

Holy Eucharist / 11:15am

December 1, 2024

JOY LET PEACE
MERCY EVERY
HEART GRACE
PREPARE
WONDER HIM LOVE
ROOM

 Trinity Church

Welcome to Trinity Church

We're an Episcopal parish where all are invited to participate in the life of our community. Worship is at the heart of everything we do. It opens us to the wondrous reality of our loving God, gathering and focusing us on what matters.

Together we put our faith into practice. In our homes, at work and school, and in all our civic endeavors, we follow Jesus by serving our neighbors. We believe church at its best is an expression of God's justice-oriented love in the world.

We're glad you're here and hope you will encounter and be transformed by the presence of God in Jesus Christ. Take part in a way that's comfortable for you. If you're new to Trinity, please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy. And everyone is warmly invited to coffee hour in Parish Hall following the service — an usher will show you the way.

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Advent

In the Episcopal Church, the season of Advent marks the beginning of the new liturgical year. The name of the four-Sunday season originates from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning “to approach.” During Advent, Christians joyfully await the coming of Jesus, a celebration commemorated on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, also known as Christmas Day. The season is full of expectation and preparation, not only for Christ's incarnation, but also for his promised “second coming” in majesty.

Preparation

Prelude

Komm, Jesu, komm, BWV 229

Komm, Jesu, komm, mein Leib ist müde,
Die Kraft verschwindt je mehr und mehr,
Ich sehne mich nach deinem Frieden;
Der saure Weg wird mir zu schwer.

Komm, komm, ich will mich dir ergeben,
Du bist der rechte Weg,
Die Wahrheit und das Leben.

Drauf schliess ich mich in deine Hände
Und sage, Welt, zu gutter Nacht!
Eilt gleich mein Lebenslauf zu Ende,
Ist doch der Geist wohl angebracht,
Er soll bei seinem Schöpfer schweben,
Weil Jesus ist und bleibt
Der wahre Weg zum Leben.

—Paul Thymich (1656–1694)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

*Come, Jesus, come, my flesh is weary,
My strength deserts me more and more,
I yearn for Thy peace;
Life's bitter journey is too hard for me.*

*Come, I will give myself to Thee,
Thou art the sure Way,
The Truth and the Life.*

*Thus I yield myself into Thy hands,
And bid the world good night.
Soon as my life may end,
My soul is prepared.
It shall rise up with its Creator,
For Jesus is, and remains,
The true way to Life.*

Opening Hymn

H 66, vv. 1, 2

At the sound of the bell, please stand and turn to face the procession.

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.

Station at the Advent Wreath

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Celebrant Bless, O Christ our Savior, this wreath and these candles which we light in preparation of your coming, and so kindle our hearts with the fire of your love that we may receive you with joy, and manifest you to all the world. We ask this in your name and for the sake of your love.

All **Amen.**

A member of the parish lights the first candle on the Advent Wreath.

Celebrant Give light to our eyes, and peace to our hearts.

People **May Christ find us watching and waiting in joy.**

All **O God, as light comes from this candle,
may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us,
warming our hearts and brightening our way.
May Christ our Savior bring life and light
into the darkness of this world. Amen.**

Opening Hymn (continued)

H 66, vv. 3, 4

3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 351

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Summary of the Law

Matthew 22:37-40

BCP p. 319*

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 352

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

All 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 your Son 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.

Celebrant 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.

All Amen.

Trisagion

HS 100

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 211

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Word of God

The First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14–16

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 25:1–9

BCP p. 614

Leader To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

People **Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

Leader Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.

People **Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.**

Leader Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

People **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.**

Leader Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

People **He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.**

Leader All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

Reader A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

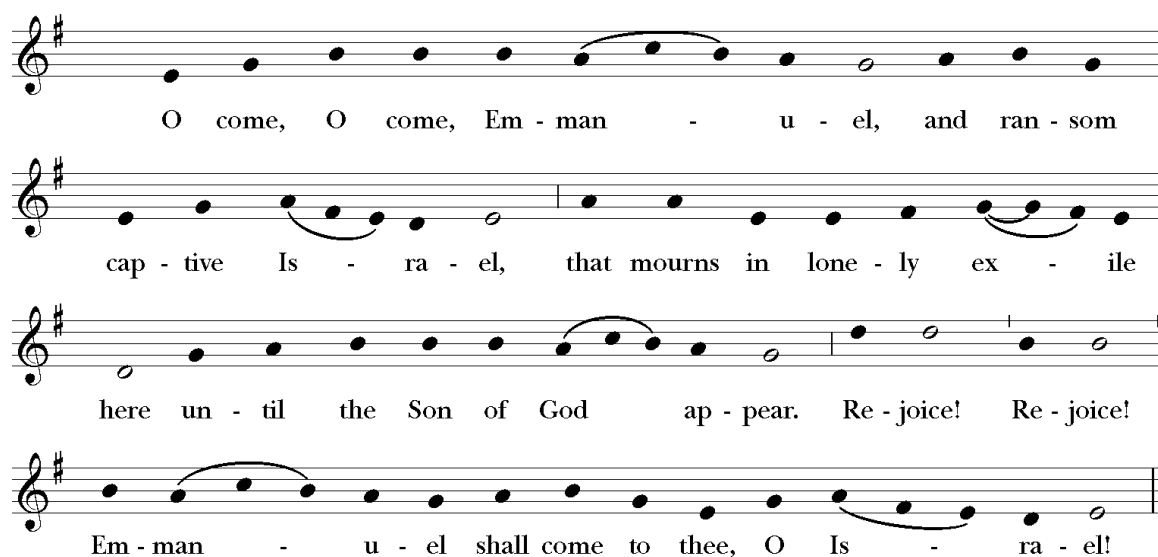
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People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

H 56, v. 1*

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel as it passes.



O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
here un - til the Son of God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice!
Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25–36

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Deacon Jesus said, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

At the invitation of the Preacher, please be seated.

The Nicene Creed

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Please stand.

Celebrant Let us stand and profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All 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.

The Prayers of the People

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Leader As the Church universal celebrates the beginning of its New Year, let us lift up our prayers to God for the needs of all people everywhere.

Silence

We pray for the peace of the world, that our instruments of war may be transformed into instruments of peace, and that nations shall cease to learn war anymore.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the Church, that we may become more and more a means of grace and peace in the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the strength to cast off the works of darkness, that we may be enlightened through our service of others.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all who are in need, that they may know the healing power of Christ's love. We pray for all those who have been commended to our prayers, and especially those we now name before you.

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for this congregation, that we may put on the armor of light and share Christ's love in the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the souls of all the departed, that they may rest in God's eternal peace.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you": Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Peace

BCP p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome

Please be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

“For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.” —1 Chronicles 29:14

Offerings at Trinity are applied to the care of our neighbors; particularly to our food assistance ministries Compassion Meals and Compassion Market, and in support of other food banks across lower Manhattan. Last year we were able to provide more than 2.4 million meals for our food insecure neighbors. (TrinityChurchNYC.org/social-justice/food-assistance)

Please place your gift in the basket at the rear of the nave before or after the service, or visit TrinityChurchNYC.org/donate for additional ways to give. Gifts received are blessed immediately after the service with this prayer: Generous God, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen.

Offertory Anthem

My Soul, There Is a Country

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918)

My soul, there is a country
Far beyond the stars,
Where stands a winged sentry,
All skilful in the wars:

There, above noise and danger,
Sweet Peace sits crowned with smiles
And One, born in a manger
Commands the beauteous files.

He is thy gracious friend,
And O my soul awake!
Did in pure love descend
To die here for thy sake.

If thou canst get but thither,
There grows the flow'r of Peace,
The Rose that cannot wither,
Thy fortress, and thy ease.

Leave then thy foolish ranges,
For none can thee secure
But One who never changes,
Thy God, thy life, thy cure.

—Henry Vaughan (1622–1695)

Censing of the Gifts

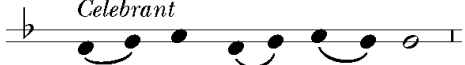

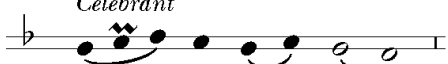
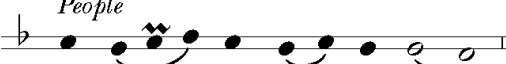
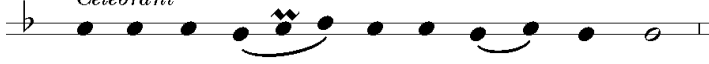

Please stand.

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense.

—Psalm 141:2

The Great Thanksgiving

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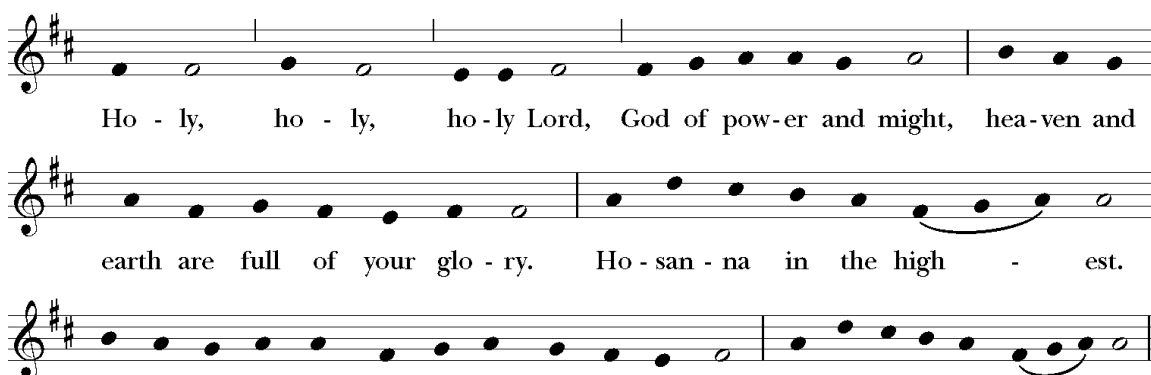
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>The Lord be with you.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And al - so with you.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Lift up your hearts.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>We lift them to the Lord.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p>	
<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>It is right to give God thanks and praise.</p>	

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

HS 124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please continue standing or kneel.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

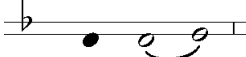
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All 
A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **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.

The Fraction and Invitation

BCP p. 364/St. Augustine (1 Corinthians)

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Behold what you are.
People **May we become what we receive.**

Please be seated.

Clergy will distribute communion from stations in front of the altar. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher or sacristan know.

It is our custom to receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, and eat it immediately. Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the minister know that you need one.

Those who wish to receive wine should partake by sipping directly from the chalice (intincting, or dipping one's wafer into the wine, is no longer permitted). Please use your hands to gently assist the server in guiding the chalice to your lips.

If you do not wish to receive communion you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating your desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

My Lord, What a Mourning

Spiritual, arr. William L. Dawson (1899–1990)

My Lord, what a mourning,
When the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the trumpet sound,
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand,
When the stars begin to fall.

—Matthew 24:29–31

Communion Hymn

H 290

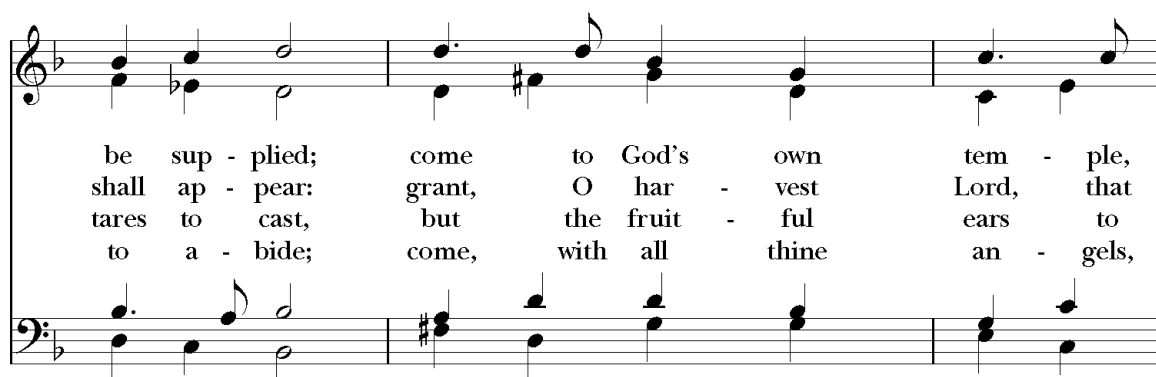
Sung by all. Please stand at the last verse.

1 Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest-home:
2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har - vest home;
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest-home;

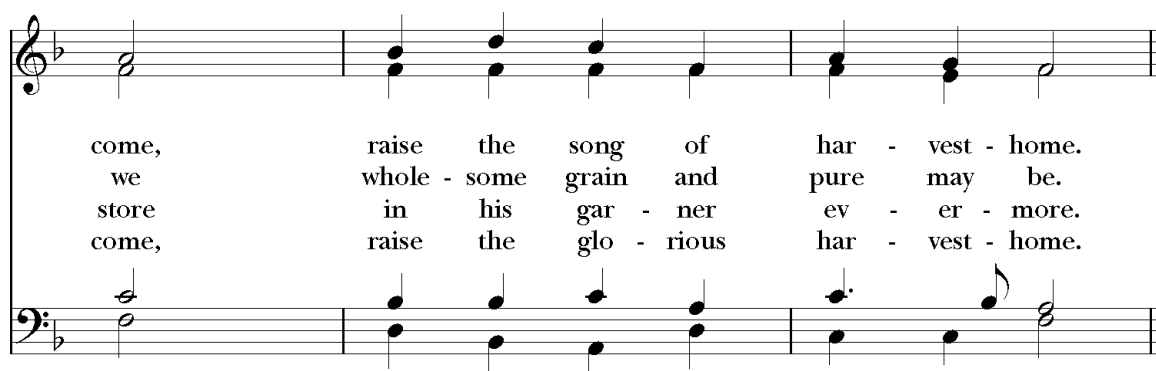
all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown:
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin;



God, our Ma - ker, doth pro - vide for our wants to
 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the
 there, for ev - er pur - i - fied, in thy pres - ence



be sup - plied; come to God's own tem - ple,
 shall ap - pear: grant, O har - vest Lord, that
 tares to cast, but the fruit - ful ears to
 to a - bid; come, with all thine an - gels,



come, raise the song of har - vest - home.
 we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

Post-Communion Prayer

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All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son 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.

The Blessing

BOS p. 11

Celebrant May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path;
 and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and
 remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Please turn to face the procession as it passes.

Closing Hymn

H57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

If you would like to remain in your seat to listen to the Postlude, please do.

Postlude

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
(*Savior of the Nations, Come*)

Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Service Music

Opening Hymn (H 66)

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793–1870), alt.

Gradual (H 56)

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811–1890)

Sanctus and Benedictus (HS 124)

Music: from *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Communion Hymn (H 290)

Words: Henry Alford (1810–1871), alt.

Music: *St. George's, Windsor*, George Job Elvey (1816–1893)

Closing Hymn (H 57)

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710–1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), alt.

GIVING TREE

Make a child's wish come true this Christmas.

Trinity is collecting gifts for children whose families are served by our Compassion Ministries and children of incarcerated parents.

When you exit the church today, or when you go to coffee hour, you'll see the Giving Tree. This is an annual tradition at Trinity, and this year our goal is to collect 670 gifts for our neighborhood children.

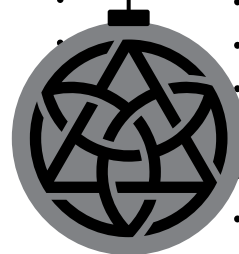
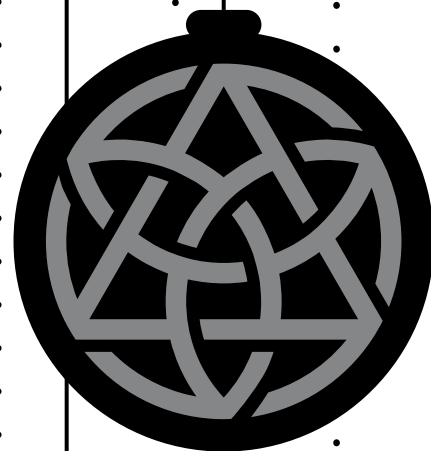
Here's how it works:

- Visit the Giving Tree at the back of the church or in the Parish Hall.
- Select a two-part gift tag, which will include a child's name, age, and their Christmas wish.
- Keep **card #1** with the gift information. Add your name and contact information to **card #2** and place it in the black box by the Giving Tree.
- Shop for gifts and return them unwrapped to the collection box in 76 Trinity Place lobby by December 16 at the latest. Please make sure to attach **card #1** to your gifts.
- If you shop online and would like to mail the gift, write in the delivery instructions, "Giving Tree" and the five-digit number you see on the **card #1**. Send your gift to 76 Trinity Place, New York, NY 10006.

There is no limit to the number of Giving Tree tags you may take!

Please encourage colleagues, friends, and family to make a child's wish come true!

We are counting on you to help us continue the welcoming spirit that is so meaningful to our new neighbors in New York City. These gifts will be given to parents so they can give them to their children on Christmas day. With your help, we will grant the wishes of **670 children** this season. Thank you for your generosity. **We can do it, Trinity Family!**



December *Volunteer Opportunities*

Join us in serving our neighbors this Advent season.



NEIGHBORHOOD MEALS

Serve food and greet guests from our Lower Manhattan community

14

SATURDAY

**Quinceañera
Celebration
Dinner**

3–8pm

15

SUNDAY

**Christmas Dinner/
Cena Familiar
de Navidad**

1–4:30pm
4–8pm

CHRISTMAS FOOD PANTRY

Pack and distribute holiday favorites to our neighbors in need

18

WEDNESDAY

Pack Food

11am–1pm

19

THURSDAY

Distribute Food

11am–1:30pm

THE GIVING TREE

Help parishioners select gift tags, and wrap and distribute gifts for our new neighbors

1,8

SUNDAYS

**Giving Tree
Attendant**

Following church
services

19

THURSDAY

**Gift-Wrapping
Party**

5–8pm

22

SUNDAY

Gift Distribution

2–5pm

To sign up,
email Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org

Sunday at *Trinity*

Worship, community, connection. That's what's on here at Trinity Church, Sundays and every day. Stick around for an afternoon concert, head to Trinity Commons for a class, or stop by coffee hour after the service. We hope to see you.

Every *Sunday*

9am–1pm **Childcare**
Trinity Commons mezzanine
Childcare for infants and toddlers is offered during the 9am and 11:15am services, as well as the 10am programs. Ask an usher to show you the way.

10am **Discovery Faith Education**
Trinity Commons 2nd floor
No meeting December 1
Join a community discussion where ideas become action. Together, we'll talk about God, the Bible, and how our faith shapes the way we show up in our everyday lives.

Bible & Bagels
Trinity Commons 5th floor
No meeting December 1
Middle and high schoolers can ask questions and join discussion about the Bible, Christianity, and The Episcopal Church.

Sunday School
Trinity Commons mezzanine
No meeting December 1
Two-year-olds through fifth graders and their families are invited to learn and play together in peer-grouped classes.

11am–1pm **Open Gym**
Trinity Commons 4th floor
Families and parishioners can play together and bond as a community while participating in a wide array of activities including basketball, pickleball, volleyball, soccer, badminton, open play, stretching, and more.

Happening *Today*

The Giving Tree
Through December 15

Trinity is collecting Christmas gifts for children whose families are served by our Compassion Ministries and children of incarcerated parents. If you'd like to purchase a gift, choose a tag from the Giving Tree in Trinity Church or Trinity Commons.

Advent Fair
Following the 9am and 11:15am services, Trinity Commons Parish Hall
Celebrate the beginning of Advent! Join us at coffee hour, where we'll have crafts and activities for everyone. Explore the meaning of the season while making your own Advent wreath or ornament. Please note: Sunday School will not be in session.

Women in Community
1–3pm, Trinity Commons 5th floor
Trinity's women meet monthly in fellowship to study scripture, paying particular attention to women in the Bible.

Stay and Chat
Linger awhile after service. Everyone is invited to talk with clergy and staff or take an augmented reality tour of the church and grounds. Feel free to ask questions; we're here to answer them.



Grab a Coffee
Following the 9am and 11:15am Sunday services, take a stroll across the bridge just behind the church and join us for a cup of coffee at Trinity Commons.
We'd love to meet you!

Every Week

WEEKDAYS

2:30–6pm **Trinity Youth Afterschool**
Trinity Commons

WEDNESDAYS

1pm **Catch Your Breath**
Trinity Church

5:30pm **Contemplative Eucharist**
Trinity Church

6pm **Trinity Youth Group**
Trinity Commons

6:30pm **Contemplative Practice with Poetry**
Online

THURSDAYS

9:30am–3pm **New Beginnings**
Trinity Commons

3:30–5pm **Knit Together**
Trinity Commons

FRIDAYS

6pm **Book Club**
Online

This Week

Living with Loss

Wednesdays through December 18
6:30–8pm, online

If you're walking through grief this season, you don't have to do it alone. Find support in a professionally facilitated online group that makes space for reflection. Learn more and register at trinitychurchnyc.org/loss.

Trinity Youth Group Holiday Party

Wednesday, December 4, 6–8pm
Trinity Commons

It's time to celebrate the season with Trinity Youth Group before winter break. We'll meet at Trinity Commons

and travel together for ice skating. Questions? Email SK Doyle at SDoyle@TrinityChurchNYC.org.

Prison Ministry

Thursday, December 5
6–7:30pm, online

Advocate for criminal justice reform and support those currently incarcerated with a group that meets monthly online. Learn more and register at TrinityChurchNYC.org/PrisonMinistry.

DISCOVERY

The Love That Is God

Sundays, December 8–22, 10am
Trinity Commons and online

In this season of Advent waiting, join Dr. Frederick Christian Bauerschmidt, author of *The Love That Is God*, to explore the radical and subversive claim at the heart of Christianity: God is love. Far from abstract, Christian faith is experienced in our real-life relationships and expressed through communal love that leads us to care for one another in tangible, and unexpected, ways. Register at TrinityChurchNYC.org/DiscoveryFall24.

Upcoming

Newcomers Brunch

Sunday, December 8, 12:30–2pm
Trinity Commons

Want to find your place at Trinity? Whether you're new here or have been coming to church for a long time, you're invited to brunch! Come meet new people and hear about opportunities to get involved, from worship to faith education, outreach to fellowship, and more. We'll have live music from JAZZ HOUSE KIDS. For more information, visit TrinityChurchNYC.org/newcomers.

LGBTQ+ Ministry Listening Session

Sunday, December 8, 1–2pm
Trinity Commons

Join a parishioner-led ministry that offers a space to discuss the issues, concerns, and roles of LGBTQ+ people in a supportive faith community. Today we'll share ideas and plan future activities for the group.

Trinity Youth Afterschool Holiday Open House

Wednesday, December 11, 5pm
Trinity Commons

Trinity Youth members and their families are invited to celebrate the winter holidays at Trinity Afterschool! Join us for festive activities, including a feel-good holiday movie, cookie and ornament decorating, musical performances from JAZZ HOUSE KIDS and Trinity Youth Chorus, and more. Register at TrinityChurchNYC.org/AfterschoolHoliday.

Handel's Messiah

December 11–13, 7pm
Trinity Church

Acclaimed British conductor and Baroque specialist Jane Glover serves as guest conductor for this year's much-anticipated *Messiah*. Didn't get tickets? Tune in to a livestream of the

December 13 performance on Trinity's YouTube channel. Learn more at TrinityChurchNYC.org/Messiah.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 15
1–4:30pm and 4–8pm

Volunteers are needed to serve food and greet guests at Trinity's Christmas Dinner/Cena Familiar de Navidad, where we'll welcome neighbors served by our Compassion Ministries. For more information, contact Helen He at Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Christmas Food Pantry

December 18, 11am–1pm
December 19, 11am–1:30pm
St. Paul's Chapel

Help us make the season a bit brighter for our Lower Manhattan neighbors in need. Trinity is providing free chicken, pork, vegetables, and other holiday staples, and we need volunteers to pack food on December 18 and distribute packed goods on December 19. Please email Helen He at Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org if interested.

Into the Word

Thursdays, January 30–April 10
6–8pm, Trinity Commons and online

Have questions about what the Bible is, where it comes from, or its role in today's world? Join an 11-week evening discussion series that goes beyond an ordinary Bible study. Hear from leading scholars about the history and interpretation of the Bible — and think together about how scripture can inform and enrich our everyday lives. To learn more, visit TrinityChurchNYC.org/word2025.

Being With

Begins February 2025
Trinity Commons and online

Join a 10-week course exploring questions about faith, meaning, and purpose through stories shared in community. In February, we'll launch a new session of online and in-person small groups for New Yorkers seeking to make new friends and discover the sacred in their everyday lives. Want to learn more? Fill out our interest form at TrinityChurchNYC.org/beingwith.

Christmas Flower Dedications

Due Sunday, December 8

Flowers that will decorate Trinity Church for Christmas may be dedicated for a suggested donation of \$25. To make a dedication, visit trinity.givingfire.com, select "Christmas Flowers," and list names for dedication in the "Optional Comments" section — or contact Flowers@TrinityChurchNYC.org to submit payment by check.

Join a Group

Dig deep into scripture, craft, chat, and make lifelong friends in community groups at Trinity Church. Sign up at TrinityChurchNYC.org/Groups.

New Beginnings

Trinity's seniors meet weekly for chair yoga, Bible study, weekday church service, lunch, and tai chi. It's an active and nourishing day together.

Thursdays / 9:45am–3pm

Trinity Young Adults Group

Adults in their 20s and 30s meet monthly for Sunday brunch and Thursday night dinner, plus throughout the year for volunteer opportunities and an annual retreat.

Brunch / 2nd Sundays / Following 11:15am service

Dinner / 3rd Thursdays / 6:30–8:30pm

Trinity Youth Group

Middle and high schoolers meet weekly for dinner and talk about what's on their hearts and minds.

Wednesdays / 6–8pm

Women in Community

Trinity's women meet monthly in fellowship to study scripture, paying particular attention to women in the Bible.

First Sundays / 1pm

Trinity Men

Trinity's men meet to explore what it means to live a life of faith in New York City through social gathering and service opportunities.

Fourth Thursdays / 6:30pm

LGBTQ+ Ministry

Join us to discuss the issues, concerns, and roles of LGBTQ+ people in a supportive faith community.

*Upcoming Listening Session:
Sunday, December 8, 1–2pm*

ParentSpace

Join fellow parents for a supportive conversation about raising children.

Second and Fourth Sundays, 10am

Trinity Knitters

New and experienced knitters gather to work on projects, share advice, and enjoy time together. Trinity Knitters meets twice a month — once online and once at Trinity Commons.

Third Sundays / 12:30–2:30pm

(In Person)

Third Mondays / 6:30–7:30pm (Online)

Knit Together

All are invited to join Trinity Youth for weekly community knitting sessions. We'll craft cold-weather essentials that will be donated to unhoused LGBTQ+ youth.

Thursdays / 3:30–5pm

Environmental Justice Ministry

Join a passionate group that meets monthly to examine, and act on, the most pressing problems of climate change, through the lens of faith. Hear from special speakers and join service projects in the city.

Upcoming Listening Session:

Sunday, January 12, 1–2:30pm

Prison Ministry

Advocate for criminal justice reform and support those currently incarcerated with a group that meets monthly online. Caring for incarcerated people is a gospel mandate: "I was in prison and you visited me" (Matthew 25:36).

First Thursdays / 6pm

Contemplative Practice with Poetry

Practice guided meditation centered on poetry in weekly online practice led by spiritual directors Dr. Kathy Bozzuti-Jones and John Duell.

Wednesdays / 6:30pm

Poets' Corner

A monthly forum where poets and writers can share their works with an encouraging community of fellow artists.

Third Tuesdays / 7pm

Trinity Book Club

Meet Friday evenings to explore the mysteries of the Christian faith through the medium of literature.

Fridays / 6pm

Become a Member

We welcome your participation in Trinity Church's active and vibrant community of faith. If you have questions about membership or want to learn more about Trinity, email Membership@TrinityChurchNYC.org or call 646-216-6484.

Announcements

Movement Choir Advent Devotionals

The Trinity Movement Choir practices worship through sacred dance, a style of slow, dreamlike choreography that responds to spiritual and social issues. In this Advent season, experience messages of joy and peace through the medium of movement. Watch this week's video at TrinityChurchNYC.org/AdventHope.

Christmas Pageant

Register by December 8

Calling all aspiring shepherds, angels, and barnyard animals — it's time for Trinity's annual Christmas Pageant! Children and youth ages 5–18 are invited to participate in our Nativity play, part of the 3pm Christmas Eve service. Whether you're enrolled in Trinity's Sunday School, Choristers, or Youth programming, there's room in the inn for you! Register at TrinityChurchNYC.org/pageant.

In Our Prayers

We Pray for

Cynthia Cartwright; Evadné Hodge; Susie Edwards; Ivy Gheler; Eileen Hope; Jack Moody; Roland Stewart; Elizabeth Melillo; Roslyn Williams; Patti Bovers; Irene Horvath; Diana Foote; Kris Seeram (father of Mintrani Seeram); Lonny Shockley; Myoung Lee (mother of Joanne Lee); Marilyn Green; George White (brother of Susie Edwards); Gerald Baugh; Martha Edwards and family (aunt of Ellen Andrews); Antoinette Rose (friend of Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant); Jeanne Grifo (sister of Lynne Grifo); Al DiRaffaele; Anne Alarcon; James Berry; Brendan Cayton; Tom Stachow and family (brother of Judy Stachow).

Departed

Martha Edwards (sister of Donna Andrews).

In the Military

Oliver Barnyak (friend of Alex Burns); Randall Middleton, Christine and Sean Reardon (friends of Evadné Hodge); Paul Watson; Michael Dunn; Zane Kupper; Margo Protain (sister of Anesia Protain); Col. Stephen Ryan (friend of Bob Zito); Rob Jones (brother of Megan Jones); Graham Scarbro, USN (nephew of Amy Roy); Perry Brock.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

To add names to the list, email WorshipBulletin@TrinityChurchNYC.org or call 212.602.0800. Names are kept on the list for a month and can be added again upon request.

Congregational Voice

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding"
(Proverbs 3:5 NIV). This verse comes to my mind often throughout the day.

— SHARON MAYNARD

To submit a brief reflection to be featured in Congregational Voice, please email Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant at esmiechild@aol.com.

Food Assistance

Breakfast, every weekday

Lunch, every day

Dinner, Friday, Trinity Church

We offer free Compassion Meals seven days a week to those in need, served right outside Trinity Church. Volunteer opportunities are available. For schedules and more information, please reach out to Helen He at HHe@TrinityChurchNYC.org.

Compassion Market & Space

Tuesdays, 9–11am

Thursdays, 9:30am–1:30pm

Trinity Commons lower level

Our biweekly food pantry at Trinity Commons offers groceries and essential items, including diapers and clothes. Volunteer opportunities are available. For schedules and more information, please reach out to Helen He at HHe@TrinityChurchNYC.org.

Pastoral Care

In case of illness, a death in the family, or other pastoral emergencies, call 917-488-0717 to reach a member of the Pastoral Care team. For other pastoral needs, call 212-602-0800 and leave a detailed message. Someone will reach out as soon as possible.

Resource Line

Mondays–Fridays, 2–5pm

If you or someone you know needs a helping hand, call 917-594-6300 for our Resource Connections program. Trinity's Outreach team helps guests access housing, legal aid, mental health services, immigration assistance, SNAP benefits, and other services. Learn more at TrinityChurchNYC.org/resourceline.

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Source Citations

LITURGICAL SOURCES

BCP *The Book of Common Prayer*
BOS *The Book of Occasional Services 2022*
CW *Common Worship*
CW:DP *Common Worship: Daily Prayer*
CW:TS *Common Worship: Times and Seasons*
EDC *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church*
EOW *Enriching Our Worship*
ICP *Intercessions for the Christian People*
LFF *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*
NRSV *New Revised Standard Version*
NZPB *A New Zealand Prayer Book*
RCL *Revised Common Lectionary*
TC *Trinity Church staff*

MUSICAL SOURCES

H *The Hymnal 1982*
HS *The Hymnal 1982 Service Music*
LEVAS *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*
MHOS *My Heart Sings Out*
WLP *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

An asterisk () denotes that the content has been adapted.*

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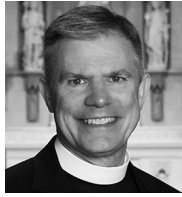
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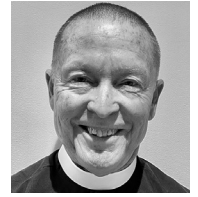
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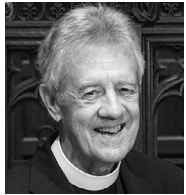
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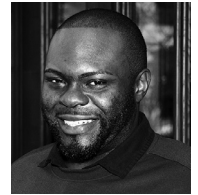
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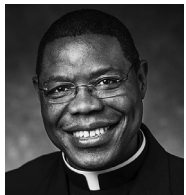
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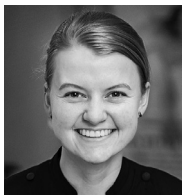
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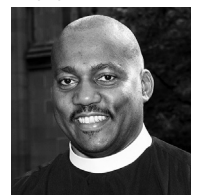
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Join our Community

Find your people in a parish group, expand your mind in a faith education class, or roll up your sleeves and work with us to create a more just world. We do things together at Trinity Church.



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WORSHIP

Sundays

8am, 9am, 11:15am[†]

Holy Eucharist

Trinity Church

7pm | Compline by Candlelight
St. Paul's Chapel

Weekdays

9am | Morning Prayer

12:05pm[†] | Holy Eucharist

Trinity Church

Wednesdays

5:30pm

Contemplative Eucharist

Trinity Church

Weekdays Online[‡]

8:15am | Morning Prayer

5:15pm | Evening Prayer

[†] Livestreamed and available
on demand

[‡] To join online prayer, contact
Sacristans@TrinityChurchNYC.org

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