

Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost Proper 25



October 25, 2026
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church!

The 9 a.m. service is fully spoken; the 11 a.m. service includes hymns and other music. Hymns marked with "H" can be found in the blue Hymnal.

All else needed for worship is contained in this bulletin.

If desired, the full text of the service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Page numbers are indicated.

*Congregational responses appear in **bold**.*

Announcements

Prelude

The people stand as they are able.

Entrance Hymn H 372 "Praise to the living God!"

Opening Acclamation

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Cele. **Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.**

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant says

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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.**

All say this Hymn of Praise (9 a.m.)

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.**

All sing this Hymn of Praise (11 a.m.)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

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Cele. The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Cele. Let us pray.

Cele. 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. **Amen.**

The people may be seated while lessons are read.

The Lessons

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Lector A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

The Response Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17



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¹LORD, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

²Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

Refrain

³You turn us back to the dust and say, *
“Go back, O child of earth.”

⁴For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

Refrain

⁵You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

⁶In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

Refrain

¹³Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Refrain

¹⁵Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

¹⁶Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

Refrain

The Second Lesson 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn H 531 "O Spirit of the living God"

Silence is kept for reflection. Then, all stand as they are able for the proclaiming of the Gospel.

The Gospel Matthew 22:34-46

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

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

Deacon 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 Sermon

The Rev. Matthew Roney

Silence is kept 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 Form VI

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence for reflection

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

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

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

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

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

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Anne, our Assisting Bishop; for the
future Bishop Diocesan of the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes;
and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence for reflection.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

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

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.

Silence for reflection.

The People may add their own petitions

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

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

Silence may be kept.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion
forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left
undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and
serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your
Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Cele. 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

Cele. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People may greet one another with a sign of peace. After the Peace, the People are seated for the offertory.

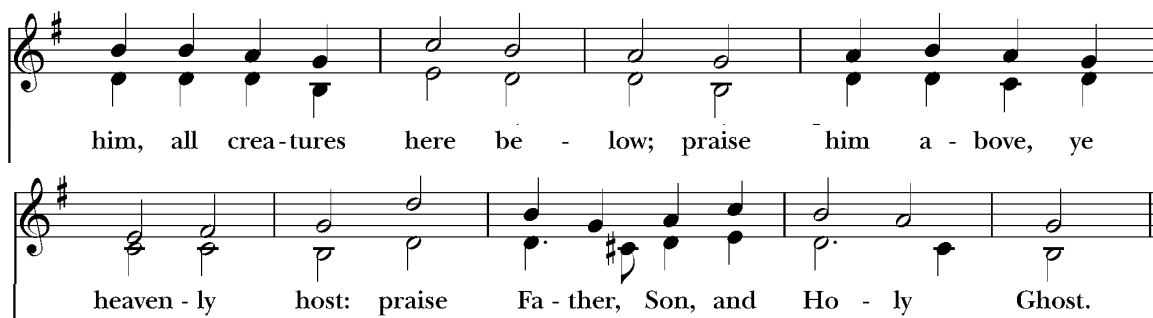
Offertory

The People stand as the offering is brought forward.

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*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

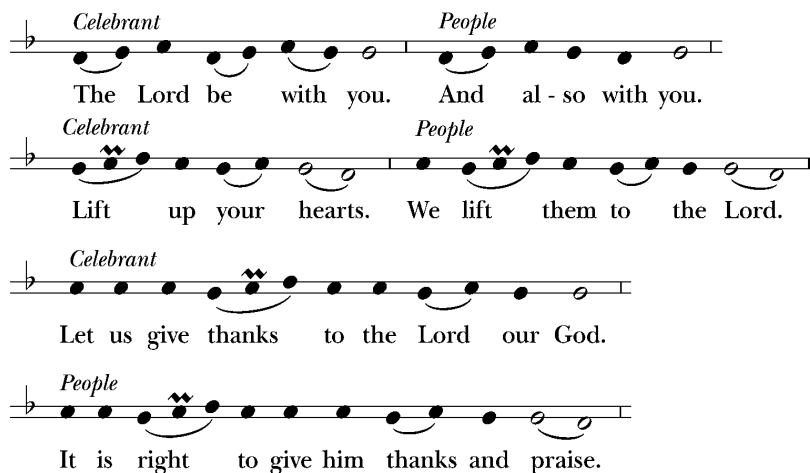


The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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The People stand as they are able. The Celebrant faces them and says (9 a.m.) or sings (11 a.m.)



The Celebrant continues

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

Here the Celebrant says or sings a Proper Preface, followed by

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:

Clergy and People (9 a.m.)

**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.**

Clergy and People (11 a.m.)

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G-flat major (three flats) and 4/4 time. It consists of nine staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words spanning across bar lines. The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and rests. There are also some decorative flourishes, like a large bracket under the first staff and a large 'C' shape at the beginning of the eighth staff.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are
full, _____ full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes _____
_____ in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death...

The Celebrant continues, pronouncing the Words of Institution—the words spoken by Jesus at the Last Supper, when he instituted the sacrament of the Eucharist—concluding with

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

After this, the People acclaim as indicated:

Cele. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People and Clergy

Christ has died.

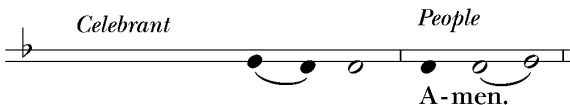
Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father . . . and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.



Cele. And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Clergy

**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. A period of silence is kept. Then, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

All present are invited forward. If you are not a baptized Christian or choose not to receive, please cross your arms in front of your chest and instead receive a blessing.

If you would like to learn more about receiving the sacrament of baptism, Fr. Matt would be overjoyed to speak with you after the service.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

Optional prayer for those who cannot receive due to absence, such as those worshipping at home

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

The people may be seated.

Hymns During Communion

Hymn "As we gather at your table"

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

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Hymn H 339 “Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness”

Hymn H 345 “Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise”

The People stand as they are able.

All say this post-communion prayer

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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 Celebrant blesses the people.

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God’s Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

Closing Hymn H 551 “Rise up, ye saints of God!”

The Deacon dismisses them with these or similar words.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

IN OUR PRAYERS

For Healing & Convalescing: Angeline Collins, Janice LeMonds, Hazel Farnum, Sid Urbanowicz, Ken Hubbard, Marley Hamp, Julian Liske, Tim Fitzpatrick, Joan Campbell, John Precord, Reed Hamp, Audrey Himes, Patti Rockwell, Debbie Sanborn, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Matthew Van Zetten, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Carol Putkamer, George, Michelle, Harry, Sue, Chuck, Becky & Dante, Tyson, Georgia, Kim, Morgan, Tom Goodburne, and Baby J.

Birthdays: Elijah Young (26)

Military: Ian Hamp, Ashley Alexander, Tyler Ferrier, Joshua Gapske, Isaac Graham, John Hartman

Cycles of Prayer: Trinity, Lexington, Christ Church, Charlevoix, and Monastic Solitary; Anglican: the Church of the Province of Central Africa

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	9 & 11 AM 11 AM 12:15 PM 4 PM	Holy Eucharist Children's Sunday School Choir Practice Sunday Supper
Tuesday	1:30 PM 4:45 PM 7 PM	Prayer Group Alpena Groove - Lower Level AA
Wednesday	12:05 PM 1 PM 5:15 PM 7 PM	Holy Eucharist Bible Study Bible Study AA
Thursday	9 AM 6 PM	Cleaning Crew at Trinity (Please try to avoid planning activities during this time) Vestry
Friday	5:30 PM 7 PM	AA St. Paul's Gospel Choir Concert - Trinity

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER/MEDITATION SPACE

In order to encourage the ministries of prayer, meditation, formation and spiritual direction, the Vestry has approved the dedication of space in the church undercroft. The two attached rooms (front, left) will be utilized for these activities. We will be preparing this space in November and kindly request that anyone that has personal items or things to be repurposed, that these be moved by the first of November when cleaning will occur. Thank you for your consideration!

CONCERT - ST PAUL EPISCOPAL GOSPEL CHOIR OF FLINT - OCTOBER 30

The St. Paul Episcopal Gospel Choir of Flint will perform at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 30 here at Trinity with a light reception following. (Free-will offering). The choir has been under the direction of Master Rafeal D. McDaniel for the last sixteen years, although it has been singing for over 40 years in Flint and throughout the country. Made up of members of different denominations, it is a community-based group that loves each other like family. The choir originated at Christ Church Flint, but after that church closed, it merged with St. Paul's choir and became a part of their service. They minister through their music bringing souls to Jesus with their traditional gospel music style. They will also serve as choir on Sunday, November 1.

HOLIDAY SEASON DOWNTOWN GIVING TREE ~ SUNDAY SUPPER PANTRY

Downtown this holiday season Alpena businesses will be collecting for different local nonprofits. Those participating will have giving trees at the front entrances of their establishments. **Traveling Ladders will be collecting for Sunday Supper's Food Pantry.** If you would like to contribute, you can drop off items at the store (102 N. 2nd) or pick up an "ornament" suggestion off the tree to bring back later. The collection runs Nov. 14- Dec. 12. All donations are appreciated!



Help Provide Thanksgiving Meals for NEMSCA Families in Need

Trinity Episcopal Church

Turkeys and canned goods are being provided by ECW,
Sunday Supper and other organizations.

We still need items from our congregation to help
complete these Thanksgiving meals.

We will be feeding ~244 people (46 families).

SUGGESTED DONATIONS

- ☒ Instant coffee
- ☒ Hot cocoa
- ☒ Cool Whip
- ☒ Cherry Pie Filling
- ☒ Turkey gravy
- ☒ Medium foil roasting pans
- ☒ Thanksgiving napkins

Drop off items in the Parish Hall

**November 8th
through the 22nd**

Questions? Contact Ellen Eagan, Sue Krafft, Rebecca
Stockdale, or Carol Rundell.

STEWARDSHIP

Plenty Good Room means radical welcome. This week, we give thanks for the hospitality of this parish and the ways we extend God's welcome to others.

This weeks financial comparison:

Item	2023	2024	2025	2026*
General Insurance	10738	12561	14076	15237

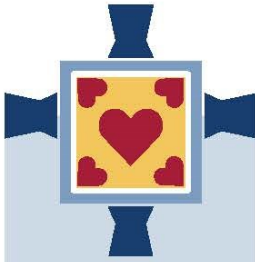
General Insurance expenditures continue to increase each year, just as you have seen your own car and house insurance rise. This is an important item to maintain, as Trinity knows from experience when our organ was damaged and insurance made it possible for us to repair and replace parts to our beautiful pipes and motor.

All Saints Center of Charity
Candlelight
Benefit Concert

Music provided by
the Bifocal Brass Sextet

AT ST. BERNARD CHURCH
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5TH 2026
6:30-8:00 P.M.
\$35 PER PERSON/ \$60 FOR 2 PEOPLE

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT ST. ANNES CHURCH OFFICE
QUESTIONS? CALL 989.354.3019



Plenty Good Room

Invitation to Thrive

Questions for Reflection:

What is something risky that you have undertaken that has paid off in the long run?



The Rev. Sabeth Fitzgibbons is rector of Trinity Church, Seattle and serves as Treasurer on the board of TENS.



It's 7:45AM on a Saturday morning in May. I join 45 people gathered on a dirt lot around a table made of plywood laid over sawhorses. We sip from cups of hot coffee and someone offers a prayer. I grab workgloves from a bin and follow the sheetrock team.

The sheetrock team includes: Amelia, the future homeowner who will live here with her three children; Charlie, a retired history professor; Cameron, a pastor from another denomination. Together, we learned a new skill that day - to hang and mud sheetrock.

I kept going back to that worksite one Saturday a month until the house was built. It was a testament to community, overlapping human stories, joy, generosity, building God's kingdom on South Holly St.

Our congregations thrive because the people who sit in the pews volunteer to learn new skills and share experiences of creating a vibrant community. We know the power of having a common purpose to deepen our faith. When we open ourselves to volunteering, sharing our stories and skills, our ministry reaches far beyond what we can imagine or accomplish alone.

Will you join me in the adventure of trying something new? Meeting new people who share our core values, seeing our work build on itself and God's kingdom flourish? Would you commit to volunteer one hour a week (beyond worship time) for your church?

Yes, it's risky. It might require us to share our stories and find connections. The work we do might not be perfect by the world's standards (have you ever seen how many crooked nails are in a Habitat for Humanity house?). If we work together to create justice, make peace, spread joy to our neighbors, stand with the outcasts, the kingdom of God - where there is plenty good room for all people - will thrive. tens.org

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Monday - Thursday - 1pm to 5pm, Friday - 1pm to 3pm

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! As part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, ours is a tradition both catholic and reformed—a *via media*, or "middle way," within the historic Christian faith.

Part of the Alpena community since 1864, our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a National Jubilee Center, we work to serve those in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome and wanted in this place. We are delighted that you are here, and hope that you will join us in prayer and fellowship.

Lay Leadership

Vestry

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Don Stockdale, Co-Warden

Sonya Titus, Clerk

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Michelle Cornish • Ted Rockwell

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