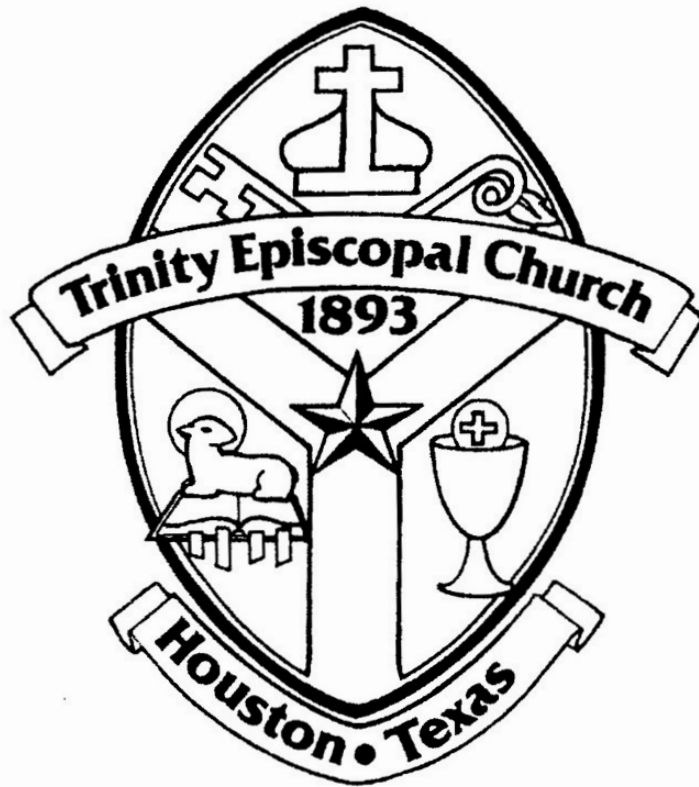


THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 14, 2024
10:30 a.m.



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

Alex Jones, Organist and Choirmaster

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us. 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.

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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.

VESTRY

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*
John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

Eric Beam
Ben Blanding
Pam Lawson
Mary Matteucci
Ann McCoy

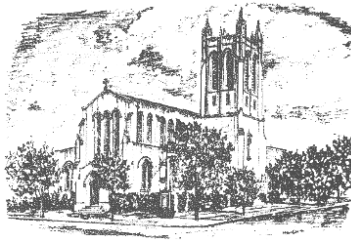
John Merullo
Samantha Rainman
Gladys Vallés
David Villarreal
Michele White

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

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: Harrison G. Moore, IV
Prayers: John Merullo
LEMs: Larry Laubach, Pat Laubach
Acolytes: L. Blanding, K. Lomasang, H. Hensman, J. Draper, G. Chambers
Ushers: Ken Jones, Barrett Hess
Verger: Ron Mailloux
Vestry of the Day: David Villarreal
Altar Guild: Mark Goza, Catherine Guthrie, David Villarreal
Audio Visual: Jeremy Velasquez

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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 489

The great Creator of the worlds

Tallis' Ordinal

1 The great Cre - a - tor of the worlds, the sov - ereign God of heaven,
2 He sent no an - gel of his host to bear this might - y word,
3 He sent him not in wrath and power, but grace and peace to bring;
6 Not to op - press, but sum - mon all their tru - est life to find,

1 his ho - ly and im - mor - tal truth to all on earth hath given.
2 but him through whom the worlds were made, the ev - er - last - ing Lord.
3 in kind - ness, as a king might send his son, him - self a king.
6 in love God sent his Son to save, not to con - demn man - kind.

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.**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —
 — and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,
 al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
 Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the
 world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Fa - ther: — re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a -
 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 3: 1-20

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him." As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
 2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
 3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
 shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
 ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
 help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

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

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

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Associate Rector

Please stand as able.

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.

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; John, 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 Melter Tais, and the Church of the Province of South East Asia.](#) In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [Epiphany, Burnet; Good Shepherd, Austin; and Grace, Georgetown.](#) In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Ann McCoy, Michele White, and the Trinity Jazz Festival.](#) 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"*), and Hector, 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, Nick, Bob, Dale, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Donna, Jason, Clyde, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Monica, Wally, Dorothy, Daniel, Brenda, Pamela, Danya, Sylvia, and Ella.](#)
Hear us, Lord;
- People** **For your mercy is great.**
- Reader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for [Rachel, Andrew, John, Javiera, and David](#) 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 the victims of war in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine, 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 offers this concluding Collect:

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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 stand as able.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

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

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

From the Rising of the Sun

F. A. Gore Ousley (1825-1889)

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same
my Name shall be great, shall be great among the Gentile;
and in every place incense shall be offered up unto my Name:
for my Name shall be great among the heathen,
for my Name shall be great among the heathen, thus saith the Lord!
From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same
my Name shall be great, shall be great among the Gentile;
and in every place incense shall be offered up unto my Name.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 115, stanza 3

Greensleeves



So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,



pea - sant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -



va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds



guard and an - gels sing; haste, haste to



bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, full of your glo-ry. Ho-

san-na in the high-est. 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. 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.**

FRACTION ANTHEM S154

David Hurd

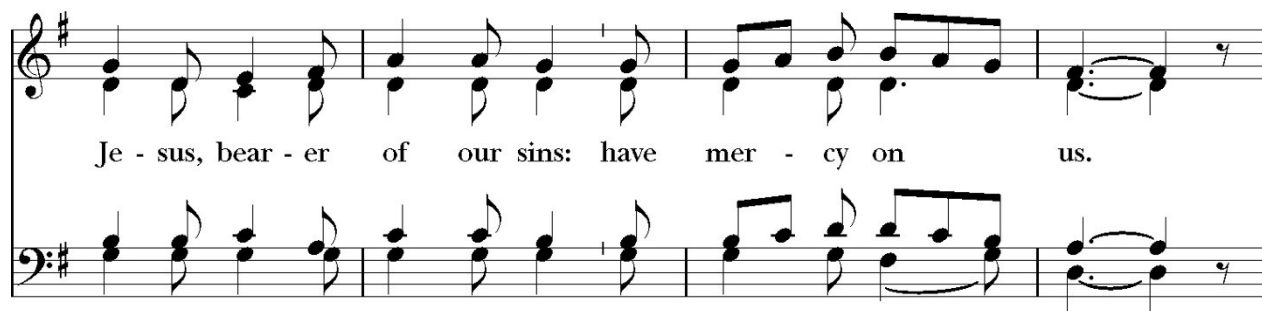
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

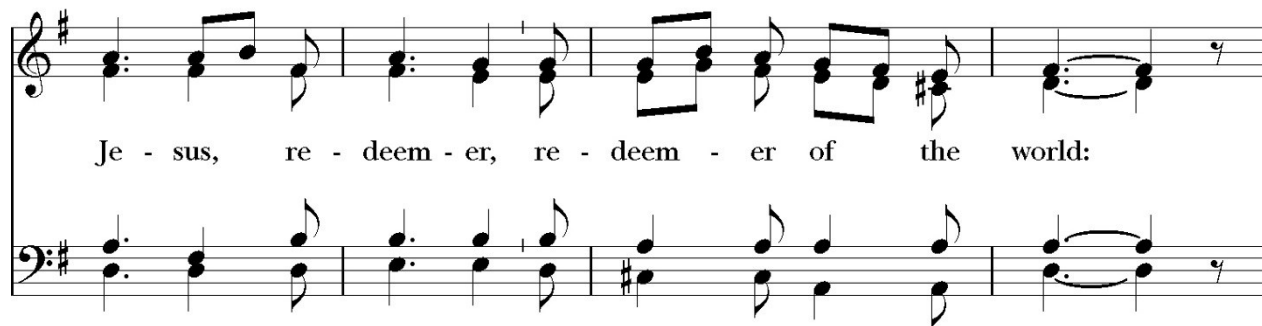
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to come participate in Holy Communion. If for any reason you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms across your chest for a blessing.

Our tradition is to receive both bread and wine, sharing in the common cup. Please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the cup to your lips, or you may "intinct" by dipping the wafer into the chalice. If you prefer, you may also receive the bread only: After consuming the wafer, simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine.

If you do not wish to "intinct" from the common cup, there will be a third chalice, for intinction only, available in the baptistery. If you wish to partake of this chalice, please proceed to the baptistery after receiving a wafer from the priest .

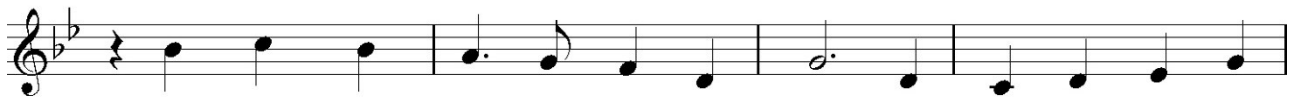


We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when the priest administering the bread approaches you.

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 From God Christ's de - i - ty came forth, his man-hood from hu -
 2 He joined with guests at wed - ding feast, yet in the wil - der -
 3 The dis - so - lute he did not scorn, nor turn from those who
 4 He did not dis - re - gard the sick; to sim - ple ones his
 5 Who then, my Lord, com - pares with you? The Watch - er slept, the



1 man - i - ty; his priest - hood from Mel - chi - ze - dek, his
 2 ness did fast; he taught with - in the tem - ple's gates; his
 3 were in sin; he for the right - eous did re - jice but
 4 word was given; and he de - scend - ed to the earth and
 5 Great was small, the Pure bap - tized, the Life who died, the



1 roy - al - ty from Da - vid's tree: praised be his One - ness.
 2 peo - ple saw him die at last: praised be his teach - ing.
 3 bade the fall - en to come in: praised be his mer - cy.
 4 his work done, went up to heaven: praised be his com - ing.
 5 King a - based to hon - or all: praised be your glo - ry.

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

Presider May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

Amen.

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of a new birth.

Amen.

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

Amen.

And the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.

Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 477

*Please stand as able
All praise to thee*

Engelberg

Descant

5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
 3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
 4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

- 1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine. _____
- 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought. _____
- 3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry. _____
- 4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. _____
- 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored. _____

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

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DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

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

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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We would like to thank Jody and Richard Rathburn for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

Please note that the upcoming Sundays, January 21, 28, and February 4 are available to host (part/all) coffee hour.

Please sign up please scan the QR code below or contact Jamie Chambers: [ja-mielynnchambers@hotmail.com](mailto:jamiechambers@hotmail.com) or call/text at 832-370-7155 if you need assistance.

Thank you!





January 14, 2024 – Epiphany 2 (B) Young Adult Service Corps

Offering a new extended age limit, the Young Adult Service Corps (YASC) invites Episcopalians ages 21 to 35 to consider a year of international mission engagement as their “next faithful step.”

Applications for 2024-2025 placements are being accepted. The deadline to apply online is **Feb. 16**. For more than two decades, YASC participants have served in areas of administration/communication, agriculture, community development, education, health care, parish ministry/chaplaincy, social services, youth work, and more, while participating in the daily life and ministry of churches, cathedrals, and dioceses around the Anglican Communion.

Alumni repeatedly share about the deep, life-changing impact of their year of growth and service. “YASCers cross boundaries, engage with diverse viewpoints, listen deeply, and have the chance to live like Jesus in new ways and places,” said Elizabeth Boe, Episcopal Church mission personnel officer, and former YASC volunteer in Tanzania from 2008-2010. “As Christians, we are a people of story. Some of the best parts of our faith journeys are the surprises and connections we discover along the way. For those in their 20s and early 30s exploring who they are, where they fit in the church and the world, and what difference they can make, YASC might well be the next faithful step in the story of their lives.”



Applicants invited to continue the process have the chance to attend a discernment retreat as a next step toward determining if they want to participate in YASC. The retreat is an opportunity to continue conversations and discernment with others asking similar questions. Those interested in particular fields of service can potentially be matched to those areas.

Since the start of the corps, volunteers have served in more than 40 countries. Potential placement locations for 2024-2025 include, but are not limited to, the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, England, Ghana, Jerusalem, Kenya, Mexico, Oman, Panama, the Philippines, South Africa, Sri Lanka, and Tanzania.

Learn more about YASC and view videos from participants: iam.ec/yasc. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Boe at eboe@episcopalchurch.org.

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THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN

January 14, 2024 – Second Sunday after Epiphany, Year B

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Sunday In-Person Services

8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel)

10:30 am (Historic Church)

Church Offices Closed – Jan. 15th, MLK Day

Please note that the church office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day on Jan. 15th.

Taste of Trinity – January 20th, 11am

Taste of Trinity is a group that meets once a month to share a meal. There is no real agenda other than to enjoy good food and get to know people. During January the group convenes for the new year for a Brunch at the church. We invite everyone who would like to be a part of Spring 2024 Taste of Trinity group to join us on Saturday, January 20th at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. Please email John Merullo for more details and to RSVP: rockhopperlad@gmail.com.

A Case for Love – Jan. 23rd (Showing at Select Locations)

Please mark your calendars to attend one of the showings for the film “A Case for Love” featuring Bishop Michael Curry on January 23rd. Rev. Hannah will be attending the 7pm showing at Greenway Movie Theater. Get tickets [here](#).

Showings: 4pm and 7pm

- AMC Gulf Pointe 30: 11801 S Sam Houston Pkwy E, Houston, TX 77089
- Regal Edwards Greenway Grand Palace: 3839 Wesleyan St, Houston, TX 77027
- Cinemark Hollywood Pasadena and XD: 2101 TX-8 Beltway, Pasadena, TX 77503

Reproductive Freedom Workshop – January 27th, 10am

Join Texas Freedom Network and Shan Shaffer for a workshop on becoming a Reproductive Freedom Congregation. Shan will explore how even progressive faith communities perpetuate silence around reproductive health issues. This workshop will present ways to become inclusive and welcoming of all women, providing safe space to worship and share their reproductive stories.

Please RSVP [here](#).

Vestry Candidates 2024

The Trinity Vestry proudly nominates the following slate of Vestry Candidates for 2024: Tony Huffman, Jeanne Sommerfeld, Brent Chambers, and Andréa Shiloh.

Annual Meeting – January 28th 9:15am–10:15 am

Please plan to join us for our Annual Parish Meeting on January 28th from 9:15am–10:15 am in the fellowship hall. We will have some brief presentations from the Vestry, Ministry heads, and Clergy on various church matters including our annual giving report, church budget, voting for new vestry, 2024 plans, and more! A simple breakfast will be served. We look forward to seeing you there.

Pub Theology – January 31st, 7pm at The Mucky Duck

Please plan to join us for our first Pub Theology of 2024! We look forward to seeing you at The Mucky Duck at 7pm for fellowship, discussion, and prayer!

Church Retreat! April 12th–14th– Registration Coming Soon!

Please mark your calendar for our all church retreat at Camp Allen for April 12–14, 2024! We will have more information and registration coming soon. We hope you will be a part of this special weekend of fellowship and learning as we gather together as a church community.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, Jan 14th, 2024

7:30am – 1:30pm Nursery Open
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
9:00 am Sunday Meditations (Zoom)
9:30 am Education Hour for All
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
11:45 am Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)
8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

Monday, January 15th, 2024

MLK Holiday – Church Closed

Tuesday, January 16th, 2024

12:00pm The Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:30 pm Vestry (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 17th, 2024

9:00 am Staff Meeting (Weekly)
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:00 pm Healing Service
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 18th, 2024

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Friday, January 19th, 2024

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, January 20th, 2024

10:00 am Youth Work Day (Youth Rm)
11:00 am Taste of Trinity (Fellowship Hall)

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom-withus>



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.

Bill, Nick, Bob, Dale, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Donna, Jason, Clyde, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Monica, Wally, Dorothy, Daniel, Brenda, Pamela, Danya, Sylvia, Ella, Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Stephen, Emily, Van, Dick, Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Carolyn, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Chris, Guillermo, Holly, Ray, Barbara, Howard, Claudie, Romy, Gary, Bryce, Rose, Bart, and Marie

For the faithful departed:

The victims of war in Israel, Palestine and Ukraine and all victims of gun violence.

Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up at www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/.

The next available dates: January 21st, 28th, and Feb. 4th.

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

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Happy Birthday!

Rachel Wood Burns, Andrew Woods, John Bruton, Javiera Bravo-Alegria, and David Williams



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*Please note we will never ask you for money or gifts via email. Scams are circulating again, so please be aware and cautious.

Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am – 3 pm

Friday 9 am – 1 pm

If you have building concerns please email parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org.



For more information on annual giving visit www.trinitymidtown.org/give.

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.

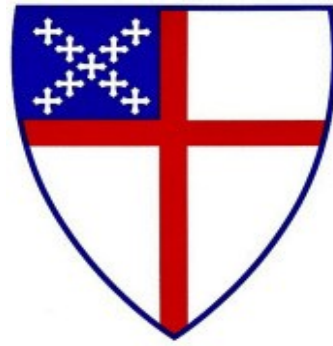
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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