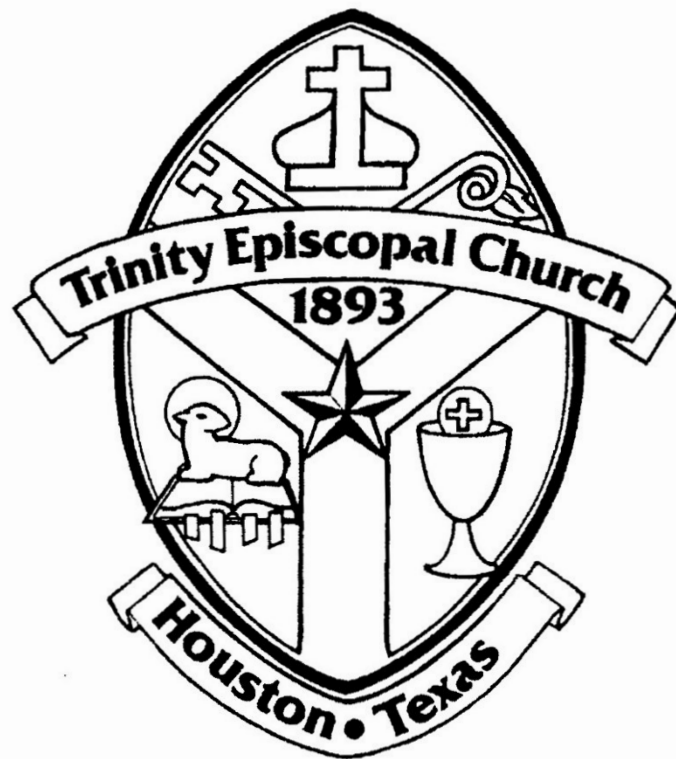


# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 13, 2023  
12:30 p.m.



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

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

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Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*  
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*  
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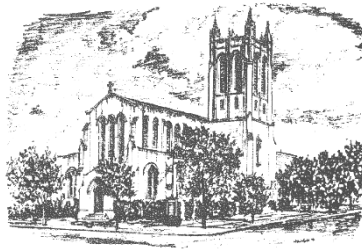
## THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

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

## SERVING TODAY

Lector: Mary Ann Collier  
Prayers: Jim Castro  
Acolyte: David Theis  
Usher: Lovette Browne  
Altar Guild: Linda Davenport  
Vestry of the Day: Samantha Rainman

The Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of my husband Richard and our  
fiftieth wedding anniversary on August 21, 2023  
by Judith Edgar



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# The Liturgy of the Word

## INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

*Please stand as able.*

**Presider** Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other: Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

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

**Presider** Let us worship God.

## OPENING HYMN

## Come to Me

LEVAS, page 156

1. "Come to me, Ye who are hard op - pressed;  
2. "Come to me!" Je - ho - vah gen - tly pleads;

1. Lay your head gen - tly up - on my breast;  
2. "Come to me, I can sup - ply all needs;

1. Come to me, And I will give you rest; wea - ry  
2. And my way, Un - to green pas - ture leads; Free from

1. one, Hith - er come! God is your home!"  
2. sin! En - ter in! God is your home!"

## OPENING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Jesus, Savior in storm, when the waters of the deep are broken up, when the landmarks are washed away or drowned, come to us across the water; for the glory of your holy Name .

**People Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 19: 9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People Thanks be to God.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 10: 5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

*(Continued on page 6)*

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as able* Matthew 14: 22-33

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

*Please be seated*

SERMON The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Associate Rector

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

Please stand as able

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### Response

instrumental intro G<sup>b</sup>maj7 A<sup>b</sup>7sus A<sup>b</sup>7

Hear our -

**A**

5 F m7 B<sup>b</sup>m7 F m7 B<sup>b</sup>m7

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

9 G<sup>b</sup>maj7 A<sup>b</sup>7sus A<sup>b</sup>7

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

**B**

13 F m7 B<sup>b</sup>m7 F m7 B<sup>b</sup>m7

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

17 G<sup>b</sup>maj7 A<sup>b</sup>7sus A<sup>b</sup>7

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

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

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; Lina, our county judge; Sylvester, our mayor; and the legislatures, and courts; that we may share with justice the resources of the world, and work together in trust.

### Response

Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Héctor Zavala, and the Anglican Church of Chile](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [All Saints', Cameron; Christ Church, Mexia; and Christ Church, Temple](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Joanne Starbuck, Mark Goza, and the Altar Guild](#). 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**

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat major). It consists of an instrumental introduction and several vocal lines with lyrics. Chord markings are provided above the staff lines.

**Instrumental Intro:** *G*<sup>b</sup>*maj*7, *A*<sup>b</sup>7<sub>sus</sub>, *A*<sup>b</sup>7. Lyrics: Hear our -

**Section A:** *F* *m*7, *B*<sup>b</sup>*m*7, *F* *m*7, *B*<sup>b</sup>*m*7. Lyrics: prayer - O - Lord hea our - prayer O - Lord - - in -

**Section 9:** *G*<sup>b</sup>*maj*7, *A*<sup>b</sup>7<sub>sus</sub>, *A*<sup>b</sup>7. Lyrics: cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord hear our

**Section B:** *F* *m*7, *B*<sup>b</sup>*m*7, *F* *m*7, *B*<sup>b</sup>*m*7. Lyrics: prayer O - Lord - hear - our - prayer - O - Lord - - - in -

**Section 17:** *G*<sup>b</sup>*maj*7, *A*<sup>b</sup>7<sub>sus</sub>, *A*<sup>b</sup>7. Lyrics: cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord - - -

**Section 21:** *G*<sup>b</sup>*maj*7, *A*<sup>b</sup>7<sub>sus</sub>, *A*<sup>b</sup>7, *D*<sup>b</sup>*maj*7. Lyrics: A - nd Gra - nt - us Thy - Pe - ace - -

*Soft piano improvisation during prayer, play intro to cue next 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](#), [Kathy](#), [Bob](#), [Dale](#), [Edith](#), [Layne](#), [Jane](#), [Mark](#), [Guillermo](#), [Phil](#), [Alton](#), [Carolyn](#), and [Chris](#). 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 [Emily Sumner](#), [Christina Belden](#), and all 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 [Jeffrey, Chantelle, Kaycie, Natalie, Linelle, Heidi, and Ford](#), who are celebrating their birthdays

**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 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

Paul McCartney

*Please be seated.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

## 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.

OFFERING

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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.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory, in him you made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

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,

A - - men, A - - men,

A - - men, A - - men,

A - - men, A - - men, A - - men.

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 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.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. 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. If you are unable to come forward for communion, it will be brought to you in your pew.*



*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.*

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
 2. When my way grows— drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws—

1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
 2. near, When my life is al - most gone;  
 3. near, And the day is past and gone;

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
 2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I  
 3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
 2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
 3. hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.

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.**

THE BLESSING

Presider The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

Change my heart, O God, \_ make it ev-er true. \_

Change my heart, O God, \_

may I be like you. \_ You are the

Pot-ter, I am the clay. \_

Mold me and make me, this is what I

pray. Change my heart, O God, \_

make it ev-er true. \_ Change my heart, O God, \_

may I be like you. \_

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.*

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*This service will not be livestreamed for the month of August.  
Please consider signing up to help livestream this service once a month.  
Training will be provided.*

*We would like to thank Judith Edgar for hosting this morning's coffee hour.  
Please note that Sundays starting Sept. 17 are open to host (part/all) coffee hour.  
Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or online, or scan this QR code:*





# THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN  
August 13, 2023 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

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

## Trinity Block Party Talks! Last One! Sept. 10th

Join us for one of our last two discussions about our City Block! We will be sharing ideas about our outdoor spaces, talking about the Bering House, and updating you on the parking lot construction scheduled for 2024.

Sunday, September 10th from 1:45pm-3:45pm, Fellowship Hall

RSVP [HERE](#).

## Episcopal Way Class – August 19th, 10am

The Episcopal Way is a class designed to give you a deeper understanding of the Episcopal Church and help you find your place in the life of our church. After completing the course, you will be ready to be Baptized, Confirmed, or Received at our next Bishop's Visit on 10/22. For more information and to RSVP please click [here](#).

## Support Our Local Schools!

Are you a teacher at a Title 1 school? Do you have an Amazon wishlist? If so, please send that in an email to our Associate Rector, [associaterector@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:associaterector@trinitymidtown.org). In the next few weeks, we will be sharing teacher wishlists with you all and invite you to pray and consider purchasing items on these lists.

## Want to Help Us Address Climate Change?

Do you have climate change concerns? If so, please e-mail Rev. Luz. at [associaterector@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:associaterector@trinitymidtown.org). The Texas Climate Jobs Project and labor unions are working together to help lead on climate change. Texas Climate Jobs Project is a project of Fair Shot Texas and Fair Shot Texas Action Fund in partnership with the Texas AFL-CIO. Rev. Luz would love to give you more information on how you can be a part of addressing this critical issue.

## Volunteer Opportunities: Is God Calling You?

**A big thank you Trinity, all of our leadership positions have been filled!!!!**

### Team Participant Volunteer Opportunities

**Usher Teams, all Services**, beginning immediately, we are in real need. Contact Pat Laubach for job description and training process. Email: [volunteer@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:volunteer@trinitymidtown.org), Phone: 281-948-6086  
**4 More Volunteers Needed**

**Altar Guild Teams**, beginning in August and September. Contact Joanne Starbuck and/or Mark Goza for job description and training. Email: [jstarbuck@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jstarbuck@sbcglobal.net), Phone: 713-898-3069  
**4 More Volunteers Needed**

**Live Streaming AV Volunteer for 12:30pm service**, beginning as soon as possible. Contact Ryan Mire for job description and training. Email: [parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org).

**Evening Prayer Team**, beginning as soon as possible. Contact Christian Bearup for job description and training. Email: [christianbearup@gmail.com](mailto:christianbearup@gmail.com).

## Save the Date

August 27th – Blessing of the Backpacks

September 10th – Aloha Sunday

September 24th – Blood Drive

October 8th – Blessing of the Animals

October 22nd – Bishop's Visit/Annual Giving Kick-Off and Four Choirs Evensong

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

### Sunday, August 13th, 2023

7:30am – 1:30pm Nursery Open  
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)  
9:00 am Sunday Meditations (Zoom)  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)  
10:45 am Children's Chapel  
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)  
8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

### Monday, August 14th, 2023

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

### Tuesday, August 15th, 2023

5:00 pm Vestry Meeting (Zoom)  
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

### Wednesday, August 16th, 2023

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm  
5:30 pm Evening Prayer  
6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, August 17th, 2023

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

### Friday, August 18th, 2023

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

### Saturday, August 19th, 2023

10:00 am Episcopal Way Class (Smith Rm)

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, Theresa (Fobbs), Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Livia, Sylvia, Joyce, Graeme, Bob, Cristine, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Samantha, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Henry, and Theresa (McLellan).

### For the faithful departed:

Emily Sumner, Christina Belden and all victims of gun violence.

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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: August 27th, September 3rd and 17th.



Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please sign up online to volunteer [here](#) or scan QR code below. For questions or further information please click [here](#) to contact Jamie Chambers

Next available dates: September 17th, 24th, and October 1st.



Jeffrey Edgar, Chantelle Payne, Kaycie Fielder, Natalie Wood, Linelle Clark, Heidi Edgar, Ford Frost

### Office Hours

Tuesday–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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## BULLETIN INSERTS

### **August 13, 2023 – Pentecost 11 (A)** **Jonathan Daniels**

Jonathan Daniels' name resonates as one of the civil rights heroes and martyrs of our time. Giving his life at the early age of 26, Jonathan Daniels dedicated himself completely to his work, both inside and outside of The Episcopal church.

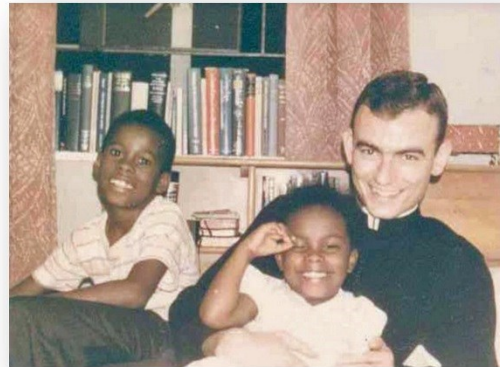
Born March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1939 in Keene, New Hampshire, Daniels grew up devoutly religious. Drawn to the rich system of traditions and rituals, Daniels became a practicing Episcopalian early in his life. This same desire for tradition, order, and organization led him to attend the Virginia Military Institute where he eventually graduated as valedictorian of the class of 1961. A fellowship that would finance his graduate studies then led him to Harvard University's English literature department. Not long after entering Harvard, Daniels discovered that his true calling was for ministry, so he left to pursue the priesthood.

Less than a year later, Daniels began his studies at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, the epicenter of a world of social activism. Meanwhile, the southern portion of the United States found itself in the midst of chaos with protests, killings, and racism running rampant. Minister and activist Martin Luther King, Jr. called upon northern clergy to go to Selma, Alabama, one location experiencing some of the worst of these atrocities.

Jonathan Daniels decided to answer this call and moved to Selma, Alabama in the early 1960s. His time there changed his life forever. He became passionate about civil rights work and was involved in as many ways as he could.

In August of 1965, he participated in a voters' rights demonstration in Fort Deposit, Alabama where authorities arrested him. On Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 1965, he was released from the county jail without warning and without bail. Daniels and other released activists walked across the street to buy soda at the corner store. Thomas Coleman, local and volunteer deputy sheriff, blocked their way and ordered them off the property while wielding a shotgun. He aimed his gun at 17-year-old Ruby Sales, an African-American activist. Daniels instinctively pulled her back and stepped into the line of fire, dying instantly but saving Ruby's life. Coleman stood before an all-white jury facing charges of manslaughter, not murder, and was acquitted of all charges.

While Jonathan Daniels' life was cut dramatically short by an act of violence, his heroic legacy of selflessness and compassion lives on in schools, history, and the Church, even today. The Episcopal Church made Jonathan Daniels an official martyr of the church and added him to the Lesser Feasts and Fasts calendar of commemorations in 1994, designating August 14<sup>th</sup>, the day of his arrest, for his feast.



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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.

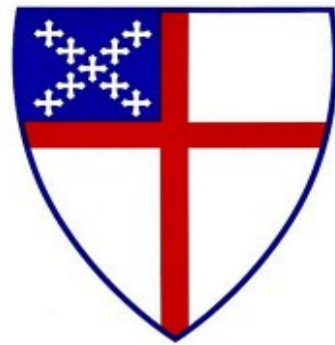
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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