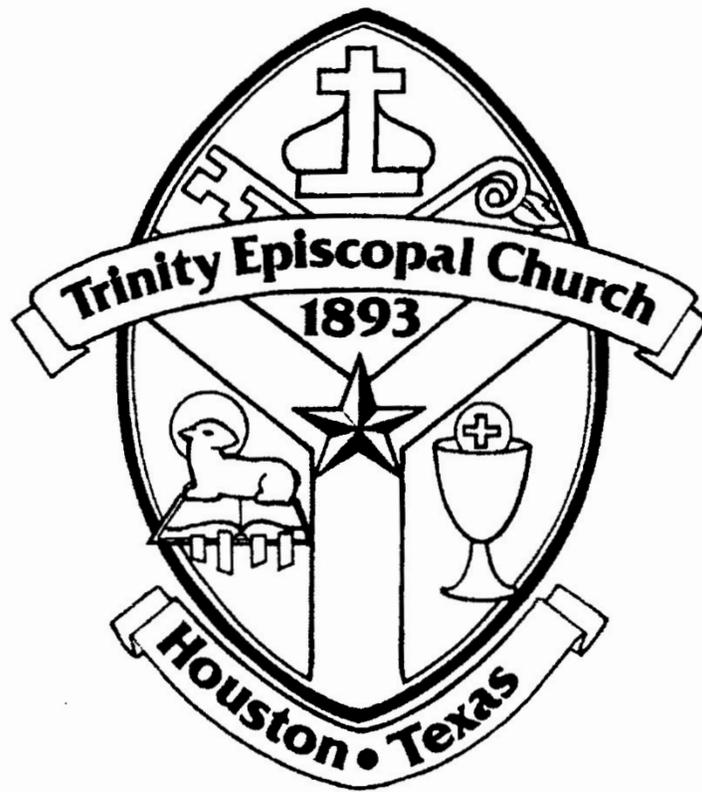


# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 4, 2020  
10:30 a.m.



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

Collin Boothby, Organist and Choirmaster

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

## WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

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

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

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### VESTRY

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

Shelby Bradley	Andy Durham
Jim Castro	Debbie Owens
John Cloud	Carl Thompson
Norma Cooper	David Theis
Terri DiRaddo	Libby Tsubai

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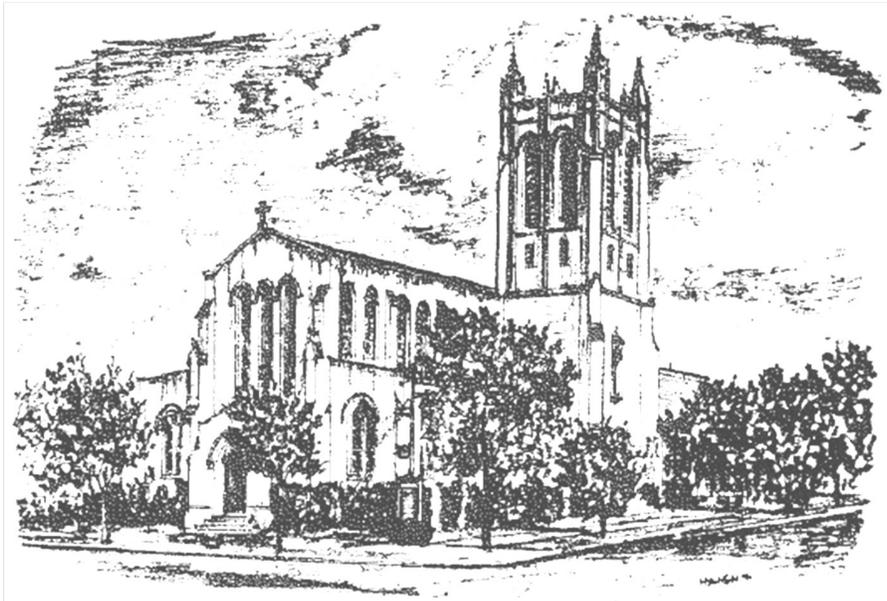
Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*  
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*  
Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*  
Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*  
Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

## LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

*Cantor:* Errin Hatter

*Lector:* Cory Goetschius

The High Altar flowers are given in thanksgiving to God  
for his many blessings and in celebration  
of our 28th wedding anniversary  
by John and Mary Cloud



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# HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

VOLUNTARY

*Adagio in Db*

Franz Liszt

*Please stand as able.*

HYMN IN PROCESSION 598

*Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st*

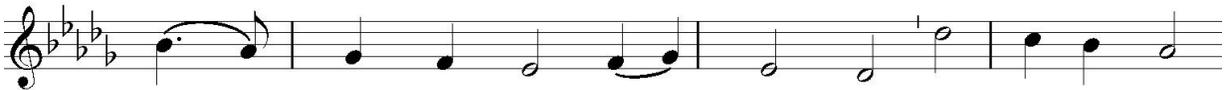
*Mit Freuden zart*



1 Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they  
2 O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de -  
3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re -  
4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -



bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then  
nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom  
fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war  
a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,



by thorns with which they crowned thee: and still our wrongs  
the powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone  
we per - ish as we lose thee? From old un - faith  
we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -



may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that  
was left on stone, and all those na - tions'  
our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom  
umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -



stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round thee.  
pride, o'er-thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!  
of thy peace, by which a - lone we choose thee.  
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*BCP, page 355*

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*BCP, page 355*

*Officiant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**People** **Amen.**

**Gloria to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**People** **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

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

PSALM 19

Cœli enarrant  
*Alternately by whole verse.*

BCP, page 606

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.**
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able.*

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 628

*Help us, O Lord, to learn*

St. Ethelwald

1 Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths your word im - parts: to  
 2 Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we pro - claim, that  
 3 Help us, O Lord, to teach the beau - ty of your ways, that

stu - dy, that your laws may be in - scribed up - on our hearts.  
 all our thoughts and words and deeds may glo - ri - fy your Name.  
 yearn - ing souls may find the Christ and live a life of praise.

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

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

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'" So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

*Officiant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

*Please stand as able.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, page 358

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

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

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

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

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

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

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

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

*We invite you to offer any prayers you wish to share in the comment section.*

- Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.  
For all people in their daily life and work;
- People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**
- Reader For this community, the nation, and the world:  
**People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**
- Reader For the just and proper use of your creation; for the end of systemic racism that divides us.  
**People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**
- Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; and for all front-line workers who are tirelessly assisting others during this pandemic and wildfires;  
**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**
- Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God: In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Most Reverend Dr. Maimbo Mndolwa and the Anglican Church of Tanzania. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Mark's, Beaumont; St. Paul's, Orange; and St. Paul's, Woodville. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Norma Cooper and the Prayer Chain Ministry.  
**People For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**
- Reader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Hector and Kai our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Henry, our clergy; for all who minister in this place; and for all bishops and other ministers.
- People For all who serve God in his Church.**
- Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those who are on our prayer list: Richard, Margaret, Catalina, Livia, Betty, Dina, Reagan, Emily, Andres, June, Joey, Fred, Laurie, Mary Kay, Cherie, Cindy, Marilyn, Barbara, Sara, Jonathan, Reese, Ava, Sloane, Lynne, Bob, Ron, Joshua, Sandi, Alvin, WillieEtta, and Doug.
- Hear us, Lord;  
**People For your mercy is great.**
- Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Reagan, Luz, Wanda, Patty, Liz, and Sandra.
- We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**People And praise your Name for ever and ever.**
- Reader We pray for all who have died, especially Jack Beam, Gerald David Scallan, Ronnie Scott, Jimmye Inez Sessions, Wendell Deason, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and in the wildfires, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
- Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**People Who put their trust in you.**

## CONFESSION

BCP, page 392

*Celebrant* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION  
Celebrant

BCP, page 360

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**People**      **Amen**

THE PEACE  
Celebrant  
**People**

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

*Please be seated.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERTORY

At the Feet o' Jesus

Florence Price

At the feet o' Jesus,  
Sorrow like a sea.  
Lordy, let yo' mercy  
Come driffin' down on me.

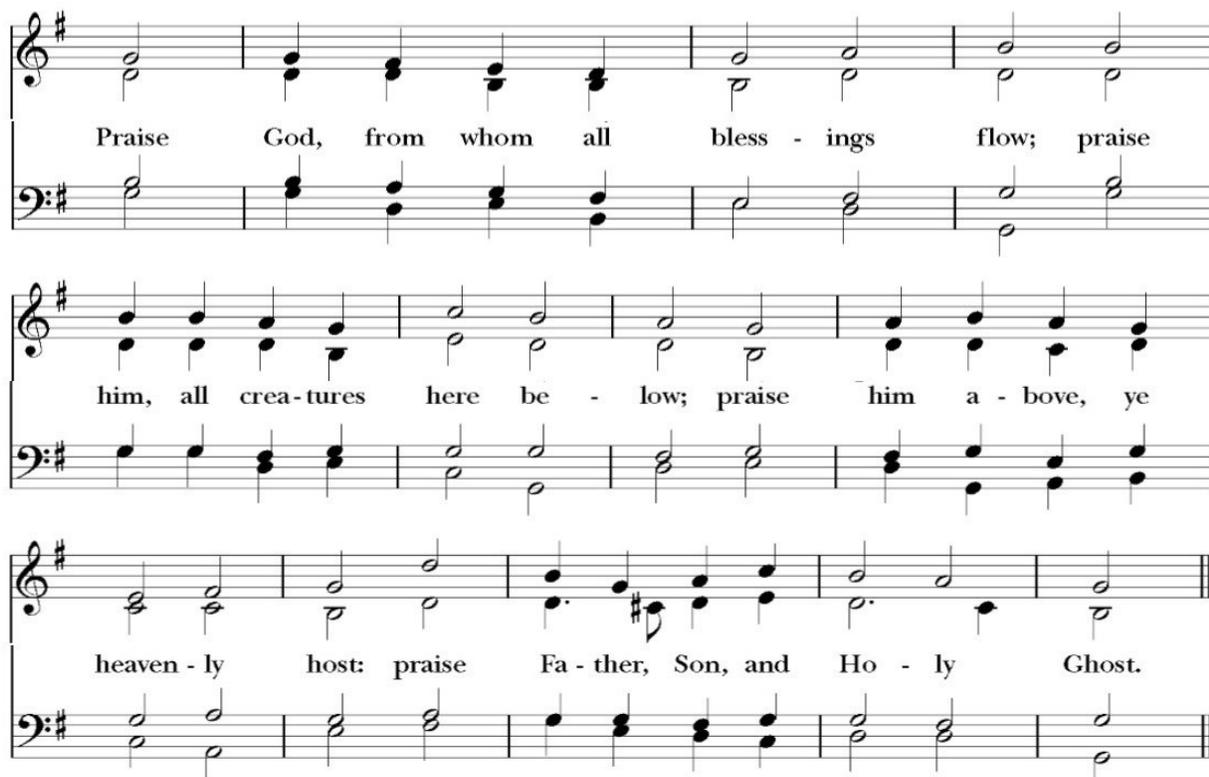
At the feet o' Jesus  
At yo' feet I stand.  
O, ma little Jesus,  
Please reach out yo' hand.

VIRTUAL OFFERING

**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:  
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**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.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
 him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP, page 367

SURSUM CORDA

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

*Here a Proper Preface is said.*

*Celebrant* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

*The celebrant continues*

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

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again;**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**People      AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BCP, page 364*

**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.**

AGNUS DEI

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**People** **have mercy on us.**

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**People** **have mercy on us.**

*Celebrant* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**People** **grant us your peace.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

BCP, page 364

*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 offer to those present wafers spaced apart on a bread plate. Please take one without touching the others and consume it as you return to your seat.*

*The Prayer for Spiritual Communion is prayed by those at home unable to partake of communion in person*

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Those at home are invited to pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion while the Altar party receives communion.

**In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I 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. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.**



1 E - ter - nal Spi - rit of the liv - ing Christ,  
 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;  
 3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need



I know not how to ask or what to say;  
 help me to see your pur - pose and your will—  
 to serve my God, and all hu - man - i - ty;



I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,  
 where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;  
 ful - fill - ment of my life in love out - poured—



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.  
 held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.  
 my life in you, O Christ, your love in me.

*Please stand or kneel as able.*

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us: So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 495

Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

In Babilone



1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -  
 2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on  
 3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er  
 \*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy



le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;  
 thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,  
 to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,  
 to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,



thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal  
 thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -  
 seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art  
 right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic



Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it  
 giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the  
 plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us  
 spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our



we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name  
 gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.  
 in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
 Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

DISMISSAL

Officiant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

A **Virtual Coffee Hour** this morning will be live on Facebook and Youtube following the service.

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# THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

October 4, 2020

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Year A

## Announcements



**Blessing OF THE Animals**

**October 4**  
**2:30-4:00 pm**  
Food Collection for  
ThisIsHouston Rescue  
*Drive-thru blessings for your furry friends!*

**Becoming Real & Thriving in Ministry**  
by Dr. Sandra Montes

Discussion on Zoom:

10/11 – 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84169027699>



**The Episcopal Way Membership Class**

10/17: 10:00 am – Noon

[www.trinitymidtown.org/the-episcopal-way](http://www.trinitymidtown.org/the-episcopal-way)



**Baptism Class**

10/24: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Contact The Rev. Luz Montes  
[curate@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:curate@trinitymidtown.org)

## This Week at Trinity

### Sunday, October 4, 2020

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer, Rite I  
(live on Facebook)
- 9:30 am Youth Bible Study (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Parenting with Grace (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am Sunday Meditations (via Zoom)
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
(live on Facebook and YouTube)
- 11:30 am Virtual Coffee Hour
- 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III  
(live on Facebook and YouTube)
- 1:30 pm Coffee Break
- 2:30 pm Drive-thru Animal Blessing
- 4:00 pm Animal Blessing Video  
(available on Facebook and YouTube)
- 8:30 pm Compline (in Spanish)  
(live on Facebook)

### Monday, October 5, 2020

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

### Tuesday, October 6, 2020

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

### Wednesday, October 7, 2020

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

### Thursday, October 8, 2020

- 12:00 pm Yoga with Saba (via Zoom)
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

### Friday, October 9, 2020

- 12:00 pm Inner City Spirit Podcast
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

### Saturday, October 10, 2020

## Ongoing

### Daily Scripture and Prayer

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

If you are not receiving this, contact Collin Boothby at [connections@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:connections@trinitymidtown.org)

### Sunday Meditations

Meets via Zoom, 9:30 – 10:00 am

### Pub Theology

Meets via Zoom at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

*different brews*  *different views*

**PUB THEOLOGY**

BEER, CONVERSATION & GOD

*all perspectives welcome*

### Wednesday Healing Service

Meets via Zoom and Facebook  
6:00 pm



### Emergency Aid Coalition

Is in need of fresh fruit

More info at:

[www.eachouston.org](http://www.eachouston.org)

**GIVE BLOOD** ORG

Trinity Episcopal Church

Thursday, October 29

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Donor Coach



[www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/323885](http://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/323885)

*Need a Zoom link?  
Email or call us!*

[www.trinitymidtown.org](http://www.trinitymidtown.org)

### 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, Billie, Caroline, Bryan, Allegra, Diana, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Doris, Leslie, Stephen, Emily, Van, Vivian, Jane, Anita, Norman, Bob, Theresa, Caroline, Marvin, Melissa, Sue, Delecia, Tim, Remy, Joe, Bobby, Ruby, Ester, Tom, Mark, Nick, Ric, Pauline, Richard, Judy, Lauren, Margaret, Charles, Elizabeth, Marsha, Victor, Gwen, Catalina, Nelda, Christine, Livia, Mike, Daniel, Mark, Victoria, Theresa, Kamala, Reagan, & Tim

#### For those in our armed services

Will Dahlstrom, Martin Cabello, and Christopher Krenshaw

#### For the faithful departed

James Humphrey Jack Beam, Gerald David Scallan, Jimmie Inez Sessions, Ronnie Scott, Wendell Deason, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and in the wildfires

#### For our Iona Seminarian

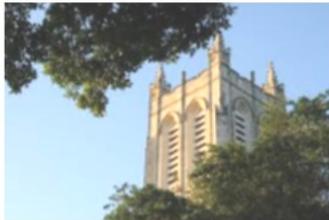
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Norma Cooper, Terri DiRaddo, Andy  
Durham, Debbie Owens, Carl Thompson,  
David Theis, Libby Tsubai

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YouTube

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[www.trinitymidtown.org](http://www.trinitymidtown.org)

### We Are Trinity – We Love Trinity!

Here is an easy way to give!

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heartofmidtown  
to 73256.

For assistance and/or questions  
please contact

**Trinity Finance Office**

email: [finance@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:finance@trinitymidtown.org)  
phone: (713) 528-4100.

#### Bishop Doyle's COVID-19 Guidelines

are available at:

[epicenter.org/health-resources](http://epicenter.org/health-resources)



### Yoga with Saba

Classes are held via Zoom  
Thursdays  
12:00 Noon – 1:15 pm  
For Zoom link, contact  
[frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org](mailto:frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org)

### Readings this Sunday

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20  
Psalm 19  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

## 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.

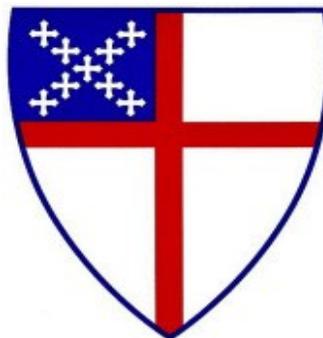
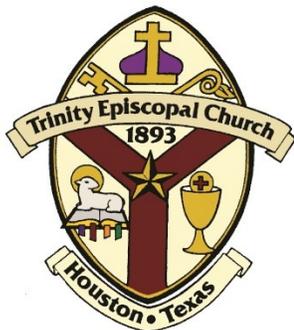
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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