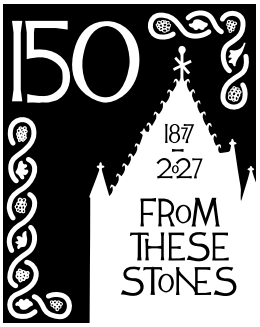
5 PM

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, November 22

Reign of Christ Sunday



TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

TRINITY Events

You're invited to the next Community Breakfast on Sun., Dec. 6, at 9 am.
Sign up to lend a hand at ***trinitychurchboston.org/communitybreakfast 2026***



TODAY

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.

THIS WEEK

Deck the Halls This Saturday

Sat., ***11/28****, 10 am-12 pm; Sat.,* ***12/12****; and Tues.,* ***12/22;***
Sign up at ***trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls***

All are invited to Deck the Halls! Join in 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 services.

Messiah & 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!

Follow ***@trinitychurchboston*** *on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube*

LOOKING AHEAD



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 after each Sunday worship service and **create your own Advent Wreath** to take home with you as we pray the days of Advent together. *For more info, email Kenna Easter,* ***keaster@trinitychurchboston.org***

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.*

Trinity Church and H.H. Richardson: From Sketches to the Skylines

Sun., ***12/13****, 11:15 am, Church & livestreamed*

Jay Wickersham, Chris Milford, and Hope Mayo, authors of *Henry Hobson Richardson: Drawings from the Collection of Houghton Library, Harvard University*, will discuss the drawings of H. H. Richardson, and what they reveal about the collaborative design process in the studio that produced Trinity Church.

Pop-Up Shop

Sundays, ***12/6 & 12/13****, 11:15 am-1 pm, Narthex*

Join us for some holiday shopping; we'll have limited copies of our guest speakers' books, Robert D. Flanagan's *While Mortals Sleep*; and Jay Wickersham's *Henry Hobson Richardson*, along with special 150th anniversary merchandise and our usual selection of Trinity gifts.

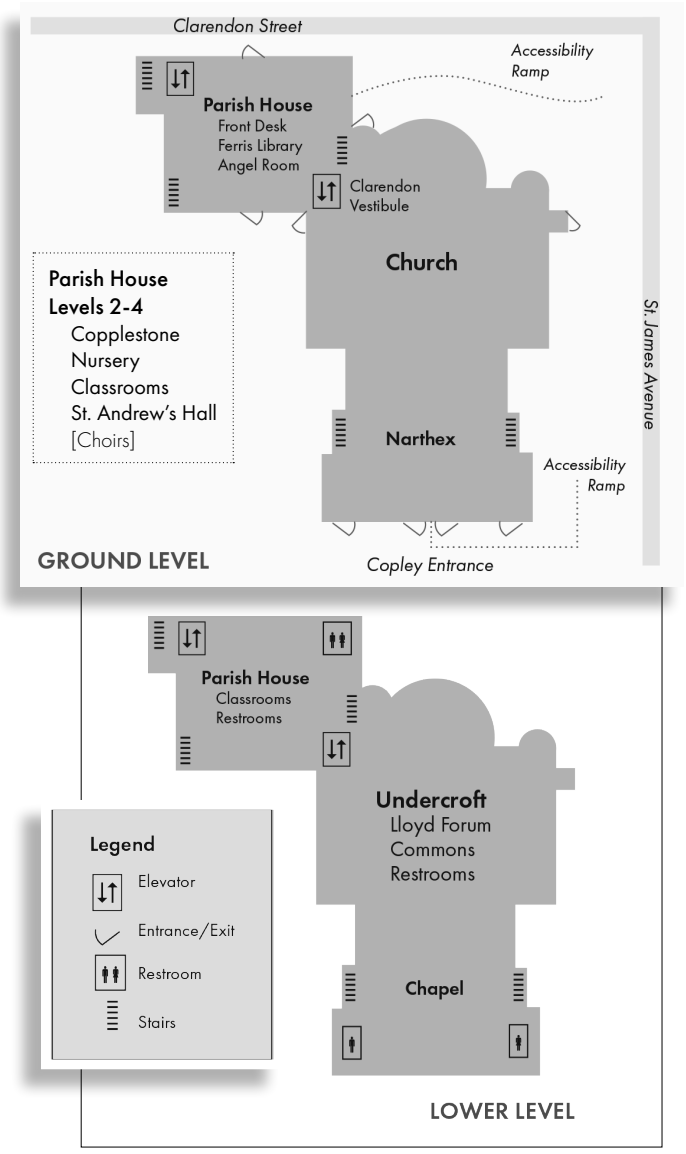
Trinity Church
in the City of Boston
206 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116
617-536-0944 + ***trinitychurchboston.org***

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. Livestreamed at ***trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship***

11:15 am Formation for All Ages

5 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II, *with organ & choir*

Weekday Worship at Trinity

Tues. *returns Tues., Dec. 1*
12:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Tues/Thurs. *No Compline Nov. 26*
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. *returns Wed., Dec. 2*
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 '*Deuxième fantaisie*' JA 117
Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

Welcome

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

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.

Complete the short Welcome Form at ***trinitychurchboston.org/welcome*** *so we can get to know you better. You can also scan this QR code to reach the Form.*

Worship at Trinity

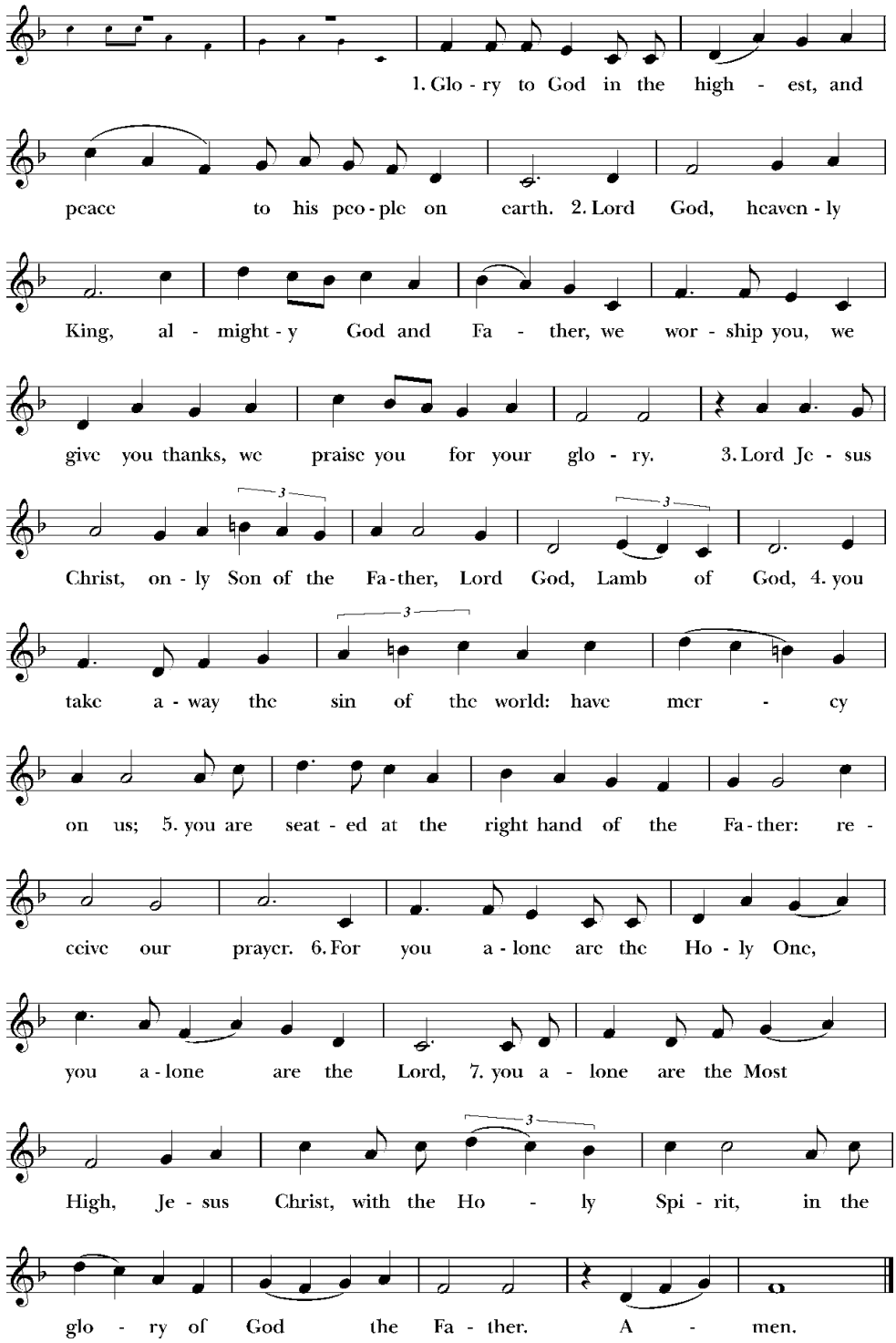
Please note that our use of the BCP *text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-expansive language when appropriate.*

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.

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 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95:1-7a

We will pray the Psalm responsively, by whole verse.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Hymn 382 'King of glory, King of peace'

Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

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

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

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

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.

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 'Lift up your heads, O ye gates'
William Mathias (1934-1992)

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,
and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors,
and the King of glory shall come in.

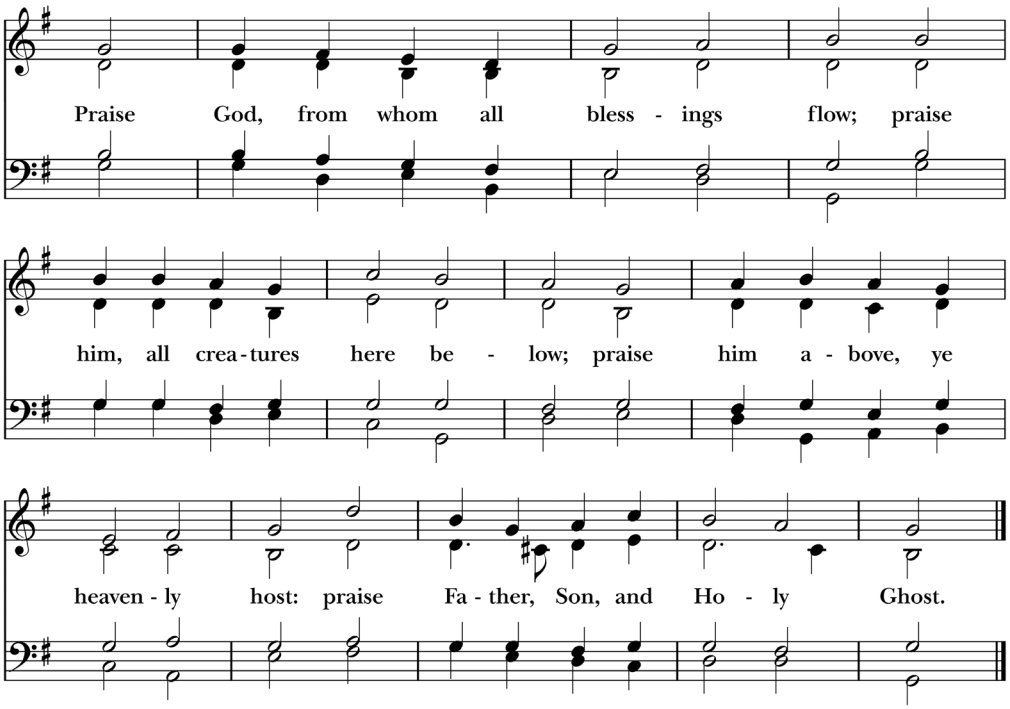
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord strong and mighty,
the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,
even lift them up, ye everlasting doors,
and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.

TEXT: PSALM 24:7–10

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.

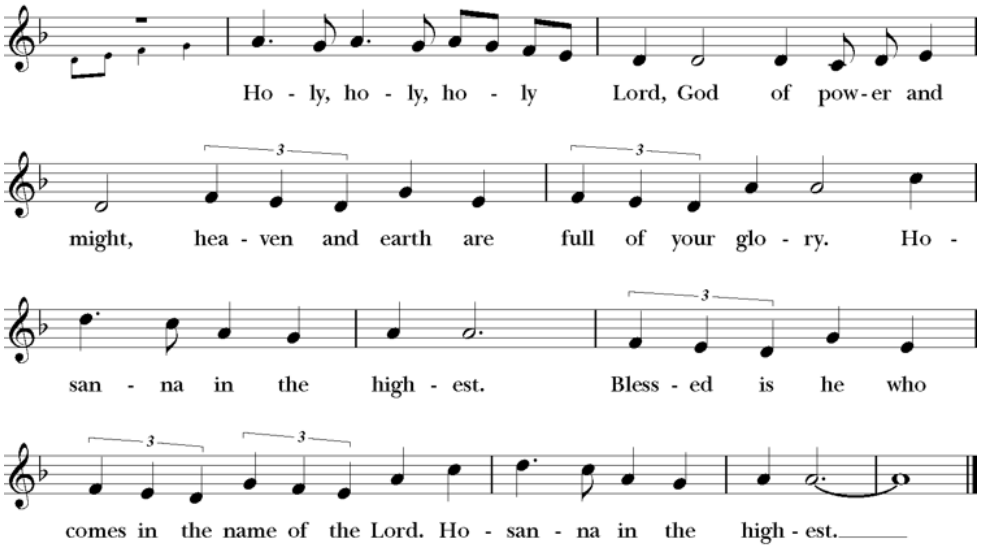
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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, 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:

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.

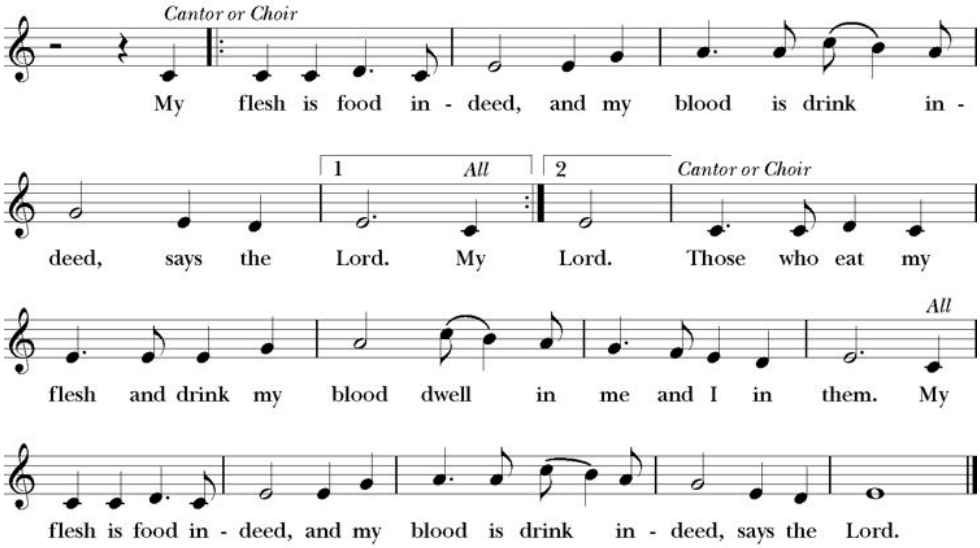
The Lord's Prayer

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



The music for this service is reprinted under OneLicense.net # A-711378. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission.

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 'A hymn for St. Cecilia'

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Sing for the morning's joy, Cecilia, sing,
in words of youth and phrases of the Spring,
walk the bright colonnades by fountains' spray,
and sing as sunlight fills the waking day;
till angels, voyaging in upper air
pause on a wing and gather the clear sound
into celestial joy, wound and unwound,
a silver chain, or golden as your hair.

Sing for your loves of heaven and of earth,
in words of music, and each word a truth;
marriage of heart and longings that aspire,
a bond of roses, and a ring of fire.
Your summertime grows short and fades away,
terror must gather to a martyr's death;
but never tremble, the last indrawn breath
remembers music as an echo may.

Through the cold aftermath of centuries
Cecilia's music dances in the skies,
lend us a fragment of the immortal air,
that with your choiring angels we may share,
a word to light us thro' time-fettered night,
water of life, or rose of paradise
so from the earth another song shall rise
to meet your own in heaven's long delight.

TEXT: URSULA VAUGHAN WILLIAMS (1911–2007)

Hymn 324 'Let all mortal flesh keep silence'

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.

Blessing

Hymn 494 'Crown him with many crowns'

The Dismissal

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

Postlude 'Fanfare'
John Cook (1918-1984)