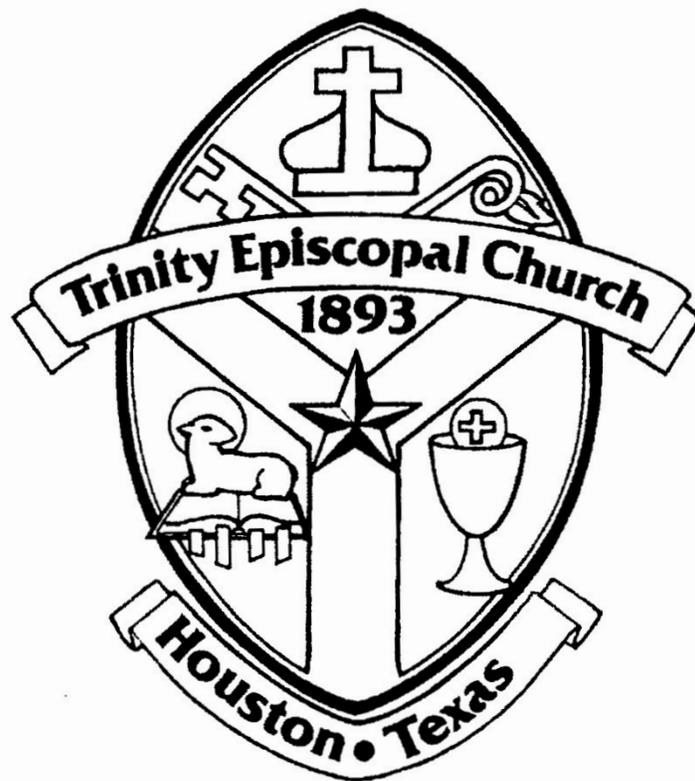


NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 11, 2020
12:30 p.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

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

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church! We're glad you chose to worship with us this afternoon. We adapted the liturgy for this service from *A New Zealand Prayer Book* to guide our worship. In this leaflet, you'll find everything you need to follow along printed.

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

If you're looking for a new church home, know that the Trinity family welcomes you. We would also appreciate your filling out a virtual visitors card, which can be accessed at this link:

<https://forms.gle/dvuRW2FUDny2hpRz5>

For more information, please visit our website:

www.trinitymidtown.org

For questions about how to connect with us, please email

Collin Boothby, Associate for Connections Ministries at:

connections@trinitymidtown.org

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

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

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

VESTRY

Amy Luke, *Senior Warden*

John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

Shelby Bradley

Jim Castro

John Cloud

Norma Cooper

Terri DiRaddo

Andy Durham

Debbie Owens

Carl Thompson

David Theis

Libby Tsubai

Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*

Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*

Larry Laubach, *Treasurer*

Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*

Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*

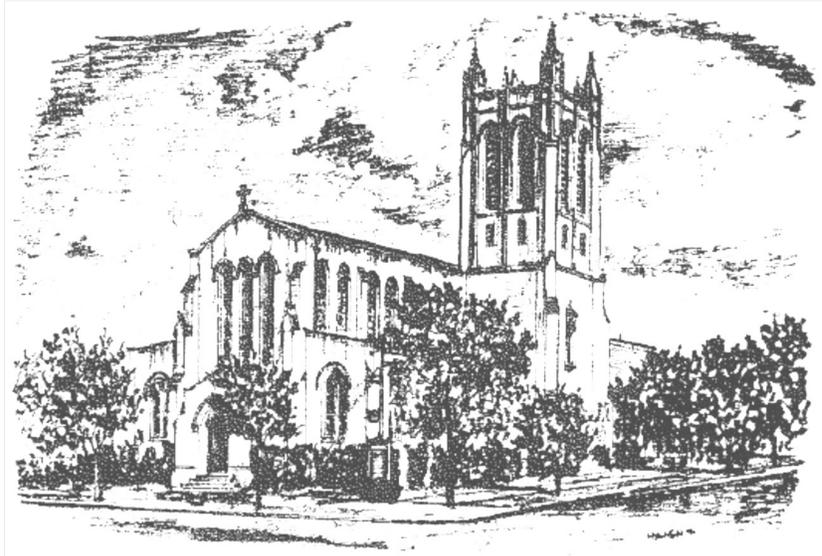
Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*

Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert
Piano: Pelayo Parlade
Bass: Mike Owen
Flute, Clarinet: Ernesto Vega

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Anna Goza
by Mark Goza



Follow us on:

Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchhouston>

Instagram
<https://instagram.com/trinityepiscopalmidtown>

Youtube
<https://www.youtube.com/trinityepiscopalchurch>



The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as able.

Presider Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Presider Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN

He Has Made Me Glad



I will en-ter his gates with thanks-giv-ing in my heart, I will



en - ter his courts with praise. I will



say, "This is the day that the Lord has made." I



will re - jice, for he has made me glad.

Refrain



He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I



will re - jice, for he has made me glad.



He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I



will re - jice, for he has made me glad.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Living host, call us together, call us to eat and drink with you. Grant that by your body and your blood we may be drawn to each other and to you. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. O God, our great strength, help us to fix our eyes on you, trusting in your mercy. Help us to look into the world and discover that you are there, our Immanuel. Strengthen us as we hold out open hearts and hands to the stranger, to the homeless, to the lonely, to the broken in mind and spirit. Stir us with your presence, your strength, to the homeless, to the lonely, to the broken in mind and spirit. Stir us with your presence, your strength, and your love. All this we ask in the name of your Son, our Lord.

People Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 32: 1-14

Reader: A reading from Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as able* Matthew 22: 1-14
Presider The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
People Praise and glory to God!

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

Please be seated
THE SERMON The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response

When we pray dear God hear our pra-yers Lord we
know You are al - ways the - re On You
Lord we cast ev - ery ca - re Oh
1. Lo-rd hear us when we pray 2. Lo-rd hear us when we pray

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, 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 Stephen Samuel Kaziimba and the Church of the Province of Uganda. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Stephen's, Beaumont; St. Stephen's, Liberty; and Trinity, Anahuac. In the ministry cycle of prayer for John Escoto and the Property Committee.
We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament.
Unite in the truth all who confess your name, that we may live together in love to your glory.
Let us pray for ourselves and our community. We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work, especially Trinity Church.
We pray for our bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff and Kai, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Henry our clergy.
We commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbors and our friends.
Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

Response

Let us pray for those in need, and for all teachers and front-line workers who are courageously assisting others during this pandemic and wildfires. 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: 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, Ron, Joshua, Sandi, Alvin, WillieEtta, Doug, Sharon, Stan, the Oliver family, and Charles.

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed, especially Scott Peavy, Elijah E. Bearden, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus, and in the wildfires. Grant that we, with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfillment of your kingdom.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: Shareen, Jonathan, Mark, Ken, Miguel, Karen, Marilyn, and Emily.

Response

When we pray dear God hear our pra-yers Lord we
 3 know You are al - ways the - re On You
 5 Lord we cast ev - ery ca - re Oh
 7 1. Lo-rd hear us when we pray 2. Lo-rd hear us when we pray

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.

Final Response

When we pray dear God hear our pra-yers Lord we
3 know You are al - ways the - re On You
5 Lord we cast ev - ery ca - re Oh
7 Lo - rd hear us when Oh Lo - rd hear us when Oh
9 Lo - rd hear us when we pray

THE CONFESSION

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

God forgives and heals us.

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

Presider God forgives you.
Forgive others; forgive yourself.

THE PEACE

Presider Blessed be Christ, the Prince of Peace.

People Who breaks down the walls that divide.

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People Praise to Christ who makes us one.

MUSIC AT THE PEACE

The Liturgy of the Table

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

VIRTUAL OFFERING

Online Giving is available through AccessACS.

Go to 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.

THE OFFERTORY

Amazing Grace

Londonderry Air

Amazing Grace shall always be my
song of praise

For it was grace that brought me liberty
I do not know just why he ever came to
love me so

He looked beyond my faults and saw
my need

And I shall forever lift mine eyes to
Calvary

To view the cross where Jesus died for
me

How marvelous the grace that caught
my falling soul

He looked beyond my faults and saw
my need

I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary
To view the cross where Jesus died for
me
How marvelous the grace that caught
my falling soul
He looked beyond my faults and saw
my needs
He looked beyond my faults and saw
my needs

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; male and female you created us.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit.

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:

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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a common time signature (C). The first staff contains the melody for the first two phrases: 'Let the Church say A - men, let the Church say A - men God has'. The second staff, starting with a measure rest (5), continues the melody for 'spo- ken let the Church say A - men'. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

**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,

As Christ teaches us, we pray:

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider 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.

AGNUS DEI

Presider Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People have mercy on us.

Presider Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People have mercy on us.

Presider Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

People grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will offer communion in one kind, the bread only. The priest will 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, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, our souls, and our minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.



1. We gath-er here in Je - sus' name, his love is
 (3. He joins us) here, he breaks the bread, the Lord who
 (5. We'll gath-er) soon where an - gels sing; we'll see the



burn-ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame; for through the
 pours the cup is ris - en from the dead; the one we
 glo - ry of our Lord and com-ing King; now we an -



lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one: }
 love the most is now our gra - cious host: } Come, take the
 ti - ci - pate the feast for which we wait: }

Fine



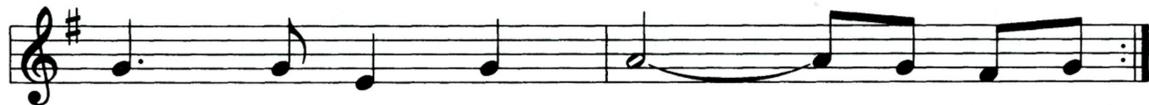
bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.



2. No one is a stran-ger here, — ev - ery - one be -
 4. We are now a fam - i - ly of which the Lord is



longs; find - ing our for - give-ness here, we in
 head; though un - seen he meets us here in the



turn for - give all wrongs. 3. He joins us
 break - ing of the bread. 5. We'll gath - er

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

Presider

Blessed be God who calls us together.

People

Praise to God who makes us one people.

Presider

Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.

People

Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Presider

Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

People

Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Presider

Blessed be God who alone has called us.

People

Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Presider

Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.

People

Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Presider

Send us now into the world you love.

People

**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

BLESSING

Celebrant

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 may the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.

People

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Go, my children, with my blessing

Ar Hyd y Nos

4

I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.
I the Lord will smile upon you, and give you peace.
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you, and give you peace.

COMMUNITY LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENT

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

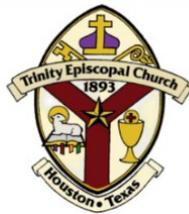
THE DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People We go in the name of Christ.

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

*Service music printed from The Hymnal ©1982
Lift Every Voice and Sing II, An African American Hymnal © 1993
Church Pension Fund. Used by permission.
Additional licensing from OneLicense.net #A705504.*



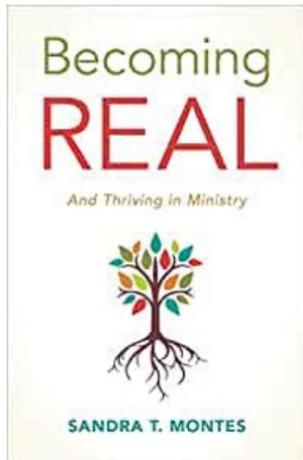
THE WEEKLY WINDOW

of TRINITY *The Heart of Midtown*

October 11, 2020

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Year A

Announcements



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

Final 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

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, October 11, 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
- 2:00 pm Becoming Real Discussion
- 2:30 pm Youth Group (via Zoom)
- 8:30 pm Compline (in Spanish)
(live on Facebook)

Monday, October 12, 2020

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook
- 6:00 pm Interfaith Vigil (Hermann Park)

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

Wednesday, October 14, 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 15, 2020

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

Friday, October 16, 2020

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

Saturday, October 17, 2020

- 10:00 am Episcopal Way Class

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

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

GIVE BLOOD

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

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, Marvin, Melissa, Sue, Delecia, Tim, Joe, Ester, Tom, Mark, Nick, Ric, Richard, Judy, Lauren, Margaret, Charles, Elizabeth, Marsha, Victor, Gwen, Catalina, Nelda, Christine, Livia, Mike, Daniel, Mark, Victoria, Theresa, Kamala, & Tim

For those in our armed services

Will Dahlstrom, Martin Cabello, and Christopher Krenshaw

For the faithful departed

Scott Peavy, Elijah E. Bearden, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus and in the wildfires

For our Iona Seminarian

Carrie Hirdes



Shareen Edwards, Jonathan Quander, Mark Goza, Ken Horton, Miguel Stonecipher, Karen Roach, Marilyn Lewis, Emily Davidson

Trinity Episcopal Church

1015 Holman@Main
713-528-4100



Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

rector@trinitymidtown.org

Rev. Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

curate@trinitymidtown.org

Rev. Dr. Henry Atkins

Theologian in Residence

hleeatkins@aol.com

Collin Boothby, Organist/Choirmaster

Associate for Connections Ministry

music@trinitymidtown.org

connections@trinitymidtown.org

Fabian Berrios, Youth Missioner

youth@trinitymidtown.org

Pat Laubach, Volunteer Coordinator

volunteer@trinitymidtown.org

Carol Turley, Membership Secretary

membership@trinitymidtown.org

Larry Laubach, Treasurer

finance@trinitymidtown.org

Trinity Vestry

- Amy Luke, Senior Warden
- John Escoto, Junior Warden
- Shelby Bradley, Jim Castro, John Cloud, Norma Cooper, Terri DiRaddo, Andy Durham, Debbie Owens, Carl Thompson, David Theis, Libby Tsubai

Follow us on:

Facebook

www.facebook.com/trinitychurchhouston

Instagram

www.instagram.com/trinityepiscopalmidtown

YouTube

www.youtube.com/trinityepiscopalchurch



www.trinitymidtown.org

We Are Trinity – We Love Trinity!

Here is an easy way to give!

TEXT

heartofmidtown
to 73256.

For assistance and/or questions please contact

Trinity Finance Office

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

Bishop Doyle's COVID-19 Guidelines

are available at:

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

Readings this Sunday

Exodus 32:1-14

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

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.

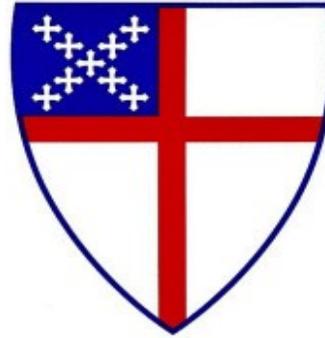
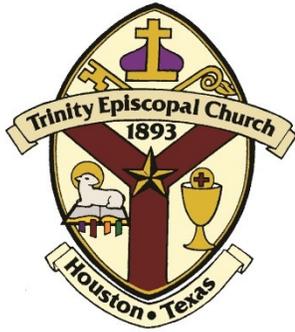
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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





STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, *Rector*
Rector@TrinityMidtown.org
ext. 13

The Reverend Canon Dr. Henry Atkins,
Theologian in Residence
hleeatkins@aol.com

The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, *Curate*
Curate@TrinityMidtown.org
ext. 17

Collin Boothby, *Organist and Choirmaster*
Music@TrinityMidtown.org
Connections@TrinityMidtown.org
ext. 21

April Sloan-Hubert, *Co-Director*
Pelayo Parlade, *Co-Director*
of the Trinity Jazz Ensemble
aprilst82@icloud.com

Fabian Berrios, *Youth Missioner*
Youth@TrinityMidtown.org

VOLUNTEER STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

Pat Laubach, *Volunteer Coordinator*
Volunteer@TrinityMidtown.org
ext. 22

Carol Turley, *Membership Secretary*
Membership@TrinityMidtown.org
ext. 18

WEAPONS POLICY:

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY.



Trinity Episcopal Church
1015 Holman Street, Houston, Texas 77004
Phone 713.528.4100 Fax 713.942.0117