

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT

Sunday, August 23, 2026

9:00 a.m.

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist Rite 2



Growing in Faith

Living in Hope Serving in Love

Welcome to Trinity

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

Please know that your presence and your prayers are a beloved gift to this faith community. We pray that you sense the love of Christ, the stirring of the Holy Spirit, and God's presence here.

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Trinity Episcopal Church Mission Statement

*"With God's love, we joyfully welcome and nourish all; with God's help,
we serve our community and beyond."*

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
August 23, 2026, 9:00 a.m.
The Rev. Claudia Scheda

Prelude

Processional Hymn

When Morning Gilds The Skies #427

Words: Robert Seymour Bridges, Music: Joseph Barnby

1 When morning gilds the skies,
my heart, awaking, cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
When evening shadows fall,
this rings my curfew call,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

2 When mirth for music longs,
this is my song of songs:
may Jesus Christ be praised!
God's holy house of prayer
hath none that can compare
with: Jesus Christ be praised!

3 No lovelier antiphon
in all high heaven is known

than, Jesus Christ be praised!
There to the eternal Word
the eternal psalm is heard:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

4 Ye nations of mankind,
in this your concord find:
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Let all the earth around
ring joyous with the sound:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

5 Sing, suns and stars of space,
sing, ye that see his face,
sing, Jesus Christ be praised!
God's whole creation o'er,
both now and evermore
shall Jesus Christ be praised!

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

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

People: **And Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. 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 Gloria *(spoken in unison)*

**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

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and

escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live.

So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not

like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took

pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said.

Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it.

When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124 (BCP 781)

Reader: If the LORD had not been on our side, let Israel now say;

People: If the LORD had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;

Reader: Then would they have swallowed us
up alive in their fierce anger toward
us;

People: **Then would the waters have
overwhelmed us and the torrent
gone over us;**

Reader: Then would the raging waters have
gone right over us.

People: **Blessed be the LORD! he has
not given us over to be a prey
for their teeth.**

Reader: We have escaped like a bird from
the snare of the fowler; the snare is
broken, and we have escaped.

People: **Our help is in the Name of
the LORD, the maker of heaven
and earth.**

The Epistle Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by
the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a
living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which
is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to
this world, but be transformed by the renewing of

your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***All stand for the Alleluia verse and the
reading of the Gospel.***



Al-le -lu -ia, Al - le -lu -ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

The Gospel Matthew 16: 13-20

Priest: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will

be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Claudia Scheda

(A period of silence is kept)

The Nicene Creed (*said in unison*) BCP 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

The Prayers of the People Form III BCP p.387

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

People: **That we may all 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: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray for Rectory School, Pomfret; Salisbury School, Salisbury; South Kent School, South Kent; and students, teachers and chaplains at Episcopal schools preparing to begin the school year. We also pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for peace in the world:

People: 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.

Priest: 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

Priest: 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**

Priest: 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

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be always with
you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Offering

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

Offertory Hymn

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord #304

Words: Brian A Wren, Music: Land of Rest

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.

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

Priest: 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 Pg. 367

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Priest: *(Here the Priest inserts the Proper Preface of their choice.)*

Priest: 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 *(spoken in unison)*

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)

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,

Priest and People:

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 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

Priest: 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.)

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

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

Priest: 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 are available at the altar rail)

Communion Hymn (Instrumental)

The Church's One Foundation

Words: Samuel John Stone, Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 366

Priest: Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, 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 Rev. Claudia Scheda

The Closing Hymn

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation #518

Words: John Mason Neal, Music: Henry Purcell

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation

pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted lovingkindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Alleluia Alleluia

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia Alleluia

Postlude

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The Altar Flowers, and the Sanctuary Lamp,
are given to the Glory of God.

Celebrating The Eucharist

Are the People of God gathered at Trinity Church
and at home.

Priest:	The Rev. Claudia Scheda
Crucifer:	Gary Nicksa
Ministers of Communion:	Gary Nicksa and Jim Stapleton
Reader:	Ann Bierut
Usher:	Elaine Eno
Altar Guild:	Linda Burgess Nell Bonnett
Music:	Francesco Blackmore, Director of Music
Today's Substitute Organist	Cheryl Scholes

August Worship Calendar

Sun, Aug 23 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:00 am Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2
Priest: The Rev. Claudia Scheda

Sun, Aug 30 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:00 am Service of the Word, Rite 2
Presider: Stan Moraski

August Events Calendar

CANTON FOOD BANK

Monday hours 6-7 pm	Tuesday hours 8:30-11:30 am
August 24	August 25
August 31	September 1

MIRIAM'S CLOSET

Open the first Monday of each month 6-7 pm
(Closed Sept 7 Labor Day)

Open the first Tuesday of each month 8:30-11:30 am
Open Tuesday, September 8, 2026

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

No Meetings

Rev. Claudia's Schedule for this week



WEEK OF: AUGUST 23 - AUGUST 29, 2026

Sunday Aug 23 AM Presiding at Trinity	Monday Aug 24 Rev. Claudia's Sabbath Day	Tuesday Aug 25 St. John's am drop ins after 10 am 3pm onwards pastoral visits	Wednesday Aug 26 Trinity drop in morning or afternoon	Thursday Aug 27 11 am Trinity drop ins after noon
<i>O clap your hands, all you his people; shout to God with songs of joy!</i>			Friday Aug 28 Pastoral visits, weekly prep (home office)	Saturday Aug 29 Internment (Kurau) Sermon prep (home office)





A note from Rev. Claudia



Please Note: Thursday I have an early doctor appointment and can't predict when I will arrive at Trinity. I will be at St. John's on Tuesday, and at Trinity Wednesday, and other times by appointment.

I have many open times this week for pastoral visits, or coffee/breakfast/ lunch with anyone who'd like to chat. Even within the times marked above, I can 'tweak' most of my plans to fit your visit, call, or pastoral session. Call me directly at 959-799-1515 or email me at rectorstjohntrinity@gmail.com to verify your best time to meet.

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