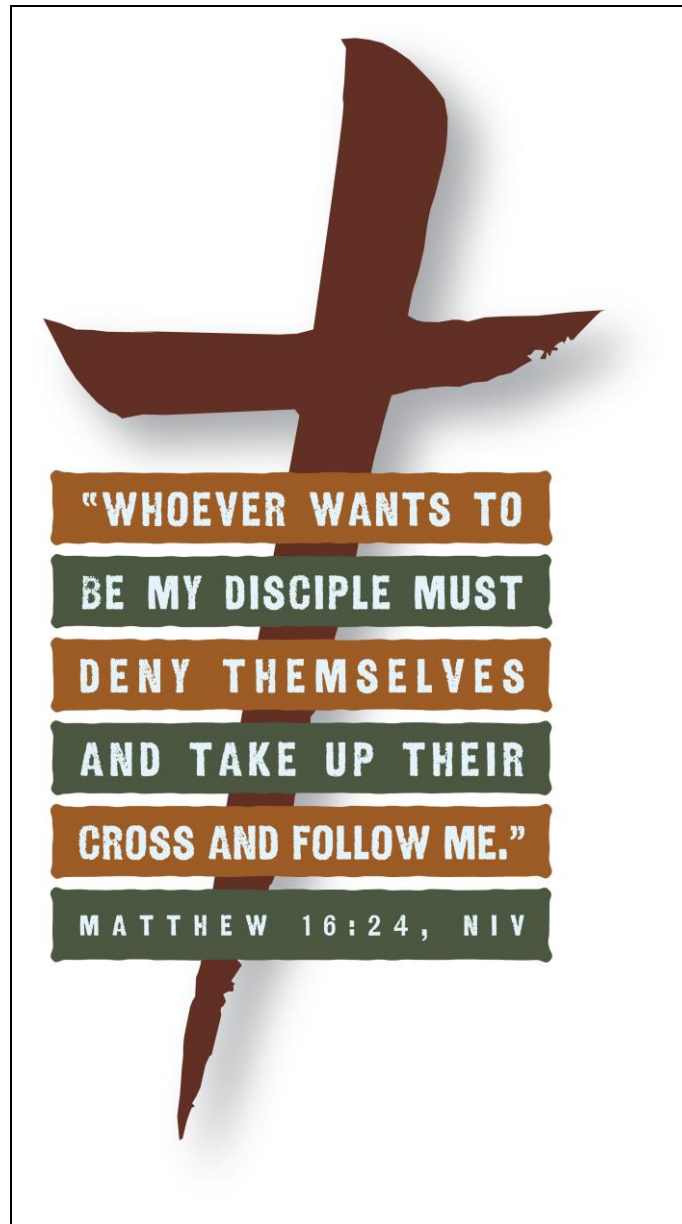


TRINITY CATHEDRAL
OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 – PENTECOST 14/PROPER 17 – YEAR A
8:30 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE
CELEBRANT – THE VERY REV. RENÉ JOHN
PREACHER – THE REV. CAROL GILBERT

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WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. Masks are optional within the Cathedral buildings (with the exception of the Academy Pre-School.) Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces.

If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this will help. For sanitary purposes, all of our prayers are printed in this bulletin.

Thank you for helping us to remain as safe as possible while enjoying in-person worship. "This is how we love one another!"

Please stand as indicated and be seated for lessons

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

All stand, as able

Processional Hymn

**Hymnal # 675
vs. 1 & 5**

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

1
Take up your cross, the Savior said,
if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart,
and humbly follow after me.

5
Take up your cross, and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

All say together

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated

First Reading

A Reading from the book of Exodus (3:1-15)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the

Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.”

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All remain seated to say

Psalm 105:1–6, 23–26, 45c

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.
Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.
Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.
Israel came into Egypt, *
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; *
he made them stronger than their enemies;
Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, *
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
He sent Moses his servant, *
and Aaron whom he had chosen.
Hallelujah!**

Remain seated

Second Reading

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome (12:9-21)

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal # 581
vs. 1, 2 & 6

Where Charity and Love Prevail

1
Where charity and love prevail
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love
by love are we thus bound.

let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

2
With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;

6
Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's Name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Remain standing

The Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This

must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Carol Gilbert, Deacon

All stand, as able

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Remain standing

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Deacon: In today's gospel, Jesus invites us to follow him. As he laid down his life in intercession for the world, let us pray on behalf of people everywhere, saying: Lord, strengthen us.

Lector: For all people of faith who struggle to believe in the promise of life amid the clamor of death, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: For the churches who must bear witness to the possibility of taking up the cross and following Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Deacon: We remember God's holy catholic church, including Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; René, Dean of this Cathedral; Bruce, John, Peter and Noel, priest associates; Carol and Chris, our Deacons, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including David, Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops; and the Ministry of the Diocesan Staff. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: For those who are losing their souls in the pursuit of worldly gain, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: For those laying down their lives in faithful dedication to God's call, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: We commend to your prayers this day all persons deployed in the service of our country. May they dwell safely under the protection of Almighty God. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: For those who are to die this week, and for their safe passage to the life of the world to come, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Deacon: We remember those who have died, especially **the victims of the Jacksonville, FL shooting**, the victims of violence in Trenton, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Deacon: We remember before you those who are sick, or in any other special need, especially the residents of Hamilton Grove Care and Rehabilitation Center; along with **Sharon, Professor Sonia Waters, Lucille Delio Bergamo, the Jackson family, the residents of Maui, Michele Suydam, Lamont, Cassandra Comrie, Deneen Lopez, the Lopez family, Ellen Wanser, the Ames family, the Summers family, Victoria Jones, the families of those lost in Jacksonville, and those affected by the Florida hurricane.** Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Lector: For all here present who will one day be judged by God's standards and meet Christ coming in glory, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Nkiru F. Amadi, Bryce Caton, Maureen Perry, Margaret Nartey, Rebecca Isbill, Gilda & Athus Bertheau, and The Rev. Dr. Robert Adams.** Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, strengthen us.**

Silence as the people add their own petitions

Celebrant: Most high God, your ways are not our ways, yet your ways bear life. Hear the petitions of your assembled people. Pour out on your worlds the faith to hear your call and the courage to answer it. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People:

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain in your pew for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Holy Communion

Remain standing

Offertory Hymn

**LEVAS # 144
vs. 1, 2 & 4**

Where He Leads Me

1
I can hear my Savior calling,
“Take thy cross and follow, follow me.”

Refrain

Refrain
Where He leads me I will follow,
I’ll go with Him, with Him all the way.

4
He will give me grace and glory,
And go with me, with me all the way.

2
I’ll go with Him through the garden,
I’ll go with Him, with Him all the way.

Refrain

Remain standing
**The Great Thanksgiving:
Eucharistic Prayer II**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All say together
**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

All kneel or stand, as able
Celebrant: All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy

Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People:

**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.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

All say together

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The People may join in saying

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

All say together

Post-communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Hymn

**Hymnal # 450
vs. 1, 3 & 5**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

1
All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

3
Hail him, the Heir of David's line,
whom David Lord did call,

the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all!

5
Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him Lord of all!

Blessing

Bishop: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 ~ PENTECOST 14/PROPER 17**



Following Christ, joining the Cathedral – We invite you to accept the invitation to follow Christ, to become a Christian and to become a member of Trinity Cathedral. We encourage you to fill in one of the pew cards and place it in the offering plate, or please contact one of the clergy.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lectors for the 10:00 am Mass on 9/10 are:

Brenda Whiteman, Virginia Harmer, Ellen Heath & Janet Thompson (alternate)

Join us for our last Healthy Eating & Moving forum today after the 10:00 am Mass, in the Guild Room.

Join us for Sunday Hospitality! – Enjoy coffee, cold drinks and snacks each week. On the first Sunday of each month, we will have cake to celebrate all of our congregants' birthdays for that month. If you would like to help our with Hospitality hour, please speak with Larry Spears on Sundays.

Save the date for C.A.S.T.! – On Saturday, October 1 we will host our next C.A.S.T. concert, featuring pianist Richard Alston in a presentation of *Classically Black: Piano Compositions by Composers of African Descent*.

The Altar Guild Shop is open on the 3rd Sunday of each month, after the 8:30 am and 10:00 am services. If you cannot be here on the 3rd Sunday, or need something before then, you can contact Shop Manager Joyce Gibbs-Spears at trinitycathedralags@gmail.com and she will arrange to meet you.

Join us for a Rite 1 Eucharist in the Chapel from **8:30am-9:15am** on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. This is a spoken Mass with hymns.

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, September 9th (2nd & 4th Saturdays this month) from 9-11:00 am. All food contributions to the Pantry are welcomed, along with monetary donations to purchase additional food from the food bank and local groceries.

Each Thursday, we distribute hot dinners “to go” from 5:00–6:00pm at the Overbrook Avenue entrance as a satellite location for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.

The Cathedral is currently offering communion with both Christ's Body and Blood. You may choose to receive only the host at this time. Should you choose to receive the wine, one vessel will be offered for those who want to sip the wine from the common cup. Another vessel will be offered for those who wish to receive by intinction (the host dipped in the wine.) Please note only the Chalice Administrator will intinct the host. (Diocese of New Jersey revised protocols.)

**Richard C. Alston,
Pianist**



Classically Black: Piano Compositions by Composers of African Descent

At Trinity Cathedral ~ Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 3:00 PM

For tickets, go to <https://bit.ly/ClassicallyBlack>

THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

TODAY (9/3)

8:30 am

10:00 am

11:30am-12:30pm

Pentecost 14/Proper 17

Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Healthy Eating Forum in the Guild Room (last session); join us!

Mon. (9/4)

All closed for Labor Day

Tues. (9/5)

9 – 9:45 am

Pre-K in, teachers only

Weekly Zoom check-in for parishioners: For more info. on how to join us, call or text Nancy Hood-Boczar at (267) 614-5746, or E-mail shaktisocialwork4@hotmail.com

Wed. (9/6)

Pre-K in, teachers only

Thurs. (9/7)

5:00 pm

5 – 6:00 pm

8 – 8:30 pm

Pre-K students return

TASK Meals – SH

Urban Promise parents' meeting - GR

Society of Mary Rosary Devotions, via Zoom and phone access: Please E-mail Erica Warner at yassose@aol.com for information on how to join us

Sat. (9/9)

9 – 11:00 am

10:00 am

12 – 4:00 pm

Food Pantry

Grief Support Group meeting – GR

Wedding reception – SH

Sun. (9/10)

10:00 am

Pentecost 15/Proper 18

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Creation Care Forum in Synod Hall immediately following 10:00 am Mass