

“Living Jesus Christ’s Vision – Building Communities of Compassion”

August 23, 2026	9:00 a.m.	13th Sunday After Pentecost
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PRELUDE

J.S. Bach
Bach/Phillips
D. Wood

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather today in this place and in this time to worship and to praise God whose love never fails.

People: We come trusting in the goodness of God who is gracious and compassionate.

Leader: May we open our minds, hearts, and hands to extend that compassion to others.

People: We come with thanksgiving and grateful hearts ready to receive and share God's word through our thoughts, feelings, and actions.

All: Come, let us worship God.

***OPENING PRAYER** (*In Unison*)

Gracious God, your love has brought us together this day. Fill our hearts with Your peace so that we will be peaceful in our words, patient in our actions, and kind toward one another. May Your peace guide us through this day and inspire us to share Your peace with those around us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

No. 400

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-9

¹A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

² The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—

³ and he will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears;

⁴but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.

⁵ Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

⁶ The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling^[a] together; and a little child will lead them.

⁷ The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

⁸The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest.

⁹ They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁶ “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

²⁷ He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’^[a]; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’^[b]”

²⁸ “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.

³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.

³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.

³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

³⁶ “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

³⁷ The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI	No. 70
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	No. 881

OFFERING

Head Usher: Let us join together and ask the Lord to bless the giving and receiving of our tithes and offerings. Let us pray:

Gracious God, we thank You for all the ways You bless us each day and for giving us the opportunity to worship You with our tithes and offerings. Help us to give cheerfully so that all may come to experience the grace of Your forgiveness and the promise of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY	“People Need the Lord” Stephanie Willey , Soprano Bobbie Thamert, Violin David Lawson, Keyboard	Nelson & McHugh
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*DOXOLOGY	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	No. 95
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*HYMN OF PREPARATION	“Spirit Song”	No. 347
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SERMON	“Our Minds, Hearts, and Hands”	Rev. Marsha Carpenter
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*HYMN OF INVITATION	“When We are Living” (vs. 3 & 4 on 2nd page)	No. 356
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***BENEDICTION**

*POSTLUDE	“Processional in G-Major”	J. Stanley
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**Invitation to Stand*



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOWER BELL RINGER: Dr. Fran Tracy-Mumford
9:00 A.M. HEAD USHER: Bill Doyle
9:00 A.M. USHERS: Nancy Horner, Jennifer Doyle, Marlene Waller, Sandy Robinson
9:00 A.M. READER: Craig Booth
9:00 A.M. WORSHIP LEADER: Stephanie Willey
9:00 A.M. NURSERY: Jane Kitzrow & Heather Porter
10:30 A.M. USHERS: Ruth Ann Savage & Jay Savage
THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Don Horner on his birthday, August 21st, by his wife, Nancy, and family.

TODAY AT TRINITY

OFFERING MADE EASY – Just scan this code to go directly to Pushpay where you can give your offering.
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND ASSISTIVE LISTENING UNITS are available. Please see one of the ushers.



CHURCH NURSERY is available every Sunday for the 9:00 a.m. worship service.
CAPTIONING AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES are available upon request. Please see one of the ushers for more information.
SUNDAY SCHOOL will reconvene on September 6th. We will be welcoming a new teacher this year, Danielle Farrell! Volunteers are needed to make this a wonderful and blessed experience for the children of Trinity. See the Newsletter and the flyers posted for information.
SALISBURY URBAN MINISTRIES (SUM) DONATIONS – Because of Pastor Hayden’s recent surgery, many folks have been asking about providing meals for Joseph and him. At this time, Pastor Hayden is requesting no food, but instead is requesting that food be given to Salisbury Urban Ministries. SUM’s July donation suggestion list is: women’s soap and shampoo, individual snacks (Kid’s Café), new/used laptops for tutoring, Lance Crackers, and Spam/Vienna sausages. Donations can be placed in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings, dropped off at the church office through the week (office is closed on Fridays), or taken to Salisbury Urban Ministries.

THE WEEK AHEAD

INVITATION TO PRAYER FOR PASTOR HAYDEN – Every Thursday at 8:45 a.m. by Zoom. This will be approximately 15 minutes devoted to prayer, asking God to strengthen Rev. Hayden’s body, grant him peace for each new day, give wisdom to those caring for him, and remind him that he is deeply loved by God and by the people he has faithfully served. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82797298490?pwd=rcGrABG4TfBwXPVa75ngxhEKNQAHFu.1>

THE WEEKS AHEAD

PRAYER GROUP – Tuesday, August 25th, at 2:00 p.m. in the church chapel.
FINANCE COMMITTEE – Tuesday, August 25th at 5:15 p.m. in the Jackson Building.
VITALITY TEAM - Thursday, August 27th at 5:15 p.m. in the Jackson Building. Rev. Joseph Archie will be the Guest Facilitator for this important planning meeting.
CHURCH COUNCIL – Tuesday, September 1st at 5:15 p.m. in the Jackson Building.
UMW CIRCLE GROUPS:
“Esther” – Tuesday, September 1st at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Amy Rader
“Ruth” – Tuesday, September 8th at 10:30 a.m. in the downtown church parlor
“Deborah” – Monday, September 14th at 1:30 p.m. in the Jackson Building
ABC STUDY GROUP – Thursday, September 3rd at 2:00 p.m. in the church parlor.
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED – Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.
ALTAR GUILD MEETING – Thursday, September 10th at 9:30 a.m. in the back of the sanctuary.
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR rehearses on Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We invite you to visit us and see if you might enjoy singing in our choir. Feel free to call Phyllis if you have any questions or comments at (410) 845-0212.
TRINITY UM MEN will meet on Monday, September 14th, at 6:00 p.m. at the Deli at Pecan Square.
SALISBURY URBAN MINISTRIES SCHOOL SUPPLIES – Besides the usual items, SUM is asking for school supplies throughout August for the Kid’s Café School Essential Project. Suggested supplies: clear book bags, pencil holders, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, colored pencils, binders, packs of paper, composition tablets, rulers, or anything else an elementary student might use. Monetary donations are also accepted.

AROUND TOWN

MAC, INC. RESOURCES – Check the new partnership program with Salisbury Police Department to check on older adults’ well-being via a phone call. See numerous events and programs at [Home - MAC Inc](#)
SKIN CARE RESOURCES – Check out the visual and video resources about skin protection, “how to spot skin cancer”, and general skin care for adults and children from the American Academy of Dermatology website at [Skin, hair, and nail educational resources](#)