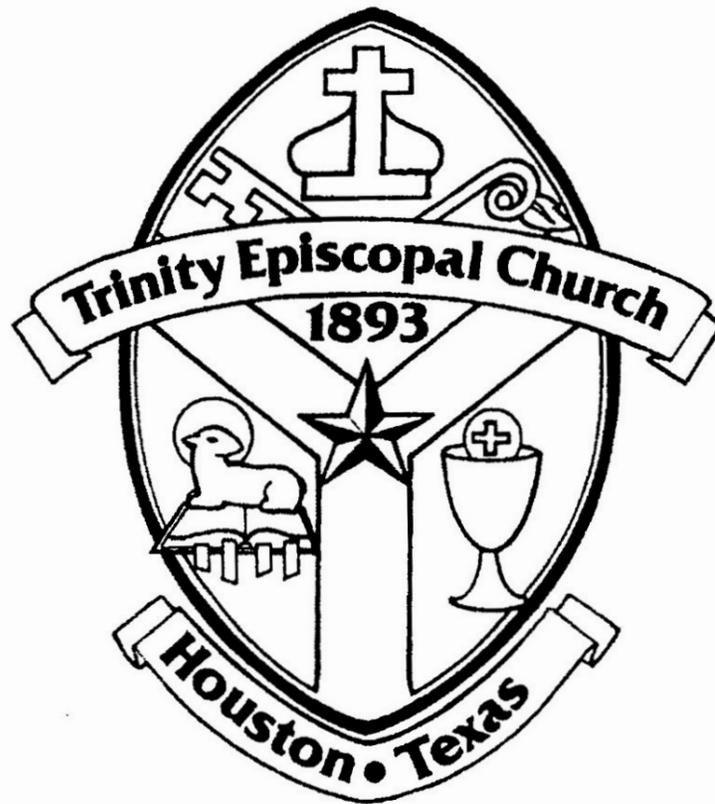


THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022
12:30 p.m.



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

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

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

WELCOME TO TRINITY CHURCH

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

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

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

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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.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

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

Andy Durham, *Senior Warden*

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Jim Castro, *Assistant Clerk of the Vestry*

Gayle Davies-Cooley, *Historian and Archivist*

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

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

SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Linda Davenport
Greeter: Sheila Wainwright
Usher: Bob Davenport
Lector: Angel Williams
Prayers: Mary Ann Collier
Audio Visual: Jeremy Velasquez
Online Greeter: Pam Lawson
Altar Guild: Linda Davenport
Vestry of the Day: Ben Blanding

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The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Please stand as able.

Presider He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty; You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day.

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

Presider Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN

This Is the Day

LEVAS, page 219

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the

Lord hath made, we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be

glad in it, and be glad in it; This is the day that the

Lord hath made, we will re-joice and be glad in it;

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

OPENING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.
Almighty God, you alone are our true judge, for you know what we are, you know what we should be, and with you there is mercy. Give us feeling for what is right; set us on fire to see that right is done. Hear this prayer for your love's sake.

People Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

(Continued on page 6)

Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as able* Luke 16: 19-31
Presider The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
People Praise and glory to God.

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

Please be seated

SERMON The Reverend Luz Cabrera Montes, Curate

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

Please stand as able

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE IN RECOVERY AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader "Addiction is the most powerful psychic enemy of humanity's desire for God."
(Gerald C. May, M.D.)

People Without help it is too much for us. But there is One who has all power — that One is God. May we find God now! Half measure avail us nothing. We stand at the turning point. We ask God's protection and care with complete abandon. Here are the steps we take, which are suggested as a program of recovery:

Step 1: We admit we are powerless over our addictions, that our lives have become unmanageable.

(The congregation may silently name their addiction/s)

Step 2: We come to believe that a power greater than ourselves can restore us to sanity.

Step 3: We make a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God.

Step 4: We make a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Step 5: We admit to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Step 6: We are entirely ready to have God remove all our defects of character.

Step 7: We humbly ask God to remove our shortcomings.

Step 8: We make a list of all persons we have harmed, and become willing to make amends to them all.

Reader Remembering the promises within the ninth step of recovery, we give thanks that God is doing for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

People Step 9: We make direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Step 10: We continue to take personal inventory and when we are wrong, promptly admit it.

Step 11: We seek through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, praying only for knowledge of God's will for us and the power to carry that out.

Step 12: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we try to carry this message to others and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Reader I ask your prayers for peace for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, the oppressed and those in prison. We pray especially for those on our prayer list: [Bill](#), [Eula](#), [Joyce](#), [Bob](#), [David](#), [Steven](#), [Robert](#), [Phil](#), [Susan](#), [Armando](#), [Kathy](#), [Theresa](#), [Susan](#), [Don](#), [Virginia](#), [Renard](#), [Richard](#), [Patty](#), [Jackie](#), [Tony](#), [Jim](#), [José](#), and [Tom](#).

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

People Lord of Life, Hear our prayer.

Reader I ask your prayers for the departed, [especially for Bob Guthrie; Jeanne Devine, Archbishop Emeritus of Galveston-Houston Joseph Fiorenza, all who have perished by contracting the Coronavirus, and all victims of gun violence](#). Pray for those who have died.

People Lord of Life, Hear our prayer.

Reader We give you thanks for your servants in every age, especially for these who are celebrating their birthdays: [Jamie, Dorothy, Theresa, Thom, Michael, Amy, Bethel, and Reagan](#). We also give thanks for [Marcella Marino, who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this morning](#).

People Lord of Life, Hear our prayer.

Reader Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

People Lord of Life, Hear our prayer.

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

Dock of the Bay
Please be seated.

Otis Redding

COMMUNITY LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENT

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

The Liturgy of the Table

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERING

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

Day by Day

The Trinity Jazz Ensemble

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.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. In him we see you, the eternal God, revealing your glory in our flesh, for he is the light of the nations who illuminates our darkness. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving 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:

**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,

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

spo- ken let the Church say A - men

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.
Alleluia.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

For the duration of the current pandemic we will continue to offer communion in one kind for those who wish to receive the bread only. Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. If you are partaking of the chalice, please use the hand sanitizer at the end of your pew before approaching the clergy and chalice-bearer. If you wish to partake of the chalice, you may do so by intinction. Intinction is done by dipping a host into the wine, and is completely optional. If you prefer, it is perfectly fine to continue receiving the host only. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing; simply cross your hands over your chest and the priest will know that you have come forward for a blessing.



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

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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

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

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees (on our
 2. Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees (on our

1. knees); Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees (on our
 2. knees); Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees (on our

1. knees).
 2. knees). When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

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 2.
 sun, Oh Lord, have mer - cy on me (on me). me).

Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees (yes, on our knees); Let us

praise God to - geth - er on our knees (yes, on our knees). When I
fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun, Oh
Lord, have mer - cy on me (on me).

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.**

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.

People **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus, Name above All Names

Je - sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful
Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous Lord. Em - man - u - el, God is
with us, bless - ed Re - deem - er, liv - ing Word.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **We go in the name of Christ.**

Thank you for worshipping with us this afternoon.

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THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN

September 25th, 2022 | The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost-Year C

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

Please continue to mask up
and practice social distancing.

Blessing of the Animals is Sunday, October 2nd.

21st Blessing of the Animals returns Sunday, October 2nd from 2 pm-4 pm to the Francis Street lawn. We will have food, music, and some activities for the kids. The names of our pets will be published in the Sunday Bulletins. A donation of \$5.00 per name is requested to defray the costs of this event. The deadline to have your pets' names published in the bulletin will be Tuesday, September 27th at 9 am. If you would like to make a dedication, please go to the link.

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/trinitys-21st-annual-blessing-of-the-animals-is-coming-sunday-october-2nd/>

Pub Theology returns this Wednesday, September 28th.

Pub Theology returns on September 28th from 7 pm to 8:30 pm at the Community Bar located at 2700 Smith St., Houston Tx. 77006.

This month's featured guest Trinity Author is Theresa Prebilsky. More information can be found at <https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/this-months-featured-guest-trinity-author-for-pub-theology-is-theresa-prebilsky/>

Trinity Vision Conversations

Our Fall conversations on the vision for Trinity's future are about to begin. These conversations are very important for us to have as it helps us shape Trinity's mission going forward with how best we can use our resources to help our community. It is a great time for voices and opinions to be shared on how we can improve or do things better. We want to make sure as many people get an opportunity to participate in these discussions so we are offering several different places and times to be as accommodating as we can for these to take place. To find and sign up for a conversation that is the closest to you please click on the link below.

<https://rsvp.church/r/zRKEFS5z>

The Episcopal Way

Our Episcopal Way class will be this October on Saturday the 8th. If you are interested in attending classes please email curate@trinitymidtown.org

FotoFest Biennial 2022 Exhibit is here at Trinity.

"From the Ethereal to Tangible" is a group exhibition featuring 46 photographers (6 women and 40 men) artists native to or currently living in Latin America.

For more information click the link below:

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/blog/fotofest-from-the-ethereal-to-the-tangible/>

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, September 25, 2022

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 am Sunday Meditations (Zoom)
9:30 am Education Hour for all - Smith room and (Zoom)
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III
8:00 pm Compline

Monday, September 26, 2022

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

12:00 pm Yoga with Saba in Atrium II and Zoom
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

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
7:00 pm Pub Theology at Community Bar at 2703 Smith St, Houston, TX 77006

Thursday, September 29, 2022

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday, September 30, 2022

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

Our Weekly Zoom links can be found at

<https://www.trinitymidtown.org/zoom-with-us/>

The Vestry and Congregation of
Trinity Episcopal Church, Midtown Houston
Cordially invite you to attend
Together For Joy!

The Celebration of Fifteen Years with our Fifteenth Rector
to Kick-Off our 2023 Annual Giving
The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop of Texas,
will preside and preach at
The Holy Eucharist at ten thirty in the morning
with combined traditional and jazz music
on Sunday, the sixteenth day of October
Followed by a dynamic, music, food and
fun-filled reception in Fellowship Hall
Trinity Episcopal Church
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PRAYERS

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

Allegra, Gareth, Mary, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephen, Emily, Van, Kensington, Theresa, Marvin, Ric, Margaret, Livia, Barbara, Larry, Carolyn, Sylvia, Norma, Be, Jeanne, Linda, Shelby, Stewart, Stephen, Barbara, Daniel, Minnie, Jeanette, Eddie, Theophilis, Lynn, Vanessa, Ellis, Margaret, Cindy, Cristine, Tony, Dick, Maribel, Emma, Armando, and Kathy.

For the faithful departed

Bob Guthrie, Jeanne Devine, Archbishop of Galveston Emeritus Joseph Fiorenza, and all who have perished by contracting the coronavirus, and all victims of gun violence.

Altar Flower Dedications This Week



The Altar flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in memory of John Cloud by Mary Cloud

The Columbarium flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in memory of John Cloud by Mary Cloud

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

Community Outreach: Donations Needed

Please bring men's sneakers, tote bags, backpacks, and belts for our Lord of the Streets neighbors. There is a donation box inside the Chapel and at the Voter Registration table during coffee hour.

Happy Birthday!

Dorothy Church, Theresa Prebilsky, Thom Guthrie, Michael Rodriguez Pizarro, Amy Snell, Bethel Quander, Jamie Chambers, and Reagan Gilmore.



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New Fall Office Hours

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

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



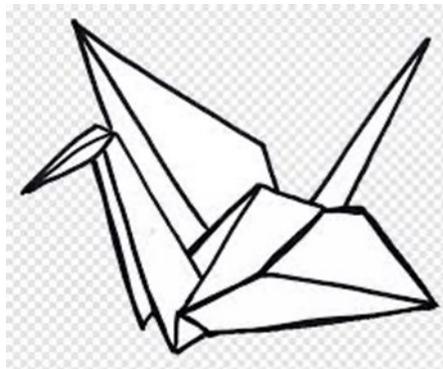
For more information on annual giving visit [2023 Stewardship Campaign](#).

Lamentation - Remembrance - HOPE

We are folding **orange** origami peace cranes as a memorial to children (ages 0 - 17) who have died in the US as a result of gun violence. Our goal is to fold a crane for every child lost in 2022. Sadly, as of mid-July, that number stands at nearly 1,000 and will undoubtedly grow. (Over 20,000 people in the US have died as a result of gun violence in the first half of 2022.) If we know the name and age of a child, it will be written on the crane. As strings of cranes are completed they will be incorporated into the Gun Violence Memorial, adjacent to the Columbarium.

Folding cranes will not stop gun violence, but it is a spiritual practice that our ministry has found helpful, whether done individually or in a group. Folding is conducive to prayer and reflection, and when done in community the conversations we have and connections we make are healing. This project seeks to help us lament the tragedy of gun violence, remember victims, and create hope for the future.

If you're interested please contact Libby Tsubai (tsubaie@yahoo.com), or drop by our demonstration table at Coffee Hour during the month of August.



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.

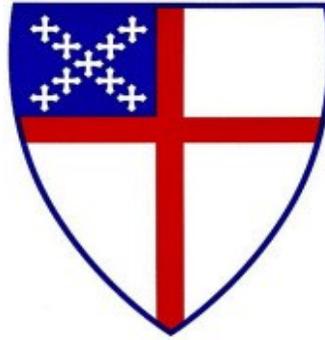
Founded in 1893 as a mission of Christ Church, Houston's first Episcopal church, Trinity is located southwest of downtown. After a quarter of a century of existence in wooden buildings, Trinity parish built its present imposing structure (1917 - 1921) in Houston's South End, at the corner of Main Street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