



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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FIFTH Sunday after Pentecost



JULY 13, 2025

10:00 am

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Father Robert Gahler

OPENING SONG

Mended Wing

Songs for the Holy Other
Hymns Affirming the LGBTQIA2s+ Community



1., 5. Re - lig - ion, cul - ture, creed and race each hu - man spir - it and each face
2. And take a - way a new found song, a new found voice to act on wrongs.
3. A peo - ple stand, a peo - ple call: come ga - ther here and wel - come all.
4. And chains will fall, the shack - les break, the earth will rise, and pow - ers quake,

we cel - e - brate, we dance and sing the tal - ents here each one might bring.
To trust, to heal, to help us cope, to stand as one, re - new - ing hope.
Di - ver - si - fy and cel - e - brate that hope - less - ness is not our fate.
just - ice will roll, and free - dom sing, the dove will fly on men - ded wing.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

***People:* Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Priest: 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 Savior.
Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Hezekiah Walker

Sung twice.

Every praise is to our God
Every word of worship in one accord
Every praise, every praise, is to our God

Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah to our God
Every praise, every praise, is to our God

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: God be with you.

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

Priest: Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

DEUTERONOMY 30:9-14

Reader: A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people of Israel, "The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9

"Psalms for Praying: An Invitation to Wholeness" by Nan Merrill

Tone VIII.1



To You, O Love, I lift up my soul;

O Heart within my heart, in You I place my trust.

Let me not feel unworthy; Let not fear rule over me.

Yes! Let all who open their hearts savor You and bless the earth!

Compel me to know your ways, O Love;

Instruct me upon your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for through You will I know wholeness;

I shall reflect your light both day and night.

I know of your mercy, Compassionate One, and of your steadfast love.

You have been with me from the beginning.

Forgive the many times I have walked away from You, choosing to walk alone.

With your steadfast love, once again, companion me along your way.

You are gracious and just, O Spirit of Truth, happy to guide those who miss their way;

You enjoy teaching all who are open, all who choose to live in truth.

Your paths are loving and sure, O Holy One,

For those who give witness to You through their lives.

THE SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 1:1-14

Reader: A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

D F#m Bm D G D

Please let me make ___ some-thing beau-ti-ful A thing that re-minds

6 Em A D F#m Bm

___ us there's good in the world ___ A thing that re-minds ___ us there's still

11 D G D Em A

___ some-thing out ___ there worth fight-ing for ___

16 Bm D G D Em D F#m D

A- le- lu- ia, A- le- lu- ia,

Let it be ___ some-thing won-der-ful ___

24 Bm F#m G D Em Em A A

A- le- lu- ia, A- le- lu- ia.

Let it be ___ some-thing beau-ti-ful ___

32 D F#m Bm D G D

Please let me make ___ some-thing beau-ti-ful A thing that re-minds

37 D A Bm C#m D

___ us there's good in the world. _____

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 10:25-37

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

***People:* Praise to you, O Christ.**

sermon

Father Robert Gahler

Nicene creed

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
(Silence may be kept.)

Leader: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.
Christ, in your mercy

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Holy Trinity, you are neither monarch nor monologue but an eternal harmony of gift and response; through the Uncreated Word and the Spirit of Truth include us and all creation in your extravagant love; through the Wisdom of God, who raises her voice to call us to life. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.
(*Silence may be kept.*)
God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

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

THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Priest: Please greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

Announcements and OFFERTORY INVITATION

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OFFERTORY

Lonely People

Imen Siar

Is there anyone out there trying to sleep
Anyone out there as lonely as me
I know what you're thinking, I know how you feel
Laying in the dark looking for color
Wishing that your heart could cry with another

*If all the lonely people spoke To all the other lonely folk
There'd be no lonely people
If only we could shine like stars To find each other in the dark
There'd be no lonely people*

*Am I the only one out there singing this song?
Trynna make a connection, trying to belong
If I talked to my shadow, he would know how I feel
Lying in the cold, longing for summer
Are we all alone under the covers*

*If all the lonely people spoke
To all the other lonely folk
There'd be no lonely people
If only we could shine like stars
To find each other in the dark
There'd be no lonely people*

*And if we reach out our hands
We'd find somebody
Who wants to be found
Oh if only*

*All the lonely people spoke
To all the other lonely folk
There'd be no lonely people, no more lonely people*

*If all the lonely shine like stars
to find each other in the dark
There'd be no lonely people, no more lonely people
If everyone held up a sign
To say what's really on their mind
We'd all be crying rivers just the same
We'd never be alone in loneliness again*

Is there anyone out there?

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE ✠

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: God be with you.

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

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to Christ our God.

***People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

All Creation Sings #12

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might,
5 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
9 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
15 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
19 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before dying for us Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you 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: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Be — known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. al - le -

5 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Be known to us, Lord

10 Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

14 lu - ia, al - le - lu — ia, al - le lu - ia.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Receive this gift in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed in him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The priest will invite everyone to come forward for communion. The ushers will direct you when it is time. At Trinity we offer both fresh bread and gluten free crackers. In solidarity with our siblings in recovery, we serve only non-alcoholic wine.

All are welcome.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Michael W Smith

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shinin' in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

COMMUNION MUSIC

This is the air I breathe

Michael W. Smith

This is the air I breathe

This is the air I breathe

Your holy presence living in me

This is my daily bread

This is my daily bread

Your very word spoken to me

And I, I'm desperate for You

And I, I'm lost without You

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Amazing Grace

Common Hymnal

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me

I once was lost, but now am found

Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed

In spite of pain and life's unrest

When there's no hope I see

There's grace that woke me up this morn

And grace that lets me sleep

When all around is sinking sand

And every hope is gone

This power shelters from the storm

And keeps me holding on

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People: Thanks be to God.

JULY

Sunday Mornings

WORSHIP SERVICE

FOLLOWED BY COFFEE HOUR | 10:00 AM

BREAKFAST AT TRINITY

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST | 8:30 AM – 9:15 AM

JULY 4

CITY OF TOLEDO FIREWORKS

PLAZA | 7:00 PM

JULY 10 + 24

GLASS CITY PRIDE BAND REHEARSAL

PROUD BUILDING PARTNER | 7:00 PM

JULY 12

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

RICK'S CITY DINER | 9:00 AM

JULY 13, 20, 27

PRIDE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MY BROTHER'S PLACE | 11:15 AM

JULY 17

TOLEDO STREETS

NEWSPAPER VENDOR LUNCH

PROUD BUILDING PARTNER | 8:30 AM

JULY 19

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR ADDRESS | 9:00 AM

JULY 22

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

JOINED BY THE TOLEDO
HEALTH DEPARTMENT | 10:00 AM

JULY 26, 27, 28

ACT PERFORMANCES

CHAPEL | TICKETED EVENT
FRIDAY + SATURDAY 8:00 PM, SUNDAY 3:00 PM

JULY 31

THE BEAUTY IN BEING: AN EVENING OF MUSIC & ACTIVISM

PLAZA | 6:00PM





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PANSEXUAL PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating people who find love with people of any gender expression or identify



BISexual PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating people who find love with either men or women



TRANSgender PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating people whose gender identity is different from the sex that was assigned to them at birth



LESBIAN PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating women who find love with other women



NONBINARY PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating gender identities that are outside the binary of woman/man



PROGRESS PRIDE FLAG
Celebrating the diversity of the queer community everyone's gifts and experience.