



TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
October 25, 2020 - 10:30am

**Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to
love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God.**

Prelude, Improvisation on “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

∞ Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant continues

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. *People*
Amen.

Please be seated.

Gloria, Missa pueroroum, op. 62

JOSEF GABRIEL RHEINBERGER

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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.

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.
People **Amen.**

The Word of God

∞ The First Reading

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 15-18

The People sit.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

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

∞ The Gradual, *Missa puerorum (Verbum supernum prodiens)*

J.G. RHEINBERGER

**The Word descending from above,
without leaving the right hand of his Father,
and going forth to do his work,
reached the evening of his life.
By his birth he gave himself as our companion;
at the Last Supper he gave himself as our food;
dying on the cross he gave himself as our ransom;
reigning in heaven he gives himself as our reward
O salutary Victim,
Who expands the door of Heaven,
Hostile wars oppress us.**

∞ The Second Reading

1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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

Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

∞ The Holy Gospel

MATTHEW 22:34-46

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”’? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

∞ The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together

**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 VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression;**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Morris our Bishop; and
for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation . . .

We ask healing comfort for Walker Beery, Katie Bourg, Norris Fant, Rand Falkenberry, G.G. Griswold, Kirk Groome, Nancy Haslett, Teresa Kelleher, Joy Meade, Medora Monogold, Macon Riddle. Mary Nell Watters and others you would name.

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life especially for those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week.

We pray for the Mission Commission, Trinity Loaves and Fishes and all of our partners, especially Loaves and Fishes Africa. We pray for all those who affected by the recent hurricanes and fires and wind storms and for the first responders who are working toward recovery and prevention.

We pray especially for our Seminarian, Carrie Wright. In the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana we pray for Christ Episcopal Church, Slidell and for the Worldwide Anglican Communion.

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader
People

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader

We pray for all who have died, especially Anne Reily, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom and for victims of violence in our city.

Leader
People

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

∞ The Confession of Sin

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Celebrant and People

The People stand or kneel.

**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.**

∞ The Peace

∞ Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory, O Love of God, How Strong and True

VERNON GRIFFITHS

O love of God, how strong and true,
eternal and yet ever new;
uncomprehended and unbought,
beyond all knowledge and all thought.

O wide-embracing, wondrous Love,
we read thee in the sky above;
we read thee in the earth below,
in seas that swell and streams that flow.

We read thee best in him who came
to bear for us the cross of shame,
sent by the Father from on high,
our life to live, our death to die.

We read thy power to bless and save
e'en in the darkness of the grave;
still more in resurrection light
we read the fullness of thy might.

(Horatius Bonar)

∞ The Great Thanksgiving (PRAYER B)

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	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.

The Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface.

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, *Missa puerorum*

J.G. RHEINBERGER

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
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,

Celebrant 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

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleulia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleulia!**

∞ A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Celebrant In communion with those who are participating online, and cannot physically receive the Sacrament, we pray:

O my Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

∞ The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

∞ The Communion of the People

Please note that communion distribution will be very different for the foreseeable future. As you approach the altar area, everyone must use the hand sanitizer station before receiving communion. The consecrated hosts will be in a paper cup on the altar. As you approach the altar, please take one paper cup. Once you have consumed the communion, you will place the paper cup in the receptacle located near the altar.

Agnus Dei, Missa puerorum

J.G. RHEINBERGER

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

∞ The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

All stand.

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 Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Prelude, Improvisation on “Come Down, O Love Divine”

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Sunday at Trinity

Faith and Fiction meets at 9:00am on Zoom each Sunday. Contact Merry Toups a merry-paris@yahoo.com to learn more.

12 Steps Are for Everyone meets at 9:15am on Zoom. Check member emails or contact Karen Taylor at taylorks@aol.com for Zoom access.

Godly Play meets at 9:15am on Zoom. Check member emails or contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com for Zoom access.

Junior EYC Pumpkin Decorating meets from 4:00pm - 5:00pm in Bishop Polk Hall.

Senior EYC Pumpkin Decorating meets from 5:00pm - 5:45pm in Bishop Polk Hall.

Halloween Giving Opportunity

Candy for Kingsley House - Trinity has donated \$400 worth of Halloween candy to Kingsley House for their children's program. Parishioners who would like to financially contribute to cover that cost can submit donations to the church front desk. Questions? Contact The Reverend John M. Pitzer at jpitzer@trinitynola.com.

Weekday Formation Opportunities

Bible Study at Breakfast - Wednesdays at 8:00am on Zoom, join this rector-led Bible study with the Reverend Andrew R. Thayer for men and women of all ages, studying the Gospel of John. Check member emails for Zoom access or email Ashley Eastham at aeastham@trinitynola.com.

The Enneagram of Belonging - Every other Thursday at 4:30pm on Zoom, meeting this week, October 29. This Enneagram formation group will help you appreciate different perspectives, and learn how to practice compassion for yourself, those you love, and maybe even those you don't love so much., using the Enneagram of Belonging by Christopher Heurtz. The book and workbook are available for sale in Trinity Treasures.

Upcoming Events

Trinity's 20s and 30s Pumpkin Painting - On Tuesday, October 27 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm, join other Trinity young adults for Halloween themed fellowship and pumpkin painting. Bring a folding festival chair and a gourd from home if you like. Paints and mini pumpkins will be provided. Invite friends who like to wear masks and socialize outdoors. If you choose to theme your beverages around pumpkins or the color orange, you'll be in an even more festive spirit! This is a drop in event in the Molly's House yard, at 2119 Coliseum. Dogs that behave on leashes are welcome. Contact jwigginnettles@trinitynola.com with questions or to RSVP.

First Sunday: Justice - Featuring Special Guest Speaker: Sister Helen Prejean

As Trinity's small group ministry embarks on the final month of study around the themes of Humility, Mercy, and Justice, Sister Helen Prejean will offer a theological reflection on the theme of "Justice" for our First Sunday presentation, via Zoom. Prejean is known around the world for her tireless work against the death penalty and has been instrumental in sparking national dialogue on capital punishment. She is the author *Dead Man Walking*, *The Death of Innocents*, and a new spiritual memoir *River of Fire*. You can read more about Sister Prejean here. The new 'Justice Playlist' will also go live November 1.

All Souls Day: A Service of Remembrance - On Monday, November 2 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm in the church, a special service of remembrance and music will be offered at Trinity with a small group of singers from the Trinity Choir and Krewe de Voix. A Eucharistic celebration, the service will be offered in remembrance of those who have moved into the nearer presence of God over the past year.

The singers will be placed away from the congregation, safely spaced out in Trinity's large balcony. The music will include the Funeral Sentences of Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656) and the Dorian Service by Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585), as well as hymns and psalms sung from the balcony. Check member emails and the church website for information on how to pre-register, or email aeastham@trinitynola.com.

Announcements

Please submit Names for the Vestry Nominating Committee - The Nomination Committee responsible for discerning the next slate of Vestry members is now forming. The Co-Chairs are Elinor Howard and Heather Lonian. If you would like to submit names for the Nomination Committee please reach out to them (contact info listed below). Nominations will be open until October 30. We are committed to ensuring that this process is open and transparent and available to the whole parish. Thank you for your consideration!

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The Trinity Library - We are thrilled to share a new resource with our congregation! The Moore Library has been re-organized by a team of dedicated volunteers. All of the titles are now on this Library App, also available on the church website under the Formation tab. Browse through the titles to see what peaks your interest. There are books on prayer, spirituality, theology, and liturgy. Books are organized alphabetically, by author, and can be borrowed on the honor system. Happy reading! Many thanks to the volunteers that made it possible, led by Dianne Schlosser and including Nancy Briant, Carol Spencer, Melissa Dovie, Cathy Posey, Vicki Moran and Zeki Salah.

Trinity Treasures

No tricks only treats! All Halloween items now 40% off! Pop in to Trinity Treasures or shop online. Trinity Treasures is now open Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 3:30pm and Sundays before and after 10:30am worship. Shop online at trinitytreasuresnola.com. Please remember that Trinity Treasures' profits go to Trinity ministries and community projects through WOTC grants.

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