

Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



As an open and affirming congregation
the Mission and Purpose of Trinity Church is to:

Gather as God's people.

Grow in faith, love and service.

Go into the world as disciples and apostles.



All Saints Sunday

November 2, 2025

Order of Worship

We welcome all of you to our worship service this Sunday!
If you are visiting, please sign our guest book or fill out a welcome card
in the pew so we can better welcome you!

* = Please rise in body or Spirit.

We kindly ask for your cooperation in keeping our space fragrance-free.

PRELUDE – O Gott du frommer Gott (O God, most pious God),
op. 122 no. 7, Johannes Brahms

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN ***“THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE”*** (UMH 116, vv. 1, 3 & 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to God a new song!

We sing a song of joy to our Maker.

Rejoice in triumph!

God gives victory to the poor.

Trust in God’s promises:

Blessed are you who are poor, who are hungry, and who weep now,

For God’s kingdom is filled with joy!

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray...**God of many blessings, you remind us to focus on your kingdom where the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful, and the persecuted receive your blessing. Help us follow the example of the saints who came before us by living as Christ taught us to live—using the blessings we’ve received to be a blessing for others. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN ***“FOR ALL THE SAINTS”*** (UMH 711, vv. 1, 4 & 6)

“GO OUT WITH JOY” – Group Stewardship Moment

Where have you experienced joy in giving or serving—
either here in our church or in your daily life?

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 1:10-18

*GOSPEL READING

LUKE 6:20-31

SERMON – “Blessed Are the Hungry”

Pastor Benjiman Durfee

MUSICAL INTERLUDE – Elevation in F, Alexandre Guilmant

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together the Lord’s Prayer, using whichever words or language are closest to our hearts (some versions may be found at UMH 894).

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Here at Trinity Church, we live in hope that love can bring renewal and healing to our world. Let us practice this world together, sharing what we have, taking care of each other, and bringing all our questions and concerns as honest offerings to God.

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY MUSIC – Cromhorne en Taille, 3e ton, Jacques Boyvin

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below**

**Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ and Spirit one. Amen**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us pray... **God of abundant love, hear the songs of our hearts—songs of thankfulness and praise, songs of hope and expectation, songs of laughter and joy, songs of mirth and good will. May our songs be sung throughout the world, in the gifts we bring before you today. May these melodies comfort those who weep, bring mercy to the poor and imprisoned, and offer encouragement to the weary. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray...**Spirit of Truth, feed our hearts from the fullness of your word. We long to embrace the poor, who will inherit your kingdom. We yearn to forsake the lure of earthly riches, lest we forestall your consolation. Turn our failings into a fierce resolve to bear witness to the depth of your truth and fullness of your grace. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In Christ, we receive a glorious inheritance and God's redeeming grace.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are sealed with the saints in holy love.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Remaining in our pews, let us turn to our neighbors
and offer a sign of God's peace.

HOLY COMMUNION USING MUSICAL SETTING C FROM UMH 20

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...**Words cannot express the wonder of the Spirit's gathering power; the miracle of Christ's life nourishing us across time and space. May we who have been fed enact our gratitude out in the world by joining the Spirit in Her holy work of breaking down the boundaries that divide and building up communities that restore. Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN ***"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY"*** (UMH 139, vv. 1, 4 & 5)

*BENEDICTION

God's love surrounds us. God's joy lifts us. God's hope nurtures us.
Let us go forth to love and serve God and our neighbors.

We go with God's blessing. Amen!

BENEDICTION RESPONSE ***"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN"*** (UMH 673, v. 1)

POSTLUDE – Nun schleuss den Himmel auf (Now the Heavens are Unlocked),
BWV 617, J. S. Bach

Today's Worship Ministers

Presider & Preacher: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Musician: Keith Rollinson

Acolyte: Nicole Porter

Reader 1: Karyn Dufesne

Reader 2: Julie Bailey

Usher: Nancy Parland

Videographer: Ginny Ray