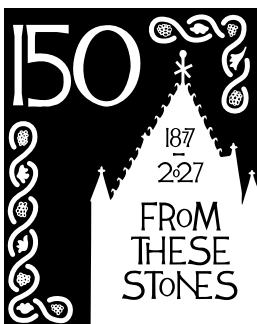


8 AM

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, September 20

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON





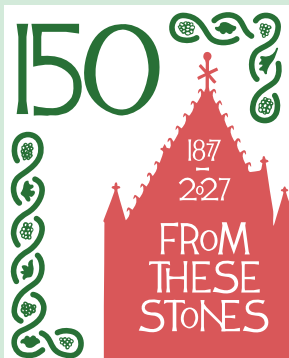
TRINITYEvents

TO DAY

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**. Today, Morgan will offer scriptural, historical, and architectural context for our building, at the time of its creation and construction, and in the years since. Next 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.



Sunday School Classes for Children & Youth

Sundays, 11:15 am; Look for the green signs with room assignments in the Parish House

During formation hour, classes are offered to children from preschool through high school.

VOLUNTEER

Help Local Students with Catie's Closet

Catie's Closet provides free in-school "stores" run by volunteers, giving children direct access to clothing and more to attend class confidently. Trinity Church members have managed the Catie's Closet, located inside the Ruth Batson Academy, as "Closet Champions" for more than a decade. *Learn more about long-term volunteer roles;* email bashcraft@trinitychurchboston.org

See more volunteer opportunities at trinitychurchboston.org/volunteer

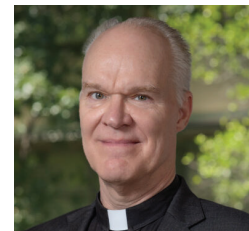
Is your family new to Children's Ministry in the last year? Join in a New Family Welcome Brunch on Sun., Sept. 27, at 12:15 pm; little ones welcome!

RSVP to Kenna Easter at keaster@trinitychurchboston.org

LOOKING AHEAD

Guest Preacher: The Rev Dr. Steven Tomlinson, Ph.D

Sun., **9/27**, 8 am & 10 am
(also livestreamed), Church



Dr. Tomlinson is an associate professor of leadership and administration at Seminary of the Southwest and holds a Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University.

Sole Train 5K + Trinity Youth Cheer Squad

Sat., **10/3**, 9 am, Moakley Park Picnic Area, South Boston



Enjoy a morning of community, games, and celebration at Trinity Boston Connects' 12th Annual Sole Train 5K, a fun, family-friendly run/walk and celebration that kicks off another

year of the Sole Train running program. *Whether you're running, walking, or volunteering with our Cheer Squad, you'll be helping launch an incredible season for Young Soles. Pizza lunch and t-shirts included for all.*

Sign up for the 5K at trinityconnects.org/sole-train-5k

Sign up for the Cheer Squad at trinitychurchboston.org/cheersquad

You're Invited to Community Breakfast

Sun., **10/4**, 9 am, Commons

Enjoy a free hot breakfast while gathered around a table with friends on the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome; there is always hot coffee brewed and a chair waiting for you. *Lend a hand; sign up at* trinitychurchboston.org/communitybreakfast



Fur, Fins & Feathers Welcome at the Blessing of the Animals

Sun., **10/4**, 4 pm, Clarendon Lawn

Join in for a 30 minute Blessing of the Animals service. All creatures great and small welcome!



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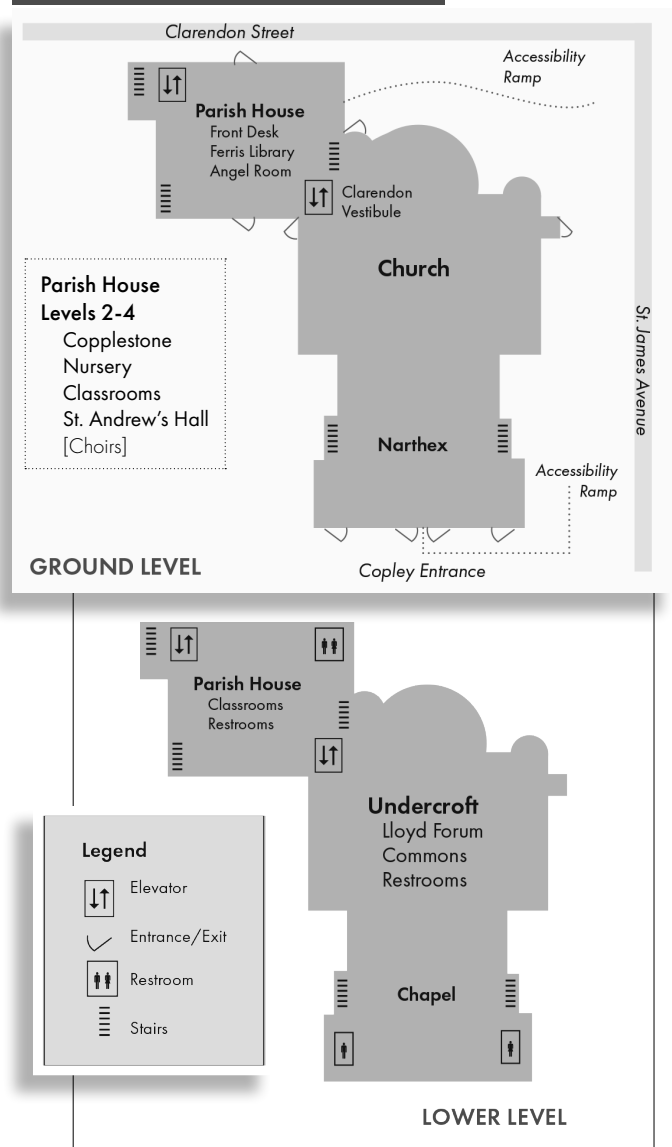
WELCOME



*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
- 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) • Chuks Chijioke Okoli ('28) •
- Constance Perry ('28) • Peter Renner ('28) •
- Mary Roetzel ('27) • Peter Smiledge ('29) •
- Katie Wisley 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

Welcome

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 Jonah 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Psalm 145:1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.

**Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.

**One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.**

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.

**They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.**

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

**The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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.

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 ...

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

Collect for Creation Care

Concluding Collect

Learn more
about the
ministry we
prayed for
this week:



Vestry at trinitychurchboston.org/ministries.

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries

*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

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, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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."

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.

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

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.

Eternal God,
**you have graciously accepted us as living members
of our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord.
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

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

FORUM SERIES



SUNDAYS

10.4, 10.11
& 10.18

11:15 AM IN THE CHURCH

Walls, Windows & Women Artists

As we anticipate our buildings' 150th anniversary (on February 9, 2027), these Forums **take a closer look at the extraordinary art that surrounds us each time we gather for worship**—art that has helped to shape, inform, and inspire our faith for generations.

Led by **Cynthia Staples** (Trinity Church Historian), **Keith Morgan** (Professor Emeritus of History of Art and Architecture at Boston University), and **Peter Smiledge** (Trinity Tour Guide and Vestry member), this three-part series will explore the remarkable artists and artisans whose vision and craftsmanship created our magnificent worship space.

*These Forums will also be livestreamed to
trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship*