THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 2023 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
April Sloan-Hubert, Co-Director of the Trinity Jazz Ensemble
Pelayo Parlade, Co-Director of the Trinity Jazz Ensemble

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

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

https://www.trinitymidtown.org/contact-card-page/

For more information, please visit our website: www.trinitymidtown.org

Facebook Live Stream. Please be advised that this service is live streamed through our Trinity Facebook Page and YouTube channels. By participating in the service, you are consenting to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your children who participate.

Children 3yrs through 3rd grade We offer Children's Chapel in Room 112 during this service. The children who wish to participate will be led out right before the Gospel, and will return at the passing of the peace so that they can participate in Communion with their families.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

- Your children are welcome here at Trinity! First, please relax and enjoy your time here. We know that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it.
- Each Sunday, your child may pick up a pew activity in the back of the church.
- To make things easier for your family, dare to sit closer to the front where your child can see what's going on at the altar. Guide them in the liturgy and be models for them. Help them sing the hymns and encourage them to stand/sit when appropriate, say "Amen" and "Thanks be to God," and generally help them be a part of the service. The liturgy belongs to them too.
- If you have to leave, hurry back! Jesus wants the children here, and we do too. If you need help, just ask. There are many here who are willing to lend you a hand.
- Children's activity and worship bulletins are available for download from our website under the "Worship—Bulletins" tab, or following this link:

https://www.trinitymidtown.org/childrens-bulletins/

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LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: David Theis
Prayers: Shelby Bradley

LEMs: Norma Cooper, Donald Hackler

Acolytes: David Villarreal, Barrett Hess, Joanne Starbuck, Mary Cloud, Mark Goza

Ushers: Ben Blanding, Lovette Brown, Charles Cooper

Verger: Ron Mailloux Vestry of the Day: Pam Lawson

Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Ron Mailloux, Mark Goza

Audio Visual: Brett Stevens

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert Piano: Pelayo Parlade

Flute, Clarinet: Ernesto Vega

Bass: Alfred Kennedy

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bertha Effingham Lawrence Newton Davison Herrera by the Romero-Atkins family.

The Columbarium flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mike Deily by Linnet Deily



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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

VOLUNTARY Trinity Jazz Ensemble

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 49 Come, let us with the Lord arise

Meadville



- 1 Come, let us with our Lord a - rise, our Lord who made both This the is the day Lord hath made that all may see his 3 Then let us ren - der him his own, with sol - emn prayer ap
- earth and skies, who died world he to save the made dis - played, may feel his rec - tion's power love re sur proach the throne, with meek-ness hear the gos - pel word,





right-eous-ness re - newed and filled with all the life of God. hearts and voic - es raise and fill his courts with songs of praise.

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.

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**Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55: 10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; * to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, * because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, * but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! * they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, * O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; * they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, * the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; * you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; * the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, * for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; * with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, * and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, * and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; * let them shout for joy and sing.

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 8: 1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

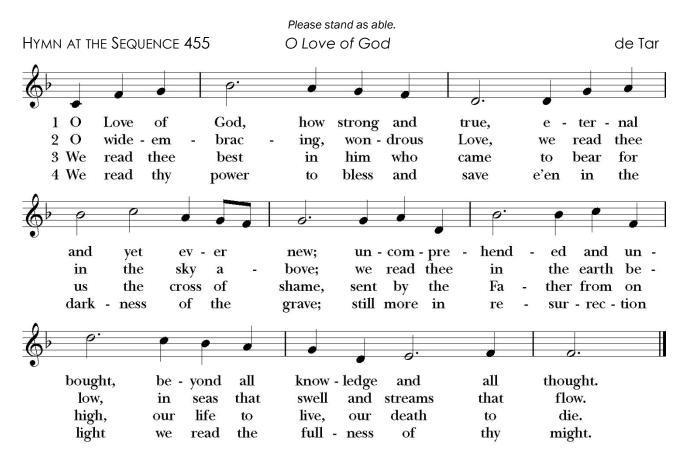
But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is

in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Children's Chapel, for children aged three through fifth grade, begins before the reading of the Gospel during the hymn. The children are invited to follow the cross, carried by Ms. Erika on the Baptismal Font side, for a lesson and will return to their parents after the passing of the peace.



THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path.

As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

BCP, page 392

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

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

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Reader We pray for Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our

governor; Lina, our county judge; Sylvester, our mayor; and the legislatures,

and courts: For this community, the nation, and the world:

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

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

your creation;

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

Reader For all women and men, boys and girls who are homeless this day, and for

all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.

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

Reader In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, and

the Anglican Church of Canada. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Francis', Tyler; St. John's, Carthage; and St. John's, Center. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Sarah Flick and the Women's Circle. 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, Kathy, Bob, Dale, Edith, Steve, Layne,

Jane, Mark, Eliana, Norma, Guillermo, Graeme, and Phil.

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Scott, David,

Samantha, Joshua, Phil, and Greg 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 Bertha Effingham Lawrence

Newton Davison Herrera, 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.

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

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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.

The children who attended Children's Chapel will return
at this point so that they can participate with their families in the Holy Communion.

Please be seated.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see our complete announcements and the Weekly Window at the end of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERING

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

Go to www.trinitymidtown.org and click the "Give" button on the top right, or click: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=156477

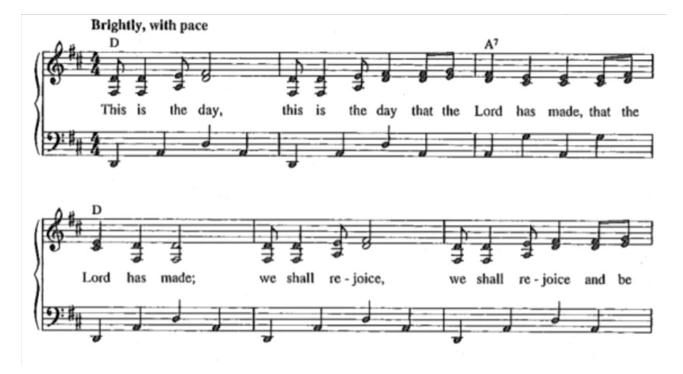
Texting. Send the message **heartofmidtown** to **73256**. Be sure to type heartofmidtown with no spaces, or autocorrect may insert information about a different church. The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contributions.



THE OFFERTORY

This Is the Day

Trinity Jazz Ensemble





Please stand as able

Verse and Response at Presentation of the Offering

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord

People and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

Please stand as able.

Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant proceeds

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

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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.

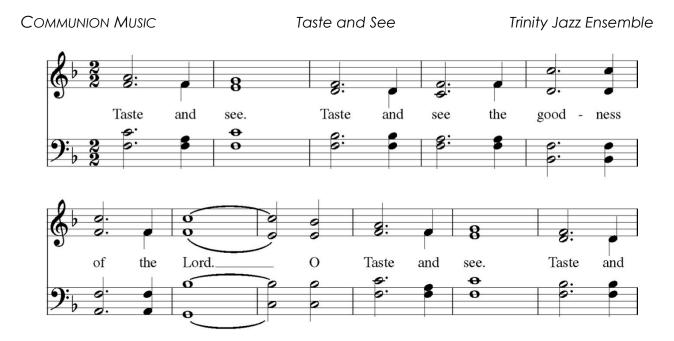


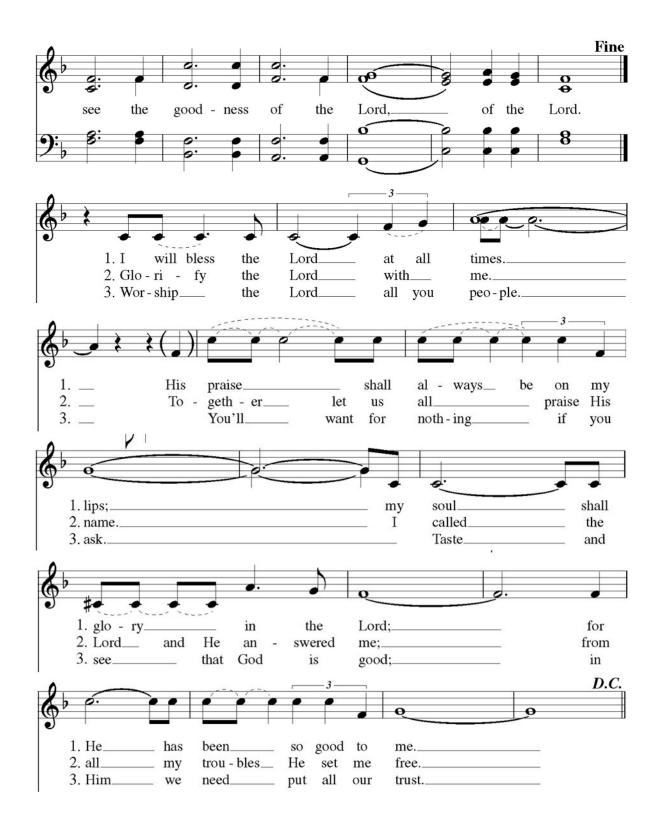
We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when the priest administering the bread approaches you.

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.





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.

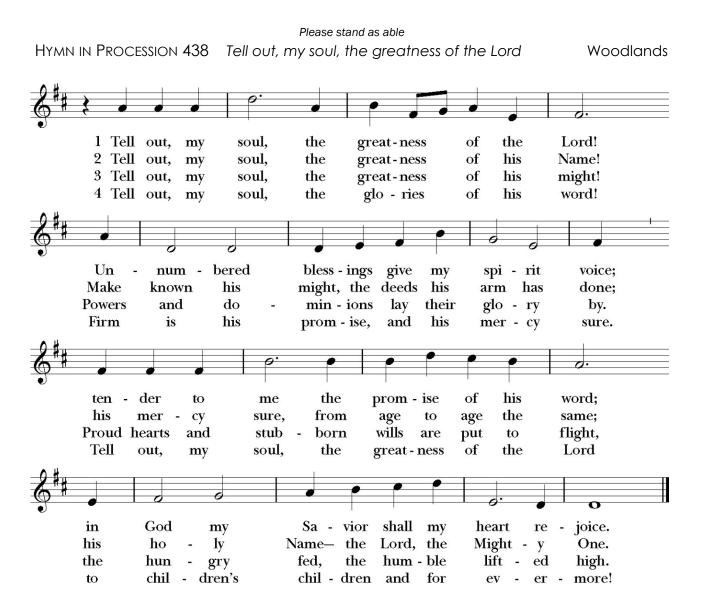
Celebrant and People

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 BIESSING

Presider

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



DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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Please join us for coffee in Fellowship Hall immediately following this service.

For the month of July there will be one combined service in the Historic Church at 10:30, with coffee only following in Fellowship Hall.

We also have flower dedication dates available for August 6 and August 13. Please sign up to donate on our website.



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday Services – July Schedule in Effect

Please note that we will all meet together at 10:30am in the Historic Church. Music during the service will be a combination of our varied styles. Thank you for your support of our new schedule for month of July only!

Trinity Block Party Talks! July 23rd, August 5th, and Sept. 10th

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

Let's get creative about how we can continue to serve midtown and our community. Should we build a build a playground, public restrooms, venue space, dog park, partner with LOTS or ?????

Sunday, July 23rd from 12pm-2pm, Fellowship Hall Saturday, August 5th from 11am-1pm, Smith Room (Hybrid) Sunday, September 10th from 1:45pm-3:45pm, Fellowship Hall

Pizza and Topochico Provided (please let us know if you're coming!)

RSVP HERE.

Active Listening Training Session-July 30th, 12:30pm

Volunteer Opportunities: Is God Calling You?

Leadership Volunteer Opportunities

Junior Warden, beginning January 2024. Contact John Escoto, Current Junior Warden, for job description and application process. Email: jiescotojr@gmail.com, Phone: 713–256–7095

Annual Giving Chair, beginning August 2023. Contact Andy Durham, Senior Warden, for job description and application process. Email: andy.durham.321@gmail.com, Phone: 713–205–0528

Team Participant Volunteer Opportunities

Usher Teams, all Services, beginning immediately, we are in real need. Contact Pat Laubach for job description and training process. Email: volunteer@trinitymidtown.org, Phone: 281–948–6086

Listening Post Volunteers, beginning in September. Contact the Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero for job description and training process. Email: rector@trinitymidtown.org, Phone: 713–528–4100

Altar Guild Teams, beginning in August and September. Contact Joanne Starbuck and/or Mark Goza for job description and training. Email: jstarbuck@sbcglobal.net, Phone: 713–898–3069

Sunday, July 16th, 2023

10:00am - 12:30pm Nursery Open 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church) 10:45 am Children's Chapel 11:45 am Sandwich Makers 8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

Monday, July 17th, 2023

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, July 18th, 2023 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday, July 19th, 2023

10:00 am Staff Meeting12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm5:30 pm Evening Prayer6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)

Thursday, July 20th, 2023

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

Friday, July 21st, 2023

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

Saturday, July 22nd, 2023

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.

Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Dick, Theresa, Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Livia, Carolyn, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, Cristine, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Samantha, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, and Henry.

For the faithful departed:

Bertha Effingham Lawrence Newton Davison Herrera 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: August 6th and 13th.

Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer here.

Next available dates: August 13th and September 17th.

Greg LeGrand



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July 16, 2023 – Pentecost 7 (A) UTO Awards

More than \$1 million in United Thank Offering grants was designated for 22 projects related to the worldwide incarceration crisis within The Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion. The funds came from the United Thank Offering's 2022 Ingathering, where monies collected in UTO "blue boxes" at Episcopal churches throughout the year are gathered as thank offerings. This year's focus for grant applications was projects addressing the worldwide incarceration crisis, specifically preventative programs and intervention, prisoner support outreach, prison reform work, or post-prison reentry.

"The worldwide incarceration crisis affects us all, whether or not we know someone directly affected by incarceration," said UTO Board President Sherri Dietrich. "Jesus' words in Matthew 25 and the Way of Love encourage us to work for justice in the world and to respect the dignity of every human being, including prisoners and their families. The grants UTO funded this year will create that ministry in new places around the world."







Below are some of the projects funded by the UTO in 2023. Find the whole list at iam.ec/uto2023en.

Well Time 2.0: Empowering Reentry

Des Moines, Iowa, \$22,048

Well Time 2.0: Empowering Reentry will recruit/prepare volunteers from churches to provide faith-based support to women recently released from prison through weekly group meetings at the Waterloo Women's Center for Change and through individual reentry teams for women to offer compassionate guidance to overcome personal, societal, and economic barriers.

Partner for Success

Elkridge, Maryland, \$31,408

Partner for Success is a faith-based mentoring program designed to help those who are incarcerated make a smooth transition back into society in the greater Baltimore, Maryland, area. Participants are matched with a mentor and a worship community to establish short- and long term plans—of action for successful reentry back into society.

Sowing Love and Education

Eloy Alfaro, Canton Manta, Ecuador \$79,604.14 Construction of the Child Care Center, which provides comprehensive and integral care to children from 3 months to 5 years old of incarcerated persons. The center will promote integral development of minors and their abilities, guarantee a safe and caring environment, initial education, psychological care, and support for families who take care of them.

Compassionate Anglicans Youth Republic Project of Campo Verde

Missionary District, Brazil: \$55,000

This project is to create the Compassionate Anglicans Youth Republic Project, which will provide support, subsidized housing, and job training/work to a group of 10 young men who have aged out of shelters, are in vulnerable situations, have broken or extremely fragile family ties, and who do not have the means for self-sustenance.

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A HISTORY OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Trinity Episcopal Church of Houston has existed as a house of worship and a center of its community for over a century. As such, it has adapted to the changing nature of the city, as Houston grew from a regional town of approximately 40,000 souls to a dynamic metropolitan giant, the fourth largest city in the United States. With a congregation that grew from a few founding members in the 1890s to several thousand parishioners at its peak, Trinity Church is an example of how spiritual people have contended with the challenges presented during a city's most crucial period of urban development.

Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street and Holman Avenue. That structure, designed by Ralph Adams Cram of Boston and William Ward Watkin of Houston became an architectural landmark constructed in the neo-Gothic style with Texas limestone and a 97 foot bell tower.

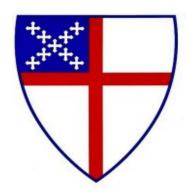
During the late 1910s and 1920s, Trinity entered an era of explosive growth, paralleling that of the city, and became an important center of the Episcopal faith. The congregation's many youth and adult activities were community events that attracted wide attention among the general populace. An integral part of its city, Trinity likewise maintained special relationships with Houstonians of other faiths. With a membership numbering 1,900 parishioners in 1930, Trinity emerged as the largest Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Texas and one of the largest in the nation.

After World War II, Houston's growth presented Trinity with perhaps its greatest challenge. As the city physically expanded into the new postwar suburbs, Trinity's membership began to decline. Rather than abandon its historic location, the congregation showed itself to be steadfast. Resurrecting itself from this period, Trinity reaffirmed its mission, this time as a beacon in the inner city where it has become a leading institution in the heart of Houston, determined to enhance the quality of urban life for everyone.

While our neighborhood has gone through many changes, the parish has remained steadfast, and actively ministers to a diverse congregation and to the poor in its midst. As the Midtown Houston neighborhood began redeveloping, starting in the early 2000s, Trinity Church has rededicated itself to its spiritual mission, and has become an active part of the Midtown area for music and other creative art expressions.







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