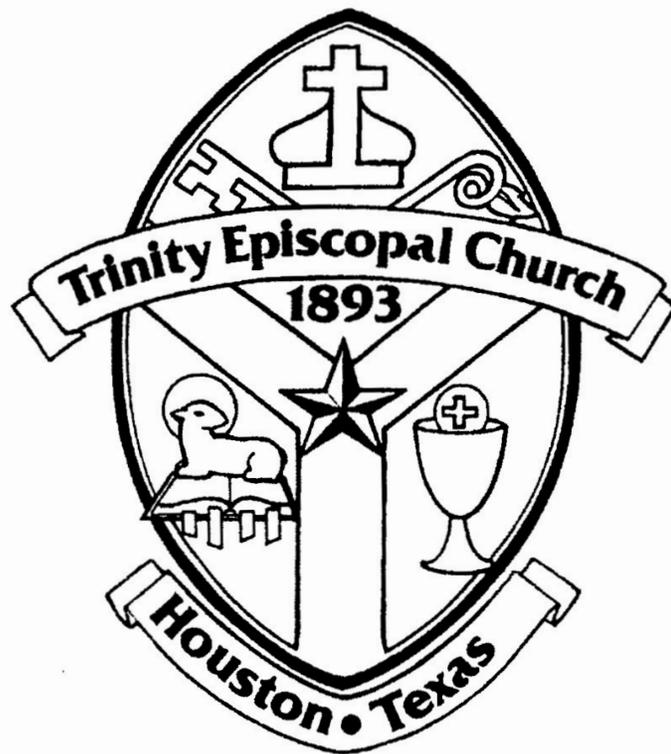


TRINITY SUNDAY

MAY 30, 2021
12:30 p.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

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

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us this afternoon. We adapted the liturgy for this service from *A New Zealand Prayer Book* 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:

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Collin Boothby, Associate for Connections Ministries at:

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Facebook Live Stream. Please be advised that all services, including this 12:30 p.m. service, are live streamed through our Trinity Facebook and Youtube pages.

Children's activity and worship bulletins are available for download from our website under the "Worship—Bulletins" tab, or following this link:

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



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Gayle Davies-Cooley, Historian and Archivist

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert
Piano: Pelayo Parlade

SERVING TODAY

Readers: Theresa McClellan
Usher: Bob Davenport

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The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as able.

Presider We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away. They shall not grow old, as we that are left behind grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

People We will remember them.

ONE MINUTE OF SILENCE

Presider When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow
we gave our today. *The Kohima Epitaph*

Let us pray:
Ever-living God, we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Presider Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

People God is with us, here we find new life!

Presider Let us worship God.

Harmony

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

unison

1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

D.C.

1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.
2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back.

OPENING PRAYER

Presider God of unchangeable power, you have revealed yourself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit; keep us firm in this faith that we may praise and bless your holy Name; for you are one God now and for ever .

People Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 8: 12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Please stand as able

John 3: 1-17

Presider The Holy Gospel according to John.

People Praise and glory to God!

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Presider This is the Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to Christ, the Word.

Please be seated

SERMON

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

MUSICAL REFLECTION

We will meditate quietly on God's word to us.

Please stand as able

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response

instrumental intro $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$

Hear our -

5 $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$ $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer - O - Lord hea our - prayer O - Lord - - in -

9 $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$

cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord hear our

13 $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$ $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer O - Lord - hear - our - prayer - O - Lord - - - in -

17 $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$

cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord _____

Soft piano improvisation during prayer, play intro to cue next response.

Let us pray for the preservation of the earth.

We give thanks for the beauty and abundance of the earth.

Give us and all peoples grace to live in harmony with your creation, wisdom and generosity in our use of its bounty.

Let us pray for peace and shared prosperity, and for the end of systemic racism that divides us.

We pray for leaders to serve the common good: Give wisdom to those who have responsibility and authority in every land, especially Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our governor; Sylvester, our mayor; Lina, our county judge; and for the legislatures and courts, that we may share with justice the resources of the world, and work together in trust.

Response

Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Enrique Treviño Cruz and the Anglican Church of Mexico](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [St. Augustine of Hippo, Galveston](#); [St. Christopher's, League City](#); and [St. George's, Texas City](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Jackie Rose and the Trinity Endowment](#).

We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament.

Unite in the truth all who confess your name, that we may live together in love to your glory.

Let us pray for ourselves and our community. We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work, especially Trinity Church.

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 commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbors and our friends. Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

Response

instrumental intro $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$

Hear our -

A

5 $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$ $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer - O - Lord hea our - prayer O - Lord - - in -

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cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord hear our

B

13 $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$ $Fm7$ $B^{\flat}m7$

prayer O - Lord - hear - our - prayer - O - Lord - - - in -

17 $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$

cline-Thine - ear - to - us - - - ple - ase - hear - us - Lord _____

Soft piano improvisation during prayer, play intro to cue next response.

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21 $G^{\flat}maj7$ $A^{\flat}7sus$ $A^{\flat}7$ $D^{\flat}maj7$

A - nd Gra - nt - us Thy - Pe - ace _____

Let us pray for those in need, and for all teachers and front-line workers who are courageously assisting others during this pandemic.

We give thanks that you are the God who brings mercy and wholeness.

Comfort and heal, we pray, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble, especially for those we now name: [Bill](#), [Charles](#), [John](#), [Barbara](#), [Eula](#), [Be](#), [Carol](#), [Phil](#), [Pat](#), and [Kensington](#).

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed, especially John Cloud, Robert Douglas Lyons, Jr., all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and all victims of gun violence. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfillment of your kingdom.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: Alberto, Catherine, Gretchen, Pat, Mark, Dan, Andy, Carol, and Heston.

Response

O God, we who come before you this day are many and diverse, with different needs and desires.

We ask you to accept our thanksgivings, to guide our ways, and to receive our praise. O God, hear the prayers of your people.

The people may offer their own specific petitions, praises or thanksgivings.

Response

THE CONFESSION

Presider Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. I will confess my sins to the Lord. I will not conceal my wrongdoings.

God forgives and heals us.

People We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us; some escape us; some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve you.

Presider God forgives you.
Forgive others; forgive yourself.

THE PEACE

Presider Blessed be Christ, the Prince of Peace.

People Who breaks down the walls that divide.

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People Praise to Christ who makes us one.

MUSIC AT THE PEACE

The Liturgy of the Table

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

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THE OFFERTORY

April Sloan-Hubert and Pelayo Parlade

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand as able.

Presider The Lord is here.

People God's Spirit is with us.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son. You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit. In the mystery of your Godhead you have revealed to us the fullness of your divine glory. We praise you, Father, with the Son and the Spirit, three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be worshipped and adored.

Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language, with the whole Church on earth and in heaven, joyfully we give you thanks and say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup, and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Therefore heavenly Father, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.**

Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness, we were far off until you brought us near and our hands are empty until you fill them.

As we eat this bread and drink this wine, through the power of your Holy Spirit feed us with your heavenly food, renew us in your service, unite us in Christ, and bring us to your everlasting kingdom. From you, and through you, and for you are all things. To you be the glory for ever,

Let the Church say A - men, let the Church say A - men God has
spo- ken let the Church say A - men

As Christ teaches us, we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

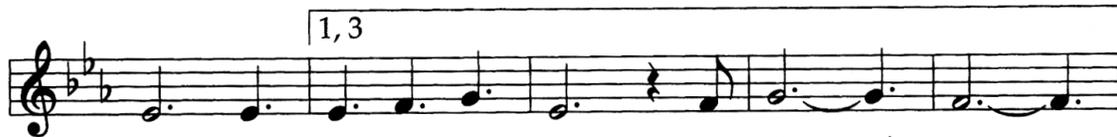
In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, 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.



1. To know you in all of your glo - ry, to
(2., 4. To) know you in all of your pow - er, to
(3. To) know you in all of your mer - cy, to



love you with all that I am. With all of my
trust you with all that I am. With all of my
serve you with all that I am. With all of my



heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you
heart, Lord,
heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you



more. 2. To
more. 4. To
this is my prayer: To



know you more. 3. To

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more. To know you more. _____

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

Presider Blessed be God who calls us together.
People Praise to God who makes us one people.

Presider Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.
People Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Presider Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.
People Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Presider Blessed be God who alone has called us.
People Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Presider Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.
People Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Presider Send us now into the world you love.
**People Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Presider God the Holy Trinity, make you strong in faith and love, defend you,
and guide you in truth and peace, and the blessing of God our
Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.
People Amen

COMMUNITY LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENT

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

CLOSING HYMN

In His Time



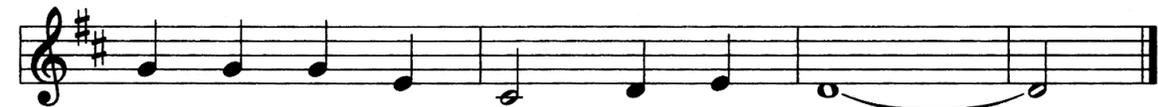
1. In his time, _____ in his time; _____ he makes
2. In your time, _____ in your time; _____ you make



all things beau - ti - ful in his time. _____ Lord, please
all things beau - ti - ful in your time. _____ Lord, my



show me ev - ery day as you're teach - ing me your way, that you
life to you I bring; may each song I have to sing be to



do just what you say in your time. _____
you a love - ly thing in your time. _____

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **We go in the name of Christ.**

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

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THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

Trinity Sunday – Year B

May 30th, 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 30th, 2021

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (live in-person)
- 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)
- 4:00 pm Choral Evensong (live in-person and on Facebook)
- 8:00 pm Compline (In Spanish via Zoom)

Monday, May 31st, 2021

Memorial Day Office is Closed

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Tuesday, June 1st, 2021

- 10:00 am Sandwich Makers – Fellowship hall
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Wednesday, June 2nd, 2021

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

Thursday, June 3rd, 2021

- 1:00 pm TLC (Masterson Room)
- 5:00 pm TLC (Masterson Room)
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer
- 7:30 pm Organ Recital (live in-person and on Facebook)

Friday, June 4th, 2021

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday, June 5th, 2021

Ongoing

Daily Scripture and Prayer

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

If you are not receiving this, contact Collin Boothby at

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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

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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, Robert Douglas Lyons Jr., victims of gun violence, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



Alberto de la Fuente
Catherine Novosad
Gretchen Hinze
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Theis, Michele White

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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](#)

Trinity Listening and Caring Support Group

lead by Libby Tsubai is now meeting every Thursday at 1pm and 5pm 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.

Readings this Sunday



Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalms 29

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17

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A HISTORY OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

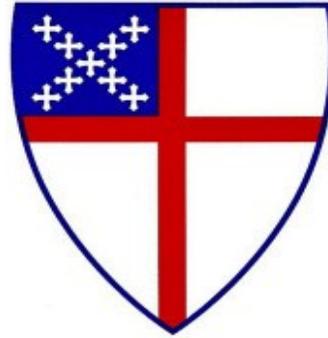
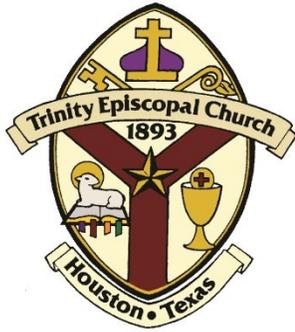
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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

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

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

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





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