

# Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



## Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026

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.



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.**

## Order of Worship

PRELUDE – *An Wasserflüssen Babylon (By the waters of Babylon)*, Johann Pachelbel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN        ***“FROM ALL THAT DWELL BELOW THE SKIES”*** (UMH 101, vv. 1, 2 & 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice!

**Even when the world feels uncertain,**

**we find our strength in the One who holds it all.**

We are gathered here to build a home of resilience—  
a place that stands firm through the storms of life.

**We anchor our hope in God,**

**our source of peace that surpasses all understanding.**

Let us worship the God of our strength and find our joy in His presence!

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray... **God of every season, we live in a world that often shakes us. We face the winds of change and the storms of trial, yet today we claim the promise that we can do all things through Christ who gives us strength. As we continue to build our capacity to serve this community, help us to be a shelter for others. May this place be a beacon of stability, providing light and warmth, both spiritually and practically, to everyone who seeks your refuge. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN        ***“ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING”*** (UMH 52, vv. 1, 3 & 4)

TIME FOR ALL AGES – Build Joy Skit

THE READING

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-23

SERMON – “Resilience: Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Pastor Benjiman Durfee

MUSICAL INTERLUDE – *Quasi Lento*, César Franck

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

BUILDING JOY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

**Divine Source of all blessings, we open our hearts to receive the flow of abundance you have prepared for Trinity Church. May our thoughts be filled with gratitude, our actions guided by wisdom, and our spirit anchored in faith. Bless the works of our hands, multiply the seeds that we sow, and let opportunities find us with ease and grace. Remove all fear and doubt and replace them with trust in your perfect timing. We give thanks, knowing this is already done. Amen.**

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 – *Ciaconne*, André Raison

\*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... **Generous God, we return a portion of the abundance you have poured into our lives. May these offerings be a reflection of our gratitude for all we have received and a sign of our readiness to participate in your work. Bless these gifts, and bless our hearts, that we may be good stewards of your grace—using every resource to cultivate resilience, foster harmony, and extend service to a world in need. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

**"GUIDE MY FEET"** (TFWS 2208, vv. 1, 2, 3 & 5)

\*BENEDICTION

Go now into the week with the peace of God guarding your hearts and minds. Be resilient in your faith, knowing that the God who provides for all your needs is already waiting for you in the trials and the triumphs of the days ahead.

As we conclude our worship, our "Building Joy" journey is only just beginning. Let us carry this spirit of resilience, harmony, and service out of the sanctuary and to our kick-off brunch, where we will break bread together, share our vision, and celebrate the good work we are called to build. **Amen!**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

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

POSTLUDE – *Grand Dialogue, 3<sup>e</sup> Ton, Jacques Boyvin*



*Please join us for the kickoff brunch at the Shelburne Falls Pub and Brew today, Sunday, May 31 beginning at 11:30 am.*

*This will be a chance to celebrate our campaign's progress and to continue building joy together.*

*There is no fee to attend and all members and friends of Trinity are strongly encouraged to join us!*

**Today's Worship Ministers**

Presider: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Musician: Keith Rollinson

Acolyte: Nicole Porter

Reader 1: Julie Bailey

Reader 2: Lois Bascom

Usher: Nancy Parland

Videographer: Clare Chapman