# **9 AM**

# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II Sunday, September 5

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



FYI: Our sister organization, Trinity Boston Connects, will host a virtual gala, Bostonians for Youth, on Tues., 9/14, from 6-7:30 pm.

Learn more at trinityconnects.org/bfy



# **NEW TO TRINITY?**



Whether you're new among us or you've been worshiping here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for

faith here at Trinity.

Fill out the form at trinitychurchboston.org/ **welcome** so we can get to know you better. You can also scan the QR code to get to the form.



# **GET INVOLVED**

# Join the Trinity Choir!

Love to sing? The Trinity Choir is an opportunity for adults and teens to make music to God's glory, surrounded by a loving, supportive, fun community — in service to a larger community, the church. Trinity choir members represent a range of ability and experience. The commitment is a 2-hour weeknight rehearsal and a Sunday worship service, preceded by a 1-hour rehearsal. Step one is a chat and singing a hymn or two with Richard and Colin. Contact Marissa Hall, mhall@ trinitychurchboston.org

# Register for Church School

Registration for Children's Ministries is now online. Even if you have registered in years past, please help us be sure we have the most up-to-date information. Questions, or need a hard copy? Contact Cathy Portlock Pacitto, cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org.



# Re-gather / Re-connect / Re-discover

Sundays, 9/12, 9/19, and 9/26, Church porches & grounds, 10 am & 6 pm



Join fellow Trinitarians of every age for some long-delayed joy out in the fresh air on Sunday mornings and at the close of the day. Mindful of current COVID restrictions, we've planned fellowship and formation to be out of doors or sheltered by our porches. All programming welcomes all ages. Families may opt to stay together or participate in activities or small group conversations individually.

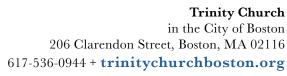
**Sept. 12: Re-gathering** Come and have breakfast or a breakfast sandwich — while we visit with each other, play some classic summer lawn games, craft a "word bracelet," hear some live music or script a prayer for our outdoor prayer wall. We'll have suitable "late day" snacks for those joining us after worship at 5 pm.

**Sept. 19: Re-connecting** How do we begin to tell each other about these 19 months of "alone together" as God's people? What would you put into a time capsule to tell the Trinity Church parish of 2071 about our lives and experiences of 2020/2021? We invite you to bring an object— or a picture of an object — to church with you on this Sunday to share in a small group conversation with other parishioners about the history we have lived through since March 2020.

**Sept. 26: Re-discovering** If we're lucky, we have some chances to learn a lot about each other in the course of "being church" — but it's a process that usually takes months or years! In a fun and largely silent group exercise, we'll try out a new way of "surfacing the narratives" — and re-discovering what a varied and surprising assortment of people call Trinity Church their home each week.







#### WORD OF GOD

 $Prelude \ `Oba\, Nla\, Ni' \\$ 

Ayo Oluranti, 1998

Welcome

Hymn 657 'Love divine, all loves excelling'



Worship at Trinity

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

Note on today's soloist

Ifeanyi Epum is noted for his warm voice, polished musicianship and versatility. Born in Lagos, Nigeria, he delved into classical music by chance after he was mandated to join the church choir as part of requirements for confirmation. He regularly attended music workshops and had his first lesson from the church's choir master.

Owing to his passion for music, he was admitted to Delta State University, Abraka, Nigeria where he obtained a degree in music and was awarded the best undergraduate student in the faculty of arts.

As a soloist, he performed with the music society of Nigeria and Laz Ekwueme Chorale, exploring the works of Handel, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Mendelssohn and works of Nigerian composers like Laz Ekwueme, Ayo Bankole, Sam Ojukwu, S.K Oretimehin. Ifeanyi has worked with renowned Nigerian composers like Laz Ekwueme, Emaka Nwokedi, Ayo Bankole(inr) and German cellist and composer Michael Volhardt. He also won the first prize for the Kingsley Inupe Idegun Award for Countertenors.

Ifeanyi is currently pursuing a master's degree in voice and opera at Longy School of Music of Bard College. He will join the Trinity Choir as an alto staff singer in September. Welcome, Ifeanyi!

# 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.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### Reading Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.

The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

The Word of the Lord.

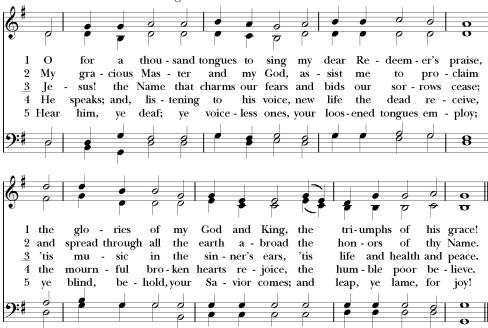
Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 125

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, \*
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
The hills stand about Jerusalem; \*
so does the Lord stand round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.
The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway
over the land allotted to the just, \*
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good \*
and to those who are true of heart.
As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; \*
but peace be upon Israel.

We will pray the psalm in unison.

Hymn 493 'O for a thousand tongues'



6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

Gospel Mark 7:24-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

#### Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Dr. William W. Rich, Vicar

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Prayers of the People

For peace, for courage, and for your presence, we pray to you, Lord God:

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For our local communities, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For those who live in danger, sorrow, or fear;

For all who labor to end tyranny, bigotry, and violence.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For those who suffer for the sake of our comfort.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For the ministries of all the baptized;

For all who serve God in the Church.

Additional prayers are offered.

## The Peace

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

#### Announcements

#### HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory 'There is a balm in Gilead' arr. Joseph Jennings (b. 1954)

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus, And say, "He died for all."

TEXT: TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL

# The Great Thanksgiving

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

... 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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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.

To make a gift online, please click here or use the QR code below to be taken to the secure form on our website.



Alternatively, you may also give in-person via the basket passed during the Offertory.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

#### AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

# The Lord's Prayer

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.

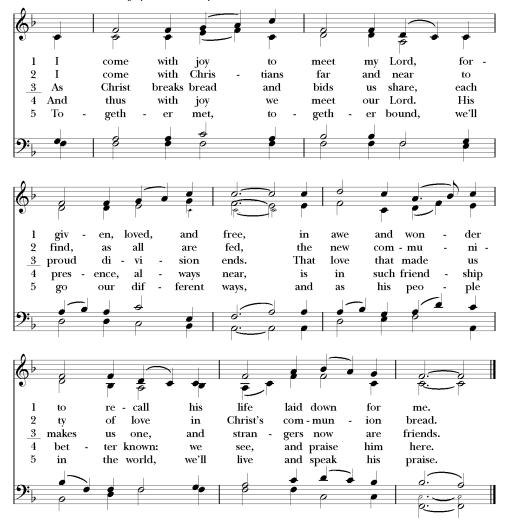
#### Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Hymn 304 'I come with joy to meet my Lord'



#### Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessing

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Hymn 618 'Ye watchers and ye holy ones'



#### Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

