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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II Sunday, November 23

Reign of Christ Sunday



TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



# All-Ages Advent Wreath Making is Sun., 11/30, after all services. Make a wreath to take home as we pray the days of Advent together.





# **TODAY**

Welcome, the Rev. Dr. Sam Wells Sun., 11/23, 8 & 10 am (also livestreamed), Church

It is with great joy that we welcome

The Rev. Dr. Sam Wells as our guest preacher during the morning services today. Wells, a priest in the Church of England for over thirty years, is a prolific author of nearly 50 books, a brilliant preacher, and a highly regarded theologian gifted in bridging the gap between academic theology and practical ministry.

### **Nigerian Thanksgiving**

Sun., 11/23, 10 am, Church; and 11:15 am, Undercroft

During our Offertory at today's 10 am service, we will give thanks for the gifts of the harvest with a presentation of gifts from representatives of the Nigerian Christian Fellowship. The Nigerian Christian Fellowship comprises of Anglicans from Trinity Church and other Episcopal churches in Boston. Join in downstairs in the Commons immediately after the service for food and fellowship.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### **Tutu Travel Seminar**

Jan. 5-21, 2026; Learn more and register at michaelbattle.com/2026-tutu-travel

Join the Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle and his Peace Battle Institute for the

Tutu Travel Seminar in South Africa to spread the good news about a Spirituality of Restorative Justice, focusing on Desmond Tutu's witness of contemplative prayer, restorative justice and the African concept of Ubuntu.



Online Shop Sale Starts Thursday

From 11/27 - 12/4, use code **THANKS** to save **20**% at **shop.trinitychurchboston.org** 

Find a beautiful, curated collection of items that reflect the rich artistic heritage and spiritual life of our church. Each piece is thoughtfully designed using patterns and imagery drawn directly from Trinity's own decorative details.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### Deck the Halls

Sat., 11/29, 2 pm- 4 pm, Church Sat., 12/13, 10 am-12 pm, Church Mon., 12/22, 10 am-2 pm, Church Sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls

All are invited to Deck the Halls! Join in as we prepare each week of Advent for Christmas Day! Each week we will add a new piece of greenery to our space culminating with preparations for Christmas Eve services.

### **More Volunteer Dates**

Lend a Hand for First Sunday Community Breakfast Sat., 12/6; & Sun., 12/7, Kitchen & Commons Make a friend and lend a hand with preparation for our free monthly Community Breakfast.

Serve at Women's Lunch Place Wed., 12/10, 7-11 am, 67 Newbury Street

Serve Your Neighbor at Rosie's Place Sun., 12/21, 889 Harrison Ave, Boston



See all volunteer dates and sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/volunteer



# **Choose Your Own Advent-ure Formation**

Sun., 12/7 & 12/14, 11:15 am
Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/adventure













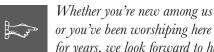


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# LOOKING AHEAD

Wed., 11/26 Thurs., 11/27 Fri., 11/28 Sat., 11/29	4 pm Serve Thanksgiving at Pine Street Inn contact bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org Church Closed • Thanksgiving Church Closed • Friday after Thanksgiving 10 am Deck the Halls Sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls
Sun., 11/30 Tues., 12/2	<ul> <li>9 am, 11:15 am, &amp; 6 pm All-Ages Advent Wreath Making</li> <li>12:15 pm Weekly Tuesday Holy Eucharist</li> <li>6:30 pm 20s &amp; 30s Book Club visit trinitychurchboston.org/20s30s</li> <li>6:30 pm New: Monthly CareGiving Pastoral Circle</li> <li>for Pastoral Circles info, contact klonergan@trinitychurchboston.org</li> <li>8:30 pm Weekly Tuesday/Thursday Compline on Zoom</li> <li>visit trinitychurchboston.org/compline</li> </ul>
Wed., <b>12/3</b> Thurs., <b>12/4</b> Fri., <b>12/5</b>	<ul> <li>5:45 pm Weekly Choral Evensong</li> <li>6:30 pm 20s &amp; 30s First Thursday Game Night visit trinitychurchboston.org/20s30s</li> <li>12:15 pm Weekly Free Fridays at Trinity Organ Recital</li> </ul>
Sun., 12/7	<ul> <li>9 am First Sunday Community Breakfast</li> <li>Sign up to lend a hand at trinitychurchboston.org/communitybreakfast2025</li> <li>11:15 am Choose Your own Advent-ure Formation: Candlemaking;</li> <li>Parents of Young Children Bible Study; The Herald Angels Bible Study; Stitching in the Spirit</li> <li>2 pm Bach Magnificat &amp; Handel's Messiah Concert; ticketed</li> <li>Ticketing information at trinitychurchboston.org/cc2025</li> </ul>
Tues., <b>12/9</b>	1 pm New: Monthly PartnerCare Pastoral Circle for Pastoral Circles info, contact klonergan@trinitychurchboston.org
Wed., <b>12/10</b> Sat., <b>12/13</b>	<ul> <li>7 am Serve at Women's Lunch Place sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/wlp</li> <li>10 am Deck the Halls Sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls</li> <li>4 &amp; 7 pm Candlelight Carols;</li> <li>ticketing information at trinitychurchboston.org/cc2025</li> </ul>
Sun., 12/14	11:15 am Choose Your own Advent-ure Formation: Write that Letter! Parents of Young Children Bible Study; The Herald Angels Bible Study; Stitching in the Spirit 2 pm Candlelight Carols Ticketing information at trinitychurchboston.org/cc2025
Tues., <b>12/16</b>	Deadline to donate to the Christmas flower and music fund. Visit trinitychurchboston.org/flowersandmusic 6:30 pm Monthly Spiritual Journeys with Cancer Pastoral Circle for Pastoral Circles info, contact klonergan@trinitychurchboston.org
Fri., <b>12/19</b>	5:30 pm 3rd-12th grade Youth & Chorister Caroling & Yankee Swap  Learn more and RSVP at trinitychurchboston.org/caroling

## **WELCOME**

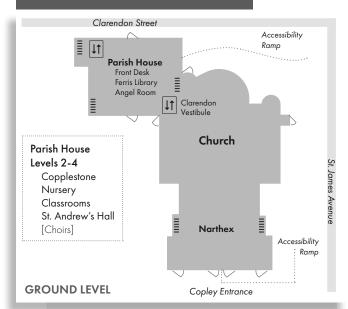


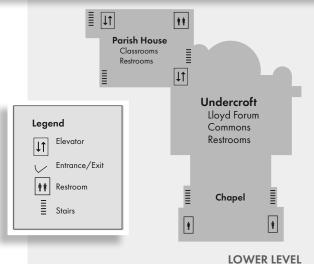
for years, we look forward to helping you make a

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. Returns 12/2 12:15 pm Holy Eucharist

**Tues/Thurs.** No Compline on 11/27 **8:30 pm** Online Compline via Zoom

join us at trinitychurchboston.org/compline

and enter Meeting ID **206** 654 379

Wed. Returns 12/3 5:45 pm Choral Evensong

### 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 Lonergan, *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. Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/tours

### GATHERING

Prelude 'Crown Imperial' William Walton (1902-1983)

Welcome

Hymn 450 'All hail the power of Jesus' Name!'

### Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's reign, 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.

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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.



### Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

### And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

### WORD OF GOD

### Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Canticle 16

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \* he has come to his people and set them free.

# He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \* born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, \* from the hands of all who hate us.

# He promised to show mercy to our fathers \* and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \* to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

# Free to worship him without fear, \* holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \* for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

# To give his people knowledge of salvation \* by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God \* the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

We will pray the Canticle responsively, by whole verse.

### Reading Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 382 'King of glory, King of peace'

Gospel Luke 23:33-43

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

### Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Paige Ford Fisher, Priest for Hospitality and Care

During this hymn at the 10 am service, preschool and elementary-aged children may meet members of our Children's Ministries staff under the pulpit to travel to the Chapel for an age-appropriate children's homily. The children return to the service during the Presentation Hymn.

### 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.

Silence

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.

Silence

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.

Silence

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.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, today remembering ... Let us pray for God's comfort and presence.

Silence

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.

Silence

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.

Let us pray for grateful hearts and gracious lives.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those expecting a child ...

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

May we have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

### **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.

At the 5 pm service, we invite all to gather around the altar for 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.



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

### HOLY COMMUNION

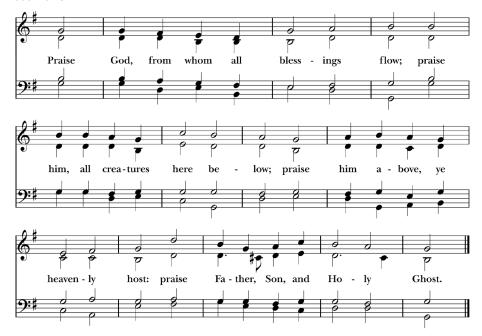
### Offertory

Anthem 'O God, the King of Glory' Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesu Christ with great triumph into heav'n: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place where our Saviour Christ is gone before us. Amen.

TEXT: BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER 1662

#### The Presentation



### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

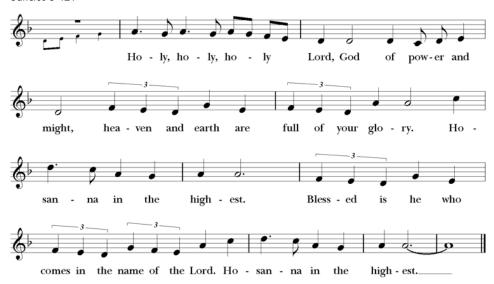
Lift up your hearts.

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 the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. 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 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.

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

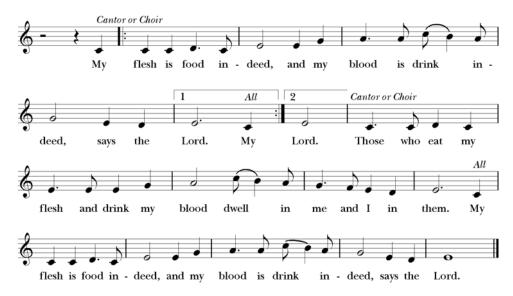
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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

Fraction Anthem S-169



### 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

### Anthem 'Ride on'

Grayston Ives (b. 1948) Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry; Thy humble beast pursues his road With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strive is nigh; The Father on His sapphire throne Awaits His own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power and reign.

TEXT: HENRY HART MILMAN (1791-1868)

Hymn 324 'Let all mortal flesh keep silence'

### 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.

### Blessing

Hymn 494 'Crown him with many crowns'

### Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Postlude 'Marche Triomphale: Nun danket alle Gott' Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)