TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

EASTER WALK IN LOVE

URBAN STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION SUN., MAY 21, 2023



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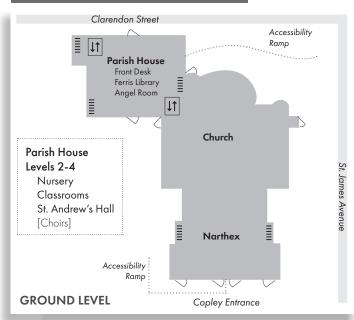
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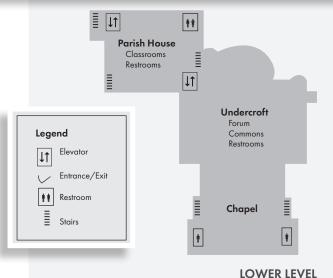
for years, we look forward to helping you make a

home for faith at Trinity.

Complete the short Welcome Form at **trinitychurchboston.org/welcome** (or scan the QR code) so we can get to know you better.

FINDING YOUR WAY





Statement of Affirmation

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

HOURS & INFORMATION

Sunday Schedule

8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, spoken

9 am Coffee & Community Hour,

full "Community Breakfast" on the first Sunday of most months

10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II,

with organ, choristers, and choir.

Includes Children's Homily & Nursery.

Morning Prayer last Sunday of most months.

online at

trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship and facebook.com/trinitychurchboston

11:15 am Formation for All Ages5 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Weekday Worship at Trinity

Tues/Thurs.

8:30 pm Online Compline

join us on Zoom at bit.ly/tcbTTcompline

and enter Meeting ID 206 654 379

Weds.

5:45 pm Choral Evensong

in the Church, led by the Trinity Choristers

Vestry

Chris Allen ('27) • Christine Arcese ('26) • Christopher Atwood ('26) • Barbara Dortch-Okara ('25) • Josh Fiala ('27) • Richard Henderson ('26) • Vincent W. James ('24) • Tim Martin ('27) • Niven Narain ('26) • Chuks Chijioke Okoli ('25) • Constance Perry ('24) • Peter Renner ('25) • Mary Roetzel ('27) • Olaf J. Thorp ('24) • Pam Waterman ('25) • Katie Wrisley Shelby ('24)

Clergy

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector* • The Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, *Theologian-In-Community* • The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, *Assisting Priest* • The Rev. Paige Fisher, *Associate for Community Life* • The Rev. Kit Lonergan, *Priest for Welcome and Care* • The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, *Senior Associate*

Vestry can be reached at **bit.ly/TrinityVestry**

Clergy and Staff can be reached at bit.ly/TrinityStaff



Tours

Tues - Sat 10 am - 4:30 pm Trinity Church offers self-guided, docentled, and audio tours. Considered one of ten buildings that changed America, Trinity Church is an architectural masterpiece including its unique collection of stainedglass windows by designers such as Edward Burne-Jones, William Morris, and John La Farge, its murals, wood carvings and more. The price is \$10. Children younger than 12 are free.

Trinity Church in the City of Boston Stations of the Resurrection May 21, 2023

The Stations of the Resurrection

Similar to the Stations of the Cross that reflects on the final walk of Jesus, the stations of the resurrection reflect on the final chapters of the four gospels and the final appearances of Jesus to his disciples. We invite you to walk with us and reflect on God's presence in this way as we walk through our neighborhood reflecting on God's presence in our midst. All ages are welcome and we will begin on the West Porch and conclude with prayers in the church.

Station 1
Mary at the Empty Tomb
(On the West Porch)

All:

We adore you, O Christ and we praise you! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection, you have redeemed the world!

Scripture Reading:

"She turned around and saw Jesus there, but did not know it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?' She thought he was the gardener and said to him, 'Sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni,' which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, 'Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' Mary of Magdalen went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord,' and what he told her" (John 20:14b-18).

Reflection:

In John's gospel, Mary Magdalen is given the mission to carry the good news of the resurrection to the apostles and the disciples. Mary had been in the company of Jesus and his followers, and is the first to announce the hope of new life. She is known over the centuries as "the apostle to the Apostles." Jesus called her by name, gave her the eyes of faith, and called her to give a unique personal witness to her friends in the faith community.

Prayer:

God our Father, you will that all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of your truth. Send workers into your great harvest that the Gospel may be preached to every creature. May your people, gathered together by the word of life and strengthened by your love, share your good news. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Station 2 The Road to Emmaus (361 Boylston St.)

All:

We adore you, O Christ and we praise you! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection, you have redeemed the world!

Scripture Reading:

"...It happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him... And he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the scriptures" (Luke 24: 15, 25-27)

Reflection:

The Emmaus road is the story of the Christian life. These disciples were walking away from Jerusalem and the apostolic faith community in defeat and dejection. They had lost hope. We too, have moments of despair and desolation. The Risen Lord Jesus accompanies us along the road, even when we are moving in the wrong direction. Only the Lord can "break open" the Word in order to help us understand the stories of our lives, especially suffering, and read them in harmony with the pattern of the Scriptures. Only the Lord can rekindle our energy and our resolve to devote ourselves to what is most important in life.

Prayer:

Lord God, as disciples on our pilgrimage, we implore Jesus Christ: stay with us, Lord. Open our hearts to true conversion and, as we have known the Lord in the breaking of the bread, so make us witnesses of a new humanity, renewed, reconciled and at peace in your love. Send us as heralds of the repentance and forgiveness you offer to all in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Station 3

Jesus appears to his disciples at the Sea of Galilee (At the Pond in the Common)

All:

We adore you, O Christ and we praise you! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection, you have redeemed the world!

Scripture Reading:

"Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish you just caught.' So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come, have breakfast.' And none of his disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are You?' because they realized it was the Lord" (John 21:10-12).

Reflection:

After the crucifixion, the apostles returned to their former way of life. Out on the familiar Sea of Galilee, these expert fishers find themselves ineffective and baffled because not even a single fish was caught. From the shore, the Risen Lord guides them and directs their nets until they are filled to overflowing. As he prepares breakfast for them, he nourishes their hearts and promises them that they can also be fed by making disciples in his name. He calls them to an entirely new way of fishing — fishing for people.

Prayer:

Father in heaven, author of all truth, a people once in darkness has listened to your Word and followed your Son as he rose from the tomb. Hear the prayer of this newborn people and strengthen your Church to answer your call. May we rise and come forth into the light of day to stand in your presence until eternity dawns. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Station 4 The Ascension (200 Clarendon St.)

All:

We adore you, O Christ and we praise you! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection, you have redeemed the world!

Scripture:

"So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs" (Mark 16:19-20).

Reflection:

The Scriptures do not portray the Ascension as a day of sadness. While still looking up at the skies, the disciples were consoled by the continuing presence of the Lord. They return to the familiar surroundings of the Upper Room, with Mary, the mother of the Lord, to pray in anticipation of their mission. In this "original novena," we continue to implore the Risen Lord to be the center of our lives and to keep us focused as a jubilant pilgrim people.

Prayer:

Eternal God, clothe us now with your power. With the eyes of our hearts enlightened, may we come to understand the immeasurable greatness of your power at work in us who believe. In that strength, may we boldly pronounce the Good News of our salvation to everyone. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Station 5 The Holy Spirit Descends at Pentecost (In the Church)

All:

We adore you, O Christ and we praise you! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection, you have redeemed the world!

Scripture Reading: "...Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim" (Acts 2: 2-4).

Reflection: The power of the Holy Spirit drives the disciples from the Upper Room into the streets and marketplace. The Spirit compels them to take the message everywhere, in places familiar and unfamiliar, not stopping until they reach the ends of the world. We have been clothed with the same Spirit. We are called to be evangelizers and witnesses, near and far, wherever we go. The Spirit always goes before us, preparing the way and strengthening our hearts to be generous servants of the Risen Lord who ever guides us. Pentecost is an enduring and continuing event. We implore the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth by renewing us.

Prayer: Father in heaven, through this spiritual journey, you have reminded us of the fullness of the mystery of your revealed love. See your people gathered in prayer, open to receive the Spirit's flame. May it come to rest in our hearts and disperse the divisions of word and tongue. With one voice and one song, may we praise your name in joy and thanksgiving. Grant this through Christ our Lord, and in the power of the Spirit, both now and forevermore. Amen.

We are grateful for the resources provided by St Gregory's Roman Catholic Church in Preston, England.



Pentecost is May 28. It is also Godparent Sunday!
Wear red and bring your Godparents with you
to the 10 am service and enjoy a special reception
following the service.

Learn more at trinitychurchboston.org/calendar.

TODAY

Celebration of New Music Ministry

Sun., May 21, 2-4 pm, Church & Undercroft



Forum Hour: Intergenerational Stations of the Resurrection

Sun., May 21, 11:15 am, meet on Copley Porch

Join us for prayers and intentional stations through our neighborhood to reflect on signs of God's resurrection in our midst as we continue our journey in faith towards Pentecost Sunday and marvel at God's grace and mercy around us. With readings and prayers as we encounter God at work for the good in the world around us.

NEXT SUNDAY

Tutu Travel Seminar Pilot Team with the Revs. Michael Battle & Abi Moon

Sun., May 28, 11:15 am, Forum

This January, a small group of Trinity parishioners and staff travelled to Cape Town, South Africa, with our Theologian-in-Community, the Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, for the "Tutu Travel Seminar" program Michael leads twice annually. This pilot team now looks forward to sharing their experience with the congregation, stoking enthusiasm, and inspiring participation in the next seminars; scheduled for this August and January of 2024. Following a presentation and travelogue, the group will sit with Morgan for "Coffee and Conversation".



Trinity Sunday (**) of Service

All Ages Invited to Pack Meals for EndHungerNewEngland

Fri., Jun. 2-Sun., Jun. 4, Various times, Church

On Trinity Sunday, June 4, we will celebrate our parish feast day by sharing a feast with hungry neighbors in need via our first ever "Trinity Sunday of Service" (a twist on the last two years' "Trinity Sunday of Giving")!

All ages are invited to join in a parish-wide meal packing volunteer event that Trinity will host in partnership with both EndHungerNewEngland and international groups working in Ukraine. With your help, we will pack 50,000 meals in a single day for distribution to those in need.

There are many opportunities to participate—from slots on Friday and Saturday to set up; on Sunday to greet, lead a packing table, join a packing table, serve food, and put it all away neatly at the end. There's a place for YOU and we are excited to welcome all for _____ this exciting day of service.



Jesus said, "Feed my sheep" (John 21:17). Sign up for a shift (or more than one) via the QR code or at trinitychurchboston.org/news and by your service, be the hands and heart of Christ in the world.

TRINITY BOSTON CONNECTS

Volunteer at Bostonians for Youth Gala

Thurs., Jun. 8, 4:30-9:30 pm, Fairmont Copley Plaza

Trinity Boston Connects (TBC) is currently seeking 13 volunteers for their 16th Annual Bostonians for Youth Gala. The roles include but are not limited to set-up/clean-up, greeters, registration, and more. Dinner and access to the event will be provided. The last day to sign up is Fri., May 26. For more info, contact Shakira Floyd

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