

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT
Sunday, October 26, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2



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with God's help, we serve our community and beyond."*

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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Celebrant: The Rev. Claudia Scheda

Prelude

Opening Hymn Sing the Mighty Power of God #398

Words: Isaac Watts, Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams

1 I sing the almighty power of God,
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command,
and all the stars obey.

2 I sing the goodness of the Lord,
that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his Word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,

where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!

3 There's not a plant or flower below,
but makes thy glories known;
and clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne;
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that I could be,
thou, God, art present there.

Welcome

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

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

Joel 2:23-32

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.

Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes.

Then everyone who calls on the name the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those who the LORD calls.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 65

Reader: You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

People: To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, because of their transgressions.

Reader: Our sins are stronger than we are, but you will blot them out.

People: Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.

Reader: Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

People: You make fast the mountains by your power, they are girded about with might.

Reader: You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.

People: Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

Reader: You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.

People: You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.

Reader: You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

People: You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.

Reader: May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.

People: May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

The Epistle

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 18:9-14

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.'

But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, `God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Claudia Scheda

A period of silence is kept

Choir Anthem We Are Singing for the Lord Is Our Light

Words: Hal H. Hopson Music: Aaron Copland

The Nicene Creed (in unison) (all stand) BCP p. 358

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 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.**

Choral Call to Prayer O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Words and Music: 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 our new priest, Rev. Claudia Scheda. 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 Holy Spirit, West Haven; St. Paul's, Westbrook, the Diocesan Episcopal Church Women and Diocesan Altar Guild. We pray for local ECW chapters and parish hall guilds. We pray for the Church in Wales.

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 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 Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor

Words: Henry Scott Holland, Music: Komm, O Komm, du Geist des Lebens #596

1 Judge eternal, throned in splendor,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
with thy living fire of judgment
purge this land of bitter things;
solace all its wide dominion
with the healing of thy wings.

2 Still the weary folk are pining
for the hour that brings release,
and the city's crowded clangor
cries aloud for sin to cease;
and the homesteads and the woodlands
plead in silence for their peace.

3 Crown, O God, thine own endeavor;
cleave our darkness with thy sword;
feed all those who do not know thee
with the richness of thy word;
cleanse the body of this nation
through the glory of the Lord.

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 A BCP p.361

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.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say 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 stand or kneel.)

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 for ever. **Amen.**

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 small cups of wine are available at the altar rail)

Communion Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words: Robert Robinson, Music: Gerre Hancock #686

1 Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
mount of God's unchanging love.

2 Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:

prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

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

Words: John Rippon's Selection, Music: Lois Fyfe

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 "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."

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

Presider: 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 Rev. Claudia Scheda
Crucifer:	Jim Stapleton
Ministers of Communion:	Leslie Dehey and Jim Stapleton
Reader:	Sandra Thibault
Usher:	Michelle Mensel
Altar Guild:	Sharon Corthouts & Ann Bierut
Music:	Francesco Blackmore, Director and The Trinity Choir

October and November Worship Services

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| Sun, Oct 26
9:00 am | Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Rite 2
Celebrant: The Rev. Claudia Scheda |
| Sun, Nov 2
9:00 am | Service of the Word, Rite 2
Presider/Homilist: Mimi McGill |
| Sun, Nov 9
9:00 am | Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Claudia Scheda |
| Sun, Nov 16
9:00 am | Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2
Celebrant: The Rev, Marilyn Anderson |
| Sun, Nov 23
9:00 am | Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2
Celebrant: The Rev. Claudia Scheda |
| Sun, Nov 30
9:00 am | Advent 1
Thanksgiving Weekend
TBD |

October and November Events Calendar

Mon, Oct 27 6:00–7:00 pm	Canton Food Bank Open
Tues, Oct 28 8:00–11:00 am	Canton Food Bank Open
Mon, Nov 3 6:00–7:00 pm	Canton Food Bank open Mimi's Closet Open Betsy Jahne attending
Tues, Nov 4 8:00–11:00 am	Canton Food Bank open Miriam's Closet Open 8:30-11:00 a.m. Mimi McGill attending
Mon, Nov 10 6:00–7:00 pm	Canton Food Bank Open
Tues, Nov 11 8:00–11:30 am	Canton Food Bank Open
Mon, Nov 17 6:00–7:00 pm	Canton Food Bank open Mariam's Closet Open Maryellen Prudhomme attending
Tues, Nov 18 8:00–11:00 am	Canton Food Bank open Miriam's Closet Open 8:30-11:00 a.m. Deb Asaro and Linda Burgess attending
Wed, Nov 19 7:00 -8:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thur, Nov 20 10:00-11:00 am	Worship Committee Meeting

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