

Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Thankoffering Sunday

November 8, 2026

9:15 am Worship Service

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Gathering in Worship

God Is For Us CityAlight

Welcome & Announcements

Ministry Moment Lisa Knudsen

Message

Scripture Matthew 25:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Community Prayers *Lord Listen to Your Children* Ken Medema

Offering

Holy Communion

Words of Remembrance

The Meal

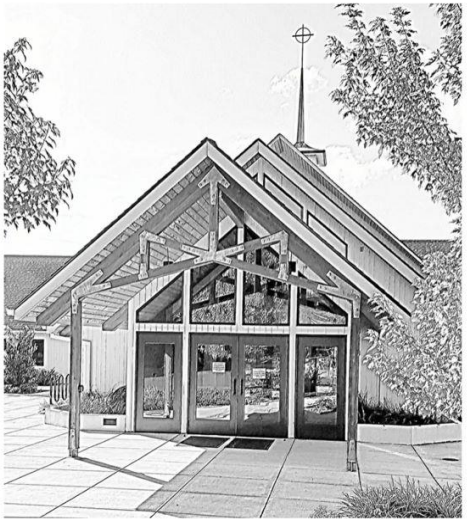
Let Us Break Bread Together Red Hymnal no. 471

Marriage Blessing: Meg Rowland & Paul Myers

Sending

Blessing

Shepherd Amanda Cook



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Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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Rite of Holy Baptism for April & Owen Perry
- Presentation
- Profession of Faith – Apostles' Creed
- Thanksgiving at the Font
- Baptism
- Welcome

Gathering Hymn *Rise Up, O Saints of God!* Red Hymnal no. 669

Apostolic Greeting
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Canticle of Praise *This Is the Feast* Red Hymnal pg. 140

Prayer of the Day
O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

First Reading Amos 5:18-24

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Word of God, word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia* Red Hymnal pg. 142

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:1-13
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *As a Mother Comforts Her Child* Purple Hymnal no. 1015

Prayers of the People
...God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Peace
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering

Choral Offertory *Keep Your Lamps* André Thomas

Offertory Prayer
Eternal God, **our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving Dialogue Red Hymnal pg. 144
Preface
Holy, Holy, Holy Red Hymnal pg. 144
Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God Red Hymnal pg. 146

Communion Hymns
When Peace like a River (It Is Well with My Soul) Red Hymnal no. 785
Blessed Assurance Red Hymnal no. 638

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy God, **we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.**

Benediction

Sending Hymn *Wake, Awake For Night is Flying* Red Hymnal no. 436

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Guest Preacher, Stephanie Kistler:

Hi! I'm **Stephanie Kistler**, I serve as the **Director of Faith Formation & Community Outreach** here at **Trinity**.

Trinity has been my church home for 25 years. Before stepping into Faith Formation 10 years ago, I taught Sunday School, served as a Stephen Minister, and participated in the life of our church. My passion in this ministry is connecting with and helping people of all ages—from our youngest toddlers to our adults—discover the joy of a lifelong relationship with God. I truly believe that faith isn't just something we learn on Sundays; it's something we live out every day in community. I also feel strongly about advocating for social justice and working ecumenically with other faith communities in our area.

We have amazing volunteers, and I have the pleasure of supporting them in using their unique spiritual gifts effectively. You can even find me making music on some Sundays as part of the **Trinity Bell Choir**!

I live in **Happy Valley** with my beloved cats and dog, and I am blessed with many grandkids who visit me often. When I'm not at the church, you can usually find me hanging out with those grandkids, crafting, or enjoying quality time with friends.

I love to talk, and if you ever need a good listener, I am always here for you. Please stop by my office, send me an email, or say hello after service—I would love to hear your story and learn how we can support you and your family's spiritual journey!