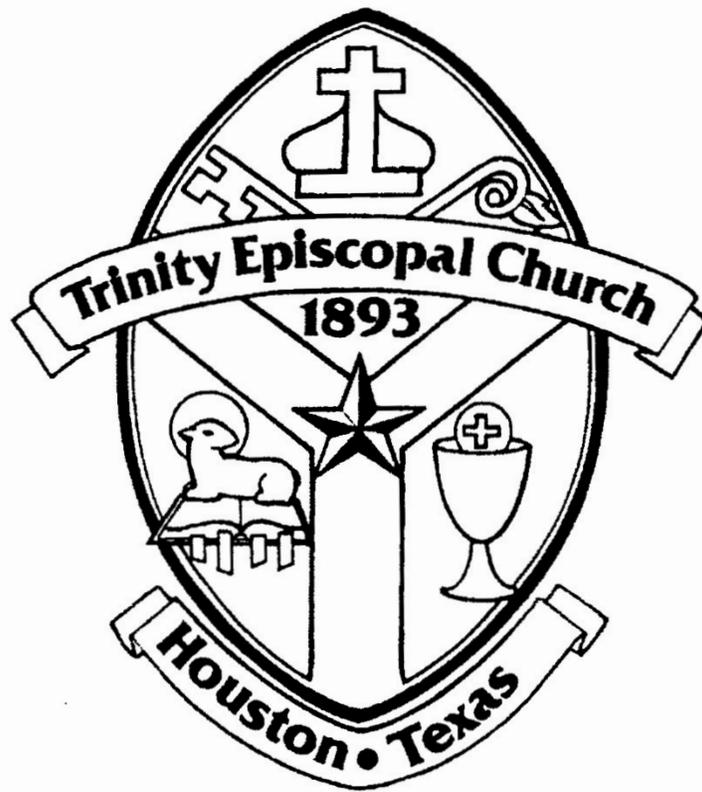


FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 10, 2021
10:30 a.m.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate
The Reverend Canon Dr. Henry L. Atkins, Jr., Theologian in Residence

Collin Boothby, Organist and Choirmaster

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We follow the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

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

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

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For questions about how to connect with us, please email
Collin Boothby, Associate for Connections Ministries at:
connections@trinitymidtown.org

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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

Amy Luke, *Senior Warden*
John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

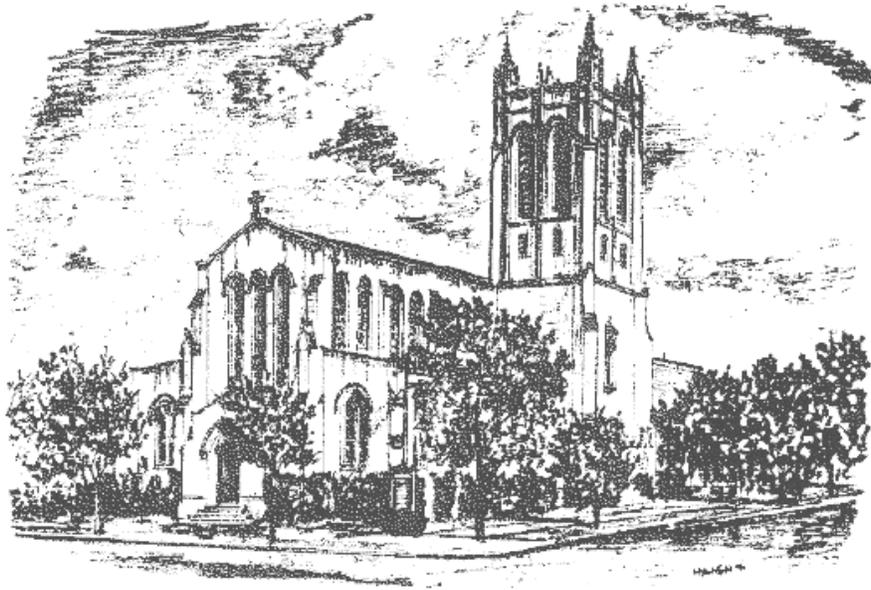
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Norma Cooper	David Theis
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Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*
Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*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

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Cantor: Harrison G. Moore, IV
Lector: Samantha Rainman
Guest Organist: Benjamin Henderson

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of their 52nd wedding anniversary by Pat and Larry Laubach.



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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

VOLUNTARY

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

Karl Richter

WELCOME

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 128

We three kings of Orient are

Three Kings of Orient



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing
2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense
4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



1 gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
2 bring to crown him a - gain, King for ev - er,
3 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
4 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
5 God and Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le -

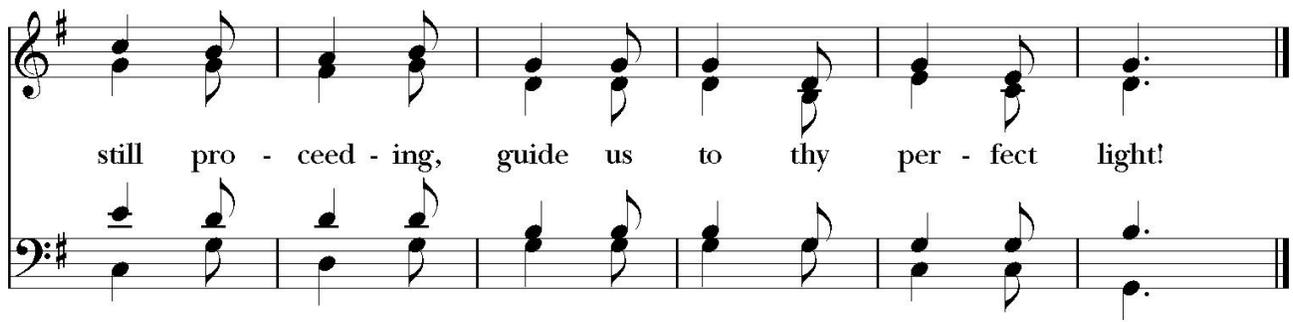


1 moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
2 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
3 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.
4 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
5 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.

Refrain

O star of won - der, star of night,

star with roy - al beau - ty bright; west - ward lead - ing,



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, page 355

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, page 355

Officiant 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.**

CANTICLE

Gloria in excelsis

Read in unison.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the
wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.**
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 121 *Christ, when for us you were baptized*

Caithness

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,
as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1: 4-11

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

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

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Most Reverend Don Tamihere, the Most Reverend Philip Richardson, the Most Reverend Fereimi Cama, and the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for Church of the Cross, Lake Travis; Epiphany, Burnet; and good Shepherd, Austin. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Sarah Flick and the Women's Circle. We pray for our bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff and Kai, our Bishops; and for Hannah, Luz and Henry our clergy.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People Hear our prayer.

For Donald, our president; Greg, our governor; Sylvester, our mayor; Lina, our county judge; Joseph, our president-elect; Kamala, our vice-president-elect; and the legislatures and courts. We pray for the end of systemic racism: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People Hear our prayer.

For teachers and all front-line workers who are courageously assisting others during this pandemic; Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: Gayle, Camilla, Elizabeth, Andrew, Rachel, John, and Jack. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially for those we now name: Oliver, Eula, Bill, Jocelyn, Charles, Gloria, Joe, Ramona, Etsu, Pat, Lee, Carolyn, Letha, Susan, David, Doug, Alison, Brett, Marisa, Marisa's student, Van, Randy, Andrea, Mary, Gary, Glenda, Jason, Kaycie, and Booker. Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Tommy Lakes, Jr., Bob Kirby, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus, that your will for them may be fulfilled: and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

CONFESSION

BCP, page 392

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

BCP, page 360

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

VIRTUAL OFFERING

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

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<https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=156477>

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

OFFERTORY

The Three Kings

Peter Cornelius

Three Kings have come from the eastern land
a starr hath led them to Jordans' strand.
And in Judaea are asking the three
where the new-born Savior of the earth may be.
With gold, and myrrh and incense so rare,
they seek to worship the infant there..

How brightly shines now the light on high
as to the manger the kings draw nigh.
They look with rapture upon the boy,
they bend before him o'ercome with joy,
with gold and myrrh and incense so rare
they all adore the infant there.

O child of man! bend thou also low!
The kings went thither o with them go!
The star of mercy, compassion's star,
shall point thee the pathway to Him afar,
and fail thee gold and incense so rare,
given then thy heart to Jesus there!
Give him thy heart!

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
 him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP, page 367

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

Here a Proper Preface is said.

Celebrant 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

**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.

Please kneel or stand as able.

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;**

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.

People AMEN.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, page 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People have mercy on us.

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People have mercy on us.

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

BCP, page 364

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will offer communion in one kind, the bread only. The priest will offer to those present wafers spaced apart on a bread plate. Please take one without touching the others and consume it as you return to your seat.

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

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized shall see the Lord's sal -
 2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: grant us thy Ho - ly



va - tion; bap-tized in - to the death of Christ, each is a
 Spi - rit; help us in our in - fir - mi - ty through Je - sus'



new cre - a - tion. Through Christ's re-demp-tion we shall stand a - mong the
 blood and mer - it. Grant us to grow in grace each day that as is



glo - rious heav - en - ly band of ev - ery tribe and na - tion.
 prom - ised here we may e - ter - nal life in - her - it.

Please stand or kneel as able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Please stand as able.

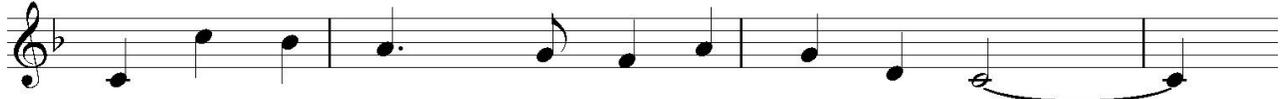
HYMN IN PROCESSION 296

We know that Christ is raised

Engelberg



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more._____
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death._____
The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life._____
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows_____



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold;_____
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life_____
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God._____
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood._____



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy._____
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. Al - le -
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One._____
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:_____



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

DISMISSAL

Officiant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star, BWV 739 Johann Sebastian Bach

A **Virtual Coffee Hour** this morning will be live on Facebook and Youtube following the service.

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THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

January 10, 2021

Baptism of Our Lord – Year B

Announcements



Annual Meeting

January 24, 2021 – 9:15 am
Held via Zoom this year!

GIVE BLOOD

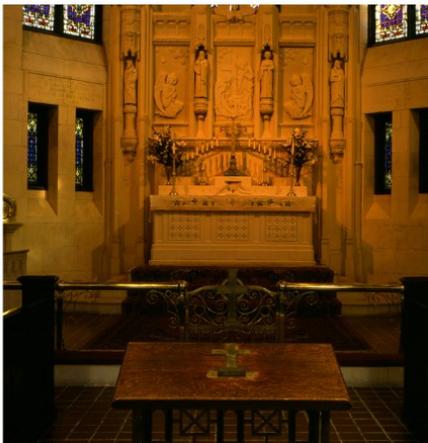
Blood Drive

Sunday, January 11
11:30 am – 3:00 pm
Only a few spots remain!
[Click to sign up](#)



Pray with us!

All of the Trinity staff is available by appointment to pray with and for you. Email or call us!



Evening Prayer

A dedicated team of lay people lead the service of Evening Prayer on our Facebook page or website. Join us Monday – Friday at 5:30 pm

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, January 10, 2021

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer, Rite I
(live on Facebook)
- 9:30 am Youth Bible Study (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Parenting with Grace (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
(live on Facebook and YouTube)
- 11:30 am Blood Drive
- 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III
(live on Facebook and YouTube)
- 2:30 pm Youth Group (via Zoom)
- 8:30 pm Compline (in Spanish)
(live on Facebook)

Monday, January 11, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (via Zoom)
- 12:00 pm Yoga and Meditations
- 4:00 pm Pastoral Care Team
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook
- 6:00 pm Property Committee (via Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Finance Committee (via Zoom)

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook
- 6:00 pm Healing Service
- 7:00 pm Pub Theology
- 7:30 pm Choir Social (via Zoom)

Thursday, January 14, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Friday, January 15, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Saturday, January 16, 2021

Ongoing

Daily Scripture and Prayer

Sent by email Monday through Saturday at 9:30 am.

If you are not receiving this, contact Collin Boothby at connections@trinitymidtown.org

Sunday Meditations

Meets via Zoom, 9:30 – 10:00 am

Parenting With Grace

Meets via Zoom
Sundays at 1:00 pm
[Click to join meeting](#)

Wednesday Healing Service

Meets via Zoom – 6:00 pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85281780429>

Pub Theology

Meets via Zoom
Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
[Click to join meeting](#)

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PUB THEOLOGY

BEER, CONVERSATION & GOD

all perspectives welcome

Baptism of Our Lord

This Sunday, January 10



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January 10, 2021

Baptism of Our Lord – Year B

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.

Myron, Billie, Caroline, Bryan, Allegra, Diana, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Doris, Leslie, Stephen, Emily, Van, Vivian, Jane, Anita, Norman, Bob, Theresa, Marvin, Sue, Delecia, Tim, Joe, Ester, Tom, Mark, Nick, Ric, Richard, Judy, Lauren, Margaret, Charles, Elizabeth, Marsha, Victor, Gwen, Catalina, Nelda, Christine, Livia, Mike, Daniel, Mark, Victoria, Theresa, Kamala, Tim, Reagan, Andres, Joey, Fred, Cindy, Ron, Joshua, Sandi, Betty, Barbara, Sara, Jonathan, Reese, Ava, Sloane, Lynn, the Oliver family, Emily, Cherie, June, Sharon, Stan, Larry, Monica, Gianni, Ron, Gary, Diane, & Kelly

For those in our armed services

Will Dahlstrom, Martin Cabello, and Christopher Krenshaw

For the faithful departed

Tommy Lakes, Bob Kirby, and all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus.

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



Gayle Davies-Cooley, Camilla Harvey, Elizabeth Donnelly, Andrew Wood, Rachel Wood, John Bruton, Jack Quander

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Ann McCoy

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Elections will be held at the

Annual Meeting

1/24 – 9:15 to 10:15 am



Readings this Sunday

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalms 29

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

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.

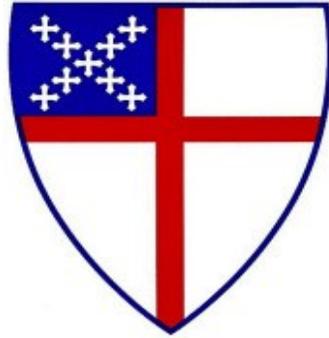
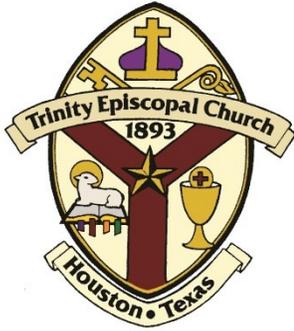
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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