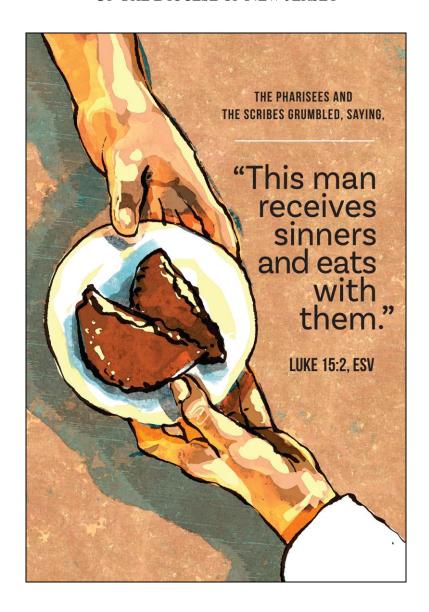
# TRINITY CATHEDRAL OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 – PENTECOST 14/PROPER 19 – YEAR C 10:00 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

CELEBRANT & PREACHER - THE VERY REV. RENÉ JOHN

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<u>www.TrinityCathedralNJ.org</u> The Very Rev. René Rory John, Dean WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this service bulletin will help. Masks are optional within the Cathedral buildings. Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces. 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

**Prelude** Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

Remain standing

Processional Hymn Hymnal # 334 Praise the Lord, Rise up Rejoicing

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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

All sing

Hymnal # S-280 Gloria in Excelsis

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The people are seated

First Reading Lector: Sue Gummere A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah (4:11-12, 22-28)

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were

quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

Remain seated; sung by the Choir



- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*
  All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;
  there is none who does any good.
- 2 The LORD looks down from heaven up on us all, \*
  to see if there is any who is wise,
  if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all a'like have turned'bad; \* there is none who does'göod; 'no, not'one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evil doers who eat up my people like bread and do not call up on the LORD?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, \*
  because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the af flicted, \* but the LÖRD is their refuge.
- †7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \*
  when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
  Jacob will re joice and Israel be glad.

Remain seated

Second Reading Lector: Chinweze Ahaghotu

A Reading from Paul's First letter to Timothy (1:12-17)

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn Hymnal # 645 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Remain standing

The Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### Sermon

All stand as able and say together

A Statement of Faith based on Galatians 3:26-28

Celebrant: Let us renew our pledge to work for unity, justice, and peace.

We are all children of God.

There is no longer Jew or Greek.

There is no longer slave or free.

There is no longer male and female.

For we are all one.

We believe Jesus lived for this and died for this.

We pledge ourselves with God's help and the support of each other to make this become a reality.

Remain standing
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.

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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 Lector and People pray responsively

*Deacon:* Our God wraps us round in love and embraces us with mercy. There is nothing we need hide. Let us bring our needs and the needs of the whole human family to God's loving care, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

**Lector: Ellen Heath** 

*Lector*: That the leaders of the church will be, like Moses, one with their people and outspoken on their behalf, we pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Deacon*: We remember God's holy catholic church, including Sean, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; René, Dean of this Cathedral; Bruce, John, Peter and Noel, priest associates; Christopher, our Deacon, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially The Anglican Church of South America; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops; and the Church of the Holy Cross in North Plainfield.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Lector*: That the church will spend itself in search of the lost of this world, the homeless, the addicted, the uneducated, the ill, the rejected, and that we will welcome them to our household, we pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Lector*: That all who are far from home will live in safety, we pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Deacon*: 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.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Lector*: For all who are alienated from us and who stay away from this table, that they may return home, and that we may be watching to greet them, we pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Lector*: For the sick, the aged, the lonely, and any who cannot be with us today, that they may know our kindness and God's mercy, we pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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 the People of Ukraine and Russia, the People of Israel, Palestine and Iran, the People of Haiti, Amarachi Ngozi Okere, Ellen Wanser, Andrew McDonald, Virginia Barbarin, Donald Brokate & Anthony Rabara, Noel Amadi, Darryl Francomacaro, Vicky & Vince, Peter Bridge, Lisa M. Pilgrim, Ginger Bruce, the Bruce family, Nicky, Patricia Atkins, Dershowitz family, the Gallardo family, Joe D'Angelo, Quincy Jones, Sylvia Whiteside, Joyce Jones & the Charles family, Mike Bernardo, Food for the Poor Ministries, the people they serve, and their staff and donors, Hang Tran, Amy DeSanto, Jason, Hannah, Ava H, and Laura Fuschini.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Deacon*: We remember those who have died, especially **Charlie Kirk**, the victims of violence in our neighborhoods, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: That peace and forgiveness will mark our lives together as families, we pray to the

Lord.

**People:** Lord, hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: The Rev. Cn. Dr. Noel & Nkiru Amadi, Jordan Tejeda, Marie A. Ford, Bethany Whiteman, Rose Ananthanayagam, Spencer Caton, Alex Zilinski, Al Shaw, Irene Sanz, David Harper and Linda Johnson.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

*Celebrant:* God of promises, you have brought us a long way and have kept us safe in our journey to you. Hear us now, and answer our prayers with delight. Teach us to run to you for all we need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord. **Amen**.

#### The Confession and Absolution

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Please remain in your pew for the Peace.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

#### **Holy Communion**

Please remain seated while Ushers collect the offertory

Offertory Anthem Amazing Grace

**Craig Courtney** 

The Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir

Offertory Hymn Hymnal # 333 Now the Silence

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, food donations to the Cathedral Food Pantry, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or Celebrant.

The Great Thanksgiving:

**Eucharistic Prayer A**Chalice bearer: Bobbie Powell

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And also with you.Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds . . .

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People:

Hymnal # S-129 Sanctus

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues . . .

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray . . .

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.

#### Fraction

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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

#### **Hymnal # S-163**

#### **Fraction Anthem**

*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 Christians are welcome to make their Communion at the Lord's table.

Communion Hymn Hymnal # 708 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

#### **The Post-Communion Prayer**

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

Recessional Hymn Hymnal # 448 O love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

#### **Blessing**

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, 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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**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 9/21 are:

Susan Remmers, Larry Spears, Cn. Phil Lewis & Gail Lewis (alternate)

**Chalice bearer: Margaret Nartey** 

The Ushers/Greeters for Sunday, 9/21 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) are:

Samuel Richards (Greeter/Usher) & Margaret Nartey (alternate)

Sunday Coffee Hour!

Every Sunday following the 10AM service
in Synod Hall

Why do we have Coffee Hour?

Each Sunday we leave the Eucharist with these words:

"Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord!"

A big ask!

So what does this have to do with Coffee Hour?

Along with the weekly Holy Eucharist, Coffee Hour is a place of comfort where we can take the time to increase love for each other as a church community, and find the nourishment - for the body and soul - to carry that love out in to the world. It is one of the ways we refill the reservoir that often becomes depleted during the week. It is where we greet each other and build relationships, share our delights and our sadness and offer support, and yes, have fun! It is also where we welcome new people and get to know them beyond just a handshake. The Sunday Eucharist and Coffee Hour are both integral parts of the Sunday morning experience, one follows seamlessly after the other and complement each other.

You are invited to make coffee hour part of your Sunday refreshment!

Coffee Hour this Sunday, September 14, honors our Trinity Choir members! Want to help with this? Please contact Margaret Nartey

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays this month) from 9-11:00 am. Each Thursday, we distribute hot dinners "to go" from 4:15–5:30pm at the Overbrook Avenue entrance as a satellite location for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.

Vestry Member Raising Funds for UrbanPromise – Please support Althia Muse and her family as they participate in the Paddle for Promise Fundraiser. This is a fundraising event to support the UrbanPromise TrentonTrekkers program. The TrentonTrekkers program is an experiential learning program. Through travel to places beyond students' everyday lives and a focus on cross-cultural experiences, historical perspectives, environmental awareness, and community service, students are motivated to learn from their TrentonTrekkers journeys and carry that motivation into their studies. The funds raised will allow us to offer new and expanded experiences for UrbanPromise Trenton youth. You can scan the QR code to make a donation, or visit the website link listed.

Donate to Trinity Cathedral's 2025 Paddle for Promise Fundraising Campaign



https://tinyurl.com/p4p25-trinity

Make checks payable to:
UrbanPromise Trenton
Include Trinity in the memo

Please support our Golf Outing! – YOU can help make our October 13<sup>th</sup> golf outing a smashing success! We will need unique and fun prizes for the raffle and auction at the dinner reception following the outing. NOW is the time to speak with family, friends, and businesses you may know to generate support. Restaurant gift cards, tickets to shows and sporting events, overnight stays and gift baskets/baskets of cheer are all great prize ideas! Speak with Patrice in the office if you would like more information; there are golf outing brochures on the table in the main hallway.

**Tours of Trinity Cathedral Available -** Join a scheduled tour of Trinity Cathedral conducted by Bernard McMullan, informal Cathedral historian and former chair of the Cathedral's Property, Maintenance and Improvement Commission. Two tour dates are scheduled:

- Sunday, September 28 at 5PM
- Sunday, October 26 at 4PM

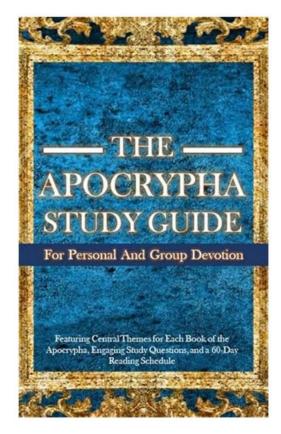
The 90-minute tour of the four different churches in the Cathedral complex will include a review of the history, architecture, stained glass, fabrics, and other art of Trinity as well telling some of the "stories" of this 133 year-old congregation. The event requires extensive walking and traversing of several flights of stairs.

The tour concludes with hors d'oeuvres, sweets, wine and conversation in Synod Hall. Just a few slots are available on each of the days. A donation to Trinity Cathedral of \$25 per person is requested. **Sign up on the poster in the main hallway outside the Cathedral offices.** 

Group tours of the Cathedral can be arranged through Patrice D'Angelo (<u>PatriceAtTrinity@aol.com</u>) or Bernard McMullan (<u>rivervue1622@gmail.com</u>).

The Cathedral Arts Series at Trinity - 2025-2026 Season - CAST is delighted to offer an exciting season of wonderful, engaging music featuring exceptional performers representing a variety of musical genres and traditions. Join us for six admission-based performances as well as three additional performances and events including two performances by The Stretto Youth Chamber Orchestra (Dec. 14 and June 7) and a special event centered around Trinity Cathedral's own labyrinth as part of World Labyrinth Day. Please support CAST by attending these performances, purchasing or soliciting advertising for our program, or making a direct contribution to support the series. (Form in bulletin.)

## 2025/26 Scripture Study Offering: The Books of the Apocrypha



The word Apocrypha comes from the Greek for "hidden" or "secret" and refers to a collection of texts written between the New and Old Testament times that are not part of our standard canon of Scripture. Apocryphal texts are used in our liturgy and offer valuable historical and spiritual insight. And they make a fascinating study!

Please join our interactive journey through the Apocrypha with the help of our very readable study guide.

#### By Zoom at 7pm on alternate Wednesdays

Contact Dcn. Christopher Cox for more information and to sign-up.

Start date October 8, 2025

# New Trinity Strings Beginning Group Class Starting in September 2025



Trinity Strings is having open enrollment for their Group String Class! This class offers children aged 4-6 the opportunity to learn to play the violin, viola, or cello in a group setting. During class your child will learn basic technique, theory and note-reading, as well as ensemble skills while playing many fun pieces with their peers.

A parent or caregiver is required to attend class and practice at home with the student for the first 2 years. This learning model allows for the most successful start for your child.

Every winter and spring the Group Class performs with <u>Stretto Youth Chamber Orchestra (www.strettoyouthchamberorchestra.org)</u>.

Classes consist of two semesters per year from September – December and January – June for 3 years. After completing the first 3 years, students graduate into private lessons and Stretto Youth Chamber Orchestra.

Location: Trinity Cathedral, 801 West State St., Trenton, NJ

**Time:** Saturdays from 12:15 - 1:00pm

**Cost:** \$15/class (there is no pro-rated fee for personal absences) Financial Aid is available for families making below 50K/year

**Instrument Rental:** \$50/semester

**Informational Meeting:** Saturday, September 20 at 12:15 pm – please register to attend

**For Questions or Information Please Contact:** 

Sherri Anderson

trinitystringstrenton@gmail.com

484-467-9194

Private lessons for older students also available. Please email for information.

# Creation Care Forum BY ZOOM

Saturday, September 20, 2025 • 9:00 am — Noon

### JOIN OUR INTERACTIVE FORUM TO SEE:

- What's happening with Creation Care ministry in the Diocese of New Jersey and the Episcopal Church.
- Presentations of Creation Care ministries from around the diocese.
- Practical suggestions for "greening" your parish.
- What you can do to get involved.

#### **INVITED SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

- THE REV. STEPHANIE JOHNSON, Past Chair of the General Convention Task Force for Care of Creation and Environmental Racism.
- ADRIENNE ELLIOTT, Diocese of Olympia, co-author of The Episcopal Church Creation Care curriculum.
- LISA ALTIERI, creator of Sustain Island Home Carbon Tracker.
- KELVIN ROBERSON, PSE&G Energy Audit official.







#### THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

**TODAY (9/14)** The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 19

**Homecoming Sunday** 

9:15 am Choir warm-up - CATH

10:00 am Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Choir Appreciation Lunch in Synod Hall following Mass

10:30a – 12:30p Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP

Mon. (9/15) Urban Promise students return

Wed. (9/17) Pre-K early dismissal/back-to-school night

**Thurs.** (9/18)

 $\overline{4:15}$  – 5:30 pm TASK Meals – SH

8:00 pm Society of Mary Rosary Devotions via Zoom and phone access: Please E-mail

Erica Warner at <a href="mailto:vassose@aol.com">vassose@aol.com</a> for information on how to join us

Sat. (9/20)

9 am – 12 pm Diocesan Creation Care Forum via Zoom, see flyer in your bulletin

Trinity Strings Fall lessons resume

Sun. (9/21)
 8:30 am
 The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 20
 Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)

9:15 am Choir warm-up - CATH

10:00 am Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

11:15 am Choir rehearsal resumes - CATH

10:30a – 12:30p Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP