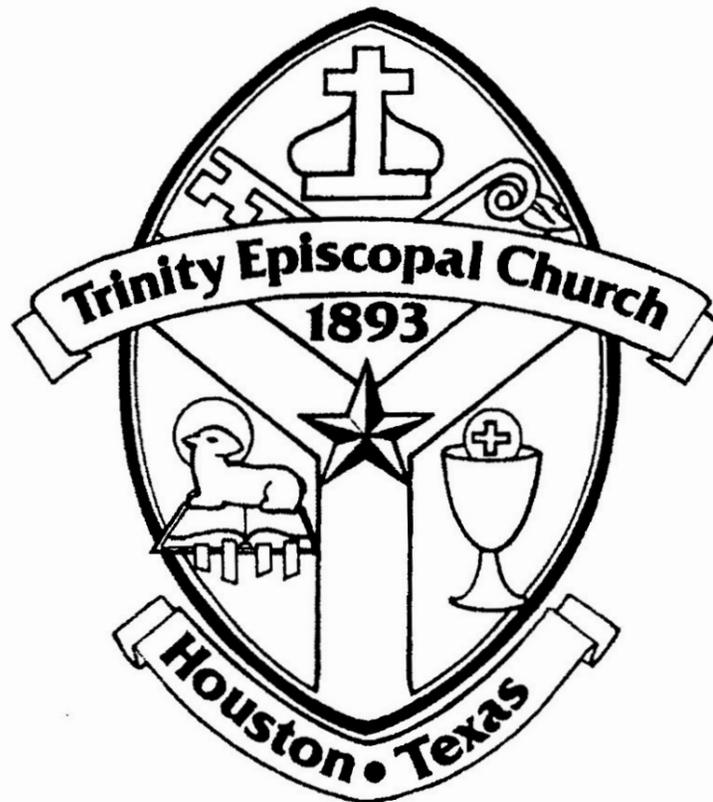


FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

APRIL 3, 2022

12:30 p.m.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

The Reverend Dale Klitzke, Priest Associate

April Sloan-Hubert, Co-Director of the Trinity Jazz Ensemble

Pelayo Parlade, Co-Director of the Trinity Jazz Ensemble

***Making God's Presence Real
By Sharing Christ's Life-Changing Love***

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us. We adapted the liturgy for this service from *A New Zealand Prayer Book* to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

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VESTRY

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*

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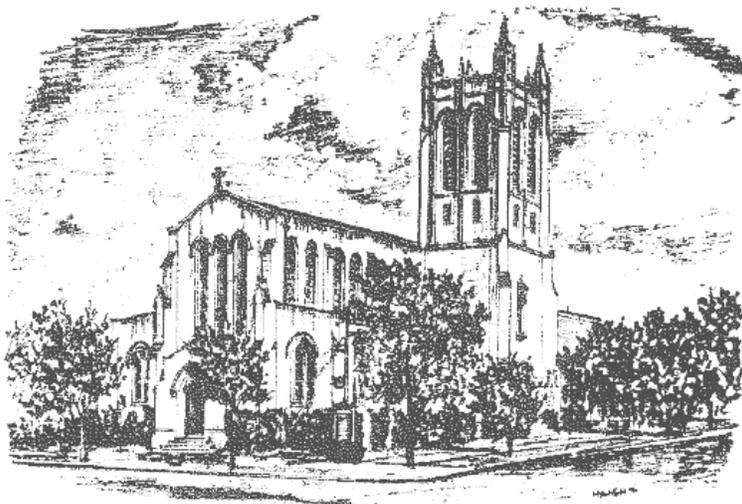
Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*
Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*
Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert
Piano: Pelayo Parlade
Flute, Clarinet: Ernesto Vega
Bass: Alfred Kennedy

SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Linda Davenport
Greeter: Sheila Wainwright
Usher: Andy Durham
Lector: Susan Gallagher
Prayers: Mary Matteucci
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Online Greeter: Pam Lawson
Altar Guild: Linda Davenport



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The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Please stand as able.

Presider The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed: Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

People God is with us, here we find new life!

Presider Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the
3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sor - row and
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ my God; All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down; Did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss, And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet, Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all.

OPENING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.
Jesus, receive our love and worship. Show us how to give you what we have, for nothing is too big or too small for us to offer, or for you to use; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever.

People Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 3: 4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Presider The Holy Gospel according to John.

People Praise and glory to God!

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Presider This is the Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to Christ, the Word.

Please be seated

SERMON

The Reverend Francene Young

MUSICAL REFLECTION

We will meditate quietly on God's word to us.

Please stand as able

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response

Lord in Your mer - cy Lord in Your mer - cy He - ar our
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Let us pray for the preservation of the earth. We give thanks for the beauty and abundance of the earth.

Give us and all peoples grace to live in harmony with your creation, wisdom and generosity in our use of its bounty.

Let us pray for peace and shared prosperity, and for the end of systemic racism that divides us.

We pray for leaders to serve the common good: Give wisdom to those who have responsibility and authority in every land, especially Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our governor; Sylvester, our mayor; Lina, our county judge; and for the legislatures and courts, that we may share with justice the resources of the world, and work together in trust.

Response

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would protect them. We pray in the Name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Response

Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Most Reverend Henry Ndukuba and the Church of Nigeria. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Peter's, Brenham; St. Philip's, Hearne; and St. Thomas', College Station. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Pat Laubach, Sheila Wainwright and the Lay Ministers. For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament.

Unite in the truth all who confess your name, that we may live together in love to your glory.

Let us pray for ourselves and our community. We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work, especially Trinity Church.

We pray for our bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff and Kai, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale our clergy.

We commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbors and our friends. Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

Response

We give thanks that you are the God who brings mercy and wholeness.

Comfort and heal, we pray, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble, especially for those we now name: Bill, Eula, Kensington, Stewart, Eddie, Emma, Kathryn, Bob, Charles, Mary, Bob, Maribel, Shelby, Margaret, and Jon.

Heavenly Father, our neighbor has nowhere to call home: help us be aware.

Our neighbor needs love and community: help us be active. Our neighbor is crying out for justice: help us be adamant to see an end to homelessness.

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed, especially for Ana Hillier, Celia McCrossen Claus, all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and victims of gun violence. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfillment of your kingdom.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: Stuart, Ken, Heather, John, Ann, David, Brad, Elissa, and Kaydence .

Response

O God, we who come before you this day are many and diverse, with different needs and desires.

We ask you to accept our thanksgivings, to guide our ways, and to receive our praise. O God, hear the prayers of your people.

The people may offer their own specific petitions, praises or thanksgivings.

Response

Lord in Your mer - cy Lord in Your mer - cy He - ar our
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THE CONFESSION

Presider Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. I will confess my sins to the Lord. I will not conceal my wrongdoings.

God forgives and heals us.

People We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us; some escape us; some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve you.

Presider God forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself.

THE PEACE

Presider Blessed be Christ, the Prince of Peace.

People Who breaks down the walls that divide.

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People Praise to Christ who makes us one.

MUSIC AT THE PEACE

Let It Be

The Liturgy of the Table

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

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THE OFFERTORY

Trinity Jazz Ensemble

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand as able.

Presider The Lord is here.

People God's Spirit is with us.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son. You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

In your Son you suffered with us and for us, offering us the healing riches of salvation and calling us to freedom and holiness. Though tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin; through him therefore we may triumph over sin and grow in grace.

Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language, with the whole Church on earth and in heaven, joyfully we give you thanks and say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup, and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Therefore heavenly Father, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.**

Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness, we were far off until you brought us near and our hands are empty until you fill them.

As we eat this bread and drink this wine, through the power of your Holy Spirit feed us with your heavenly food, renew us in your service, unite us in Christ, and bring us to your everlasting kingdom. From you, and through you, and for you are all things. To you be the glory for ever,

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the word "Amen". The first staff is in 4/4 time and begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are: a quarter note A, a quarter rest, a quarter note men, a quarter rest, a half note A, a half note men, a quarter note A, and a quarter rest. The second staff continues with a quarter note A, a quarter rest, a quarter note men, a quarter rest, a half note A, and a half note men. The third staff continues with a quarter note A, a quarter rest, a quarter note men, a quarter rest, a quarter note A, a quarter note men, a quarter note A, and a quarter note men. The music is written in a simple, clear style suitable for a church service.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will continue to offer communion in one kind for those who wish to receive the bread only. Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. If you are partaking of the chalice, please use the hand sanitizer at the end of your pew before approaching the clergy and chalice-bearer. If you wish to partake of the chalice, you may do so by intinction. Intinction is done by dipping a host into the wine, and is completely optional. If you prefer, it is perfectly fine to continue receiving the host only.



We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when you come forward for communion.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion is prayed by those at home unable to partake of communion in person

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, our souls, and our minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen



1. Ev - ery prom - ise we can make, ev - ery prayer and
 2. Ev - ery soul we long to reach, ev - ery heart we



step of faith, ev - ery dif - ference we will make
 hope to teach, ev - ery - where we share his peace



is on - ly by his grace. Ev - ery moun - tain
 is on - ly by his grace. Ev - ery lov - ing



we will climb, ev - ery ray of hope we shine,
 word we say, ev - ery tear we wipe a - way,



ev - ery bless - ing left be - hind } is on - ly by his
 ev - ery sor - row turned to praise }

Refrain



grace. Grace a - lone which God sup - plies, strength un -



known he will pro - vide. Christ in us our Cor - ner -



stone; we will go forth in grace a - lone.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

Presider Blessed be God who calls us together.
People Praise to God who makes us one people.

Presider Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.
People Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Presider Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.
People Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Presider Blessed be God who alone has called us.
People Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Presider Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.
People Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Presider Send us now into the world you love.
**People Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

COMMUNITY LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Please see our complete announcements and the Weekly Window at the end of this bulletin.

THE BLESSING

Presider Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness
and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for
ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. And the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver
of life be with you always.

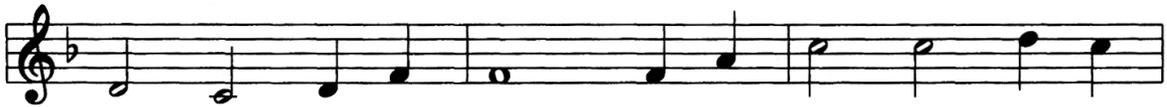
People Amen



1. As a fire is meant for burn - ing with a bright and warm-ing
 2. We are learn - ers; we are teach - ers; we are pil - grims on the
 3. As a green bud in the spring-time is a sign of life re -



flame, so the church is meant for mis - sion, giv - ing
 way. We are seek - ers; we are giv - ers; we are
 newed, so may we be signs of one - ness 'mid earth's



glo - ry to God's name. Not to preach our creeds or
 ves - sels made of clay. By our gen - tle, lov - ing
 peo - ples, man - y hues. As a rain - bow lights the



cus - toms, but to build a bridge of care, we join
 ac - tions we would show that Christ is light. In a
 heav - ens when a storm is past and gone, may our



hands a - cross the na - tions, find - ing neigh - bors ev - ery - where.
 hum - ble, lis - tening Spir - it we would live to God's de - light.
 lives re - flect the ra - diance of God's new and glo - rious dawn.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 People **We go in the name of Christ.**

*Thank you for worshipping with us this afternoon.
 Please remember to maintain social distancing as you depart.*

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**Make a commitment as part of your Lenten practice
to help those in our community**

Donate Health and Hygiene Items for Lord of the Streets

Fill a new or gently used tote bag with any or all of the following items: Lip Balm/Chapstick; Deodorant; Hand Sanitizer (preferably travel/sample-size); Soap bars; Toothbrushes, Toothpaste; Personal Cleansing Wipes; Feminine Hygiene Products; Men's Underwear; Women's Underwear; Women's Socks; Towels. All items must be new (except for towels, which may be gently used/clean).

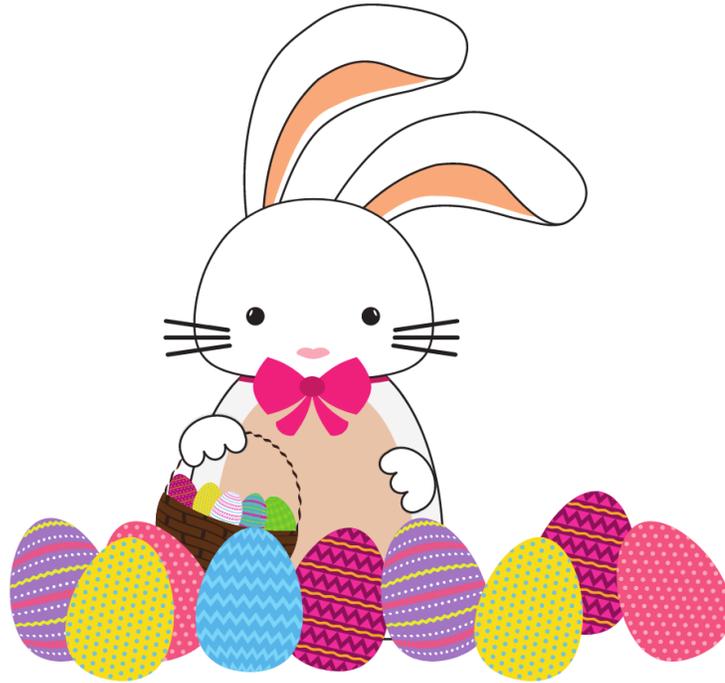
Bring your bags to the Holman Street Entrance on Sundays or by appointment any other time. We'll deliver the bags to LOTS, where the contents will be distributed as needed. This is a great project for families!

**Help Assemble Manna Bags for the Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC)
April 3rd during Coffee Hour**

The EAC supports our community every week by distributing hundreds of lunches, and they supplement the lunches with hygiene and manna (snack) bags.

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.

Hop to It!



The annual Trinity Easter egg hunt returns this year and we need your help to make it a success. Please take a bag of eggs home (they will be available at all three services) fill them with goodies and return them on Palm Sunday so we can have them ready for the big hunt on Easter Sunday.



THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

April 3rd, 2022

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent– Year C

Sunday In-Person Services.

8:00 am and 12:30 pm are in the Chapel.
10:30 am is held in the Historic Church. Please make sure to continue to mask up and social distance.

Announcements



We are now taking flower orders for Easter Sunday. The Final deadline to order flowers will be Palm Sunday, April the 10th. Order forms will be available at all three services or you can place your order now by going to

our website link:

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/2022-easter-flowers-order-form-is-now-available/>

Sign up for The Watch is now available

We still have several one hour shifts over night that need to be filled.
11pm–12am, 2am–5am, and 7am–8am

Please sign up for this year's "The Watch" please go to

<https://rsvp.church/r/zRKEFS5z>

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, April 3rd, 2022

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I
- 9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in Atrium rm 112
- 9:30 am ECC Tweens rm 207
- 9:30 am Youth Forum
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 11:45 am Assemble Manna Bags in Fellowship Hall
- 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III
- 8:00 pm Compline (In Spanish via Zoom)

Monday, April 4th, 2022

- 2:00 pm Yoga with Saba (via Zoom)
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, April 5th, 2022

- 10:00 am Sandwich Makers Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday, April 6th, 2022

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer
- 6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, April 7th, 2022

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday, April 8th, 2022

- 9:00 am HFG Club Meeting
- 12:00 pm Listening Post
- 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Zoom)
- 3:00 pm Mary Jo Detweiler Funeral and Reception

Saturday, April 9th, 2022

- 10:00 am Baptismal Class

Holy Week Schedule

2022

- Palm Sunday
- Passion Reading all Services
- April 11th and April 12th Mid-day Eucharist 12 Noon Morrow Chapel, in person and livestreamed
- April 13th
- Tenebrae Service 6 pm Morrow Chapel, in person and live streamed
- Maundy Thursday April 14th
- 6 pm in Morrow Chapel and
- 7:30 pm Church
- The Watch from April 14th, 9pm– April 15th, Noon in Church
- Good Friday April 15th
- 12 pm Noon Service in Church
- Stations of the Cross 1:30 pm in Church
- The Great Easter Vigil with Baptisms April 16th, 7:30 pm in Church
- Easter Sunday, April 17th
- All Services in Church
- 10:30 am Flowering of the Cross
- 12:00 pm Noon Annual Parish Photo Holman St
- 12:15 pm Easter Egg Hunt Francis St. Lawn

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.

Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Vivian Jane, Bob, Theresa, Marvin, Sue, Tom, Nick, Ric, Margaret, Livia, Joyce, Gus, Joshua, Sandi, Barbara, Larry, Monica, Carolyn, Sylvia, Daniel, Lynelle, Mary, Leonard, Jim, Elise, Be, Norma, Jeanne, Karen, Susan, Charlee, Ileda, and Margaret.

For the faithful departed

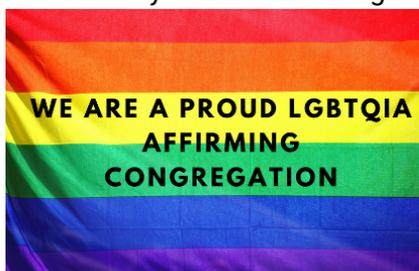
Ana Hillier, Celia McCrossen Klaus, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and victims of gun violence.

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes

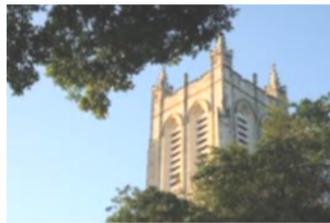


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- 04 – Ken Jeck
- 04 – Heather Longino
- 06 – John Coats
- 08 – Ann McCoy
- 08 – David Cooley
- 09 – Brad Beers
- 09 – Elissa Bird
- 09 – Kaydence Lomasang



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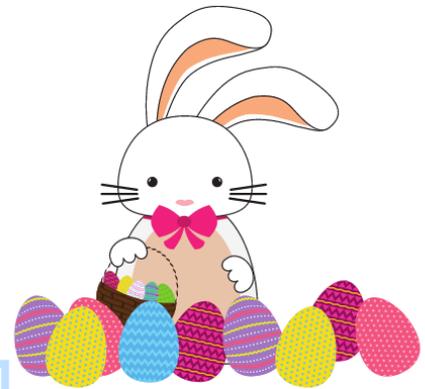
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The annual Trinity Easter egg hunt returns this year and we need your help to make it a success. Please take a bag of eggs home (they will be available at all three services) fill them with goodies and return them on Palm Sunday so we can have them ready for the big hunt on Easter Sunday

Let's share our blessings with the EAC Food Pantry

Peanut Butter, Tuna,
Beans, Stews, Soups,
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THE SEASON OF LENT

Early Christians observed "a season of penitence and fasting" in preparation for the Paschal feast, or Pascha (BCP, pp. 264-265). The season now known as Lent (from an Old English word meaning "spring," the time of lengthening days) has a long history. Originally, in places where Pascha was celebrated on a Sunday, the Paschal feast followed a fast of up to two days. In the third century this fast was lengthened to six days. Eventually this fast became attached to, or overlapped, another fast of forty days, in imitation of Christ's fasting in the wilderness. The forty-day fast was especially important for converts to the faith who were preparing for baptism, and for those guilty of notorious sins who were being restored to the Christian assembly.

In the western church the forty days of Lent extend from Ash Wednesday through the Saturday before Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, and the last three days of Holy Week are the sacred Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Purple is the traditional color of Lent, as it represents for us both repentance and royalty. Jesus was dressed in a purple robe during his Passion as a mockery of his being "the king of the Jews"; since long before his time, purple had been a symbol of royalty. For example, in Exodus, we can read how Moses ordered the tabernacle to be made of "ten sheets woven of fine linen twine and of violet, purple, and scarlet yarn" (Exodus 26:1) and in 2 Chronicles 3:14 we read that Solomon ordered the temple in Jerusalem to be decorated with fabric of the same colors. The Church decided to keep the color purple as a symbol, not just of penance and mourning (in anticipation of the crucifixion, and with reference to Jesus), but also as a reminder of the need to confront our own sins, to prepare ourselves spiritually, and to help our neighbors to draw closer to God and his kingdom (conserving in this way the solemn character traditionally assigned to purple).

All Christians are invited "to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word" (BCP, p. 265).

In accordance with ancient custom the Book of Common Prayer provides that in Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter season (BCP, p. 337).

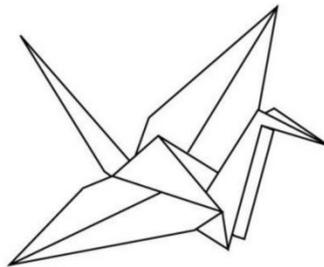
Peace Cranes for Ukraine

The 1945 atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki brought an end to World War II, but the effects lingered on. Sadako Sasaki was a young Japanese girl who developed leukemia as a result of radiation exposure from the blasts. She began folding origami cranes because, according to legend, anyone who folds 1,000 cranes (*senbazuru*) may be granted wishes for health or good fortune. Sadako completed 1,300 cranes before succumbing to her illness at the age of 12.

Sadako's story ignited a movement; in the decades since her death the origami crane has become an international symbol of peace, justice, hope, and commemoration. Millions of these cranes have been folded and displayed in peace projects around the world, often in the form of the 1,000 crane *senbazuru*.

Several years ago a group of Trinity parishioners folded a 1,000 peace crane *senbazuru* as a spiritual ministry. The cranes were displayed in massive vases in the Morrow Chapel and incorporated into the altar flowers during Easter 2021.

And now, with peace being shattered in Ukraine and elsewhere, we are gifting these peace cranes to our Trinity community as touchstones for prayer. The cranes have been blessed by Reverend Hannah , and many of them contain prayer and Scripture, written on the paper before folding. Cranes will be given out on Sundays during Lent, along with instructions and prayers, beginning March 20.



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A HISTORY OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Trinity Episcopal Church of Houston has existed as a house of worship and a center of its community for over a century. As such, it has adapted to the changing nature of the city, as Houston grew from a regional town of approximately 40,000 souls to a dynamic metropolitan giant, the fourth largest city in the United States. With a congregation that grew from a few founding members in the 1890s to several thousand parishioners at its peak, Trinity Church is an example of how spiritual people have contended with the challenges presented during a city's most crucial period of urban development.

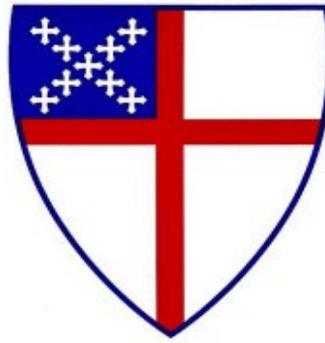
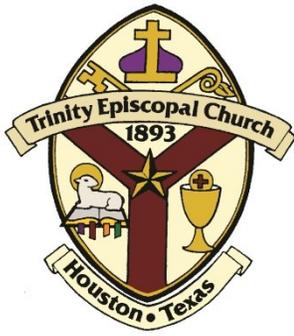
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street and Holman Avenue. That structure, designed by Ralph Adams Cram of Boston and William Ward Watkin of Houston became an architectural landmark constructed in the neo-Gothic style with Texas limestone and a 97 foot bell tower.

During the late 1910s and 1920s, Trinity entered an era of explosive growth, paralleling that of the city, and became an important center of the Episcopal faith. The congregation's many youth and adult activities were community events that attracted wide attention among the general populace. An integral part of its city, Trinity likewise maintained special relationships with Houstonians of other faiths. With a membership numbering 1,900 parishioners in 1930, Trinity emerged as the largest Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Texas and one of the largest in the nation.

After World War II, Houston's growth presented Trinity with perhaps its greatest challenge. As the city physically expanded into the new postwar suburbs, Trinity's membership began to decline. Rather than abandon its historic location, the congregation showed itself to be steadfast. Resurrecting itself from this period, Trinity reaffirmed its mission, this time as a beacon in the inner city where it has become a leading institution in the heart of Houston, determined to enhance the quality of urban life for everyone.

While our neighborhood has gone through many changes, the parish has remained steadfast, and actively ministers to a diverse congregation and to the poor in its midst. As the Midtown Houston neighborhood began redeveloping, starting in the early 2000s, Trinity Church has rededicated itself to its spiritual mission, and has become an active part of the Midtown area for music and other creative art expressions.





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