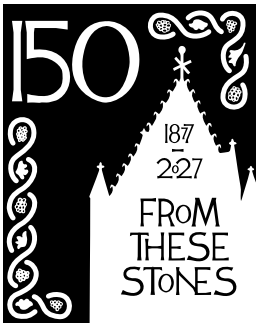
10 AM & 5 PM

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, November 15

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

TRINITY *Events*

What's been happening lately in Trinity's Ministries? Read the latest Signs & Wonders to find out at ***trinitychurchboston.org/sw***

TODAY

Grateful & Thankful College Ministry

*Sun., **11/15**, 3-5 pm*

College students: Join Trinity's College Ministry for an afternoon of service and community. We will complete a service project for Victory Program's Boston Living Center, share a meal, and continue to get to know one another. Afterwards, we will attend the 5 pm service together. *If you are unable to attend the 5 pm, we would still love to have you for the event. Please RSVP at* ***trinitychurchboston.org/thankful***

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Holy Eucharist

Tues., 12:15-12:45 pm, Church

Tues/Thurs Compline

Tues. & Thurs., 8:30 pm, on Zoom; visit ***trinitychurchboston.org/compline***

Wednesday Choral Evensong

Wednesdays, 5:45 pm, Church

Free Fridays at Trinity Organ Recitals

Fridays, 12:15 pm, Church

Messiah and Candlelight Carols Tickets On Sale

Tickets: ***trinitychurchboston.org/cc2026***

The concert of **Handel's *Messiah*** with **Finzi's *In Terra Pax*** and **Britten's *Ceremony of Carols*** will be **Sun., Dec. 6**, at **2 pm**.

Candlelight Carols will be **Sat., Dec. 12**, at **4 & 7 pm**, and **Sun., Dec. 13**, at **2 pm**. Tickets are going fast!

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LOOKING AHEAD

Nigerian Thanksgiving

*Sun., **11/22**, 11:15 am, Commons*



The Nigerian Christian Fellowship comprises Anglicans from Trinity Church and other Episcopal churches in Boston. **The Fellowship invites you to a reception** following the 10 am service in the Commons.

Deck the Halls

*Sat., **11/28**, 10 am-12 pm; Sat., **12/12**; and Tues., **12/22***

All are invited to Deck the Halls! Join us as your schedule allows 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.

Please sign up at ***trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls****.*

All-Ages Advent Wreath Making

*Sun., **11/29,** 9 am, 11:15 am & 6 pm, Undercroft*



During the season of Advent we mark time preparing for Christmas Day. Join us at 9 am, 11 am, and 6 pm (after each Sunday worship service) and **create your own Advent Wreath** to take home with you as we pray the days of Advent together. *Email Kenna Easter,* ***keaster@trinitychurchboston.org****, for more information.*

More than *O Little Town of Bethlehem*: Exploring the Life and Work of Phillips Brooks

*Sun., **12/6**, 11:15 am, Church & livestreamed*

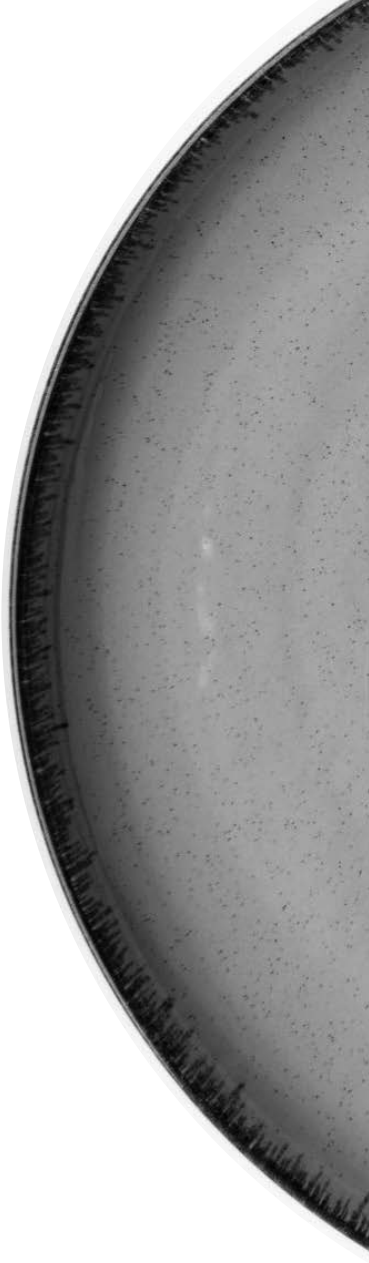
Poet, Priest, and Pastor: On Sun., Dec. 6, we will **hear about Phillips Brooks' days growing up in Boston,** return to Boston as Trinity Church's nineteenth Rector, and role as Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts. Our guest speaker, **The Rev. Dr. Bob Flanagan** is the editor of *While Mortals Sleep.*

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MAKE YOUR PLEDGE & JOIN THE PARTY!

TODAY!



During today's offertory, please bring your completed pledge card forward and place it in the baskets held by members of our stewardship committee. If you have already pledged—or are visiting today—we hope you'll come forward, too, and a prayer card is attached here for your use.

After the 10 am service, please join us for "festive fellowship" and a time of grateful celebration downstairs in the Commons. After the 5 pm service, the reception will be held in the Narthex.

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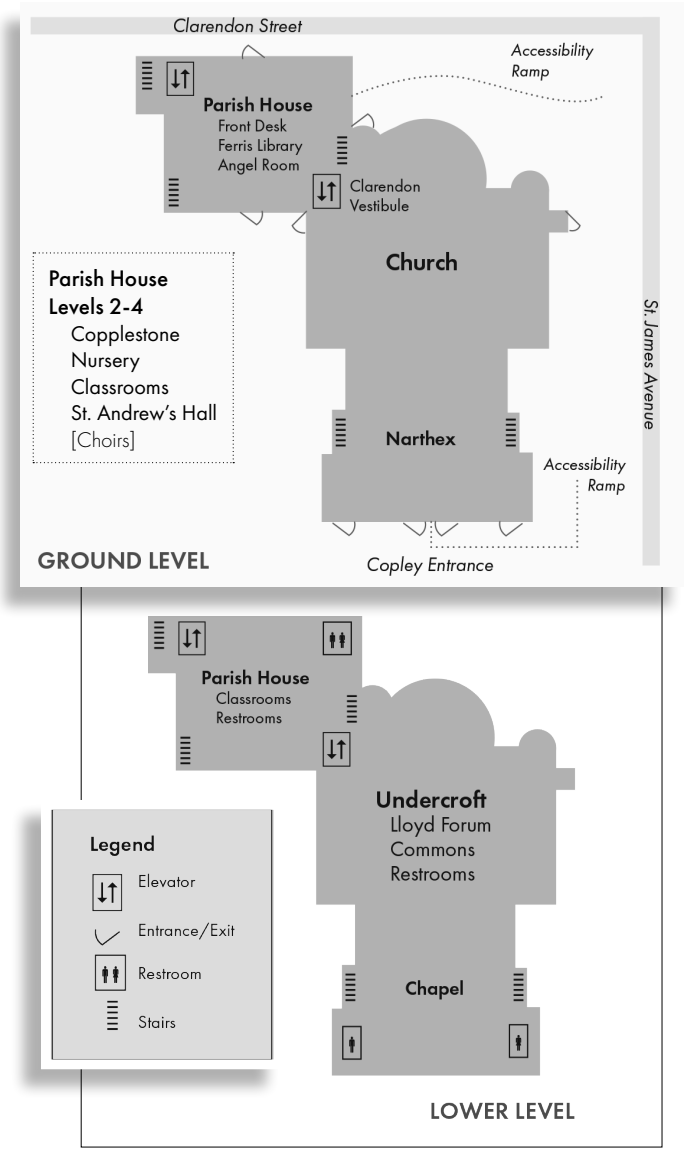
Pledges may be made at any time
using the secure online form
or by filling out a physical pledge card
trinitychurchboston.org/2027-annual-pledge

WELCOME

Whether you're new among us or you've been worshiping 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.
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.
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 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 'Aria from Symphonie No. 1'
Rachel Laurin (1961-2023)

Welcome

Hymn 527 'Singing songs of expectation'

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.

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Worship at Trinity
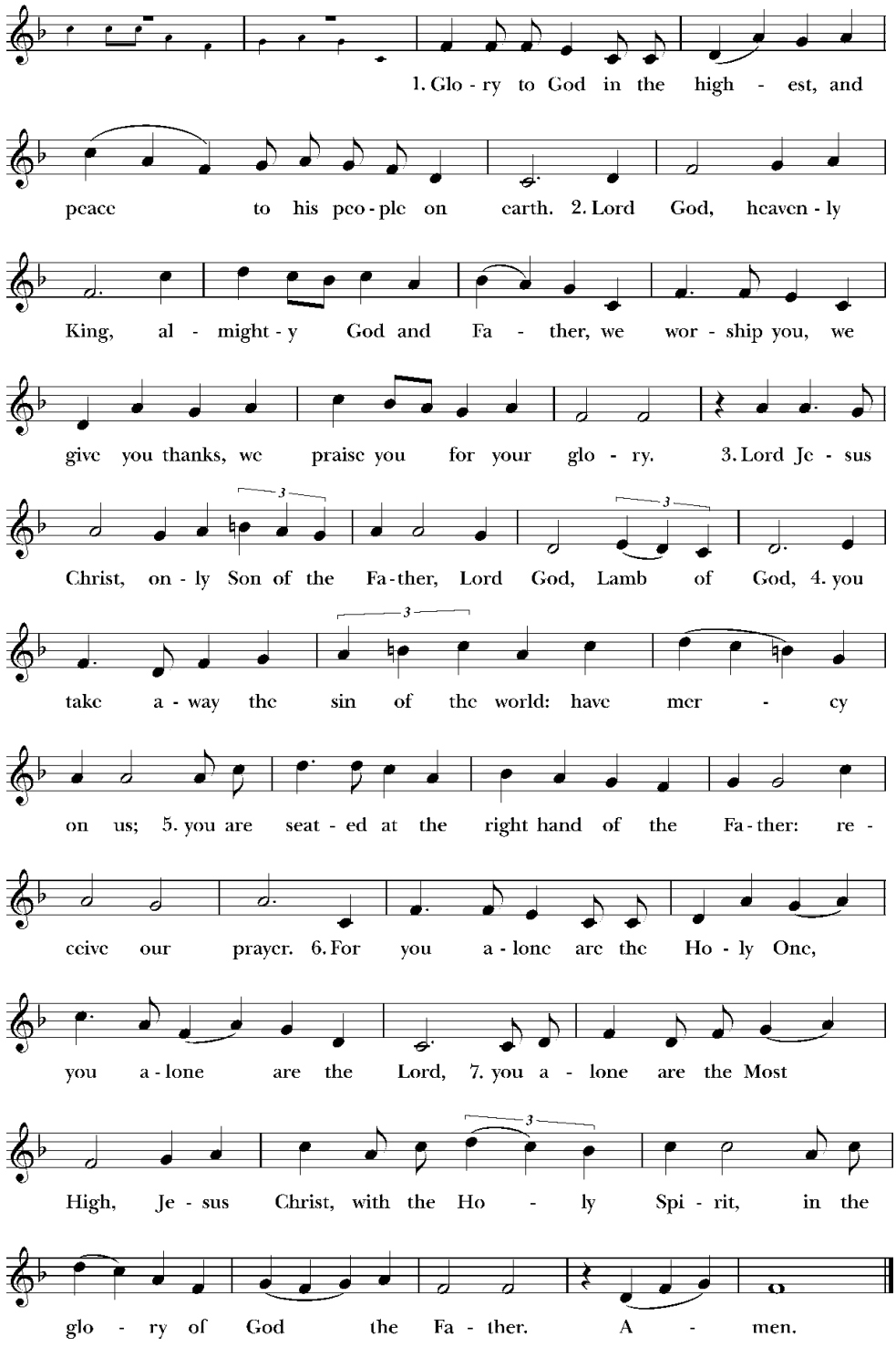
Please note that our use of the BCP *text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-expansive language when appropriate.*

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.

Gloria S-280



Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

WORD OF GOD

Reading Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-8, 12

We will pray the Psalm responsively, by whole verse.

Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

**Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.**

You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

**For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.**

You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

**In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

**Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Hymn 632 'O Christ, the Word Incarnate'

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 Peace.

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

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

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Kit Lonergan, *Priest for Parish Care*

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.



Learn more about the ministry we prayed for this week:

***Audit Committee** and **Investment Committee** at **trinitychurchboston.org/ministries**.*

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.

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

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.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Anthem '*O salutaris hostia*' *at 10 am*

Ēriks Ešenvalds (b. 1977)

O salutaris Hostia,
Quae cæli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.
Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria.
Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of Heaven to us below;
Our foes press hard on every side;
Your aid supply; Your strength bestow.
To your great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, One in Three.
O grant us endless length of days,
In our true native land with thee.
Amen.

TEXT: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS (C. 1225–1274)

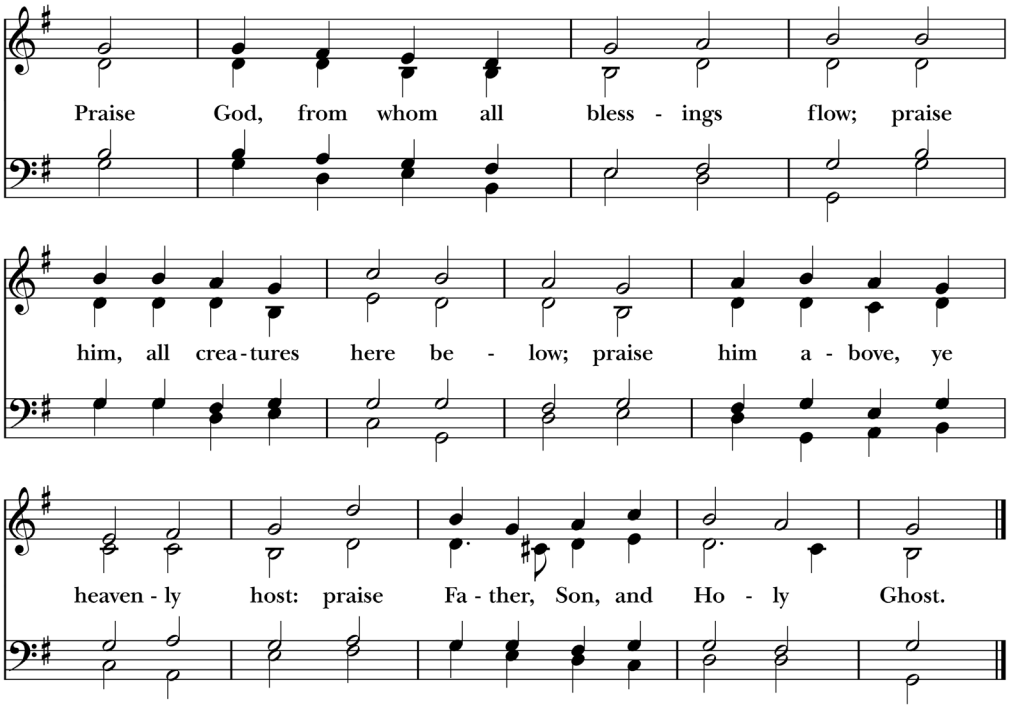
'O taste and see' *at 5 pm*

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the man that trusteth in Him.

TEXT: PSALM 34:8

The Presentation



The Great Thanksgiving

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

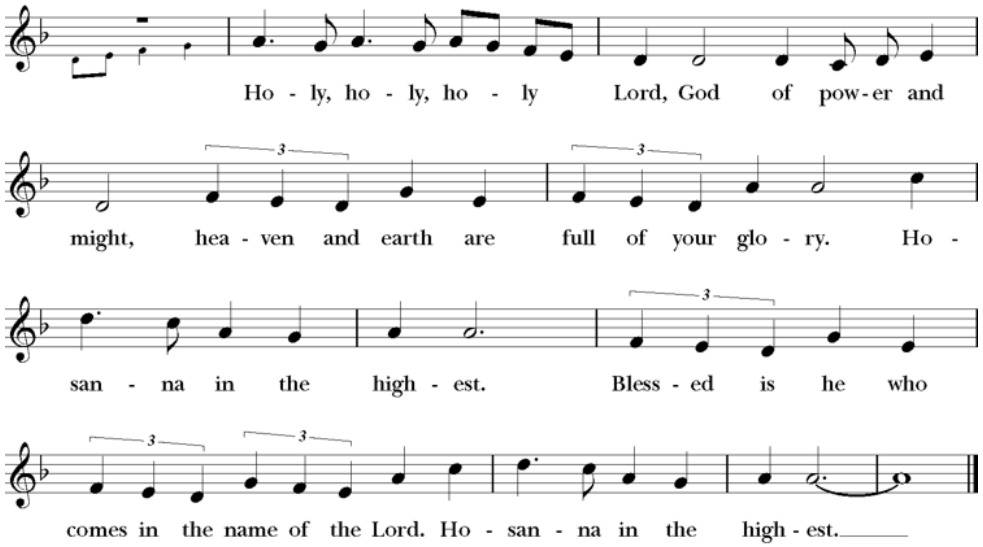
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Sanctus S-129



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.

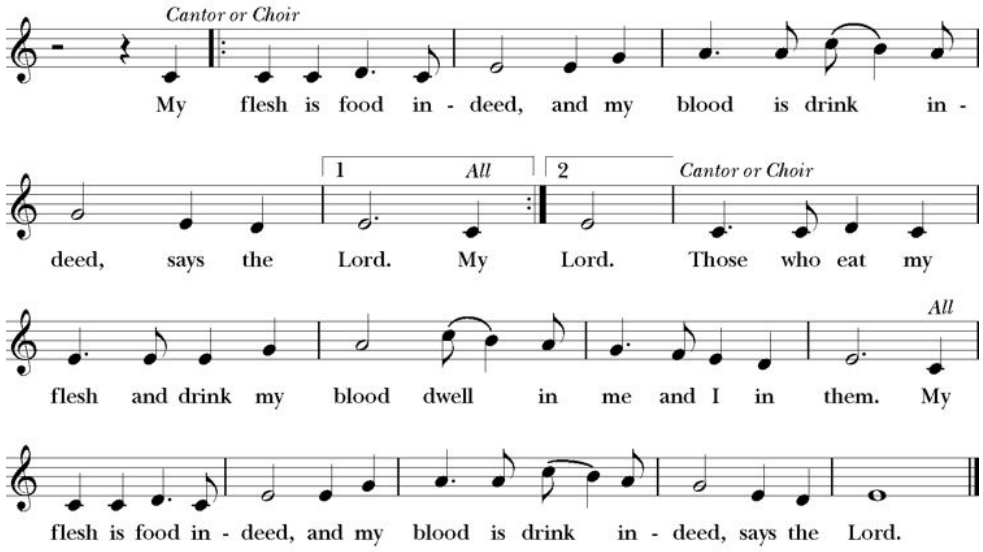
The Lord's Prayer

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-169



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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 '*Beati quorum via*' *at 10 am*

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Beati quorum via integra est,
qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

TEXT: PSALM 119:1

'Holy is the true light' *at 5 pm*

William H. Harris (1883-1973)

Holy is the True Light,
and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured
in the heat of the conflict.
From Christ they inherit
a home of unfading splendour,
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.
Alleluia!

TEXT: SALISBURY DIURNAL BY G.H. PALMER (1846–1926)

Hymn 655 'O Jesus, I have promised'

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 at 10 am 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

Hymn 598 'Lord Christ, when first thou camest to earth'

The Dismissal

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

Postlude '*Marche Triomphale: Nun danket alle Gott*'

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)