

Trinity Episcopal Church

Cranford, in the Diocese of New Jersey



“Christus und die Aussätzigen” – Gebhard Fugel

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost *Stewardship Season*

Holy Eucharist ~ Rite II

Proper 23 ~ October 12, 2025 at 10 AM



The Reverend Andrew David Kruger ~ Rector & Presider

Casey Woodruff ~ Senior Warden & Preacher

Anthony J. Rafaniello ~ Director of Music & Organist

Thomas Kaercher ~ Junior Warden

Welcome

Andrew Kruger

Prelude

Prelude in A Major, BWV 888 – Johann Sebastian Bach

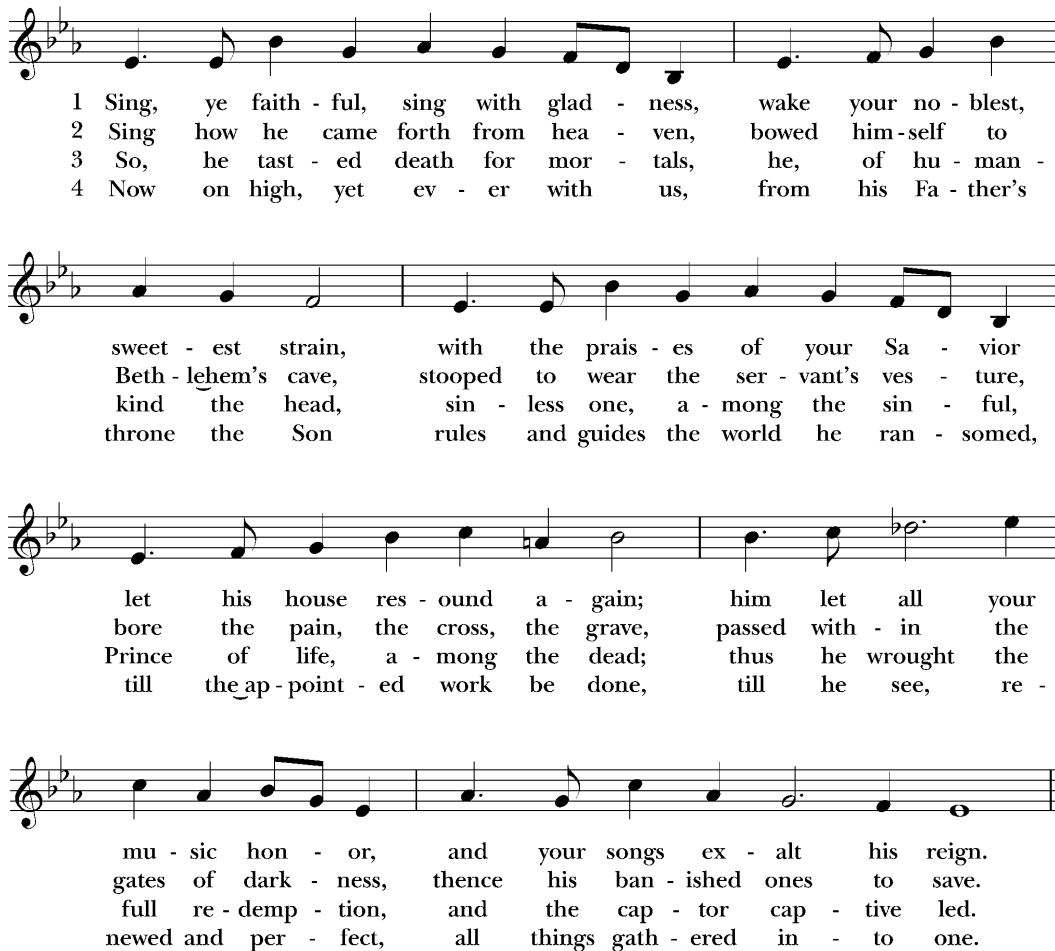
At the end of the prelude, the bells are rung and the People stand.

I. Gathering of God's People

Gathering Hymn

Finnian

Hymnal 492



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's

sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,

let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -

mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

Acclamation

Enriching Our Worship 50

Presider

✠ Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer 355

Presider

Let us pray.

**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.**

Gloria

Robert Powell

Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y 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.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

Blessing of the Sunday School Children and their Teachers

Andrew Kruger

Presider May God bless those who teach and those who learn,
✠ in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

II. Proclaiming and Receiving the Word of God

First Reading

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

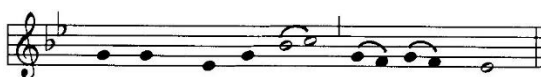
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:1-11

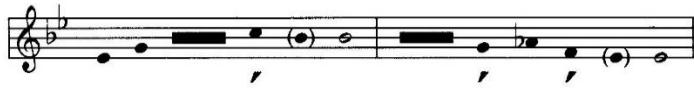
Jubilate Deo

Plainsong Psalter

All sing the Antiphon and Psalm.



Be joy - ful in God, all you lands. †



TONE V.3

- 1 *†sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glóry óf his praise.
- 2 Say to God, “How awesome áre your deeds! *
because of your great strength your enemies éringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, síngs out yóur Name.”
- 4 Come now and see the wórks of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing towárd all péople.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on fóot, *
and there wé rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nátions; *
let no rebel rise úp agáinst him.
- 7 Bless our God, you péoples; *
make the voice of his práise to bé heard;
- 8 Who holds our sóuls in life, *
and will not allów our féet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have próved us; *
you have tried us just as sílver ís tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens úpon óur backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and wáter; *
but you brought us out into a place óf refréshment. [Ant.]

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Reader A reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David – that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Proclaiming Hymn

Nun danket alle Gott

Hymnal 397

The People stand.

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice,
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ever more.

Holy Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

Presider

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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

III. Responding to the Proclaimed Word of God

Homily

Casey Woodruff

Silence is kept after the homily. Then the People stand for the Creed.

Nicene Creed

Enriching Our Worship 53

**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 of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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, *
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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 the People

Andrew Kruger

The Presider says

Let us pray to the Lord, the mighty one.

The Intercessor prays.

Grant us a deep spirit of thanksgiving for the unnumbered blessings we receive at your hands.

The Lord's mercy is sure: **Firm are God's promises.**

Fill us with generosity for your church so that our children's children will have a goodly heritage.

The Lord's mercy is sure: **Firm are God's promises.**

Humble the powers and dominions of our world so that proud and stubborn leaders will seek your will.

The Lord's mercy is sure: **Firm are God's promises.**

Convict us with compassion for the suffering, the hungry, and all who are at risk so that we will build your kingdom.

The Lord's mercy is sure: **Firm are God's promises.**

Bless the dying and give rest to the departed, for your promise of eternal life endures from age to age.

The Lord's mercy is sure: **Firm are God's promises.**

The Intercessor remains at the lectern, then returns to their seat during the sharing of the Peace. The Presider prays

God of might and mercy: free us from the fear of scarcity and the desire for worldly things; so that we will give generously and joyfully; through Jesus Christ, our great example of sacrificial giving. **Amen.**

Peace

BCP 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Andrew Kruger

Ministry Minute

Peter Waldron

IV. Celebrating at the Lord's Table

Offertory Sentence

Psalm 96:8

Presider Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offering of bread and wine to the Holy Table.



*The Ushers pass the collection plates among the people.
Another option is to give to Trinity online –
scan the QR code and go directly to our Breeze link.*

Offertory Anthem

“With a Voice of Singing” – Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
O be joyful in God, all ye lands.
O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious.
With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

Offertory Hymn

Woodlands

Hymnal 438

The People stand and the ushers bring the collection plates to the ministers.



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!
Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.

Presentation of Gifts

An Anglican Prayer Book 1989

Presider Source of all life, everything in heaven and on earth is yours:
People **All things come from you, and of your own do we give you. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 1

EOW 57

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you rule forever in faithfulness and in you is salvation with eternal glory.

With awesome power you created the heavens and the earth and through water and fire you saved for yourself a people. Even when we were exiled throughout the earth, your Word, which is never chained, called us to settle wherever you placed us and to prayerfully seek the welfare of every land.

In Jesus the Christ, your Word settled among us, meeting us in our brokenness and suffering and, in mercy, bringing healing and a way to wholeness. He was chained like a criminal and crucified, and when he died, we died with him, but you raised him from the dead so that we might also live with him, forever shouting the wonder of your deeds and singing the glory of your name.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Robert Powell

Hymnal S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat. This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Presider Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

Great Amen

McNeil Robinson

Hymnal S 147



Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei

Robert Powell

Hymnal S 163



Invitation

BCP 364

Presider The Gifts of God:
People **for the People of God.**

The ushers guide the people to receive Holy Communion. All who hunger for God, including children, are cordially invited to share the Gifts of God offered at this table. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life's journey, you are welcome here. All persons may, but no person must, receive communion in both kinds to receive the full spiritual benefits of communion. You may choose to receive only the host. Wine is offered by way of a sip from the common cup. Gluten-free wafers are available by request to the priest.

First Communion Hymn

Omni die

Hymnal 341

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
2 By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your
3 As our bless - ed ones a - dore you, seat - ed
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
at our Fa - ther's board, may the Church still wait - ing
hearts keep watch and ward, in the world to which you

spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Second Communion Hymn

Charlestown

Hymnal 571

1 All who love and serve your ci - ty, all who
2 in your day of loss and sor - row, in your
3 In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed
4 For all days are days of judg - ment, and the
5 Ris - en Lord! shall yet the ci - ty be the

1 bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for
 2 day of help - less strife, hon - or, peace and
 3 work and wast - ed play, call to mind the
 4 Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near a
 5 ci - ty of de - spair? Come to - day, our

1 peace and jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless,
 2 love re - treat - ing, seek the Lord, who is your life.
 3 word of Je - sus, "I must work while it is day."
 4 world that spurns him, of - fering peace from Cal - vary's hill.
 5 Judge, our Glo - ry; be its name, "The Lord is there!"

Communion Meditation

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful

Taizé Community

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
 El Se - ñor es mi for - ta - le - za, el Se - ñor es mi can -

joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
 ción. Él nos da la sal - va - ción. En él con -

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.
 fí - o, no te - me - ré. En él con - fí - o, no te - me - ré.

Post-communion Prayer

Common Worship

The People stand.

Presider Let us pray.

People **We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

Blessing

Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Presider

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So, be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. ✠ And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

V. Going out as God's People

Sending Hymn

Lauda anima

Hymnal 410

1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;
ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing;
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Dismissal

BCP 366

Presider

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Minuet from “Suite Gothique” – Léon Boëllmann

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church in Cranford, New Jersey. Thank you for joining us in worship. The bulletin is designed to make you feel at home and includes everything you need for the service (liturgy, hymns, rubrics, etc.). Please connect with us; introduce yourself to the ushers so they can make you feel more comfortable. Father Andy is in the narthex (entrance) at the end of the service; it is an opportunity to connect on a more personal level. All are invited to Fellowship Hour in Sherlock Hall immediately after the service. An email blast is sent every Thursday by 2 PM with hyperlinks to sign-up sheets, methods to contribute to the parish or other charitable organizations, ways to contact individuals or receive information on events, etc. Please contact the parish office to receive it or alternative methods of communication.

What you need to know today...

Archbishop of Canterbury The Rt. Rev. and Rt. Hon. Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London, is the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury, read more in the email blast.

Stewardship Season Envelopes containing the stewardship letter, smart ways of giving document, and pledge card may be collected from the narthex of the church beginning this week.

Fellowship Hour In Sherlock Hall, immediately after this service.

Trinity Children's Choir Rehearsal today at 11:30 AM in the Church. They will be singing next week at the intergenerational service.

What you need to know this week...

The Daily Offices Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are offered online from Monday to Friday at 8:30 AM and 5 PM.

Parish Office Parish Administrator Marion Nechuta is in Tuesday (12 noon-2:30 PM), Wednesday (1 PM-3:30 PM) and Thursday (12 noon-2:30 PM). Father Andy's sabbath day is now Friday (it had previously been on Monday).

Trinity Women's Group Monday, October 13 from 7 to 8 PM online.

Handbells and Choir Rehearsals Wednesday, October 15; rehearsal for Handbells is 7 to 7:50 PM and Adult Choir is 8-9 PM.

Fellowship Luncheon Thursday, October 16 from 12:30 to 2 PM in Witherington Hall. Father Andy speaks on his Sabbatical time in Utah. It is a "Ghoulish" meal with meatloaf, pasta, potatoes, salad, and desserts, all decorated for Halloween. Call Susan Olszewski (908-757-9561) or Susan Nelson (908-397-3944) for questions.

Compline Thursdays at 8 PM online. A contemplative Office that emphasizes spiritual peace.

What you need to know for the future...

St. John's Sandwich Sunday October 19; people are needed to make sandwiches after the services and deliver them to St. John's in Elizabeth. Sandwich donation items needed are listed in this week's email blast. Food bags will be made on Saturday, October 18 in Sherlock Hall from 10 to 11 AM. Only sandwich bags are being accepted at this time, no additional food items or clothing. To help, please contact Marion Nechuta (marionnechuta@yahoo.com) or Helen Shteynberg (hshteynberg@gmail.com).

Acolyte Training Sunday, October 19 immediately after the 10 AM Eucharist for all current and aspirant acolytes.

Trinity Episcopal Senior Youth (TESY) Sunday, October 19, from 12 noon to 1:30 PM in Sherlock Hall. The topic is "Painting: Paint by the Numbers." To sign up, contact Katie Annarelli (Kathleen.M.Annarelli@outlook.com).

Northern Convocation Sunday, October 19 at 4 PM in Spotswood.

Kitchen Cleanup Tuesday, October 21 from 10 AM to 12 noon. Volunteers are needed for the annual Health Department inspection. Please contact the parish office.

Spiritual Hike with Outdoor Eucharist Saturday, October 25 at 9 AM. Meet in the parking lot of the Deserted Village ("Feltville") in the Watchung Reservation. From there, it is a five-minute walk down a paved road to a secluded pergola to celebrate Eucharist. An easy one-hour hike will follow. This is a great activity for families and promises to be a memorable event. Please contact Senior Warden, Casey Woodruff (woodruff5073@gmail.com) to register or with any questions.

Cameroon Orphan, Musaga Richards Bake Sale on October 26 during the 8 and 10 AM fellowship. Items needed are in this week's email blast. Each year, the parish pays \$360 to sponsor Musaga, which covers his education, food, clothes, and medical expenses.

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) Saturday, November 1 at 7:30 PM in the Church.

Discussion on use of icons in worship Sunday, November 16 at 11:30 AM in the church; Father Andy will facilitate. Details on preparing for the discussion will be found in this week's email blast.

242nd Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey November 21-22 at Christ Church in Toms River. Registration is now open; this year, the convention will be a two-day event.

Hodegetria Icon During his sabbatical in Greece Fr Andy purchased an Icon of Mary holding Jesus for the parish. The Hodegetria (meaning she who shows the way), refers to a Byzantine iconographic type of the Virgin Mary holding the infant Christ and pointing to him with her hand, thus guiding the viewer to salvation. The icon will be displayed alongside the votive tree (next to the pulpit) in the church. The vestry approved this location for trial use in order to afford the parish an opportunity to venerate or reflect upon this icon while lighting a candle at the votive tree. Fr Andy will facilitate a discussion on the use of icons in worship, and the placement of the Hodegetria in our church on Sunday, November 16 at 11:30 AM in the church. All parishioners are encouraged to read chapters by Rowan Williams and Henri Nouwen; links to them can be found in this week's email blast. In addition, or if listening to a podcast is preferred, the *Yale Center for Faith & Culture* offered an excellent interview with Art historian Matthew Milliner on the subject, the link to which is also found in this week's email blast. During this period of trial use, please share any comments, positive or negative, with the rector, wardens, or members of vestry.

Taize Service Sunday, December 7 at 7:30 PM in the church. Please email Fr Andy to assist with set up and take down.

Lectionary & Liturgy

In today's liturgy, the central theme is the inclusive nature of God's call to us. Although Judaism and Christianity have at points in history have been presented as limited and exclusive, the word of God in both Testaments is insistent that God calls all people into the Kingdom. In today's gospel, the willingness of the Samaritan leper to recognize Christ (excluded from conventional society because of his ethnicity and his affliction), and Jesus' ministry to him, was used by Jesus as a sign of God's favor to all people. Faith is not limited only to a few special people. The story of Elisha and Naaman is a parallel event to today's Gospel passage. Naaman, also from a foreign and despised people and a leper, is nevertheless healed by the great Hebrew prophet. God's goodness is not only for Jews and Christians but also for all people. In the reading from II Timothy we have instructions to an early church leader concerning the message he is to proclaim and the character of his ministry. Timothy is reminded that God remains faithful to us and that our response is to be faithful to God. In the Eucharist, we join as the people of God. We are set apart by baptism, not as an exclusive society, but are called to be the Spirit's instruments in calling all people into God's family. We are of every race, class, and heritage, yet we are united in Christ as a priestly people sent out to the entire world.

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- † **Gathering Hymn** – Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893); “The words are usually short and simple; the thought is clear and well stated; the rhythm is good and stately. Ordinary facts in sacred history and daily life are lifted above the commonplace rhymes with which they are usually associated, thereby rendering the hymns bearable to the cultured, and instructive to the devout.” –[John Julian] Music: Christopher Dearnley (1930-2000), famed organist at the wedding of Charles & Diana in 1981, composed while his wife gave birth to their youngest child; –[by permission Oxford University Press.]
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- † **Proclaiming Hymn** – Words: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649). During the height of a severe plague in 1637, he was the only surviving pastor in Eilenburg, conducting as many as 50 funerals in a day. He performed more than 4000 funerals in that year, including that of his wife. Music: Johann Cruger (1598-1662); harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).
- † *** Nicene Creed** – Designed to contain “all the expansive language texts currently authorized.” It is almost identical to the version in the BCP. The omission of the words “and the Son” (*filioque*) restores the text of the Creed to the original wording agreed upon at the Fourth Ecumenical Council of Constantinople (381 CE). The addition was implemented only in the Western Church without approval of General Council.
- † **Offertory Anthem** – Martin Edward Fallas Shaw (1875–1958) was an English composer and conductor. He studied under Charles Villiers Stanford at the Royal College of Music, together with a generation of composers that included Gustav Holst, Ralph Vaughan Williams, and John Ireland. He then embarked upon a career as a theatrical producer, composer and conductor, the early years of which he described as “a long period of starving along.” Under the influence of his wife, and faced with the need to support his family, church music gradually became the focus of his life and work. His over 300 published works include songs, hymns, carols, oratorios, several instrumental works, a congregational mass setting (the Anglican Folk Mass), and four operas including a ballad opera. He was the only composer T.S. Eliot ever allowed to set his words to music.
- † **Offertory Hymn** – Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2016); free paraphrase of the Song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55), one of his first hymn texts and his best known. It was first published in the *Anglican Hymn Book* (1965). “I did not think of myself as having in any way the gifts of a hymn-writer when in May 1961 I jotted down a set of verses, beginning ‘Tell out, my soul.’ I was reading the New English Bible New Testament, where that line appears exactly as I have put it; I saw in it the first line, and speedily wrote the rest.” –[© 1962 Hope Publishing] Music: Walter Greatorex (1877-1949); the title refers to one of the schoolhouses at Gresham’s School, Holt, Norfolk, where he was director of music from 1911-1936. –[By permission of Oxford University Press]
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- † **First Communion Hymn** – Words: Louis Benson (1855-1930); “As a hymn writer Dr. Benson is not widely known, mainly through the recent publication of his verse. His hymns deserve attention, and will, no doubt, gain the public ear in due time; whilst his hymnological researches and publications are thorough and praiseworthy.” –[John Julian, *Dictionary of Hymnology, New Supplement* (1907)] Music: melody David Gregor Corner (1585-1648), German Benedictine abbot, hymn writer and theologian best known for his influential *Gross Catholisches Gesangbuch*. He initially considered leaving out “all hymns found in heretical collections” but a colleague reminded him that hymns of Martin Luther and other Protestants were derived from earlier Catholic melodies, and “it was in no way desirable to leave out such good old hymns simply because they have been used by the enemies of the true faith and falsely ascribed to them.” Harmony, William S. Rockstro.
- † **Second Communion Hymn** – Words: Erik Routley (1917-1982). © 1969 Stainer & Bell Ltd. (admin. Hope Publishing Co., Carol Stream, IL). Music: melody from *The Southern Harmony*.
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- † **Sending Hymn** – Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933), who wrote, “These verses are simple expressions of common Christian feelings and desires in this present time – hymns of today that may be sung together by people who know the thought of the age. They are not afraid that any truth of science will destroy religion, or any revolution on earth overthrow the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, this is a hymn of trust and joy and hope.” Music: Sung to the music of Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); it has the “ability to carry massive ideas in its fifteen syllables per double line.” –[Austin Lovelace, *Anatomy of Hymnody*] “The words begin to bounce, and suddenly I’m singing it the way it was meant to be sung – at least in style.” –[Jerry Jenkins, *Hymns for Personal Devotions*] “This hymn is generally considered by hymnologists to be one of the most joyous expressions of hymn lyrics in the English language.” –[Kenneth Osbeck, 1982] [©1942, 1970 Hope Publishing Co.]
- † **Postlude**– *Suite gothique*, Op. 25 is a suite for organ composed by Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897); it is his most famous work and was composed exactly 130 years ago, 1895. It consists of four movements; *The Smurfs*, a 1981 television series with usage of classical pieces, used the suite. “A dedicated teacher, trenchant critic, gifted composer and successful performer who coaxed pleasing sounds out of recalcitrant instruments.”

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