# Trinity Episcopal Church

Offering Companionship along the Way

# The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## September 28, 2025

**Prelude** Organ improvisation on tune *Du Lebensbrot Herr Jesu Christ* 

Processional Hymn 375 Give praise and glory unto God

Du Lebensbrot Herr Jesu Christ

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

**People:** And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Pastor: 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.** 

## Gloria "Glory to God" (pew card)

Gevert 2023-06

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray together our collect:

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

### A Reading from Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard.

In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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

#### Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

Bryan Hesford (b. 1930)

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, \* abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the LORD,

"You are my refuge and my stronghold, \* my God in whom I put my trust."

3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter \* and from the deadly pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; \* his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, \* nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, \* nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.

14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; \*

I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*

I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, \* and show him my salvation.

## A Reading from 1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

Gradual Hymn 356 May choirs of angels lead you

Christus, der ist mein Leben

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia"

Plainchant Mode 6, arr. Christine Gevert



Pastor: The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 16:19-31

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Robert Woodroofe

Minute of silence for reflection

The Nicene Creed

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

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Sean, our Diocesan Bishops Jeffrey and Laura; for this gathering and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison, especially Maureen Tesoro, and Rachel Lamb (*Please add the names of those you wish to pray for*)........

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of the Holy. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially (*Please add your names*.) Pray for those who have died.

On our parish cycle of prayer, I ask your prayers for Maureen Tesoro, Alison and Gary Tripp, and Janet Walker, and Tony Appio, and for their families.

I ask your thanksgivings for all those things for which you are grateful for today...(we leave time for thanksgivings to be added).

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. **Amen.** 

## **The Confession**

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.

#### **Absolution**

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.** 

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

**People:** And also with you.

**Announcements** 

Offertory Hymn 425 Sing now with joy unto the Lord

Adon Olam

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100<sup>th</sup>

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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 God thanks and praise.

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy:** "Holy, holy, holy Lord – Sanctus" (pew card)

Gevert 2017-06

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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 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**.

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

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.

**Fraction Anthem** "Blessed are those who are called" (pew card)

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Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him all you peoples.

For his loving-kindness toward us is great, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Communion Hymn 307 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor

Bryn Calfaria

#### **Postcommunion Prayer**

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## **Blessing**

Closing Hymn 432 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height

Laudate Dominum

#### The Dismissal

Pastor: Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Organ improvisation on tune *Laudate Dominum* 

The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God.

## **Serving Today**

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Robert Woodroofe Minister of Communion: Mary Anne Carley

Lector: David Booth Beers

Epistler: Hotchkiss student (alt: Susanna Schindler)

Intercessor: Marian Beers Flowers: Marian Beers Counter: Bev Becker

Altar Guild: Theresa Kenny & Arthur Fort Greeters/Ushers Marian Beers and Diane Walters

Verger: Geoff Brown

## **Announcements**

Sunday, October 5 10:30 AM Rev. Kathleen Killian Preacher & Celebrant

Sunday, October 12 10:30 AM Rev. Robert Woodroofe Preacher & Celebrant

For the month of October there will be no 8:00 AM Services.

## **Weekly Schedule**

**Mondays** 5:00 PM Crescendo rehearsals in Walker Hall

**Tuesdays** 9:00 AM to 12 Noon Taichi Practice with Alina Hernandez in Walker Hall

**Wednesdays** 6:00 PM Women's AA in Walker Hall

Saturdays 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller every other Sat.

Parish Administrator, Patricia Signorelli every Sat.

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