



# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost | Year A

Sunday, July 30, 2023

*In glorifying God, we the members of Trinity Church, will foster a unified parish, demonstrate our spirituality with an open heart, and reflect in our actions the good news of the Holy Spirit to all members of our church and community.*

## HYMNS

Processional: 388

Gradual: 488

Communion: 325

Recessional: 615

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

*Sunday, July 30*

9:15 am Adult Christian Formation (Guild Room)

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:30 am Coffee & Cookie Hour

*Wednesday, August 2*

5:00 pm Choir Practice

*Sunday, August 6*

9:15 am Adult Christian Formation (Guild Room)

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:30 am Coffee & Cookie Hour



Altar Flowers are given by Steve Lewis in celebration of our wedding anniversary.

## Sunday Christian Formation

(better known as Sunday School)

Please join our class from  
9:15-10:00 on Sunday mornings in  
All Saints Hall

Join us for a study exploring the  
book of Exodus. We will travel with  
the Hebrews through the wilderness  
and marvel at the miracles and the  
forgiveness of our God.

Trinity Episcopal Church, 106 N. Grove, Marshall, TX



## Altar Flower Sign Up

Flowers are placed on the altar  
for the worship service. Those  
who wish to sponsor the flowers  
for one or more Sundays of the  
year are asked to sign up  
through this link below or let  
the office know of a date you  
may want.

Scan to Sign Up



## Coffee & Cookies

### HOSTS NEEDED

SUNDAYS AFTER  
10:30AM SERVICE

SIGN UP SHEET  
POSTED IN

All Saints Hall  
or Check Your Email for  
a Sign Up Link or Scan QR  
Code

TRINITYEPISCOPALMARSHALL.ORG



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, when I call answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, come and listen to me.

O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, when we call answer us.  
O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, come and listen to us.



## COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## FIRST LESSON:

Genesis 29:15-28

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

## THE PSALM(S) : *(The people responses in bold)*

Psalms 128

1 Happy are they all who fear the Lord, \*  
and who follow in his ways!

2 You shall eat the fruit of your labor; \*  
**happiness and prosperity shall be yours.**

3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, \*  
your children like olive shoots round about your table.

4 The man who fears the Lord \*  
**shall thus indeed be blessed.**

5 The Lord bless you from Zion, \*  
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

6 May you live to see your children's children; \*  
**may peace be upon Israel.**

## SECOND LESSON:

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

# PRAYERS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

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## *For A Birthday*

Watch over your child, O Lord, as his/her days increase; bless and guide him/her wherever he/she may be. Strengthen him/her when he/she stands; comfort him/her when discouraged or sorrowful; raise him/her up if he/she fall; and in his/her heart may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## *For an Anniversary*

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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## JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR:

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### **OUR CLERGY:**

Bishops Andy, Jeff, Hector, Kai, and our Interim Rector Fr. Kevin Wittmayer

### **OUR STAFF:**

Jim Johnson - Organist; Stacey Shaw - Parish Administrator

### **OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Our President, Joe; our Governor, Greg; our County Judge, Chad; our Mayor, Amy

### **OUR SERVICEMEN & WOMEN:**

Zachary Vernon Walker, Jason Woodley, Michael Walsh, Lisa Sperhake, Christopher Love, Audrey Dobbs, Aubrey Toussaint, Kenny Welch, Ryan Allgood, Wil Moseley, Chase Tondee, Cole Cathey, Andy Albright

### **OUR PARISHIONERS:**

Kay Kemp, Wanda Fugler, Dick Toussaint, Sandy Toussaint, David Cope, Terry Weeks, Michael Cason, Joe Weinberg

### **IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Rhonda Way, Tommy Hicks, Maria Mangieri, Vanessa White, Cathy Lazansky Horeu, Phil Thomas, Scott Gorges, Peyton Reeves, Gloria Portman, Roger & Tina Neal, Joey Nash

### **HOMEBOUND:**

Mary Jane McElroy - Marshall Manor, Peggy Tracy - Home, Patty Whaley - Home, Ron Denney, Sr. - Home, Glenda Lane - Home, Yank Terrell - Home, David Jones - Marshall Manor

