

Offertory Music: “In Jesus' Name” text and music by Katy Nicole, Jeff Pardo, Ethan Hulse and David Spencer

*I speak the name of Jesus over you. In your hurting, in your sorrow I will ask my God to move.
I speak the name 'cause it's all that I can do. In desperation, I'll seek heaven, and pray this for you.*

Refrain: *I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

I speak the name of all authority, declaring blessings, ev'ry promise He is faithful to keep. I speak the name no grave could ever hold. He is greater, he is stronger, He's the God of possible.

Refrain

*Come believe it, come receive it. Oh, the power of the Spirit is now forever yours.
Come believe it, come receive it. In the mighty name of Jesus, all things are possible.*

Refrain

The Sacrament of Holy Communion: (see insert)

***Hymn:** “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” UMH# 664

Benediction

Postlude: “Voluntary I, Maestoso” Hermann Schroeder (1904-1984)

We thank those who participated in today’s service:

Altar Ministry: Deb Garth and Kathy Hathaway

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Communion Servers: Karen and Greg Andros, Holly Blair, Deb Marden

Fellowship Hour: Membership & Evangelism and volunteers

Liturgist: Mike Rust

Soloist: Teri LaFleur, Soprano

Ushers: Head Usher; Lisa Bakowski, Asst. Head Usher; Sheila Womble, JoAnne Evans, Ann Guyotte, Kathy Hathaway, Margo Sweetland

Video Team: Brian and Samuel Crawford, Eric Mazzarella, Nic Odell, Anthony and Nicholas Skridulas

Please Pray for: Vera B, Bridget B, James B, Janet B, Meri B, Natalie B, Caroline B’s family, Mary C, Pat D, David F, Sophia G, Donna G, H-R family, Courtney H, Pete L, Brenda L’s family, Cristopher L, Katherine L, Amy L, Ellen L, Arlene M’s family, Diane M, Carlos M, Pat N, Rev. Dr. Bob P, Catherine Ann R, Gerald R, Carl S, Ruth S, Lynn T, Allie W, our service members and their loved ones, those affected by gun violence and natural disasters.

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Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.



Celebrate God’s love
Nurture relationships with God and one another
Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost-Communion

July 12, 2026

10:30 a.m.

WELCOME

We worship using this liturgy & two songbooks: The United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) & The Faith We Sing (TFWS). Please silence your electronic devices. Nursery care is downstairs for children birth - 4 years.

*Please stand in body or in spirit. **Items in bold are read in unison.** *Items italicized are sung by the choir.*

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE FOR A TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

“I don’t claim that everything changes in every way, but everything changes in some way.”
— Octavia E. Butler, Parable of the Sower

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Sonata II, movement II, "Ruhig bewegt" (Quietly Moving) - Paul Hindemith (1895-1963)

***Call to Worship:** – By Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, Jan. 2023.

Leader: Come, let us worship God!
People: Come, let us worship our Creator!

Leader: God is the great Sower, scattering seeds of life and abundance across the earth.
People: We are the soil the Sower plants, created to nurture and sustain the seeds of God’s life-giving love.

Leader: God is the great Gardener, tilling and cultivating our soil with love and grace.
People: We notice the rocks and thorns in our soil and call on the Gardener’s love and grace to transform us into good soil.
Leader: God is the great Life-giver, sowing seeds and tending the soil to produce the fruit of abundant life.
All: May we nurture and grow God’s new reality, bearing the fruit of flourishing and abundance for all God’s creation. Amen.

***Hymn:** “Morning Has Broken” UMH# 145

***Morning Unison Prayer:** – Nancy C. Townly Wordpress

God who plants seeds of hope and justice within our lives, we are so grateful for this community of faith and for all, anywhere, who hunger and thirst for your healing, reconciling word. You know all the things that are on our hearts today and you bring us together in love and support. We ask your healing mercies with those who struggle with illness of every kind, with feeling lost and marginalized; for those who mourn and for whom the darkness of sorrow enshrouds them. We ask for your growth-producing love for all those who celebrate and rejoice today. Be with each one of us and all those whom we have named in our hearts before you. Help us to reach out to each other in compassion and support, for we ask these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***Response:** “Be Thou my Vision” (vv. 1 & 2) UMH# 451
Verse 1: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
Verse 2: Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Special Music: “I Feel the Spirit Moving” Traditional Spiritual

Refrain: *Gimme that old time religion. Gimme that old time religion. Gimme that old time religion 'cause it's good enough for me. It was good for my brothers and sisters. It was good for my brothers and sisters. It was good for my brothers and sisters., and it's good enough for me.*

Refrain
Ev'ry time I feel the spirit movin' in my heart, I will pray. Upon the mountain my Lord did spoke. Out of His mouth came fire and smoke. Down in the valley on my knees, I ask my Lord, "Have mercy, please." Ev'ry time I feel the spirit movin' in my heart, I will pray. There ain't but one train on this track. It runs to heaven and runs right back. Saint Peter waitin' at the gate, says, "Come on, sinner, don't be late." Ev'ry time I feel the spirit movin' in my heart, I will pray.

Refrain
Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Moment: Ellen Lutz

Pastoral Prayer, Joys and Concerns

The Lord’s Prayer:
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, forever. Amen.

***Hymn:** “Hymn of Promise” UMH# 707
(Note: Chapel Kids is over for the season. It resumes mid-September.)

New Testament Scripture Reading: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23 (NRSV) p. 23

Response to the Word:
One: The Word of God for the People of God.
Many: Thanks be to God!

The Word in Reflection: “The Sower” Rev. Dr. David V. Calhoun

RESPONDING TO THE SPIRIT’S PROMPTINGS

Offertory Prayer: - Ministry Matters
Creator God from whom all blessings grow: as we dedicate our tithes and offerings, we acknowledge that you have blessed us to be the fertile soil from which the good news of your kingdom will spring forth. Move us, we pray, beyond seeing our role as passive or powerless, depending totally on the quality of the seed and the expertise of the planter. Remind us that you are counting on us for fruitfulness, demonstrating for the world your love, grace, and power as we bear fruit that eases the suffering, feeds the hungry, brings justice to the oppressed and love and compassion to those who feel disconnected or forgotten. In Christ, we pray. **Amen.**