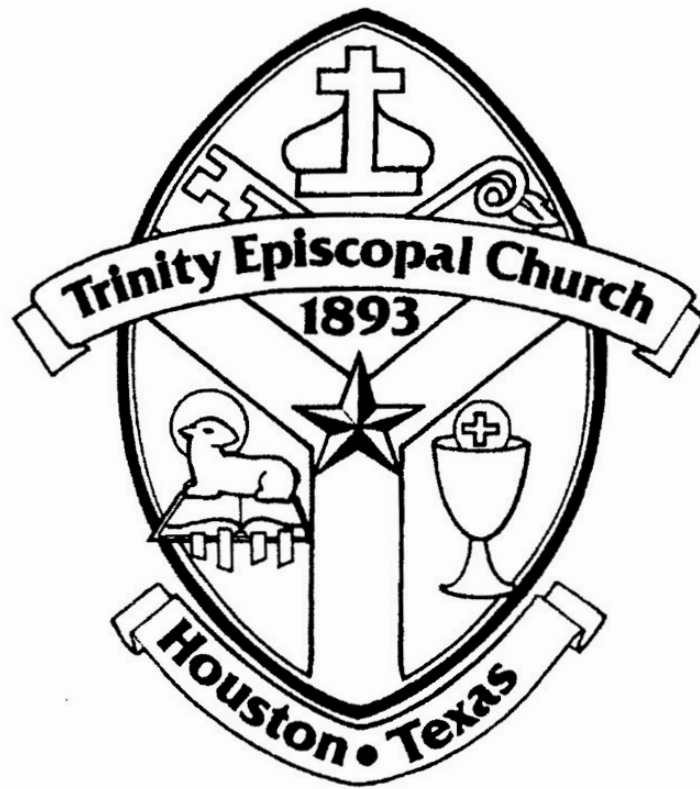


THE HOLY NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

JANUARY 1, 2023
11:00 a.m.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate
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. 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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Facebook Live Stream. Please be advised that this service is live streamed through our Trinity Facebook Page and YouTube channels. By participating in the service, you are consenting to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your children who participate.

Children 3yrs through 3rd grade *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* Meets in room 112 at 9:30 a.m. and the children return to their parents at the passing of the peace.

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.
- Each Sunday, your child may pick up a pew activity in the back of the church.
- 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:

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VESTRY

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*
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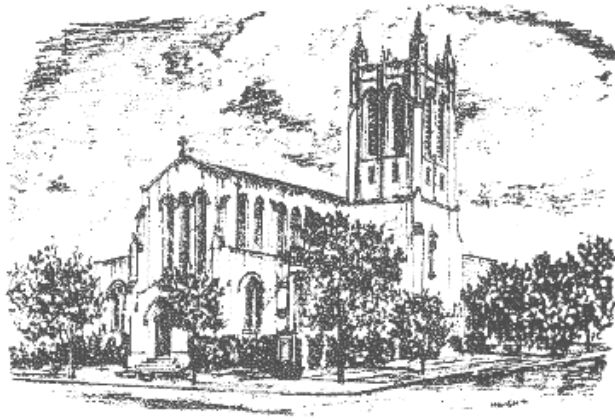
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Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: L. Blanding
Prayers: Ron Mailloux
LEM: Shelby Bradley
Acolytes: L. Blanding, Mark Goza, Mary Cloud
Usher: Ben Blanding, Jason Hruska
Verger: Ron Mailloux
Altar Guild: Carolyn Reyes, Catherine Guthrie, Rick Reyes
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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able.

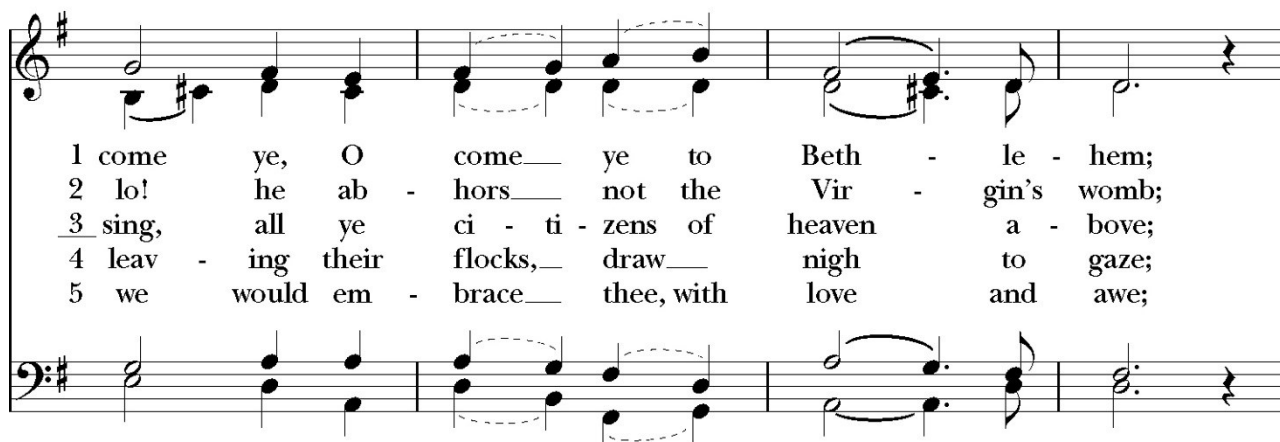
HYMN IN PROCESSION 83

O come, all ye faithful

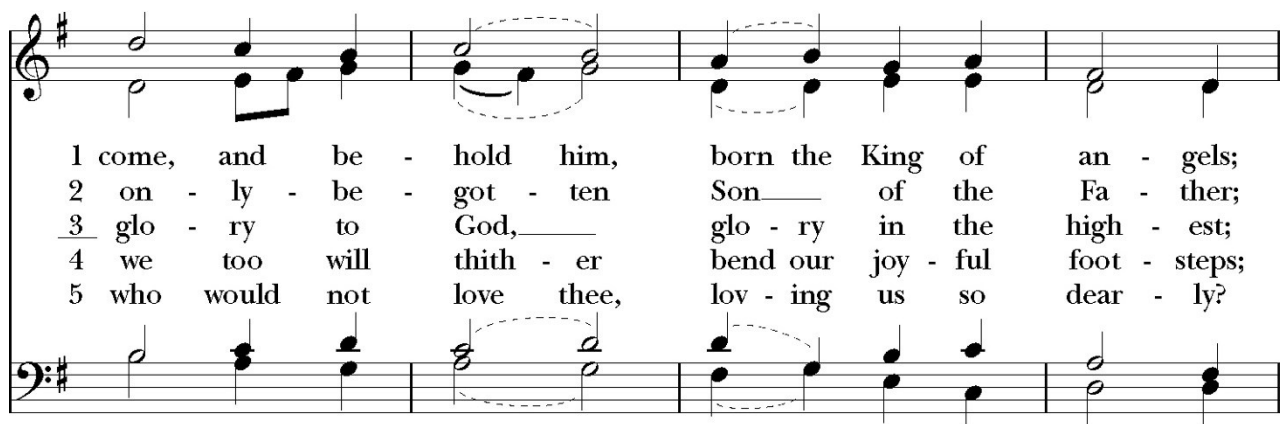
Adeste fideles



1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
*4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,
*5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,



1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
4 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
5 we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;



1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, page 355

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, page 355

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

(sung by the choir)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.**People** **And also with you.***Celebrant* Let us pray.

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Numbers 6: 22-27

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.**People** **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

Galatians 4: 4-7

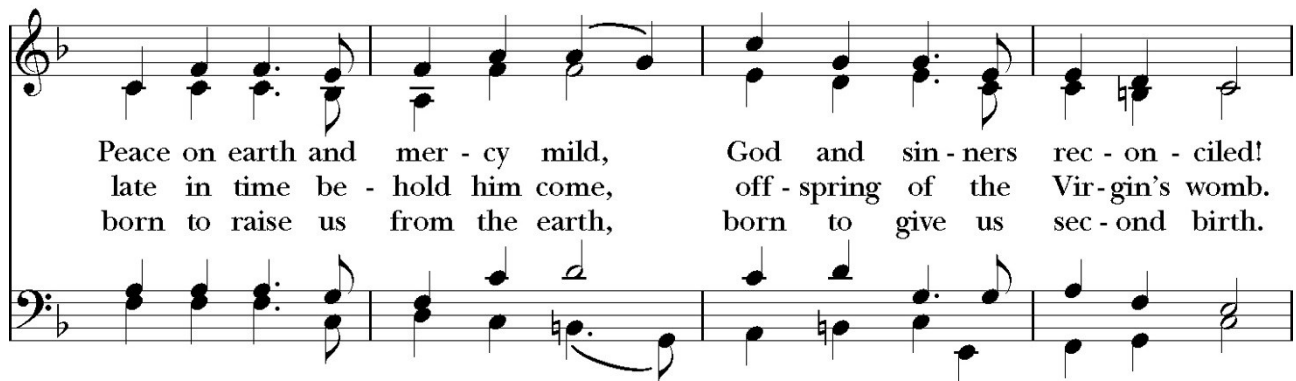
When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

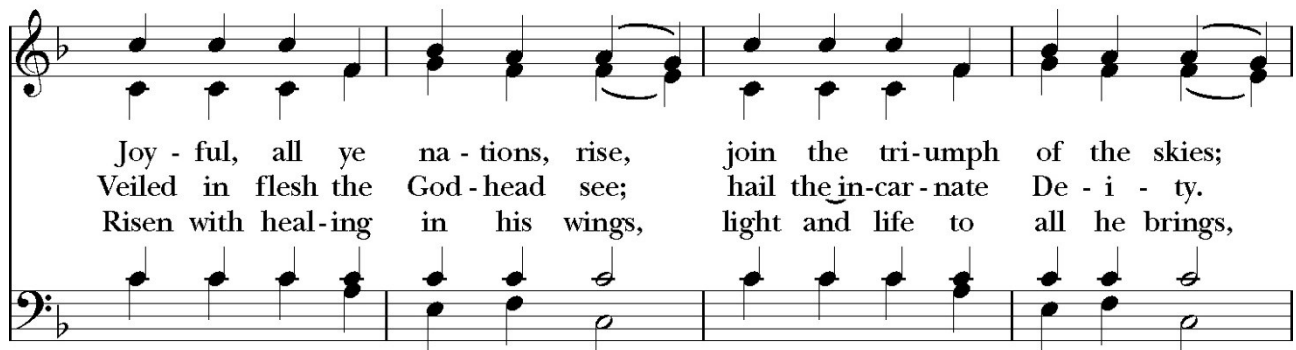
People Thanks be to God.



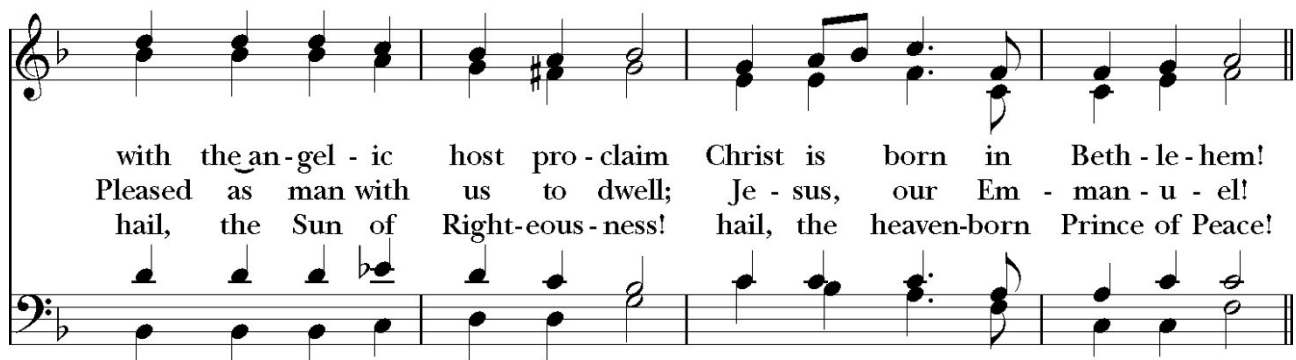
1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,



with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2: 15-21

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

NICENE CREED

**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.**

Please stand as able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

BCP, page 392

We invite you to offer any prayers you wish to share in the comment section.

Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Reader We pray for Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our governor; Lina, our county judge; Sylvester, our mayor; and the legislatures, and courts: For this community, the nation, and the world:

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Reader For the end of systemic racism that divides us; for the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Reader For [all women and men, boys and girls who are homeless this day, and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.](#)

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Reader In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Enrique Treviño Cruz and the Anglican Church of Mexico](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [All Saints'](#), [Austin](#); [Calvary, Bastrop](#); and [Christ Church, Cedar Park](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [John Merullo and the Evening Prayer ministry](#). For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

People **For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Reader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), Hector, and Scott, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale, our clergy; for all who minister in this place; and for all bishops and other ministers.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those who are on our prayer list: [Bill, Eula, Joyce, Maryanne, Gary, John, Edgar, Larry, Nick, and Jarrett](#).

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for [Nancy, Sheree, Joyce, Alice, Pamela, and Richard](#) as they celebrate their birthdays.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Reader We pray for all who have died, [especially for all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and all victims of gun violence](#), that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever . **Amen.**

The children who attended Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will return at this point so that they can participate with their families in the Holy Communion.

Please stand as able.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please pass the peace in a socially distanced manner.

Please be seated.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see our complete announcements and the Weekly Window at the end 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

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

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Texting. Send the message **heartofmidtown** to **73256**. Be sure to type heartofmidtown with no spaces, or autocorrect may insert information about a different church. The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contributions.



OFFERTORY HYMN 339

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Schmücke dich

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 400, stanza 7

Lasst uns erfreuen

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

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

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

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

SURSUM CORDA S120

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S127

Calvin Hampton

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow - er and might, hea - ven 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.

Please stand or kneel, as able.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

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

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

Please come forward to receive communion at the Altar rail. 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.

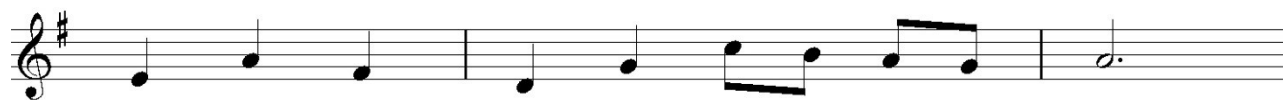
PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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

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



1 O Sa - vior of our fall - en race, _____
 2 O Je - sus, ve - ry Light of Light, _____
 3 Re - mem - ber, Lord of life and grace, _____
 4 To - day, as year by year its light _____
 5 For from the Fa - ther's throne you came, _____
 6 O Christ, Re - deem - er vir - gin - born, _____



1 O Bright - ness of the Fa - ther's face,
 2 our con - stant star in sin's deep night;
 3 how once, to save our fall - en race,
 4 bathes all the world in ra - diance bright,
 5 his ban - ished chil - dren to re - claim;
 6 let songs of praise your Name a - dorn,



1 O Son who shared the Fa - ther's might be - fore the world knew
 2 now hear the prayers your peo - ple pray through - out the world this
 3 you put our hu - man ves - ture on and came to us as
 4 one pre - cious truth out - shines the sun: sal - va - tion comes from
 5 and earth and sea and sky re - vere the love of him who
 6 whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit



1 day or night,
 2 ho - ly day.
 3 Ma - ry's son.
 4 you a - lone.
 5 sent you here.
 6 ev - er - more. Al - le - lu - ia!

The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

Celebrant On behalf of God and Trinity Parish, we send forth these holy gifts
 that those who will be visited may share with us in the communion of
 Christ's Body and Blood.

People Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please kneel or stand as able.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

Amen.

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

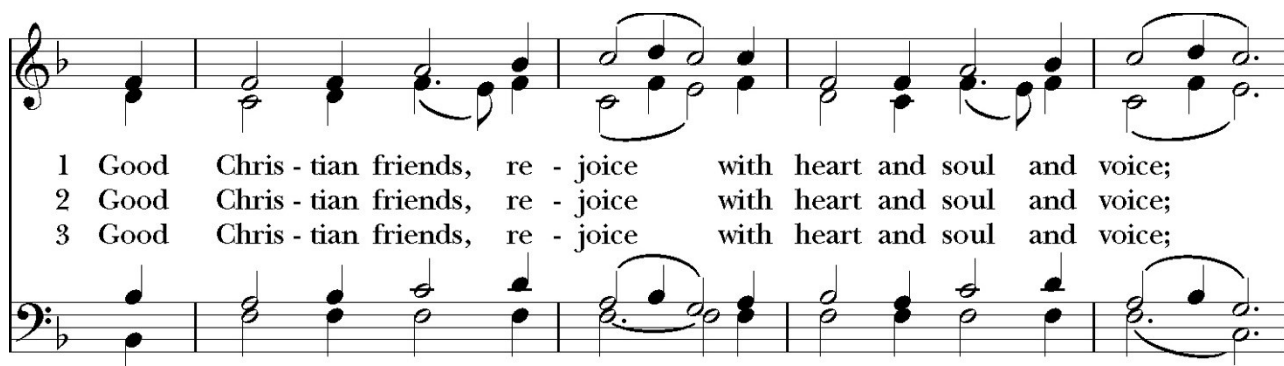
Amen.

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

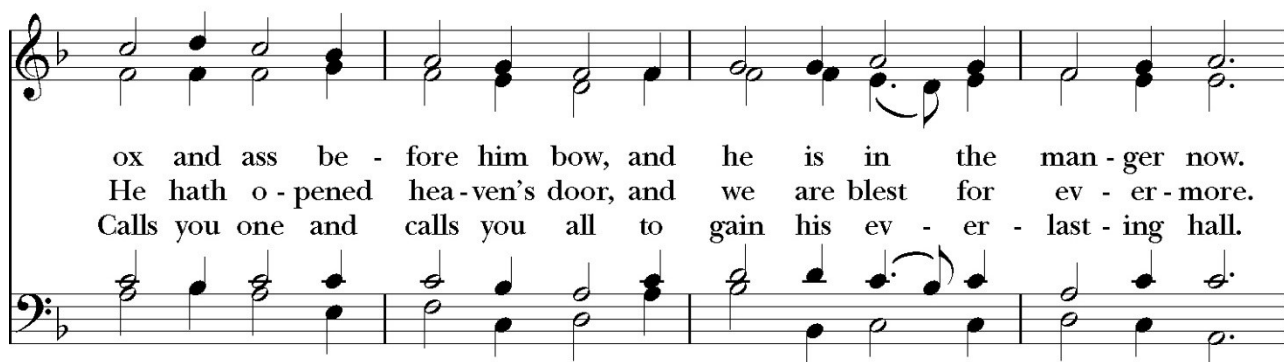
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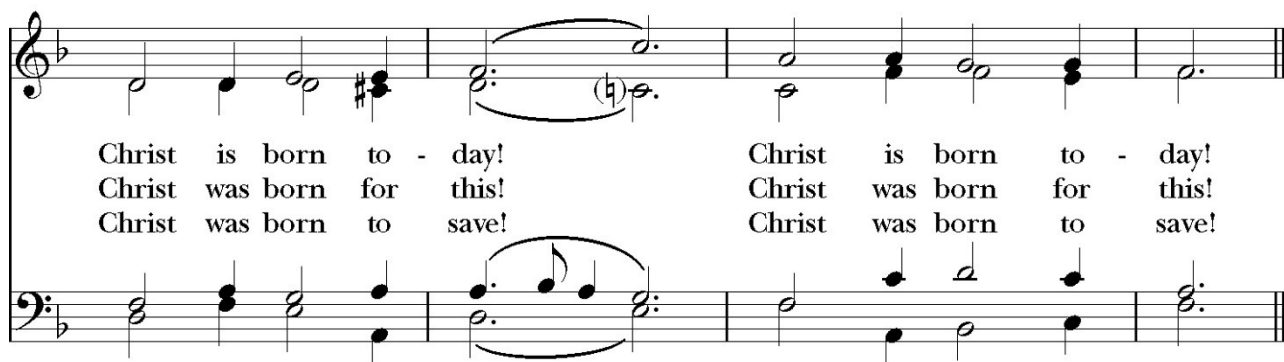
1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - jice with heart and soul and voice;
 2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - jice with heart and soul and voice;
 3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - jice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

DISMISSAL

Officiant

People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Das Alte Jahr Vergangen Ist

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Those who wish to listen to the closing Voluntary
are invited to come and sit in the Choir.*

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The High Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and In Loving Memory of

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In Celebration of

Our Anniversary by Greg and Mindi Lomasang

The Baptistery Flowers are given to the glory of God and In Loving Memory of

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In Thanksgiving for

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In Thanksgiving for

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God's loving gift of our Savior and the hope of eternal life by Wendy Wentland
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my parents Henry and Treadwell Atkins by the Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero
my brother Henry and Li's marriage by the Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero
The wonderful staff, ministry heads, and vestry of Trinity
by the Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero*

Flowers in the Columbarium

*The flowers in the Columbarium are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Mike Deily by Linnet Deily,*



Christmas Flower Dedications



The poinsettias are given to the glory of God and In Loving Memory of

*Tony Davidson by Suzanne Kupiec
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Nellie Lipsky by Suzanne Kupiec
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Rocco and Mary Lepore by Joanne and Ron Starbuck
Edna and Robert Starbuck by Joanne and Ron Starbuck
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Ann, Jack, and Dennis Roach by Karen Roach
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Our parents Clarence and Mildred Laubach, Ralph Lee and Maurine McMillan
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My son, Christopher, my cousin, the Rev. Carlotta E. Madison, and my family members
and friends who have entered the Spirit World by Shelby Bradley
Albert and Elizabeth Cloteaux by Donna Cloteaux
Erine Blackman, Patricia Braithwaite, Pat Jung, and Marsha Reed
by Timothy and Pamela Lawson*

In Thanksgiving for

*Alex Jones and the Trinity Choir by Mark Goza
April Sloan Hubert, Pelayo Parlade and the Trinity Jazz Ensemble by Mark Goza
The Reverend Hannah Atkins Romero and her family by Mark Goza
The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes and her family by Mark Goza
The Reverend Dale Klitzke and his family by Mark Goza
Ryan Mire, Pat Laubach, and all Trinity staff and volunteers by Mark Goza
Sofía Isabela Montes by Jaylah and Marcia Quintanilla
Our daughters Lisa and Amy and our grandchildren
Hannah, Madeline, Alexis, Olivia, and Cole by Pat and Larry Laubach
Our clergy Hannah, Luz, and Dale by Pat and Larry Laubach
Trinity staff and Trinity volunteers by Pat and Larry Laubach
God's continued blessings of love, friendship, mercy, and comfort given to me
and those I've encountered throughout 2022 by Shelby Bradley*

In Honor of

Elmer and Hannah Atkins Romero by Bob and Carol Wells

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.

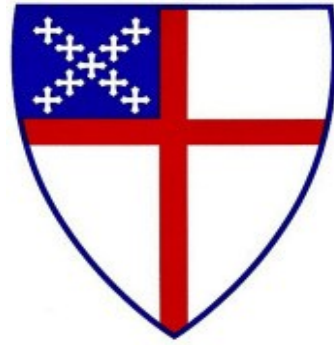
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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