# ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 5, 2023 12:30 p.m.



The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Associate Rector The Reverend Dale Klitzke, Priest Associate

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

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

## WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us. We 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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For more information, please visit our website: www.trinitymidtown.org For questions about how to connect with us, please email connections@trinitymidtown.org

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#### 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.
- 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 John Escoto, Junior Warden

Eric Beam Ben Blanding Pam Lawson Mary Matteucci Ann McCoy

John Merullo Samantha Rainman Gladys Vallés David Villarreal Michele White

Teddy Adams, Chancellor Dana Gannon, Assistant Chancellor Larry Laubach, Treasurer Steve Lee, Assistant Treasurer Ben Blanding, Clerk of the Vestry Samantha Rainman, Assistant Clerk of the Vestry

### THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert Piano: Pelayo Parlade Flute, Clarinet: Ernesto Vega Bass: Alfred Kennedy

## SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Barrett Hess Usher: Bob Davenport Lector: Marcella Marino Prayers: David Theis Audio Visual: Harold Robertson Online Greeter: Pam Lawson Altar Guild: Linda Davenport Vestry of the Day: David Villarreal

> The Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of all lives lost by gun violence and conflicts around the world, by Yvonne Meyer



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# The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Please stand as able.

Presider Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him! Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing.

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

Presider Let us worship God.



#### OPENING PRAYER

Presider Almighty God, your saints are one with you in the mystical body of Christ; give us grace to follow them in all virtue and holiness until we come to those inexpressible joys which you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### People Amen.

Please be seated.

#### The First Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### The Second Lesson

1 John 3: 1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.PeopleThanks be to God.

Presider <b>People</b>	The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. <b>Praise and glory to God</b> .
	Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, ciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
"Blesse "Blesse "Blesse "Blesse "Blesse "Blesse	d are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. d are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. d are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. d are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. d are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. d are the pure in heart, for they will see God. d are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. d are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the om of heaven.

Please stand as able

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Presider	This is the Gospel of Christ.
People	Praise to Christ, the Word.

Please be seated

Sermon

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

Please stand as able

The Baptisma	L COVENANT	BCP, page 304
Celebrant <b>People</b> Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heave Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?	n and earth.
People		
Celebrant <b>People</b>	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.	
Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellows breaking of bread, and in the prayers?	ship, in the

The Gospel

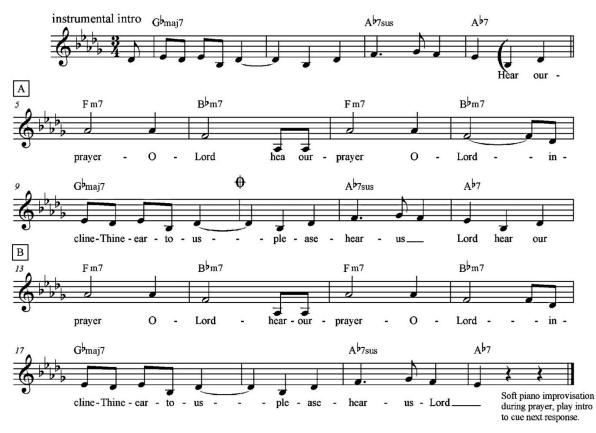
Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? People I will, with God's help. Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? People I will, with God's help. Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as Celebrant vourself? People I will, with God's help. Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect Celebrant the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Please stand as able

#### The Prayers of the People

#### 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; Lina, our county judge; Sylvester, our mayor; and 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 Good Shepherd Indian, Stafford; Holy Comforter, Angleton; and Holy Cross, Sugar Land. In the ministry cycle of prayer for the ECC Tweens ministry. For the peace and unity of the Church of God.
- 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, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), and Hector, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale our clergy; and for all who minister in this place.
- 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

- 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, Nick, Kathy, Bob, Dale, Edith, Phil, Graeme, Christopher, Rose, Junetta, Bart, Marie, Donna, and Gary.
- Heavenly Father, our neighbor has nowhere to call home: help us be aware. Our neighbor needs love and community: help us be active. Our neighbor is crying out for justice: help us be adamant to see an end to homelessness.
- Let us give thanks for the faithful departed, especially for the victims of war in Israel and Palestine, victims of Hurricane Otis in Mexico, all victims of gun violence, and for our loved ones named on our memorial page and in our hearts. 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 Tony, Winnie, Samantha, Caroline, Thomas, Sarah, Michael, and Catherine, who are celebrating their birthdays.

#### 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 par- doned. I will confess my sins to the Lord. I will not conceal my wrong- doings. 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

Today

**Richard Smallwood** 

Please be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# 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.

Offering

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THE OFFERTORY

Trinity Jazz Ensemble

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.

In your loving purpose you chose us before the foundation of the world to be your people; you gave your promises to Abraham and Sarah, and bestowed your favor on the Virgin Mary. We give you thanks for the example and encouragement of all your saints for their witness to the truth of your gospel, and for the hope of glory which we share with them.

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.

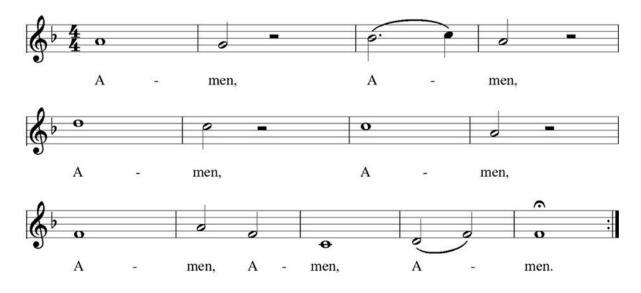
After supper he took the cup, and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

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,



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

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**.

#### INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. If you wish to partake of the chalice, you may do so by intinction. Intinction is done by dipping a host into the wine, and is completely optional. If you prefer, it is perfectly fine to continue receiving the host only. If you are unable to come forward for communion, it will be brought to you in your pew.



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 you come forward for communion.

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



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Please stand as able.

Presider God, we give you praise and glory for all your saints, who have followed the way of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. May we learn from their example and rejoice in your call to us to bring your kingdom to all.

> We praise and thank you Holy Spirit of God, for the men and women you have called to be saints; from your first fallible, frightened friends who followed you to Jerusalem, through the centuries of discovery and growth, people of every class and temperament down to the present day.

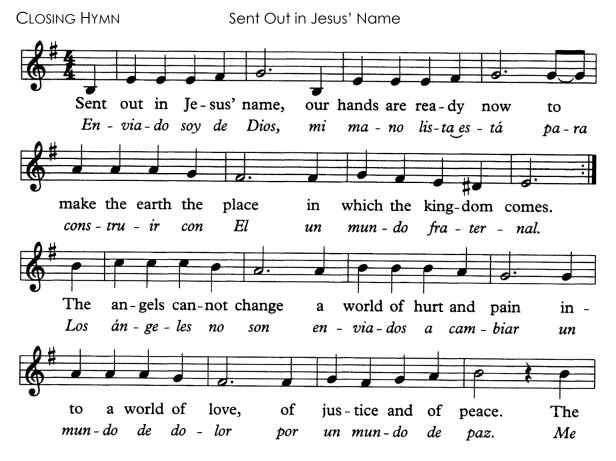
> We praise you, Holy Spirit, for calling us to serve you now, for baptizing us to represent you in this broken world.

Help us to be Christ's united body to heal and reconcile; help us to share Christ's life with everyone.

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints; may we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### The Blessing

Presider May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.** 





#### The Dismissal

Presider	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
<b>People</b>	We go in the name of Christ.
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Thank you for worshipping with us this afternoon.

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Please consider signing up to help livestream this service once a month. Training will be provided.

We would like to thank Benjamin Tallcott for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

Please note that Sundays are open to host (part/all) coffee hour. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or online, or scan this QR code:



# All Saints' Sunday Remembrances Dearly Departed Friends and Family of Trinity Parish

Cyndy Allard	Kenneth Davis	Larry Lanning
Joel Marc Androphy	Trayton G. Davis	Clarence Edward Laubach
Bernadette Babin	Jeanne Devine	Mildred Wright Laubach
Carrie Baylor	Goodie DiRaddo	Gladys LeBrón de Vallés
Charlotte Baylor	The Reverend Joseph DiRaddo	Ralph A. Lee
Edward Baylor	Lucille Dittemore	Betty Lou LeGrande
Eva Baylor	Jerome Hamilton Drew	Dylan Michael LeGrande
Leona Baylor	Dick Gauthier	Franklin Royston LeGrande
Paul Baylor	Peggy Gauthier	Pam Jones LeGrande
Percy Baylor	Elma Gilmore	Gerard Lepore
Robert Baylor	Nathaniel Gilmore	Mary Lepore
Erine Blackman	Anna Goza	Rocco Lepore
Michelle Blackman	Beulah M. Gruber	Adolph Lorch
Edna Bradley	Gus A. Gruber	Anna Lorch
Winsor Bradley	Lisa Heino	Graham Lorch
Dennis Braithwaite	Bertha Effingham Lawrence	Howard McLaughlin
Patricia Braithwaite	Newton Davison	Martha McLaughlin
Faye Brown	Annie Laura Heye	Rosa McLaughlin
Hazel Brown	O. W. Heye	Harry G. McMillan
Jacqueline V. Brown	Leon Howard Hubert	Maurine Woolverton McMillan
Darcy Casavant	Barbara Jones	Abdul Mohamed
John Cloud	Robert Jones	Rob Montgomery
Ruby Cooper	Ada Judge	Flora Daniels Monvay
Nicholas Croom	Kenneth Judge	Julius Monvay
Deanie Daggett	Christopher Kaye	Rhonda K. Monvay
Judge Allen Daggett	Keith Kirkpatrick	Margaret Noonan
Berenice Daniels	Jim Kline	Clara Jackson Patrick

# All Saints' Sunday Remembrances Dearly Departed Friends and Family

Ina Yvonne Porter	Augusta Daniels Sloan Fowler	Estella Todd
John Porter	Arthur Sloan	Henry Todd
Robert Earl Porter, Sr.	Debbie L. Sloan	Mack Todd
Robert Earl Porter, Jr.	Dorothy Sloan	Harushige Tsubai
Stella Porter	Edwina Sloan	Machie Tsubai
Eleanor Rainman	Gary D. Sloan	Seiji Tsubai
Joseph Rainman	Glenn B. Sloan	Yoko Tsubai
Lucy Rainman	Gus Sloan, Sr.	Yumi Tsubai
Shirley Rainman	Gus Sloan, Jr.	Douglas Turley
Richard Rath	Henry Sloan	Addyebeth Lee Vail
Sandra Rath	Edna Starbuck	Luis Valdes
Marshall Reed	Robert Starbuck	Angel Luis Vallés
Ann Roach	John Stempien	Belén Vallés
Dennis Roach	Gayle Summers	Luis Elias Vallés
Jack Roach	Emily Sumner	Robert L. Washington
Virginia Robertson	Mildred Swayze	Helen Wentland
Robert Rose	Benjamin Jess Todd	Henry Wentland
Héctor Sánchez	Edgar E. Todd	Stephen Wentland
Peyton Schuller	Edmond Todd, Jr.	Charlie Willing
Joanne Sennewald	Ella Todd	



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#### November 5, 2023 – All Saints' Day (A) (tr.) All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day, celebrated November 1 or the nearest Sunday afterward, is characterized by the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) as a Principal Feast, "taking precedence over any other day or observance" (BCP, 15). The day is set aside to remember and commend the saints of God, especially those who are not recognized at other points in the church year.

According to Holy Women, Holy Men, in the tenth century, it became customary to recognize on a single day "that vast body of the faithful who, though no less members of the company of the redeemed, are unknown in the wider fellowship of the Church" (*Holy Women, Holy Men*, 664). Over time, the day became associated with special remembrances of an individual's family and friends.

While several churches abandoned the commemoration during the Reformation, the Feast of All Saints was retained on the Anglican liturgical calendar. All Saints' Day began to assume the role of general commemoration of the dead: all Christians, past and present; all saints, known and unknown.

Because of the day's association with the remembrance for the dead, many churches publish a necrology. This reading of the names of the congregation's faithful departed may include prayers on their behalf. Such prayers are appropriate, as the Catechism reminds us, "because we still hold [our departed] in our love, and because we trust that in God's presence those who have chosen to serve him will grow in his love, until they see him as he is" (BCP, 862).

The day is often characterized by joyful hymns, including such favorites as "For All the Saints," "Who Are These Like Stars Appearing," and "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God." These hymns share motifs of rest, fellowship, and continued, joyful service to God—salient indeed on this day, as we remember "those of dazzling brightness, those in God's own truth arrayed, clad in robes of purest whiteness, robes whose luster ne'er shall fade"!



#### Collect for All Saints' Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

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Sunday In-Person Services 8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel)

10:30 am (Historic Church)



# THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN

November 5th, Twenty- Twentieth-third Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

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Volunteers Needed on Election Day, Tuesday Nov. 7th	THIS WEEK AT TRINITY
Please help us show our Trinity hospitality this Election Day! Come for a few minutes or hours to welcome voters with water and snacks outsdie the columbarium gates. You can sign up for a time slot in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. Luz will send additional information. Thank you!	Sunday, November 5th, 2023 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 for All
Book Launch and Author Event – Thursday, Nov. 9th, 7pm Join us on November 9th at 7pm as we celebrate Trinity Member, John Merullo's book launch and author event! Behold All The Dwellers Upon Earth is a new fantasy novel. Meet the Brimmer Family as they use their gifts to save the nation and world from a looming threat. We encourage you to pre-purchase you book to bring to the event for signing. Books avaialble at www.brimmerverse.com.	<ul> <li>10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)</li> <li>11:45 am Sandwich makers (Fellowship Hall)</li> <li>12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)</li> <li>8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)</li> </ul> Monday, November 6th, 2023
<b>Farmer's Market with Journey Ministry– Sat., Nov. 18th, 11am</b> The Journey Ministry is getting its gears in motion for another interesting outing! The Journeys ministry seeks to build friendships while exploring the many interesting venues in Houston. In 2022, some of us met at the Houston Museum of African American Culture and later at the Holocaust Museum both very thought provoking experiences This year, we are planning a trip to Market Square Park Farmer's Market on November 18. We will meet at the venue at 11 am. We will plan to get lunch nearby afterwards. To RSVP please email Mary at <u>mwmatteucci@gmail.com</u> .	12:00 pm Yoga w/Saba (Atrium 2) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer <b>Tuesday, November 7th, 2023</b> 12:00 pm Listening Post 5:30 pm Evening Prayer <b>Wednesday, November 8th, 2023</b> 10:30 am Staff Meeting
Drag Me To Church- December 5th, 6:00pm We invite you to get your tickets and submit your sponsorships for our excited winter FUNdraiser – Drag Me To Church! This is going to be an evening full of folly, fun, and laughs as we kick-off the holiday season. We are excited to be raising funds for the ministries of Trinity as well as our community partner, The Montrose Center. Seats are limited and the event is for ages 21+ only. Don't delay, reserve your spot today! Visit <u>www.trinitymidtown.org/dmtc</u> to purchase tickets/sponsorships and more information.	12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer 6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom) 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal <b>Thursday, November 9th, 2023</b> 12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer 7:00 pm Book Launch Event (Fellowship
2024 Annual Giving Stewardship Campaign Update	Hall)
Trinity Family we are off to a great start! Let's keep it going so we can celebrate! We want to remind you that our Giving Goals for this year are 25 New Pledges and 98 Pledges with increased giving. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to be a part of all the WONDERFUL ministry at Trinity with your financial pledge today.	Friday, November 10th, 2023 12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson) 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Saturday, November 11th, 2023
The Stewardship Committee Pledge Here	Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom- withus
2024 Annual Giving Stewardship Campaign Goal: \$500,000 Pledge Update as of 11/2/23 Total: \$52,292.00 Total # of Pledges: 17 New Pledges: 4	



#### PRAYERS

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

Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Dick, Theresa, Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, Cristine, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Carolyn, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Chris, Jane, Mark, Eliana, Laura, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Guillermo, Holly, Ray, Larry E., Thomas, and Pete.

#### For the faithful departed:

The victims of war in Israel and Palestine, victims of Hurricane Otis in Mexico, 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>.

The next available dates: November 19th, December 10th and 17th.

Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer <u>here</u> or scan QR code below. For questions or further information please click <u>here</u> to contact Jamie Chambers Next available dataset Next Mark 19th and 26th

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Tuesday–Thursday 9 am – 4 pm Friday 9 am – 1 pm

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For more information on annual giving visit 2023 Stewardship Campaign.

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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.

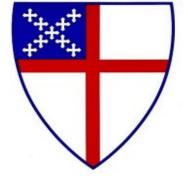
During the late 1910s and 1920s, Trinity entered an era of explosive growth, paralleling that of the city, and became an important center of the Episcopal faith. The congregation's many youth and adult activities were community events that attracted wide attention among the general populace. An integral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