

Holy Eucharist / 3pm

December 24, 2024



JOY
LOVE
PEACE
GRACE
MERCY
WONDER

“Let every heart prepare him 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.

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

The Nativity of our Lord: Christmas Eve

The celebration of Christ's coming among us at Christmas—the Incarnation—is one of the two highest holy days of the Christian year, along with the celebration of his resurrection on Easter. In the Book of Common Prayer, Christmas Day is one of the seven principal feasts. The Christmas season lasts twelve days: from Christmas Day until January 5, the day before the Epiphany.

Christmas is much more than simply the celebration of Jesus' birth: it reminds us of the central truth that “the Word became flesh and lived among us” (John 1:14), fulfilling the prophecy that “the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel—God is with us” (Isaiah 7:14).

Preparation

Prelude

Opening Acclamation

CW p. 302*

At the sound of the bell, please stand.

Celebrant The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us:

People **And we beheld his glory.**

Opening Hymn

H 83, vv. 1, 3

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, —

come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;

come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
glo - ry to God, — glo - ry in the high - est;

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

Blessing of the Crèche

TC

Celebrant God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you made manifest your love within our world: when our need for a savior was great, and the fullness of time had come, you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary, bringing to our lives joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love; bless now this crib, we pray you, by which we recall this most wondrous mystery, and grant that our thoughts may be raised to him who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Opening Hymn (continued)

H 83, v. 6

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn-ing; —

Je - sus, to thee be glo - ry giv'n;

Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 212

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Welcome

Christmas Pageant

The Scripture is presented in the form of a pageant. Participants are listed on page 17.

Please sing as directed throughout the story.

The Annunciation

The Angel Gabriel

Gabriel's Message, Basque carol

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favored lady,” Gloria!

—Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834–1924)

The Journey

H 79, v. 1

O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.

The musical score for 'The Journey' consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The Arrival in Bethlehem

H 102, vv. 1-2

The first verse is sung by a soloist.

Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

The congregation joins in singing the second verse.

He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a
sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the
poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.

The musical score for 'The Arrival in Bethlehem' consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The Manger

H 101, v. 1

A - way in a man-ger, no crib for his bed,
the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.

The musical score for 'The Manger' consists of four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, folk-like style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Shepherds and Angels

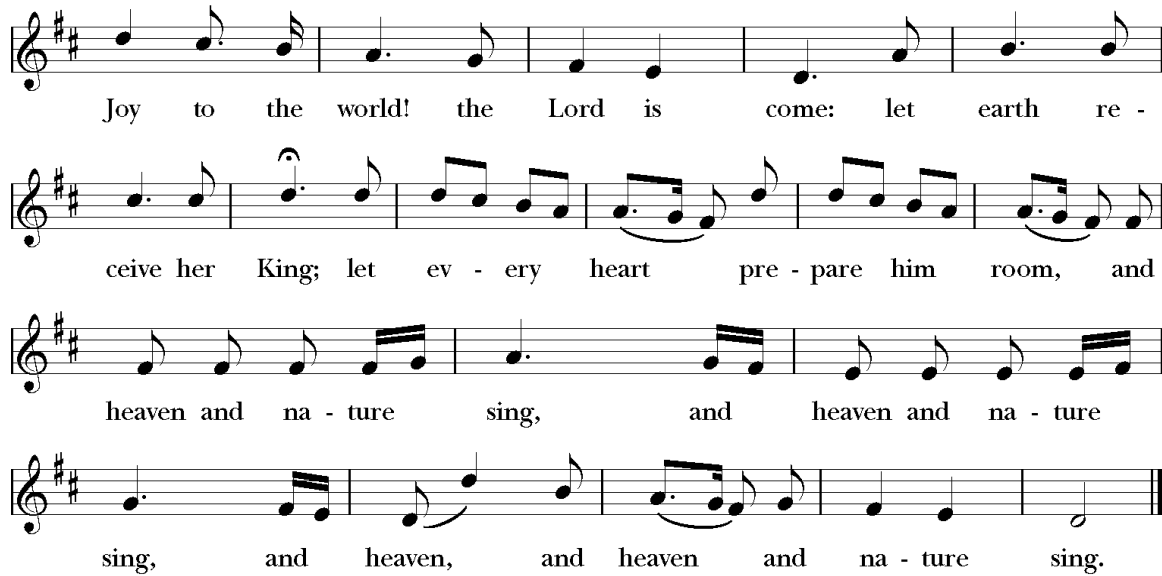
H 96, v. 1

An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
Glo - - - - - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -
- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

The musical score for 'Shepherds and Angels' consists of five staves of music in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is characterized by a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some longer notes and rests. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

The Good News

H100, v.1*



Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.

The Homily

Announcements

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

The Shepherd's Spiritual

Spiritual, arr. Donald Moore

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;
It will lead to the place where the baby was born,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

REFRAIN:

Follow, follow,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;
It is the Star of Bethlehem,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

If you take good heed to the angel's words,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;
You'll forget your flocks, you'll forget your herds,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

—Traditional

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP p. 367/p. 378

Please stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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 gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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

BCP p. 367

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

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 **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 363

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

How Far Is It to Bethlehem?

Traditional English carol, arr. Molly Ijames (b. 1978)

How far is it to Bethlehem? Not very far?
Shall we find the stable room lit by a star?
Can we see the little child, is he within?
If we lift the wooden latch, may we go in?

May we pet the creatures there, oxen or sheep?
May we peek like them and see Jesus asleep?
If we touch his tiny hand, will he awake?
Will he know we've come so far just for his sake?

Great kings bring him precious gifts but we do not,
Sweet smiles on our little lips are all we've brought.
For God, in his mother's arms, slumbers so deep,
On this humble bed of straw, sleep, Jesus, sleep.
How far is it to Bethlehem? Not very far.

—Frances Alice Chesterton (1869–1938) and Chris Anderson

Hymn

H 111, v. 1

Sung by all.

Please kneel for Silent Night through the Post-Communion Prayer and Blessing.

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.

Post-Communion Prayer

CW p. 380*

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts. To him be glory both now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Blessing

BOS p. 11*

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with joy and peace; 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 stand.

Please turn to face the procession as it passes.

Closing Hymn

H87*

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an-gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous - ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

Dismissal

BCP p. 366*

Deacon Inspired by the Word made flesh, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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

Postlude

Service Music

Opening Hymn (H 83)

Words: John Francis Wade (1711–1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802–1880) and others

Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906;
arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

Hymn (H 79)

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835–1893)

Music: *St. Louis*, Lewis H. Redner (1831–1908)

Hymn (H 102)

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895), alt.

Music: *Irby*, melody Henry John Gauntlett (1805–1876)

Hymn (H 101)

Words: Traditional carol

Music: *Cradle Song*, melody William James Kirkpatrick (1838–1921)

Hymn (H 96)

Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813–1882), alt.

Music: *Gloria*, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887–1958)

Hymn (H 100)

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), alt.

Music: *Antioch*, George Frideric Handel (1685–1759); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792–1872)

Hymn (H 111)

Words: Joseph Mohr (1792–1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820–1885)

Music: *Stille Nacht*, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787–1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824–1910)

Closing Hymn (H 87)

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788), alt.

Music: *Mendelssohn*, Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831–1915);
arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

Christmas Pageant Cast

Pageant Directors: Kathryn Carroll, SK Doyle, Wayne Edwards, Peyton Marion

Jackson Baker	Zane Miville
Lyla Baker	Channing Moore
Mikhail Bedin	Max Oddsson
Emmeline Chinn	Rheya Ortiz
Augusto Yosup Chwe	Annina Pellegrinelli-Smith
Bruno Kwangsup Chwe	Beatrice Polcri
Finn Curry	Sebastian Quinones
Nyla Dockery	Avery Rao
Winter Dockery	Caleb Rogers
Diana Dominguez	Eric Roost
Leia Dominguez	Eleanor Santana-Cela
Kimora Fisher	Margaret Santana-Cela
Olivia Fortunato Tavares	Eamon Santifort
John "ZZ" Ghartey	Niamh Santifort
Esme Gomez	Adlai Schultz
Ines Hagedorn	Mercer Schultz
Aaliyah Horak	Charlemagne Stone
Rafael Hu	Churchill Stone
Renata Hu	Elizabeth Whipple
Elizabeth Loua	Emmy Whitney
Nova Rose McAloon	Camille Williams
Wolfe McAloon	Xavier Williams
Aria McLeod	Kayla Williams Zerpa
Hudson McLeod	Winston Williams Zerpa

Christmas Flowers

The Christmas flowers are given by the following donors:

Fons Amaye-Obu

Dr. Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant

In loving memory of Cyril and Esmie Ffolkes, Miriam Boreland, Josephine Ffolkes, and members of the Ffolkes-McDonald families.

In loving memory of family members who passed away this year, especially Beverly Barnett, Pearl Abrahams, and Adina Bent.

Oliva George

In memory of my beloved father and mother, Jacinto Ismael George and Maria Elisa George, eternally in my heart.

Paulette Glenn

In loving memory of John Hicks and with condolences to the Hicks family.

Deborah E. Hope

In memory of George S. Hope.

Kenton Kilmer

Dedicated with love to Cate Halsey and George Olsen.

Lila Kirton

In loving memory of our parents Allan and Shirley Kirton, from Lila and Bruce Kirton and their families.

Carla Richards

In memory of my parents, Leona and James Richards; and my sister and her husband, Virginia and Joseph Williams.

Jacqueline Streets

Love and prayers to all from the Fletcher and Streets families.

Corine Thompson

Linda Unger

In memory of my parents, Elsie and Frank Unger, and my niece, Christina Unger.

Penny Zahurones

In memory of Donna McKern, Arlene McKern, and June Hall.

Happening at *Trinity*

Worship, community, connection. That's what's on here at Trinity Church. Attend an evening concert, sign up for a class at Trinity Commons, or come back for Sunday worship and learning. We hope to see you.

Every *Week*

WEEKDAYS

2:30– **Trinity Youth Afterschool**
Trinity Commons
Returns January 21

WEDNESDAYS

1pm **Catch Your Breath**
Trinity Church
Returns January 8

5:30pm **Contemplative Eucharist**
Trinity Church
Returns January 8

6pm **Trinity Youth Group**
Trinity Commons
Returns January 22

6:30pm **Contemplative Practice with Poetry**
Online
Returns January 8

THURSDAYS

9:30am– **New Beginnings**
Trinity Commons
Returns January 9

3:30– **Knit Together**
Trinity Commons
Returns January 23

FRIDAYS

6pm **Book Club**
Online
Returns January 10

Every *Sunday*

9am– **Childcare**

1pm *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, returns January 19

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, returns January 12

Middle and high schoolers can ask questions and join discussion about the Bible, Christianity, and The Episcopal Church.

Sunday School

Trinity Commons mezzanine

Two-year-olds through fifth graders and their families are invited to learn and play together in peer-grouped classes.

11am– **Open Gym**

1pm *Trinity Commons 4th floor, returns January 12*

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.

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.



This Week

Trinity Offices Closed

Tuesday, December 24, at 1pm–Wednesday, January 1

Trinity offices will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's Day as we celebrate the holidays and spend time with our loved ones.

Celebrate *Christmas* with Trinity Church

We warmly invite you to join us this holiday season in worship, community, and song.

Christmas Eve

3pm Family Eucharist

children's Christmas pageant with Trinity Youth Chorus, Trinity Choir, and NOVUS Brass

5pm Solemne Eucaristía de Navidad en español

family-friendly service with Trinity Choir and NOVUS Brass

7pm Festival Eucharist

Musical prelude begins 6:45pm with Trinity Choir, St. Paul's Chapel Choir, and NOVUS Brass

9pm Festival Eucharist

Musical prelude begins 8:45pm with Trinity Choir, Trinity Youth Chorus, and NOVUS Brass

11pm Candlelight Eucharist

Musical prelude begins 10:45pm with Trinity Choir and a string quartet

Christmas Day

11:15am Festival Eucharist

with Trinity Choir

Learn more at TrinityChurchNYC.org/Christmas.

Note: From December 24–January 3, there will be no regularly scheduled weekday services (Morning Prayer, 12:05pm Eucharist, Evening Prayer, or Wednesday evening Contemplative Eucharist). On Sunday, December 29, there will be one service at 11:15am.

Upcoming

Being With

Begins February 2025
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 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.

Trinity Book Club

Fridays starting January 10
6–7pm, Online

We meet weekly online to explore the mysteries of the Christian faith through the medium of literature. Join us in 2025 as we discuss *Strength to Love* by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride, and *The Nicene Creed: An Introduction* by Phillip Cary. Learn more at TrinityChurchNYC.org/bookclub.

Ophelia's Ocean

January 17, 18, and 19, 2pm
St. Paul's Chapel

The year is 2080. Human society is loveless and emotionless, and Samantha, a poet intrigued by the mystery of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, excavates the past to seek the truth about her father's death. Save your seat for *Ophelia's Ocean*, a play written by Maya M. Workman with music by Reggie Workman. Learn more at TrinityChurchNYC.org/music.

FAITH EDUCATION

Discovery Spring 2025

Sundays starting January 19
10–11am, Trinity Commons
and online

The way we read and interpret the Bible — and the questions we ask about what we believe and why — can shape how we show up in the world. This winter and spring, join a community where ideas become action. Together we'll seek answers that challenge us to put faith into practice. Learn more and register at TrinityChurchNYC.org/DiscoverySpring25.

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.

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

RETURNING SOON LGBTQ+ Ministry

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

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.

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; 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); Janice Rocco (mother of Christine Rocco); Pat Weiss (friend of Cynthia Cartwright).

Departed

Nils Blatz (brother of Liz Holland); Jim Craiglow (father of Alison Craiglow).

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 The Church of the Province of Uganda.

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*

“Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His Glory with exceeding Joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be Glory and Majesty, Dominion and Power, both now and ever. Amen” (Jude 1:24–25 KJV). Although there are many scriptures in the Bible that personally have carried me as I journey throughout this life, this is one in particular God has blessed me with. I am sharing as the current leadership in our country prepares to part ways for the new administration in 2025.

— MARY SIMPSON-MASON

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

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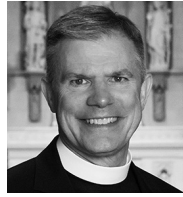
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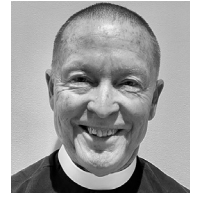
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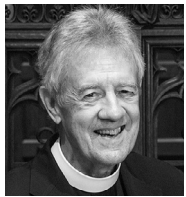
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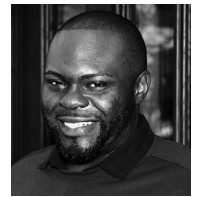
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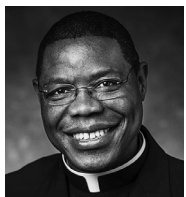
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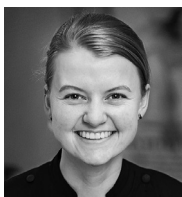
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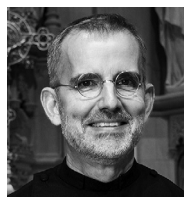
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WORSHIP

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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