

The Episcopal Church of the Nativity

Announcements

31 May 2026

Welcome as we enter the long green season after Pentecost, commemorating Trinity Sunday today. We are so glad you are here! This morning, the Rev. LaRae Rutenbar presides and preaches. Our musician is Sal Page.

Spotlight on Hymnody: John Bacchus Dykes wrote the tune NICAEA (our Hymn 362) for Reginald Heber's Trinitarian hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" in 1861 for congregational use at Durham Cathedral in northern England. He named the tune after the ecumenical council held at the Greek city of Nicaea in 325 CE (the folks that gave us the Nicene Creed). Of NICAEA, the twentieth-century English hymnologist Erik Routley wrote that it was "one of the few tunes ... that are effective at whatever speed they are sung"—so no complaining about tempo, please!

Our Annual Welcome Brunch will take place after church on June 14—to welcome back our seasonal members and to celebrate the beginning of summer (and, after this year, the end of winter!). To RSVP, call 231-582-2648.

Who Knew? Concerning "name": The biblical phrase "in the name of" does not mean "here is the given name." It means rather "in the power of," "under the authority of." "Name" is used as a synecdoche, a part that stands for the whole. God's "holy arm" is a synecdoche that refers to divine power. God's "name" is a synecdoche that refers to God's being. Thus "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" means not that what follows is God's name, but that the action being taken bears the power of God.

—Gail Ramshaw, *Reviving Sacred Speech*

Safe-Church Training will be offered in-person at the Church of the Transfiguration, Indian River, this coming Saturday, June 6. To register by June 2 (Tuesday), see the link on our website (episcopalboyne.org).

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