

## THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN December 10, 2023 - Second Sunday in Advent, Christ the King, Year B

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# Sunday In-Person Services

8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel) 10:30 am (Historic Church)

## **Upcoming Advent Dates:**

12/10: Second Sunday of Advent, St. Nicholas Visit (Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall)

12/15: Decorate the Chrismon Tree, 10:30am

12/17: Third Sunday of Advent, Lessons and Carols and Chrismon Tree Dedication

12/20: Tidings of Comfort Service (Morrow Chapel, 6pm)

12/24: Fourth Sunday of Advent, Epiphany Blessing Kits Available, 11 am service

12/24: Christmas Eve Services, 6:00pm (Carols), 6:30pm (Rite II Choral Eucharist),

10:00pm (Carols), 10:30pm (Rite I Choral Eucharist)

12/25: Christmas Day, 11am Jazz/Gospel Service

12/31: First Sunday after Christmas, 11am Combined Service

Information online at: https://www.trinitymidtown.org/advent2023/

# Vestry Nominations - Accepting Submissions until Dec. 31st

The Vestry of Trinity is elected by the congregation to oversee the governance of the church in the areas of finance, facilities, stewardship and the calling of a rector when needed. To serve on the Vestry, one must be at least 18 years of age, a confirmed communicant, regular in worship, a member for at least a year, and a financial supporter of the parish. The nominating committee, which is composed of four outgoing Vestry members, will create a slate of nominees. The election will take place 5:30 pm Evening Prayer at the Annual Parish Meeting in January 2024. If you think you may be called to this ministry, please reach out to Michele White at michelerenee12@gmail.com.

## St. Nicholas Visit - Dec. 10th, 11:45am Fellowship Hall

Join us for our annual visit from St. Nicholas in the Fellowship Hall during coffee hour for refreshments, a Christmas story, and pictures with St. Nick!

# Chrismon Tree Decorating - Dec. 15th, 10:30am

The Trinity Garden invites you to join us December 15 at 10:30 am as we put out and decorate the Chrismon tree. There will be light refreshments and beverages as we join together in the wonderful holiday gathering. The Chrismon tree will be dedication on Sunday, December 17th during the 10:30am service.

# Christmas Caroling at Trinity - Dec. 17th, 2-4pm

Gather at the church's Holman Street fover at 2 pm to carpool to three locations to bring cheer to some of our homebound and limited mobility parishioners. Caroling booklets will be provided - but bring treats to share. It is awesome if you can sing like the choir, but also wonderful if you just make a joyful noise.

# Tidings of Comfort Service - Dec. 20th, 6pm Morrow Chapel

This Liturgy also known as "Blue Christmas," or the "Longest Night," is held on the Winter Solstice. This service recognizes that not everyone is rejoicing during this season. We will have prayers appropriate to the season that acknowledge our struggles during this time. We are pleased to welcome back the Rev. Cannon Dr. Henry Atkins as our guest preacher. This service will be available in person and also via Zoom.

#### **Christmas Services**

Christmas Eve Services, 6:00pm (Carols), 6:30pm (Rite II Choral Eucharist), 10:00pm (Carols), 10:30pm (Rite I Choral Eucharist) 12/25: Christmas Day, 11am Jazz/Gospel Service

#### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

#### Sunday, Dec 10th, 2023

7:30am - 1:30pm Nursery Open

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)

9:00 am Sunday Meditations (Zoom)

9:30 am Education Hour for All

10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)

11:45 am St. Nicholas Visit (Fellowship Hall)

12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)

2:00 pm Piano Lessons Midtown Recital

8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

#### Monday, December 11th, 2023

12:00 pm Yoga w/Saba (Atrium 2) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

#### Tuesday, December 12th, 2023

12:00pm The Listening Post

6:00 pm Property Committee (Zoom)

6:30 pm Finance Committee (Zoom)

6:30pm Vestry Meeting (Hybrid)

#### Wednesday, December 13th, 2023

10:30 am Staff Meeting (Weekly)

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, December 14th, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

#### Friday, December 15th, 2023

8:30 am LOTS Christmas Angel Tree (Fellowship Hall)

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, December 16th, 2023

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at

https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoomwithus



#### **PRAYERS**

Our custom is to read aloud each week the names of those who request our prayers. We also remember in our Prayer Chain and Bulletin those who desire prayers. Please email to keep us informed. For information or comments about prayer names, please contact the Reverend Hannah Atkins Romero. If you would like to participate as a member of the prayer chain, please contact Norma Cooper.

Bill, Nick, Bob, Dale, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Donna, Jason, Carol, Clyde, Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Dick, Theresa, Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, Cristine, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Carolyn, Rick, Charles Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Chris, Jane, Mark, Eliana, Laura, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Guillermo, Holly, Ray, Thomas, Barbara, Antrina, Howard, Claudie Romy, Carol, Gary, Johnny, Yvonne, Bryce, Rose, Junetta, Bart, Marie and Monica.

#### For the faithful departed:

Dr. Phil Turley, Robert Vaughn, Larry Payne, the victims of war in Israel, Palestine and Ukraine and all victims of gun violence.

## Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up at <a href="https://www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/">www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/</a>.

The next available dates: December 17th and 31st, 2023 and January 7, 2024.

Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer <a href="here">here</a> or scan QR code below. For questions or further information please click <a href="here">here</a> to contact Jamie Chambers

Next available dates: Jan 7th, 14th, and 21st - 2024.





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\*Please note we will never ask you for money or gifts via email. Scams are circulating again, so please be aware and cautious.

#### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am - 3 pm Friday 9 am - 1 pm

If you have building concerns please email parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org.



For more information on annual giving visit <a href="https://www.trinitymidtown.org/give.">www.trinitymidtown.org/give.</a>