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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, September 17

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



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TODAY

Creation Care Forum Series

Sundays through 10/1,
11:15 am, Lloyd Forum • 6:15 pm, Ferris Library

God's call to care for all of creation is part of our life and vocation as the faithful—how we pray, learn, act and advocate for 'this fragile earth, our island home' (*Book of Common Prayer*, Eucharistic Prayer C) is part of our lives as individuals and as stewards.

Our three-week Creation Care forums will use the scripture and Sunday's sermon as our starting points for individual reflection as a group regarding our care and stewardship of God's whole creation.



Welcomes You Forum Series

Sundays through 10/1, 3:45 pm, Ferris Library

Join with newcomer and long-tenured alike today as we orient ourselves to the Christian faith, finding our place as the latest (but by no means the last!) in a billions-long line of Jesus's disciples.

On Sun., Sept. 24, we will trace the twists, turns, and affections of our Episcopal tradition, from its Anglican roots to the faithful cohort of nearly 2 million Episcopalians in over 6,000 congregations today. **And, on Sun., Oct. 1,** having traced our Christian and Episcopal roots, we will come home to Trinity Church in the City of Boston, exploring from our founding in 1733, to our present-day, Beloved Community.

Church School, Club 45, and Youth Ministry Are Back!

Sun., 9/17, 11:15 am; ask Cathy or Katrina for room locations

The **Copplestone Nursery** welcomes children from infancy through age 3 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Cherubs (ages 3 & 4): time of music, play, Bible story and related craft

Grades K/1 Godly Play and **Grades 2/3 Godly Play:** helps children explore their faith and gain religious language through story and wonder.

Questions about Church School for infants through third grade can be sent to Cathy Portlock Pacitto, cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org

Club 45, our weekly church school and monthly fellowship group for Fourth- and Fifth-graders, meets for snacks, discussion and games.

Middle School (Grades 6-8) will gather for their weekly class that will discuss the scripture for the week.

High School (Grades 9-12) will meet for their weekly formation. This Fall we are discussing the Gospel of Matthew. **Questions about 4th-12th grade Church School** can be sent to Katrina Leslie, kleslie@trinitychurchboston.org

FORMATION

Men's & Women's Bible Studies

Wednesdays starting 9/20, 7:30 am, on Zoom

We look forward to launching a pair of connected programs that will provide space for parishioners to share meaningful reflection with one another and with members of the clergy. These groups will engage the upcoming Sunday's Gospel lesson in the context of our lives. Michael Battle and Morgan Allen will share leadership of the study for all who identify as men, and Abi Moon, Kit Lonergan, and Paige Fisher will share leadership of the study for all who identify as women. For all who do not identify with a single gender, we invite you to attend the study most comfortable for you.

Every 4-6 weeks, these two Studies will convene in person, in the Commons, and share a light breakfast together, according to a schedule we will draft collectively. While the Studies will remain open to everyone for the fall, we invite you to sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/news or by scanning the QR code. Given the workday timing, we will covenant to begin and end on time.



THIS WEEK

Zoom Compline Tues & Thurs, 8:30 pm, via Zoom (see details on page 2 of this leaflet)

Choral Evensong Wednesdays, 5:45 pm, Church

Boston Warm Sandwich Making

Fridays, 9 am, Undercroft

Fridays at Trinity Organ Concerts

Fridays, 12:15 pm, Church



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LOOKING AHEAD

Creation Care Sermon Series I	9/17	11:15 am & 6:15 pm Responses in Small Groups 3:45 pm "Welcome" Forum Series I	
Rodman Ride for Kids	Sat., 9/23	<i>Learn more at trinityconnects.org/rodman-ride</i>	
Creation Care Sermon Series II	9/24	11:15 am & 6:15 pm Responses in Small Groups 3:45 pm "Welcome" Forum Series II 6:15 pm T-n-T Fall Kickoff Dinner	
Creation Care Sermon Series III	10/1 ☕	11:15 am & 6:15 pm Responses in Small Groups 3:45 pm "Welcome" Forum Series III	
Saint Francis	10/8	10 am Blessing of the Animals Service	
Ephesians	10/15	11:15 am Ephesians Lecture I	
	Sat., 10/21	<i>Check mailboxes for Pledge Packets this week!</i>	
	10/22	5 pm Boston Camerata Concert	
Sole Train 5K	Sat., 10/28	11:15 am Ephesians Lecture II	
Feast of All Souls	10/29	<i>Learn more at soletrain5k.com</i>	
		11:15 am Altar of Remembrance 5 pm Requiem Concert 6:15 pm T-n-T Fellowship Dinner	
Feast of All Saints & Baptisms	11/5 ☕	11:15 am Ephesians Lecture III	
	11/12	11:15 am Engaging Difficult Texts Forum	
	Sat., 11/18	T-n-T Service Project & Friendsgiving	
	11/19	11:15 am & 6 pm Stewardship Ingathering	
Reign of Christ	11/26	11:15 am Nigerian Thanksgiving	
I Advent	12/3 ☕	11:15 am Breakfast & Advent Wreath-Making	
II Advent	12/10	11:15 am Advent Forum Series I 2 pm Messiah Concert	
	Sat., 12/16	4 pm & 7 pm Candlelight Carols Concert	
III Advent	12/17	11:15 am Advent Forum Series II 2 pm Candlelight Carols Concert	
		T-n-T Fellowship Dinner following C. Carols	
IV Advent/Christmas Eve	12/24	10 am Spoken Advent IV service with organ 4:30 pm Christmas Pageant 8 pm Christmas Service with brass 11 pm Christmas Choral Service	
Christmas Day	Mon., 12/25	Single 10 am service	
I Christmas & New Year's Eve	12/31	Single 10 am service	

☕ denotes Breakfast Sunday, usually at 9 am

 denotes livestreamed Forum (to trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship)

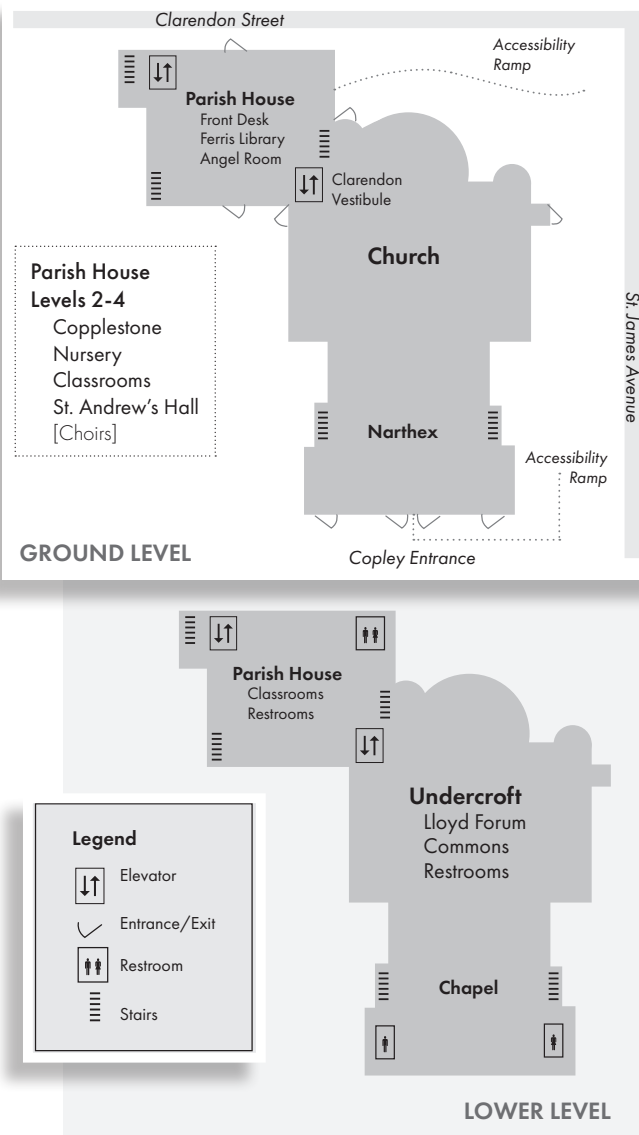
WELCOME



Whether you're new among us or you've been worshipping here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for faith at Trinity.

Complete the short Welcome Form at trinitychurchboston.org/welcome (or scan the QR code) so we can get to know you better.

FINDING YOUR WAY



Statement of Affirmation

Trinity Church in the City of Boston is a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts and welcomes and honors everyone. In accordance with our baptismal covenant, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We strive to include all persons without regard to sexual orientation, race, nationality, gender, family configuration, ethnic background, economic circumstances, difference in ability, culture, or age. Our love and acceptance of each other embody our commitment to unity with God and each other in Christ.

HOURS & INFORMATION

Sunday Schedule

- 8 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, *spoken*
- 9 am** Coffee & Community Hour, full "Community Breakfast" on the first Sunday of most months
- 10 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with organ, choristers, and choir. Includes Children's Homily & Nursery. Morning Prayer last Sunday of most months. online at trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship and [facebook.com/trinitychurchboston](https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)
- 11:15 am** Formation for All Ages
- 5 pm** Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Weekday Worship at Trinity

Tues/Thurs.

- 8:30 pm** Online Compline
join us on Zoom at bit.ly/tcbTTcompline
or dial in with **1-646-558-8656**
and enter Meeting ID **206 654 379**

Weds.

- 5:45 pm** Choral Evensong
in the Church, led by the Trinity Choristers

Vestry

Chris Allen ('27) • Christine Arcese ('26) • Christopher Atwood ('26) • Barbara Dortch-Okara ('25) • Josh Fiala ('27) • Richard Henderson ('26) • Vincent W. James ('24) • Tim Martin ('27) • Niven Narain ('26) • Chuks Chijioko Okoli ('25) • Constance Perry ('24) • Peter Renner ('25) • Mary Roetzel ('27) • Olaf J. Thorp ('24) • Pam Waterman ('25) • Katie Wisley Shelby ('24)

Clergy

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector* • The Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, *Theologian-In-Community* • The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, *Assisting Priest* • The Rev. Paige Fisher, *Associate for Community Life* • The Rev. Kit Lonergan, *Priest for Welcome and Care* • The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, *Senior Associate*

Vestry can be reached at
bit.ly/TrinityVestry

Clergy and Staff can be reached at
bit.ly/TrinityStaff



Tours

Tues - Sat
10 am - 4:30 pm

Trinity Church offers self-guided, docent-led, and audio tours. Considered one of ten buildings that changed America, Trinity Church is an architectural masterpiece including its unique collection of stained-glass windows by designers such as Edward Burne-Jones, William Morris, and John La Farge, its murals, wood carvings and more. The price is \$10. Children younger than 12 are free.

GATHERING

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Collect for Purity

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.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Worship at Trinity

Please note that our use of the BCP text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-neutral language when appropriate.

*When the text of this worship booklet is in **bold**, it is spoken or sung by all.*

Though the Presider's posture (standing, sitting, or kneeling) will cue many in the pews, we invite you to participate as you are able and as your piety prefers.

The service of Holy Eucharist begins on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Children's Gospel pages and crayons are available in baskets in both the Copley narthex and the Clarendon vestibule.

WORD OF GOD

Reading Ephesians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We will pray the Psalm
responsively, by whole verse.

Psalm 114

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
**Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.**

The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.
**The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.**

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?
**You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?**

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
**Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

Gospel Matthew 18:21-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us draw near to God and pray,
“Lord, have mercy.”

For peace in the world and for the joyful union of all people, let us pray to
the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For faithfulness in our ministry, today remembering Trinity’s ... , and for the
thriving of the whole Church, today remembering Episcopal parishes of the ... ,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Grace among the leaders of nations and for wisdom to all in authority, let us
pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For dedication among public officials in Boston and our local governments, and
for the welfare of all our communities, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For constancy in our care for God’s creation, and for the flourishing of all the
earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For relief to those suffer, and for knowledge of God’s presence with those who
have requested our prayers, remembering ... let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For fulfillment of our abiding hopes, and for joy in the blessings of this life,
remembering those awaiting the birth of a child ... let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For perfection to all who have died, today remembering ... , and for consolation
to all who grieve, today remembering ... let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another,
and all our life, to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Concluding Collect

Confession & Absolution

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 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 you,
forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Complete the short Welcome
Form at [trinitychurchboston.
org/welcome](http://trinitychurchboston.org/welcome) so we can get



to know you
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reach the form.

HOLY COMMUNION

All we have and all we are is of God, and everyone has a faithful offering to make. All gifts received today will support Trinity's ministry, empower our service to the community, and sustain our historic buildings.

To make a gift online, please click here or use the QR code below to be taken to the secure form on our website.



Alternatively, you may also give in-person via the basket passed during the Offertory.

Eucharistic Prayer C from the Book of Common Prayer, p. 369.

Offertory

The Presentation

All things come of thee, O Lord.
And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of all Love, Creator of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glorify to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth humankind, and you blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You charged us as stewards of creation, but we turned against you, and betrayed your trust. We turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteousness. And in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

And so we who have been redeemed by Jesus, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

God of our ancestors; God of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Trinity Church and The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts welcome all to Holy Communion. If instead of the sacrament in either kind you prefer to receive a blessing in the name of God, cross your arms over your chest. With that cue, a priest will offer a short prayer.

To receive the sacrament, come to the altar rail; stand or kneel (as you are able or as your piety prefers); and extend your hands, one inside the other. In turn, the priest will place a consecrated wafer in your open palm. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please request one from the priest offering Communion.

A Eucharistic Minister will follow with the wine; to receive, help guide the chalice to your lips. The server wipes the chalice's rim after every sip.

For those who find it easier to remain in their pew, please signal an Usher, and a priest will bring the sacrament to you.

Communion of the People

Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you

for feeding us with the spiritual food

of our Savior, Jesus Christ,

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of Christ's Body –

heirs of your eternal kingdom.

Now, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of your Good News.

To Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever.

Amen.

When Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take Communion to the sick or homebound, the following is offered:

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.