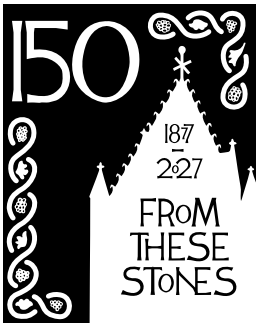
10 AM & 5 PM

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday, November 8

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

TRINITY Events

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TODAY

THE BITTERLY CONTESTED 1876 ELECTION

Forum with Guest Speaker Daniel Breen, PhD

*Sun., **11/8,** 11:15 am, Church & Livestreamed*

As we at Trinity celebrate the 150th anniversary of our iconic buildings, we look back to the moment in American history that anticipated our church's consecration. On the Sunday after our nation's midterm elections, join in as we learn about the contested presidential election of 150 years ago. Only eleven years after Appomattox, the United States stood at the brink of another Civil War—this time, as the result of the bitterly contested election. **How could the mess ever be straightened out?** In this Forum, guest speaker **Dr. Daniel Breen** will delve into the tumultuous Campaign of 1876, and into the still-controversial settlement that made Rutherford B. Hayes the nineteenth President of the United States.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Holy Eucharist

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

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

*Get tickets at **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

Grateful & Thankful College Ministry Event



*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**.*

Nigerian Thanksgiving

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

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 RSVP at **trinitychurchboston.org/deckthehalls**.*

All-Ages Advent Wreath Making

*Sun., **11/29,** after each service, 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.*

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We've received some comments lately from people who have recently made financial commitments to Trinity Church ... fellow parishioners, visitors, and friends, all sharing what Trinity means to them:

My LGBTQ+ son saw the pride flags adorning your church and sent a picture to us. Just wanted to say thanks.

Thanks for the extraordinary audio tour and for preserving this great treasure.

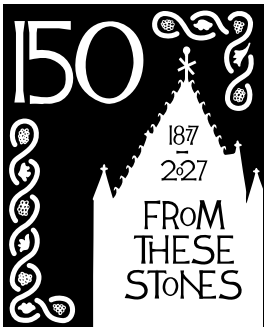
Thank you for your ministry in the City of Boston.

Thank you for the online service bulletins to help me follow the livestream.

Thank you for being such a loving and welcoming church. I feel the caring! This is my 4th Sunday here.

Thank you for answering our family's needs at a difficult time.

All who care for Trinity, and all who are cared for by Trinity, are invited to make YOUR PLEDGE of financial support today, and to **celebrate the ingathering of pledges** next Sunday, November 15.



Pledges may be made at any time using the secure online form or by filling out a physical pledge card

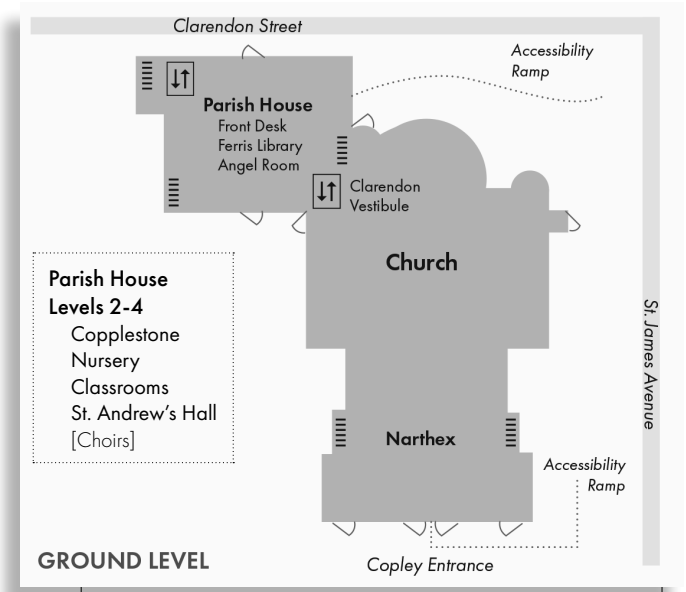
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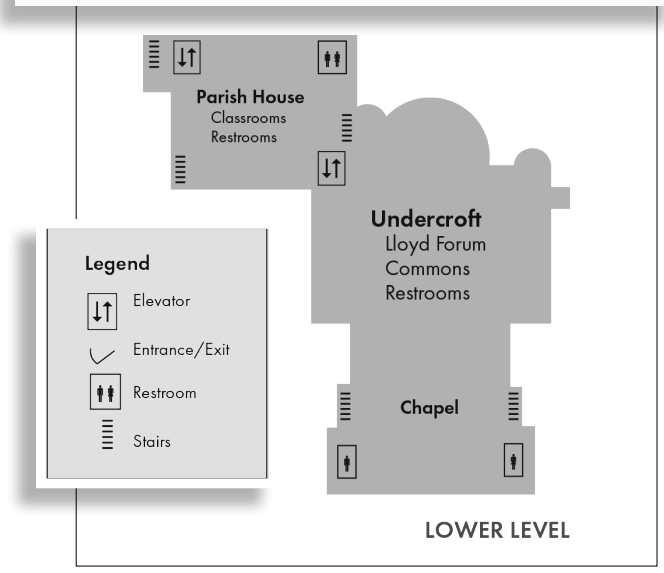
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FINDING YOUR WAY





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 'Prelude and fugue in G minor' Op. 7, No. 3
Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

Welcome

Hymn 68 'Rejoice! rejoice, believers'

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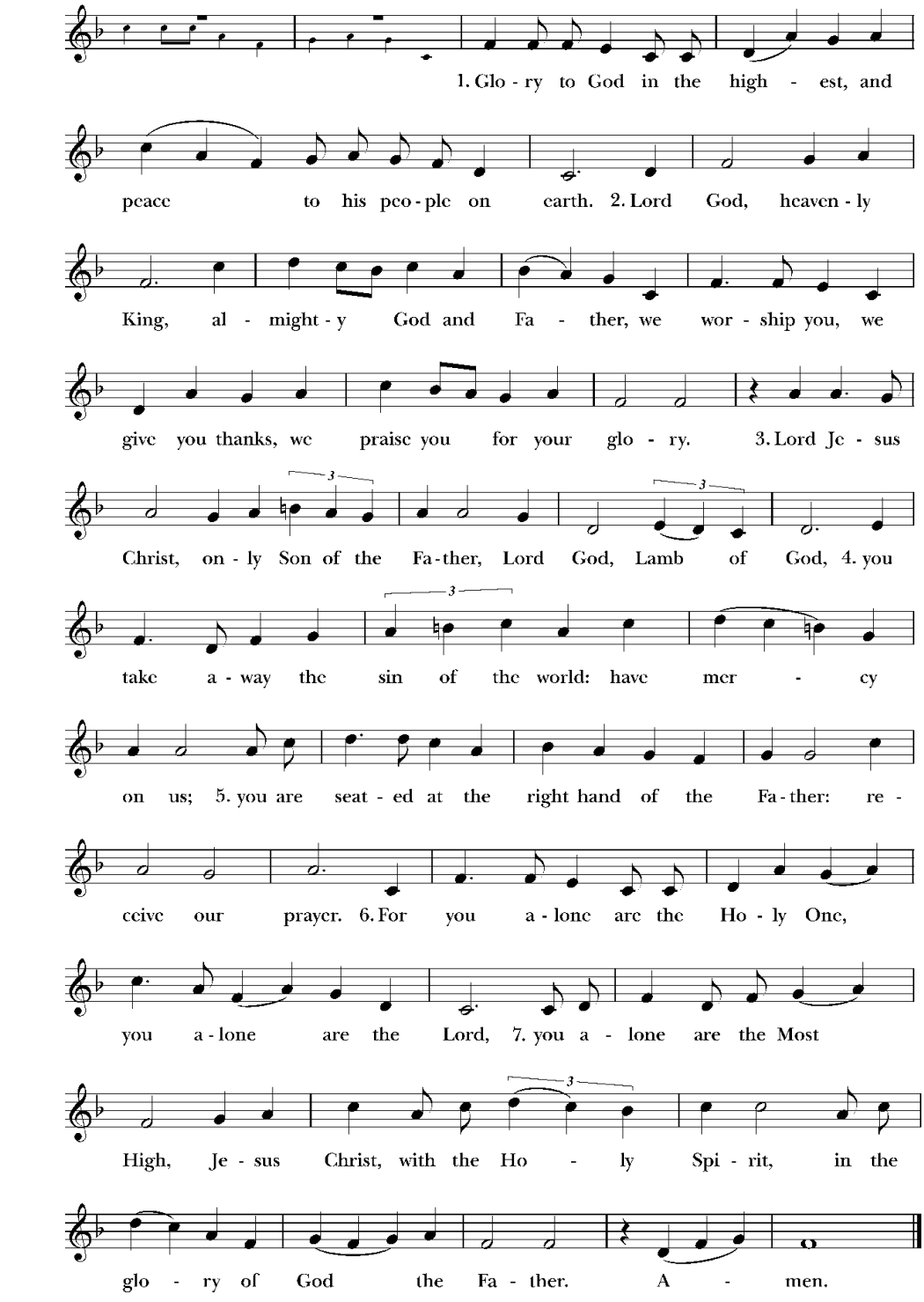
Please note that our use of the BCP *text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-expansive language when appropriate.*

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


1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

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

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

WORD OF GOD

Reading Amos 5:18-24

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord: Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

We will pray the Psalm responsively, by whole verse.

Psalm 70

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.

Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the Lord!"

But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

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.

Hymn 53 'Once he came in blessing'

Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

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

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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.



Learn more about the ministry we prayed for this week:

***Delegates to Diocesan Convention** and the **Boston Harbor Deanery Reps** 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.

The text is printed in African-American Vernacular English as chosen by this Black composer.

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

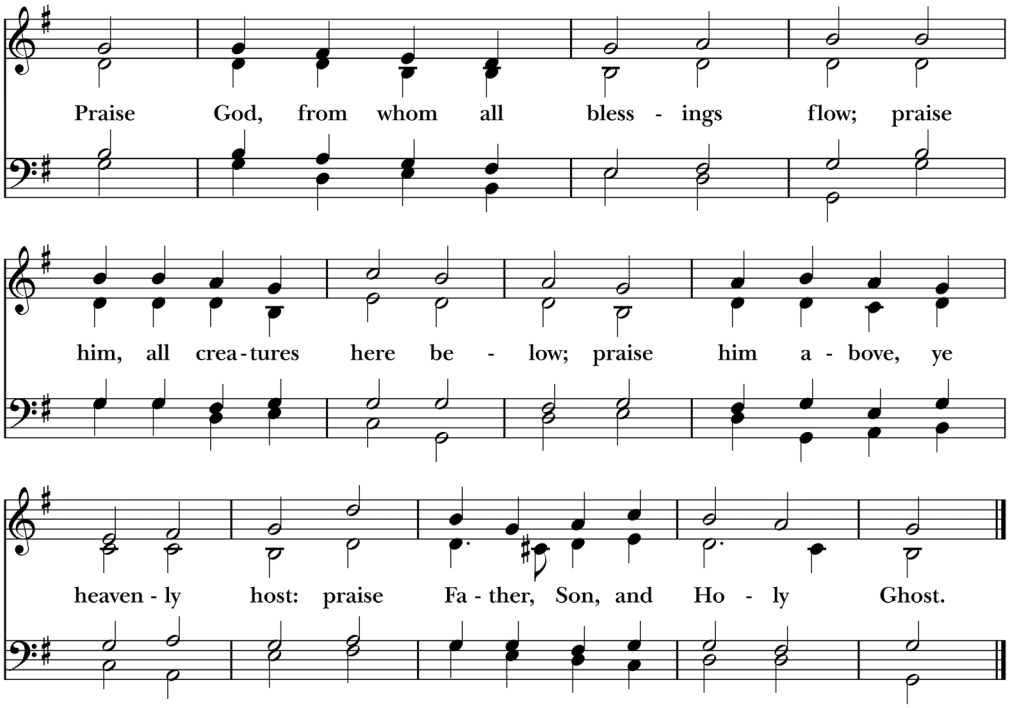
Anthem 'My Lord, what a mornin'
arr. Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949)

My Lord what a mornin',
Oh, my Lord what a mornin',
When de stars begin to fall.

Done quit all my worl'ly ways,
Jine dat hebbenly ban'
Oh! My Lord what a mornin'
When de stars begin to fall.

TEXT: TRADITIONAL AFRICAN-AMERICAN SPIRITUAL

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.

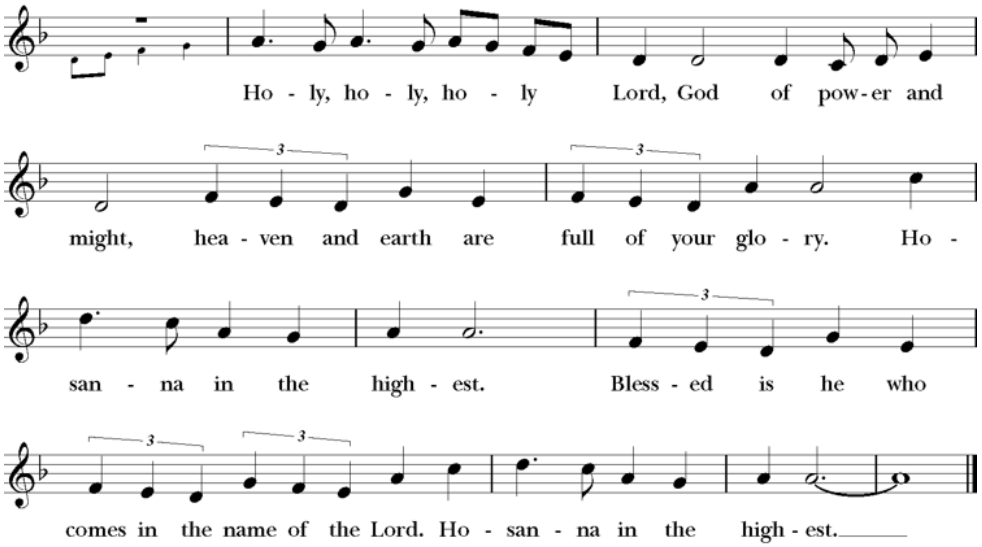
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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.

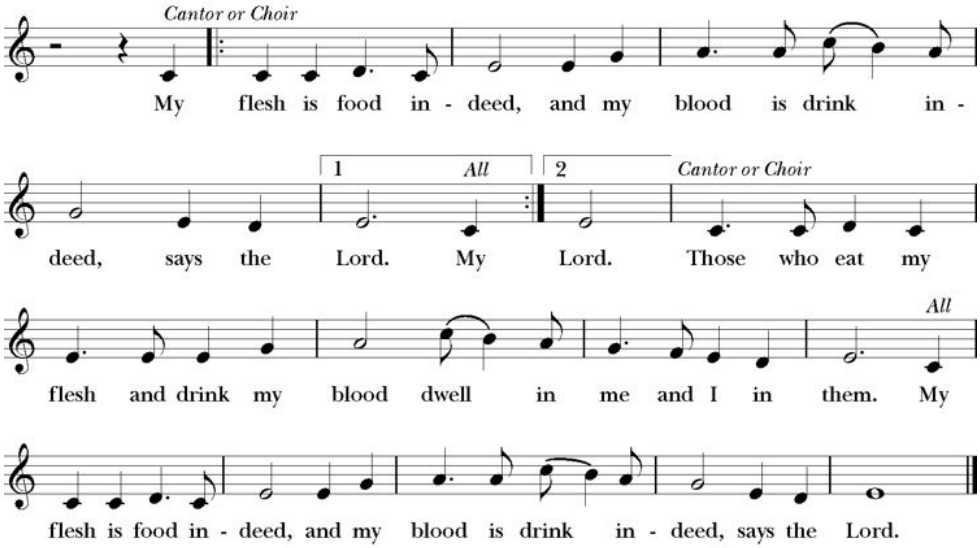
The Lord's Prayer

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 'Let all mortal flesh keep silence'

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946) *at 10 am*
Benedict Sheehan (b. 1980) *at 5 pm*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and stand with fear and trembling,
and lift itself above all earthly thought.

For the King of kings and Lord of lords, Christ our God,
cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for Food to the faithful.

Before Him come the choirs of angels,
with every principality and power;

The Cherubim with many eyes, and winged Seraphim,
who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn: Alleluia.

TEXT: LITURGY OF ST. JAMES

Hymn 574 'Before thy throne, O God, we kneel'

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 436 'Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates'

The Dismissal

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

Postlude 'Organ Symphony' No. 2, Op. 20

I. *Allegro*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)