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RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS &
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, September 6

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON





TrinityEvents

Returning 9/16: Women's & Men's Bible Studies on Wednesdays on Zoom at 7:30 am. Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/biblestudies



TODAY

Take a Tour and Visit the Shop

Sundays, 11 am-4 pm; last ticket sold at 3:30 pm
Tues.-Sat., 10 am-5 pm; last ticket sold at 4:30 pm
 Online: shop.trinitychurchboston.org

Take a **self-guided or an audio tour of the Sanctuary** and check out the new puzzles, scarves, and other items that have arrived in the Shop since your last visit. *All proceeds support the ministries of Trinity Church.*

20s & 30s Bible Study **Sundays**, 10:15 am, Ferris Library

20s & 30s are invited to join in for **Bible Study after the 9 am Service**. Visit trinitychurchboston.org/20s30s

THIS WEEK

Free Friday Organ Concerts

Fridays, 12:15 pm, Church

Our weekly series of free organ concerts features innovative programs from recitalists around the world on Trinity's historic Skinner organ.

Free Exterior Audio Tour

Check out the Free Exterior Audio Tour, **an Eagle Scout Project** by parishioner Henry Diver. Look for the QR codes on the Copley Porch to start, or visit trinitychurchboston.org/feat

FROM THESE STONES

Program Year Kick-Off Next Sunday

On Sun., 9/13, we return to our worship schedule of **8 am**, **10 am** (also livestreamed), and **5 pm**.

Our **10 am** worship service will include the **Blessing of the Backpacks**. Children (and teachers) are invited to bring their backpacks to be blessed for the upcoming school year. Calling all grandparents, godparents, aunts, and uncles: please do take a tag (or several) to share a blessing with the young people in your life.

At **11:15 am**, we will gather for our **Annual Parish Photo** on Copley Square. The **Community Picnic** will follow on the Clarendon Lawn, with games and a barbecue feast!

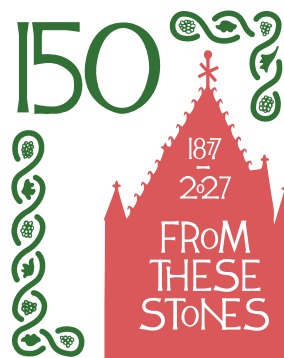
We are pleased to offer **nursery care** for little ones (age 4 and younger) during the morning services. **Volunteers** for set-up and clean-up are very welcome; extra hands always appreciated! Sign up at trinitychurchboston.org/picnic



FORUM SERIES

Scripture: Upon These and From These Stones

Sundays, 9/20 & 9/27, 11:15 am, Lloyd Forum



Launching our 2026-2027 Program Year and anticipating our buildings' 150th anniversary (on February 9, 2027), the Rector, **the Rev. Morgan S. Allen**, will introduce our theme and its roots in **Matthew 3**. On Sun., Sept. 20, Morgan will offer scriptural, historical, and architectural context for our building, at the time of its creation and construction, and in the years since. On Sun., Sept. 27, Morgan will consider what has come "from these stones" of Trinity Church in the previous centuries, and what God hopes we as a congregation might accomplish in our own day and during the next 150 years.



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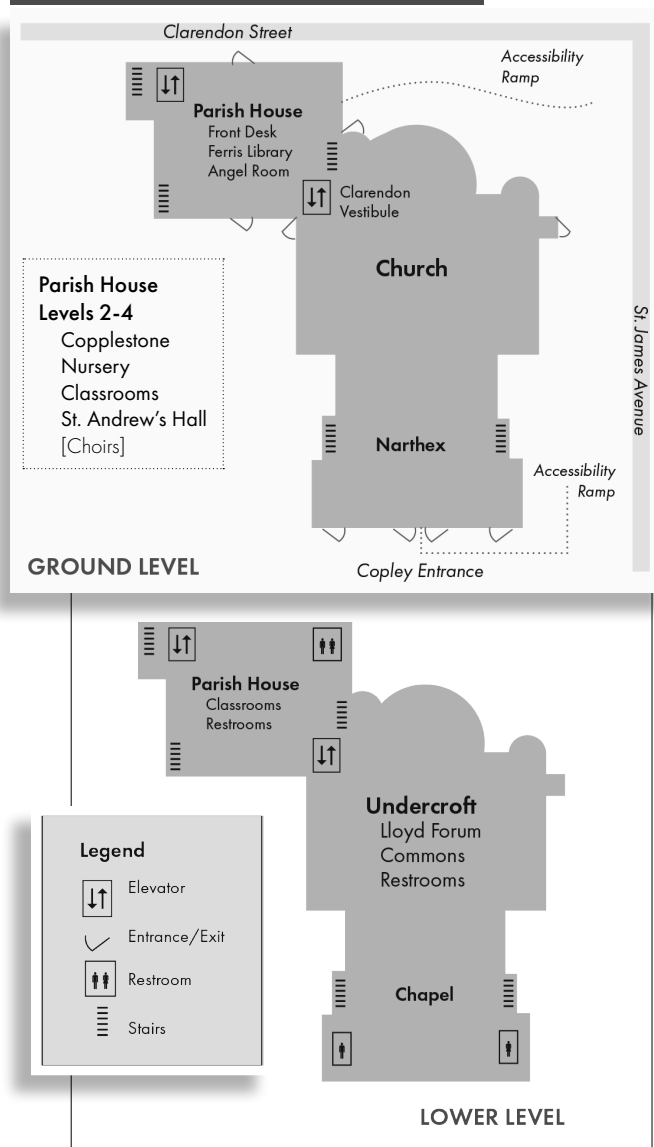
WELCOME



*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 *starting Sept. 13*

- 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
- Tues/Thurs.** *starting Sept. 29*
- 8:30 pm** Online Compline via Zoom
join us at trinitychurchboston.org/compline
☎ or dial in with **1-646-558-8656**
and enter Meeting ID **206 654 379**
- Wed.** *starting Oct. 7*
- 5:45 pm** Choral Evensong

Vestry

- Chris Allen ('27) • Gaye Bok ('29) •
- Matt Diver ('29) • Josh Fiala ('27) •
- Sukaina Garcia ('28) • Tim Kelly ('28) •
- Tim Martin ('27) • David McFerrin ('28) •
- Kathy Moon ('29) • Chuku Chijioke Okoli ('28) •
- Constance Perry ('28) • Peter Renner ('28) •
- Mary Roetzel ('27) • Peter Smiledge ('29) •
- 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
- Sunday**
- 11 am-4 pm**

GATHERING

Prelude ‘*Chorale and Andante sostenuto* from *Sonata No. 6*’, BWV W 61
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Welcome

Hymn 400 ‘All creatures of our God and King’ (omit*)

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God’s reign, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God’s call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Creator of all.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

WORD OF GOD

Reading Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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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.

We will pray the Psalm
responsively, by whole verse.

Psalm 119:33-40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

**Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

**Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.**

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

**Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.**

Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

**Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.**

Hymn 440 'Blessed Jesus, at thy word'

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.

Sermon The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, *Senior Associate*

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death and raised to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced the wiles of the world and promised to serve God faithfully in the holy catholic Church.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
I do.

Do you believe in God?
I believe in God, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus, the Christ?
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
I will, with God's help.

Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?
I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of the People

We hold before you, O God, our hopes and concerns for ourselves and for all your creation.

We pray for war to cease, and we pray for peace, justice, and reconciliation throughout the world.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We remember our presiding bishop, Sean; our bishop, Julia; and we pray for the renewal of your Church in faith, love, and service.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the gift of your Word, the grace of your sacraments, and the fellowship of your people, and we remember in the diocesan cycle of prayer the following parishes...

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all that reveals your loveliness in our daily life and work, and we pray for the wellbeing of greater Boston and our several communities.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick, the sorrowful, and the bereaved, remembering... and we pray for those who bring comfort, care, and healing.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of your people...

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the lives of all who have died...

and we entrust ourselves, one another, and all our life to you.

Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

Concluding Collect

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

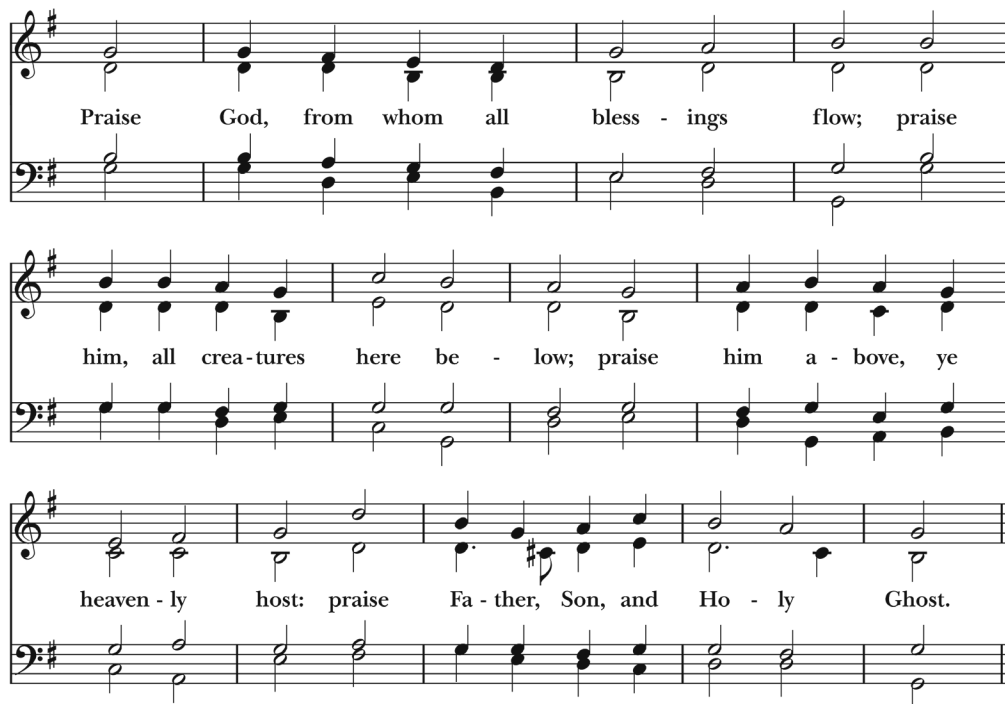
Anthem 'Almighty and everlasting God'

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Almighty and everlasting God,
mercifully look upon our infirmities,
and in all our dangers and necessities,
stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

TEXT: COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Presentation



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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, because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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.

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.

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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 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

Fraction Anthem S-164

The musical score is written for four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), indicating G major. The time signature is not explicitly shown but appears to be 4/4 based on the note values. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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 'If ye love me'

Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you for ever, ev'n the spirit of truth.

TEXT: JOHN 14:15-17

Hymn 593 'Lord, make us servants of your peace'

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 376 'Joyful, joyful, we adore thee'

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude 'Allegro molto from *Organ Sonata No. 6*

Mendelssohn