# The Church of the Holy Trinity Rittenhouse Square

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II



July 21, 2024

# What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, July 21	9:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 12:30 pm 4:30 pm	Adult Forum Holy Eucharist – 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Refreshments July Vestry Meeting Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Church Church Floor Parish House Library Centennial Room
Monday, July 22	10:00-3:00	Front Doors Open	
Tuesday, July 23	10:00-3:00 4:30 pm	Front Doors Open Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Wednesday, July 24	10:00-3:00 10:00 am	Front Doors Open Staff Meeting	Parish House
Thursday, July 25	10:00-3:00 12:15 pm	Front Doors Open Healing Eucharist	Church/Prayer Corner
Sunday, July 28	9:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 4:30 pm	Adult Forum Holy Eucharist – 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Refreshments Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Church Church Centennial Room

# **TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS**

Veronica Aplenc & James Otwell, Lectors
Brian Felty, Intercessor
Margaret Dowling, Usher
Boyden Gardner, Streaming

## Welcome! We invite you to learn a little bit about who we are:

for more information about this service, please see the back of the bulletin

### **Our Vivid Vision**

This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshippers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

### **Core Values**

### Inclusion/Welcome

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

### **Innovation**

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

### Collaboration

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

### **Community Mindedness**

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

### Culture

### Joyful

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

### **Fearless**

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

### **Embracing**

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

### Engaged

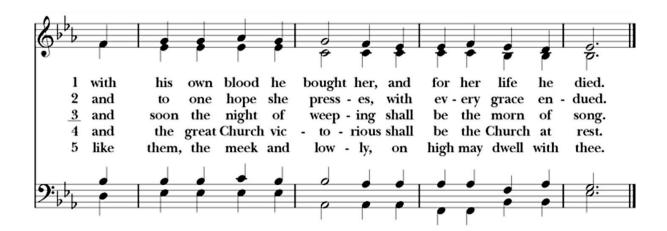
Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

### Welcome & Parish Notices

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

# Entrance Hymn 525 Aurelia





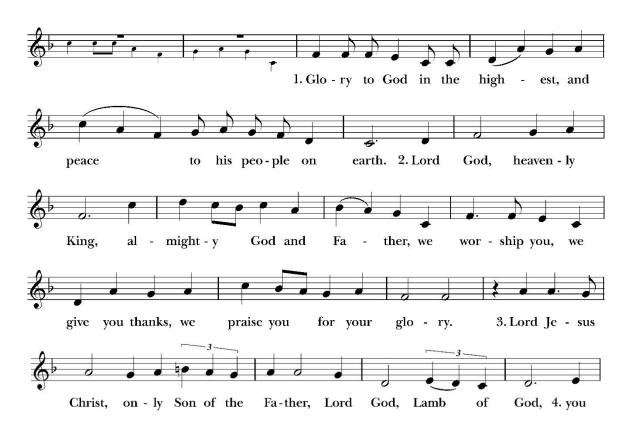
### **Opening Acclamation**

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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 S-280





### The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our narrow view we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Please be seated.

### THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a Veronica Aplenc

Reader A Reading from the prophet Samuel

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Each	side of	the	congregation	takes a	verse,	starting	with	house	right.

- Right 20 I have found David my servant; \* with my holy oil have I anointed him.
- Left 21 My hand will hold him fast \* and my arm will make him strong.?
- Right 22 No enemy shall deceive him, \* nor any wicked man bring him down.
- Left 23 I will crush his foes before him \* and strike down those who hate him.
- Right <sup>24</sup> My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \* and he shall be victorious through my Name.
- *Left* <sup>25</sup> I shall make his dominion extend \* from the Great Sea to the River
- Right <sup>26</sup> He will say to me, 'You are my Father, \* my God, and the rock of my salvation.'
- Left 27 I will make him my firstborn \* and higher than the kings of the earth.
- Right 28 I will keep my love for him for ever, \* and my covenant will stand firm for him
- Left 29 I will establish his line for ever \* and his throne as the days of heaven."
- Right 30 "If his children forsake my law \* and do not walk according to my judgments;
- *Left* <sup>31</sup> If they break my statutes \* and do not keep my commandments;
- Right 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod \* and their iniquities with the lash;
- Left 33 But I will not take my love from him, \* nor let my faithfulness prove false
- Right 34 I will not break my covenant, \* nor change what has gone out of my lips
- Left 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: \* 'I will not lie to David.

Right <sup>36</sup> His line shall endure for ever \* and his throne as the sun before me;

Left 37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, \* the abiding witness in the sky.' "

**Second Lesson:** Ephesians 2:11-22

James Otwell

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians:

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

Please stand as you are able.

### Sequence Hymn 529



**The Gospel:** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Celebrant

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they

heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner

Following the sermon, please stand as you are able.

### The Nicene Creed

All

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People, Form IV

Brian Felty

Leader.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People:

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

People:

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader. For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader. For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop Elect, and Daniel,

our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader. For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and for those who have

asked for our prayers: especially Sylvia, Sam, Peter, Barbara, Gwynette, Pat, Wanda, Nydeah, Dick, Jerome, John, Lawrence, Jon, Rose, Nyier Ramona,

Arthea, Sydney, and those we now wish to add...

The congregation is invited to add their own prayers

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader. We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For all who are celebrating

birthdays and anniversaries this week. For those who are graduating. For our

family and friends. For all the people we love.

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Leader. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

### **Confession of Sin**

Presider: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

A brief moment of silence is observed.

All

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**

Presider

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen** 

### The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All greet one another with a sign of Christ's Peace.

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

### **Offertory Sentence**

Presider

Christ came and preached peace to you outsiders and peace to us insiders. He treated us as equals, and so made us equals. Through him we both share the same Spirit and have equal access to God. We're no longer strangers or outsiders. We belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. *Ephesians 2:17-20 (The Message)* 

### Anthem How Pleased and Blest was I Alice Parker

How pleased and blest was I,

To hear the people cry,

"Come, let us seek our God to-day!"

Yes, with a cheerful zeal,

We haste to Zion's hill,

And there our vows and honors pay.

Zion--thrice happy place-
Adorned with wondrous grace,

Great walls of strength embrace thee round:

In thee our tribes appear,

To pray, and praise, and hear

The sacred gospel's joyful sound.

May peace attend thy gate,
And joy within thee wait,
To bless the soul of every guest:
The man who seeks thy peace,
And wishes thine increase,
A thousand blessings on him rest!

Paraphrase of Psalm 122 – Isaac Watts

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant May God 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 to the One who created us.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with

memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned

against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed

your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of

Mary his mother, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

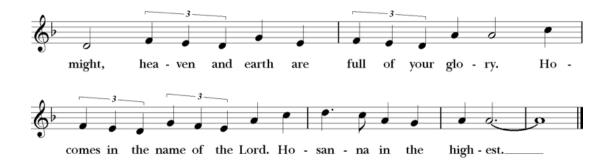
Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets,

apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to

you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### Sanctus S-129





Celebrant

And so, Most Gracious God, we who have been redeemed by Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our Savior. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant

God of our kindred and their generation: God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, Hannah and Deborah; God and Father of our Savior Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in your Son's name.

People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant

Accept these prayers and praises, O God, Most Merciful, though Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

All AMEN.

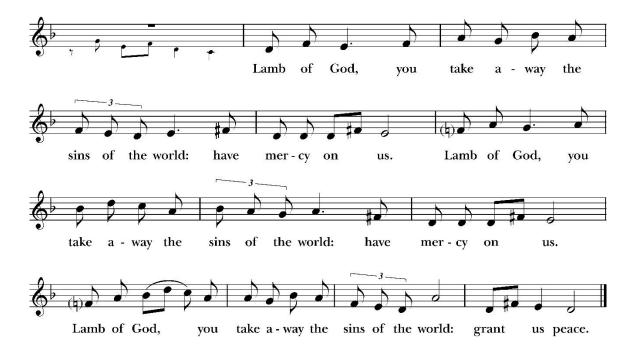
### The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

### Agnus Dei S-163



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God – Holy Food for Holy People.

Please be seated.

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

The following prayer may be prayed silently by those not receiving communion or those who are at home.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

### **Distribution of Communion**

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and form two lines in the center aisle. There will be two stations for bread and wine in front of the altar rail. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher). If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know.



Following the hymn, all stand as able.

### Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant 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

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 



### The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Cortege Gordon Young

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**Healing Prayer** – all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to john a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.

### About this service...

**Service:** Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

**Children** are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the "Pew Pen" in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

**Restrooms** are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men's room is straight ahead, women's to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

**Offering:** The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT DONATE to 73256** or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM (<a href="www.htrit.org/give">www.htrit.org/give</a>).



**Communion:** All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

# **Volunteer Opportunities**



**Open Hearts Café**, our weekly meal and clothing service for our neighbors, is always open for volunteers and donations. Gently used clothing, especially coats, jeans, and shoes, and new socks, underwear and under garments are always needed!

Sign up to volunteer: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp">https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp</a>

Worship Volunteers, It takes many hands to make this service amazing!! Join us in helping!



Hand out bulletins & welcome people
Set up & clean up the altar for services
Help give out the wine & bread during communion
Read the scriptures during the service
Carry the cross and help with communion

If you want more information, email communications@htrit.org

### **Adult Education**

Join us each week at 9:30 am in the back of the church.

Praying with the Psalms (through August 4) – Contemplative Prayer with the Psalm for the day. Join us before the service for a little quiet reflective prayer.

### <u>Upcoming Formation/Education Class (Fall 2024-Spring 2025)</u>

Our Bishop's visitation is scheduled for April 13, 2025. Anyone interested in being welcomed officially into the Episcopal Church, reaffirming their commitment to the church, or just having the Bishop pray over them can participate in the rites of Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation at this service.



Preparation this year will take place over the course of 26 weeks, using the curriculum **Practicing our Faith**, based on the book, *Walk in Love* by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Schobe. The curriculum breaks down the beliefs, faith, and practices of the Episcopal Church.

### We will have 2 offerings:

- 1) Sunday Lecture & Discussion each week we will be presenting a topic & discussing
- 2) Weekday Book Study & Conversation reading the book together & having conversation

Registration will be available soon – please let Rachel Gardner know if you have questions.

### Church of the Holy Trinity, Staff

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner, Rector

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