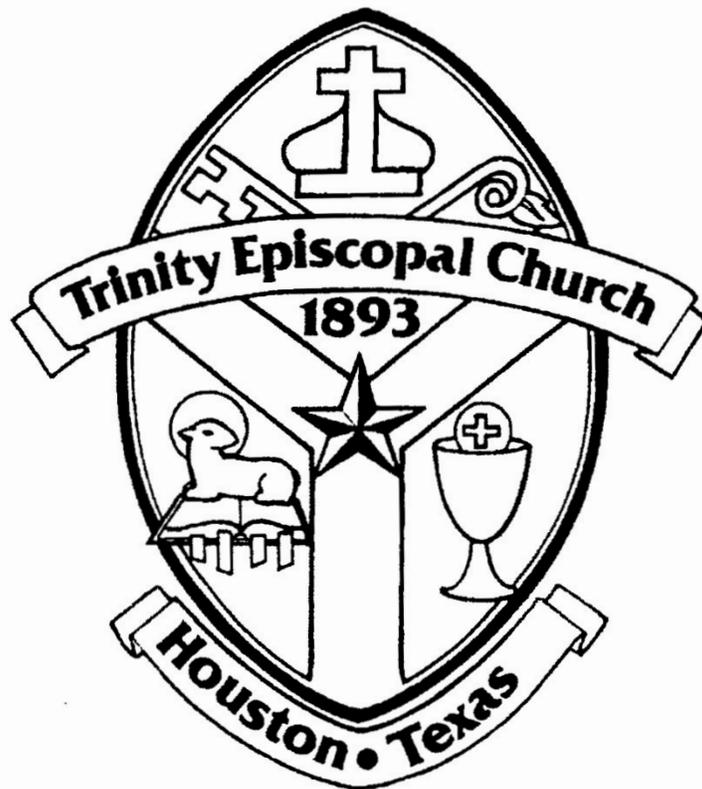


# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 14, 2021  
8:00 a.m.



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

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

Alex Jones, Organist and Choirmaster

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

## WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We follow the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

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

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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John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

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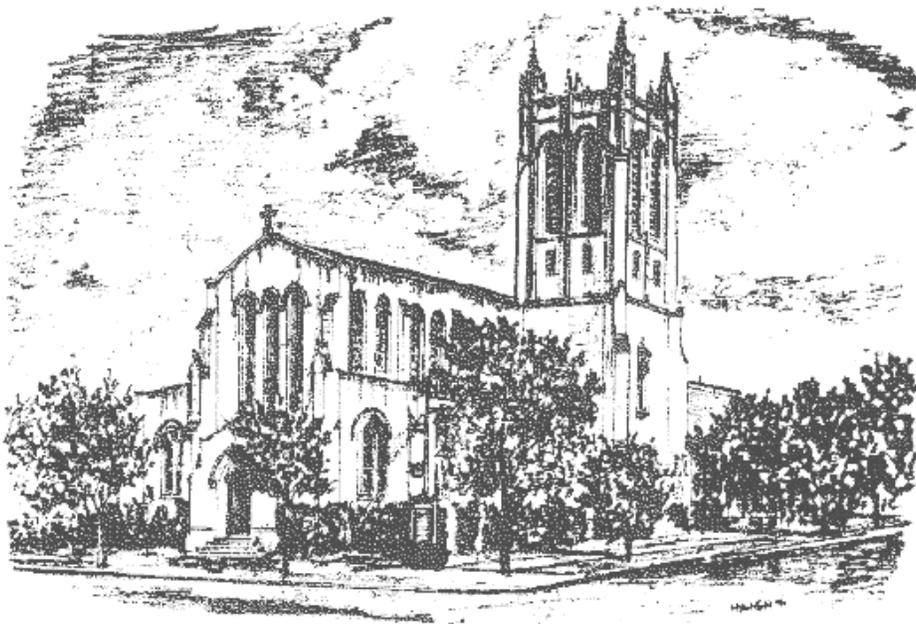
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Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*  
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*  
Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

## SERVING TODAY

Reader: Toni Longino

Music: Wendy Wentland, piano

The Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God  
and in honor of heavenly birthday for Richard Edgar  
by Judith Edgar and family



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# HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

WELCOME

*Please stand as able.*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*BCP, page 323*

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*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.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*BCP, page 324*

*Officiant* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

CANTICLE

*Gloria in excelsis*

*Read in unison.*

**Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;**

**thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**People** **Amen.**

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16

Conserva me, Domine  
*Alternately by whole verse.*

BCP, page 599

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

3 But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

**4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.

**6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.

**8 I have set the Lord always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.**

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.

**10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.**

11 You will show me the path of life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 10: 11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13: 1-8

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

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

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

**Officiant**      The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People**          **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Wendy Wentland, piano

*Please stand as able.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, page 326

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

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

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

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

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

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

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP, page 328

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever-living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff and Kai, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Henry our clergy, and for all who minister in this place, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Let us pray for the Church and its mission. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith and the Anglican Church of Australia](#). In the diocesan cycle of prayer for [St. Paul's, Freeport; St. Thomas', Wharton; and St. Timothy's, Lake Jackson](#). In the ministry cycle of prayer for [Gayle Davies-Cooley and the Archives ministry](#). We pray also for the success of the [Trinity Annual Giving Campaign 2022: A Future with Hope](#).

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and 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 they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

[Bless Afghanistan, Haiti, and all nations of the world facing tumults and natural disasters, with Christ's gifts of healing and peace.](#) Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [Bill, Eula, Kensington, Reiss, Stewart, Henry, Steve, Joyce, Bob, Theorphlis, Paul, Eddie, and](#) all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Almighty God, thou lovest all thy children and art a home to those who are in any need or trouble; inspire thy Church with the Spirit of Christ's love, empower us to battle the root causes of homelessness, and help us to live as one with one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever.

We offer you, O Lord, our prayers of thanksgiving, [especially for Kaylee, Anne, and Bob](#), as they celebrate their birthdays.

And we also bless thy Holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially all who died in the Astroworld concert tragedy, all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, all victims of gun violence, and for our beloved named on our memorial page and in our hearts](#), beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.  
**Amen.**

#### CONFESSION

*Officiant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

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

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

THE PEACE

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

*Please be seated.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERING

For those wishing to leave an offering, there is an offering plate by the door.

**Online Giving** is available through AccessACS.

Go to [www.trinitymidtown.org](http://www.trinitymidtown.org) and click the "Give" button on the top right, or click: <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=156477>

**Texting.** Send the message **heartofmidtown** to **73256**. The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contributions.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

BCP, page 340

*Please stand as able.*

SURSUM CORDA

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand as able.*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**People      AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BCP, page 336*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

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

*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.*

*Please stand as able.*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, page 339



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

## THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

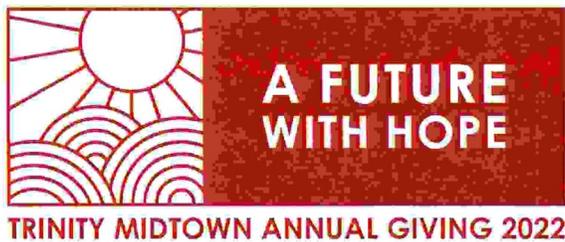
**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Officiant*  
**People**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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



*Suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. Romans 5:3-5*

We endure. We build character. We cling to the Holy Spirit. We hope. Trinity looks toward the future with a hope grounded in God.

This year has left us reeling, leaning on, and also struggling with our faith more than ever. Trinity's core values of worship, community, and responding to God's call certainly changed expression during the pandemic - yet never ceased. We put our values to work in service to God and each other. Now resilience and hope characterize our community and our future together.

Trinity's mission impacts the lives of those connected to us. Whether parishioners are active or inactive, neighbors are rich or poor, seekers are far or near, friends and family are in person or online, we all belong. Our beautiful, solid, limestone presence stands as both a beacon and anchor of hope. Please give to keep that anchor grounded and that beacon bright.

Take a look at the enclosed Parish Life Guide to see what your pledge contributions make possible. Look at the love and the hope generated through the mission and ministry of Trinity, Houston. Of course, many of our ministries had to be suspended in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic. One by one we are bringing them back in a layered, intentional approach depending on financial capacity and volunteer availability. Some ministries are in the process of redevelopment, some are on hold, some are brand new. All help generate a future with hope.

When we give an annual pledge to Trinity, the impact we have is multiplied exponentially. When we pledge, we are strengthened to our spiritual core by this act of hope. Hope grows with every act of love, generosity, gratitude, and faithfulness.

Last year many in our community kept giving but did not fill out a pledge card. If you pledged, we thank you. We also thank all of you who gave last year but did not pledge. Now, we urge you to put pen to paper or fingertips to keyboard and make a pledge for 2022. To those who have never pledged before, start with an amount you know you can offer and then make additional contributions as able. If you are able to increase your pledge, please do. If you are not able to pledge, you are not alone.

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May our love and generosity allow us to face the future ahead with renewed hope. Please join us for the following offerings for our Annual Giving 2022 Stewardship Events.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, October 31, 2021**

Coffee and Cookies with the Bishop in the Bishop's Garden and Fellowship Hall

11:45 am – 12:30 pm

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, November 7, 2021**

All Saints Sunday, Remembrances All Services, Baptism at 10:30 am service

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, November 14, 2021**

Sandwich Makers Community Engagement – Fellowship Hall, 11:45 am – 12:30 pm

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, November 21, 2021**

Ingathering, Giving Thanks Parish Picnic in Bishop's Garden and Fellowship Hall

11:45 am – 12:30 pm

Blessing of pledge cards all services

Faithfully,

**The Trinity Vestry, Clergy and Staff**

**PLEDGE CARD**



**TRINITY MIDTOWN ANNUAL GIVING 2022**

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

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- By check in offering plate, mail, or hand-delivered to church office.
- Credit card or automatic deduction through your own bill pay system or AccessACS at [trinitymidtown.org/Give](http://trinitymidtown.org/Give) or [finance@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:finance@trinitymidtown.org)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I will pay  weekly  monthly  quarterly  
 twice per year  yearly  other: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my pledge to be listed as anonymous.

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED TRINITY MIDTOWN IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING?**

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

**MORE INFORMATION**

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

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



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**TELL US HOW YOU RECOGNIZE A FUTURE WITH HOPE AND HOW YOU HOPE THAT TO CONTINUE IN 2022:**

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For questions regarding pledging payments, contact Trinity Midtown's church office at 713-528-4100 or [finance@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:finance@trinitymidtown.org). Contributions to Trinity are deductible under the new tax laws. For more information please contact your tax professional or financial institution.





# THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

November 14th, 2021

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost – Year B

## Sunday In-Person Services.

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

## Announcements



A Future with Hope  
2022 Annual Giving Campaign

**3rd Sunday, November 14th, 2021**

Sandwich Makers  
Community Engagement  
Fellowship Hall, 11:45am – 12:30pm

**4th Sunday, November 21, 2021**

Ingathering, Giving Thanks  
Parish Picnic  
Bishop's Garden and  
Fellowship Hall, 11:45 am – 12:30 pm  
Blessing of pledge cards all services

The Trinity Annual Giving Campaign A Future With Hope will be celebrated on Ingathering Sunday, November 21 with a

Trinity Family picnic. The picnic will occur between the 10:30 am and 12:30 pm services – 11:45 – 12:30. If you can contribute a savory, side, or sweet, please let us know what you plan to bring by emailing [volunteer@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:volunteer@trinitymidtown.org)



**TRINITY MIDTOWN ANNUAL GIVING 2022**

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

## This Week at Trinity

Sunday, November 14th, 2021

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:30 am Lectionary Bible Study– Smith Room  
9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)  
9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in Atrium rm 112  
9:30 am ECC Tweens rm 207  
9:30 am Youth Forum  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:45 am Sandwich Makers – Fellowship Hall  
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III  
8:00 pm Compline (In Spanish via Zoom)

Monday, November 15th, 2021

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, November 16th, 2021

10:30 am Staff Meeting  
5:30 pm Evening Prayer  
6:30 pm Vestry meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, November 17th, 2021

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

Thursday, November 18th, 2021

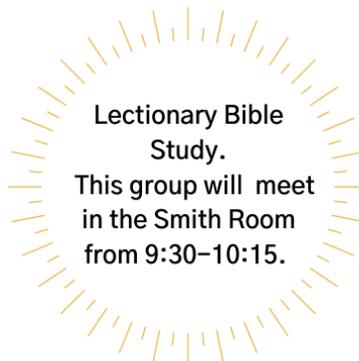
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday, November 19th, 2021

2:00 pm Myron Caldwell Memorial Service  
5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, November 20th, 2021

4:00 pm LaCour and Morin Wedding



Lectionary Bible Study.

This group will meet in the Smith Room from 9:30–10:15.

## Outreach

The Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC) uses peanut butter and jelly for their sack lunches and family grocery programs.

Let's share a jar of

**Peanut Butter!** or **Jelly!**



Trinity collects Food for the EAC every Sunday at the back of the church

### SAVE THE DATE!

Get ready to

**#GIVEWELCOME**

#GivingTuesday is November 30, 2021!

Get a head start on #GivingWelcome:

[iam.ec/givewelcome](http://iam.ec/givewelcome)



For more information on How you can give to the Afghan Allies Fund click [here](#)



Don't forget to support Trinity Episcopal Church through Amazon!

To participate, visit

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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.

Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Vivian Jane, Bob, Theresa, Marvin, Sue, Tom, Nick, Ric, Margaret, Livia, Joshua, Sandi, Barbara, Larry, Monica, Carolyn, Sylvia, Danielle, Lynelle, Mary, Leonard, Jim, Be, Norma, Jean, Karen, Susan, Randy, Mark

For the faithful departed

All who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and victims of gun violence.

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



Kaylee Edwards  
Anne Dayton  
Bob Flick

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David Theis, Michele White, Pamela Lawson,  
and Eric Beam.

### Trinity Beating Strong For & With You!

Here is an easy way to give!

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heartofmidtown  
to 73256.

For assistance and/or questions please contact  
**Trinity Finance Office**  
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If you would like to subscribe or resubscribe to church email correspondence please click [here](#)



### THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

The Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in honor of heavenly birthday for  
Richard Edgar  
by Judith Edgar and family

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

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### Readings for this week

1 Samuel 1: 4-20  
Psalm 16  
Hebrews 10: 11-25  
Mark 13: 1-8





## 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.

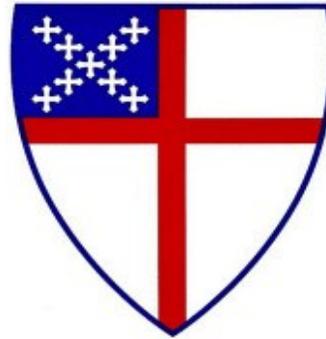
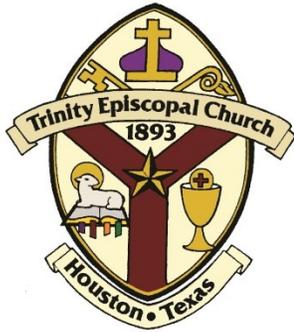
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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