the Holy Trinit he Church of

Rittenhouse Square

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am Morning Prayer, Rite II



I am the living bread that came down From heaven; whoever eats this bread will live Forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh For the life of the world.

John 6:51

August 18, 2024

Welcome! We are glad you are with us today.

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.

What's Happening This Week:

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

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, August 18	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Morning Prayer – 13 th Sunday after Pente Refreshments	<i>ecost</i> Church Church
	4-6 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Monday, August 19	Front 1	Doors Closed Today	
Tuesday, August 20	10:00-3:00 4-6 pm	Front Doors Open Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Wednesday, August 21	10:00-3:00	Front Doors Open	
Thursday, August 22	10:00-3:00 12:15 pm	Front Doors Open Healing Eucharist	Church
Sunday, August 25	11:00 am 12:00 pm 12:30 pm 4-6 pm	Holy Eucharist – 14 th Sunday after Pented Refreshments August Vestry Meeting 2 nd Floor Par Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church

SAVE THE DATE: Choral Evensong and Organ Dedication, Wed. Sept. 25 @ 6:00 pm

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Our clergy are away today

A very special THANK YOU to our congregation for leading us in worship today! We welcome Glenn Rodgers as our Guest Musician today.

Thank you Glenn for filling in this week!

Simson Hui, Officiant

Joshua Karstendick & James Otwell, Lectors

Margaret Dowling, Intercessor & Sermon Reader; Usher

Ashley Del Bianco, Welcome Table

Jeannie Welsh, Refreshments

Morning Prayer

Today we worship with the Morning Prayer service; a kind of service that has been around for millennia. The Jewish pattern of praying at sunrise formed the basis of the Christian monastic Daily Office, with its prayers or "hours" at seven times in each day. Thomas Cranmer's revision of the Daily Office for the first English Prayer Book (1549) reduced the number of services to two - one for morning (Matins) and one for evening (Evensong or Vespers). In the Second English Prayer Book (1552), the morning service was given its present name, Morning Prayer. Morning Prayer is a service of prayer and songs that can be led by those who are not ordained as priest.

Morning Prayer was once the principal service for Episcopal Churches, and this church would have had communion only once per quarter or on high holy days, like Christmas and Easter throughout most of its history. Presently, our parishioners lead this service for our congregation when our clergy are away. This offers up a time for the whole congregation to do the liturgy – which means "the work of the people" – and support the clergy in their Sabbath and vacation time. We hope you enjoy this service! Thank you for joining us!

Prelude Adoration Florence Price

Welcome & Parish Notices

Vestry Member

Please rise in body or in spirit for the hymn.



The Opening Sentence

Officiant Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your

sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

The Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

Officiant

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



Following the canticle, please be seated for the Psalm.

Psalm 34:9-14 Benedicam Dominum

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

Right ⁹ Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, * for those who fear him lack nothing.

Left 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, * but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

Right 11 Come, children, and listen to me; * I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Left 12 Who among you loves life * and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

Right 13 Keep your tongue from evil-speaking * and your lips from lying words.

Left 14 Turn from evil and do good; * seek peace and pursue it.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be forever. Amen.

THE READINGS

The First Reading: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Joshua Karstendick

Reader A reading from First Kings

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in.

And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Reader The Word of the Lord All Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit for the hymn.

Canticle 9 - Hymn 679

College of Preachers



Please be seated for the reading.

Reader A reading from the letter to the Ephesians

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit for the hymn.

Canticle 19 - Hymn 532

Old 104th



The Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

Officiant A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The religious authorities then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord All Thanks be to God.

Please be seated for the sermon.

Sermon Living Bread

From Sermons That Work, Episcopal Church USA by The Rt. Rev. Frank S. Logue
Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia

Please stand as you are able for the Creed.

The Apostles' Creed

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.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

All

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.

Suffrages A Margaret Dowling

Intercessor Show us your mercy, O Lord; People And grant us your salvation.

Intercessor Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People Let your people sing with joy.

Intercessor Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; People For only in you can we live in safety.

Intercessor Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Intercessor Let your way be known upon earth;

People Your saving health among all nations.

Intercessor Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Intercessor Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

A Collect for Guidance

Officiant

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

A Prayer for Mission

Officiant

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

THE OFFERTORY

As a sign of our gratitude for all that we have been given, we offer back to God our own gifts, called offerings. It is tradition to pass a plate amongst the pews to collect offerings, but you can also give electronically by sending a text "CHT DONATE" to 73256 or scanning the QR Code.



Offertory Sentence

Officiant

Be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 5:19-20*

Offertory Anthem

Cantate Domino

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

Sing to the Lord a new song.

Let His praise be sung in the congregation of the saints.

Let Israel rejoice in Him who made him;

and let his daughters dance for joy in their King.

The Prayers

Officiant In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Officiant For the peace of the world; that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow

among nations and peoples.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be

found without fault at the day of your coming. For the worldwide Anglican Communion, for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and for the Province of the

Anglican Church of Melanesia.

For the Episcopal Church, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Sean, our Presiding Bishop Elect. For our Diocese. For Daniel, our Bishop, his canons, the members of Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, and the Diocesan Board of Trustees. In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Community

Services.

For our companion diocese of Guatemala, especially for Espíritu Santo,

Reverendo Presbitero Jorge Gomez, their clergy.

For our parish, for John and Rachel, the staff, the vestry, for all who minister and

worship here.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For those in positions of public trust that they may serve justice, and promote the

dignity and freedom of every person.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of

creation. For our Open Hearts Café and all who engage with the suffering in

our city, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for our neighbors

who have no place to call home; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected. For our enemies and those

who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Officiant

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers, especially those on our prayer list Zavier and Zaniya Wisdom, Patrick, Dana, Johana, Rosa, Eleanor, Sylvia, Sam, Peter, Barbara, Gwynette, Pat, Wanda, Nydeah, Dick, Jerome, John, Lawrence, Margaret, Jon, Rose, Nyier, Ramona, Arthea, Sydney. For our families, friends, and neighbors; that they may live in joy, peace, and health.

People

Lord, hear our prayer.

Concluding Collect

Officiant:

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

The General Thanksgiving

All

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

The Closing Sentence

Officiant

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Romans* 15:13



Postlude Fanfare William Mathias

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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: Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the 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 (www.htrit.org/give).



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: https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp

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 at communion

QR Code to Sign Up

To Learn More and Sign up, go to: https://forms.gle/hShAprjHyBe7ZsJS8

