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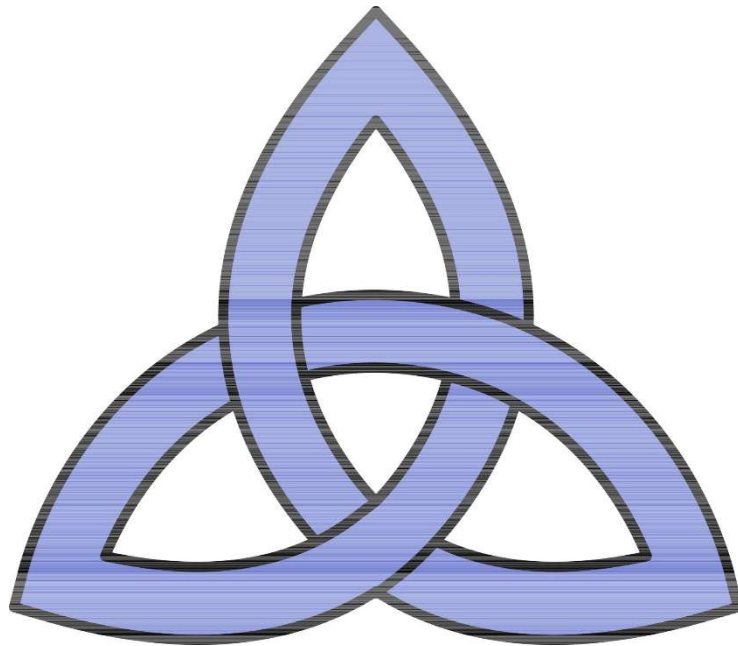
TRINITY SUNDAY

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 AM MAY 31, 2026

AT DESTIN HIGH SCHOOL

**An Order for the Administration of
Communion Under Special Circumstances**



This service may be celebrated at a service on Sunday morning or on other occasions with the Bishop's permission. Bishop Russell has asked Barbara Nelson, Lay Worship Leader, to preside at our service today.

An Order for the Administration of Communion Under Special Circumstances

Prelude

The Joyful Trumpet

Patricia Harris

Lay worship leader reads the regular font and the congregation reads the bold font.

Dear friends in Christ, we have come together in the presence of God to offer praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive the Word of God, to bring before God the needs of the world and to ask for the forgiveness of our sins. Today the bread and wine for our Communion were consecrated as part of a Eucharist celebrated at another time and place. For centuries, the church has reserved consecrated elements in order to include those unable, because of infirmity or distance, to be present at Eucharist, and also to include worshipping communities on occasions when no priest is available to preside.

Opening Hymn 362 (verses 1 & 4) *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty*

Nicaea

Opening Sentences

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

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. 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.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson from the Old Testament

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

A hymn of creation extols the goodness of heaven and earth, and praises the Creator who has made all things very good.

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called

Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

1 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

2 **Out of the mouths of infants and children ***
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;**
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,**
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

The Second Lesson from the New Testament

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul comes to the end of a letter responding to queries from a church in which the members do not live in harmony.

A Reading from The Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Remain seated during the reading of the Gospel.

The Third Lesson from the Gospel According to Matthew

Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus has asked Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to tell the remaining eleven disciples to go to Galilee, where they will see him. Now Jesus appears to them on the mountain where he was transfigured.

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Barbara Nelson

Nicene Creed

Standing as you are able

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

The Prayers of the People Form VI

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence...

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Remembering especially Donald our President, Ron our Governor, Bobby our Mayor, all those in local authority, our Armed Forces, for their protection at home and abroad, and all who speak where many listen; we pray for this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

For the welfare of the people, leadership, and ministries of our fellow Christians at home and abroad, remembering especially in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda; in our own Diocese for Church of the Redeemer in Mobile, Alabama and Emergency Preparedness & Response; and in the Prison Cycle of Prayer we pray for Elba Work Release in Elba, Alabama. For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

For Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, Russell our Bishop, Ericca our seminarian, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For healing for those who have asked for our prayers, for all those suffering from illness and those recovering, for those suffering from violence in our communities and the world, and for the other special needs and concerns of this congregation. You may add your own petitions either aloud or silently. *Silence...*
Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for those thanksgivings we name aloud or silently. ...*Silence...* We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, remembering especially those we love but see no more and those loved ones we name at this time either aloud or silently ...*Silence...* that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Collect at the Prayers

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence...

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.

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 Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory

Go Forth in Faith

Christopher Gale

THE LITURGY OF ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Standing as you are able

Sisters and brothers, on the twenty-fourth day of May, in the year of Our Lord, 2026, the people of St. Andrew's By-the-Sea Episcopal Church gathered as the Body of Christ to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. A portion of the Sacred Bread and Precious Blood was reserved from that Eucharist, and have been reverently kept for us, that we may this day join with those who gathered then, in communion with God and all Christians of every place and every time to share in this foretaste of the Heavenly Banquet.

Sisters and brothers, the cup of blessing that was blessed

is the communion of the Blood of Christ.

For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body

and all made to drink of one Spirit.

The Bread that was broken

is the Communion of the Body of Christ.

Because there is One Bread

we who are many are one body, for we all share in the One Bread.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son on the night before He suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood; Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, Who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

So, with all who are gathered together today, everywhere throughout the world, and with the great procession of your Saints, we pray to you as our Savior has taught us:

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.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Administration of Communion

Communion Music Hymn 325 *Let us break bread together* arr. David Hurd

1. Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees
3. Let us praise God together on our knees

Post-Communion Prayer

Standing as you are able.

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.

Announcements

Community Prayers

for those celebrating BIRTHDAYS: O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray on your servant as they begin another year, grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life/lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

for those celebrating ANNIVERSARIES: O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: may these your servants love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience all the days of their lives together, and may they share their joy with others; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

for TRAVELERS: O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve all those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger, bring them in safety to their journey's end, and return them to us renewed and refreshed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn 405 (verses 1 & 4) *Each little flower that opens* Royal Oak

The Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Wonderful Words of Life* Philip Bliss

ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 31

Next Sunday is the Second Sunday After Pentecost. The Reverend Dr. Rian Adams will be our Celebrant.

Funeral Service: Services for *Kate Driggers* will be held tomorrow, June 1 at 2:00 pm, at St. Simon’s on the Sound, 28 Miracle Strip Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, Florida. The Reverend Eric Zubler will be the Celebrant.

Sunday Fellowship: All are welcome to gather for fellowship after the service. As you are able, please bring a sweet or savory treat to share. There is a small refrigerator to keep things cool as needed and a microwave to heat things up.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For immediate concerns: Yolanda Barksdale, Bishop Michael Curry, Vickie Deleccio, Art Driggers, Mary Ellis, Laretta Hanlin, Joe Huckaby, Lance Jorgensen, Jeffrey King, Judy King, Lynn Loughlin, Kathy McGee, River Lee Miller, Jeanie Noel, Goldie Parson, Cheryl Perez, Jim Popham, Jo Popham, Mike Riley, Wayne Zona

For the repose of the soul: Kate Driggers

- Please pray for St. Andrew’s By-the-Sea as we move forward in our transition.
- Please call or email the church to add or change the status of someone on the prayer list.

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