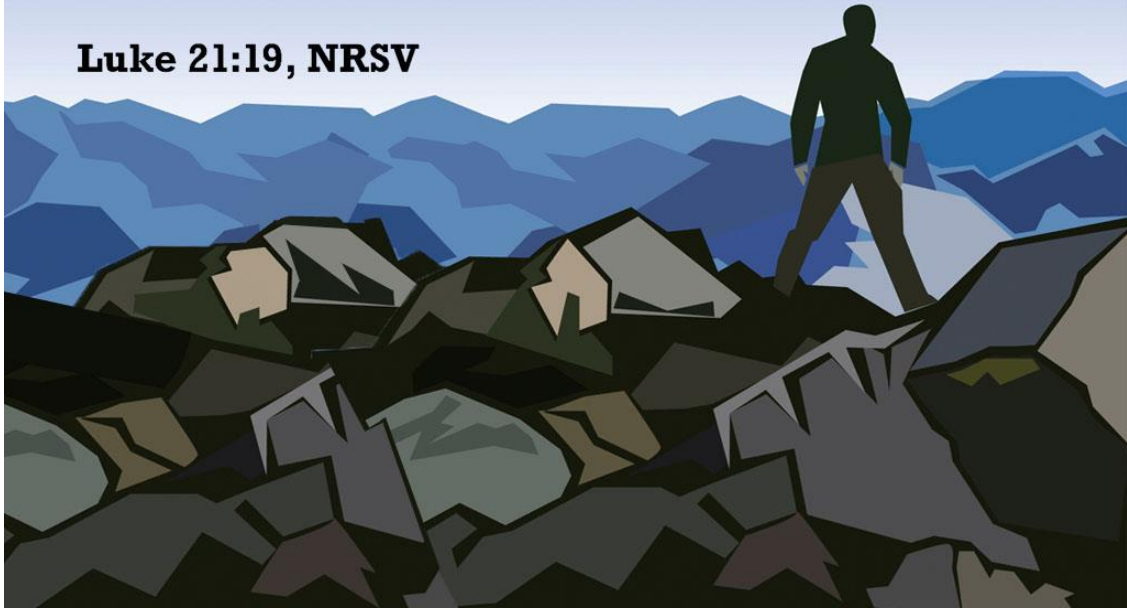


**TRINITY CATHEDRAL
OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY**

**By your endurance
you will gain your souls.**

Luke 21:19, NRSV



**NOVEMBER 16, 2025 – PENTECOST 23/PROPER 28 - YEAR C
8:30 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE**

OFFICIANT & PREACHER - THE REV. CHRISTOPHER COX

Our Vision:

A visible agent of God's love in Christ, joyfully embracing all people.

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WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. 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

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

All stand

Processional Hymn

**Hymnal # 607
vs. 1 & 2**

O God of Every Nation

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. 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.

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 the prophet Isaiah (65:17-25)

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

All remain seated to say

Canticle 9

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Remain seated

Second Reading

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Thessalonika (2 Thes 3:6-13)

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal # 615

vs. 1-3

"Thy Kingdom Come!" on Bended Knee

Remain standing

The Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

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

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

**The Rev. Christopher Cox,
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 Lector and People pray responsively

Deacon: Knowing that a mother does not desert her children, let us turn to God, asking God to embrace with lovingkindness all those whose lives are troubled and afflicted by human evil. Let us beg God not to delay, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: God of Jesus Christ, even in our own day many are handed over to injustice and persecution, and many suffer want and hunger; come to rule the earth with justice, and delay not in sending your transforming love.

***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, Andrew McDonald, Virginia Barbarin, Darryl Francomacaro, Vicky & Vince, Mike Bernardo, the Snead family, the Alverio family, Jose Morales, Michelle & Krista, Jane M., and Eileen Cera.**

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

Lector: God of Jesus Christ, even in our own day many families are torn apart by internal strife, sisters and brothers reach out to one another with hating hands, peoples and nations are divided by anger: delay not with your peace.

***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: God of Jesus Christ, even in our own day children are not spared, but are apprenticed to hatred, rejected by their own parents, forbidden even life itself: delay not with your motherly affection.

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

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

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

Lector: God of Jesus Christ, even in our own day the followers of your child of promise are separated by prejudice and bitter division: delay not in making us into one people.

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

Lector: God of Jesus Christ, even in our own day many find contempt and rejection within your church: delay not in bringing the harmony of love to your chosen.

***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; Sarah, the Archbishop-Elect of Canterbury, and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops; and the Revs. Douglas C. Halvorsen and Cn. Robert H. Legnani.

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

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Ugochinyere Opara, Marjorie Jones, Zoey Bertheau, Theresa Dunn, Clara Gregory, Micah Dunn, Natalya Kirmalles-Prouty, John & Sue Gummere, Lucia Smith, Rachward Mathis, Akeem John and Leah Parker.**

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

Silence, as the people add their own petitions.

Celebrant: O compassionate God, in Jesus, your child of promise, we know and await the life and peace of which you have assured us. We look forward in longing, hoping for ourselves and for those whom we have remembered, in the name of the same child who lives with you in the communion of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. **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 with thy spirit.**

Holy Communion

Remain standing

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal # 628

Help us, O Lord, to Learn

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.

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.

Communion Solo

Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

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

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.**

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NOVEMBER 16, 2025 ~ PENTECOST 23/PROPER 28



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 11/23 are:

Youth for Family Sunday

Chalice bearer: Virginia Harmer

The Ushers/Greeters for Sunday, 11/23 (4th Sunday) are:

Edward Greenfield (Greeter/Usher) & Samuel Richards (alternate)

Come to Coffee Hour Today!

following the 10 AM service in Synod Hall.

Meet new friends, enjoy those you already know.

If you are new to the Cathedral we'd like to get to know you!

Enjoy hot and cold drinks and healthy snacks

*Go down the ramp, entrance to Synod Hall is on the left,
directly across from the church office.*

This week we will bag food for the Food Pantry! Join us on Wednesday, November 19th to help distribute our turkeys (11:00 am) or Thursday, November 20th at 4:45 pm to bag Thanksgiving foods for distribution on the 22nd. For more information, please speak with Cookie Hernandez.

Thanksgiving donations for Food Pantry needed now – On Wednesday, November 19th we will distribute our turkeys, and the “fixins” on Saturday, November 22nd. Please bring in your Thanksgiving foods before the 19th so our volunteers can bag them for distribution. Thank you for your generosity!

Angel Tree Prison Fellowship - It is anticipated that gift request tags will be available for selection in Synod Hall on Sunday, November 23rd. Donations of wrapping paper, ribbons/bows, and large gift bags are always welcomed. We will also need volunteers to wrap gifts and/or to greet the children and their caregivers in Synod Hall on the day gifts are distributed. Exact dates for these activities will be announced in early December. Join us in this ministry that transforms lives and brings joy to prisoners and their families at Christmas time! For information or to volunteer, contact Judith Miller at 609-586-0915 or judithm2@verizon.net; or see her after the 10:00 am service in the coming weeks.

UrbanPromise Trenton's Christmas Shop: Help to Stock the Shelves! - Every year at this time UPT sets up a Christmas Gift Shop in the Guild Room and invites the children in to ‘shop’ for their families for Christmas. They love new small appliances (crockpots, coffeemakers, toasters, etc.), hats, gloves, slippers, wallets, pajama pants, bath towels, chocolates, and more... candles, beach bags, packages of hand lotion, spa kinds of things... whatever you think, mom, dad, grandmom and grandad might like. Be creative! Please bring your donations to the Cathedral office or see Georgia Koenig.

If you are looking for a way to become more involved with the operation of our Cathedral, please see the volunteer bulletin board just inside the parking lot doors. Here you will find posted opportunities to volunteer at the Cathedral, big and small. If you would like to advertise a volunteer opportunity, you can create your own flyer or use the form on the literature table in the main hallway.

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, November 22nd (2nd & 4th 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.

CAST Welcomes (back) SALVO playing classical, Spanish, and World Guitar



Sunday, November 23, 2025 @ 3PM

Salvo is a Spanish guitarist and songwriter born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. With funky Spanish rumba rhythms and Latin grooves, he plays a mix of Flamenco, Classical, Brazilian, Latin and World Fusion. He has played at many private events and festivals including events for Major League Baseball, The New York Public Library, The Winter Concert Series at Planting Fields, The Camellia Festival, FuerzaFest, Make Music New York, and Brooklyn Pride.

He released his second album entitled 'Solo,' - a one-man project composed, performed, recorded and mixed in quarantine. His debut album with the band 'Salvo and Hugo' is called 'About Time.'

While living in Los Angeles, he performed original pieces and Flamenco music with The Vault Theater

Ensemble at the Los Angeles Theater Center. He also accompanied the Duarte Dance Company and played in the band Cuñao.

Salvo is also a music teacher and a doctoral student in music education. He is happy to play as part of the CAST program at Trinity Cathedral.

Find out more at: www.musicsalvo.com
and on instagram: [@salvo_musica](https://www.instagram.com/salvo_musica)

Admission:

Adults: \$30

Students: \$10

There is still time to take advantage of the Pick 4 option to get reduced priced admission to all remaining CAST events during the 2025/26 season. Call 609-392-3805 ext. 100 or ask at the CAST reception desk at our next performance.

Let's Help Our Brothers & Sisters

Items Still Needed!
Bring your donations by 12/7

WARM UP!

Do you have any coats, sweaters or hoodies that are just sitting in your closet waiting to warm up someone?

We are collecting new and gently worn clean coats, sweaters and hoodies. Adult, teen and children's sizes.

New sock donations welcomed too!

For more information, call Lucy Adams (609)784-8867 or Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Office



Thank You in advance for your donation of warmth!

Distribution Day: December 13th * 10 a.m. -1 p.m.



Have a person on your holiday list who has everything?

Gift Idea: Purchase a new item or two from the list above. Donate it to us. You will receive a card to give to your person that says, "A gift of warmth has been given in your honor to those in need to the Trinity Cathedral Warm-Up Program." (Be sure to let Lucy know you'd like a card.)



THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

TODAY (11/16)

9:15 am	Choir warm-up – CATH
8:30 am	Rite I Eucharist in All Saints' Chapel (in-person only)
10:00 am	Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)
11:15 am	Choir rehearsal - CATH
10:30a – 12:30p	Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP

Tues. (11/18)

6:30 pm	Major Chapter meeting, via Zoom
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Wed. (11/19)

10:00 am	Cathedral organ tuning
11:00 am	Food Pantry Turkey Day
7:00 pm	Bible Study via Zoom: "Additions to Esther"

Thurs. (11/20)

4:15 – 5:30 pm	TASK Meals – SH
4:45 pm	Food bagging for Food Pantry
8:00 pm	Rosary Devotions, via Zoom

Sat. (11/22)

9 – 11:00 am	Trinity Strings music classes
	Food Pantry

Sun. (11/23)

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