



TRICENTENNIAL EVENSONG

THE TRINITY CHOIR

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TRINITY
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OCTOBER, 18, 2026
4:00 PM

WELCOME TO TRINITY

Whether this has been your church home for many years, or this is your first time visiting us, we hope you feel at home here. We are grateful you have chosen to be with us for worship.

The text in this bulletin is from the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Text in *red italics* provides directions or details. Congregational hymns can be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal in your pew, and music sung by the choir is indicated as such.

Restrooms are located in the buildings across the driveway. If you need help locating them, or any other assistance, please see one of our ushers who will be happy to help. Please join us for Afternoon Tea following the service in Honyman Hall.

PRELUDEOrgan Concerto in F Major
II. Andante

George Frederic Handel

WELCOME**PROCESSIONAL HYMN 28**

O blest Creator

Bromley

*The people stand in body or spirit***OPENING SENTENCES**

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.
Psalm 143.2

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
1 St. John 1.8-9

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.

Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution or Remission of sins to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing: the people still kneeling.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then likewise he shall sing, the people standing.

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Preces and Responses

Thomas Tallis

Priest. O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Priest. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

HYMN 26

O gracious Light

Conditor

The people may be seated

PSALM 115

Gerald Knight

Sung by the choir

1. Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give the praise,
for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake.
- 2 Wherefore shall the heathen say, Where is now their God?
- 3 As for our God he is in heaven he hath done whatso ever pleas'd him.
- 4 Their idols are silver and gold even the work of men's hands.
- 5 They have mouths and speak not: eyes have they, and see not.
- 6 They have ears and hear not: noses have they, and smell not.
- 7 They have hands and handle not; feet have they and walk not neither speak they through their throat.
- 8 They that make them are like unto them: and so are all such as put their trust in them.
- 9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he is our succour and defence.
- 10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the LORD: he is their helper and defender.
- 11 Ye that fear the LORD, put your trust in the LORD: he is their helper and defender.
- 12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: and he shall bless us;
even he shall bless the house of Israel; he shall bless the house of Aaron.
- 13 He shall bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.
- 14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.
- 15 Ye are blessed of the LORD who made heaven and earth.
- 16 All the whole heav'ns are the LORD's: the earth hath he given to the children of men.
- 17 The dead praise not thee, O LORD, neither all they that go down into silence.
- 18 But we will praise the LORD from this time forth for evermore. Praise the LORD.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON**ECCLESIASTICUS 4:1-10**

My child, do not cheat the poor of their living, and do not keep needy eyes waiting. Do not grieve the hungry, or anger one in need. Do not add to the troubles of the desperate, or delay giving to the needy. Do not reject a suppliant in distress, or turn your face away from the poor. Do not avert your eye from the needy, and give no one reason to curse you; for if in bitterness of soul some should curse you, their Creator will hear their prayer. Endear yourself to the congregation; bow your head low to the great. Give a hearing to the poor, and return their greeting politely. Rescue the oppressed from the oppressor; and do not be hesitant in giving a verdict. Be a father to orphans, and be like a husband to their mother; you will then be like a son of the Most High, and he will love you more than does your mother.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MAGNIFICAT FOR 8 VOICES

Carl Theodore Pachelbel

Sung by the choir

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
 For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.
 And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
 He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.
 He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers,
 Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. **Amen.**

SECOND LESSON**1 CORINTHIANS 11:1-13**

Ido not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Orlando Gibbons

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Sung by all, standing in body or spirit.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
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'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.

SUFFRAGES

Thomas Tallis

Responses will be sung by the choir.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; **And grant us thy salvation.**

Endue thy ministers with righteousness; **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

Lord, keep this nation under thy care; **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Let thy way be known upon earth; **Thy saving health among all nations.**

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Create in us clean hearts, O God; **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Then round about the starry throne (Samson)

Handel

During the Anthem a collection will be received for the music of the church.

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www.trinitynewport.org/give. or scan the QR code

**A PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND PEOPLE**

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon our Bishops, and Curates, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Said by all, standing.

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN 24

The day thou gavest

St. Clement

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in A major

William Selby

Please join us for Afternoon Tea in the Hawes Room following the service.

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**Please join us for our weekly worship services
Sundays at 8 & 10 a.m.
Wednesdays at noon**

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A MUSIC NOTE

From L. Frederick Jodry

Tonight as we observe the 300th Anniversary of this venerable building, we celebrate Evensong using the language of the 1662 Prayer Book, in use in this church throughout the 18th Century. Most of the music has associations with this Parish. When the organ was sent over from England as a gift from Dean George Berkeley in 1733, there was a real conundrum - organs were not permitted in any New England (Puritan) churches, and who could be found to unpack the 20 shipping cases, and then assemble the instrument? Most fortuitously, a German organist had emigrated to Boston, and was advertising his services as teacher of harpsichord and spinet in the newspaper, one Carl Theodore Pachelbel. He was the son of Johann Pachelbel, associate of J. S. Bach, author of the famous Canon in D (much beloved of 20th C. Brides!) He was convinced to travel to Newport to set up and tune the organ. He was then also hired as organist in 1733, and served for several years before travelling South, opening a Singing School in Charleston and becoming the organist at St. Phillips church in 1740. This double-choir Magnificat is one of his very few surviving musical pieces - most of his music was lost in a fire at St. Philips after his death in 1750.

It was, and still is customary to set up an organ before shipping, and make certain that it is in perfect working order. We expect to have the Open House for our new Organ on Saturday Nov 14th at the Fisk Shop in Gloucester Mass. All are welcome to visit and see, hear or PLAY the new organ from 1-4 pm that day! Mr. Bridge, the noted organ builder in London who built our first organ did likewise - where it was noted that the organ was "touch'd and approv'd by eminent masters". Legend holds that Handel, who was a friend of Mr. Bridge was one of those who tested the instrument, but other likely candidates include Maurice Greene of St. Paul's and the Chapel Royal, or John Blow, organist at Westminster Abbey. There is no proof either way - but Handel certainly COULD have tried out the organ, so we include some of Handel's music today. The closing Voluntary is by William Selby, another Englishman who emigrated to the Colonies, and was organist here at Trinity in the 1770s.

A footnote in a book on Berkeley in Newport mentioned a letter about our organ in the Archives of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. While on sabbatical in England a year ago, I tracked down these archives, now housed in the Library of Cambridge University - and where the Librarians could not have been more helpful. I was hoping for a description of what sort of organ had been ordered, and some notion of the layout or design, but instead was delighted to find the shipping letter written to our Rector Mr. Honyman, with a touching blessing upon the instrument. This follows below - with it's charmingly free use of Capital Letters, and an 18th Century fondness for contractions!

To the Rev^d
M^r Honeyman
at Newport in
Rhode Island

J. E. Newman
Barklets Buildings
London. 19th Oct. 1739

Rev^d Sir

This Day I ship'd on Board the Godfrey Capt Draper of
Your Town a fine new Organ made on Purpose for your Church by
order of the Rev^d M^r Dean Berkeley I have a letter from ye
Dean for You to send in the Ship that carries the Organ by whom
I shall send particular Directions how to put it up in Your Church
where I hope it may be long us'd to the Glory of God in celebrating
his Praises by the Harmony and Fervour it may add to the
Devotions of those who attend Your Congregation.

It has been touch'd and approv'd of by some of the most Eminent
Masters in London but not by so many as I intended being oblig'd

*From the Archives of Cambridge University, England

Dear Sir

This day I shipp'd on board the Godfrey Capt'n Draper of Your Town, a fine new Organ made on Purpose by order of the Rev'd Mr. Dean Berkley. I have a letter from ye Dean on the Ship that carries the Organ by whom I shall send particular Directions how to put it up in your Church, where I hope it may long be us'd to the Glory of God in celebrating his Praises by the Harmony and Fervour it may add to the Devotions of those who attend your Congregation.

It has been touch'd and approv'd of by some of the most Eminent Masters in London, but not by so many as I intended being oblig'd (to pack and ship it earlier than I had intended.).

FALL 2026 EVENTS MUSIC AT TRINITY

The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower, Rector
Michael Bahmann & Frederick Jodry, Co-Directors of Music



Sun., Oct 18, 4pm — Tricentennial Evensong

Music of Trinity Composers: Pachelbel & Selby
Bishop Nicholas Knisely, Officiant. Afternoon Tea to follow

Sun., Nov 1, 10am — Choral Mass for All Saints

Music by Sumsion and Handel

Sun., Dec 20, 4pm — Christmas on The Hill

Lessons & Carols, held at St. George's School Chapel
Choir School of Newport County & Trinity Choir

Thurs., Dec 24 — Candlelight Mass for Christmas Eve

4 pm Family Service with Pageant
8:45 Prelude - 9 pm Festive Choral Eucharist

TRICENTENNIAL ORGAN EVENTS

Sat. Nov 14 - 10 -5 pm Open House at the Fisk shop

Come to CB Fisk Co. in Gloucester MA
to see, hear – and play! – our new organ
before it is packed up and shipped!

Sun., Jan 10, 2027 — Arrival of The New Organ

Come help us celebrate at noon - and carry in some pipes!

Trinity Church, Newport, One Queen Anne Square