

The Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

On Sunday we will observe the Day of Pentecost. It's one of the great feast days of the church, when we remember that the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples. The occasion is often seen as the birth of the church. This Spirit is the breath of God that rushes like wind upon them, breathing new life into the movement that Jesus started. On Pentecost, we celebrate the power of this Spirit, who fills us with God's love.

For over twenty years, the Rev. Gail Bennett has been an instrument of the Spirit here at Trinity Church, a person who deeply embodies the love of Christ and faithfully shares it with everyone she meets. Next Sunday she retires after 40 years of ordained ministry as a deacon. While we are not saying goodbye, it is time to celebrate her as she begins a new chapter in her life and ministry.

Next week we will celebrate the legacy of this parish that Deacon Gail loves so dearly. A week after Pentecost marks the birth of the Christian Church, Trinity Sunday will be the celebration of the birth of Trinity Church in Asbury Park. We will be honoring 150 years of ministry to the Jersey Shore community, and we will look toward a bright future. Bishop French will be here to preside and preach at both services, and at 10 am she will confirm and receive a number of youth and adults into the Episcopal Church. We expect a big turnout at 10, so plan to give yourself plenty of time for parking. Please leave the lot open for people with mobility challenges and first time visitors, and carpool, bike, or walk if you can. Arrive early, and you'll probably hear magnificent music being rehearsed by our choir, joined by a brass and timpani ensemble. In the meantime, we have another festive day this weekend. In addition to Pentecost and Deacon Gail, we will be honoring our Sunday school and nursery leaders and our choir.

At the conclusion of our worship, we will go out into the world and rejoice in the power of the Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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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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):

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Parish Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week:

Faye Hudson Family of Lauren Lagoeiro Peggy McGinn Loni Hulse Jackie Campanelli Arlene Whalen Denzel Donaldson Tom Donahue

Manal Miller Ariel Mike Mack Jen

Stephanie Diane Christ Episcopal Church, Melody Phillips Margaret Jones Roxanne Coghan Toms River Miles Lagstein

Miles Jack Napolitano Gregory Curatolo Sylvia



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:

6/9 6/10 6/11 6/12 6/13

Connie Dupras Stanley Ellison Jerry Fargo Rachel Farrell Leslie Feingold

News & Notes

Celebrating Deacon Gail's 20+ Years at Trinity Today!

Today at coffee hour following the 10 am service, we will celebrate the Rev. Gail Bennett's more than twenty years of service as parish deacon at Trinity (and forty years of ordained ministry!). Deacon Gail will be retiring from active ministry following Trinity Sunday's 150th anniversary celebration on June 15. There's so much happening that day, and we want to make sure to have a special opportunity to celebrate Deacon Gail, so come for refreshments, fellowship, and brief remarks after the 10am service today!

Hey Kids, Summer is Almost Here!

The end of the school year is upon us and so is the end of our regular children and youth program year! Today is Pentecost Sunday and we will hold our last regular Sunday School class of this year. It's been an amazing year of learning, spiritual growth, and connecting with one another. We are also celebrating our teachers today and thanking them for their hard work and guidance all year long! Next Sunday, 6/15 (Trinity Sunday), we will have the Sunday School room open for games and crafts during service as it will be a bit longer of a service with Confirmations, Receptions, and our 150th Anniversary celebration. As always, our nursery remains open year round from 9:45 until the end of the 10am service.

Wednesday Bible Sharing ~ Wednesdays at 5pm

Please come join us on Wednesdays at 5pm as we read scripture and discuss how it relates to our lives now! Beginners always welcome! Questions call Joanie @ 908-216-5529

Diocesan Pride Service: June 22 in Lambertville

The third annual Diocese of New Jersey Pride Eucharist will be held on Sunday, June 22 at 4 pm at St. Andrew's Church in Lambertville. All are invited to celebrate the LGBTQ+ individuals and ministries in our diocese.

Coffee Hour in the Gym/Auditorium Today and Next Sunday!

With many celebrationshapeningp in the next two weeks, we will be holding our coffee hour in the gym on both today and Trinity Sunday, 6/15. Join us for refreshments and celebrations!

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In 2025, Trinity Church celebrates 150 years of serving the community!



All are invited to join us on Trinity Sunday, June 15th, for a special celebration.

Church service at 10am with reception to follow.



Social Sips: A Summer Cocktail/Mocktail Party for a Cause! July 15th at 5pm at Watermark

The Trinity Center for Community invites you to join us for an evening of hors d'oeuvres and cocktails/mocktails with a beautiful view of the ocean at Watermark on the Asbury Park Boardwalk. We gather together from 5-8pm to support the Trinity Center for Community and our program successes! Tickets are \$95 each and can be purchased by going to www.trinitynj.com/socialsips or using the QR Code to the left. Deadline to purchase is July 1st.

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. Please contact lindacurtiss@gmail.com if you are interested.

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

How Can I Help? ~ Volunteer and Worship Opportunities at Trinity

We have many opportunities to volunteer during worship here at Trinity! Here are a few of the ministries that we are recruiting volunteers for at this time:

Greeters: It feels great to be greeted by a friendly, welcoming face whether its your first time or your 100th time attending! Greeters at the 8 & 10am service welcome those attending, answer questions, and hand out name tags. **LEMs:** Lay Eucharistic Ministers assist in worship. They may carry the torches, cross, or Gospel Book. They assist at the altar by acting as acolytes, and distribute the wine and grape juice at communion.

Counters: We need a few more people to join our counting team! Counters come in on Tuesdays at 10am and count the weekly collection from services and prepare the deposit. You will be scheduled approximately once every 3 weeks and it only takes about an hour. Come join this friendly, important ministry!

Gardens & Grounds: Do you like to dig in the dirt? Come spend some time weeding and caring for our gardens and grounds. You can come whenever you like for as long as you like! Interested? Email us at office@trinitynj.com