LENT 2022

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Lent and Holy Week 2022

Lent March 2nd through April 13th

Triduum, Evening of April 14th, April 16th to Evening of Easter Sunday, April 17th

Youth and Children Programming

Mardi Gras Coffee Hour, February 27th, 11:45-12:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Ash Wednesday Liturgies, March 2, 7am, Chapel/ noon, Church/ 7pm, Church

Touch-A Truck, Saturday, March 5, 10:00 am-12:00pm, Trinity Episcopal Church Parking lot, Link: https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/touch-a-truck/

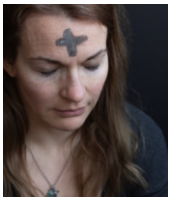
Sunday Children and Youth Themes such as Bury the Alelluia, March 6, 13, 20, 27, and April 10

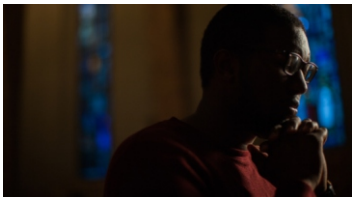
Good Friday Children's Program, Mediterranean Last Supper, April 15, 11:30am-1:15pm, Atrium

Easter Egg Hunt, April 17, 12:15ish, after Annual Parish Photo, Trinity Gardens

Annual Parish Photo, April 17, noon, Holman Street

Special Liturgies





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Guest Preachers, Alex Montes, March 27th and Francene Young, April 3

Palm Sunday, Passion Reading, April, 10th, all services

Mid-day Eucharist, April 11, 12 at noon, Morrow Chapel, in person and livestreamed

Tenebrae Service, 6pm, Morrow Chapel, in person and livestreamed

Maundy Thursday, April 14th, 6:00pm, Morrow Chapel and 7:30pm, Church

The Watch, from April 14th, 9pm-April 15th, noon, Church

Good Friday Liturgy, April 15th, noon, Church

Stations of the Cross, April 15th, 1:30pm, Church

The Great Easter Vigil with Baptisms, April 16th, 7:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 17th, all services, Church

Spirituality and the Arts

Ashes to Go, March 2, outside prayers and ashes

Ashes and Dust Prayer Stations March 2, Morrow Chapel, 8am -11am, 5pm to 7pm

Friday Stations of the Cross, Livestreamed only at noon, March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1, 8

Outside Installation of Stations of the Cross from Trinity Artists, March 4

Contemporary Stations of the Cross, inside Holman Gallery, March 9th to Good Friday

Lenten Quiet Half-Day and Labyrinth Walk with The Rev. Glenice Como, March 19th, 9:30am-12:30pm, Fellowship Hall and Church, Link: https://rsvp.church/r/zRKEFS5z

Baptism Class, April 9th, 10:00am, Smith Room and Church, email rector@trinitymidtowm.org

International Women's Day: Songs For Justice Concert and Conversation, March 8th, Rothko Chapel, 7pm, register on Rothko chapel webiste

Parish Life Highlights

Bon Voyage Reception for the Rev. Canon and Mrs. Atkin's, March 13, 11:45am – 12:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Daylight Savings Time begins, March 13

Pub Theology, March 23th, 7pm-9pm, Community Bar

Conference at Camp Allen, March 25th – 26th (Episcopal Health Foundation Conference on Racism and Health)

Fill the Easter Eggs for Easter Sunday, pick up empty eggs during Lent, bring them back on Palm Sunday, April 10th

Community Engagement

Pauli Murray Scholarship Garden Party
March 3, 5pm-7pm, Help Trinity Fill the Table at Evelyn's Conservatory Park, Link: https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/a-texas-pauli-murray-scholarship-event/

EAC, Manna Bags
April 3, during Coffee Hour
Thank you, Trinity, for supporting the Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC). EAC supports our community every week by distributing hundreds of lunches, and they supplement the lunches with hygiene and manna (snack) bags. Due to Covid, the EAC has had to restricted their on-site volunteers, so assembling these bags at home or at church connects us to their mission in a safe way. Join us to help assemble manna (snack) and hygiene bags for the Emergency Aid Coalition.

Assembling the bags is easy as 1-2-3!

1. Supplies will be available at Trinity to assemble during Coffee Hour, 11:45am-12:30pm on Sunday, April 3rd.
2. You assemble the bags. Please add a prayer for hope, health, and healing for the recipients.
3. The bags will be delivered to the EAC at the end of Lent. If you would like to do this on your own at home during Lent, please contact Mary Johns for the "recipe" or supplies.

Thank you for being a blessing for the vulnerable in our community!

Community Engagement

Lord of the Streets "Fill the Trailer - With Lots of Bags for LOTS!"

Make a commitment as part of your Lenten practice to help those who for many reasons cannot help themselves. Trinity is a partner with Lord of the Streets (a mission Church within the Episcopal Diocese of Texas) in serving our homeless and disadvantaged community. In addition to serving hundreds of meals daily, LOTS provides health and vision care, social services, clothing and hygiene items, mail service, and pastoral care.

Here's how you can help: Fill a new or gently used tote bag with any or all of the following items: Shampoo, Body Wash, Deodorant, Hand Sanitizer (preferably travel/sample-sizes); Soap bars; Razors; Toothbrushes, Toothpaste; Personal Cleansing Wipes; Men's Underwear, Women's Underwear (all sizes); Towels, Washcloths. All items must be new (except for towels and washcloths, which may be gently used/clean; unused hotel shampoo, etc. is acceptable). Bring your bags to the Holman Street Entrance on Sundays or by appointment any other time. We'll deliver the bags to LOTS, where the contents will be distributed as needed.

This is a great project for families!

Recycling and Mat Making

Are you frustrated by the number of plastic bags filling land fills and oceans around the world? Wondering what can be done to help end that problem? Thinking about how to help our less fortunate neighbors who sleep outside in the cold, wet, hot, dry weather? Here is a start: Save all your plastic bags (grocery, department stores, etc.) and help make mats for the homeless out of them. Briefly, bags are cut into loops, loops are joined into long strips, rolled into balls and crocheted into mats. These mats will help insulate someone who is sleeping on the ground, keep their blanket cleaner. The only expense is the cost of a crochet hook, some time (cut, loop, roll, crochet) and the benefits to the homeless are a token of dignity and care.

Immigration Rapid Response

Join the Trinity team of this interfaith Houston coalition to respond to the immediate and specific needs of immigrants from places such as Afghanistan and Central America. Meets via zoom on Thursdays. Reach out to the Rev. Hannah Atkins Romero, Norma Cooper, Terri DiRaddo, Pam Lawson or Elmer Romero to find out more.

Adult Education

Lent Madness

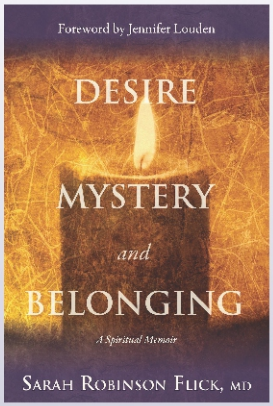
Lent Madness returns for our sixth consecutive year. Check out their website, facebook page and let us know how you are faring with your Saintly competition. Contact volunteer@trinitymidtown.org for more information. We will devote special attention to Lent Madness during Live Coffee Hour after the 10:30am and 12:30pm Sunday services in Lent.

Sunday Adult Forum on Laudato Si Climate Change Action Plan with the Rev. Henry L. Atkins, Jr., February 20 and March 6, 9:30am to 10:15 am, Smith Room in person and online via zoom, Link: https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/laudato-si-lectures-with-theologian-in-residence-canon-atkins-begins-february-20th-2022/

International Women's Day Author's Talk and lunch with Dr. Sarah Flick on her book *Desire, Mystery, Belonging*, March 8, 12pm-1:30pm; pre-registration required: https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/international-womens-day-authors-talk-and-lunch-with-dr-sarah-flick/

Desire, Mystery, and Belonging

A Spiritual Memoir



About the Book

Written by Houston-based psychiatrist and spiritual director Sarah Robinson Flick, MD, this beautiful new book explores how desire, mystery, and belonging interplay to help us create a meaningful life.

In each of our lives, as we pursue our deepest desires, we inevitably encounter mystery and hardship. It is belonging—to family, to friends, and to community—that supports us through our journeys. In a series of vignettes, Sarah examines how the interplay of these elements have affected her, and in doing so, asks us to reflect on our own experiences. Predominantly written before COVID-19, the addition of a postscript explores the deep necessity for belonging after two years of social separation due to lockdowns.

About the Author

Sarah Robinson Flick has been a listener for over thirty years. In 2016, she left her longtime position as a psychiatrist medical director in a large public mental health center to focus on a "third act" that includes writing, offering spiritual direction to clergy and others, and traveling. Sarah has long believed in the calling of vocation and seeks to follow paths that support healing and wholeness. She is inspired by the season of autumn, great movies, visits to sacred places, the courage of those who work for social justice, and the presence of the Holy in everyday life.

Sarah especially loves reading books of all kinds and gelato, as well as spending time with her daughter Katie and husband Bob, an Episcopal priest, with whom she lives in Texas. *Desire, Mystery, and Belonging* is her first book. Learn more at: SarahRobinsonFlick.com

Future Projects. Sarah Robinson Flick will be offering talks, workshops, and retreats based on *Desire, Mystery, and Belonging*, as well as her work in spiritual direction and counseling. If you are interested in conducting your own book club or discussion group, a **companion workbook with reflection questions** is available to purchase and download at Inspirebytes.com.

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Adult Education

Sunday Bible Study, March 13, 20, and April 3, 9:30am-10:15am, Smith Room, In person

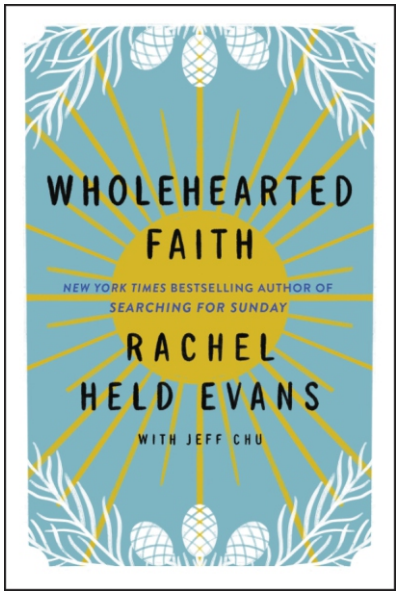
Sunday Theological Conversations on Forgiveness and Liberation, March 20, and April 3, Espresso Theology, 11:50am-12:20am, Smith Room, in person only

Lenten Daily Meditation Booklet by Trinity parishioners and friends, online and hard copies available at church

Friday Stations of the Cross, Livestreamed only at noon, March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1, 8

Rachel Held Evans Thursday Night Joint Book Study and Conversation

https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/wholehearted-faith-study/



Wholehearted Faith Study

Thursday evenings in Lent 7:00-8:00pm on-line

March 3, 10, and 17

This 3 week study will be based on Rachel Held Evans' book *Wholehearted Faith* and the early stories of Jesus' ministry found in the gospel of Luke. Rachel's book is "for the doubter and the dreamer, the seeker and the sojourner, those who long for a sense of spiritual wholeness, as well as those who have been hurt by the Church but can't seem to let go of the story of Jesus." The Rev Hannah Atkins-Romero, Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Houston and the Rev Tommy Dillon, Rector of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge will be leading the study. Reading the book isn't required but would aid in the discussion.

Links to purchase the book can be found by clicking here https://rachelheldevans.com/wholehearted-faith

Rachel Held Evans was a New York Times best-selling author whose books include Faith Unraveled (2010), A Year of Biblical Womanhood (2012), and Searching for Sunday (2015). Hailing from Dayton, Tennessee—home of the famous Scopes Monkey Trial of 1925—she wrote about faith, doubt and life in the Bible Belt.

Rachel was featured in The Washington Post, The Guardian, Christianity Today, Slate, The Huffington Post, The CNN Belief Blog, and on NPR, The BBC, The Today Show, and The View. She kept a busy schedule speaking at churches, conferences, and colleges and universities around the country.