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




**NOVEMBER 22, 2026 – CHRIST THE KING – YEAR A**
**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**
**10:30 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO**

**CELEBRANT - THE VERY REVEREND TERENCE ALEXANDER LEE**
**PREACHER – THE REVEREND CHRISTOPHER COX**

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*Join us to usher in the Advent season at Trinity Cathedral at the*

# Dean's Forum: *Advent Wreath-making*

## on Sunday, November 29 at 9:15 am in Synod Hall.

All are welcome to participate and make a wreath for the season of Advent for your family.

The Reverend Deacon Kimme Carlos will reflect on the history and meaning of Advent while we make our wreaths.



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. 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.

*Please stand as indicated and be seated for lessons*

**Prelude** *Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ*

*All stand, as able*
**Processional Hymn Hymnal # 481 Rejoice, the Lord is King!**

*Celebrant*: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
***People:*** **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated*
**First Reading Lector: Zöe Ahaghotu**
**A Reading from the book of Ezekiel (34:11-16, 20-24)**

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will

be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

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

*Remain seated; sung by the choir*

**Psalm 95:1–7a** ***Venite, exultemus*** **Robert Prescott Stewart**



1 Come, let us | sing to the | LORD; *
let us shout for joy to the | Rock of | our sal | vation.

2 Let us come before his | presence with thanks | giving *
and raise a loud | shout to | him with | psalms.

3 For the LORD is a | grëat | God, *
and a great | King a | bove all | gods.

4 In his hand are the | caverns of the | earth, *
and the heights of the | hills are | hïs | also.

†5 The sea is | his, for he | made it, *
and his hands have | molded the | dry | land.

6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

7 For he | is our | God, *
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

*Remain seated*
**Second Reading** **Lector: Gabrielle Lee**
**A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus (1:15-23)**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.
***People:*** **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able*
**Sequence Hymn** **Hymnal # 494** **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

*Remain standing*
**The Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46**

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
***People:*** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me

clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

***People:*** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon** **The Reverend 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** **Lector: Elle Ahaghotu**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Deacon*: Through baptism we have been raised with Christ, ordained to a royal priesthood, and made citizens in a holy nation. As faithful priests serving the King of kings, let us intercede for all the world, saying, in the name of Jesus our King, hear our prayer.

*Lector*: Almighty God, sovereign majesty, as your humble priests we pray for all your children who do not confess you as Lord. Enable us to live the good news convincingly, that all may inherit life eternal in the kingdom of heaven. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*: Almighty God, ruler of all nations, cause the leaders of nations to recognize your sovereignty and to accept your gracious rule. Make them proponents of peace and lovers of justice. Crown each ruler with compassion, that all peoples may live in peace. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: 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. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*: Almighty God, merciful monarch, look with pity on all who suffer: those with incurable disease, those unjustly imprisoned, those denied dignity, the hungry, those without shelter, those who live without hope. Direct us toward them, that their royalty may be reclaimed and their lives celebrate your grace. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: 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, Russia, Israel, Palestine, Iran, Haiti, and Sudan, Annmarie Paisley, Allison Kell, Virginia Benck, Pope Leo, the Keaton family, Myrna Calcagni, Caroline McIntyre, John Wygand, Andrea Schultz, Jess & Gary Trio, Michael Orondecker, the Williams family, Dana Thompson, Helen Head, Jennifer Ng'andu, Kathy Mazzoni, Marcus, Rev. Cummings and the Cummings family** and those we name before you now (*silence*). In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*: Almighty God, Lord of the Church, we pray for your holy catholic church on earth. Gather all who bear the name of Christ into one vigorous, fruitful community of faith, that the world may see one King of glory and one kingdom of grace. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon*: We remember God's holy catholic church, including Sean, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; Terence, Acting Dean of this Cathedral; Noel and Peter, priest associates; Christopher and Kimme, our Deacons, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially the Church of England, and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops, and the Ministry of the Diocesan Chancellor. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*: Almighty God, benevolent judge, we pray for all your people gathered here to seek your grace. By your mercy, prepare us for the day of judgment, that we may accept it as a rich and royal gift for the eternal pleasure of the faithful. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon*: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Lucia Smith, Rachward Mathis, Akeem John, Leah Parker, Tesia Miller, Drs. Phil & Gail Lewis, Richard & Emily Fineburg, The Rev. Dorothy Auer, The Rev. Lisa Caton, Aliana Tejeda, Hasaan White and Noah Baxter Lee**. In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon*: We remember those who have died, especially **Ingrid, Rev. Lorraine Harris, Annie Cummings,** the victims of violence in our neighborhoods, the victims of the ongoing wars around the world, and those we name before you now (*silence*). In the name of Jesus our King,

***People*: Hear our prayer.**

*Silence, as the people add their own petitions*

*Celebrant*: Holy God, open our eyes to a fresh vision for a peaceful world, along with the will to seek alternatives to vengeance and violence. Awaken in us compassion for the victims of war: soldiers of all nations, grieving families, civilians, the wounded creation. Open wide the eyes of world leaders, especially in our own country, to see a path toward peace in the Middle East, and in all those conflicts, too many to name, that tear apart the one human family. Grant us eyes wide open to peace. **Amen.** (*From the Episcopal Peace Fellowship*)

*Celebrant*: Grant these petitions, O God, according to your perfect will, that your holy name be praised and proclaimed until that day when all the faithful shall gather before your throne in heaven, through the merits of Christ the King. **Amen**.

**Confession of Sin**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
*The people stand or kneel. Silence may be kept.*

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

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

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace**
*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
***People:*** **And also with you.**
*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Stewardship Reflection** **Bobbie Powell**

**Welcome and Announcements**

## Holy Communion

*Please remain seated while Ushers collect the offertory*
**Offertory Anthem** **My Eternal King**
Jane Marshall
*The Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir*

*All stand, as able*
**Offertory Hymn** **Hymnal # 555** **Lead On, O King Eternal**
*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.*

*Remain standing*
**The Great Thanksgiving**:
**Eucharistic Prayer A** **Chalice bearers: Judith Miller**
**Virginia Harmer**

*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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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 forever. **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 Agnus Dei**

*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 receive Communion. Please follow the directions of the Clergy and Ushers. You may either stand or kneel when receiving communion. Children may receive the Bread and Wine according to the discretion of the parents. Cross your arms over your breast to receive a blessing if you do not wish to receive either Bread or Wine. If you wish to receive by intinction, leave the host (bread) on your palm. Because communion is complete in either form, reception of either bread or wine alone constitutes a full communion. If you need to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please notify one of the ushers.***

**Communion Hymn LEVAS # 31 King of My Life I Crown Thee Now**

**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.**

**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*: Let us go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
***People:*** **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able*
**Recessional Hymn** **Hymnal # 460** **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!**

**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.

**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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lectors for the 10:30 am Mass on 11/29 are:
**Bobbie Powell, Rev. Dr. Violet Lee, Brenda Whiteman & J. Gil Williams (alternate)**
**Chalice Bearers: Cn. Phil Lewis & Bobbie Powell**
The Ushers/Greeters are:
**Edward Greenfield (Greeter/Usher) & Karlene Blasse (alternate)**
The Acolytes are: **Lafayette Dennis, Cyrus Ketter, Prince Dennis & Thomas Moore**

**Please join us for hospitality hour** following the 10:30 AM service in Synod Hall! Meet new friends, and 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 brunch treats. The entrance to Synod Hall is on the left, off the hallway leading to the parking lot doors. (Just ask if you need directions!)

**"Hospitality bringers" for November 29, 2026:** Annmarie Paisley: 1 quart ½ & ½; Carolyn Ford: fruit; Cynthia Coleman: baked goods. If you would like to bring an item to share, Joyce Gibbs-Spears will have a sign-up sheet in the Synod Hall kitchen during hospitality hour. You don't need to bring

something every week, even once per month would be welcomed. You can also sign up to help with set-up & clean-up. Each week, we will print a reminder list the same way we do with our altar servers.

**Our Thanksgiving Day service is at 9:00 am in All Saints' Chapel. Please join us before your Thanksgiving festivities!**

**On behalf of our neighbors, thank you to all who brought Thanksgiving food donations for our Food Pantry.** We appreciate your generosity! The Pantry can use non-perishable foods all year long, especially with Christmas approaching.

**You learn something new every day! -** Each Sunday at 9:15 am in Synod Hall, in Anglicanism 101we learn about the things that make our Episcopal Church what it is. Last week Deacon Kimme Carlos and Dr. Kerry Heimann shared their expertise on personal prayer and the music of our Episcopal worship. **Our last Anglicanism 101 is today, Christ the King Sunday. Mark your calendars for November 29th, when we will share a parish-wide wreath-making activity for the first Sunday of Advent!**

**Mark your calendars! – Today is Stewardship Sunday**! (If you have not received a pledge card in the mail, please contact the office or ask an Usher.) We will be Greening the Cathedral on Saturday, December 19th – please join us if you can, as many hands make light work. Our service of Lessons & Carols will be on Sunday, December 6th (please join us and bring friends and family!)

**We are seeking children and young people to participate in our Christmas Eve crèche-building service at 4:00 pm.** As lessons are read, participants will carry up pieces of the crèche and add them to the scene in front of the lectern. If you have youth in your family who would like to participate, please contact Althia Muse at (609) 802-2303.

**Regrettably, Trinity Cathedral will not be participating this year in Prison Fellowship Angel Tree.** Circumstance and a change in the registration process resulted in delays that made it unlikely that we could implement our program in a timely and well-organized manner. Rest assured that the children who would have been assigned to the Cathedral will be served by other Angel Tree churches and organizations in our area, We anticipate continuing our partnership in this important component of Prison Fellowship Ministry in 2027. If you have questions, please contact Judith Miller at (609) 212-2119 or by E-mail at judithm2@verizon.net. Also, we are looking for assistance in planning and facilitating next year's Angel Tree Christmas. The work actually begins in October. Please let Judith know if you are interested in helping.

**Did you know that we host weekly Rosary Devotions?** Our group meets via Zoom on Thursdays at 8:00 pm. You can also join via phone if you do not use Zoom. If you would like more information, and to receive a printed devotional to follow along, please speak with Cn. Paul Cooper or Erica Warner.

**To help make everyone feel welcome, we ask that everyone wear their nametags for worship and events at the Cathedral.** Look for yours at the parking lot entrance. If there is not one with your name on it, please use a temporary nametag and sign up on the sheet provided; one will be made for you soon.

**The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, December 12th (2nd & 3rd 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.

Dear Beloved,

As we discern the leadership needs of Trinity Cathedral, I invite you to reflect on the qualities we seek in members of the Vestry. The nominating committee will soon seek nominations for election. This is an opportunity to consider who among us may be called to serve—including ourselves.

Vestry members are the "elders" of our community. Their call encompasses both practical responsibilities and spiritual leadership. They are asked to give as much attention to the parish's spiritual life as to its finances and administration. Whether you are considering serving yourself or nominating a fellow parishioner, reflect on the responsibilities of this call:

1. Have you *accepted* Jesus Christ as the Son of God and acknowledged him as Savior and surrendered to him as Lord of your life? **See Acts 4.12, John 1.12, John 14.6**

2. Are you committed, as God enables you, to worship with your Parish in church every week? **See Deuteronomy 5.12, Luke 4.16, Hebrews 10.24**

3. Are you involved in (or actively seeking) a Christian ministry by which you will give your time and talents to or through the church? **Romans 12.6, 1 Corinthians 12.7**

4. Are you working to develop your personal devotional life through regular prayer and study (bible study), and through regular gatherings with a small group of Christians for fellowship, study and prayer? **See Mark 1.35, 3.14, 9.2; Matthew 18.19**

5. Are you and your family committed to trusting God with a tithe of your anticipated income, and if you are not already tithing, willing to begin today? **See Malachi 3.10, Mark 12.41-44**

6. Are you prepared (or will you learn) to seek opportunities to give verbal witness to your faith, describing in appropriate ways God's action in Jesus Christ and his work in your life? **See Romans 10.9-10, 14-17; 1 Peter 3.15, Acts 1.8**

7. Do you accept the responsibility of giving witness to your faith through your living, maintaining a good reputation with all people and manifesting the fruit of the Spirit in such ways that Christ is glorified? **See 1 Timothy 302-7, Romans 12.1-2**

8. Are you willing to serve as an "elder" of your Parish, seeking only Christ's will for God's church, and giving as much attention to the spiritual life of the congregation as to the financial and administrative decisions? **Acts 1.21 & 1 Corinthians 1.26-31**

9. Are you willing to support church functions, social and spiritual, with your work and attendance, and place church activities high on your list of priorities? **See Ephesians 4.1-2, 11-16; Acts 2.42, 44-46**

10. Are you committed to attending every meeting of the board/ministry, to participate in any teachings and trainings, and to pray daily for your church? **See John 20.24-29**

As the prayer book reminds us, the ministers of the church are laypersons, priests, and deacons. I invite you to approach this discernment prayerfully, considering who among us is called to serve.

***Dean Lee***+

## JOIN US FOR

# WORLD AIDS DAY

**Rethink . Rebuild . Rise .**



A day of unity, education, and action as we work together to end the **HIV epidemic.**

Tuesday
**December 1, 2026**
11:30 AM to 3 PM

**Trinity Episcopal Cathedral**
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**Trenton, NJ 08618**

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**Raffle Prizes**

**Community Resources**

**Free HIV Testing Provided by Henry J. Austin**

**To RSVP Email:**
**worldaidsdaymercercounty@gmail.com**

"World AIDS Day is a time to remember those we've lost, support those living with HIV, and recommit to ending the epidemic through education, compassion, and action."

**Let's Make a Difference TOGETHER**

*Sponsored by the Mercer County HIV Collaborative*

# Trinity Altar Guild Shop Update:

**Check out the many new items great for gift giving!**

**Christmas Cards starting at $1**

**Variety of Stocking Stuffers * 2027 Church Calendars**

**Advent Candles, Wreaths, & Inspirational/Devotional Books**

Cathedral Lavender Bath Salts & Warmers



**Weekly Specials are waiting for you!**

**The Shop will be open Sundays during Advent.**

**SALE!**
**"Justice Love" by The Cathedral's Own Rev. Peter Bridge**

**SALE!**
**"The Window of Grace" by The Cathedral's Own Rev. Kimme Carlos**



**Need that unique gift?** The Shop has a variety of nativities & ornaments from around the world.

***The ornament tree is waiting to get bare!***

***Also featuring beautiful upcycled jewelry.***

***Free Gift Wrapping!***

***Shop local; save gas, time, & money!***



# Christmas Wreath Sale

## Fundraiser

**Wreaths $30**

***Once again, we are taking reservations for our Christmas wreaths!***

Find something cheerful to grace your front door, or to honor a loved one at the cemetery.

**Please have reservations in by**
**Wednesday, December 2, 2026.**

**Wreaths can be picked up on**
**Sunday, December 6th.**

To reserve your wreath, speak with Georgia Koenig at **(609) 273-3351** or ***gbkoenig@verizon.net.***

***Proceeds benefit Trinity Cathedral***
801 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08618

Stretto Blue Mountain Festival

# Annual Gala



HONORING



ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT
KAAT DE CORTE

SERVICE LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT
ERIC GEORGE BULLOCK, M.ED.

DECEMBER
5
2026
5:00 - 7:30PM

CHRISTINA SEIX ACADEMY
1550 STUYVESANT AVE
TRENTON, NJ 08618

- Tickets -
- Sponsorship Opportunities -

- Donate -
- Silent Auction -
- Awardee Info -

givebutter.com/c/Stretto2026AnnualGala

## THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

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| **TODAY (11/22)** | **Christ the King Sunday** |
| **8:00 am** | **Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)** |
| 9:15 am | Last session of Anglicanism 101before Advent – SH – all are welcome! |
| 9:30 am | Choir warm-up |
| **10:30 am** | **Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)** |
| | Hospitality Hour immediately following – SH |
| 10:30a – 12:30p | All Saints Chapel in use |
| 11:45 am | Choir rehearsal |
| 2 – 6:00 pm | The Lotus Group concert |
| **Tues. (11/24)** | Cathedral organ being tuned |
| **Wed. (11/25)** | |
| **12:15 pm** | **Mid-week Eucharist – CHP** |
| | Urban Promise closed; Kids R First ½ day |
| **Thurs. (11/26)** | **Happy Thanksgiving!** |
| **9:00 am** | **Thanksgiving Day Eucharist – All Saints' Chapel** |
| | Otherwise, all closed |
| **Fri. (11/27)** | **All closed** |
| **Sat. (11/28)** | **All closed** |
| **Sun. (11/29)** | **The First Sunday of Advent ~ Year B** |
| **8:00 am** | **Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)** |
| 9:15 am | Dean's Forum: Advent wreath-making – SH – all are welcome! |
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**In the case of a pastoral emergency,**
**Deacon Kimme Carlos can be reached at: (267) 896-4890**
**Deacon Christopher Cox can be reached at: (609) 902-0427**
**and Acting Dean Lee can be reached at: (505) 340-5422**