TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GROWING TOGETHER. WELCOMING ALL.

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 15, 2026

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Asante Mungu (Thank you, God)
trad., arr. Jennifer Klein and Karen Crane
Trinity Children's Choir
MaryLen Myers, director

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

✞CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, people of God, with all that this day holds.
Many: We come with our joys and our sorrows, our hopes and our worries.
One: In every season of life, God invites us to recognize the gifts of grace.
Many: To see beyond what is missing and give thanks for what is present.
One: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and let gratitude shape your lives.
Many: With grateful hearts, we come to worship God.

✞GATHERING HYMN Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
Glory to God Hymnal, No. 367 St. George's Windsor

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you have blessed us in more ways than we can count, yet too often we fail to recognize the gifts that surround us. We become so focused on what is missing that we overlook what is present. We dwell on our disappointments, compare our lives with others, and allow our worries to overshadow our gratitude. Forgive us when we take your blessings for granted, when we forget to give thanks, and when we fail to recognize your goodness in the ordinary moments of life. Open our eyes to your grace, renew our perspective, and teach us to live with grateful hearts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

At this time, you are invited to silently offer your personal prayers of forgiveness to God.

KYRIE ELEISON *(Glory to God Hymnal, No. 575)* Lord, Have Mercy upon Us

Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

✞**WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Hear the good news: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end.
Many: They are new every morning; great is God's faithfulness.
One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Many: Thanks be to God!

✞**THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you –
And also with you!

✞**GLORY TO GOD** Glory to God

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 582 GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 34 1-8

ANTHEM Let all the people praise thee
William Mathias (1934-1992)

Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing. God shall bless us and all the ends of the world shall fear him. God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us. That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise thee. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Psalm 86)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 3:1-17

SERMON Give Thanks
Rev. Nick Cheek

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH & COMMITMENT

✞**HYMN OF RESPONSE** Give Thanks, O Christian People

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 644 ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVOGELEIN

✞**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith, 1991*

We trust in Jesus Christ, who proclaimed the reign of God, preached good news to the poor, brought freedom to the oppressed, welcomed the outcast, forgave sinners, and called all people to follow in the way of God. We trust in the Holy Spirit, who gathers us into the one body of Christ, the Church, speaks to us through Scripture and the Word proclaimed, meets us in the waters of baptism and at the table of grace, and calls us into the ministry of Christ. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to proclaim the good news, to hear voices long silenced, to seek justice, freedom, and peace, and to love and serve our neighbors. We believe God is still at work, reconciling, healing, restoring, and making all things new. This is our faith. This is our calling. By the grace of God, this is the Church we are called to be. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR OFFERING

To make an offering by text, text TPCGIVE to 73256.
For online offering click HERE or scan QR code to the right.

OFFERTORY

✞ **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

✞**PRAYER FOR OFFERING**

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS & SERVE

✞**SENDING HYMN** God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
Glory to God Hymnal, No. 716 BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Recessional
William Mathias

✞*All who are able are invited to stand.*

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Nick Cheek, preacher; Rev. Hillary Cheek, Dr. Eric Robinson, Director of Children, Youth and Families, liturgists; Dr. Justin Smith, Director of Music and Cultural Events; Mark Swicegood, organist; the Trinity Choir; and the Children's Choir, MaryLen Myers, director.

WELCOME TO TRINITY

You are welcome and there is a place for you here at Trinity! We strive to be an open and inclusive community, acknowledging and embracing the rich diversity of God's creation so we embody our calling to, "grow together and welcome all." We love having children, and their wiggles, worship with us at Trinity. If you choose, childcare is provided for ages four and under. We are happy your family is here! Whatever in your life brought you to worship with us today, you are welcome, and we hope you feel at home.

NAME TAGS - As an intergenerational church, we value welcome and belonging. Name tags help us learn one another's names and build connections across generations. If you are new or have been visiting and would like a name tag, an usher will be happy to help you.

INTERESTED IN ENGAGING IN THE LIFE OF TRINITY? - Are you interested in learning more about Trinity or exploring the next steps in your faith journey here? Whether that means getting involved, joining the church, or simply asking questions, we would love to connect with you. Please reach out to Rev. Nick, Rev. Rebecca, or the church office, and we will be glad to help you find your place at Trinity. You can also fill out a Welcome Card by asking a greeter before worship.

CHILDCARE - Childcare for ages 0-4 is available, in **Room 116,** during Sunday morning activities, beginning at **9:30 a.m.** (or **10:30 a.m.** if Sunday School is not held). Our nursery care providers are two Weekday School teachers, Paris Barnette and Nidia Estrada. Children, aged five and older, are invited to join Worship, but younger children are also welcome. We offer a "Prayground" where children can engage and play during the service.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN WORSHIP - Each week, children and youth can build their own worship bags with activities and supplies provided in the Narthex.