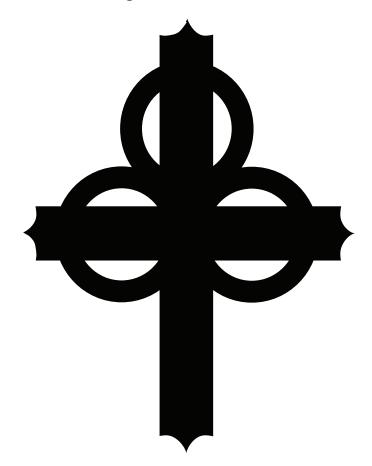
# The 16th Sunday after Trinity

September 24, 2023



# TRINITY

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#### The Entrance Rite

The Prelude

Children's Choir Jesus Loves Me with ASL Verses 1, 4

Entrance Hymn The People stand.

#437 Tell Out My Soul
Verses 1-4

#### The Acclamation

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

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

# The Collect for Purity

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*.

#### The Summary of the Law

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Children's Sermon The People sit. All children are welcome to come forward.

Please stand after the sermon as children 3-years-old through 1st grade leave to go upstairs to the Children's area for our Godly Play and Godly Study programs. They will return at communion.

## The Collect of the Day The People remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: O Lord, you have taught us that without love, all our deeds are worth nothing: Send

your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



# The Liturgy of the Word

## The Old Testament Reading The People sit.

A reading from the book of Jonah:

<sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

<sup>4</sup> But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. <sup>2</sup> And he prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. <sup>3</sup> Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup> And the Lord said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

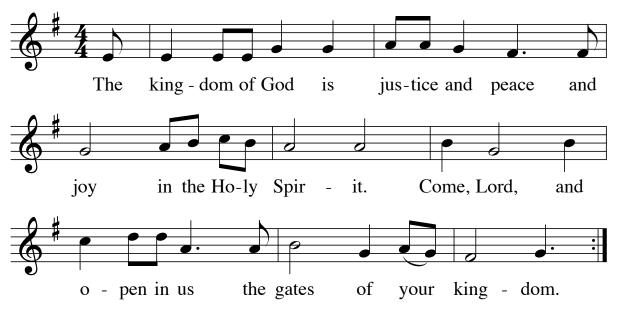
<sup>5</sup> Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. <sup>6</sup> Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. <sup>7</sup> But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup> When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." <sup>9</sup> But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup> And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup> And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than <sup>120</sup>,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

JONAH 3:10-4:11

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

# The Psalm The People stand and sing.

# Refrain



# Chant



| The eyes of all wait upon 'you, O Lord, *            |
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| and you give them their food °in due season.         |
| You open °wide your hand, *                          |
| and fill all things living with °plenteousness.      |
| The Lord is righteous in °all his ways *             |
| and merciful in °all his works. (Refrain)            |
| The Lord is near to all those who call 'upon him, *  |
| to all who call upon him °faithfully.                |
| He will fulfill the desire of those °who fear him; * |
| he also will hear their cry and °will help them.     |
| The Lord preserves all those °who love him, *        |
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and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever °and ever. (Refrain)

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The Lord upholds all \*those who fall \*

and lifts up all those who °are bowed down.

but he will destroy all the oungodly.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; \*

PSALM 145:14-21

## The New Testament Reading The People sit.

A reading from the book of Philippians:

<sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup> But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

<sup>27</sup> Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel.

PHILIPPIANS 1:21-27

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

The Gradual Hymn The People stand and sing.

#383 Fairest Lord Jesus

Verse 1

#### The Gospel The People remain standing.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, <sup>4</sup> and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. 11 And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' 13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first last." MATTHEW 20:1-16

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Gradual Hymn The People stand and sing.

#383 Fairest Lord Jesus
Verse 3

| The Sermon: "Coming In Last" | Fr. Justin Hogg |
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#### The Nicene Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

#### Celebrant and People:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 the Son,†
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Let us pray for the church and for the world, saying "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God, let us pray to the Lord. (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.** 

For Foley, our Archbishop; for Alex, our Bishop, and Jody, his wife; for Neil, our Bishop in Residence; for Justin, our priest; for Trinity's Staff and Vestry; for the members of our Search Committee; and for all the clergy, lay leaders and people of our diocese and congregation, especially for Pastor Fideli and Bumbogo Parish, our sister parish in Rwanda.

O merciful God, who knows the needs of your Church and people in this place: look favorably upon us at this time, and of your great goodness grant to us a parish priest according to your heart, who shall perform all your will; through our Lord Jesus Christ, the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad and for all who teach and disciple others. (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service, especially for Joe, our President; Brian, our Governor; the Congress and the Supreme Court; Jay, our Mayor; our County Commissioners and members of the City Council; and members of the city and county school boards; let us pray to the Lord. (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, let us pray to the Lord (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord. (Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Confession

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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 Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord and then be seated for announcements. Access this week's announcements by scanning the QR code on the back of this service guide or visit trinitythomasville.church/announcements.

# The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem The People remain seated.

Psalm 145: I Will Lift Up Your Name
Children's & Adult Choirs

During this time, all quietly meditate on offering our lives and our gifts to the Lord.

**Presentation Hymn** The People stand.

sung to the tune of All Creatures of Our God and King

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

#### Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

#### Sanctus

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

#### The People kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us.

In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

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

#### The Celebrant continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things into subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

Celebrant: 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.

We invite all baptized and believing Christians to participate in communion with us. You do not have to be Anglican to share in communion. At the appropriate time, ushers will direct you forward to the altar rail. To receive communion, kneel (if you are able) at the altar rail, place one hand on top of the other, and extend your hands with your palms upward. The bread in wafer form will be placed in your hands.

If you would like to receive by intinction (bread dipped in wine), leave the bread/wafer in your hands. Then the cup bearer will take the bread, dip it in the wine, and return it to you for you to consume.

If you would like to drink from the common cup, first consume the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you.

After you have received communion, you may return to your seat by the side aisles.

We also have sealed, individual communion available at the back for those with health concerns.

If for any reason you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing instead. During communion, a prayer team is available to pray over you for intercession and healing.

#### **Communion Songs**

#### Endless Alleluia

In the morning when I rise to meet You In the morning when I lift my eyes You're the only One I wanna cling to You're the first thought on my mind

So let our voices rise all creation cries Singing out an endless alleluia From this moment on join with Heaven's song Singing out an endless alleluia!

In the moments where You go unnoticed In the ordinary day to day Countless miracles of life around us Point like arrows to Your name

So let our voices rise all creation cries Singing out an endless alleluia From this moment on join with Heaven's song Singing out an endless alleluia!

And we cry holy holy holy We cry holy holy holy We cry holy holy holy Is the Lamb

So let our voices rise all creation cries Singing out an endless alleluia From this moment on join with Heaven's song Singing out an endless alleluia!

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Is the Lamb

#### God Be Merciful to Me

God be merciful to me On Thy grace, I rest my plea Plenteous in compassion Thou Blot out my transgressions now

Wash me, make me pure within Cleanse, oh, cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess Grief and guilt my soul oppress I have sinned against Thy grace And provoked Thee to Thy face

I confess Thy judgment just Speechless, I, Thy mercy trust

I am evil born in sin Thou desirest truth within Thou alone my Savior art Teach Thy wisdom to my heart

Make me pure, Thy grace bestow Wash me whiter than the snow

Gracious God, my heart renew Make my spirit right and true Thy salvation's joy impart Steadfast make my willing heart Steadfast make my willing heart

Broken, humbled to the dust By Thy wrath and judgment just Let my contrite heart rejoice And in gladness hear Thy voice

From my sins, oh, hide Thy face Blot them out in boundless grace The Postcommunion Prayer The People kneel.

Celebrant: Let us pray

Celebrant and People:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Blessing The People remain kneeling.

Celebrant: 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 among

you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn The People stand.

#493 O For a Thousand Tongues

Verses 1-3

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### The Postlude



# Worship Sundays at 10 am

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