Propers for Sunday October 11, 2026
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Acolyte: Gina R
Lector: Sharon W
LEM: Dee M
Ushers: Larry B and Tatyana T

Prelude "A Prayer of Faith" Smith

Processional Hymn #556 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (vs 1-2, 4-5)

Gloria Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day
Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Exodus
When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Psalm 106

Reader recites ODD verses; People recite EVEN verses

1 Hallelujah!
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD
or show forth all his praise?

3 Happy are those who act with justice
and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people,
and visit me with your saving help;

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people,
that I may glory with your inheritance.

6 We have sinned as our forebears did;
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb
and worshiped a molten image;
20 And so they exchanged their Glory
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.
21 They forgot God their Savior,
who had done great things in Egypt,
22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham,
and fearful things at the Red Sea.
23 So he would have destroyed them,
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach,
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Sequence Hymn #339 Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness

The Gospel According to St. Matthew
Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Offertory Solo "Simple Gifts" Binckes

Sanctus Hymnal S129

Agnus Dei Hymnal S161

Recessional Hymn #683 O For a Closer Walk with God (vs 1-3, 5)

Postlude "My Heart Rejoices" Paxton

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bliss Artist Reception & Coffee Hour: Today, Sunday, October 11th, following the 9:30 a.m. Mass in Houghton Hall. Join us for a special **Coffee Hour and Artist Reception** celebrating **Bliss**, whose artwork will be featured at Trinity. **BlissofInfinity**, a Brooklyn-based artist, will be exhibiting his incredible **urban-inspired artwork** at Trinity. We are also pleased to welcome some of our friends from the Diocese who will be joining us for this special gathering. **Bob and Nancy Hendrick** will host Coffee Hour as we gather for refreshments, fellowship, and an opportunity to **meet the artist and hear Bliss speak about the artwork and the inspiration behind it.** Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to celebrate art, community, and fellowship together. **Presented in collaboration with the Trinity Community Art Center.**

What We Believe: Begins today, **Sunday, October 11th** and meets on Second Sundays after the 9:30am Mass in the library from October through May. Grab a coffee at Coffee Hour, then come learn in a relaxed, engaging environment open to both newcomers and lifelong parishioners. Whether you're seeking a deeper understanding, preparing for confirmation or reception, or simply asking good questions, these sessions are for you. No pressure, just a chance to grow in faith together.

What do Episcopalians actually believe? Year Two of What We Believe explores six essential themes in Anglican dogmatics, helping us know the faith more deeply, worship more faithfully, and live more fully as Christians.

Sunday School: Sunday School begins **Sunday, October 18th during the 9:30am Mass** and meets every other Sunday. Please see the parish website for the link to enroll or contact the office with any questions.

Book of Remembrance 2026: We will have a special remembrance Mass and read aloud names of our dearly departed on All Soul's Day Monday, Nov 2nd, 12:00pm. Submit names to be included by Tuesday, Oct 27th to the church office. Thank you.

Bible Study: Bible Study will be Wednesdays via Zoom at 7:00pm on October 14 and November 11. Mark your calendar—all are welcome to join at any time!

Food Pantry Update: The ELC Food Pantry has added another time slot for clients, Thursday 5pm-7pm. This will help serve clients who work during our regular hours, Monday - Thursday, 10-12pm.

Choir Rehearsal: Rehearsals will be Sundays after Mass by the piano. We would love for new members. All are welcome.

Book Club: DATE CHANGE - Will now be meeting Sunday, November 1st. Please join us in reading *Theo of Golden*, the story of an 86-year-old man and his quest to connect with his community. Our next meeting will be **Sunday, November 1st** after mass in the library. Reach out to the parish office if you have any questions.

Thrift Store News: Raise a glass with us! The thrift shop is celebrating the holidays by offering **half off all barware until the new year**. Stop by to check out our selection. Open Th, Fr 11-3, Sat 12-3.

Stamp Collection: We have decided to **extend our stamp collection through the upcoming holiday season!** Thanks to your generosity, we have already collected **more than 1,100 stamps**, and we would like to continue collecting into the **beginning of January**. Please remember to save your **used postage stamps** and bring them to church throughout the fall and holiday season so we can continue building our collection.
Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

If you are new or visiting and would like to know more about what we believe, our history, or what ministries we undertake, please speak with the Rector, Father Andrew Garnett, or any member of the Vestry. Those seeking the rites of Baptism, Confirmation, or Reception may contact Father Andrew or the church office to plan arrangements.

Prayer Requests:
For those celebrating joyous occasions, we pray they experience God's ever-present love and grace; *especially for the birthdays of Paul, Kenneth, Daniel, Angie, Lauren, Patricia, and Gregory.*

For those affected with mental and physical illnesses; may they trust that Christ will deliver them from their burdens and restore them to wholeness. We pray especially for; *Angie, Susan, Ericka, Carol, John, Jessie, Eddie, Piera, Ollie, Randal, Bettina, Joshua, David, Greg, David, Dominick, Demetra, Nick, Coach Al, Joshua, Jeanne, Linda, Tricia N., Rocío, Patricia, Bill, Ryan, Anthony, Jack, Pat, Tom, and baby Merlin and for the spiritual and physical health and well-being of all parishioners. And, Lord, extend your steadfast strength and uplifting support to all caregivers.*

For the faithful departed; that having passed through death in hope, may now behold forever the glory of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in heaven.

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