



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Proper 13, Year B

August 4, 2024

8:30 a.m. Contemplative Eucharist

10 a.m. Eucharist, with music

Trinity Memorial Church

*An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Central New York
and a Jubilee Ministry Center*

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All are welcome!

Trinity Memorial Church is **handicapped accessible**.

Enter through the glass doors on Oak Street.

A **lift** to the sanctuary level is available in the far corner of the gym.

Accessible restrooms with a **changing station** are located in the Hoyt Room through the large double doors on the right of the sanctuary.

Hearing assistive devices & large print bulletins are available. Please speak with an usher.

Parents are welcome to use the Children's Corner in the Hoyt Room. There are also soft toys and crayons in the basket at the back of the church.

Visitors are invited to sign our guest book at the entrance to the church.

Coffee Hour: Join us in the Hoyt Room after service.

Our Mission: *To serve Christ passionately through self, family, parish and community.*

Our Identity: *A diverse people responding to God through worship and music, friendship and formation, generosity and service.*

The Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please note that the text in ***bold italics*** is said by the whole congregation and the hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982 in the pews.

Hymn 527

Singing songs of expectation

Ton-y-Botel

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Priest Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People ***And Blessed be God's kingdom now and forever.***

Priest 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***

Venite (Said in Unison) *Psalm 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Collect for the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you

Priest Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning, you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For

they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Lector The Word of the Lord

People ***Thanks be to God***

Psalm 78:23-29 (read together)

*23 So he commanded the clouds above *
and opened the doors of heaven.*

*24 He rained down manna upon them to eat *
and gave them grain from heaven.*

*25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; *
he provided for them food enough.*

*26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens *
and led out the south wind by his might.*

*27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust *
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.*

*28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp *
and round about their dwellings.*

*29 So they ate and were well filled, *
for he gave them what they craved.*

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:1-16

I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore, it is said, "When he ascended on high, he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into

the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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

Gradual Hymn 302 *Father, we thank thee who hast planted* **Rendez à Dieu**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

The Holy Gospel: John 6:24-35

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him 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.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Glenn Mahaffey

The Apostle’s Creed

Priest and People together, all standing

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

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.

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. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Almighty God, Jesus taught us that if we sought to honor you in our actions that you would draw near to us. We thank you for fulfilling the promise of your Son and we pray that you would strengthen those who make up your church, especially in places where the faithful are persecuted because they bear the name of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and for Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, for Dede our Bishop, and Glenn our Priest, and for the leadership of this congregation and all of its members, we pray for St. Matthews in Liverpool, Trinity in Lowville, the Diocese of West Missouri and the Anglican Church of Kenya, that we may always experience your living presence on our life together, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

O Lord, inspire us and give us courage to be ambassadors for Peace in the opportunities you provide in our lives. We also pray for Gaza, Ukraine, Haiti and all other places in this world that suffer from armed conflict, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, you came to this earth to show us the closeness of God's presence, we remember before you, the poor and destitute, those whose lives are affected by addiction and compulsions beyond their control, we pray for those who are victims of violence and abuse, and we pray for all those who are close to our hearts who suffer this day, especially: Terry Burke, David Scone, Kristen, Drieux, Masha, Chucky Corse, Bruce and Nan Borton, Jason Munn, Jeffrey Weyant, Michelle, Mary-Lou Faust, JoAnne Maniago, Carolyn, Jeremy, Regina, Colleen Lipari, Alice Delvilano, Dana, Andy and Dorothy Pierce, Rayleen Kie, Jessica, Bettie Allen and Karen. Are there others? *Please share your prayers silently or aloud* let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

Most gracious God, we thank you for the many blessings which you have so graciously bestowed upon us, for the lives of those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Kennedy Gallagher, Bob Kuzia and Darlene Croston. For those who celebrate their anniversaries: David and Diane Hunt. Are there others? *Please share your prayers silently or aloud* Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, we remember those who have carried your message before us, especially: Dr. E. Raymond Gillespie, John R. Gillespie and Jane Gillespie Schroeder, in whose loving memory the flowers on the altar have been given. Give us the eyes to see your vision glorious, until we again meet them again one day beyond the portal of death, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, Hear our prayer.

Priest adds a concluding collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen

Absolution

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of God's Holy Spirit.

Amen

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Offertory Solo *Bless This House* May H. Brahe
 Randy Frye, Baritone
 Accompanist – Jean H. Henssler

Presentation Hymn 380 st. 3 *From all that dwell below the skies* **Old 100th**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Priest

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Priest and People

Sanctus (Spoken together)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosannah in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosannah in the highest!

The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father;

Priest and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of

Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Ann and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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*

Breaking of the Bread

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People *Let us keep the feast, Alleluia!*

Ministration of Communion

Priest

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Communion.

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is his will that those who want him can meet him here.

Communion Solo

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Priest Let us pray.

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness
and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

The Blessing

Hymn 690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Cwm Rhonda

The Dismissal

Priest

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

PRAYER LIST

Pray for our church: For Justin, archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael, presiding bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, DeDe, our bishop, Dorothy our Deacon and Glenn, our priest. Pray for our Vestry.

For Parishes in our Diocese: we pray for St. Matthews in Liverpool, Trinity in Lowville,

For our Companion Diocese of El Salvador

The Episcopal Church: the Diocese of West Missouri.

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

Pray for those with special needs: Terry Burke, David Scone, Kristen, Drieux, Masha, Chucky Corse, Bruce and Nan Borton, Jason Munn, Jeffrey Weyant, Michelle, Mary-Lou Faust, JoAnne Maniago, Carolyn, Jeremy, Regina, Colleen Lipari, Alice Delvilano, Dana, Andy and Dorothy Pierce, Rayleen Kie, Jessica, Bettie Allen and Karen.

Pray for those with continuing needs: Nancy Campbell, Nelson Pereira, Shawn Kaiser, Jon Walz Koeppel, Missy Greene, Karen Gazda and Heavenly.

Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Kennedy Gallagher, Bob Kuzia and Darlene Croston.

Pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week: David and Diane Hunt.

Pray for members, loved ones, and their families in the military: Kurt Albaugh, Laura & Nick Carter, Darlene Croston, Colin Davis, Wendy Finley, David Komar, Joshua Loch, Marshall Cohen, Ben Sherwood Evans, Seth Thomas, Raidyn Ford and Evan Hesco.

Pray for those who have died: Dr. E. Raymond Gillespie, John R. Gillespie and Jane Gillespie Schroeder, in whose loving memory the flowers on the altar have been given.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar

- Sunday, August 4 Noon Canteen Easter Lunch- Dining Room
- Monday, August 5 9:00am Kaufman Group- Music Room
- Thursday, August 8 6:30pm Basic Text NA – Common Room
- Thursday, August 8 6:30pm Eastern Star – Dining Room
- Saturday, August 10 9:30am Starting from the Bottom N/A
- Sunday, August 11 8:30am Contemplative Eucharist
- Sunday, August 11 10:00am Holy Eucharist with Music



Worship Ministries

<i>August, 4 2024</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Roxe-Anne and John Lynn
<i>Acolyte</i>	Ken Lattimore
<i>Worship Leader</i>	Bill Palmer
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Bill Palmer, Greg Keeler, Bob Peterson, Phyllis Amenda, Darlene Croston
<i>Lector</i>	Greg Keeler
<i>Ushers</i>	Bill Palmer, Jim Albert
<i>Digital Minister</i>	Bob Kuzia
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Roxe-Anne Lynn

Last Week's Outreach St. Mark's served 80 sit down lunches, and we distributed 35 grab and go lunches.

Canteen Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Cooking</i>	<i>Manager</i>	<i>Host</i>	<i>P/U date and persons</i>
8/4/2024	Friends of Trinity	B. Crowle	S. Crowle	8/1 John Chaffee

Generosity Update

Required weekly contributions \$3,870

Last week's contributions \$3,624

Required year to date contributions \$112,224

Contributions received year to date \$135,889

Year to Date Difference \$23,665



Richard Rohr describes the reign of God as an alternative way of relating, taken from daily meditations.

When Jesus talked about the reign of God, he was talking about an utterly different way of relating with one another than human society as we know it. The new world order—the reign of God—is the heart of the Christian Scriptures. The kingdom is Jesus' message. He never describes it conceptually; he walks around

it and keeps giving images of the Real. This is the classic pattern of the spiritual teacher. Only those ready and seeking will normally understand.

For example, “The reign of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air can come and shelter in its branches” (Matthew 13:31–32). The mustard seed is very small and insignificant. Pliny the Elder, a contemporary of Jesus, writes only two things about the mustard plant: It’s medicinal, so it did have some value. But he said not to plant it because it tends to take over the entire garden. It is a weed that cannot be stopped.

Those would have been the two images on which Jesus was clearly building. He teaches: *What I’m describing for you is therapeutic—it’s life, it’s healing, it’s medicinal—but it’s like a weed. I’m planting a weed in the world.* What a shocking image! Jesus talks about strange things like nonviolence and living a simple life by saying they’re planted and they’re going to take over the whole garden; the old world is over.

That’s Jesus’ hope, but we have to witness what patient hope that is. He didn’t see it happen in his lifetime, when religion was highly corrupt and most people were poor, oppressed, or enslaved. Yet still, in the midst of that, he dared to announce the present reign of God! He dared to promise, “You can live the new reality right now.”

The word for that way of living in the in-between times is *faith*. Let’s get rid of every thought of faith as belief, as prosperity, or as a set of rules or moral guidelines. Those are fine, but they’re not what Jesus is talking about. He’s talking about the grace and the freedom to live God’s dream for the world *now*—while not rejecting the world as it is. That’s a mighty tension, one that is not easily resolved. Remember this: There are always two worlds. The world as it operates is power; the world as it should be is love. The secret of kingdom life is how we can live in both—simultaneously. The world as it is will always be built on power, ego, and success. Yet we also must keep our eyes intently on the world as it should be—what Jesus calls the reign of God.