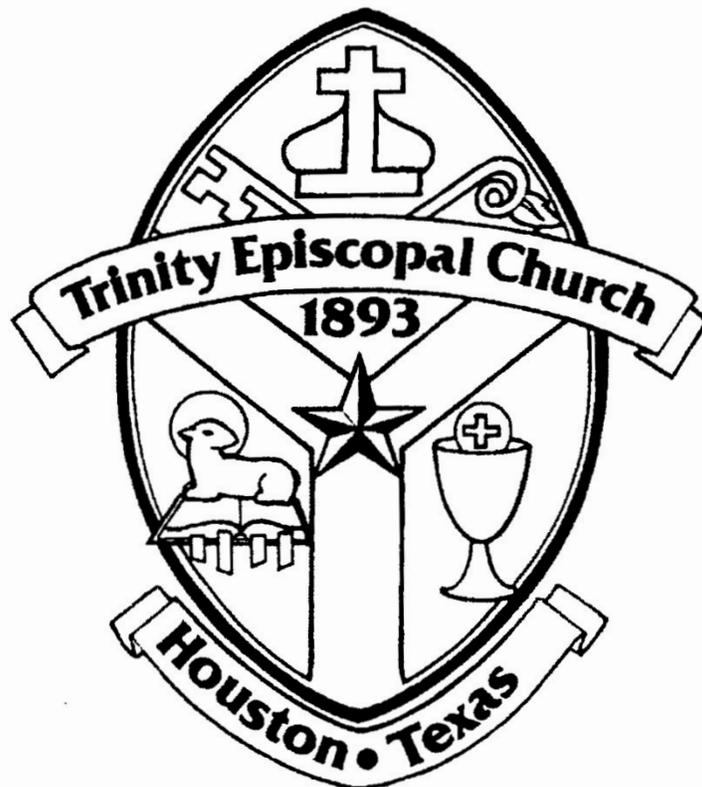


FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 6, 2022

8:00 a.m.



All attending please wear masks and maintain 6 feet social distancing with those not in your household

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

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 this morning. We follow the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

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

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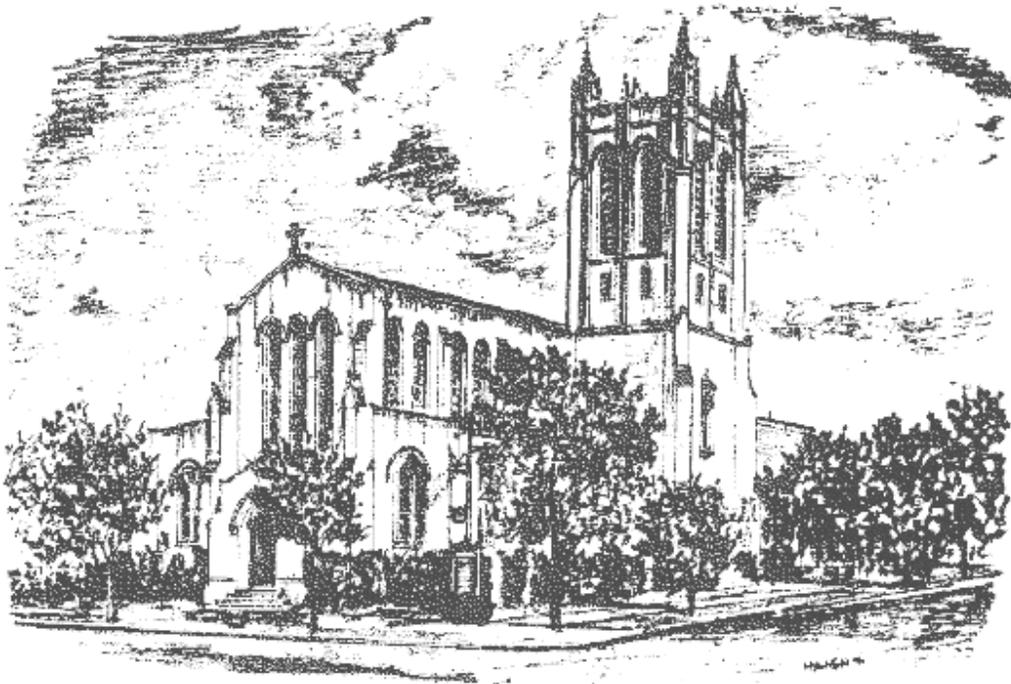
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SERVING TODAY

Reader: Christine Oramasionwu
LEM: Samantha Rainman
Music: Wendy Wentland, piano



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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand as able.

THE GREAT LITANY

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

Have mercy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Holy immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,

Savior, deliver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,

Savior, deliver us.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

Savior, deliver us.

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

Savior, deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,

Savior, deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy Incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

Savior, deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign,

Savior, deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial

Savior, deliver us.

By your mighty Resurrection; by your glorious Ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

Savior, deliver us.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God,

Hear us, O Christ.

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.

Hear us, O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit,

Hear us, O Christ.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,

Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet,

Hear us, O Christ.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your wisdom and strength to Joseph, the President of the United States, Greg, the Governor of Texas, Lina, the County Judge of Harris County, and Sylvester, the Mayor of Houston that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give to the Congress of the United States, the Vice-President and members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth,

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless the Justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all,

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless and keep all your people,

Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed,

Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril,

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, especially [Bill](#), [Eula](#), [Kensington](#), [Stewart](#), [Eddie](#), [Emma](#), [Kathryn](#), [Bob](#), [Charles](#), [Mary](#), [Maribel](#), [Bob](#), and [Ana](#), and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute,

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble,

Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers and turn their hearts,

Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died, [especially Mary Jo Detweiler, all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and victims of gun violence](#), and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory,

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy on us.**

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, page 323

Officiant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

COLLECTS OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Officiant God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would protect them. We pray in the Name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our

ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91: 1-2, 9-16

Qui habitat
Alternately by whole verse.

BCP, page 719

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

**2 He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."**

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

**10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

**12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

**14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.**

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

**16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 10: 8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Wendy Wentland, piano

Please stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, page 326

**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.**

CONFESSION

Officiant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Officiant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please pass the peace in a socially distanced manner.

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:
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

BCP, page 340

Please stand as able.

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please stand as able.

The celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, page 336

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

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

BCP, page 338

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will continue to offer communion in one kind for those who wish to receive the bread only. Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. If you are partaking of the chalice, please use the hand sanitizer at the end of your pew before approaching the clergy and chalice-bearer. Also, if you wish to partake of the chalice, you may do so by intinction. Intinction is done by dipping a host into the wine, and is completely optional. If you prefer, it is perfectly fine to continue receiving the host only.



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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, page 339

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou has prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.**

Please stand as able.

THE BLESSING

Grant, Almighty God, that thy people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in thy strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of thy loving providence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Officiant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

*Thank you for worshiping with us this morning.
Please remember to maintain social distancing as you depart*

THE SEASON OF LENT

Early Christians observed "a season of penitence and fasting" in preparation for the Paschal feast, or Pascha (BCP, pp. 264-265). The season now known as Lent (from an Old English word meaning "spring," the time of lengthening days) has a long history. Originally, in places where Pascha was celebrated on a Sunday, the Paschal feast followed a fast of up to two days. In the third century this fast was lengthened to six days. Eventually this fast became attached to, or overlapped, another fast of forty days, in imitation of Christ's fasting in the wilderness. The forty-day fast was especially important for converts to the faith who were preparing for baptism, and for those guilty of notorious sins who were being restored to the Christian assembly.

In the western church the forty days of Lent extend from Ash Wednesday through the Saturday before Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, and the last three days of Holy Week are the sacred Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Purple is the traditional color of Lent, as it represents for us both repentance and royalty. Jesus was dressed in a purple robe during his Passion as a mockery of his being "the king of the Jews"; since long before his time, purple had been a symbol of royalty. For example, in Exodus, we can read how Moses ordered the tabernacle to be made of "ten sheets woven of fine linen twine and of violet, purple, and scarlet yarn" (Exodus 26:1) and in 2 Chronicles 3:14 we read that Solomon ordered the temple in Jerusalem to be decorated with fabric of the same colors. The Church decided to keep the color purple as a symbol, not just of penance and mourning (in anticipation of the crucifixion, and with reference to Jesus), but also as a reminder of the need to confront our own sins, to prepare ourselves spiritually, and to help our neighbors to draw closer to God and his kingdom (conserving in this way the solemn character traditionally assigned to purple).

All Christians are invited "to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word" (BCP, p. 265).

In accordance with ancient custom the Book of Common Prayer provides that in Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter season BCP, p. 337).



THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

March 6th, 2022

Sunday In-Person Services.

8:00 am and 12:30 pm are in the Chapel.
10:30 am is held in the Historic Church. Please make sure to continue to mask up and social distance.

The First Sunday in Lent– Year C

Announcements



Wholehearted Faith Study
Thursday evenings in Lent
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Via Zoom
March 3, 10, and 17

This 3 week study will be based on Rachel Held Evans' book Wholehearted Faith and the early stories of Jesus' ministry found in the gospel of Luke.

For More information and how to register click on the link or go to <https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/wholehearted-faith-study/>

International Women's Day Author's Talk and Lunch with Dr. Sarah Flick

On her book *Desire, Mystery, Belonging*, March 8, 12 pm–1:30 pm; pre-registration is required, for more information on the event and how to register click [here](#)

Bon Voyage Reception for Reverend Canon Dr. Henry Atkins Jr and Mrs. Atkins

On March 13th, 2022 from 11:45 am –12:30 pm we will be having a Bon Voyage reception for our beloved Rev. Canon Dr. Henry Atkins Jr and Mrs. Atkins in our Fellowship Hall. Make sure you come and say your goodbyes as this will be their final Sunday at Trinity before they set off for their next great adventure in New Mexico, they will be greatly missed!

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, March 6th, 2022

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)
9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in Atrium rm 112
9:30 am ECC Tweens rm 207
9:30 am Youth Forum
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III
8:00 pm Compline (In Spanish via Zoom)

Monday, March 7th, 2022

2:00 pm Yoga with Saba (via Zoom)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, March 8th, 2022

12:00 pm International Women's Day Luncheon
4:00 pm Pastoral Care team Meeting (Zoom)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:00 pm Property Com. Meeting (Zoom)
6:30 pm Finance Com. Meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 9th, 2022

10:30 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)
7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, March 10th, 2022

5:30 pm Evening Prayer
5:30 pm Trinity Communications Meeting (Zoom)
7:00 pm Whole Hearted Faith Book Study (Zoom)

Friday, March 11th, 2022

10:00 am Houston Federation of Garden Clubs Meeting in Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm Listening Post
12:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Zoom)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Outreach

Let's share our blessings with the EAC Food Pantry

Peanut Butter, Tuna, Beans, Stews, Soups, Cereals & Pastas, Canned Fruits & Vegetables



Hi, friends,

Thank you for supporting our Souper Bowl of Caring campaign! Thank you, Pat, for bringing the idea to our attention.

We have landed at 165 cans of soup! Yay!!
Monetarily, we made \$260!
Woohoo! Interfaith Ministries and Covenant House will be so blessed!

Thank you all for your support!

Carver Mathis, Youth Missioner



A FUTURE WITH HOPE

TRINITY MIDTOWN ANNUAL GIVING 2022

For More Information On Our Annual Giving Click [Here](#)

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March 6th, 2022

The First Sunday in Lent –Year C

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, Vivian Jane, Bob, Theresa, Marvin, Sue, Tom, Nick, Ric, Margaret, Livia, Joyce, Gus, Joshua, Sandi, Barbara, Larry, Monica, Carolyn, Sylvia, Daniel, Lynelle, Mary, Leonard, Jim, Elise, Be, Norma, Jeanne, Karen, Susan, Charlee.

For the faithful departed

Mary Jo Detweiler and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and victims of gun violence.

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



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09 - Cindy Crum
11 - Judith Edgar
11 - Kason Edwards

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Readings for this week

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

PSALM 91: 1-2, 9-16

Romans 10: 8b-13

Luke 4: 1-13

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

The Altar flowers are dedicated to
the Glory of God

If you would like to make a
flower dedication, you can
sign up for a flower
dedication by clicking [here](#)

**Please note that the Trinity
parking lot is being used for
Rodeo Parking, if you park at the
Church after 5 pm please notify
the attendant that you are going
to Trinity Church so you will not
be charged or towed.**

**If you have any building concerns
please remember to email
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about them. Thanks!**



PLEDGE CARD



TRINITY MIDTOWN ANNUAL GIVING 2022

I/We pledge the following financial support for
January 1 – December 31, 2022.

\$ _____
TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE

NAME(S) *Please print clearly*

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

- By check in offering plate, mail, or hand-delivered to church office.
- Credit card or automatic deduction through your own bill pay system or AccessACS at trinitymidtown.org/Give or finance@trinitymidtown.org
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I will pay weekly monthly quarterly
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I would like my pledge to be listed as anonymous.

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED TRINITY MIDTOWN IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING?

- I would like to be contacted regarding a legacy gift to Trinity Midtown.

MORE INFORMATION

- Please have a member of the clergy or staff call.

A pledge to Trinity Midtown is more than just a dollar amount, it is an investment in the future of mission and ministry. Everyone has a story to tell, share yours here.



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This is your friendly reminder to fill out your pledge card if you haven't already done so. Thanks!

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.

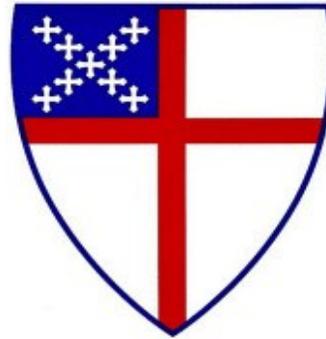
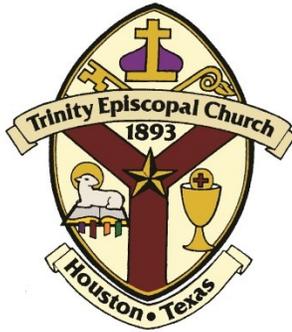
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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