Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT Sunday, September 21, 2025 9:00 a.m.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2



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Welcome to Trinity

We welcome all who worship with us at Trinity Episcopal Church in Collinsville, CT -- those here in our sanctuary and those who join us by live-streaming.

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Sunday, September 21, 2025 The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Laura Jean Ahrens Bishop Suffragan of Connecticut

Prelude

Opening Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name #450

Words: Edward Perronnet. Music: Oliver Holden; Michael Young

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

2 Crown him ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all! the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Welcome

Proclamation for Trinity

Opening Acclamation

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

People: And Blessed be His Kingdom, now and

forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity (in unison)

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 Gloria S280

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.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land:

"Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?"
"Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?"

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 79:1-9

Reader: O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; they have made Jerusalem a heap of

rubble.

People: They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.

Reader: They have shed their blood like water on

every side of Jerusalem, and there was no

one to bury them.

People: We have become a reproach to our

neighbors, an object of scorn and derision to

those around us.

Reader: How long will you be angry, O LORD? will

your fury blaze like fire for ever?

People: Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who

have not known you and upon the kingdoms

that have not called upon your Name.

Reader: For they have devoured Jacob and made his

dwelling a ruin.

People: Remember not our past sins; let your

compassion be swift to meet us; for we have

been brought very low.

Reader: Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of

your Name; deliver us and forgive us our sins,

for your Name's sake.

The Epistle

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.

This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all

This was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Alleluia verse



Al-le-lu-ia; A-lle-lu-ia; Al-le-lu-ia.

The Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property.

So he summoned him and said to him, `What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.'

Then the manager said to himself, `What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.'

So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.'

And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light.

And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own?

No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rt. Rev. Laura Jean Ahrens

Bishop Suffragan of Connecticut

(A period of silence is kept.)

Choir Anthem Praise the Lord with Music

Words & Music: Jay Althouse

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows BCP 292

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and

renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: I do.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of

heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of

God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy

Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven.

And is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the

dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God, the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic

church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the

body, and life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and

fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

People: I will with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,

whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to

the Lord?

People: I will with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the

Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,

loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all

people, and respect the dignity of every

human being?

People: I will with God's help.

Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord

Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by

water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon you the forgiveness of sins, keep you in eternal

life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen

Choral Call to Prayer O Lord, Hear My Prayer Words and Music by Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People Form III BCP p. 387

Reader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may

truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Reader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word

and Sacraments.

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in

the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the

earth.

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we

undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any

grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered

into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly

kingdom.

Reader: We pray especially for those on our intercession

list _____, and for those named here

(pause for the congregation to add their

intercessions).

Reader: In your mercy.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Dear God, we thank you for the gift of a new

priest who will soon be with us. We thank you for the work of Trinity and St. John's vestries for

bringing us together in this new adventure of

co-sharing a priest. Thank you for providing the

wonderful supply priests, and lay presiders and

homilists who have led our worship these last

four years.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader:

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray for St. John's, Stamford; Calvary, Stonington; St. Mark's, Storrs. We pray for children and children's ministries, especially ministries for children with special needs. We also pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader:

Let us pray for peace in the world:

God of peace and justice, we pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East, in Ukraine and Russia, and in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for all in these wars who have died, are wounded or missing. We pray for all who grieve, live in fear, and wait anxiously for the return of their loved ones. We pray for those who protect and defend our country. May your kingdom of justice and peace reign throughout the world.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Confession

BCP 360

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Please kneel as you are able.)

All:

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 might delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: 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

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Offering

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave of himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy #362
Words: Reginald Heber, Music: John Bacchus Dykes

1 Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity. 2 Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

3 Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

The Doxology Old 100th Hymn 380 Verse 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

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.

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S124

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.

Hosanna in the highest

(The people may stand or kneel.)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father, We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the

fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [______ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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

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

(A period of silence is kept.)

Fraction Anthem

S154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia Christ our Passover sacrificed for us Therefore, let us keep the feast Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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.

(Gluten-free wafers and individual cups are available at the altar rail)

Communion Hymn: I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord #304

Words: Brian A. Wren. Music: Annabel Morris Buchanan (American Folk Melody)

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free, in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.

- 2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.
- 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
 The love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.
- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known: we see and praise him here.
- 5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

The Blessing

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 Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn How Firm a Foundation # 637

Music: Lyons Words: Lois Fyfe. Johann Michael Haydn

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia

Postlude

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Celebrating the Worship Service

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home.

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Laura Jean Ahrens

Bishop Suffragan of Connecticut

Crucifer: Marc-Yves Regis

Torchbearers: Kady Nicksa & Noah Nicksa

Ministers of Gary Nicksa & Marc-Yves

Communion: Regis

Reader: Sandra Thibault

Ushers: Elaine Eno and Mimi McGill

Altar Guild: Phyllis Lowell and Dawn Lowell

Music: Francesco Blackmore, Director

and the Trinity Choir

Trumpet - Nick Cassarino

Flute - Doug Lang

Violin - Nathan Dialectakis

September Worship Services

Sun, Sept 21 Special 150th Anniversary Worship Celebration

9:00 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Laura Jean Ahrens

Bishop Suffragan of Connecticut

Join us for Coffee Hour with Bishop Laura

Sun, Sept 28 Celebration of the Word, Rite 2

9:00 a.m. Presider/Homilist: Stan Moraski

September Events Calendar

Mon, Sept 22 Canton Food Bank open

6:00-7:00 p.m. Miriam's Closet Open-Maryellen Prudhomme

Attending

Tues, Sept 23

8:00-11:00 a.m. Canton Food Bank open

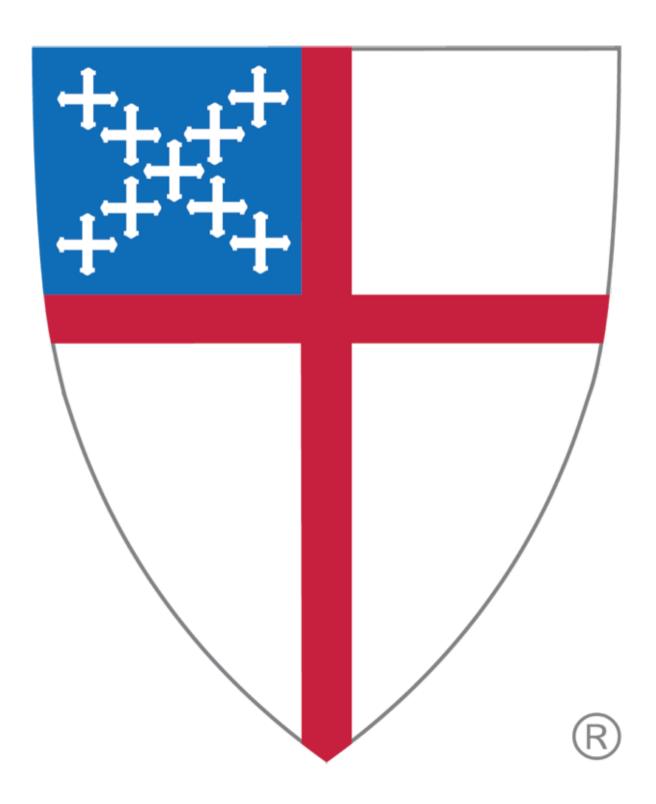
8:30-11:00 a.m. Miriam's Closet Open-Mimi McGill Attending

Mon, Sept 29 Canton Food Bank open

7:00-8:00 p.m.

Tues, Sept 30 Canton Food Bank open

8:00-11:00 a.m.



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