



Trinity  
Church

A Parish in the  
City of New York

Tenebrae  
6pm

April 16, 2025

The light shines  
in the darkness,  
and the darkness  
*did not overcome it.*

# 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.

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## ABOUT THIS SERVICE

### Tenebrae

The name Tenebrae (the Latin word for “darkness” or “shadows”) has for centuries been applied to the ancient monastic night and early morning services (Matins and Lauds) of the last three days of Holy Week, which in medieval times came to be celebrated on the preceding evenings.

As we meditate on Christ's journey to the cross in poem, anthem, song, and story, one by one the candles and other lights in the church will be extinguished until only a single candle, considered a symbol of our Lord, remains. Toward the end of the service this candle is hidden, suggesting the apparent victory of the forces of evil. At the very end, a loud noise is made (symbolizing the earthquake at the time of the Resurrection—Matthew 28:2), the hidden candle is restored to its place, and by its light all depart in silence.

# Preparation

*At the sound of the bell, please stand.*

*The ministers enter in silence.*

## Collect for the Sunday of the Passion

BCP p. 272

*Officiant* Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All* Amen.

*Please be seated.*

# Nocturns

## Anthem

Lead, Kindly Light

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,  
Lead thou me on;  
The night is dark, and I am far from home,  
Lead thou me on.  
Keep thou my feet;  
I do not ask to see the distant scene;  
one step enough for me.

—John Henry Newman (1801–1890)

*The first candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## The First Reading

*Reader* From *Made for Goodness* by Desmond and Mpho Tutu.

I hear your call as you are falling.  
You stumble over your own wrongdoing and topple into the bottomless pit of guilt and shame.  
But there is no abyss. It is an illusion.  
There is no depth to which you can fall that is beyond my reach.  
I have lived with you from the age of the ages.  
The dream of you has delighted me, the fact of you pleases me.  
There is a choice in every moment.  
In every moment there is a chance to flourish and not to fail.  
Every instant is rich with possibility.  
I have not carved out the path that you must follow, we form the way together, you and I.  
I have destined you for good and a field of goodness lies before you.  
Listen to me, and though the way may not be easy, every step and stone will lead to joy.  
Turn aside to heed the voice of the tempter and faltering will mark your journey.  
I trust you, my child.  
Even when you have fallen the road does not end.  
You can rise up from the ground and turn around.  
You can repent and head for home in me.  
Seek me out.  
You will find me.  
I have been here from eternity.  
Until eternity this is where I will be.  
I am waiting and you will find me.

*The second candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

# Anthem

Come, Renew Us

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Come, Lord, come to us,  
enter our darkness with your light.  
Fill our emptiness with your presence,  
Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

In our sadness, come as joy,  
in our troubles, come as peace,  
in our fearfulness, come as hope,  
in our darkness, come as light,  
in our frailty, come as strength,  
in our loneliness, come as love.  
Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

—David Adam (1936–2020)

*The third candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## The Second Reading

*Reader* From *The Spirit of Hope* by Byung-Chul Han.

A spectre is haunting us: it is fear. We are constantly confronted with apocalyptic scenarios: pandemics, world war, the climate catastrophe. Images of the end of the world and the end of human civilization are conjured up with ever greater urgency....

Anxiously, we confront a bleak future. There is no hope. We muddle through from crisis to crisis, from one catastrophe to another, from one problem to the next. Amid problem-solving and crisis management, life withers. It becomes survival. The breathless survival society is like a terminal patient trying everything to find a cure. But only hope can give us back that life that is more than mere survival. It is hope that opens up a meaningful horizon that re-invigorates and inspires life. Hope presents us with a future.

*The fourth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

In monte Oliveti

BOS p. 91

*Officiant* On the mount of Olives Jesus prayed to the Father:

*People* **Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me.  
The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**

*Officiant* Watch and pray, that you may not enter into temptation.

*People* **The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**

## Anthem

Drop, Drop, Slow Tears

Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

Drop, drop, slow tears,  
And bathe those beautiful feet  
Which brought from heaven  
The news and Prince of Peace.

Cease not, wet eyes,  
His mercies to entreat;  
To cry for vengeance  
Sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods  
Drown all my faults and fears;  
Nor let His eye see sin,  
But through my tears.

—Phineas Fletcher (1582–1650)

*The fifth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## The Third Reading

*Reader* "Gethsemane" by Mary Oliver.

The grass never sleeps.  
Or the roses.  
Nor does the lily have a secret eye that shuts until morning.

Jesus said, wait with me. But the disciples slept.

The cricket has such splendid fringe on its feet,  
and it sings, have you noticed, with its whole body,  
and heaven knows if it ever sleeps.

Jesus said, wait with me. And maybe the stars did, maybe  
the wind wound itself into a silver tree, and didn't move,  
maybe  
the lake far away, where once he walked as on a  
blue pavement,  
lay still and waited, wide awake.

Oh the dear bodies, slumped and eye-shut, that could not  
keep that vigil, how they must have wept,  
so utterly human, knowing this too  
must be part of the story.

*The sixth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Tristis est anima mea

BOS p. 92

*Officiant* My soul is very sorrowful, even to the point of death;

*People* **remain here, and watch with me.**

**Now you shall see the crowd who will surround me;  
you will flee, and I will go to be offered up for you.**

*Officiant* Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man  
is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

*People* **You will flee, and I will go to be offered up for you.**

## Anthem

My Heart Be Brave

Marques L. A. Garrett (b. 1984)

My heart be brave, and do not falter so,  
Nor utter more that deep, despairing wail.  
Thy way is very dark and drear I know,  
But do not let thy strength and courage fail;  
For certain as the raven-wingèd night  
Is followed by the bright and blushing morn,  
Thy coming morrow will be clear and bright;  
'Tis darkest when the night is furthest worn.  
Look up, and out, beyond, surrounding clouds,  
And do not in thine own gross darkness grope,  
Rise up, and casting off thy hind'ring shrouds,  
Cling thou to this, and ever inspiring hope:  
Tho' thick the battle and tho' fierce the fight,  
There is power in making for the right.

—James Weldon Johnson (1871–1938)

*The seventh candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*



## The Fourth Reading

*Reader* "Life Goes On" by Howard Thurman.

During these turbulent times we must remind ourselves repeatedly that life goes on.  
This we are apt to forget.  
The wisdom of life transcends our wisdoms;  
the purpose of life outlasts our purposes;  
the process of life cushions our processes.  
The mass attack of disillusion and despair,  
distilled out of the collapse of hope,  
has so invaded our thoughts that what we know to be true and valid seems unreal and ephemeral.  
There seems to be little energy left for aught but futility.  
This is the great deception.  
By it whole peoples have gone down to oblivion  
without the will to affirm the great and permanent strength of the clean and the commonplace.  
Let us not be deceived.  
It is just as important as ever to attend to the little graces  
by which the dignity of our lives is maintained and sustained.  
Birds still sing;  
the stars continue to cast their gentle gleam over the desolation of the battlefields,  
and the heart is still inspired by the kind word and the gracious deed.  
There is no need to fear evil.  
There is every need to understand what it does,  
how it operates in the world,  
what it draws upon to sustain itself.  
We must not shrink from the knowledge of the evilness of evil.  
Over and over we must know that the real target of evil is not destruction of the body,  
the reduction to rubble of cities;  
the real target of evil is to corrupt the spirit of man  
and to give his soul the contagion of inner disintegration.  
When this happens,  
there is nothing left,  
the very citadel of man is captured and laid waste.  
Therefore the evil in the world around us must not be allowed to move from without to within.  
This would be to be overcome by evil.  
To drink in the beauty that is within reach,  
to clothe one's life with simple deeds of kindness,  
to keep alive a sensitiveness to the movement of the spirit of God  
in the quietness of the human heart and in the workings of the human mind—  
this is as always the ultimate answer to the great deception.

*The eighth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Ecce vidimus eum

BOS p. 93

*Officiant* Lo, we have seen him without beauty or majesty,  
*People* **with no looks to attract our eyes.**  
**He bore our sins and grieved for us,**  
**he was wounded for our transgressions,**  
**and by his scourging we are healed.**

*Officiant* Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows:  
*People* **And by his scourging we are healed.**

## Anthem

O vos omnes

Pablo Casals (1876–1973)

O vos omnes qui transitis per viam: attendite et videte si est dolor sicut dolor meus.  
*O all ye that pass by the way, attend and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow.*

—Lamentations 1:12

*The ninth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## The Fifth Reading

*Reader* From *Whistling in the Dark: a Doubter's Dictionary* by Frederick Buechner.

When you remember me, it means that you have carried something of who I am with you, that I have left some mark of who I am on who you are. It means that you can summon me back to your mind even though countless years and miles may stand between us. It means that if we meet again, you will know me. It means that even after I die, you can still see my face and hear my voice and speak to me in your heart.

For as long as you remember me, I am never entirely lost. When I'm feeling most ghost-like, it's your remembering me that helps remind me that I actually exist. When I'm feeling sad, it's my consolation. When I'm feeling happy, it's part of why I feel that way.

If you forget me, one of the ways I remember who I am will be gone. If you forget me, part of who I am will be gone.

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom," the good thief said from his cross (Luke 23:42). There are perhaps no more human words in all of Scripture, no prayer we can pray so well.

*The tenth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Tamquam ad latronem

BOS p. 95

*Officiant* Have you come out as against a robber,  
*People* **with swords and clubs to capture me?**  
**Day after day I sat in the temple teaching,**  
**and you did not seize me;**  
**but now, behold, you scourge me,**  
**and lead me away to be crucified.**

*Officiant* When they had laid hands on Jesus and were holding him, he said:  
*People* **Day after day I sat in the temple teaching,**  
**and you did not seize me;**  
**but now, behold, you scourge me,**  
**and lead me away to be crucified.**

## Anthem

Improvisation *on* Night Prayer

Trinity Choir

Be present, Spirit of God,  
within us, your dwelling place and home,  
that this house may be one where  
all darkness is penetrated by your light,  
all troubles calmed by your peace,  
all evil redeemed by your love,  
all pain transformed in your suffering,  
and all dying glorified in your risen life. Amen.

—*A New Zealand Prayer Book*, p. 183

*The eleventh candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Tenebrae factae sunt

BOS p. 96

- Officiant* Darkness covered the whole land  
when Jesus had been crucified;
- People* **and about the ninth hour he cried with a loud voice:  
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
And he bowed his head and handed over his spirit.**
- Officiant* Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said:  
Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.
- People* **And he bowed his head and handed over his spirit.**

## Anthem

Tenebrae factae sunt

Kristina Vasiliauskaitė (b. 1956)

Tenebrae factae sunt dum crucifixissent Jesum Judaei,  
et circa horam nonam exclamavit Jesus voce magna:  
Deus meus, Deus meus, ut quid me dereliquisti?  
Et inclinato capite, emisit spiritum.  
Exclamans Jesus voce magna ait:  
Pater, in manus tuas commendo spiritum meum.

*The day grew dark as the Jews nailed Jesus to the cross,  
and at about the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice:  
“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”  
And with his head bowed, he gave up his spirit.  
Jesus said in a loud voice:  
“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”*

—Matthew 27:45–46, John 19:30, Luke 23:46

*The twelfth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Ecce quomodo moritur

BOS p. 97

- Officiant* See how the righteous one perishes,  
*People* **and no one takes it to heart.  
The righteous are taken away, and no one understands.  
From the face of evil the righteous one is taken away,  
and his memory shall be in peace.**
- Officiant* Like a sheep before its shearers is mute,  
so he opened not his mouth.  
By oppression and judgment he was taken away:
- People* **And his memory shall be in peace.**

## The Sixth Reading

*Reader* "Mary Speaks" by Madeleine L'Engle.

O you who bear the pain of the whole earth,  
I bore you.  
O you whose tears give human tears their worth,  
I laughed with you.  
You, who, when your hem is touched, give power,  
I nourished you.  
Who turn the day to night in this dark hour,  
light comes from you.  
O you who hold the world in your embrace,  
I carried you.  
Whose arms encircled the world with your grace,  
I once held you.  
O you who laughed and ate and walked the shore,  
I played with you.  
And I, who with all others, you died for,  
now I hold you.

May I be faithful to this final test:  
in this last time I hold my child, my son,  
his body close enfolded to my breast,  
the holder held: the bearer borne.  
Mourning to joy: darkness to morn.  
Open, my arms: your work is done.

*The thirteenth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Velum templi

BOS p. 100

*Officiant* The veil of the temple was torn in two,  
*People* **and the earth shook,  
and the thief from the cross cried out,  
Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

*Officiant* The rocks were split, the tombs were opened,  
and many bodies of the saints who slept were raised:  
*People* **And the earth shook,  
and the thief from the cross cried out,  
Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

## Anthem

God So Loved the World

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

—John 3:16 (KJV)

*The fourteenth candle is extinguished.*

*A brief silence is kept.*

## The Seventh Reading

*Reader* From “Unless a Grain Falls” by Barbara Brown Taylor.

A grain of wheat cannot grow unless it dies. That is how Jesus put it. If you encase it in plastic and hang it around your neck, it will never be good for anything but a bauble. For the seed to do what it was meant to do, it has to be given up. It has to fall into the earth and be buried. It has to sit down there in the dark until its hour comes, when it will swell, crack, and hatch new life—a green shoot that will climb toward the sun until it breaks through, becoming a golden stalk of wheat that bears much fruit. If you dig around in its roots looking for the seed, you won’t find it anymore. It is dead and gone. It gave up its life so there could be more wheat in the world.

*This is a very different understanding of Jesus’ death than the one most of us were taught, which was that Jesus died to atone for our sins. According to John, Jesus died to fill the world with wheat, with so many sons and daughters of God that no one would ever want for bread again. Only in order to do that, the seed had to be planted. It had to die, or it would never grow.*

*During the singing of “Christus factus est,” the Christ candle at the top of the hearse is hidden.*

## Anthem

Christus factus est

Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.  
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum et dedit illi nomen, quod est super omne nomen.

*Christ became obedient for us even unto death, death on the cross.  
Therefore God exalted him and gave him a name which is above all names.*

—Philippians 2:8–9

*Silence is kept.*

## Responsory

Sepulto Domino

BOS p. 101

*Officiant* When the Lord was buried, they sealed the tomb,  
*People* **rolling a great stone to the door of the tomb;  
and they stationed soldiers to guard him.**

*Officiant* The chief priests gathered before Pilate,  
and petitioned him:  
*People* **And they stationed soldiers to guard him.**

## Collect

BOS p. 105

*Officiant* Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross.

*A noise is made, and the burning Christ candle is brought from hiding and replaced on the hearse.*

## Anthem

Let My Love Be Heard

Jake Runestad (b. 1986)

Angels, where you soar  
up to God's own light,  
take my own lost bird  
on your hearts tonight;  
and as grief once more  
mounts to heaven and sings,  
let my love be heard  
whispering in your wings.

—Alfred Noyes (1880–1958)

*By the light of the Christ candle the ministers and people depart in silence.*

*All are invited to the Agape Meal immediately following this service.*

*Exit through the nave to the Parish Hall in Trinity Commons (76 Trinity Place).*

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# 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.

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## Every Week

### WEEKDAYS

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

### WEDNESDAYS

1pm **Catch Your Breath**  
*Trinity Church*  
*Returns April 23*

5:30pm **Contemplative Eucharist**  
*Trinity Church*  
*Returns April 23*

6pm **Trinity Youth Group**  
*Trinity Commons*  
*Returns April 30*

6:30pm **Contemplative Practice with Poetry**  
*Online*  
*Returns April 23*

### THURSDAYS

9:30am– **New Beginnings**  
3pm *Trinity Commons*  
*Returns April 24*

3:30– **Knit Together**  
5pm *Trinity Commons*  
*Returns April 24*

### FRIDAYS

6pm **Book Club**  
*Online*  
*Returns April 25*

## 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 April 27*

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 April 27*

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

**Sunday School**  
*Trinity Commons mezzanine*  
*Returns April 27*

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 April 27*

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.

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## *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.





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# Walk with us to *Easter*

In our Holy Week services, we ground ourselves in the Scriptural accounts of Jesus's life because this ancient story reminds us death is not the final word.

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## Palm Sunday, April 13

Holy Eucharist | 8am, 9am, 11:15am

Solemne eucaristía y bendición de los ramos *en español* | 2pm

Special Compline by Candlelight | 7pm

*St. Paul's Chapel*

*Jesus enters Jerusalem triumphantly. Riding on a humble donkey, he is greeted by cheering crowds.*

On Palm Sunday, we remember Jesus's arrival in Jerusalem with a parade of palms. When the Passion Gospel is read during the service, we shift our attention to where Jesus's path will finally lead.

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## Wednesday, April 16

Tenebrae | 6pm

*followed by Agape Meal*

*With every step, Jesus draws closer to the cross. "Believe," he tells his people urgently. "Believe in the light, so that you may become children of the light."*

During the Office of Tenebrae, we reflect on Jesus's journey to the cross. The lights in the church are extinguished until only one candle remains, a symbol of Jesus.

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## Maundy Thursday, April 17

Holy Eucharist | 6pm

All-Night Vigil | 8pm

*Jesus sits at the Passover table in a room filled with his closest friends. He gives them a new commandment: "Love one another." Later that night, he is betrayed and arrested.*

On Maundy Thursday, we remember Jesus's last supper with his disciples, his washing their feet, and his commandment to love one another as he loves us. The altar is stripped of its linen and other adornments, in preparation for Good Friday.

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## Good Friday, April 18

Liturgy of Good Friday | 12:05pm

*Jesus is beaten, stands trial, and is sentenced to death. From the cross, alongside two criminals, he speaks, "It is finished," and takes his last breath.*

On Good Friday, we remember Jesus's Passion: his betrayal, trial, crucifixion, and burial. The congregation is invited to meditate on his willingness to die for us, and what it means to us, by touching and kneeling before the cross. The service ends in silence.

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## Holy Saturday, April 19

The Great Vigil of Easter | 8pm

*Jesus's body, anointed with spices and wrapped in a clean linen cloth, lies in a new tomb. A great stone covers the opening.*

The Great Vigil of Easter is one of the oldest known rites of the Christian Church, dating back to the second century. It brings worshippers, literally and symbolically, from darkness into light through the kindling of new fire, reading of Scriptures, and the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist.

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## Easter Sunday, April 20

Simple Holy Eucharist | 8am

Family-Friendly Festive Eucharist | 9am  
*and Easter Egg Hunt*

Festive Eucharist | 11am, 1pm

Solemne eucaristía de la resurrección del Señor *en español* | 3pm  
*y búsqueda de huevos*

*The earth shakes, and the stone rolls away. Jesus is alive. Death does not win.*

Like spring itself, Easter brings the promise of new life. Alleluia is proclaimed enthusiastically and will remain in acclamations, hymns, and dismissals throughout the 50 days of Eastertide.

[TrinityChurchNYC.org/easter](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/easter)

Services held in Trinity Church unless otherwise stated.

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# Upcoming

## Newcomers Brunch

*Sunday, April 27, 12:30pm,  
Trinity Commons*

Want to find your place at Trinity Church? Come meet other parishioners and hear about ways to get involved in the community. You'll get a preview of Foundations, an upcoming series for newcomers covering the basics of Trinity, The Episcopal Church, and the Christian faith. Registration is encouraged, so we know you're coming! Sign up at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/newcomers](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/newcomers).

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON MUSIC

### Voices of Resilience and Hope

*Sunday, April 27, 2pm,  
St. Paul's Chapel*

Join us for an uplifting program that elevates emerging artists in our city. Students from Dorill Initiative, Borough of Manhattan Community College, and Manhattan School of Music tell their stories through dance, spoken-word poetry, classical choral works, and beloved theater tunes. Learn more and save your seat at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/music](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/music).

## Verdi Requiem

*Thursday, May 1, and  
Friday, May 2, 7pm, Trinity Church*

In celebration of its 100th anniversary, The Dessoff Choirs joins forces with Trinity Choir, Downtown Voices, and NOVUS to take the audience on a soul-stirring journey through Giuseppe Verdi's Requiem. The masterpiece is paired with the world premiere of an exciting new choral work by Tania León commissioned for Dessoff's centennial. Learn more at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/music](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/music).

## Foundations

*Sundays, May 4–June 1, 1pm,  
Trinity Commons*

Offered twice a year, Foundations is a Sunday afternoon class for anyone interested in joining The Episcopal Church or learning more about the Christian faith, especially adults considering baptism or membership at Trinity. Together, we'll explore Scripture, theology, and church history — and how they shape our life as a community of faith. Whether or not you have previously been a member of a church or participated in Christian worship, we welcome you! This is a space to learn, ask questions, and decide if Trinity feels like your church home. Mandarin interpretation is available. Learn more and register at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/foundations](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/foundations).

## The Spirituality of Celebrating and Writing Books for Children

*May 16–18, Trinity Retreat Center*

Come share your favorite spiritual children's book, one you've written, or even just your book concept, and we'll help you write a draft. Priest and Director for Spiritual Formation the Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones leads this workshop, sharing his experience of writing award-winning children's books. Register at [trinityretreatcenter.org](http://trinityretreatcenter.org).

## The Spirituality of Mary Oliver Retreat

*May 23–25, Trinity Retreat Center*

Mary viewed life through a divine lens, finding God in the ordinary-sacred moments of daily rhythms. Led by Samantha Trolice, program manager for Spiritual Formation at Trinity Retreat Center, we'll share our favorite Mary Oliver poems and explore their themes, which invite us to awaken to God all around us. Register at [trinityretreatcenter.org](http://trinityretreatcenter.org).

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# *Vestry Election*

The Annual Vestry Election will be held on April 22, 2025, Easter Tuesday, as specified under the 1697 Charter. All members of the congregation who are 18 years or older, have officially enrolled in the parish registry, and have contributed to the support of the Parish in any documented amount within the preceding year (April 2024–April 2025) are eligible to vote in Vestry Election.

A member of the congregation may confirm that their name is included on the register by contacting Mike Hogan, Deputy Chief of Staff, at [MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org) or 646-216-6261. Registration can also be completed on election day upon application to the Rector upon proving the above-mentioned qualifications.

## **Electronic Voting**

Eligible voters will have the option to vote electronically via the online platform ElectionBuddy. Instructions to vote were distributed to eligible voters on April 6, 2025, via email. Your email address must be on file in order to vote electronically.

## **Voting by Mail**

A mail ballot form, accompanying biographical information, along with a pre-paid envelope was mailed to all eligible parishioners on or before April 7, 2025. The register of eligible voters is available for inspection, and a member of the congregation may confirm that their name is included on the register by emailing Mike Hogan at [MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org). Registration can also be completed on April 22, 2025, upon application to the Rector upon proving the above-mentioned qualifications. Mail ballots must be received at 76 Trinity Place before 8pm on April 22, 2025.

## **Voting in Person**

In-person voting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, from 4pm to 8pm at Trinity Church (Broadway at Wall Street). The results will be announced on Trinity’s website the next morning and at the Sunday services following the election.

The persons listed below are the nominated candidates for Church Wardens and Vestrymen made by the Parish Nominating Committee.

## **Church Wardens**

Dr. Sharon Hardy  
John G. Talty

## **Members of the Vestry**

Hilary Pennington  
Gayle Robinson  
Patricia Graue  
David Humphreville  
Dr. Susan Ward  
William H. Wright II  
Susan Hinkson-Carling  
Joel Motley  
Susan K. Jansen  
Nathaniel F. Rogers  
Wendy Boyce  
Ellen Jewett  
Sara Queen  
Mary Kate Wold  
Esther Benjamin  
Christian Hylton  
John Jacobsson  
Leah Johnson  
Eric Love  
Andy Phillips

Any questions regarding the election, discernment process, or voter eligibility can be directed to Mike Hogan, Deputy Chief of Staff, at [MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:MHogan@TrinityChurchNYC.org) or 646-216-6261.

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# Be Engaged

Dig deep into Scripture, craft, chat, serve, and make lifelong friends in community groups at Trinity Church. Sign up at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/Groups](http://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

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 / Second Sundays / Following 11:15am service*

*Dinner / Third 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

Connect, celebrate, and care for one another in a supportive faith space.

## 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*

## Creation Care Ministry

Address environmental concerns through the lens of faith, in connection with efforts of The Episcopal Church and other communities.

## Prison Ministry

Support and care for people who have been incarcerated and their families.

*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 Deuel.

*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*

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## 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](mailto:Membership@TrinityChurchNYC.org) or call 646-216-6484.

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# Announcements

## Support Trinity's AIDS Walk Team

Join us for the 40th annual AIDS Walk New York: Together we can make strides toward a world where everyone has access to HIV testing, treatment, and care. Get involved by walking 4 miles around Central Park with Trinity's team on May 18, by donating, or by raising money. Funds support essential HIV/AIDS services provided by GMHC and other tristate HIV/AIDS and public health organizations. Learn more at [TrinityChurchNYC.org/aidswalk](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/aidswalk), or visit our table in the back of the church on April 27, May 4, or May 11.

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## Request *Prayer*

We are a community of prayer. Our clergy and Daily Intercessory Prayer Ministry set aside time to pray for members of our parish. To submit a request, please email [Prayers@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:Prayers@TrinityChurchNYC.org). All submissions are confidential.

### *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*

Pray for the Church of England.

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## Congregational *Voice*

*"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things" (Philippians 4:8 NIV). There are days when everything seems to be going wrong. I overslept, so I'm late for work. I get to work, and I left my glasses at home. I look down and my socks don't match. It is on days like these that I must stop and take a breath. I get up, go outside, close my eyes, and feel the air on my face. I think about my people blessings — my children, grandchildren, husband, friends — and I feel such a sense of peace. I look at the trees and flowers that surround me, and I praise God for what he has provided. Suddenly what started as a bad day is now on its way to becoming a good day.*

— LEAH BASS

*To submit a brief reflection to be featured in Congregational Voice, please email Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant at [esmiechild@aol.com](mailto:esmiechild@aol.com).*

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## Food Assistance

*Breakfast, every weekday*

*Lunch, every day*

*Dinner, Monday–Wednesday, 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 [Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:Volunteer@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 [Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:Volunteer@TrinityChurchNYC.org).

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## 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](http://TrinityChurchNYC.org/resourceline).

## Our *Leadership*

The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson, *Rector* | The Rev. Michael A. Bird, *Vicar*

### TRINITY CHURCH VESTRY

John G. Talty, *Church Warden*; Dr. Sharon J. Hardy, *Church Warden*; Peter D. Barbey; Lynne Jordal Martin; Matthew M. Knisely; Christopher L. Mann; Martez R. Moore; Hilary Pennington; Gayle Robinson; Patricia Graue; David Humphreville; Dr. Susan Ward; William H. Wright II; Susan Hinkson-Carling; Joel Motley; Susan K. Jansen; Nathaniel F. Rogers; T. Dennis Sullivan; Wendy Boyce; Ellen Jewett; Sara Queen; Mary Kate Wold

### TRINITY CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Eric Love, *President*; Saratu Gharthey, *Vice President*; Regina Jacobs, *Secretary, Community Chair*; Barrie Arnold; Katherine Conway; Heather Daly; Marie-Florentine Heimann; Jim Hopkins; Beth Johanning; Raynelle Mensah, *Education Chair*; Tina Moya; Marcelo Phillips; Sovannary Tan; Sian Wetherill, *Witness Chair*; Allison K. Wyman

Contact the council at [CongregationalCouncil@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:CongregationalCouncil@TrinityChurchNYC.org).

### FLOWERS

To donate flowers, please email [Flowers@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:Flowers@TrinityChurchNYC.org).

## Source Citations

### LITURGICAL SOURCES

BCP *The Book of Common Prayer*  
BOS *The Book of Occasional Services 2022*  
CW *Common Worship*  
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*  
MHOS *My Heart Sings Out*  
S *The Hymnal 1982 Service Music*  
WLP *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

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

### ABOUT THIS SERVICE

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### CONSENT FOR PUBLICITY

To reach a broad audience, Trinity Church livestreams its services and events and records them for broadcast via the internet. Your attendance at a service or event constitutes your consent to be included in any filming, photographing, audio recording, or broadcast and for any other use in whole or in part, including publicity and promotion. If you wish to attend but prefer to avoid being filmed, please sit in the back pews on the side aisles.

## Today's Worship *Leaders*

### CLERGY

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The Rev. Michael A. Bird  
The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson  
The Rev. Yein Kim  
The Rev. C. Alfred Loua  
The Rev. Kristin Kaulbach Miles  
The Rev. Jorge Ortiz  
The Rev. Matthew A. Welsch  
The Rev. Patrick Williams  
*Officiants and Readers*

### MUSICIANS

Trinity Choir

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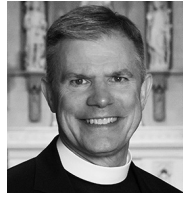
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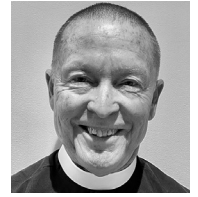
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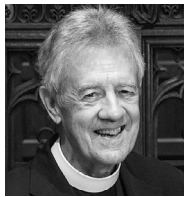
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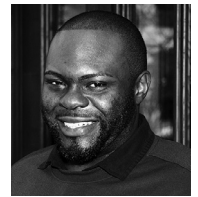
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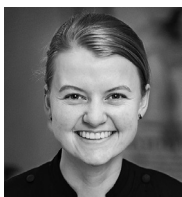
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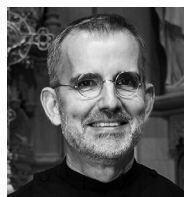
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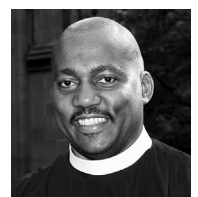
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# Join our Community

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<sup>†</sup>

Holy Eucharist

*Trinity Church*

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

### Weekdays

9am | Morning Prayer

12:05pm<sup>†</sup> | Holy Eucharist

*Trinity Church*

### Wednesdays

5:30pm

Contemplative Eucharist

*Trinity Church*

### Weekdays Online<sup>‡</sup>

8:15am | Morning Prayer

5:15pm | Evening Prayer

<sup>†</sup> Livestreamed and available  
on demand

<sup>‡</sup> To join online prayer, contact  
[Sacristans@TrinityChurchNYC.org](mailto:Sacristans@TrinityChurchNYC.org)

**Childcare for infants and toddlers** is offered during the 9am and 11:15am services and the 10am programs.

*Ask an usher to show you the way.*

- **Assistive listening devices** are available at the welcome table for the 9am and 11:15am services.
- **Parking validation** for LAZ Parking (70 Greenwich Street) is available for parishioners attending Sunday service. Please see security staff to receive a validation stamp.