Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 18



September 10, 2023 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Before the service, speak to the Lord; During the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another.

Prelude "In the Garden" MaryAnn Hubbard, Flute C. Austin Miles/arr. J. Nishimura





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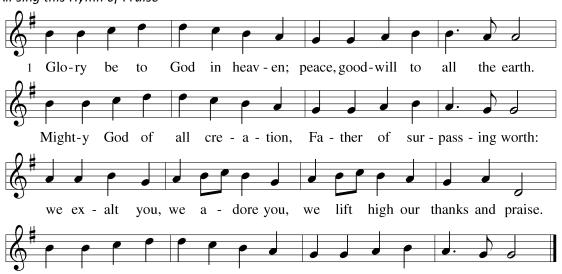
Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

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.**

All sing this Hymn of Praise



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Text: Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951, based on "Gloria in excelsis Deo" Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Priest Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, "As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?"

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Psalm 119:33-40

- ³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.
- ³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * I shall keep it with all my heart.
- 35Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire.
- ³⁶Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.
- ³⁷Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways.
- 38Fulfill your promise to your servant, * which you make to those who fear you.
- ³⁹Turn away the reproach which I dread, * because your judgments are good.
- ⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments; * in your righteousness preserve my life.

Romans 13:8-14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence "Blest be the tie that binds"





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Priest The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 18:15-20

[Jesus said,] ¹⁵"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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

The Sermon The Rev. LaRae Rutenbar

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 Caring God,

We thank you for your gifts in creation: for our world

the heavens tell of your glory

for our land, its beauty, and its resources for the rich heritage we enjoy.

We pray:

for those who make decisions about the resources of the earth, that we may use your gifts responsibly.

for those who work on the land and the sea, in city and in industry, that all may enjoy the fruits of their labors and marvel at your creation.

for artists, scientists and visionaries, that through their work we may see creation afresh.

Silence

We thank you for giving us life for all who enrich our experience.

We pray:

for all who are deprived of fullness of life for prisoners, refugees, the handicapped, and all who are sick, especially Patti, Shirley, Debbie, Carol, Betty, Lee, Ginny, Bruce, Maggie, Matthew, Bob, Daryl, Jim, Mike, Andrew, Joyce, Carol, Phil, Jim and Bishop Curry.

for those in politics, medical science, social and relief work, and for your church,

for all who seek to bring life to others.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation. Give us reverence for life in your world.

We thank you for your redeeming love;

may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us.

Silence

God, Creator, bring us new life.

Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, strengthen and guide us.

God of peace, let us, your people, know that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you.

Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ.

Amen

Silence

The Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest says

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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

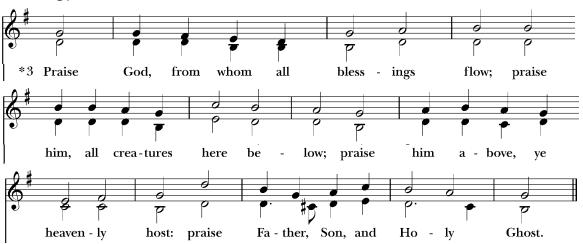
The People may then greet one another with a sign of peace.

Offertory Special Music "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

MaryAnn Hubbard, Flute

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Doxology (Old Hundredth, Hymn 380 v. 3)



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The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

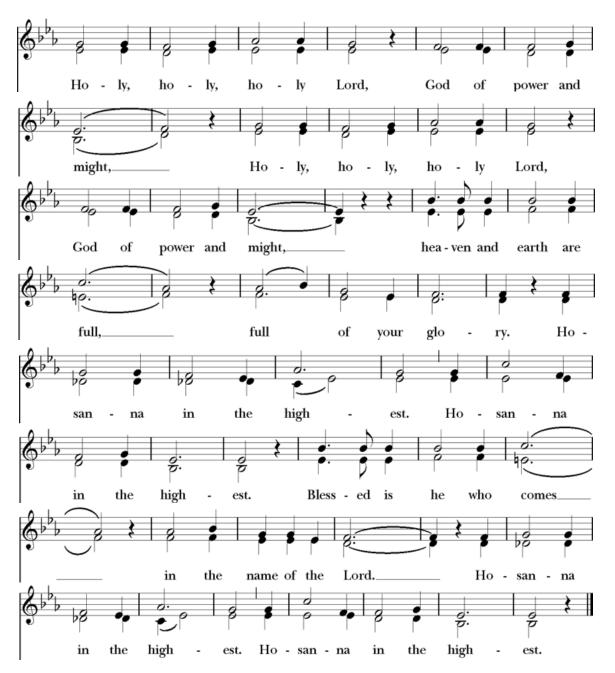
People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

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:



Then the Priest continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to

evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Priest is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Priest continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

The Priest continues through the Invocation, then says

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. **Amen.**

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

Priest and People

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 Bread is broken and silence is kept. Then may be said

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

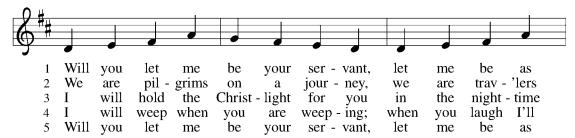
A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Optional Prayer for those who cannot receive

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.

Hymns During Communion

Hymn "Will you let me be your servant"





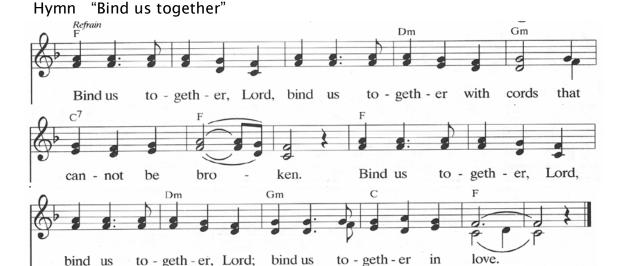
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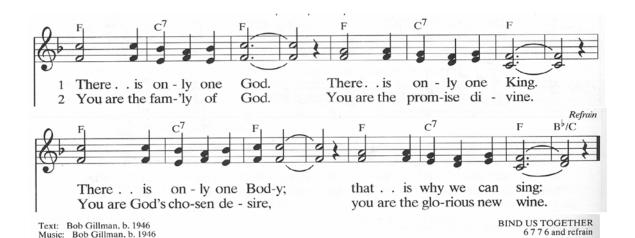
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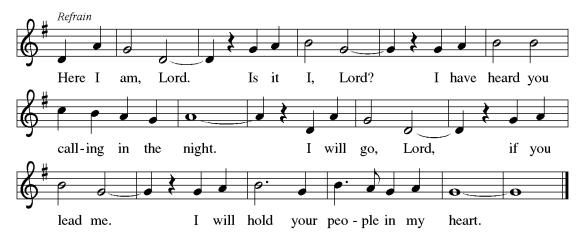
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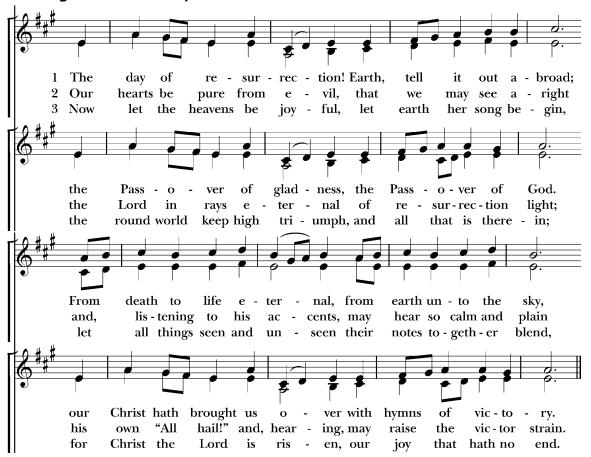
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After Communion, all say

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 Priest bestows the blessing

Closing 210 "The day of resurrection!"



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The Deacon (or if no Deacon, the Priest) dismisses the People.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

In Our Prayers

LARCC: Altar Servers/Ushers at All Saints Catholic Parish

For Healing & Convalescing: Patti Rockwell, Shirley Carr, Debbie Sanborn, Carol Hart, Betty Bartley, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Bruce Connon, Maggie Lamb, Matthew Van Zetten, Bob Hanna, Daryl Hebert, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Joyce, Carol Putkamer, Phil, Jim Gilmet and The Most Rev. Michael Curry.

Birthdays: Charlie Plourd (10), Michael Rosbeck (13), Margaret Quagon (14), Lew Kunze (15)

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

Cycles of Prayer: Diocesan: St. Paul's, Bad Axe and St. John's, Fremont; Anglican: the Church of Ireland

The Flowers At The Altar

Given to the Glory of God
and
In Memory
of
Her Grandparents,
Henry Peter & Orpha Smith Cadarette
and
Her Parents,
Henry Vernon & Clarise Kramer Cadarette
by
Carole Cadarette

Readings for September 17

Genesis 50:15-21 Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35

Announcements

IT IS TIME TO CELEBRATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF THE REV. BRUCE MICHAUD!

That's a milestone of importance! Father Michaud was baptized, confirmed and ordained as a deacon here at Trinity, and returned "home" as Rector from 2002 to 2015, a true son of our parish. You are invited to join in the celebration on Wed., Sept 20th as Father Bruce officiates at the noon service. A light lunch will follow.

GREETING CARDS & STICKERS NEEDED

Worship Center is going to be doing a project where we will need the front of greeting cards and stickers. Pictures of wildlife, outdoor scenery, and Bible pictures (not Christmas though) would be greatly appreciated. You can leave them on the buffet outside Peggy's office or on the table by the choir room. Thank you so much!

TECW PARTNERS WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

You are a generous people!! Your donations to the family moving into the new Habitat for Humanity House on East Washington are filling the bench in the Parish House!! We have one more week to donate, ending the collection on Sunday, Sept. 10. If you would like to be in on the house warming gifts for the Mom and her boys ages 5, 9 and 11 and her daughter 15, just leave your donations on the bench. Thank you so much for making this happen.

TEMPLE BETH-EL & GRACE LUTHERAN HOST A CONVERSATION BETWEEN A RABBI AND A PASTOR

On Thursday, September 14, from 6-8 p.m. Pastor Tom Orth and Rabbi Howard Morrison are teaming up for a very interesting and informative Community Outreach program at Grace Lutheran Church, 119 W. Dunbar Street, Alpena, Ml. They will be exploring "Unity and Diversity within and between Judaism and Christianity". Rabbi Morrison, who will be joining us via Zoom from Toronto, Canada, and Pastor Orth will present the 2-hour program in two sections: Prayer/Worship Traditions, followed by refreshments and socializing, then a discussion on various traditions within the respective faiths. A question-and-answer period will follow each presentation.

Church Picnic

Trinity Church Picnic at Camp Chickagami October 1, 2023 12:30 - 4:00 pm Please bring a dish to pass

TRINITY FUNDRAISER AUCTION UPDATE

Remember to save the date, October 27th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. for our Trinity fundraiser auction!!

We are looking for donations of handcrafted items. Also, if you have any treasures at home that you are ready to part with, please consider donating them to auction. Examples might be unique vases, serving dishes, antiques, or home décor. Also, when you're out shopping, please think of the auction!



Specifically, we need items for the baby/toddler bundle such as sippy cups, bibs, story books, blankets, and stuffed animals. For the gardening bundle, we need gardening tools/accessories such as a small spade, stem nippers, kneeling pad, gardening gloves and apron. For the movie bundle, we need popcorn, movie DVD's, Netflix cards, fleecy throws, and bottled soft drinks. We are also in need of scratch-off lottery tickets (or money to purchase) and gift certificates to local businesses and restaurants.

We have pledges for many items such as weekend getaways, football tickets, theatre tickets, craft/experience parties, and much more, but we need your help. Please consider donating some of the items listed above or any other gift to enhance the bidding!! There will be more suggestions in upcoming bulletins. Also, new ideas are always appreciated.

Please participate to make the auction a success! It's going to be a fun night, and we anticipate raising funds for a substantial contribution to our beloved Trinity. If you have ideas for auction items or have questions, contact Ellen Eagan, Sonya Titus, Lori Maxwell, Sue Jackowiak, or Peggy Tomaszewski. We would love to hear from you.

This Week's Calendar		
Today	9 & 11 AM 4 PM	•
Tuesday	1:30 PM 7 PM	Prayer Group AA
Wednesday	12:05 PM 1:05 PM 5:15 PM 7 PM	Holy Eucharist The Good Book (Bible) Study Choir Practice AA
Friday	5:30 PM	AA
Saturday	4:00 PM	Regional Confirmation Service at Trinity

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Welcome to Trinity, part of the Anglican Communion, and thus, both catholic and reformed — the *via media* or "middle way" between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism

Trinity organized in 1864 and our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a "National Jubilee Center," we reach out to many in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

In "Eucharistic hospitality," we invite all persons to the Lord's Table. Please join us there, and then, next door after the Service for refreshment and fellowship. We are delighted that you are here, and would be delighted to meet you.

The Vestry

Ellen Eagan, Senior Warden Ben Westrope, Junior Warden Susan Fitzpatrick, Treasurer Tina Wilson, Clerk

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