

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT

August 16, 2026

9:00 a.m.

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Service of the Word Rite II



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, 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

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

Sunday, August 16, 2026
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word
Presider: Stan Moraski

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word #530

Words: Arthur William Farlander, Music: William Henry Havergal

1 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word,
spread the kingdom of the Lord,
that to earth's remotest bound
all may heed the joyful sound;

2 word of how the Father's will
made the world, and keeps it, still;
how his only Son he gave,
earth from sin and death to save;

3 word of how the Savior's love
earth's sore burden doth remove;
how forever, in its need,
through his death the world is freed;

4 word of how the Spirit came
bringing peace in Jesus' name;
how his never-failing love
guides us on to heaven above.

5 Word of life, most pure and strong,
word for which the nations long,
spread abroad, until from night
all the world awakes to light.

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

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

People: And Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen

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 *(said 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

Presider: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Presider: Let us pray

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The First Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers,

"I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide

for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 133

BCP p 787

Reader: Oh, how good and pleasant it is,
when brethren live together in
unity!

People: **It is like fine oil upon the head
that runs down upon the beard.**

Reader: Upon the beard of Aaron, and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

People: **It is like the dew of Hermon that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

Reader: For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: life for evermore.

The Epistle

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been

disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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 15: (10-20), 21-28

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every

plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of

the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Stan Moraski

(A period of silence is kept)

The Nicene Creed (*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 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 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 Wooster School, Danbury; Kent School, Kent; St.Thomas's Day School, New Haven; the students, teachers, and chaplains at Episcopal schools

preparing to begin the school year, and the Church in Wales.

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.

Presider: 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 forever. **Amen**

The Offering

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

Offertory Hymn

Spirit of the Living God #531

Words: James Montgomery, Music: Samuel Webbe

1 O Spirit of the living God,
in all thy plenitude of grace,
where'er the foot of man hath trod,
descend on our apostate race.

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love,
to preach the reconciling word;
give power and unction from above,
whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

3 Be darkness, at thy coming, light;
confusion, order in thy path;
souls without strength inspire with might,
bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 Convert the nations! far and nigh
the triumph of the cross record;
the Name of Jesus glorify,
till every people call him 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

Presider: All things come of thee O Lord,

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

The Lord's Prayer

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 Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Grace

Presider: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and forever. **Amen**

Closing Hymn

O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling #539

Words: Mary Ann Thomson, Music: James Walch

1 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that he who made all nations is not willing
one soul should fail to know his love and might.

Refrain:

Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

2 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
and died on earth that all might live above.
[Refrain]

3 Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious;
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious
till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day.
[Refrain]

4 He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him,
make known to every heart his saving grace;
let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,
through thy neglect, unfit to see his face. [Refrain]

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

Celebrating the Service of the Word

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

Presider:	Stan Moraski
Reader:	Ann Bierut
Usher:	Sharon Corthouts
Altar Guild:	Linda Burgess Nell Bonnett
Music:	Francesco Blackmore, Director of Music

August Worship Calendar

Today

Sun, Aug 16 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
9:00 am Service of the Word, Rite 2
Presider: Stan Moraski

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 17	August 18
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

Wed. Aug 19 Care for the Caregivers meets at Trinity at 1:00 pm

Thur. Aug 20 Worship Committee meets at Trinity at 10:00 am

Rev. Claudia's Schedule for this week



WEEK OF: AUGUST 16 – AUGUST 22, 2026

Sunday Aug 16 AM Presiding at St. John's Retirement Celebration for organist Halyna Petronchak	Monday Aug 17 St. John's drop in after 10 am 3 pm onwards - Pastoral visits	Tuesday Aug 18 Trinity drop in in morning or afternoon	Wednesday Aug 19 Rev. Claudia's Sabbath Day	Thursday Aug 20 AM Trinity Worship Committee Meeting (remote) Can return phone, text, and emails in the afternoon
<i>O clap your hands, all you his people; shout to God with songs of joy!</i>			Friday Aug 21 Weekly prep, sermon prep (home office) Can return phone, text, and emails in the afternoon	Saturday Aug 22 Can return phone, text, emails in the afternoon



Rev. Claudia



Note: This week I have changed my Sabbath Day to Wednesday so I can take a short visit to see my Mom.

I will be reachable by phone, text, and email; mostly returning messages in the afternoon. I have some open times Monday and Tuesday afternoon for pastoral visits. Please call me directly at 959-799-1515 or email at rectorstjohntrinity@gmail.com to verify your best time to meet.

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