

# Welcome to Holy Trinity Church



Parish Eucharist  
31<sup>st</sup> May 2026  
Trinity Sunday



# The Gathering

## Processional Hymn

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:  
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above,  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render, O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

(Source: CAHON 314)

## **The Greeting**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

## **Welcome**

*An introduction to the service is given.*

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
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.**

## **Prayer of Penitence**

We have too often exchanged the worship of the living God for idols of our own imagining.

As we gather to offer our praises to the holy and undivided Trinity, and to worship him in spirit and in truth, let us call to mind our sins.

Father, you come to meet us when we return to you:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins:

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Spirit, you give us life and peace:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## **Absolution**

Almighty God,

who forgives all who truly repent,

have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **The Gloria**

**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**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship  
the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all  
adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

**First Reading - Isaiah 40.12–17, 27–end**

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah, chapter 40, beginning  
at the 12<sup>th</sup> verse.*

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his  
hand

and marked off the heavens with a span,  
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure,  
and weighed the mountains in scales  
and the hills in a balance?

Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,

or as his counsellor has instructed him?  
Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice?  
Who taught him knowledge,  
and showed him the way of understanding?  
Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,  
and are accounted as dust on the scales;  
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.  
Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.  
All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and  
emptiness.  
Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
'My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God'?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,

and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their  
strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 8**

***O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name  
in all the world!***

O Lord our governor,

how glorious is your name in all the world!

Your majesty above the heavens is praised  
out of the mouths of babes at the breast.

You have founded a stronghold against your foes,  
that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

***O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name  
in all the world!***

When I consider your heavens, the work of your  
fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have ordained,  
What is man, that you should be mindful of him;  
the son of man, that you should seek him out?  
You have made him little lower than the angels  
and crown him with glory and honour.

***O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name  
in all the world!***

You have given him dominion over the works of  
your hands

and put all things under his feet,  
All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,  
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea  
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our governor,  
how glorious is your name in all the world!

***O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name  
in all the world!***

**Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and  
to the Holy Spirit, as it was, is now,  
and shall be forever, Amen.**

## **Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 13.11–end**

*A reading from 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians, chapter 13 beginning at verse 11.*

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## **The Gradual Hymn**

I Alleluia, sing to Jesus!  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone:  
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluia, not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
alleluia, he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia, bread of angels,  
thou on earth our food, our stay;  
alleluia, here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia, King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own;  
alleluia, born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,

robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

(Source: CAHON 12)

## **The Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

### **Alleluia**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Matthew 28.16–20*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And

remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **The Creed**

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and 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,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who 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.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

*The Intercessor leads us in prayer,  
the following response may be used*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*At the end*

Merciful Father

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.

Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## **The Offertory Hymn**

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy  
sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not  
see,  
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky  
and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

(Source: CAHON 286)

## **Preparation of the Table**

Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine.

**Amen**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.

All that you reveal of your glory,  
the same we believe of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or  
inequality.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you,  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

Three Persons we adore,  
one in being and equal in majesty.  
And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim,  
we sing for ever of your glory:

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

who in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
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.

Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember now his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious  
ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit

inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

### **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*All those baptised and admitted to communion are welcome to receive communion, if you wish to receive a blessing please come forward with your arms crossed, please indicate if you wish to receive a wafer intincted into the wine or a gluten free wafer.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,

you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:

hold us firm in this faith,

that we may know you in all your ways

and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,

who are three Persons yet one God,

now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**Almighty God,**

**we thank you for feeding us**

**with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.**

**Send us out  
in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

## **Notices**

### **The Blessing**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## **Final Hymn**

1 Go forth and tell! O church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take;  
proclaim Christ Jesus, saviour, Lord, and king,  
that all the world his worthy praise may sing.

2 Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
he will in grace respond to all who call:  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of his word?

3 Go forth and tell where still the darkness lies;  
in wealth or want, the sinner surely dies:  
give us, O Lord, concern of heart and mind,  
a love like yours which cares for all mankind.

4 Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:  
share God's good gifts let no one be denied;  
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

5 Go forth and tell! O church of God, arise!  
go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;

go till all nations his great name adore  
and serve him, Lord and king for evermore

(Source: CAHON 238)

## **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

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