# The Day of Pentecost

May 19, 2024 10:30 a.m.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector The Reverend Dale Klitzke, Priest Associate The Reverend Bradley Sullivan, Guest Preacher

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.

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** 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 Eric Beam, Junior Warden

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### LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: Jim Castro Prayers: Pat Laubach

LEMs: Pat Laubach, Jim Castro

Acolytes: L. Blanding, J. Starbuck, D. Villarreal, B. Hess, M. Cloud, A. Sennewald, J. Sennewald, B. Walton

Ushers: Ben Blanding, Larry Laubach, Kerry Ward, Will Sager

Verger: Alex Bruton

Vestry of the Day: John Merullo

Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Alex Bruton, Ron Mailloux

Audio Visual: Jeremy Velasquez

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Cindy Brimberry by her family

The Altar of the Holy Trinity and the Columbarium flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Cloud by Mary Cloud



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### HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

VOLUNTARY Fugue in C Major, BWV 545b Johann Sebastian Bach The Liturgy of the Word Please stand as able. HYMN IN PROCESSION 228 Holy Spirit, font of light Webbe Ho - ly Spi - rit, 1 font of light, fo - cus God's glo - ry bright, of 2 Source of strength and sure re - lief, time of grief, com-fort - er in 3 En - ter each as - pir - ing heart, oc - cu in - most part py its With your soft, re - fresh-ing rains 4 break our drought, re - move our stains; 5 As your prom - ise we be-lieve, make us rea - dy to re - ceive 1 shed on us shin - ing ray. Fa - ther of the fa - ther - less, a On our jour - ney 2 en - ter in and be our guest. grant us aid, 3 pu - ri - ty. with your daz-zling All that gives to our worth, us all 4 bind up our in - ju - ries. Shake with rush - ing wind our will; 5 gifts from your un - bound - ed store. Grant en - a - bling en - er - gy, 1 giv - er of gifts lim - it - less, come and touch our hearts to - day. 2 fresh-ening breeze and cool - ing shade, in la - bor in - ward rest. our 3 all that ben - e - fits the earth, tu - ri - ty. you bring to ma -4 melt with fire our i - cy chill; bring light our per - ju - ries. to 5 cour - age ad - ver - si - ty, joys last for ev - er - more. in that

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

### People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

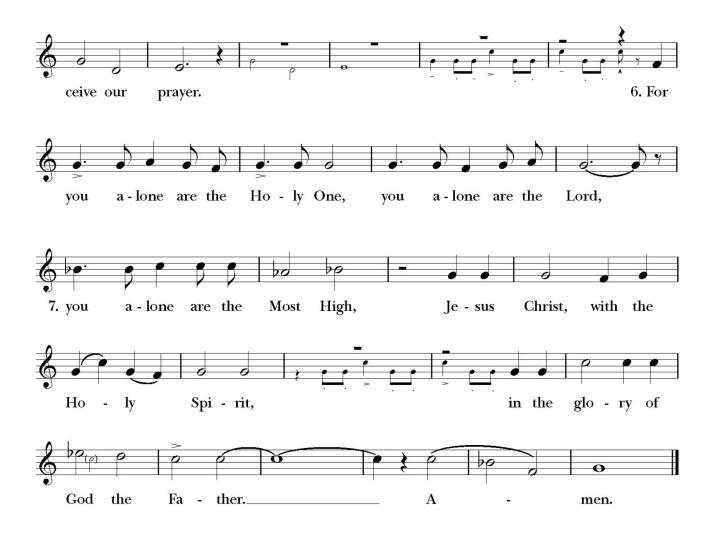
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.





### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

#### Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The First Lesson

People

Acts 2: 1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they

asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

#### Lector The Word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God**.

Note: In the tradition of Pentecost, the first reading will be simultaneously read in Krio, French, Dutch, Farsi, Norwegian, Spanish, Mandarin, and Italian.

PSALM 104: 25-35, 37

Benedic, anima mea Sung by the choir. Buck, #272

- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! \* in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, \* creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, \* which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you \* to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; \* you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; \* you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \* and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \* may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; \* he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \* I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; \* I will rejoice in the Lord.

### 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. \* Hallelujah!

### The Second Lesson

#### Romans 8: 22-27

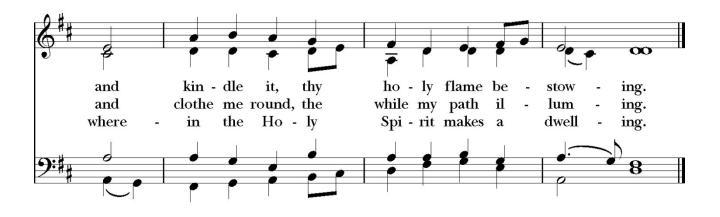
We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

### People Thanks be to God.





THE HOLY GOSPEL

SPEL John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

#### Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lo **People** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

OfficiantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Reverend Bradley Sullivan, Vicar of Lord of the Streets

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.

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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;
<b>People</b> Reader	For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. 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 Linda Nicholls, and the Anglican Church of Canada. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Mary's, Hillsboro; St. Stephen's, Hurst; and Trinity, Fort Worth. In the ministry cycle of prayer for April Sloan-Hubert, Pelayo Parlade, and the Trinity Jazz Ensemble. 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, and Dale, our clergy, for Brad, our guest preacher; 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, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Monica, Daniel, Norma, Denise, and Bradley. Hear us, Lord;
People	For your mercy is great.
Reader	We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Hannah, Chesson, Bonnie, Marcia, Barbara, Jim, Alex, and Robert 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 Charles Lee, William Lawson, 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 prays the following Collect:

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The children who attended Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will return at this point so that they can participate with their families in the Holy Communion 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

Online Giving is available.

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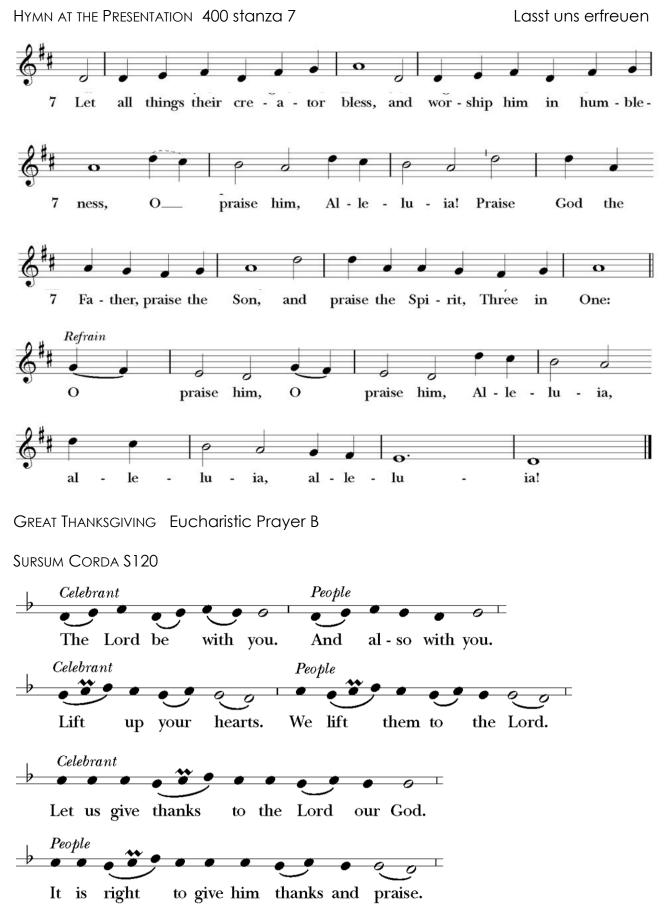
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OFFERTORY ANTHEM	Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether	Harold W. Friedell (1905-1958)
Draw us in the Spirit's tether		read and bless the cup,
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For when humbly in thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, Then with thanks to God the Father Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacrifice to thee, That by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be, Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully. Please stand as able.

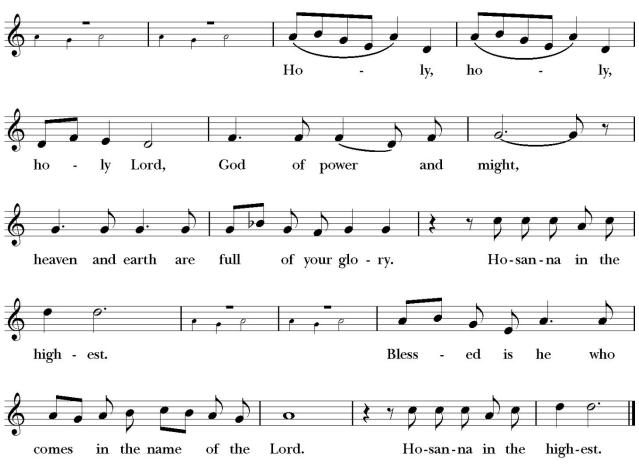


#### The Celebrant proceeds

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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 \$128

William Matthias

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.

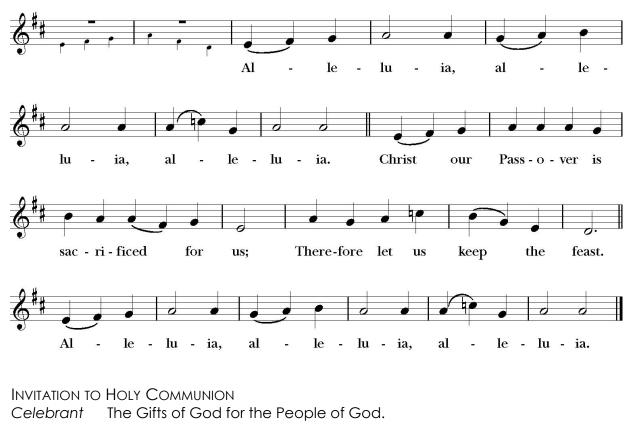
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.** 

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 \$155



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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 .

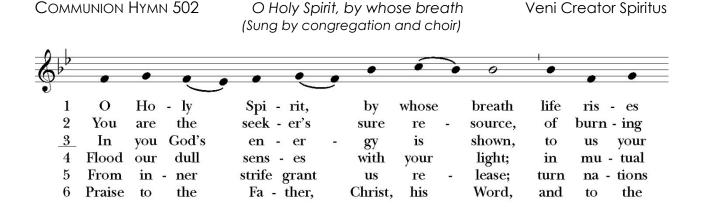


We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when the priest administering the bread approaches you.

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.



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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. May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever.

### Amen.

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence.

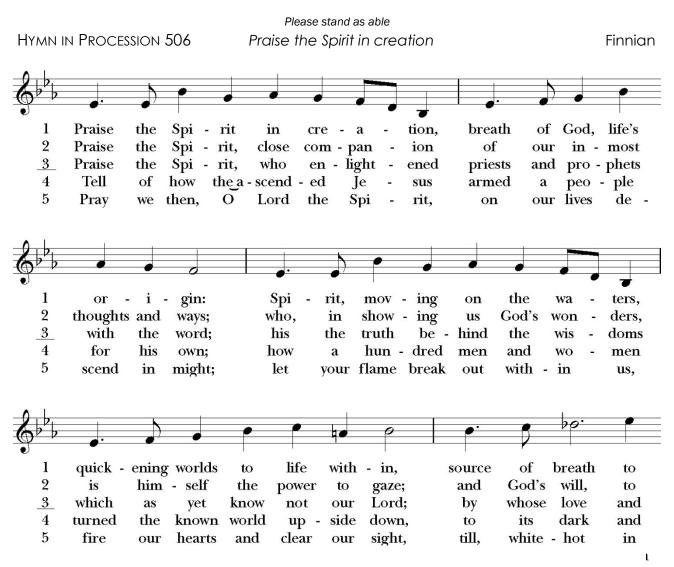
### Amen.

May God, who by the Holy spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed.

### Amen.

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

### Amen.



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Dismissal

# OfficiantLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

VOLUNTARY Prelude in C Major, BWV 545a Johann Sebastian Bach

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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Flower dedication dates are available for June 2, 16, and 23. Please sign up to donate on our website.

> We would like to thank the Trinity Garden Club for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

Please note that June 9, 23, and 30 are available to host (part/all) coffee hour.

To sign up, please scan the QR code below or contact Jamie Chambers: jamielynnchambers@hotmail.com or call/text at 832-370-7155 if you need assistance.

Thank you



### Our new curate, Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios



Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios will be joining the staff of Trinity as our new curate this summer.

Maria Teresa is a recent graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia. She will be ordained to the diaconate on June 15th at Christ Church Cathedral (which was her sending parish).

Although Maria Teresa may not be well-known to our community yet, her husband, Fabian, served as our Youth Missioner from 2019 to 2021. Some may also know her father, the Reverend Canon Simón Bautista Betances, who is on staff at Christ Church Cathedral.

In the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, newly-ordained clergy are usually placed as curates for two years to give them a chance to learn the ins and outs of parish ministry under the guidance of the parish's rector.

Maria Teresa will initially serve as a deacon and then be ordained to the priesthood in early 2025.

Look for Maria Teresa, Fabian, and their little girl, Camila, to join us in July.



### July 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday 7pm @Trinity Midtown 1015 Holman St.

**Bayou City Dinner and Silent Auction** with Live Jazz by Kim Prevost and Bill Solley

### July 19th Friday

7pm @ WeServ Theatre at St. John's Downtown 2019 Crawford St.

#### **Headliner: Kim Waters**

### July 20th Saturday 6pm @Trinity Midtown 1015 Holman St.

**Reception: Summer Jazz Workshop Opening Act: Ermelinda Cuéllar with** Horace Alexander Young, Darrell Lavigne, Greg Petito, Anthony Caceres, and Jerre Jackson Headliner: Benny Benack III

### July 21<sup>th</sup> Sunday

II am @Trinity Midtown 1015 Holman St. Jazz Mass

For tickets and more information visit www.trinitymidtown.org/trinity-jazz-festival-2024/



### THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MIDTOWN May 19, 2024 – The Day of Pentecost, Year B

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### Choral Evensong for Trinity Sunday – May 26th

Celebrate our parish feast day with a special service of Choral Evensong, on Trinity Sunday, May 26th, at 5:30 p.m.

Organist/Choirmaster Alex Jones and the Trinity Choir will present this sung liturgy. The music for this service includes Evening Service (Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis) in B Flat by Charles Villiers Stanford; Bernard Rose's Preces and Responses, and, as the anthem, Benjamin Britten's beloved "Jubilate Deo," a setting of the 100th Psalm, which was commissioned in 1961 by the late Duke of Edinburgh for the Choir of St. George's Chapel, Windsor. A reception will follow.

### Vidas Robadas gun violence memorial

Trinity will host an installation of T-shirts with the names of victims of gun violence as part of the Vidas Robadas (stolen lives) project.

There will be two opportunities to write victims' names on the T-shirts, during coffee hour on May 19th and 26th. Installation will be June 2nd. Gun Violence Awareness Weekend is June 7th to 9th.

### Honoring Special People on Trinity Sunday

The Rev. Canon Dr. Henry Atkins and his wife, Treadwell, (also known as the Rector's parents) will be returning to Las Cruces, New Mexico, at the end of May. We will honor them at Coffee Hour on Trinity Sunday, May 26th, with a book signing of **Experiencing God: Faith Narratives of Episcopalians.** Canon Atkins was a contributor to this book. Copies will be on sale for a donation of \$25 or more, proceeds from which will go to our sandwich making ministry.

Also on Trinity Sunday, at the 10:30 service, we will honor our graduating seniors, as well as our wonderful Sunday School teachers, as we close the program year.

### Are You Getting Our Emails?

Trinity sends out an email with news and happenings in the parish every Friday. We also send out occasional emails about important events in the life of our parish. We promise not to spam you. A busy week would see about three emails. If you are not getting these emails, please let us know at plc@trinitymidtown.org.

### Honoring Sam Jones

Our longtime security guard Sam Jones recently retired after over 30 years of service to Trinity. Donations to a purse in honor of his three decades as part of the Trinity community will be accepted through May and will presented to him in June. Please note that these contributions are non tax-deductible. Please contact Larry Laubach at finance@trinitymidtown for more details.

8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel) 10:30 am (Historic Church)

### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

### Sunday, May 19th, 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 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 Completas (Facebook)

### Monday, May 20th, 2024

12:00 pm Yoga (Atrium) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

### Tuesday, May 21st, 2024

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

### Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church) 6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom) 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Room 218)

### Thursday, May 23rd, 2024

10:30am Staff Meeting (Smith) 12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

### Friday, May 24th, 2024

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

Saturday, May 25th, 2024 11:00 am Dorothy Church Memorial (Church)

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom-withus

#### May 19, 2024 - The Day of Pentecost, Year B

### PRAYERS

Our custom is to read aloud each week the names of those who request our prayers. We also remember in our Prayer Chain and Bulletin those who desire prayers. Please email to keep us informed. For information or comments about prayer names, please contact the Reverend Hannah Atkins Romero. If you would like to participate as a member of the prayer chain, please contact Norma Cooper.

Bill, Nick, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Monica, Daniel, Norma, Denise, Bradley, Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Stephen, Emily, Van, Dick, Ric, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, David, Robert, Susan, Patty, Dana, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Carolyn, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Chris, Guillermo, Holly, Ray, Barbara, Howard, Claudie, Romy, Bryce, Rose, Bart, Marie, Josh, Christina, Collette, Sybil, Charlotte, Bob, Pamela, James, Jason, Meredith, Nikki, Anneliese, Ella, Julie, Leslie, David, Robert, All victims of violence

#### For the faithful departed:

William Lawson, 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 <u>www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/</u>. Next available dates: June 2nd, 16th, and 23rd

## Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer by scanning this QR code.

For questions or further information please contact Jamie Chambers: <u>jamielynnchambers@hotmail.com</u> or call/text at 832–370–7155 if you need assistance.

#### Next available dates: June 9th, 23rd, and 30th



Hannah Atkins Romero, Chesson Olawaiye, Bonnie Chalmers, Marcia Waldrop, Barbara Smith, Jim Luke, Alex Jones, Robert Snellgrove





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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 <u>www.trinitymidtown.org/give.</u>



#### May 19, 2024 – Pentecost (B) Pentecost

Today, we mark Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit among the apostles and followers of Jesus. Celebrated 50 days after Easter (including the day of Easter itself), the name of the holiday comes from the Greek Pentēkostē, which literally means "the 50th day."

The events of the day are forefold by Jesus in the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, just before his Ascension. While his followers were with the risen Christ, he tells them, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now" (Acts 1:5, NRSV). He goes on to say to them, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

The followers would not wait long for the promised Spirit. The author of Acts, traditionally believed to be Luke, recounts:

"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each" (Acts 2:1-6).



We celebrate Pentecost as the inauguration of the Church's mission in the world. Empowered by the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are to go out into our neighborhoods and the wider world—to Jerusalem, to Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth—witnessing to the risen Christ.

The Day of Pentecost is identified by the Book of Common Prayer as one of the feast days "especially appropriate" for baptism (Book of Common Prayer, p. 312). Because of this, Pentecost is also known as "Whitsun" or "Whitsunday" ("White Sunday"), a term used to describe the white baptismal garments worn by those who were baptized at the Vigil of Pentecost and then worn to church on the Day of Pentecost.

#### **Collect for Pentecost**

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen (Book of Common Prayer, p. 227).

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#### Why is there no General Confession on Pentecost? Explanation by St. George's Church in Ontario, Canada

You may have noticed that the Confession – the part of the service where we collectively acknowledge that we make mistakes, that we hurt others, that we carry around guilt and doubt and regret, and then we receive God's forgiveness and assurance of healing – is absent during the Easter season. For some, this will feel like a major omission. Human beings are adept at weighing down our lives with feelings of powerlessness and inadequacy, anxiety for our shortcomings, gaping wounds of anger and hurt for how our relationships have been broken. This time in our worship to take stock, to lay down those burdens before God and to be reminded of God's faithfulness to, and love for, us can help many to feel lighter, freer, refreshed.

However, it is the tradition of the ancient church that the Confession is omitted during the season of Easter, which ends on the Day of Pentecost. It is not that Christians miraculously become perfect people during the seven weeks of Easter and therefore have no need of repentance and absolution. Instead, it is perhaps more appropriate to think of Easter as a rehearsal, a practicing of what a right relationship with God and one another actually looks like.

Whereas Lent is a time for honest and probing self-reflection, intentionality and care in how we use our time and resources, sparseness and restraint, Easter is a time for celebration, celebration of the fullness of God's kingdom, of a reality in which each of us lives in the light and love of God and reflects that light and love in our relationships with one another. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, we are free from the past brokenness and pain of our lives and our relationships are whole and life-giving. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, talk of sin and forgiveness no longer have a place, because we are healed.

We are not there yet. Brokenness and fragility are part of our story. We still look forward to the time when the promises of new life and healing offered on that first Easter morning will be fully realized. And some of us might continue to bring heavy hearts to worship through Easter. Individuals are encouraged to offer before God in prayer any confessions, any needs, any worries, regardless of whether it is Easter or not. However, our collective prayer changes at Easter in order that we might, as a community, tell this part of our story: *Christ is risen!* And we have glimpsed the Kingdom of God, where every tear is wiped away, where all hearts are mended, where we join with all of creation in receiving and sharing the good gifts God gives us.

### 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.

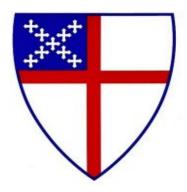
During the late 1910s and 1920s, Trinity entered an era of explosive growth, paralleling that of the city, and became an important center of the Episcopal faith. The congregation's many youth and adult activities were community events that attracted wide attention among the general populace. An integral 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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