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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, September 10

*The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*



TRINITY CHURCH  
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

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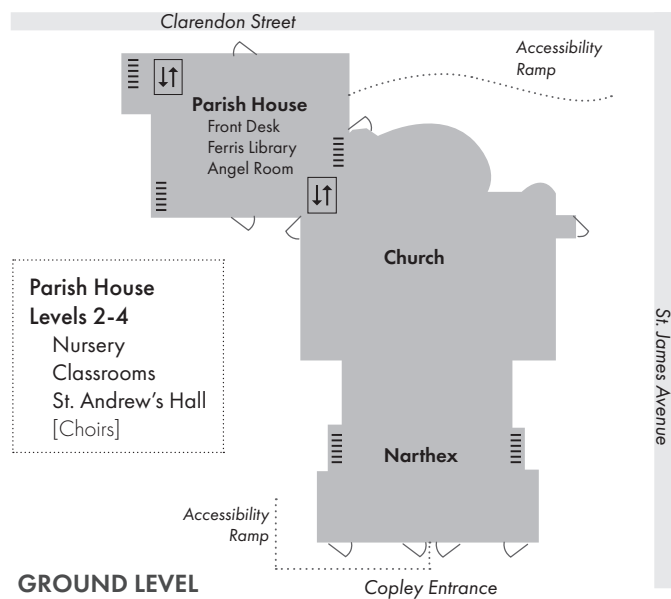
## WELCOME



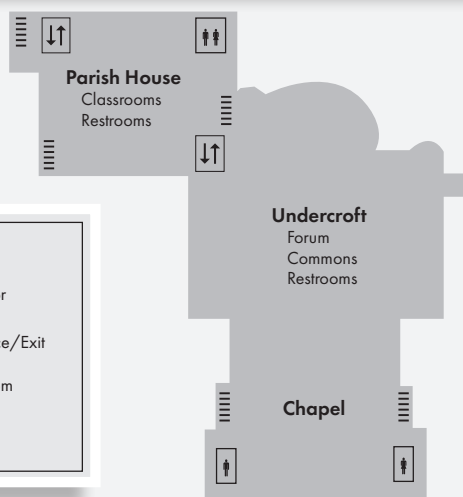
Whether you're new among us or you've been worshipping here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for faith at Trinity.

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## FINDING YOUR WAY



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## 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](http://trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship) and [facebook.com/trinitychurchboston](https://facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)
- 11:15 am** Formation for All Ages
- 5 pm** Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### 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*

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### 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.

### 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.

Trinity Church in the City of Boston was founded in 1733, and has made its home in Copley Square since 1877. The parish, part of The Episcopal Church, continues to thrive as a community engaged in worship, music, education, and community-service activities seven days a week. More than 70,000 people annually visit to tour, pray, or come together in this National Historic Landmark, recognized by the American Institute of Architects as one of the ten most architecturally significant buildings in the U.S. Learn more at [trinitychurchboston.org](http://trinitychurchboston.org)

# 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.

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

# WORD OF GOD

## Reading Ephesians 2:11-22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 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.*

We will pray the Psalm  
responsively, by whole verse.

### Psalm 149

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; \*  
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.  
**Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; \***  
**let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.**

Let them praise his Name in the dance; \*  
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.  
**For the Lord takes pleasure in his people \***  
**and adorns the poor with victory.**

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; \*  
let them be joyful on their beds.  
**Let the praises of God be in their throat \***  
**and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

To wreak vengeance on the nations \*  
and punishment on the peoples;  
**To bind their kings in chains \***  
**and their nobles with links of iron;**

To inflict on them the judgment decreed; \*  
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

### Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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](https://trinitychurchboston.org/welcome) so we can get



to know you  
better. You can  
also scan the  
QR code to  
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 mothers and fathers, 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.**





# TrinityEvents

**Who is Trinity Church? Scan the QR code to take the Parish Census and tell us.**

You can also get the Parish Census link at [trinitychurchboston.org/news](http://trinitychurchboston.org/news)



## TODAY

### Regular Worship Schedule Resumes; BBQ in the Backyard & Parish Photo

Sun., 9/10, **Worship at 8 am, 10 am & 5 pm** • BBQ and Annual Parish Photo at 11:15 am



Join us at **11:15 am** for a barbecue in “the backyard” – the greenspace at the corner of Clarendon and Saint James. We’ll celebrate the new year with food and games, face painters, and balloon artists – and our **Annual Parish Photo**, which you will not want to miss! And, on Sept. 10, we return to our Program-Year worship schedule of **8 am, 10 am, and 5 pm**.

Read more about Trinity’s fall plans at [trinitychurchboston.org/news](http://trinitychurchboston.org/news)

## 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](http://trinitychurchboston.org/news) or by scanning the QR code. Given the workday timing, we will covenant to begin and end on time.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Join a Small Group

Creation Care Focus: **Sundays, 9/17; 9/24; and 10/1; 11:15 am & 6:15 pm**

Our program year theme, Companions in the Household of God, will also bring an emphasis on small-group opportunities. On Sundays Sept. 17 and 24, and Oct. 1, we will convene for small groups at 11:15 am and 6:15 pm in response to our Creation Care sermon series. **Inviting deeper relationships among parishioners, these small groups will remain the same for each week of the series** (with “open” groups available for those who cannot commit to all three Sundays).



To participate in a small group, scan the QR code or visit [trinitychurchboston.org/news](http://trinitychurchboston.org/news).

### Welcomes You Forum Series

Sundays, 9/17, 9/24, and 10/1, 3:45 pm, Forum



Join with newcomer and long-tenured alike on Sun., Sept. 17 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.



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