

10 AM

MORNING PRAYER, RITE II
Sunday, November 27
The First Sunday of Advent



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



TrinityEvents

Prepare the Way of the Lord: As we enter this season of preparation for the coming of Christ, we invite you to make your pledge to support the work of "God-with-us" in 2023.



Visit trinitychurchboston.org/2023-annual-pledge to make your pledge

TODAY

All-Ages Advent Morning: Wreath-Making & Warm Drinks

Sun., 11/27,
11:15 am, Commons

We invite Trinitarians of every age to gather after our 10 am service for our Advent wreath-making event. Greens will be provided, and a supply of Advent candles and wreath forms will be available. Feel free to bring your own as well. Coffee, cocoa, and cookies, too!

During wreath-making, a pop-up Shop will have Trinity-themed Christmas decorations available for purchase. All proceeds support the ministries of Trinity Church.



THIS WEEK

T-n-T Ice Skating at the Frog Pond

Sat., 12/3, 10 am - 12 noon, Frog Pond

Join T-n-T (Twenties & Thirties) for Ice Skating on the Frog Pond on the Boston Common! If you are under 58" tall you get in for free; if you are taller than that it is \$8 to skate and \$15 for rentals (or you can bring your own skates!) See you there!

Contact the Rev. Abi Moon, amoon@trinitychurchboston.org

LOOKING AHEAD

Community Breakfast & Call for Helping Hands

Sun., 12/4, 9 am, Commons

Enjoy a hot breakfast with the Trinity community between the morning services. All are welcome!



Many hands make light work. Whether you like to set tables or dice onions, there is something for you! Email Paige Fisher to volunteer at pfisher@trinitychurchboston.org or scan the QR code to go to the SignUpGenius link.

MUSIC

Free and Paid Messiah Tickets Available

Sun., 12/11, 2 pm, Church

Begin your holiday season with Boston's only performance of Handel's masterpiece in a sacred setting. The Trinity Choirs, soloists, and orchestra perform George Frideric Handel's *Messiah* (Part the First). The program begins with British Christmas works of the twentieth-century, Benjamin Britten's beloved "Ceremony of Carols" and Gerald Finzi's "In Terra Pax."



Free and paid tickets are available at trinitychurchboston.org/news or scan the QR code to go directly to the Eventbrite ticket page.

Forum Series: Giving Thanks for God Among Us

Sundays, 12/4, 12/11, and 12/18, 11:15 am, Forum

Every Advent we welcome the arrival of "Immanuel," the God who came among us. During the upcoming season we will give thanks for the presence of this Holy One during the wild year now nearly passed: on December 4, **looking back on our worship life**, from inside to outside and from our pews to English cathedrals; on December 11, **hearing from our partner organization Trinity Boston Connects** about their work to heal the traumatic impact of systemic racism in our city; and on December 18, **giving thanks for our ministries** with children, youth, and their families. While the pandemic challenged every molecule of our common life, come and find inspiration by reminders of all the creative ways God kept arriving among us in 2022!



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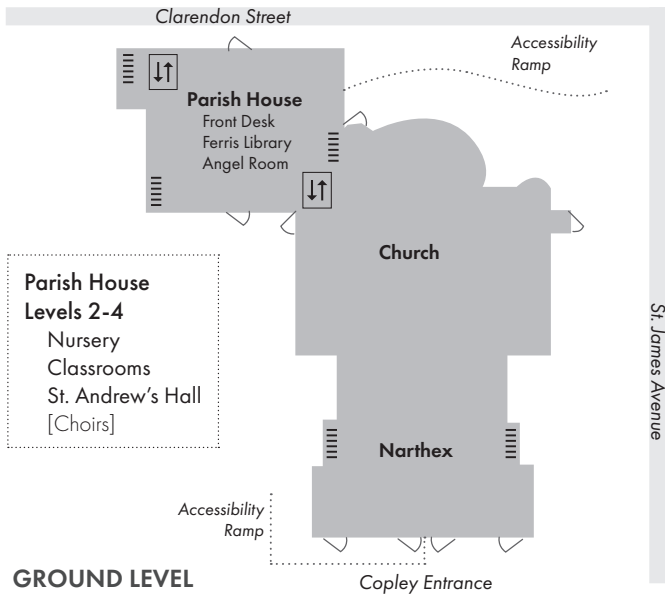
WELCOME



Whether you're new among us or you've been worshipping here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for faith at Trinity.

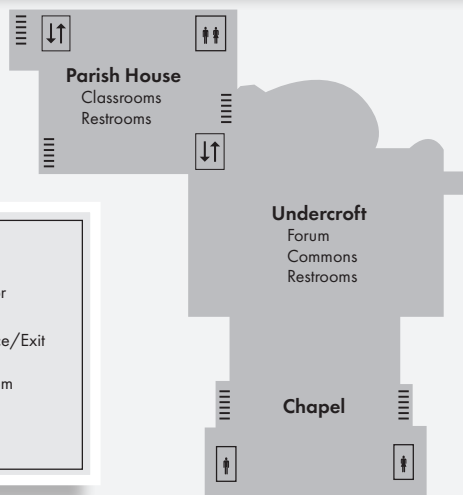
Complete the short Welcome Form at trinitychurchboston.org/welcome (or scan the QR code) so we can get to know you better.

FINDING YOUR WAY



Parish House Levels 2-4
Nursery
Classrooms
St. Andrew's Hall
[Choirs]

GROUND LEVEL



LOWER LEVEL

Legend

- Elevator
- Entrance/Exit
- Restroom
- Stairs

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 *indoor, masks welcomed and encouraged.*

- 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](https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)
- 11:15 am** Formation for All Ages
- 5 pm** Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Weekday Worship at Trinity

Tues/Thurs.

- 8:30 pm** Online Compline
join us on Zoom at bit.ly/tcbTTCompline
☎ or dial in with **1-646-558-8656** and enter Meeting ID **206 654 379**

Weds.

- 5:45 pm** Choral Evensong (**returns 11/30**)
indoor, led by the Trinity Choristers

Vestry

Chris Allen ('23) • Christine Arcese ('26) • Christopher Atwood ('26) • Barbara Dortch-Okara ('25) • Richard Henderson ('26) • Vincent W. James ('24) • Sarah E. McGinty ('24) • Mark Morrow ('23) • Niven Narain ('26) • Chuku Chijioko Okoli ('25) • Christopher Parris ('23) • Constance Perry ('24) • Peter Renner ('25) • Olaf J. Thorp ('24) • Pam Waterman ('25) • Ania Wiecekowski ('23)

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. Abi Moon, *Senior Associate*

Vestry can be reached at bit.ly/TrinityVestry

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



Tours

First & Last Sundays
11:30 am
- **3:30 pm**

Tues- Sat
10 am - 4:30 pm

Trinity Church offers self-guided, docent-led, and audio tours. Considered one of ten buildings that changed America, Trinity Church is an architectural masterpiece including its unique collection of stained-glass 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.

OPENING RITE

Prelude ‘*Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 659’
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Introit ‘*Matin Responsory*’
G.P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

Hymn 56 ‘O come, O come, Emmanuel’ v 1-4

Sentences of Scripture

Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name.
Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

Worship at Trinity

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

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

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

The service of Holy Eucharist begins on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Children’s Gospel pages and crayons are available in baskets in both the Copley narthex and the Clarendon vestibule. Kindly return crayons at the end of the service.

The liturgy for Morning Prayer begins on p. 75 in The Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

Invitatory

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Sung by all.

Peo-ple, look East. The time is near of the crown-ing of_ the
year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim_ the hearth and set_ the
ta - ble. Peo- ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the guest is on_ the way.



*I was glad when they said to me, **

“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Now our feet are standing *

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city *

that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, *

the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.

For there are the thrones of judgment, *

the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *

“May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls *

and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, *

I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the Lord our God, *

I will seek to do you good.”

THE LESSONS

Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 13 'Benedictus es, Domine'



- 1 O be joyful in the¹Lord all ye¹lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his¹presence¹with a¹song. [Ant.]
 - 2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not¹we our¹selves; *
we are his¹people and the¹sheep of his¹pasture. [Ant.]
 - 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his¹courts with¹praise; *
be thankful unto¹him and speak¹good of his¹Name. [Ant.]
 - 4 For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is¹ever¹lasting; *
and his truth endureth from gener¹ation to¹gener¹ation. [Ant.]
- Glory to the Father, and¹to the¹Son, *
and¹to the¹Holy¹Spirit:
As it was in the be¹ginning, is¹now, *
and¹will be for¹ever. A¹men. [Ant.]

Reading Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 444 'Blessed be the God of Israel'

During this hymn, preschool and elementary-aged children may meet members of our Children's Ministries staff beneath the pulpit to travel to the Forum for an age-appropriate children's homily. Our Director of Children's Ministries, Cathy Portlock Pacitto, will then lead the children's return to the sanctuary during The Presentation.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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.

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.

Collects are prayers that "collect" our intentions for any given occasion. In addition to the "Collect of the Day," additional collects appropriate for this Sunday may be offered.

Collects & Intercessions

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Peace

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

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn 68 'Rejoice! Rejoice, believers'

Sermon The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, *Senior Associate*

Offertory

Anthem 'O Thou the central Orb'

Charles Wood (1886-1926)

O Thou the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most high, Eternal light of this our wintry world,
Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, Hope soars above, above.
Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.
Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel,
as Thy sight gives measur'd grace to each, Thy power to prove.
Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day,
In fellowship with Thee, transforming day to souls while ere unclean,
now pure within, now pure within. Amen.

TEXT: H.R. BRAMLEY (1833-1917)

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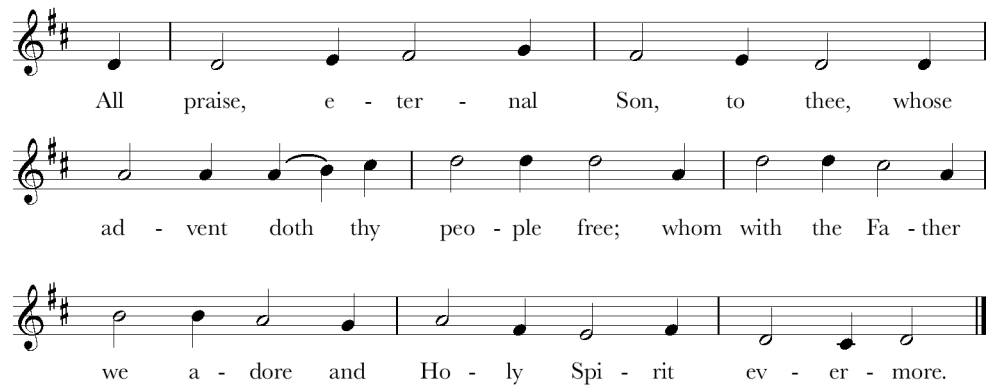
All we have and all we are is of God, and everyone has a faithful offering to make. All gifts received today will support Trinity's ministry, empower our service to the community, and sustain our historic buildings.

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.

The Presentation



All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose
ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther
we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

A General Thanksgiving

Accept, O Lord,

our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things.

Amen.

Blessing

Hymn 57 'Lo! He comes, with clouds descending'

The Dismissal 'Vesper Responsory'
G.P. da Palestrina

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude '*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*, BWV 645'
J.S. Bach