

# Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 3, 2025**

As an open and affirming congregation  
the Mission and Purpose of Trinity Church is to:

Gather as God's people.

Grow in faith, love and service.

Go into the world as disciples and apostles.



## Order of Worship

We welcome all of you to our worship service this Sunday!  
If you are visiting, please sign our guest book or fill out a welcome card  
in the pew so we can better welcome you!

\* = Please rise in body or Spirit.

**We kindly ask for your cooperation in keeping our space fragrance-free.**

PRELUDE – *Day by Day*, arr. Tom Fettke

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN

***“YOU WHO ARE THIRSTY”*** (TFWS 2132)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks and praise to the Lord!

**For God has dealt mercifully with us!**

Even when we turned our backs on God,

**God forgave us and restored us to life.**

Rejoice in God's abundant love.

**We will continually praise God who heals and loves us. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray... **Bountiful God, who gives to us all that we need to sustain our lives: Open our hearts today to hear your words of compassionate justice, that we may focus on the ways in which you intend us to live and be of service to you by serving the world. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN

***“LET US WITH A JOYFUL MIND”*** (TFWS 2012, vv. 1, 2, 5, 6)

TIME FOR ALL AGES – Starkey Scholarship Presentation

FIRST READING

COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

GOSPEL READING

LUKE 12:13-21

SERMON – “Set Your Mind Above”

Pastor Benjiman Durfee

MUSICAL INTERLUDE – *It is Well with my Soul*, arr. Fred Bock

JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together the Lord's Prayer, using whichever words or language are closest to our hearts (some versions may be found at UMH 894).

### INVITATION TO OFFERING (BCP 376)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us.

Let us with joy and gratitude present our offerings to God.

### OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY MUSIC – Trinity Church Pop-Up Choir

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow**

**Praise God, all creatures here below**

**Praise God for all that love has done;**

**Creator, Christ and Spirit one. Amen**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us pray... **Holy and ever-present God, you call us to set our minds on things above, to let go of all that weighs us down, and to embrace the new life found in Christ. As we bring these gifts, shape our hearts in generosity, our hands in service, and our minds in faithfulness. May these offerings be used to transform lives, to build up your kingdom, and to reflect your love in this world. Keep us ever mindful that we give because you have first given so abundantly to us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION using Musical Setting C from UMH 20

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray... **Words cannot express the wonder of the Spirit's gathering power; the miracle of Christ's life nourishing us across time and space. May we who have been fed enact our gratitude out in the world by joining the Spirit in Her holy work of breaking down the boundaries that divide and building up communities that restore. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

***"THERE'S A SPIRIT IN THE AIR"*** (UMH 192, vv. 1, 4-6)

\*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

***"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN"*** (UMH 673, v. 1)

POSTLUDE – *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder*, arr. John Turner

**Today's Worship Ministers**

Presider & Preacher: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Musician: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Reader 2: Tom Williams

Acolyte: Nicole Porter

Usher: Betty Miles

Reader 1: Wes Rice

Videographer: Beth Martin

Communion Assistant: Nancy Parland