Trinity Church

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2026

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



We are glad you are here today.

If you are looking for a place to say your prayers, seek God, and discover companions for the journey, you are invited to be at home here. If you are new, please complete a pew card and place it in the collection plate. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to tell you about life at Trinity.

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 56 *O come, O come, Emmanuel*

THE WORD OF GOD

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) pg. 355

COLLECT FOR PURITY *(said by Presider)*

KYRIE *(BCP pg. 356)*
(8:00 am, said together)

(10:00 am, sung, S96)

THE 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 LESSONS

ISAIAH 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN WONDER, LOVE, AND PRAISE (WLP) 721
Signs of ending, all around us

THE GOSPEL MARK 13:24-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.
And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON — The Reverend Ed Dean, Deacon

THE NICENE CREED — *(BCP pg. 358)*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively saying: Hear us, Lord.
(See names on page 6 of the bulletin)

THE PEACE *(Please stand)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM — *Advent Hymn*

THE DOXOLOGY *(8:00 am said)*

All things come of thee O Lord.
And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

(10:00 am sung)

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR ANNUAL GIVING CARDS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 367)*

SANCTUS S130 — *Pew Card*

THE LORD'S PRAYER — *(BCP pg. 364)*

FRACTION WLP 877 — *Pew Card*

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION

All Christians are welcome to receive communion. You may sip from the chalice or keep the bread in your hand and the Eucharistic Minister will intinct for you. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available.

COMMUNION HYMN *(sheet)* *Prepare the way of the Lord*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *(BCP pg. 365)*

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Stewardship Moment

RECESSIONAL HYMN 68 *Rejoice! Rejoice, believers*

DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Please pray for those on our Prayer List: *Piers, Bob, Sarah, Gladys, Andrew, Joan, Emily, Melissa, Nancy, Elaine, Frank, Tim, Cindy, Vanessa, Katie, Carl, Lee-Ann, George, Becca, Bruce, Cory, Gabi, Sandy.*

Birthdays this week: Carl Hurtubise (11/30); Ginny Simms (12/1), Alexis Hazard (12/3), and Julianne Daganhardt (12/5)

Childcare provided in the nursery for the 10:00 am service.
Please join us for coffee in the Bay Room following each service.

We welcome the Reverand Ed Dean as our Preacher, and Bill Hurley, who starts as our Deacon Intern today.

For pastoral emergencies, contact Mother Susan at 401-617-0380.
For routine communication, please email Mother Susan Wrathall at rector@trinitycranston.org

PARTICIPANTS

Altar Guild: Wayne Barnes, Kelley Elderkin, Dawn O'Hara, Linda Whittaker

Presider: The Reverend Susan Wrathall
Preacher: The Reverend Ed Dean
Deacon Intern: Bill Hurley

8:00 AM		10:00 AM	
Euch. Min:	Nancy Dorsey	Euch Min:	Bill Hurley
Reader:	Theo Aschman	Reader:	Ann Walter
Acolyte:	Becca Seamans	Acolytes:	Kevin Cliff
			Rob Duncanson
			Norah Duncanson
Usher:	Tom Hogan	Usher:	Katie Duncanson
		Video:	Margaret Thomas



The flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Esther & Arsen Avedisian, Dorothy, Edward & George Heath, and Jacqueline & George Avedisian by Scott Avedisian.

IF YOU ORDERED A CHRISTMAS WREATH, PICK UP IS TODAY AFTER BOTH SERVICES.



If you would like to offer a Christmas plant in memory, or in thanksgiving, of a loved one, please fill out the form found in the back of the church and put it in the offering plate. The suggested donation is $25. The deadline to have names printed in the Christmas bulletin is Sunday, **December 13.**

For online giving, please scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera. Thank you.

THIS WEEK

Monday, 11/30	Guitars 4 Vets, 4 pm Christian Meditation, Church, 6:00 pm AA, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm
Tuesday, 12/1	Men's Group, Bay Room, 9:30 am Knitters, Education Room, 9:30 – Noon Perspectives, Parish Hall, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Wednesday, 12/2	Pawtuxet Rangers, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 12/3	A Look at the Gospel, Education room, 9:00 am Perspectives, Parish Hall, Noon to 3:00 pm AA, 7:00 pm

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The Reverend Susan Wrathall, Priest-in-Charge
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Kevin Cliff, Junior Warden
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