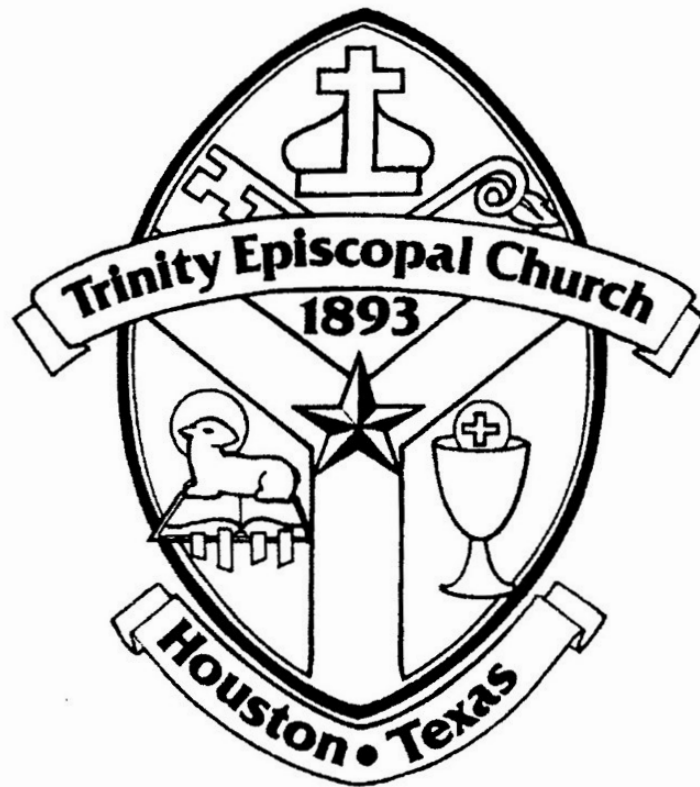


THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 15, 2023
10:30 a.m.



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

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. 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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Facebook Live Stream. Please be advised that this service is live streamed through our Trinity Facebook Page and YouTube channels. By participating in the service, you are consenting to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your children who participate.

Children 3yrs through 3rd grade *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* Meets in room 112 at 9:30 a.m. and the children return to their parents at the passing of the peace.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

- Your children are welcome here at Trinity! First, please relax and enjoy your time here. We know that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it.
- Each Sunday, your child may pick up a pew activity in the back of the church.
- To make things easier for your family, dare to sit closer to the front where your child can see what's going on at the altar. Guide them in the liturgy and be models for them. Help them sing the hymns and encourage them to stand/sit when appropriate, say "Amen" and "Thanks be to God," and generally help them be a part of the service. The liturgy belongs to them too.
- If you have to leave, hurry back! Jesus wants the children here, and we do too. If you need help, just ask. There are many here who are willing to lend you a hand.

VESTRY

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*
John Escoto, *Junior Warden*

Eric Beam
Ben Blanding
Pam Lawson
Mary Matteucci
Ann McCoy

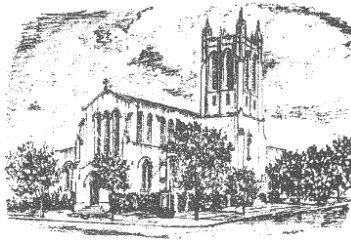
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Samantha Rainman
Gladys Vallés
David Villarreal
Michele White

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

LAY MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Lector: Norma Cooper
Prayers: Jim Castro
LEMs: Norma Cooper, Jim Castro
Acolytes: David Villarreal, Barrett Hess, Joanne Starbuck, Mary Cloud, Mark Goza
Ushers: Larry Laubach, Ben Blanding, Charles Cooper
Verger: Alex Bruton
Vestry of the Day: John Merullo
Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Alex Bruton, Ron Mailloux
Audio Visual: Jeremy Velasquez

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God
and in thanksgiving for Charles and Germaine Field,
wonderful parents and wonderful friends
by Caroline Levander



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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Ratisbon

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

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.**

Celebrant 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.

CANTICLE S280 Glory to God

Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25: 1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4: 1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise
 *2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;
 4 thy peace in life, the balm of ev - ery pain;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 with thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day:
 peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;
 thy peace in death, the hope to rise a - gain;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 from harm and dan - ger keep thy chil - dren free,
 peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
 then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.
 for dark and light are both a - like to thee.
 peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove:
 call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

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

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

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."

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.

NICENE CREED

**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* We pray for Joseph, our president; Kamala, our vice-president; Greg, our governor; Lina, our county judge; Sylvester, our mayor; and the legislatures, and courts: For this community, the nation, and the world:
- People** **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**
- Reader* For the end of systemic racism that divides us; for the just and proper use of your creation;
- People** **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**
- Reader* For [all women and men, boys and girls who are homeless this day, and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.](#)
- People** **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**
- Reader* In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for [the Most Reverend Jackson Ole Sapit, and the Anglican Church of Kenya.](#) 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 [Jamie Chambers and the Coffee Hour ministry.](#) For the peace and unity of the Church of God.
- People** **For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**
- Reader* For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), and Hector, our Bishops; for Hannah, Luz and Dale, 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: [Bill, Nick, Kathy, Bob, Dale, Edith, Phil, Graeme, Christopher, Holly, Ray, Larry E., Rose, Junetta, Bart, Thomas, Marie, Pete, and Donna.](#)
- Hear us, Lord;
- People** **For your mercy is great.**
- Reader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for [Mark, Karen, Marilyn, John, Suzanne, and Eli](#) as they celebrate their birthdays.
- 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 for the victims of war in Israel and Palestine, and all victims of gun violence,](#) 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Please stand as able.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

The children who attended Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will return at this point so that they can participate with their families in the Holy Communion.

Please be seated.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

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OFFERTORY

Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love

Ned Rorem (1923-2022)

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love,
Who from yon bright throne above,
Ever watchful o'er our race,
Still to man extends his grace.

God the merciful and good,
Bought us with the Savior's blood,
And to make our safety sure,
Guides us by his Spirit pure.

Heav'n and earth by him were made,
All is by his scepter sway'd;
What are we that he should show
So much love to us below.

Sing, my soul, adore his name;
Let his glory be thy theme:
Praise him till he calls thee home,
Trust his love for all to come.

The Celebrant proceeds

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

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 S125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please stand or kneel, as able.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

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

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AGNUS DEI S166

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on
 us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.
 Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to come participate in Holy Communion. If for any reason you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms across your chest for a blessing.

Our tradition is to receive both bread and wine, sharing in the common cup. Please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the cup to your lips, or you may "intinct" by dipping the wafer into the chalice. If you prefer, you may also receive the bread only: After consuming the wafer, simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine.

If you do not wish to "intinct" from the common cup, there will be a third chalice, for intinction only, available in the baptistery. If you wish to partake of this chalice, please proceed to the baptistery after receiving a wafer from the priest .




We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when the priest administering the bread approaches you.


PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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


In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, our souls, and our minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.




1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me




is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
 is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
 all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be




makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream. _____
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way. _____
 mine a - bode and all my work be praise. _____



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
 ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
 go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. _____
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head. _____
 or a guest, but like a child at home. _____

The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

Celebrant On behalf of God and Trinity Parish, we send forth these holy gifts that those who will be visited may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please kneel or stand as able.

Celebrant and People

**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

Presider The peace of God which passes 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 our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand as able

HYMN IN PROCESSION 557

Rejoice, ye pure in heart!

Vineyard Haven



1 Re - joi - ce, ye pure in heart! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and
2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of
3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias
*7 Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and



1 sing! Your glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the
2 earth, pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true
3 loud; while an - swer - ing ech - oes up - ward float, like
7 sing! Your glo - rious ban - ner wave on high the



1 cross of Christ your King.
2 rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
3 wreaths of in - cense cloud. Ho - san - na, ho -
7 cross of Christ your King.



san - na! Re - joi - ce, give thanks, and sing.

DISMISSAL
Officiant
People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning.

*Those who wish to listen to the closing Voluntary
are invited to come and sit in the Choir.*

Thank you to everyone who participated in making this year's Annual Blessing of the Animals a big success. Please see Shelby after each service in order to receive your certificate and bag that were not picked up on Sunday. Also, a pair of eyeglasses in a black case were found, if yours please see Shelby.

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*Please join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall
immediately following this service.*

We would like to thank the Christianson family for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

*Please note that Sundays from November 5 are open to host (part/all) coffee hour.
Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or online, or scan this QR code:*



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November 12, 2024
The In-Gathering

From his fullness we have all received grace upon grace.
John 1:16





THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN
October 15, Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

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Sunday In-Person Services
8:00 am and 12:30 pm (Chapel)
10:30 am (Historic Church)

Community Engagement Opportunity – Amazon List for Erica Zavla’s Class

We invite you to partner with us in supporting our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd lead teacher in her Spring Branch ISD classroom this year! She has compiled an Amazon Wishlist and would love any and all donations. You may find the list [here](#). Thank you in advance for all your awesome support!

Book Study – Mujerista Theology : October 16th, 6:30pm

Please join Rev. Hannah for our fall adult education book study on October 16th at 6:30pm via Zoom. Mujerista Theology is a comprehensive introduction to Hispanic feminist theology written by Ada Maria Isasi Diaz reflecting the heart and convictions of her experience. For more information and link to purchase book click [here](#). RSVP [here](#) (Zoom information provided upon registration).

Women’s Circle: October 17th, 11am (DATE CHANGE)

Our next women’s circle will meet on Tuesday, October 17th at 11am in the Masterson room. Please note this is a date change. We welcome all women of Trinity and friends to join us for fellowship, prayer, and reflection as we resume our monthly gatherings this fall. For more information please email Sara Flick at sarahflick2009@gmail.com.

Bishop’s Visit/Annual Kick-Off: October 22nd

Please make sure to plan to join us for services and coffee hour on Sunday, October 22nd. We will welcome Bishop Monterroso, receive new members, and celebrate our Annual Giving Stewardship Campaign for 2024! We will have a wonderful celebration and look forward to seeing you on this important date!

We are also seeking volunteers to help us with set-up (10:00am–11:30am) and cleanup (12:30–12:45pm). We need 4 volunteers for each time slot. You can email Pam at pamela-lawson@hotmail.com or sign up [here](#) to volunteer (10/22 slot). Thank you!

Four Choir Evensong: October 22nd, 5pm

The choirs of Trinity, St. Mark’s Bellaire, St. Andrew’s in The Heights and St. Thomas Episcopal churches will be combining forces on the evening of Sunday, October 22nd at 5pm to present a special Festival Evensong service at St. Thomas as part of a collaborative multi-parish musical initiative. The service will feature a wide selection of some of the best music in the Anglican choral repertoire, including Hubert Parry’s wonderful, yet seldom-heard anthem “Hear My Words, Ye People” for double-choir, organ and Soprano and Bass soloists as well as David Hogan’s “Mount St. Alban’s Service” which was commissioned in 1990 in celebration of the completion of Washington National Cathedral. This is a must-see event and will be a beautiful, reflective occasion of music and the spoken word. There will also be a barbeque-themed reception following the service!

Pub Theology – October 25th, 7:00pm

We invite you to our October Pub Theology gathering at our new location – The Mucky Duck (2425 Norfolk St.). This is a casual gathering where we talk about deep ideas, theological topics, and enjoy great fellowship. Join us!

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, October 15th, 2023

7:30am – 1:30pm Nursery Open
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
9:00 am Sunday Meditations (Zoom)
9:30 am Education Hour for All
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
11:45 am Sandwich Makers (Fellowship Hall)
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)
2:00 pm Yoga at Trinity (Atrium 2)
8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

Monday, October 16th, 2023

12:00 pm Yoga w/Saba (Atrium 2)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:30 pm Mujerista Theology Study (Zoom)

Tuesday, October 17th, 2023

11:00 am Women’s Circle (Masterson)
12:00 pm Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:30 pm Vestry (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 18th, 2023

10:30 am Staff Meeting
12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 19th, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer
6:30 pm Listening Heart (Masterson)

Friday, October 20th, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA meeting Y. Rm
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday, October 21st, 2023

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at <https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom-withus>

SAVE THE DATE - DECEMBER 5, 2023, 6-9pm!
“Drag Me to Church” - A Holiday Extravaganza FUNdraiser



PRAYERS

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

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

For the faithful departed:

For all the victims of war in Israel and Palestine and victims of gun violence.

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Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up at www.trinitymidtown.org/flower-ministry/.

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



Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer [here](#) or scan QR code below. For questions or further information please click [here](#) to contact Jamie Chambers
Next available dates: November 5th, 12th, and 19th.



Office Hours

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

If you have building concerns please email frontoffice@trinitymidtown.org. Thanks!



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BULLETIN INSERTS

October 15, 2023 – Pentecost 20 (A)

Meet Your Episcopal Service Corps Programs: Johnson Service Corps

Johnson Service Corps is a diverse, ecumenical community of young adults ages 21 to 28 dedicated to service and social justice in Chapel Hill and Durham, N.C.

A year in the Johnson Service Corps is an opportunity to grow personally, professionally, and spiritually through a well-supported mix of justice work, leadership training, spiritual practice, and living in intentional community in Durham.

JSC internship placements involve 32 hours a week serving through economic, environmental, and racial justice-oriented nonprofits and offer experience in areas like policy development and implementation, direct service to marginalized women and families or the homeless, or rural agriculture cooperatives. Types of service include: Addiction and recovery support, Arts, Congregation-based ministry, Community organizing, Education, Employment Services, Conservation, Disability services, Food justice, Healthcare, Homelessness, Housing insecurity, Immigrant/refugee services, Legal services, LGBTQIA+ support, Racial reconciliation, Special education, Violence prevention, Women's empowerment, Youth-based services, public policy/advocacy.

Corps members live in a house with four to six other young adults: sharing space, cooking, cleaning, praying, and learning to navigate conflict. Corps members participate in weekly leadership training and in a faith community of their choice. All corps members are supported with a network of relationships that includes peers, mentors, therapists, and other partners.

The JSC community welcomes people of all spiritual traditions and those who are new to exploring spirituality. Every corps member is encouraged to adopt a daily personal practice and to adapt it over the course of the year. Popular practices have included book studies, music, yoga, and a wide variety of prayer. The corps may also participate in the wide variety of faith expressions in the Durham-area, including Buddhist temples, a local farm church, and a synagogue, along with more mainline Christian congregations.

Corps members serving through JSC arrive in mid-August and commit to participation through June of the following year. JSC provides housing, utilities, food stipend, health insurance, group counseling, quarterly retreats, mentorship, \$500 monthly stipend, and \$1000 completion bonus.

Applications for the 2024-2025 Corps will open December 1. Visit ESC's website to learn more about Johnson Service Corps or to take the ESC Discernment Quiz at [EpiscopalServiceCorps.org](https://www.episcopalServiceCorps.org).



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A HISTORY OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

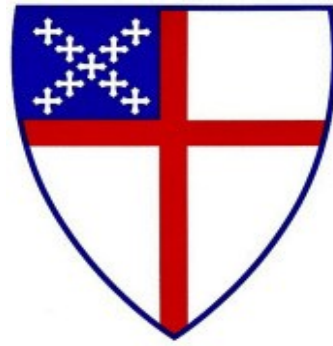
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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

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

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

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





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