

8 AM

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, September 7

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON





TrinityEvents

Next Sunday, 9/14: Families with young children are invited to brunch at 12:30 pm.

RSVP to Kenna, Minister for Early Childhood at kbartholomew@trinitychurchboston.org

TODAY

Program Year Worship Schedule Resumes

Our program year worship schedule resumes today. Join in worship at **8 am**, **10 am** (also livestreamed, with an in-person Children's Homily), and **5 pm**.

10 am: Blessing of the Backpacks

11:15 am: Annual Parish Photo & Fall Kick-off Picnic

THIS WEEK

What is Sacred Ground?

Interested in learning about Sacred Ground and the work of racial reconciliation? Two Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles are forming this fall at Trinity. Come to an info session on Zoom on **Mon., 9/8, at 6:30 pm**, hosted by Trinity Parishioners. *Learn more and sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/sacredground*



Weekday Communion Service Returns

Tuesdays, starting 9/9, 12:15 pm, Chancel

Beginning Tues., Sept. 9, join parish family, neighbors, and passers-by for **an intimate celebration of the Holy Eucharist**. We will share a liturgy with readings, preaching, music, and Communion – services purposefully kept to a half-hour for those joining during a workday's lunch hour. Visitor Services will open for tours following our prayers.

20s & 30s Fall Kickoff Dinner and Eucharist

Tues., 9/9, 6-8 pm, Undercroft

20s & 30s are invited to **ring in the new Program Year** with some mid-week worship and dinner! We hope to see many of you there!

Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/20s30s

Weekly Women's & Men's Bible Studies

Wednesdays, starting 9/10, 7:30 am, on Zoom

We believe that taking this journey of study together not only deepens our spiritual life on a personal level, but also deepens our collective spiritual life in community.

Learn more and sign up at

trinitychurchboston.org/biblestudy

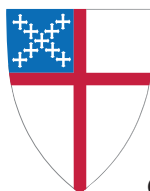
LOOKING AHEAD

Forum Series: Grace and Graciousness

Sundays, 9/14 through 10/5;

11:15 am; Lloyd Forum

As we begin our year of "Grateful Hearts, Gracious Lives," **join Morgan and Brandon for a four-part series** overviewing grace, the faithful virtue; and graciousness, the ethical practice. We will approach these ideas from our Anglican perspectives of "scripture, tradition, and reason," as well as contemporary resources in popular culture.



Episcopal 101

Sundays, 9/21-10/5, 12:30-2 pm, Undercroft; lunch included

Are you **new to The Episcopal Church** and want to learn more about its

history and traditions? Are you **a curious Episcopalian** with lingering questions? Have you been considering baptism or confirmation but never knew how to **take the next step**? Then **this class is for you!** Join newcomers and long-tenured Trinitarians alike as we explore our Episcopal heritage. Confirmation prep for youth is offered separately. Contact Brandon, bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org, with questions or to register.

Visit From Bishop Whitworth

Sun., 10/19, 10 am, Church

The Rt. Rev. Julia Whitworth will make **her first episcopal visitation to Trinity** on Sun., Oct. 19 at 10 am, the one-year anniversary of her ordination as Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts. For those adults interested in baptism, confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation, a time of preparation will be hosted at Trinity on Friday evening and Saturday morning, Oct. 17-18. All **adults interested in exploring these opportunities** should contact Brandon, bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org.



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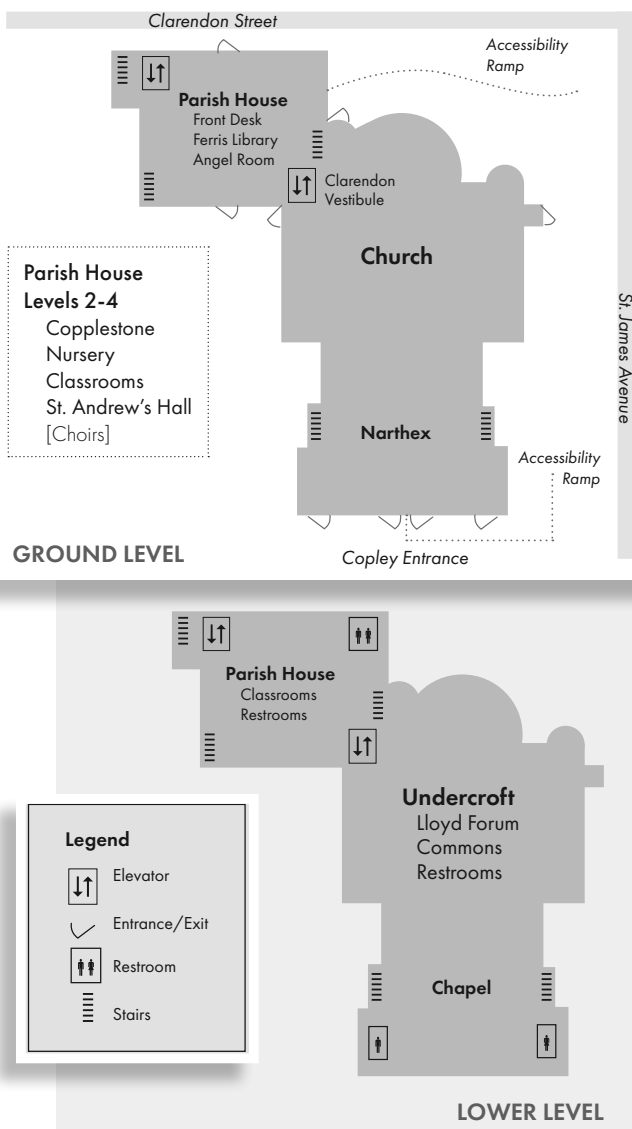
WELCOME



*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.*

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. at trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship and facebook.com/trinitychurchboston
- 11:15 am** Formation for All Ages
- 5 pm** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with organ & choir

Weekday Worship at Trinity

- Tues.**
- 12:15 pm** Holy Eucharist

Vestry

- Chris Allen ('27) • Christine Arcese ('26) • Christopher Atwood ('26) • Barbara Dortch-Okara ('26) • Josh Fiala ('27) • Sukaina Garcia ('28) • Tim Kelly ('28) • Tim Martin ('27) • David McFerrin ('28) • Niven Narain ('26) • Chuks Chijioke Okoli ('28) • Constance Perry ('28) • Peter Renner ('28) • Mary Roetzel ('27) • Katie Wrisley Shelby ('28)



Liturgy

Clergy

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector* • The Rev. Brandon Ashcraft, *Priest for Outreach* • The Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, *Theologian-In-Community* • The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, *Assisting Priest* • The Rev. Paige Fisher, *Priest for Hospitality and Care* • The Rev. Kit Loneragan, *Priest for Parish Care* • The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, *Senior Associate*

Music

Jerrick Cavagnaro, *Associate Director of Music* • Colin Lynch, *Director of Music*

Vestry bios can be found at trinitychurchboston.org/vestry
Clergy & Staff can be reached at trinitychurchboston.org/staff

Tours

Tues - Sat
10 am - 5 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 14 are free.

GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, 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 God, the fountain of all wisdom: Enlighten by your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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Worship at Trinity

Please note that our use of the BCP text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-expansive 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.

Assistive listening devices are available upon request from any usher.

WORD OF GOD

Reading Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*We will pray the Psalm
responsively, by whole verse.*

Psalm 86:3-10, 12, 15

Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; *
I call upon you all the day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, *
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, *
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, *
and attend to the voice of my supplications.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, *
for you will answer me.

Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, *
nor anything like your works.

All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, *
and glorify your Name.

For you are great; you do wondrous things; *
and you alone are God.

I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, *
and glorify your Name for evermore.

For you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

Gospel Luke 14:25-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector*

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

I ask your prayers for the Church: for faithfulness to our Presiding Bishop, Sean; to our bishop, Julia; to us gathered here; and to all who serve the Church, today remembering...

Let us pray for fidelity and flourishing.

I ask your prayers for the people of the world: for goodwill among nations and integrity among leaders; for healing among those who suffer in places of war and danger.

Let us pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for those who feel alone: for connection with those we have ignored for our convenience; with those who have troubled us; and with those we have failed to serve.

Let us pray for companionship and community.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God: for inspiration to those visiting Trinity for the first time today; to those exploring The Episcopal Church; and to all those renewing their faith.

Let us pray for wonder and hope.

I ask your prayers for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, today remembering...

Let us pray for God's comfort and presence.

I ask your prayers for those who have died, today remembering:

Let us pray for the communion of the saints in light and the consolation of all those who grieve.

I ask your thanksgivings for all the blessings of our common life: for the marvel of the cosmos; for the beauty of the world; and for the gift of this parish family, remembering...

Let us pray for grateful hearts and gracious lives.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. May we have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

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.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

*Whether you are here for the
day or are a long-time member,
we invite everyone celebrating
a recent or upcoming birthday
or anniversary of a marriage
or union to come forward for a
prayer.*

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 plates passed during the Offertory.

Eucharistic Prayer A from the Book of Common Prayer, p. 361.

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, the Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before thee a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in thy sight. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

**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.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus, your only and eternal Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus, for by Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

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

SENDING

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, we 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

PLACE
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LOOKING AHEAD

- Mon., 9/8 **6:30 pm** Sacred Ground Info Session
sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/sacredground
- Tues., 9/9  **12:15 pm** Weekly Tuesday Holy Eucharist
6:30 pm 20s & 30s Kickoff Dinner and Eucharist
contact kleslie@trinitychurchboston.org
- Wed., 9/10 **7:30 am** Weekly Womens & Men's Bible Studies on Zoom Resume
Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/biblestudy
- Fri., 9/12 **12:15 pm** Weekly Free Fridays at Trinity Organ Recital
- Sun., 9/14 **11:15 am** Formation for All Ages Resumes; start of Grace & Graciousness Forum Series
12:30 pm Brunch for Families with Young Children
RSVP to kbartholomew@trinitychurchboston.org
- Sat., 9/20 **9:30 am** Monthly Stitching in the Spirit
- Sun., 9/21  **2 pm** Serve at Rosies Place sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/rosiesplace
12:30 pm Episcopal 101 Starts; email bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org
- Wed., 9/24 **6:30 pm** Sacred Ground Wednesday sessions begin
learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/sacredground
- Tues., 9/30 **6:30 pm** 20s & 30s Book Club contact kleslie@trinitychurchboston.org
8:30 pm Weekly Tuesday/Thursday Compline resumes
visit trinitychurchboston.org/compline
- Wed., 10/1 **5:45 pm** Weekly Choral Evensong Resumes
- Sun., 10/5 **9 am** Monthly First Sunday Community Breakfast Resumes;
sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/communitybreakfast2025
12:30 pm Sacred Ground Sunday sessions begin
learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/sacredground
4 pm Blessing of the Animals
- Tues., 10/7 **6:30 pm** New: Monthly CareGiving Pastoral Circle
for Pastoral Circles info, contact klonergan@trinitychurchboston.org
- Wed., 10/8 **7 am** Serve at Women's Lunch Place sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/wlp
- Sun., 10/12 Stewardship Sunday
- Mon., 10/13 Church Closed • Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Sat., 10/18 **9:30 am** Monthly Stitching in the Spirit
- Sun., 10/19  **10 am** Bishop Whitworth Visitation & Adult Confirmations adults interested in baptism, confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation should email bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org
2 pm Serve at Rosies Place sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/rosiesplace
12 pm Companions Lunch for those 60+; contact klonergan@trinitychurchboston.org
- Wed., 10/22 **9:30 am** Sole Train 5K learn more at trinityconnects.org/sole-train-5k
- Sat., 10/25

Our 10 am Sunday worship service is livestreamed to trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship