

DAY OF PENTECOST

MAY 23, 2021
10:30 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

Collin Boothby, 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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Collin Boothby, Associate for Connections Ministries at:
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<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/childrens-bulletins/>



VESTRY

Amy Luke, *Senior Warden*
John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

Ben Blanding	Andy Durham
Jim Castro	Ann McCoy
John Cloud	Debbie Owens
Norma Cooper	David Theis
Terri DiRaddo	Michele White

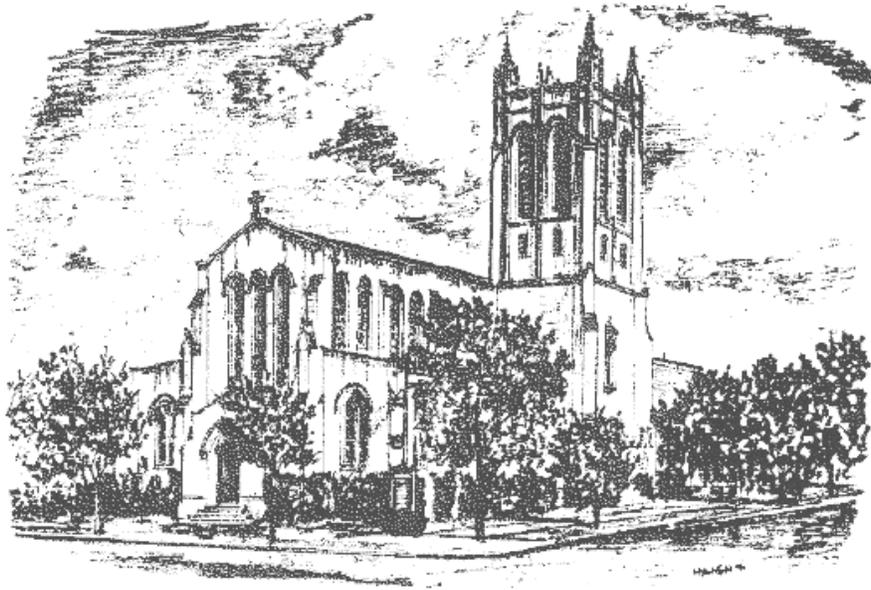
Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*
Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*
Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: John Bruton

Greeters and Ushers: Steve Lee, Larry Laubach, Pat Laubach

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God,
in thanksgiving for the gift of the Holy Spirit
and in celebration of Ron Starbuck's birthday



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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

VOLUNTARY
WELCOME

Veni Creator in 5 voices (plein jeu)

Nicolas de Grigny

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 225

Hail thee festival day

Salve festa dies

Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for



ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the



world with God's grace. grace.



1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -
3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his



wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the



Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:
ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:



2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold
4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the



my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man
fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en

Repeat Refrain

souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, page 355

Officiant 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.**

CANTICLE S278 Gloria in excelsis

William Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2: 1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples 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.' "

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104: 25-35, 37

Benedic, anima mea
Sung by the choir.

Edward Bairstow

- 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.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 516

Come down, O Love divine

Down Ampney

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,
and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;
O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

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

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

Jesus said, "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."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was
buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

We invite you to offer any prayers you wish to share in the comment section, if you are worshipping from home.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Leonard Dawea and the Anglican Church of Melanesia](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [Grace, Galveston; Holy Trinity, Dickinson; Mosaic Church Plant, Pearland; and St. Andrew's, Pearland](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Savannah Dorsett and the Library ministry](#).

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for our bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff and Kai, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Henry our clergy.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our governor; Sylvester, our mayor; Lina, our county judge; the legislatures and courts, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially [Bill, Charles, John, Barbara, Eula, Be, Carol, Phil, Pat, and Kensington](#);

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially [John Cloud](#), all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and all victims of gun violence;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: [Jim, Robert, Jim, Paul, Tony, and John](#).

Hear the prayers of your people.

Silence.

The Celebrant then adds this concluding 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 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.

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

VIRTUAL OFFERING

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

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OFFERTORY

Grieve Not the Holy Spirit of God

T. Tertius Noble

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God,
 whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking,
 be put away from you, with all malice:
And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
 even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.



Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,

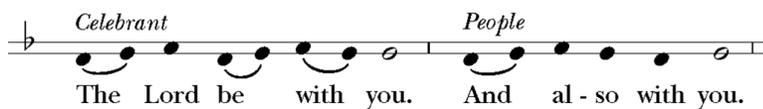


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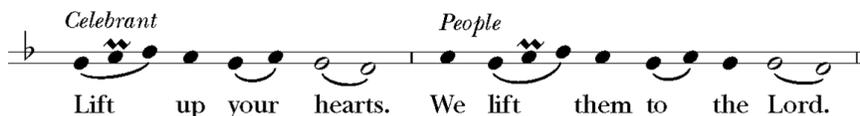
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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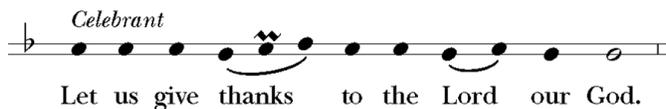
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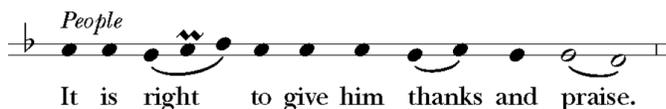
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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 S128

Wm. Mathias



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Please kneel or stand as able.

The celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

People AMEN.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 S155

Gerald Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AGNUS DEI S164

Franz Peter Schubert

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

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

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

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will offer communion in one kind, the bread only. The priest will bring communion to your seat.



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.

COMMUNION HYMN 229

Spirit of mercy, truth and love

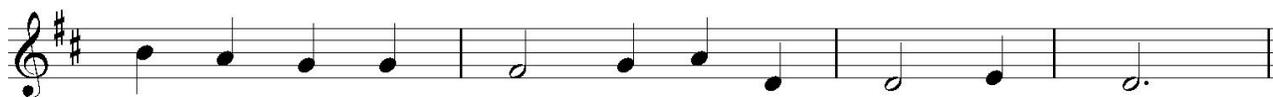
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1 Spi - rit of mer - cy, truth, and love, O shed thine
2 In ev - ery clime, by ev - ery tongue, be God's a -
3 Un - fail - ing Com - fort, heaven - ly Guide, still o'er thy



in - fluence from a - bove; and still from age to
maz - ing glo - ry sung: let all the lis - tening
ho - ly Church pre - side; O shed thine in - fluence



age con - vey the won - ders of this sa - cred day.
earth be taught the deeds our great Re - deem - er wrought.
from a - bove, Spi - rit of mer - cy, truth, and love.

Please stand or kneel as able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

COMMUNITY LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 230

*A mighty sound from heaven
(on the following page)*

Song of the Holy Spirit

1 A might - y sound from hea - ven at Pen - te - cost there came,
2 In Sa - lem's street was gath - ered a crowd from man - y a land,
3 Then come, all Chris - tian peo - ple, keep fes - ti - val to - day,

and filled the place of meet - ing with rush - ing wind and flame:
and all in their own tongues did the Gos - pel un - der - stand:
for God the Ho - ly Spi - rit dwells with the Church al - way:

what Christ had prom - ised now oc - curred as each A - pos - tle
for by the tri - umph of the Son the curse of Bab - el
and grieve him not, O Chris - tian soul, his grace with - in shall

spoke the word be - neath the Spi - rit's thun - der, and to the
was un - done when God did send the Spi - rit; so to the
make you whole in bo - dy, mind, and spi - rit, un - til you

ears of all who heard pro - claimed sal - va - tion's won - der.
 bless - ed Three in One be hon - or, praise, and mer - it.
 reach the prom - ised goal, a king - dom to in - her - it.

DISMISSAL

Officiant

People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY

Fantasia on "Come, Holy Ghost"

Johann Sebastian Bach

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

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THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

The Day of Pentecost – Year B

May 23rd, 2021

Announcements



In-Person Services have resumed. Seating is limited due to social distancing guidelines. Register now by clicking [here](#).

8:00 am and 12:30 pm will be held in the Chapel, seating per service is limited.

10:30 am will be held in the Historic Church, seating per service is limited.

Please register for your spot today!

*Choral Evensong
Sunday, May 30th, 2021 at 4:00 pm*

*Organ Recital
Thursday, June 3rd, 2021 at 7:30 pm*

For more information on these events click [here](#)

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, May 23rd, 2021

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (live in-person)
- 9:30 am Parenting with Grace (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (live in-person and on Facebook)
- 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (live in-person and on Facebook)
- 8:00 pm Compline (In Spanish via Zoom)

Monday, May 24th, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Tuesday, May 25th, 2021

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Wednesday, May 26th, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook
- 6:00 pm Healing Service (via Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Pub Theology (via Zoom)

Thursday, May 27th, 2021

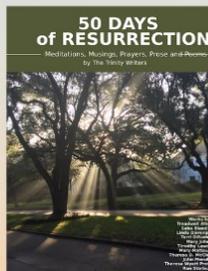
- 1:00 pm TLC (Masterson Room)
- 5:00 pm TLC (Masterson Room)
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday, May 28th, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday, May 29th, 2021

- 2:00 pm John Cloud Memorial Service



An Easter offering from our Trinity writers can be found [here](#)

Ongoing

Daily Scripture and Prayer

Sent by email Monday through Saturday at 9:30 am.

If you are not receiving this, contact Collin Boothby at

connections@trinitymidtown.org

Trinity Listening and Caring Support Group

led by Libby Tsubai is now meeting every Thursday at 1 pm and 5 pm in the Masterson room here at Trinity. Are you stressed? Coping with life transitions, bereavement, caregiver burden, pandemic-related stress, or other issues? Need support? Just want to talk? TLC might be for you!

Click [Here](#) for more information.



THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

The altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for the gift of the Holy Spirit and in celebration of Ron Starbuck's birthday

If you would like to make a flower dedication for the month of June the following Sundays are available June 6th and June 13th.

You can sign up for a flower dedication by clicking [here](#)

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Prayers

Our custom is to read aloud each week the names of those who request our prayers. We also remember in our Prayer Chain and Bulletin those who desire prayers.

Please email to keep us informed. For information or comments about prayer names, please contact the Reverend Hannah Atkins Romero.

If you would like to participate as a member of the prayer chain, please contact Norma Cooper.

Myron, Caroline, Bryan, Allegra, Diana, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Vivian Jane, Anita, Bob, Theresa, Marvin, Sue, Joe, Ester, Tom, Nick, Ric, Lauren, Margaret, Charles, Gwen, Catalina, Nelda, Christine, Livia, Mike, Daniel, Mark, Victoria, Theresa, Tim, Reagan, Joey, Fred, Cindy, Ron, Joshua, Sandi, Betty, Barbara, Sara, Jonathan, Emily, Cherie, June, Sharon, Stan, Larry, Monica, Gianni, Carolyn, Randy, Van, Andrea, Sylvia, Diana, Aristo, Bob, Danielle, Lynelle, Darren, Buddy, Letha, Mary, Glenda, Richard, Tina, Peyton, Leonard, Jim, Elise, Jocelyn, Reiss, Minnie, and Kensington.

For those in our armed services

Will Dahlstrom, Martin Cabello, and Christopher Krenshaw

For the faithful departed

John Cloud, victims of gun violence, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



Jim Luke
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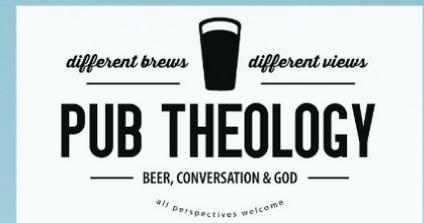
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Bishop Doyle's COVID-19

Guidelines

are available at:

epicenter.org/health-resources



Each Wednesday for the Month at May at 7pm via Zoom. For more information on topics that will be discussed click [here](#)

Save the Date

JUNE 6TH

Collin's Farewell Reception on the Francis Street Lawn at 11:30 am. If you would like to volunteer to help make this event a success please email John Merullo at rockhopperlad@gmail.com

Readings this Sunday

Acts 2: 1-21
Psalm 104: 25-35, 37
Romans 8: 22-27
John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

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 which ends on the Day of Pentecost. 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. 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.

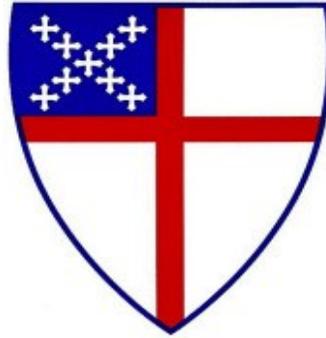
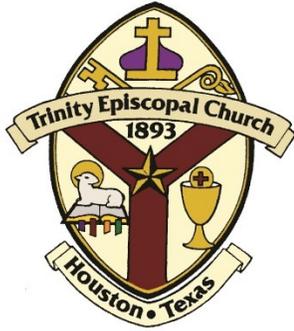
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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