fox and Virginia Robins, for whom the altar flowers have been given.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 359)

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Priest stands and says

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.***

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)

OFFERTORY HYMN *Come, labor on (Ora Labora)* (H 541)

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 369)

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 370)

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS S125 (Proulx) BCP p. 362

Celebrant and people

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 371)

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

EPICLESIS (BCP p. 372)

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. ***AMEN.***

THE LORD’S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

The Celebrant says

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.

COMMUNION HYMN *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* (LEVAS 72)

COMMUNION ANTHEM *by the choir*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

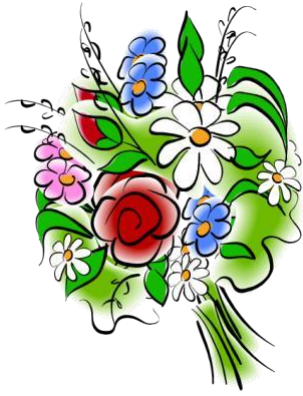
POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Wade in the Water* (LEVAS 143)

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



The flowers are placed on the altar to the glory of God and In

Loving Memory of

Anna Fox and Virginia Robins

By Joe & Pat Kirkner

Choir rehearsal has started, and the choir is back this Sunday! Now's the time to join! It's not necessary to read music. See Rachel if you have any questions.

Rally Day, Sept. 20: Make sure you sign up— it's always a great time! Once again Greg B. has opened Runnymede to us! Stay tuned for transportation details, but invite all those who call Trinity home back! Our service will be at 10:30 a.m.

Blessing of the Animals, 4-5 p.m., Oct. 4: Bring your scaled, furry and feathered friends for a blessing. We will have a short prayer service and then bless animals until 5 p.m. If your companion doesn't travel well, feel free to bring a picture, or a picture of a pet who has crossed the rainbow bridge for a prayer of thanks.

Silent Auction, Nov. 7, 3-6 p.m.: It's ON! Women of Trinity is back with *Lights, Camera, Auction!* Come for some early holiday shopping as the WOT raises money for our church, including some needed storage items to keep our Stone Hall rentals running smoothly. See Stacey H. or Pat K. if you want to help or donate, and mark your calendars!

Pictures wanted! Do you have pictures of Trinity's members through the years? We'd like to start a display of our beloved members, showing our good times, prayers and diversity! Email them to Kristen at Kristen.ostendorf77@gmail.com or bring in hard copies so she can scan them. This is an on-going project.

Regular CYWA food bank commitment: See Kent N. if you would like to be part of our small but regular volunteer crew every other Thursday at the CYWA.

WANT PRAYER? Place your request in the basket using the form on the credenza by the baptismal font. Give as little or as much information as you want: It is confidential.

Ongoing needs: Items for Tide Over Pantry/Paper Pantry - shelf stable "complete" meals, shelf stable milk, bread, PB&J, cereal, canned meats and fish, hygiene items.

SAVE THE DATES

MONDAY, Sept. 6: Labor Day, office closed!

THURSDAY, Sept. 10: Healing service, noon on Zoom

Friday, Sept. 11: Morning prayer, in the church, with remembrance of 9/11. Service begins at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, Sept. 13: Regular Sunday worship, with remembrance of 9/11, Sunday school meets to talk about Rally Day!

Sept. 20: RALLY DAY!

Sept. 27: First responders service of gratitude!

OCT. 4: Special Guest Preacher, the Rev. Jeannie Sachs, deacon, at the regular service

Blessing of the Animals, 4-5 p.m. on the church lawn. Short prayer service at 4, but drop by any time!

OCT. 11: Community Dinner and Episcopal Legal Aid at Trinity, in cooperation with St. Anne's Abington, 4-6 p.m. Night ends with vespers. Come have dinner with us and help host!

NOV. 1: Compline and prayers for the country, online, 7:30 p.m. Pray for our nation as we move into election week

NOV. 2: Election day. Church open for prayer throughout the day.

NOV. 7: Silent auction fundraiser – 3-6 p.m.! Sponsored by Women of Trinity...share the social media post in your networks!

NOV. 8: Service of gratitude for vets

CHRISTMAS HYMN SING FUNDRAISER ON DEC. 6 (4:30 p.m.)

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA ON DEC. 12

Please pray for those on our parish prayer list.

Zella Anderson, Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Bill Besecker, for the repose of the soul of Marva Brown, and her family and friends, especially her son and daughter-in-law, Hector and Kristine Brown, Maurice Casey, Violet Cole, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Christ in Church in Ukraine, Amy C., Lesley Cassidy, Millie Connor, Andrea Duddle, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Diane Evans, Marshall Evans, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Ken Furlong, Phillip Geliebter, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, for the Harvey family and the repose of the soul of Esther Harvey, Pat Hendricks, Matt Hess, Danyell Jackson, Henry James, Jennifer Jenkins, John and Lindsay, Justin, Kevin Kendig, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, family and friends of Charles "Charlie" Lyman III, and especially his son, Kai, Joseph Manni, Robin McAllister, Paige McLean, Kevin McGloon, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Melanie, Bryan, and Joe Ostendorf, Barbara Oxenreider, Steve Padosh, Stan Pernsley, for the repose of the soul of the Rev. Daryll Perry, and his family and friends, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Louise Poles, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Karen Ragland, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Thomas Shanley, Barb Smelter, John Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Stephanie, Becky Swaggart, Sean, Dihona Talton and children, Bill Terry, Mike Tisbe, Catherine Thompson, Todd, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams, for the repose of the soul of Delores Williams, and her family and friends

And please pray for our first responders and those who serve in the military *Police: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Military: Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, PO William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, SMSgt Rewa Miller, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, COL Jeremy Smith, CMDR Michael Sracic MD, SPC John Starrett*

Christ Church in the Ukraine has asked for our prayers for parish members

*Yuriy, Danyil, Kyry, Ivan, Karyna and Marko;
and Mykyta, Mykola, Vasyl and Andriy, who are missing in action.*

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You're always welcome to stop by, but please call or text ahead to make sure Rev. Kristen or someone is there.

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Betty Sullivan, Michael Thompson