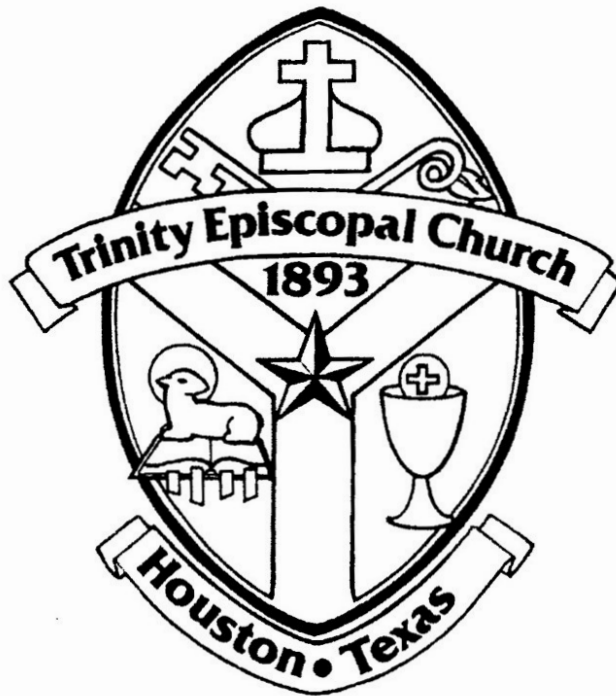


# EASTER DAY

APRIL 9, 2023

12:30 PM



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

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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- 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.
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Ann McCoy

John Merullo  
Samantha Rainman  
Gladys Vallés  
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## THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

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

## GUEST MUSICIANS

Drums: Mikael Sumlin  
Trumpet: Lamar Boulet

## SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: David Theis  
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Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Alex Bruton, Ron Mailloux, Linda Davenport  
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# The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

WELCOME

*Please stand as able.*

Presider Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

**People The Lord is Risen, indeed! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Presider This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

Presider Let us worship God.

*Bells are rung by the congregation while singing the Gloria, celebrating the Resurrection!*

OPENING HYMN

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

*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!

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider May God be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Jesus Christ our Savior, you have delivered us from sin and death. You have brought with the dawn a new beginning and an empty tomb; grant us strength and humility to enter into life. Hear this prayer for your love's sake.

**People Amen.**

THE GLORIA

Glo - ry,

Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. —



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



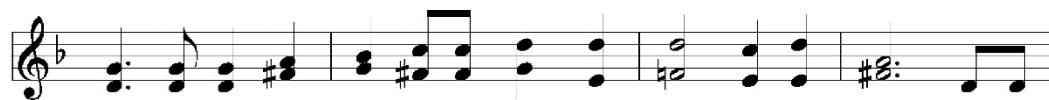
3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,



Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo-ry,



Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. 4. You



take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord,



7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the

*Descant*

Lord, Lord we  
glo-ry of the Fa - ther. Glo-ry, Glo-ry, hal - le - jah, Lord we

praise you Lord, Lord hal - le -  
praise your Ho - ly name, Glo-ry, Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we

*Descant*

lu - jah.  
*Women*

Praise your Ho - ly name.  
*Men*

Praise your Ho - ly name.

THE FIRST LESSON

*Please be seated*

Acts 10: 34-43

Reader: A reading from Acts

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."

*(Continued on page 8)*

Reader  
**People**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:14-24

*Please stand.*

*Refrain sung by congregation*

*Verses sung by soloists*

**Refrain**

His love, \_\_\_\_\_ His love, \_\_\_\_\_ His  
love \_\_\_\_\_ is ev - er - last - ing. \_\_\_\_\_

- 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:

**Refrain**

- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
17 I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.

**Refrain**

- 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.

THE SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3: 1-4

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  
**People**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
**Thanks be to God.**



Presider      The Holy Gospel according to John.  
**People**      **Praise and glory to God!**

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.

Presider      This is the Gospel of Christ.  
**People**      **Praise to Christ, the Word!**

THE SERMON      *Please be seated*

The Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

MUSICAL REFLECTION

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

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## Response

instrumental intro  $G^{\flat}maj7$   $A^{\flat}7sus$   $A^{\flat}7$

Hear our -

**A**

5  $Fm7$   $B^{\flat}m7$   $Fm7$   $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer - O - Lord hea our - prayer O - Lord - - in -

9  $G^{\flat}maj7$   $\oplus$   $A^{\flat}7sus$   $A^{\flat}7$

cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord hear our

**B**

13  $Fm7$   $B^{\flat}m7$   $Fm7$   $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer O - Lord - hear - our - prayer - O - Lord - - - in -

17  $G^{\flat}maj7$   $A^{\flat}7sus$   $A^{\flat}7$

cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord \_\_\_\_\_

Soft piano improvisation during prayer, play intro to cue next response.

$\oplus$

21  $G^{\flat}maj7$   $A^{\flat}7sus$   $A^{\flat}7$   $D^{\flat}maj7$

A - nd Gra - nt - us Thy - Pe - ace \_\_\_\_\_

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, 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](#). 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, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), and Hector, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale our clergy, and for all who minister in this place.

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, Nick, Byron, Theresa, Florence, Charles, Mary, Kathy, Demetrick, Christopher, Letha, Connie, Phil, Bob, Sarah, Evan, Susan, Michele, and Paul](#).

[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 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](#). 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: [Kaydence, Danya, Rick, and Mike](#). [We also give you thanks for Caiden Hillier, who received the Sacrament of Baptism yesterday evening.](#)

## 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

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

*The community greets one another with the Peace of Christ.*

*Please pass the Peace in a socially distanced manner.*

MUSIC AT THE PEACE

Lovely Day

Bill Withers

*Please be seated.*

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 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

Because He Lives

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. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new age has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

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

Ho - ly Ho - - ly Ho - - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - - ly

Ho ly is the Lord God Al migh - - ty  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the lord

Wor - thy to re-ceive glo - - ry, wor - thy to re-ceive ho - - nor  
Ho sa nna in the High - - est, Ho sa nna in the High - - est

Wor thy to re - ceive all our praise to-day

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.

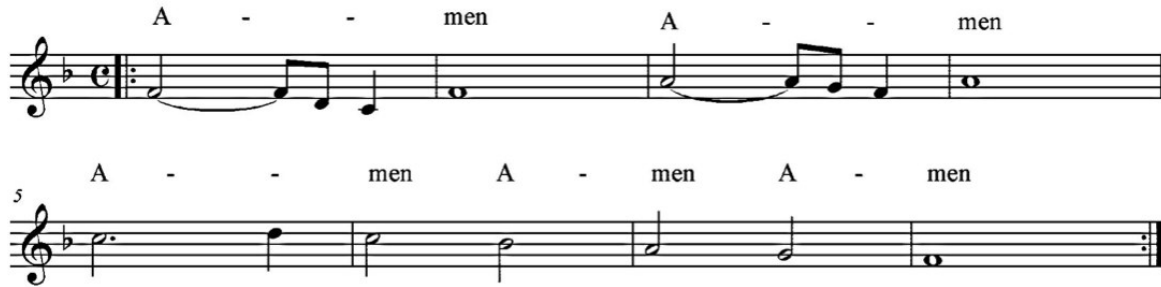
Therefore heavenly Father, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died. Christ is

ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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,



As Christ teaches us, we pray:

**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** Alleluia! 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.  
Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Lamb of God

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# 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.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

### This Is My Body

LEVAS, page 155



This is my bod - y\_\_\_ giv - en up for you,\_\_\_\_\_ this is my  
blood\_\_\_\_\_ poured out for you.\_\_\_\_\_ This is my bod - y\_\_\_ giv - en  
up for you,\_\_\_\_\_ this is my blood\_\_\_ poured out for you.\_\_\_\_\_  
Bod - y of Christ, A - men,\_\_\_\_\_ Blood of  
Christ, A - men,\_\_\_\_\_ Bod - y of Christ,  
A - men,\_\_\_\_\_ Blood of Christ, A - men.\_\_\_\_\_

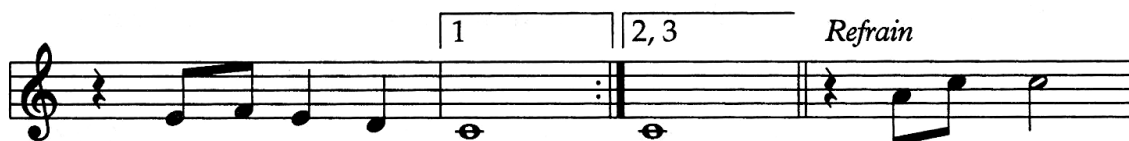
Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine



1. Here is bread, here is wine: }  
 2. Here is grace, here is peace: } Christ is with us:  
 3. Here we are, joined in one: }



He is with us. { Break the bread; taste the wine:  
 Know his grace; find his peace:  
 We'll pro-claim till he comes



Christ is with us here. In this bread  
 Feast on Je - sus here. fied.  
 Je - sus cru - ci -



there is heal - ing; in this cup there's life for - ev - er.



In this mo-ment by the Spir-it Christ is with us here.

*Please stand as able.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.**

#### THE BLESSING

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.

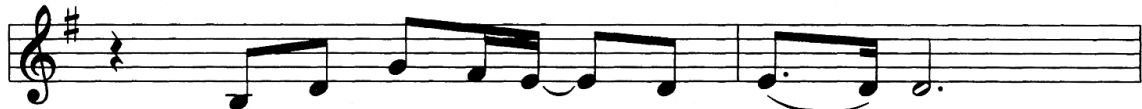
**Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High



Lord, I lift your name on high;



Lord, I love to sing your prais - es.



I'm so glad you're in my life;



I'm so glad you came to save us.



You came from heav - en to earth - to show the way, -



- from the earth - to the cross - my debt to pay; -



- from the cross to the grave, - from the grave to the sky; -



- Lord, I lift your name on high.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People

**We go in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!**

*Thank you for worshipping with us this afternoon.*

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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  
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Our parents and grandparents by Graeme and Edgar Marston  
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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](mailto:ann.mccoy@att.net) and Linda Davenport at [lindadavenport421@yahoo.com](mailto: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, Theorphilis, 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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### Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up at [www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/](http://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,  
Rick Reyes, Mike Crum



#### Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am – 4 pm  
Friday 9 am – 1 pm

If you have building concerns please email [frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org). Thanks!



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For more information on annual giving visit [2023 Stewardship Campaign](#).

## **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.

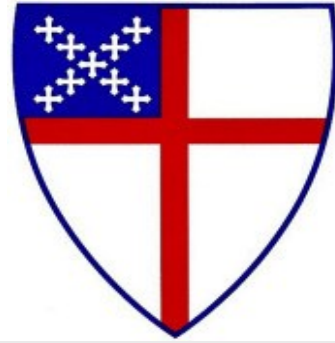
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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