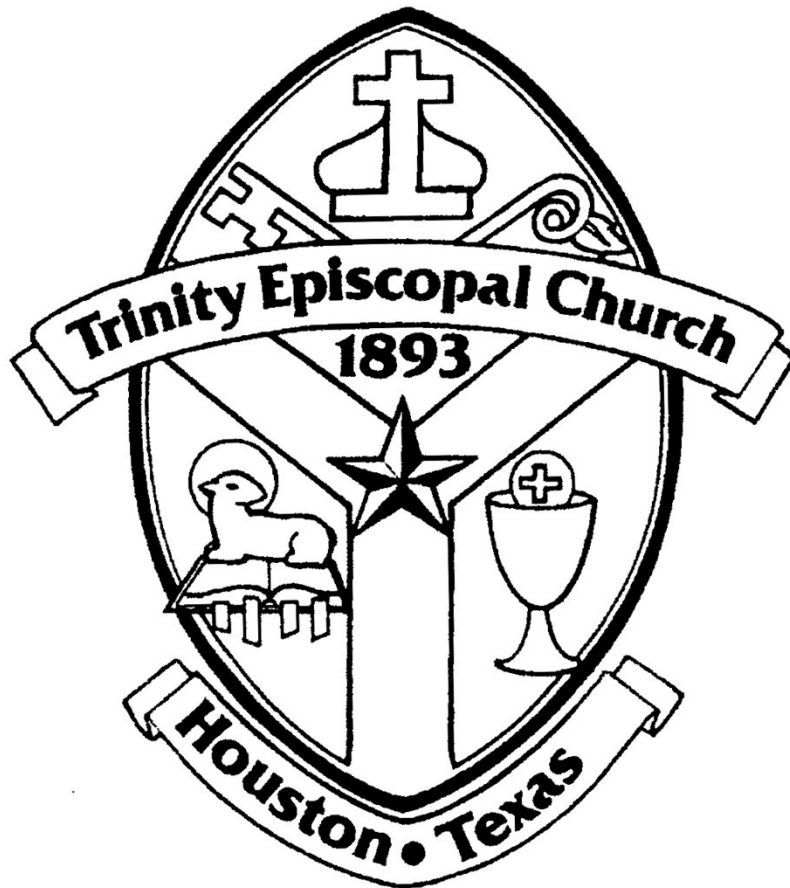


EASTER DAY

APRIL 9, 2023

8:30 A.M.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Associate Rector
The Reverend Dale Klitzke, Priest Associate

Alex Jones, Organist and Choirmaster

***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 this morning. We follow the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

Whether you've been attending Trinity your whole life or this is your first time here, we invite you to participate in the service as fully as you feel comfortable doing.

If you're looking for a new church home, know that the Trinity family welcomes you. We would also appreciate your filling out a virtual visitors card, which can be accessed at this link:

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

- Your children are welcome here at Trinity! First, please relax and enjoy your time here. We know that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it.
- To make things easier for your family, dare to sit closer to the front where your child can see what's going on at the altar. Guide them in the liturgy and be models for them. Help them sing the hymns and encourage them to stand/sit when appropriate, say "Amen" and "Thanks be to God," and generally help them be a part of the service. The liturgy belongs to them too.
- If you have to leave, hurry back! Jesus wants the children here, and we do too. If you need help, just ask. There are many here who are willing to lend you a hand.
- Children's activity and worship bulletins are available for download from our website under the "Worship—Bulletins" tab, or following this link:

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/childrens-bulletins/>

VESTRY

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*

John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

Eric Beam
Ben Blanding
Pam Lawson
Mary Matteucci
Ann McCoy

John Merullo
Samantha Rainman
Gladys Vallés
David Villarreal
Michele White

Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*
Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*
Samantha Rainman, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: Donald Hackler

LEM: Ann McCoy

Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Mark Goza, Catherine Guthrie

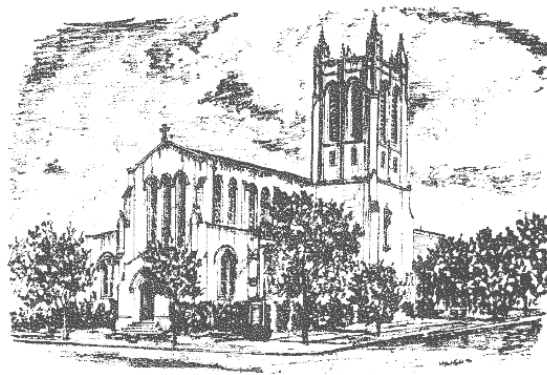
TRINITY CHOIR

Soprano: Andrea von Holten
Lindsey von Holten
MacKenzie Garey

Tenor: John Merullo
Tony Sessions
Carver Mathis

Alto: Summer Price
Catherine Reed
Michelle Gascon

Bass: Harrison G. Moore, IV
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FESTAL HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

VOLUNTARY


At the sound of the tower bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

Please stand as able.

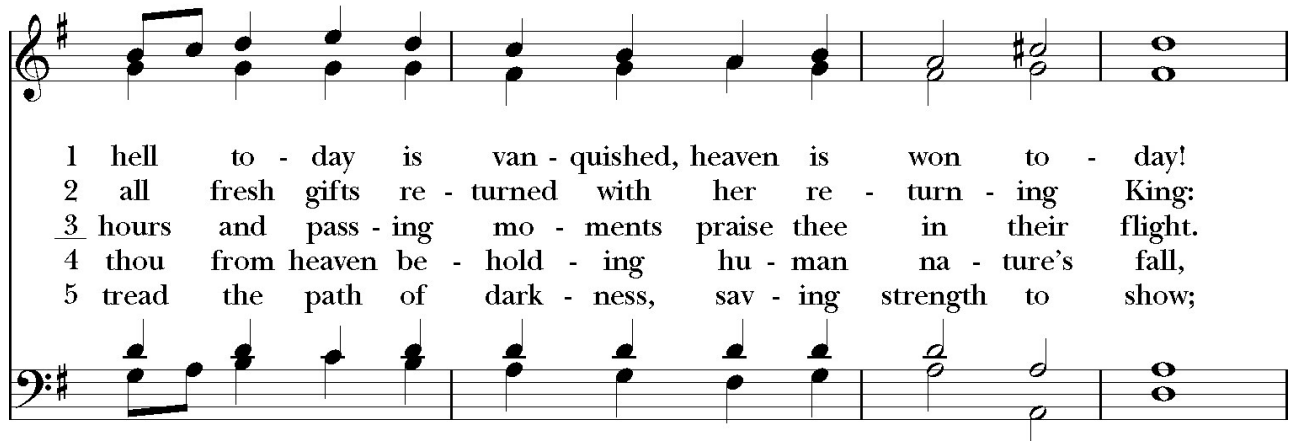
HYMN IN PROCESSION 179

Welcome happy morning

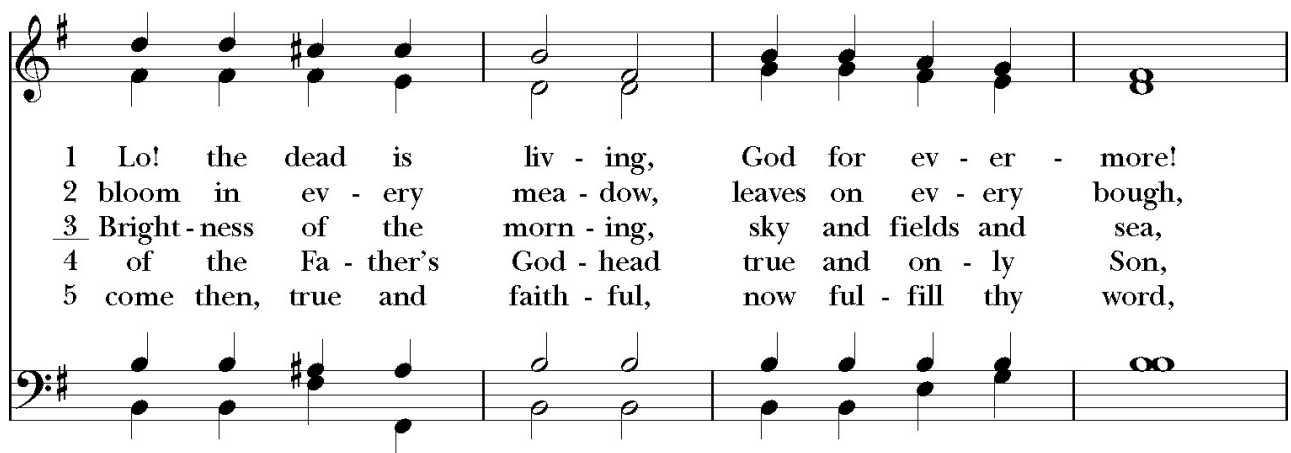
Fortunatus



1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn-ing!" age to age shall say:
*2 Earth her joy con - fess - es, cloth - ing her for spring,
*3 Months in due suc - ces - sion, days of length-en-ing light,
4 Ma - ker and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,
5 Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,



1 hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!
2 all fresh gifts re - turned with her re - turn - ing King:
3 hours and pass - ing mo - ments praise thee in their flight.
4 thou from heaven be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,
5 tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;



1 Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!
2 bloom in ev - ery mea - dow, leaves on ev - ery bough,
3 Bright - ness of the morn - ing, sky and fields and sea,
4 of the Fa - ther's God - head true and on - ly Son,
5 come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,

1 Him their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore!
 2 speak his sor - row end - ed, hail his tri - umph now.
 3 Van - quish - er of dark - ness, bring their praise to thee.
 4 man - kind to de - liv - er, man - hood didst put on.
 5 'tis thine own third morn - ing! rise, O bur - ied Lord!

Refrain

“Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say.

6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan’s chain;
 all that now is fallen raise to life again;
 show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;
 bring again our daylight: day returns with thee!

Refrain

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

PASCHA NOSTRUM

Jeffrey Rickard

(on page 6)

Bells are rung by the congregation while singing the Refrain, celebrating the Resurrection!
 Bells are silenced during the singing of the verses.

PASCHA NOSTRUM

Jeffrey Rickard

Congregational Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o -
 - ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us
 keep the feast, Al - - le - lu - ia,
 Al - - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Choir

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
 but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia!

Refrain

Choir

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
 death no longer has dominion over Him.
 The death He died, He died to sin, once for all;
 but the life He lives, He lives to God.
 So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
 and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Refrain

Choir

Christ being raised from the dead,
 the first-fruits of them who have fallen asleep.
 For since by man came death,
 by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
 For as in Adam all die,
 so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

Refrain

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son
 to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection hast delivered us
 from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may
 evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same thy
 Son Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:1-2,14-24

Confitemini Domino
Sung by the Trinity Choir

George Thalben-Ball

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!
the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD;
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD'S doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 182

Christ is alive!

Truro

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
 5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.

The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.

"Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

NICENE CREED

Please stand as able.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world. Almighty and ever-living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), and Hector, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale our clergy, and for all who minister in this place, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the peace of Jerusalem, and for [the Most Reverend Ezekiel Kondo and the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [Lord of the Streets, Houston; Northside, Houston; and Palmer Memorial, Houston](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Joanne Starbuck and the Pastoral Care team](#).

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Joseph our president, Kamala, our vice-president, Greg our governor, Lina, our county judge, Sylvester our mayor, and the legislatures and courts, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor, [Bill, Nick, Byron, Theresa, Florence, Charles, Mary, Kathy, Demetrick, Christopher, Letha, Connie, Phil, Bob, Sarah, Evan, Susan, Michele, Paul](#), and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Almighty God, thou lovest all thy children and art a home to those who are in any need or trouble; inspire thy Church with the Spirit of Christ's love, empower us to battle the root causes of homelessness, and help us to live as one with one another.

We offer you, O Lord, our prayers of thanksgiving, especially for Kaydence, Danya, Rick, and Mike as they celebrate their birthdays., and for Caiden Hillier, who received the Sacrament of Baptism yesterday evening.

And we also bless thy Holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially for the Covenant School shooting victims, the migrant detention center fire victims, all victims of gun violence, and all who have perished from contracting the Coronavirus, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Celebrant prays the following Collect:

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Please pass the peace in a socially distanced manner.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The Holy Communion

Please be seated

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERING

For those worshiping in person, there are offering plates by the doors.

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

Go to www.trinitymidtown.org and click the "Give" button on the top right, or click:

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Texting. Send the message **heartofmidtown** to **73256**. The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contributions.



Please remain seated.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.
And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God
For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 400 stanza 7

Lasst uns erfreuen



7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:



Refrain
O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People Amen.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

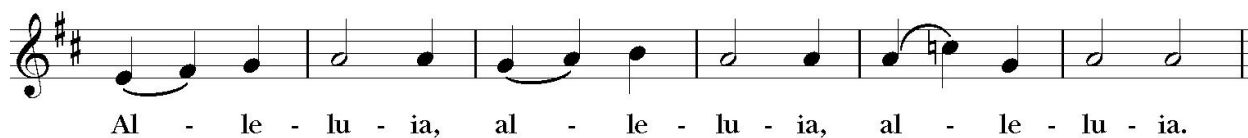
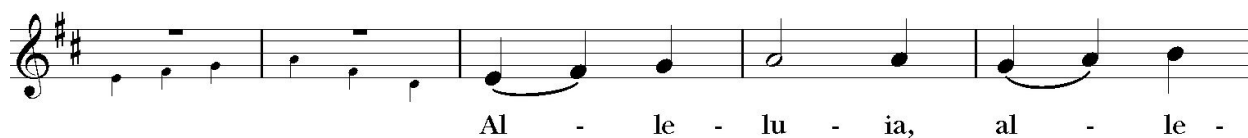
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM S155

Gerald R. Near



INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AGNUS DEI S158

Healey Willan



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -



way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -



on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of



God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, grant us thy peace.

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 at the chancel steps. If you are partaking of the chalice, please use the hand sanitizer before approaching the clergy and chalice bearer. Also, 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.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

ANTHEM

Hallelujah Chorus George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Hallelujah!
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become
The Kingdom of our Lord
And of his Christ.
Hallelujah!

Please stand or kneel as able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, our Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

Easter Hymn

Descant

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!
 suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL

Officiant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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We would like to thank Judith Edgar for this week's coffee hour.

Please note that these dates are open to host (part/all) coffee hour:

April 23, April 30

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or online.



Easter Lilies Dedications



The Easter lilies are given to the Glory of God and

In Memory of

Grace V. Middaugh by Catherine M. Guthrie.

Robert R. Guthrie by Catherine M. Guthrie.

Joel D. Middaugh by Catherine M. Guthrie.

Our parents and grandparents by Graeme and Edgar Marston.

Madolyn and Stanley Tubbs by Stan Tubbs and Ron Goswick.

Dorothy and Leroy Goswick by Stan Tubbs and Ron Goswick.

Patricia Moss Braithwaite, Ms. Marsha Elaine Reed, Ms. Erine Blackman,
and Ms. Patricia Jung by Pam and Tim Lawson.

My parents by Mary Kemp Callaway.

My husband by Mary Kemp Callaway.

My brother by Mary Kemp Callaway.

My forever and always best friend, Emma Sorenson, by Kaydence Lomasang.

Lucille Dittmore by Joanne and Ron Starbuck.

Jeanne Devine by Joanne and Ron Starbuck.

Gerard Lepore by Joanne and Ron Starbuck.

Mary and Rocco Lepore by Joanne and Ron Starbuck.

Edna and Robert Starbuck by Joanne and Ron Starbuck.

Joseph and Shirley Rainman by Samantha Rainman.

Max Maxwell by John Merullo and George Zemanek.

Nikoletta Papapetropoulou by John and Mary Peterson.

Ann, Jack, and Dennis Roach by Karen Roach.

Albert and Elizabeth Cloteaux by Donna Cloteaux.

John Cloud by Mary Cloud.

Richard Edgar, loving husband, father, and grandfather
by Judith, Matt, Jodi, John, Jennifer, Heidi, Jeff, and Lincoln.

Our Parents and other Houston relatives by Amanda Masterson.

Maurine McMillan, Ralph Lee, Mildred and Clarence Laubach,
and Elizabeth and William Jones by Larry and Pat Laubach.

Former co-workers, friends and associates who have left this world since 2022
by Shelby Bradley.

Atty. Richard L. Horwitz by his wife, Hon. Susan Snell Barnes, children & spouses,
Christopher & Natalia Carrera Horwitz and Jonathan & Elizabeth Horwitz Halevi.

George and Marion Thorpe by Dale and Linda Klitzke.

Ken and Lucille Klitzke by Dale and Linda Klitzke.

Jane Vaughan by Yvonne Meyer.

Alma Jeanne and Paul Mauk by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.

Bill Ayer by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.

Margaret and Robert Sommerfeld by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.

Anne Wallace, Muffie Moroney, Debbie Martinez, and Henry Goswick-Cross
by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.



Easter Lilies Dedications



In Thanksgiving for

The Rev. Hannah Atkins Romero and her family by Mark Goza.
The Rev. Luz Cabrera Montes and her family by Mark Goza.
The Rev. Dale Kitzke and his family by Mark Goza.
Alex Jones and the Trinity Choir by Mark Goza.
April Sloan-Hubbert, Pelayo Parlade and the Trinity Jazz Ensemble by Mark Goza.
Trinity Staff and Volunteers by Mark Goza.
My wife Lindsey by Andrea Von Holten.
The Trinity Choir by Andrea Von Holten.
Reverend Hannah by Andrea Von Holten.
Philip Meyer by Yvonne Meyer.
Lisa Rogers by Robert Feltenberger and David Marsh.
Debbie Owens by Robert Feltenberger and David Marsh.
My family by Toni Longino.
Joanne Starbuck and Mark Goza, and the Trinity Altar Guild
by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.
Henrik Escoto by Kamisha and John Escoto.
Sofia Montes by Marcia and Jaylah Quintanilla.
Bill Jones and David Sherron by Larry and Pat Laubach
Lisa, Nate, Madi, Olivia; Amy, Hannah, Alexis and Cole by Larry and Pat Laubach.
Our clergy: Hannah Atkins Romero, Luz Montes, and Dale Klitzke
by Madeline Mauk and Jeanne Sommerfeld.
God and all whom He has placed in my life by Shelby Bradley.
My daughters Emilia, Livia, and Julia by Mary Matteucci.

In Honor of

Kaydence Lomasang's birthday. Happy Birthday, Princess!
by Mom, Dad, Anthony, and Addilyn.
Our mothers, Mary Merullo and Jeanette Zemanek.
by John Merullo and George Zemanek.
My children by Norma Cooper.
My ancestors and nations. May God continue to bless all of us, by Shelby Bradley.



Easter Flower Dedications



The crosses on the doors are given to the Glory of God by

Mary and Gianni Matteucci in Thanksgiving for Emilia, Livia, and Julia.
Hannah and Elmer Romero in Thanksgiving for Magaly, Sara, Samuel, and Daniel.
Mike Laster and Raul Poggi in Memory of Anatascio and Hayde Herenu Poggi.
Mike Laster and Raul Poggi in Memory of Audrey Lavonne Wilson Laster and
H.C. "Chick" Laster.
Samantha Rainman in memory of Joseph and Shirley Rainman.
Cheryl Miller by Robert Feltenberger and David Marsh.
Lois Wright by Robert Feltenberger and David Marsh.

High Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by

The Blanding family in Thanksgiving for Hannah, Luz, and Dale.
Wendy Wentland in Remembrance of Stephen Wentland on the occasion
of his 83rd birthday.
Carol and Phil Turley in Thanksgiving for the wonders of medicine.
Patrick, Javi, and Ophelia in Thanksgiving for Clementine Humphreys.
The Montes family in Thanksgiving for Mark Goza, Joanne Starbuck,
the Trinity Altar Guild and Flower Ministries.

Side Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by

Susan Gallagher and Andy Durham in Thanksgiving for Andrew, Margaret, Dan,
Genie, and Annemarie.
Bob and Carol Wells in Thanksgiving for our 40th wedding anniversary.
Mike Laster and Raul Poggi in Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer.

Baptistery Flowers are given to the Glory of God by

Graeme and Edgar Marston in memory of our parents and grandparents.
Marcy Antiuk and Harold Robertson in Memory of Rose Antiuk.
Wanda S. Mullen, MPA in Honor of the precious students and professors of
the University of Houston—Main Campus.
In honor of the Baptism of Caiden Hillier by his loving family.

Columbarium Flowers by

Linnet Deily in Memory of Mike Deily.



THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN
April 9, 2023 – Easter Sunday, Year A

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Sunday In-Person Services
8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel)
10:30 am (Historic Church)

Easter Services and Events:

Saturday 4/8: 7:30pm – Great Easter Vigil (Church)
Sunday 4/9: 8:30am– Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church), Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30am (Church), Holy Eucharist Rite III 12:30pm (Church), 8pm – Compline (Spanish)
Sunday 4/9: 12:00pm – Annual Church Picture (Holman St.)
Sunday 4/9: 12:15pm – Annual Easter Egg Hunt (Garden – Corner of Fannin and Holman)

Choral Benefit Concert: April 15th, 3pm

Join us for a musical celebration as we gather together to support our amazing choir here at Trinity. We look forward to seeing you there and you can donate online [here](#) (please put Choir Benefit 2023 in memo line).

Men's Half Day Retreat: April 29th, 9am–1pm

We are excited to announce we will be having a men's half day retreat at the end of April. Join Rev. Dale Klitzke for a time of fellowship, discussion, and prayer. You are welcome to invite your friends as well! Register by April 20th for a free book! RSVP [here](#) so we can plan well!

LOTS Breakfast and Worship: Volunteers Needed!!

We are pleased to announce that we will be restarting our LOTS breakfast and worship. This is a significant outreach opportunity that has been a tradition at Trinity for many years. **We need volunteers to help make it happen!** We are in need of greeters, cooks, building guides, and more. If you have helped in the past or if you are new to Trinity and want to get involved please reach out to Ann McCoy at ann.mccoy@att.net and Linda Davenport at lindadavenport421@yahoo.com. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: Church Retreat! April 12–14, 2024

Many of you have requested that we do an all church retreat. We are excited to announce that we have booked a weekend at Camp Allen for **April 12–14, 2024!** Please mark your calendars now for next year! We will have more information and registration coming soon! We hope you will be a part of this special weekend of fellowship and learning as we gather together as a church community!



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, April 9th, 2023

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Church)
7:30 am Nursery Opens
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
12:00 pm Annual Church Picture
12:15 pm Annual Easter Egg Hunt
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Church)
8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

Monday, April 10th, 2023

Church Closed

Tuesday, April 11th, 2023

5:00 pm Pastoral Care Team (Zoom)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:00 pm Property Committee (Zoom)
6:30 pm Finance Committee (Zoom)

Wednesday, April 12th, 2023

10:30 am Staff Meeting
12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Thursday, April 13th, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday, April 14th, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday, April 15th, 2023

9:00 am Trinity LOTS Breakfast Rehearsal
3:00 pm Benefit Performance for Choir (Historic Church)

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom-with-us/>



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, Dick, Teresa Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Livia, Carolyn, Sylvia, Daniel, Kensington, Theophilis, Lynn, Joyce, Bob, Cindy, Christine, David, Robert, Patty, Jose, Julie, Callie, Billie, Be, Graham, Debbie, Dana, Edgar, Gary, Maryanne, Sam, Samantha, Jarrett, Maddie, Harrison, Eugenia, Emilia, Gaby

For the faithful departed:

The Covenant School shooting victims, the migrant detention center fire victims, all victims of gun violence and all who have perished from contracting the Coronavirus.

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Friday 9 am – 1 pm

If you have building concerns please email frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org. Thanks!

Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up at www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/.
The next available dates: April 16th, 23rd, and 30th.



Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please sign up online to volunteer [here](#).
Next available dates: April 23rd and 30th.



Kaydence Lomasang, Danya Serrano,
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Why is there no General Confession in Easter? **Explanation by St. George's Church in Ontario, Canada**

You may have noticed that the Confession – the part of the service where we collectively acknowledge that we make mistakes, that we hurt others, that we carry around guilt and doubt and regret, and then we receive God's forgiveness and assurance of healing – is absent during the Easter season. For some, this will feel like a major omission. Human beings are adept at weighing down our lives with feelings of powerlessness and inadequacy, anxiety for our shortcomings, gaping wounds of anger and hurt for how our relationships have been broken. This time in our worship to take stock, to lay down those burdens before God and to be reminded of God's faithfulness to, and love for, us can help many to feel lighter, freer, refreshed.

However, it is the tradition of the ancient church that the Confession is omitted during the season of Easter. It is not that Christians miraculously become perfect people during the seven weeks of Easter and therefore have no need of repentance and absolution. Instead, it is perhaps more appropriate to think of Easter as a rehearsal, a practicing of what a right relationship with God and one another actually looks like.

Whereas Lent is a time for honest and probing self-reflection, intentionality and care in how we use our time and resources, sparseness and restraint, Easter is a time for celebration, celebration of the fullness of God's kingdom, of a reality in which each of us lives in the light and love of God and reflects that light and love in our relationships with one another. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, we are free from the past brokenness and pain of our lives and our relationships are whole and life-giving. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, talk of sin and forgiveness no longer have a place, because we are healed.

We are not there yet. Brokenness and fragility are part of our story. We still look forward to the time when the promises of new life and healing offered on that first Easter morning will be fully realized. And some of us might continue to bring heavy hearts to worship through Easter. Individuals are encouraged to offer before God in prayer any confessions, any needs, any worries, regardless of whether it is Easter or not. However, our *collective* prayer changes at Easter in order that we might, as a community, tell this part of our story: *Christ is risen!* And we have glimpsed the Kingdom of God, where every tear is wiped away, where all hearts are mended, where we join with all of creation in receiving and sharing the good gifts God gives us.

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.

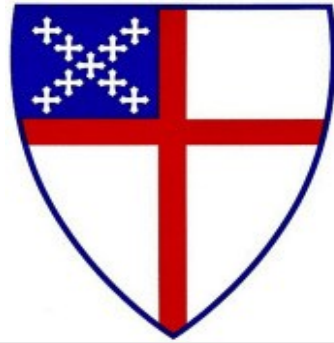
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street 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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