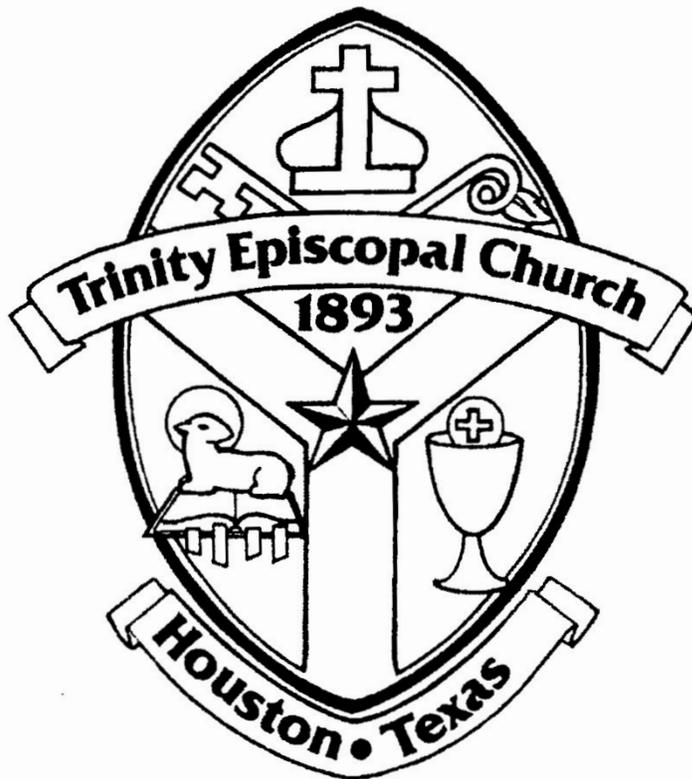


SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 17, 2021
8:00 a.m.



MORNING PRAYER, RITE I

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

MORNING PRAYER RITE I

WELCOME

THE OPENING SENTENCE

BCP, page 40

Officiant Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP, page 41

Officiant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

People **Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

BCP, page 42

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

BCP, page 42

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Officiant The earth is the Lord's for he made it: O come, let us adore him.

CANTICLE

*Venite
Read in unison.*

BCP, page 44

**O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, *
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the corners of the earth, *
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his and he made it, *
and his hands prepared the dry land.**

**O come, let us worship and fall down *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For he is the Lord our God,*

And we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.**

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, *

And with righteousness to judge the world and the peoples with his truth.

Officiant The earth is the Lord's for he made it: O come, let us adore him.

PSALM 139: 1-5, 12-17

Domine, probasti
Alternately by whole verse.

BCP, page 794

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.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

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.

THE SONG OF MARY

Magnificat
Read in unison.

BCP, page 50

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior;
For he hath regarded *
The lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

**He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
As he promised to our forefathers, *
Abraham and his seed for ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

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.

WE PRAISE THEE

Te Deum laudamus
Read in unison.

BCP, page 52

**We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.
The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,
the Father, of an infinite majesty, thine adorable, true, and only Son,
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
Whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting.**

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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

BCP, page 53

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, page 54

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

**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.**

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
People **And grant us thy salvation.**
Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
People **And make thy chosen people joyful.**
Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in thee can we live in safety.**
Officiant Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Officiant Let thy way be known upon earth;
People **Thy saving health among all nations.**
Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, page 163

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST COLLECT FOR MISSION

BCP, page 57

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

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Almighty God, **Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

BCP, page 59

Officiant Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

People **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

BCP, page 59

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

People **Amen.**



THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

January 17, 2021

Second Sunday after the Epiphany– Year B

Announcements



Annual Meeting

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

Vestry Slate

Ann McCoy

John Escoto

Michele White

Benjamin Blanding

Diocesan Council Delegate

Samantha Rainman

Elections will be held at the
Annual Meeting



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Please view the resources on our website as we remember the life, work, and ministry of The Rev.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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This Week at Trinity

Sunday, January 17, 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)

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 18, 2021

5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Tuesday, January 19, 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

6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (via Zoom)

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

9:30 am Inauguration Day Prayers

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 21, 2021

5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Friday, January 22, 2021

5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Saturday, January 23, 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 9:30 am

[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

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MATCH Family Fun Day

January 17–24

Join our neighbors across the street for a week of fun – at home!

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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, & Jocelyn

For those in our armed services

Will Dahlstrom, Martin Cabello, and Christopher Krenshaw

For the faithful departed

Tom, all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus and all who perished at the Capitol.

For our Iona Seminarian

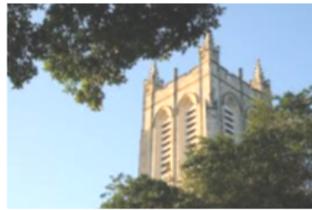
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Tuesdays

12:00 Noon – 1:15 pm

For Zoom link, contact

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Pray with us!

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



Readings this Sunday

1 Samuel 3:1-20

Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

John 1:43-51

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.

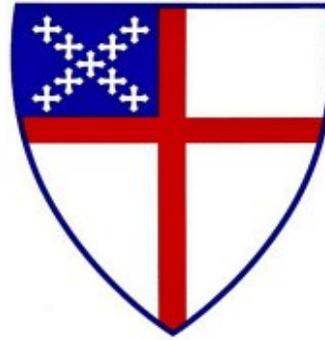
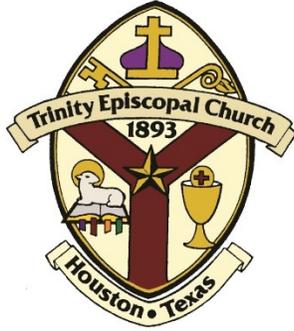
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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