

**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.*

*If you would like to know about the Cathedral building and its history, a docent-led tour is available following the service. The tour starts in the baptistry at the back of the church.*

***The service is found in the black Book of Common Prayer (BCP).  
Hymns are found in the red hymnal.***

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**Prelude** Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 657 *Johann Sebastian Bach*

**Hymn 290** Come, ye faithful people, come *St. George's Windsor*

**LITURGY OF THE WORD** **BCP 355**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

### **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.**

**Gloria** *sung by all*

**Hymnal S-278**

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

**W**hen you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.” You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 100**    *Anglican Chant by John Stainer*

**BCP 729**

**The Epistle**

Philippians 4:4-9

**R**ejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 291** We plow the fields, and scatter

*Wir pflugen*

**The Gospel**

John 6:25-35

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

**W**hen the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

*Kathy Webb*

**Prayers of the People: Form IV**

**BCP 388**

**The Confession**

**BCP 360**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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

**The Announcements**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*During the Offertory song, ushers collect an offering from the congregation.  
Please stand while the offering is brought to the Altar.*

**Anthem** Thou O God art praised in Sion *Malcolm Boyle*  
*Thou, O God, art praised in Sion,  
and unto Thee shall the vow be perform'd in Jerusalem.  
Thou that hearest the prayer,  
unto Thee shall all flesh come.  
Blessed is the man whom Thou chooseth  
and receives unto Thee.  
He shall dwell in Thy courts  
and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house,  
e'en of Thy holy temple.  
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace  
whose mind is stay'd on Thee.  
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace  
because he trusteth in Thee.  
Trust ye in the Lord forever,  
for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.  
Let the people praise Thee, O God,  
yea, let all the people praise Thee.  
Then shall the earth ring forth her increase:  
and God shall give us His blessing.*  
*Text: Psalm 65, Isaiah 26, and Psalm 67*

**The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A** **BCP 361**  
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**The Sanctus** *sung by all* **Hymnal S-128**

**The Great Thanksgiving continues** **BCP 362**

**The Lord's Prayer** **BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem** *sung by all* **Hymnal S-165**

## The Administration of Holy Communion

*Ushers will assist in directing the flow of communicants. The center aisle goes one way toward the altar. Please receive communion at the rail or at the station. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. Only the front side of the rail will be used today. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you. **Please do not intinct (dip) your wafer.***

**Motet**      Thou visitest the earth      *Maurice Greene*

*Thou visitest the earth and blessest it:  
and crownest the year with thy goodness.*

*Text: Psalm 65: 9a and 12a*

*Soloist: Alan Rackley*

**Hymn 416** For the beauty of the earth      *Lucerna Laudoniae*

**The Postcommunion Prayer**      **BCP 365**

## The Blessing

**Hymn 397** Now thank we all our God      *Nun danket alle Gott*

## The Dismissal

*Deacon*      Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People*      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Postlude**      Choral-Improvisation on 'Nun danket alle Gott,' Op. 65, No. 59  
*Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

## ALTAR GIFTS

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF ELIZABETH  
HEMANS FOSTER PALMER AND SYLVIA AND PAUL ALLEN SMITH, SR.  
BY P. ALLEN SMITH

IN GRATEFUL THANKSGIVING FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS ESPECIALLY  
CATHERINE , ELIZABETH, BOBBY, ANNA, DREW, MAGGIE, SARA CATE  
AND HENRY BY MARTI AND HENRY THOMAS

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF HARRY W. PARKIN  
AND VIRGINIA PARKIN HODGES BY JANE McMULLIN

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF ALLAN EDWARDS  
MEADORS BY HIS CHILDREN DR. FRED MEADORS, ANDREW MEADORS  
AND CHASE MEADORS STOVER

## PARTICIPATING TODAY

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux
<i>Preacher</i>	Kathy Webb
<i>Assisting</i>	The Rev. Deb Cooper, The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry, The Rev. Susan Payne
<i>Lector</i>	Missie McCain
<i>Lay Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Missie McCain
<i>Acolytes</i>	Ellis Tucker, Will Brock, Lucy Lea, Taylor Lea
<i>Director of Music</i>	Dr. Colin MacKnight

### Notes on the Notes

This morning's prelude and postlude are both based on our final hymn, Nun danket alle Gott, or "Now thank we all our God," but the two settings could not be more different. Bach's chorale prelude is elegant and refined, not to mention full of complex imitation and counterpoint. (You can hear phrases of this hymn combined with themselves in all sorts of clever ways!) Karg-Elert's chorale improvisation, on the other hand, is boisterous and raucous. As the title suggests, it sounds more like a wild improvisation than the meticulously planned piece by Bach. Nevertheless, it has earned a reputation in the organ repertoire as being the quintessential Thanksgiving organ piece.

### This week at the Cathedral

Sunday	8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (spoken) 10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II (choral) 4 p.m., Advent Lessons and Carols 5 p.m., Advent Event
Monday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer
Tuesday	8:30 a.m., Expansive Language Morning Prayer 12:15 p.m., Centering Prayer
Wednesday	9 a.m., Morning Prayer 10 a.m., Bell choir rehearsal 4 p.m., Senior chorister rehearsal 4:30 p.m., Trinity Cathedral Ringing Society 5:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers
Thursday	7 p.m., Cathedral choir rehearsal