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HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday, January 5

Second Sunday after Christmas

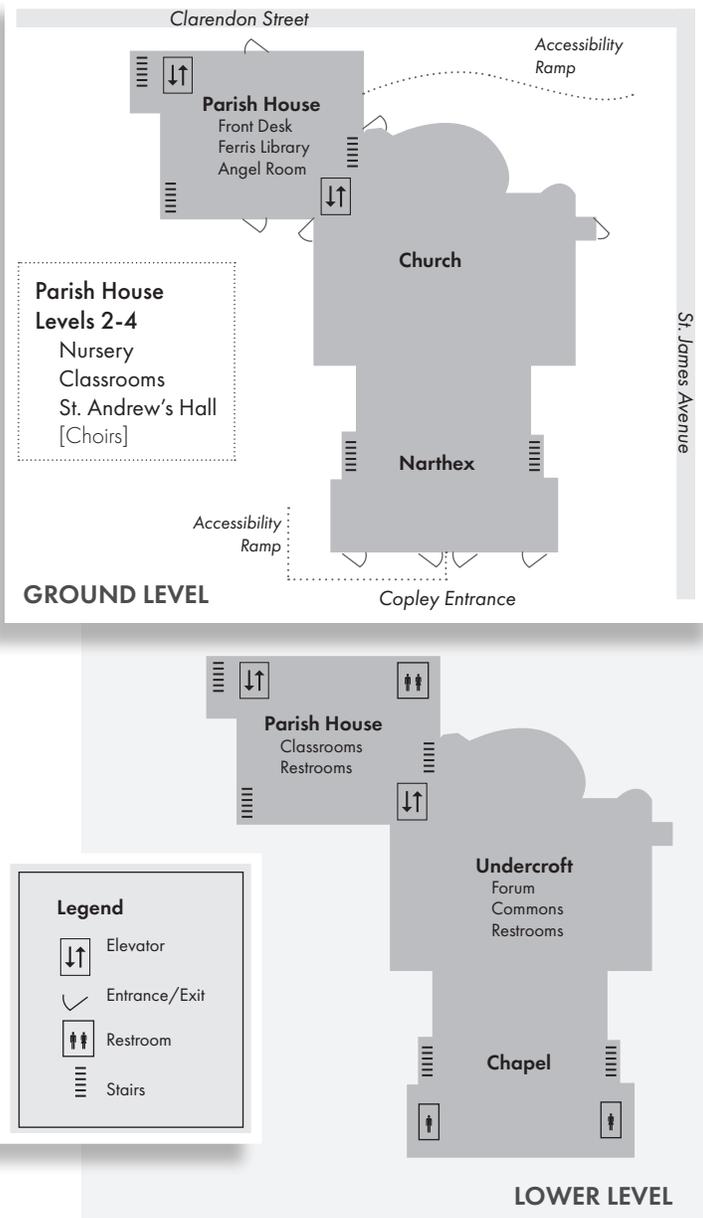


TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WELCOME

Whether you have worshiped here for years or are visiting our Episcopal Church for the first time, we are glad you are with us. We invite all to enter fully into worship and to explore the variety of learning, small group, and service opportunities that are part of our life together. To learn more, visit trinitychurchboston.org and click on 'For Newcomers', or contact Mark Kharas, at mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org, 617-536-0944 x372.

FINDING YOUR WAY



HOURS & INFORMATION

Sunday Worship

- 8 a.m.** Holy Eucharist
- 10 a.m.** Holy Eucharist
Morning Prayer last Sundays
- 6 p.m.** Holy Eucharist

Weekday Worship at Trinity

- Weds.**
5:45 p.m. Choral Evensong [Trinity Choristers]
(returns 1/8)
- Thurs.**
12:10 p.m. Midday Eucharist with Healing
(returns 1/9)

Hours

Church

Sun. 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Tues. through Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Closed Mon.

Church Open for Touring

(last admittance 15 min. before closing)
Sun. 12:30-4:30 p.m.
Wed. through Sat. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Closed Mon. & Tues.

Parish House

Sun. 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Mon., Fri. & Sat. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tues., Weds. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

Vestry

Mark Morrow ('23), *Senior Warden* • Jill Norton ('21), *Junior Warden* • Geoffrey Smith ('20), *Treasurer* • Katharine E. Bachman ('22), *Clerk* • Chris Allen ('23) • P. MacKenzie Bok ('22) • Colin Diver ('20) • Pauline Haddad ('20) • Katherine D. Hein ('22) • Nien-hè Hsieh ('22) • Mark A. King ('20) • Patricia Lassiter ('21) • James Morgan ('21) • Christopher Parris ('23) • Peter Renner ('21) • Ania Wiekowski ('23) •

Each can be reached at bit.ly/TrinityVestry

Staff can be reached at bit.ly/TrinityStaff

STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION

Trinity Church in the City of Boston is a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts and welcomes and honors everyone. In accordance with our baptismal covenant, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We strive to include all persons without regard to sexual orientation, race, nationality, gender, family configuration, ethnic background, economic circumstances, difference in ability, culture, or age. Our love and acceptance of each other embody our commitment to unity with God and each other in Christ.

WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Reading Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Worship at Trinity

Page numbers refer to the black Book of Common Prayer (BCP). This book may be found in the pew rack before you.

Please note that our use of the BCP text may vary slightly to incorporate gender-neutral language when possible.

*When the text of this worship booklet is in **bold**, it is spoken or sung by all.*

Though the Celebrant's posture (standing, sitting, or kneeling) will cue many in the congregation, we invite you to participate as you are able and as your piety prefers.

Read responsively by whole
verse, starting with the Lector.

Psalm 84:1-8

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

**The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.**

Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

**Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.**

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

**They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.**

Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

**Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.**

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.

Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector*

Nicene Creed p. 358

Prayers of the People *Form III, p. 387*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Offertory

HOLY COMMUNION

Presentation

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

And of Thine own, have we given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B, p. 367*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

**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.

... Therefore, according to his command, O God,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

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

AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer *p. 364*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass

against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All we have and all we are is of God, and everyone has a faithful offering to make. All gifts received today will support Trinity's ministry, empower our service to the community, and sustain our historic buildings.

Communion at Trinity

All people are welcome to receive Communion at Trinity Church. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest.

Gluten-free wafers are available; ask the priest at the altar rail.

For those with ambulatory difficulty—we can come to you.

Postcommunion Prayer p. 366.

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*The altar flowers are given
to the glory of God and in
celebration for the life of
Karen B. Singleton.*



TrinityEvents

This calendar includes just a sampling of the many opportunities to connect at Trinity. Details about each of these and other ministries, activities, and events for all ages can be found at trinitychurchboston.org/calendar and Facebook ([Facebook.com/trinitychurchboston](https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)).

**THE
WEEKS
AHEAD**

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WEDS.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
5 New Worship Schedule begins <i>See back page</i>	6 <i>Church Closed for Sabbath Day</i>	7	8 5:45 p.m. Choral Evensong <i>Weekly</i>	9 12:10 p.m. Holy Eucharist <i>Weekly</i> 12:45 p.m. Hardy Perennials <i>Monthly</i> bit.ly/tcbHP0120	10 12:15 p.m. Organ Recital featuring Jake Street	11 9 a.m. Robert Treat Paine Society
12 11:15 a.m. Tunnel of Love Forum Series Continues <i>See back page</i>	13 <i>Church Closed for Sabbath Day</i>	14	15 5:45 p.m. Choral Evensong <i>Weekly</i>	16	17 12:15 p.m. Organ Recital featuring Michael Smith	18 9:30 a.m. Stitching in the Spirit

LOOKING AHEAD

Coffee with the Rector

233 Clarendon St., Living Room

Share stories, hopes, and concerns over coffee with Morgan, a member of the Vestry, and a member of the staff, all in a small-group setting. Registration for each event is limited to 12 people; please sign up for only one session to allow as many people as possible to participate.

- Tues. 1/21 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Wed. 1/22 8-9 a.m.
- Wed. 1/22 4-5 p.m.
- Sun. 1/26 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- Tues. 1/28 8-9 a.m.
- Thurs. 1/30 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Wed. 2/12 8-9 a.m.
- Thurs. 2/13 11 a.m.-12 p.m.



To RSVP, visit bit.ly/tcbWinterCoffee2020 or scan the QR Code

A.R.T. Book Discussion: *The Water Dancer*

Sun., 1/26; 12:30-2 p.m. and 4:30-6 p.m.; Ferris Library

Please join either session of the next Anti-Racism Team Book Discussion about the message behind Ta-Nehisi Coates' debut novel, *The Water Dancer*, which integrates historical fiction and fantasy to depict "a bracingly original vision of the world of slavery" (Coates). All are welcome, whether you've read the book or not. The conversation needs you! For more information, visit bit.ly/tcbARTJan2020

STAY IN TOUCH

Subscribe to the *Trinity Community Update* weekly email: bit.ly/TCUsignup

To update your address in our records, please send new information to Mark Kharas, mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org, or complete a Welcome Card, which can be found in the pews.

To request public or private prayer, go to trinitychurchboston.org/form/prayer-request-form



Trinity Highlights

TODAY

Today we launch our new schedule of Sunday services and activities "...to deliver not only stellar worship experiences, but to offer opportunities for Christian community and serious formation, as well."

8 a.m. • Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. • Parish Epiphany Breakfast

Come celebrate the feast! For our first Community Hour of the new year, we will celebrate with our annual Epiphany Breakfast in the Commons, complete with royal visitors bearing treats.

10 a.m. • Holy Eucharist with Choir & Choristers

Morning Prayer will be offered on the final Sunday of each month, beginning 1/26.

11:15 a.m. • Formation for All Ages

Children's Church School and Youth Forums will return from Christmas break at this new time, and the Adult Forum will launch a new series:

Tunnel of Love: The Gospel According to Bruce Springsteen

In this six-part Forum series, Morgan Allen will lead us in a theological reflection on scripture and our American condition, in companion with the life and work of Bruce Springsteen. We'll draw on several texts, including the Gospel of Luke, the Acts of the Apostles, and Springsteen's musical catalogue, autobiography, and recent one-man show. This first Sunday will draw from Acts 2:37-47 and "Tunnel of Love." The full syllabus can be found at bit.ly/tcbTheBoss

6 p.m. • Holy Eucharist with Choir

Parish Leaders Sought

Applications Due Sun., 1/5/20

Nominations for parish leadership positions are now being accepted to be considered for election at the 2020 Annual Parish Meeting. Applications and further information are available on the Parish House bulletin board and trinitychurchboston.org/news

THIS WEEK

Hardy Perennials: The Three Kings

Thurs., 1/9/20, 12:10 p.m.; Chapel & Commons

Join the Hardy Perennials, a group of Trinity parishioners and friends aged 59+, who meet monthly on the second Thursday. After attending the 12:10 Eucharist in the Chapel, we gather for soup and bread. Our January meeting will focus on "Visitors from the East: The Three Kings in Art and Literature".

Pick up your 2020 Pledge Envelopes

Thank you for pledging your support for Trinity in 2020! If you requested pledge envelopes, please allow two weeks after you make your pledge and then check the mailboxes by the front desk of the Parish House. Have questions or can't find your envelopes? **Contact** Mark Kharas, mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org

LOOKING AHEAD

20s & 30s Fellowship

Sun., 1/19, 4-5:30 p.m, Living Room, Rectory (233 Clarendon Street)

Young adults in their 20s and 30s gather monthly for fellowship and discussion over a simple meal. Friends from beyond Trinity are welcome! This month's topic: How and why do you pray? **Contact** Sarah Neumann, sneumann@trinitychurchboston.org

50th Anniversary MLK Memorial Breakfast

Mon., 1/20, 8:30 a.m., Boston Convention and Exhibition Center

Trinity Church is honoring the 50th anniversary of the country's first Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast by sponsoring three tables at this year's event. Join us for a "multifaceted, passion-filled celebratory program" that will feature a keynote address by The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry. Space available on a first-come, first-served basis. **To RSVP**, visit bit.ly/tcbMLKbreakfast

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