



Welcome

to Trinity Church

The Sixth Sunday
after Pentecost

July 5, 2026

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Collect for Independence Day, Book of Common Prayer)

Happy Fourth of July weekend! This year, the United States celebrates the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. It is a significant birthday for our nation, although controversies in Washington have tarnished the occasion for many. Independence Day is actually an official holiday (or "feast day") in the Episcopal Church, which itself was born as a result of the American Revolution, when Anglicans in the colonies needed to figure out how to organize themselves outside the authority of the Crown. The above Collect for Independence Day will be read during Sunday services, and we will have the opportunity to reflect on the occasion in the sermon and Adult Education forum.

On Wednesday, July 1, the midweek evening service observed the transferred feast of Independence Day. The appointed lectionary texts include a reading from the Gospel of Matthew's Sermon on the Mount. In it, Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

In a time of national division, Jesus' words are clear: love your neighbor and love your enemy. In the end, an enemy is just another neighbor. An enemy may bear ill will, but the true enemy is not that individual but what is going on under the surface that keeps us from recognizing our common humanity. To be perfect, just as God is perfect is quite a challenge, but it helps when we look at the original Greek. Perfect means complete. Be complete, as your heavenly Parent is complete. How are we complete? Through love. When we love one another, the community is more complete, and we are more complete as individuals. My prayer for this significant national anniversary is that we love one another. As Americans who cherish liberty and strive to create a more perfect Union, and as human beings who are all children of God.

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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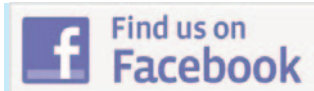
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Trinity Basics

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) Wendy Jaghab (warden)
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Parish Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week:

Jackie Campanelli	Michael Isaccson	Laura Bentivegna
Manal Miller	Mona	Lisa Boyer
Stephanie	Grace Couluris-Woodruff	Pearson Family
Margaret Jones	Barbara Muzychka	Haupt Family
Miles	Tom Dempsey	Fred Tagliarini
Denzel Donaldson	Dianne & Debbie	
Gregory Curatolo	Candace Lindh	

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

6/29	6/30	7/1	7/2	7/3
Bill Presutti	Jennifer, Jessica, & Ari Quimby	Lucy and Rick Ragoza	Lucille Raiola & Mary Murphy	David & Nancy Read

News & Notes

Adult Education Today at 9 am:

Getting to Know You: Faith and Freedom

As we commemorate the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, the Rev. Tiff Campbell will lead a discussion on "Faith and Freedom," exploring the religious and political convictions of the Founders through their own statements. One question we will discuss is whether separation of church and state also means separation of faith and politics. We will reflect on what the faith of the Founders means for our country today. In the multipurpose classroom at 9 am.

Upcoming Adult Education Classes:

July 12: Author discussion: Jolyon Pruszinski, *Anglican Slavery in NJ*

July 19: Anglican Slavery in NJ continued

July 26: Episcopal Peace Fellowship meeting

Adult Education Next Sunday: Slavery and Anglicanism in New Jersey

Princeton University scholar Jolyon Pruszinski will lead us in a conversation about his book *Anglican Slavery in New Jersey*. We will explore how the Anglican and early Episcopal church was complicit in the slave trade and what this legacy of enslavement and discrimination means for us today. In the multipurpose classroom at 9 am.

Ministry Coffee Hour ~ Green Team

Today's Ministry Coffee Hour is sponsored by The Green Team! Come enjoy some treats after services today and find out more about this ministry and how we can be good stewards of all creation!

Bible Study with Fr. Geoff on Zoom Will Be on Hiatus for the Month of July

News & Notes

Slow Roll & Blessing of the Bikes ~ Tuesday, July 7th at 6:30

Kick off the 2026 riding season with Trinity Church and the Asbury Park Complete Streets Coalition! Join us on Tuesday, July 7th at 6:30 PM. We will meet at the Carousel in Asbury Park, beginning the evening with a special blessing of the bikes by Fr. Chase. Afterward, we'll take a leisurely, slow-paced ride around town. All rider levels and kids are welcome! (Note: Helmets are required for riders under 17). During the event, you'll also learn more about the upcoming 8th Annual Jersey Shore Ride for Food Justice, which supports the vital community programs at the Trinity Center for Community. We hope to see you there!

Weekly Bible Sharing: Summer Potpourri ~ Wednesdays at 5pm

All Seekers please come out on Wednesdays starting this week, July 8th, for Bible Sharing over the summer! We will have a variety of activities as members take turns leading Summer Potpourri! We begin at 5pm and end in time for 6:30 mass. Questions? call Joanie @908-216-5529

Children & Youth Summer Programming

Join us on summer Sundays for "Summers at Trinity," a special movie and discussion series for our children and youth featuring Inside Out, Soul, and The Prince of Egypt. Together, we'll explore themes of faith, purpose, emotions, and the love of God. Also, on **August 2nd, & August 30th**, we will hold a Special Children's Summer Sermon Series with Father Chase (children will remain in the main service). Nursery will remain open throughout the entire summer! We look forward to a joyful summer together!

Ride With Us! 8th Annual Jersey Shore Ride for Food Justice ~ Saturday, September 12

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 12, 2026! Whether you are a casual rider or a seasoned cyclist, you are invited to join us as an individual or part of a team for a beautiful ride along the Jersey Shore. We feature three different scenic routes to choose from: 15 miles, 30 miles, or 62 miles. The ride will start and finish right here at Trinity Church in Asbury Park. Not a bike rider? You can still be a vital part of the day! We are looking for wonderful volunteers to help with registration, staff the rest stops, cheer on our cyclists, and assist with the setup and cleanup. Best of all, every mile pedaled and every hour volunteered supports the vital Food Justice Programs at the Trinity Center for Community. To register to ride, sign up to volunteer, or make a donation, scan the QR code to the left or email Dave Osis at FoodJusticeRide@gmail.com



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>

Funeral Service for Denise Pearson ~ October 10 at 11am

The Pearson Family has scheduled the Celebration of Life service for parishioner Denise Pearson on Saturday, October 10 at 11am. Please continue to keep the Pearson Family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Assistive Listening Devices Available for Use

Our sound system includes an Assistive Listening Device Unit. We have listening packs and headphones available for use during services, or bring your own headphones. Please see an usher or Verger if you'd like to use a device during services.