



Welcome

to Trinity Church

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. (Palm Sunday liturgy, Book of Common Prayer)

We are entering Holy Week, the Church's yearly pilgrimage with Jesus to the foot of the Cross and to the Empty Tomb. Holy Week begins and ends in joy, but between Palm Sunday's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem and the Resurrection of Easter, we walk with Jesus toward Calvary. As we journey with Jesus, the events of those fateful days come alive inside us and in the midst of our church community. I know that everyone cannot be present for every service, but I encourage you to attend as many as you can. Monday through Saturday, between Palm Sunday and Easter, we will have daily services at 7 pm, as well as an additional noon liturgy on Good Friday and prayers on Holy Saturday morning.

Holy Week is about remembrance, but not just sharing a memory. We re-member the story by placing ourselves in the midst of the events, through our liturgies. We worship an incarnate God, a God who became human, and as we walk with Jesus, we become part of the story. The Crucifixion and Resurrection were events in history, but they also come alive inside us and in the midst of our community when we remember them. As we journey with Jesus to the Cross, we stand in solidarity with all those who suffer around the world. Through our worship and service, prayer and action, we join with God in co-creating a new reign of peace and human flourishing, one in which we can wave hosannas and cry "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord."

Peace,
Chase

Worship at Trinity

Powerful, joyful and Spirit-filled worship that is reverent, warm and inviting, with uplifting music and preaching!

Sundays:

8 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church
A gentle, said service (no music)

10 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church
Joyous, sung music

Monday-Friday:

7:30 AM Morning Prayer said in the home M - F
Resources available at www.TrinityNJ.com/Worship

7:30 AM Friday - Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Wednesdays:

6:30 PM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
Healing Service first Wednesday of the month

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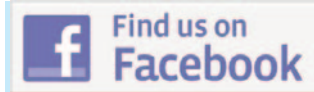
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Trinity Basics

PASTORAL SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS: Contact Jill Osis in the parish office for all non-emergency pastoral needs: Baptisms, the rite of Reconciliation of a Penitent (personal confession & counsel), Blessing of Marriage & Unions, communion for the sick and homebound, or visits to the hospital.

PANTRY & COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN: The Trinity Food Pantry is open Tuesdays from 10:30AM-1PM and on Saturday, a hot, sit-down meal is served from 11:30AM-12:30PM.

Questions? Contact Derek at Derek@TrinityNJ.com.

CHOIRS: Find out about our dynamic and growing choirs, contact Dr. Deborah Simpkin King at Deborah@TrinityNJ.com for information!

PARISH LEADERSHIP (*Vestry*):

Bill Presutti (warden) Carol Scollay (warden)
Brice Byham, Gregory Curatolo, Donna Griffin, Wendy Jaghab, Mary Perez, James Pillar, Andy Place, Maria Tassiello, and Adrienne Wert You may contact the vestry at: vestrywardens@trinitynj.com

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Parish Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week:

Faye Hudson	Anderson	Arlene	Pat
Jackie Campanelli	Isla	Kate Wynne	Tom
Manal Mille	Annette	Christine Faughnan	Family of Lauren Lagoeiro
*Denzel Donaldson	Mikey Crescenti	Cathy Rothfuss	Arlene Whalen

If you would like to be added to the prayer list or would like to add someone else (*please get their permission first*), please email prayer@trinitynj.com or call Wendy Jaghab at 732-616-8568 by the Tuesday before you would like the name to appear in the bulletin. Names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks, and can be readded upon request.



Prayer Team Ministry. During communion, those who would like someone to pray with them are invited to come to one of the prayer stations located in the back of the church. A member of the Trinity Prayer Team will say a prayer with you for yourself or someone else. You are welcome to sit or stand during the prayer. What is said at the prayer station is held in confidence by the person who prays with you. They cannot talk with you or anyone else about your requested prayer without your permission. The only exception is a person intending to harm themselves or someone else. Questions about this ministry? Contact Joanie McCoy, leader of the Prayer Team at 908-216-5529 or 732-780-3111 or PrayerTeam@TrinityNJ.com.

Trinity Cycle of Prayer During Morning Prayer this week, we will be praying for the following Trinity Parishioners and Friends:

4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17 Amanda, Jace,	4/18
Marcia Bennett	Gail Bennett	Robert Berger	Julia, Levi, Lila, & Callan Beyer	David Blackwell & Mike Nesspor

News & Notes



The Palm Trees decorating the church this week are given by Russell Boulet in loving memory of his husband, Anthony Trachta.

Deacon Gail Celebrates 40 Years of Ordained Ministry

Today is the 40th anniversary of the Rev. Gail Bennett's ordination as a deacon. Please do share a word of congratulations with her!

Easter Flowers and Music Gifts ~ Due Today!

This Easter we invite you to make a gift to the Easter Flowers and Music fund to remember a loved one who has passed away, honor someone special in your life, or give thanks for a blessing. These gifts will support the beautiful flowers that will grace our church for our Easter celebrations and our music program that works to bring music and song into our hearts all year long. All Thanksgivings and Memorials will be printed in a special insert available both online and for in-person worship. Please use one of the envelopes on your pew to donate!

Easter Egg Hunt Prep ~ Featuring Candy! Today after the 10am Service Today!

One of our beloved traditions is to hold an Easter Egg hunt after our 10am Easter Day service. This means we need to fill hundreds of eggs with candy!! That's right, hundreds! We could use some help with this to get things prepped ahead of time. If you are able to give a little time to this project, we will gather together after the 10am service today and fill eggs. As an added incentive, we always have candy left over for snacking!

Bible Study with Fr. Geoff on Zoom ~ Mondays at 5pm on Zoom

This year the Church is reading the Gospel of Luke (Year C). Luke's primary concerns are social disparities and how the Church should address them. Continuing with the ancient scriptural tradition around the year of the Jubilee, the Gospel of Luke provides many scriptural texts that implode our middle class assumptions about wealth and poverty. We will be using Ched Myers' new commentary on the Gospel of Luke. Ched is well known for his radical discipleship in developing "Sabbath Economics" and his commentaries on the Gospel of Mark. We will meet by zoom at 5pm on Mondays. The sessions are recorded and available to interested persons. Please contact lindacurtiss@gmail.com if you are interested.

Volunteers needed for Old Monmouth Weekend, May 3 & 4

This year, as we celebrate our 150th anniversary, we will be included in the Old Monmouth Weekend when historical buildings throughout the county are open to visitors. We need volunteers to welcome and hand out information about the church to our guests. Each visitor will receive a short history of the church, information on the architecture and stained glass windows and info on a few interesting people who worshipped at Trinity over the years. They are self-guided tours, you will only hand out brochures and be available as needed. The time would be a 2 - 3 hour shift on Saturday May 3 from 10:00 - 5:00 or Sunday May 4 from 12:00 - 5:00. Please contact Dell O'Hara at Lyndell.OHara@gmail.com if you are interested in sharing our beautiful church with others on this weekend.

Upcoming Adult Education: May Book Study ~ Thursdays in May

Rev. Kelly Brown Douglas, Canon to the Washington Cathedral has written a book, *Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter*. Geoff Curtiss is interested in gathering a study group Thursday nights in May to explore her ideas. We will meet over a light supper and conversation May 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd from 6:15 to 8:00pm.

Romero Pilgrimage ~ Sunday, April 27th at 11:30am

On April 27th at 11:30am join Fr. Chase, Fr. Geoff, Linda Curtiss, Adrienne Wert and Derek Bloom after coffee hour for a report back on their trip to El Salvador with the human rights organization Cristosal. Come learn about the struggles of our siblings in El Salvador for Human, Environmental and LGBTQ rights.

Trinity Pilgrimage to El Salvador Profiled in Episcopal News Service

Last months, five Trinity clergy and parishioners attended a pilgrimage in El Salvador in honor of Oscar Romero, organized by the human rights organization Cristosal. You can read more about the trip at the Episcopal News Service website.

Cristosal's human rights work has been in the news quite a bit recently. You can watch PBS News Hour from April 8 and Democracy Now's April 8 report "Detained Without Evidence: Maryland Father Remains in El Salvador Prison After SCOTUS Ruling" (Cristosal Executive Director Noah Bullock at minute 8:49).

Volunteer Opportunities in our Feeding Programs!

On Tuesdays, our Food Pantry is looking for people to sign up to be here from 9:30am-1pm to provide hospitality and help with pantry flow. Pantry guests wait in our gym as a place for people to gather and receive hospitality while they waiting for their turn to be served. Questions? Contact Derek at Derek@trinitynj.com. Sign up to volunteer here: www.signupgenius.com/go/8050848ADAF2FA1FD0-45101754-pantry

Saturday Soup Community Meal On the first Saturday of every month, we invite you to volunteer on Trinity Saturdays from 10am till 1:30pm. Please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050848ADAF2FA1FD0-trinity1>

Notes of Sympathy

It is with sadness that we announce the death of:

Former parishioner Edward Letizia, who passed away on Friday, April 4, 2025. Ed was a former vestry member, LEM, and Hospitality Committee Chair who moved away from the area 4 years ago. Funeral arrangements are pending. Those who wish may write a card of sympathy to Ed's spouse, William Haston, and family at: William Haston, 708 W. Palm Aire Drive, Pompano Beach, Florida 33069 and

Former Chorister Keith Salazar. Keith, along with his two brothers, was a chorister here at Trinity Church for many years during his youth.

Please keep the Letizia/Haston and Salazar Families in your prayers during this difficult time. May Ed and Keith's souls, with the souls of all the departed, rest in peace with God.

Holy Week and Easter at Trinity

Maundy Thursday Night Watch ~ Thursday, April 17th beginning at 9PM

Then Jesus said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful even to death; remain here, and watch with me." (Matthew 26:38 ESV)

Join us as we keep an all-night watch in the Chapel after the Maundy Thursday service. Spend time in quiet, in prayer, in watchfulness. We take turns sitting for one hour in the chapel from Thurs, April 17th through Fri, April 18th. The watch will begin at 9pm and will end at 6am. Someone will be here at all times to let you in at the glass doors. Come and keep watch with us! Sign up at the back of the church or contact the church office!

Agape Dinner ~ Tuesday, April 15th at 7pm

Our annual Agape Dinner, hosted by the Hospitality Committee, will be Tuesday during Holy Week, April 15 at 7 pm. This dinner has become a part of Trinity's celebration of Holy Week and Easter. The Agape dinner celebrates community. The dinner is a way early Christians practiced love, agape, by responding to the needs of the community. In this tradition, we have a dinner to honor the early Church and celebrate our loving community today. Each year the Hospitality committee works to make the meal a spiritual, loving event. Please read the parable of the Great Dinner in Luke 14:15-24 to imagine the inspiration for how the early Christian community dinner was practiced. The dinner will include a liturgy as well as a meal. Sign up sheets will be in the back of the church, after the services so we can prepare for your participation. If for some reason you can't sign up after the service please call Adrienne Wert, 732-616-1775.

Children's Interactive Easter Eve Walk ~ Saturday, April 19th at 10am

Hey Trinity Kids and Friends! On Easter Eve at 10am, we will once again walk our Trinity Kids and Friends through Holy Week and Easter in an interactive program designed to bring a new understanding and meaning to Jesus's final days. We will experience and participate in each day of Holy Week as we journey through stations in the church from Jesus's entry into Jerusalem through the darkness of the tomb. We end by bursting into the light of Jesus's resurrection, where we will harvest our Alleluias that have been "growing" in our outside garden during Lent and decorate our Sunday School room with them to celebrate Easter! Of course, no Trinity Kids event would be complete without some snacks and fun & games after our journey! Please join us at 10am on Saturday, April 19th for this special event and invite your friends! We plan to finish the program at Noon. Parents have the choice of staying through the program or coming back to pick your children up at the conclusion. Questions? Contact Jill Osis at Jill@trinitynj.com.

Help Prepare the Church for Easter ~ Saturday April 19 11:45am

Join us after the 11:30am prayer service to help decorate and prepare the church for Easter!

Holy Week and Easter at Trinity! Join Us for Services This Week!

Join us as we journey through Holy Week and celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!

April 14 ~ Holy Monday; 7pm Holy Eucharist; Contemplative Conversation

April 15 ~ Agape Liturgy and Meal; 7pm Prayers and table fellowship

April 16 ~ Holy Wednesday; 7pm Tenebrae service (no Eucharist)

April 17 ~ Maundy Thursday; 7pm Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar, Foot Washing, and music; The Rev. Chase Danford preaching. Also livestreamed on our
YouTube Channel

April 18 ~ Good Friday;

7am After the All-Night Watch, Communion from the Reserved Sacrament

Noon Service of readings, prayers and reflections on the Stations of the Cross;
The Rev. Chase Danford preaching

7pm Good Friday liturgy with sermon, veneration of the Cross. and music;
The Chase Danford preaching; Also livestreamed on our YouTube Channel

April 19 ~ Holy Saturday and The Great Vigil of Easter

10am Children's Interactive Easter Eve Walk

11:30am Holy Saturday Liturgy of the Word. Brief, simple service of prayers & readings

7pm Easter Vigil and Holy Eucharist with music; The Rev. Chase Danford preaching;
Also livestreamed on our YouTube Channel

April 20 ~ Easter Sunday

6:05am Easter Sunrise Service at the Beach with homily and singing! Service will be held at the northern-most end of the Asbury Park Boardwalk in front of Asbury Tower. There is a free parking lot available.
Also livestreamed on Facebook

8am Easter Day Holy Eucharist with sermon and music;
The Rev. Chase Danford preaching

10am Festive Easter Day Holy Eucharist with choir and brass;
The Rev. Chase Danford preaching Livestreamed on our YouTube Channel.