Trinity Episcopal Church

Our mission for Trinity mirrors what we believe to be the mission of Jesus — to proclaim the good news of God's Kingdom; to practice inclusivity, forgiveness and compassion; and to teach and model justice and peace in our communities.



The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

November 8, 2026

1128 S. Main St., Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
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All **hymns** and **tunes** are from the blue *Hymnal 1982* unless marked "L-xxx" (found in *Lift Every Voice and Sing* [LEVAS]) or "WLP" (found in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*). All are sung standing unless otherwise directed. The **liturgy** is from the red *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP). All books are in your pew.

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Prelude	
Hymn 436	The Processional: *Lift Up Your Heads* *(All stand)*
The Proclamation of the Word of God	
BCP p. 355	The Opening Acclamation *Celebrant:* Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *People:* And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
BCP p. 355	Collect for Purity
Tune S-280	*The Gloria* *(Sung by all)*
Bulletin p. 3	The Collect for the Day
Bulletin pp. 3-4	**The Readings: Proper 27, Year A, Tract 2** *The people sit for the readings. After each reading, the Reader says:* The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.
	The Lesson: Amos 5:18-24 **The Gradual: Psalm 70** *(Sung in unison)* **The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**
Insert	The Sequence: *Give Me Oil In My Lamp* *(All stand)*
Bulletin p. 4	*All remain standing as the Gospel is read, the Celebrant first saying:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew. *People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.
	The Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13 *After the Gospel is read, the Celebrant says:* The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.
The Sermon	The Rev. Bob Henderson *(The people sit)*
BCP p. 358	The Nicene Creed *(The people may stand or kneel)*
BCP p. 392	The Prayers of the People, Form VI *(The people may stand or kneel)* *(See bulletin p. 5 for immediate and continuing concerns)*
BCP p. 393	The Confession *(The people may stand or kneel)*
BCP p. 360	The Absolution *(The people may stand or kneel)*

The Peace *(All stand)*

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, after which announcements are made.

The Celebration of the Holy Communion

Hymn 61, vv. 1, 3	Offertory Hymn: *Sleepers, Wake* *(Remain seated)*
Hymn 380, v. 3	*After the Offertory Hymn, the people stand and sing the Doxology while the offerings are presented and placed on the altar.*
BCP p. 361	**The Great Thanksgiving** *(The people remain standing)* Eucharistic Prayer A
Tune S-129	*The Sanctus and Benedictus* (Holy, Holy, Holy)
BCP p. 362	The Prayer of Thanksgiving *(The people may stand or kneel)*
BCP p. 364	The Lord's Prayer (Traditional version) *(Said by all)*
BCP p. 364	The Fraction (The Breaking of the Bread) *Silence is kept after the consecrated bread is broken. Then the Celebrant says:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People:* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia. *Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please allow the organist and choir to go to the altar rail first for communion. When they have returned to their seats, the congregation will go to the rail.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine from the chalice, guiding it gently to your mouth. If you prefer to dip the wafer into the wine, we have a separate chalice for that. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Respond to receiving Communion by saying, "Amen." If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.

Hymns 324, 574, 53	*Sung during Communion (Remain seated)* *Let All Mortal Flesh; Before Thy Throne; Once He Came*
BCP p. 365	*After Communion is distributed, the Celebrant says:* Let us pray. The Prayer of Thanksgiving *(Said by all) (The people may stand or kneel)*
The Blessing	*The Celebrant blesses the people*
Hymn 68	The Recessional: *Rejoice, Rejoice Believers* *(All stand)*
BCP p. 366	The Dismissal *The people respond with:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Church does not end here; it begins here. The image of God is communicated to the world by the people of God during the week.

The Collect of the Day

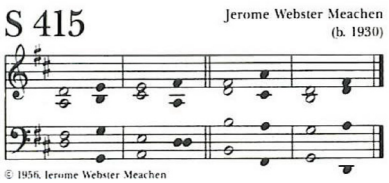
O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Readings

The Lesson: Amos 5:18-24

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord: Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

The Gradual: Psalm 70 *(Sung in unison)*



[1] Be pleased, O God, to de-**liver me**; *
O Lord, make haste to **help me**.

[2] Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dis-**mayed**; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be dis-**graced**.

[3] Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn **back**, *
because they are a-**shamed**.

[4] Let all who seek you rejoice and be **glad in you**; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the **Lord**!"

[5] But as for me, I am poor and **needy**; *
come to me speedily, O **God**.

[6] You are my helper and my de-**liverer**; *
O Lord, do not **tarry**.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Flowers

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given by Carlene Harris in memory of Vicky Mendes.

Please Remember in Prayer

Immediate Concerns: Carl D; James V; Gwen; Al Wilms; family of Cynthia Thomas; Grace; Anna Grace; Cheryl Fraser, Peter Squitieri; Stacey; Shannon; Helen; Tony J; John Klinger; Donna N; Lois K; and Dylan Stewart

Continuing Concerns: Elizabeth Lofaro; Tina W; Chase; Derick Kelly & family; Scott Haynie; Helen Hennessy; Mamie; Josey Ballard & family; Marianna; Novelette & Ricardo; Grace Tart; Elaine; D.J. Langley & family; Bob & Catherine Williams; Michael D; Stacie B & family; Lula & Andy Davis; Joyce Watkins King; Lois & Bob; Mandy; John B; people under siege; Anne; Robbie M; Joanne; Alison; Sue Kilman; Rev. Marvin Connelly; Dora Ramsey; Sharon Garrison; Don; Pam Andes; and Dave McCrae

Announcements

Funeral for Cynthia Thomas — Saturday, November 14

Cynthia Thomas, wife of Deacon Bob Thomas, died earlier this week. The funeral arrangements are: Saturday, November 14 at 11 a.m. in the chapel of the McLaurin Funeral Home, 12830 Clayton Blvd, Clayton, NC 27520.

Faith for All — Next Sunday, November 15



Next Sunday, November 15, we'll hold our third Faith for All session at 9:30 a.m in the Parish Hall. We'll examine what we believe by exploring parts of our Creed — a look at old things in a new way. Please join us.

Crafty Stitchers — Wednesday, November 18

This month, Crafty Stitchers will meet in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Trinity Centering Prayer Group — Thursday, November 19

We will meet in the Parish Hall at Trinity for Centering Prayer at 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 19. We hope you can be there. Feel free to invite any friends or neighbors to join us. Email questions to Tom Slater at patobyblack@yahoo.com.



Volunteer Opportunity — Meal Prep and Delivery

Can you make a meal to share with fellow parishioners when there is a need? The Parish Care Ministry is looking for volunteers to make a meal when the need arises. When meals are requested, an email will be sent out to designated volunteers to sign up. If you are available, you choose a date from the signup sheet and take a meal to

the person on the designated day/time. Please email Carlene at crgalvin@yahoo.com if you would like to join or need more information.

In case you missed it…

Turkey Tradition

In wonderful Trinity tradition, we want to provide turkeys to the Angier Food Pantry for Thanksgiving. We will be accepting monetary donations through Sunday, November 22. Please put a check or cash in a donation envelope with the word **TURKEY** written on it. The Pantry will purchase the turkeys and hand them out.

Food crises persist in many communities, including our own, due to federal cuts to SNAP. As Angier Food Pantry attempts to fill the void, we ask that you continue to donate canned and boxed items as you are able. **Reminder:** The donation bin is in the back of the Nave (EFWM donation collection is in the kitchen).

MARINE CORPS RESERVE
TOYS FOR TOTS

Toys for Tots Annual Christmas Collection — Until December 6

Annual collection for the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program runs through Sunday, December 6. This program brings the joy and hope of Christmas to economically disadvantaged children. Please place **UNWRAPPED** gifts in the two boxes in the Parish Hall. We'd love to fill both boxes this year, so thank you in advance for your generosity and participation in this rewarding endeavor. Contact Barbara Lawrence at (774) 454-2134 or Donna Wooten at (919) 523-7760 with questions.

This Week at Trinity

Please check with Annette Nauraine (officeadmin@trinityfuquay.org) before scheduling meetings in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, November 8
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Adult Christian Formation
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, November 9
6:30 p.m. Closed AA Meeting

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day — Church Office Closed
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Sunday, November 15
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Faith for All
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:30 p.m. Coffee Hour

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The Rt. Rev. Sam Rodman, Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, Assistant Bishop
The Rev. Bob Henderson, Rector

Vestry

Senior Warden: Bo Bierley
Junior Warden: Bobby Norris
Members: Jose Castaneda, Chelsea Clark, LaVie Ellison, Grace Kern, Lee Ann Scott, Todd Truffin, Leslie Yount
Recorder: AnneMargaret Braham
Treasurer: Robert Rubin
Clerk: Jose Castaneda

Staff

Administrator: Annette Nauraine
Admin. Asst.: Jennifer Newton
Organist: Mary Wheeler
Sexton: Monty Reichert
Altar Guild: Grace Kern
Daughters of the King: Angela Norris
Parish Care: Carlene Galvin Harris
Outreach: Donna Wooten
Card Ministry: Barbara Lawrence
Crafty Stitchers: Cynthia Cohn

Opportunities for Worship & Study

Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
Adult Christian Formation: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall
Faith for All (Intergenerational Worship): Third Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall
Healing Service: First Sunday of each month at 10:10 a.m. in the Nave

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