



Sunday Worship 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
(Morning Prayer on the last Sunday of most months)
- 11:15 am Formation For All Ages
- 5 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II
(with organ and choir)



Can't make it to Copley Square?
Join our 10 am worship via Facebook Live, or find the livestream and recordings at trinitychurchboston.org/worship



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Companions in the Household of God

Dear Trinity Church and friends,
Grace and Peace! As you will see in this mailer's graphic, we now turn the calendar toward our 2023-2024 Program Year that begins on Sun., Sept. 10.

Drawn from Ephesians 2:19, our Program Year's theme – "*Companions In The Household Of God*" – will shape our 2023-2024 programming. As "companions," we walk alongside each other within the life of our congregation and with our partners in the wider community. In these companionships, we devote ourselves to one another as members of a common household – a loving family of God – ministering with the gifts and graces unique to each of us, all in service of Christ's hopes for Trinity Church and for the world.

In support of our theme, we will read a portion of Paul's Letter to the Ephesians during Sunday services through Thanksgiving. Other liturgical highlights this fall will include our September sermon series exploring Christians' call to care for God's creation; the *Requiem* mass and our commemoration of All Souls on Sun., Oct. 29; festival worship on All Saints Sunday, Nov. 5; and Nigerian Thanksgiving on Nov. 26.

Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21

See you Sunday,
The Rev. Morgan S. Allen,
Rector

Annual Parish Photo, Program Year Picnic Kickoff & Regular Worship Schedule Resumes

9.10

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**.

Men's & Women's Bible Studies

Wednesdays Starting Sept. 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. Gathering weekly for 55 minutes via Zoom at 7:30 am on Wednesday mornings, 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.

Are you interested in receiving news like this from Trinity –including this Fall 2023 mailer– in your snail mailbox? Click here to fill out our welcome form at trinitychurchboston.org/welcome



Small Groups

Our theme 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.

Formation

Our theme will also inform our Formation programs. From **Oct. 16** through **Nov. 19**, we will focus our **11:15 am lecture series** on the Ephesians epistle. Another set of small groups – these to convene on-campus and off-campus, on different days and at different times – will meet in response to our learnings during this time. Registration for these groups will open October 1.

The Ephesians Forum series will also be livestreamed to trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship

Learn more about **children’s formation** by emailing Cathy Portlock Pacitto, cpportlock@trinitychurchboston.org

Stay in the know for **middle-schoolers’ formation** by emailing Beth Folsom, bfolsom@trinitychurchboston.org

Get connected for **high school students’ formation** by emailing Katrina Leslie, kleslie@trinitychurchboston.org

Welcomes You Forum Series

Sundays, 3:45 pm, Forum

9.17, 9.24, & 10.1

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.



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, 10 am

10.8

Calling all feathered and furry, scaled and stuffed friends to join their humans for our annual Blessing of the Animals! This year we will celebrate Saint Francis during our 10 am service, inside the Sanctuary, and bless our animal companions immediately following that service on the Clarendon lawn. As we give thanks for all God’s creation, pets and their people will receive blessings, enjoy special treats, and share lively, community-building activities following the service. We will have special animal guests joining us!



10.1 & 11.5

Community Breakfast

Sundays, 9 am, Undercroft

Enjoy a hot breakfast with the Trinity community between the morning services. All are welcome!



T-n-T Fall Kickoff Dinner

9.24

Sunday, 6:15 pm

Join with other Twenties and Thirties (T-n-T) for Holy Eucharist at 5 pm and then make your way downstairs to

the Undercroft at 6:15 pm where we will convene for dinner and fellowship — our kickoff for the Program Year! Trinity staff and vestry will also be in attendance to meet and mingle with members of T-n-T.

Get the 4-1-1 for T-n-T by emailing Katrina Leslie, kleslie@trinitychurchboston.org. And save the date for the **T-n-T Service Project and Friendsgiving on Sat., Nov. 18**.

Altar of Remembrance

Sunday, 11:15 am

10.29

We invite you to share small, framed pictures or mementos of those you love and see no longer. We will accept these at the Parish House desk until **Fri., Oct. 27**, at 5 pm and again on **Sun., Oct. 29**, until 9 am.

All objects must be labeled on the back with name, phone, and email information for the submitter. We ask that pictures be duplicates of any valuable or precious originals and that all submissions be wrapped for protection. We will keep the altar all week through All Saints’, and items can be picked up on **Sun., Nov. 5**, following each service.

Fauré Requiem Op. 48

Sunday, 5 pm; free and open to all

The Trinity Choirs will perform the Gabriel Fauré *Requiem*, a choral setting of the Mass for the Dead **during the 5 pm Holy Eucharist** for the Feast of All Souls. There will be a free-will offering.



Rejoice and Give Thanks

Save the date for **Sun., Nov. 19**, the day we will celebrate as a parish the ingathering of pledges for the upcoming year! All worship services will include a liturgical moment for each of us to offer our intentions for giving in the upcoming year. On that day the Stewardship Committee will also host a celebratory event to give thanks to God and our parish for the abundance of these gifts — more details to come!

11.19



You’ve Got Mail!

October 15 is Stewardship Sunday—the opening of our annual season for collecting pledges of financial support for Trinity’s upcoming year of ministry.

10.15

Pledge packets will be mailed to all active parishioners and friends during the week following. Be sure to check your mailboxes!

If you have not received a packet by the week after, please contact the Stewardship Office, lkoester@trinitychurchboston.org, for an address check and replacement envelope.

Every Sunday

Nursery Care from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm in the Parish House

Children’s Homily at 10 am downstairs in the Chapel

Church School starting Sept. 17 in the Parish House classrooms

Discounted parking; ask at the Parish House Front Desk