

The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

June 8, 2025, 8 a.m.

Welcome: If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home. To do so, please fill out one of the pew cards in front of you and drop it in the offertory plate.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ

our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.People Christ, have mercy upon us.Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant and People Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who on this day didst open the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of thy Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING ACTS 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25-35, 37 Benedic, anima mea

ORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, * creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, * which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you * to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; * and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; * may the LORD rejoice in all his works.

He looks at the earth and it trembles; * he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the LORD.

Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING ROMANS 8:14-17

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel John 14:8-17

Priest

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

Priest

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,

and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return

to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every

human being?

People I will, with God's help.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At this time ushers collect an offering from the congregation.

Use the QR code to make a plate offering.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world...

...By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

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

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will direct you to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

≈ Altar Gifts ≈

The flowers on the altar today were arranged by VBS participants.

To the glory of God and in grateful thanksgiving for Josephine Felton on her birthday by Josie, Daniel, and Mary Eleanor Felton

To the glory of God and in loving memory of Ellen Simpson by her family

To the glory of God and in Loving memory of Shirley V. Hill by her sons, D.B. Hill, III, Howell Hill, Richard Hill, and their families

PARTICIPATING TODAY

Celebrant

The Rev. Thomas Alexander, Curate

Preacher

The Rev. Susan Sims Smith

Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister

Charliss Russ

Searching For a New Dean

THE HOLY COW AND THE CAT!

This is not a fable from Aesop nor a nursey rhythm, but the name of our consulting firm and the Congregational Assessment Tool (the CAT) we are using to find out about what you are thinking and desiring regarding a new Dean and Rector. The search/recruitment committee needs you to take 30 minutes and complete this soon so your option will be counted. You can scan the QR code (use your cell phone) or type in this link [insert link here] while setting aside time to complete the survey in one siting as you cannot go back to it after you leave the survey.

If you need a paper copy, please call Jack Dowling in the church office. If you need help with the data entry, please come by the church office after the 10:30 service.

Thank you!

The Dean/Rector Search/Recruitment Committee.

Link to the CAT: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TRINITYECLRAR



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EVENTS AND INFORMATION

This week at and around the Cathedral

Monday 7 a.m., Breakfast Bible Study

8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer

Tuesday 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer Wednesday 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer

5 p.m., Trinity Ringing Society Practice 5:30 p.m., Eucharist with Healing Prayers

6:30 p.m., Book Club 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer

5:15 p.m., Evening Prayer

UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcoming Council Formed

A new group with the charge to invite, welcome and connect with visitors and members alike has been formed, bringing together folks from Trinity's divergent ministry groups. The Welcome Council is chaired by Kerry McCoy and is made up of members of the ushers, greeters, docents, children's ministry, chefs, and staff.

This past Sunday the group brought back name tags so we can all get to know each other again, and beginning June 8 will offer cookies and lemonade following the 10:30 service. Another initiative is to introduce new members in the Message newsletter, so look for that in the next issue.

If you would like to be involved in a welcoming ministry reach out to Kerry at kerry@flagandbanner.com

"A House of Prayer for All People": Discerning Cathedral Identity

Sundays, May 25 - June 15 at 9:15 am

Morrison Hall, with breakfast served

Who are we as Trinity Cathedral? And where is the Holy Spirit leading us next? Join us in Morrison Hall for a four-week series on discerning our identity as a Cathedral parish, led by Father Danny, Father Thomas, and Bishop Harmon. Breakfast will be served. This will be a great way for the congregation to participate in this season of transition as we search for our next Dean and Rector.

EYC @ the Travs!

Wednesday, June 11

6:15 p.m. at Dickey-Stephens Park

Come hang with other Convocational Youth (rising 6th-12th graders) at an AR Travelers game! We've got your ticket covered, plan to bring money for food/snacks. RSVP for ticket headcount by June 8. Questions? Contact Emma Mitchell at *emma@trinitylittlerock.org*

Trinitas Ensemble Spring Concert

Friday, June 13th at 7 pm at Trinity

The Trinitas Ensemble will present its first-ever concert at Trinity on Friday, June 13 at 7 pm! The program is bookended by two Bach motets in commemoration of the 275th anniversary of his death, and will also include works by Brahms, Howells, Pearsall, Praetorius, Daley, Antognini, Ramsey, and Chesnokov. A reception will follow the concert. Tickets cost \$15 and are free for minors. Visit tinyurl.com/38wkse2j to book tickets.

June Playground Hangout

Second Saturday, June 14

9:00-11:00 a.m., corner of 16th & Center St

Families with kids 6ish and under are invited for a casual playground hangout on Saturday morning. We'll have coffee, lemonade/juice for kids, and snacks.

Future dates: July 12, August 9. Questions? Contact Emma Mitchell at emma@trinitylittlerock.org

Summer Pick-Up Choir

This summer, beginning June 22nd, Trinity will have a weekly "pick-up" choir on Sunday mornings. The choir will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 to rehearse music for the 10:30 eucharist. This allows people to try out choir without Thursday night rehearsals, evensongs, and with relatively simple music. If you can read music and are interested in participating, please reach out to Director of Music Colin MacKnight at colin@trinitylittlerock.org!

Broadway Community Garden Maintenance and Harvesting

The Broadway Community Garden is dedicated to growing fresh produce and fostering community connections. It will only thrive with the assistance of the many members of our church. Anyone can volunteer! No gardening experience is required!

As a volunteer at the garden, during your assigned week, you will be asked to check in on the garden 3-4 times. We will send you a detailed instruction sheet, provide any tools you may need, and we will provide a contact who will be readily available to answer questions you have. Your tasks will include checking on the watering system and pruning and maintaining the plant beds early in the week and then harvesting produce on Fridays and storing in a church refrigerator. You are also encouraged to take home any produce you would like during your volunteer week as a thank you!

We sincerely hope that many members of the church will join us in cultivating this ministry. Sign up at https://bit.ly/BCGardenHelp