



THE WEEKLY WINDOW

OF TRINITY THE HEART OF MIDTOWN

December 17, 2023 – Third Sunday in Advent, Christ the King, Year B

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

Upcoming Advent Dates:

12/17: Third Sunday of Advent, Lessons and Carols and Chrismon Tree Dedication
12/20: Tidings of Comfort Service (Morrow Chapel, 6pm)
12/24: Fourth Sunday of Advent, Epiphany Blessing Kits Available, 11 am service
12/24: Christmas Eve Services, 6:00pm (Carols), 6:30pm (Rite II Choral Eucharist),
10:00pm (Carols), 10:30pm (Rite I Choral Eucharist)
12/25: Christmas Day, 11am Jazz/Gospel Service
12/31: First Sunday after Christmas, 11am Combined Service

Information online at: <https://www.trinitymidtown.org/advent2023/>

Vestry Nominations – Accepting Submissions until Dec. 31st

The Vestry of Trinity is elected by the congregation to oversee the governance of the church in the areas of finance, facilities, stewardship and the calling of a rector when needed. To serve on the Vestry, one must be at least 18 years of age, a confirmed communicant, regular in worship, a member for at least a year, and a financial supporter of the parish. The nominating committee, which is composed of four outgoing Vestry members, will create a slate of nominees. The election will take place at the Annual Parish Meeting in January 2024. If you think you may be called to this ministry, please reach out to Michele White at michelerenee12@gmail.com.

Chrismon Tree Dedication – Dec. 17th, 10:30 service

We invite you to join us during the 10:30am service for the dedication of our Chrismon tree. Many members and friends have worked diligently over the past year on new ornaments for the tree. We will have a special guide for all the new contributions. If you are unable to attend the service, we invite you to stop by and view the tree when you are able. Thank you to Catherine Reed who spearheaded this project!

Christmas Caroling at Trinity – Dec. 17th, 2-4pm

Gather at the church's Holman Street foyer at 2 pm to carpool to three locations to bring cheer to some of our homebound and limited mobility parishioners. Caroling booklets will be provided– but bring treats to share. It is awesome if you can sing like the choir, but also wonderful if you just make a joyful noise.

Tidings of Comfort Service – Dec. 20th, 6pm Morrow Chapel

This Liturgy also known as "Blue Christmas," or the "Longest Night," is held on the Winter Solstice. This service recognizes that not everyone is rejoicing during this season. We will have prayers appropriate to the season that acknowledge our struggles during this time. We are pleased to welcome back the Rev. Cannon Dr. Henry Atkins as our guest preacher. This service will be available in person only.

Phil Turley Funeral – Dec. 22nd, 10am

All are welcome to remember and celebrate the life of parishioner Phil Turley on Friday, December 22nd at 10am. Join us for a Rite 2 communion service, with internment in the columbarium after and a simple reception in the Fellowship Hall.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, Dec 17th, 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 Coffee Hour and Sandwich Makers (Fellowship Hall)
12:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite III (Chapel)
8:00 pm Compline (Facebook)

Monday, December 18th, 2023

12:00 pm Yoga w/Saba (Atrium 2)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, December 19th, 2023

12:00pm The Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday, December 20th, 2023

10:30 am Staff Meeting (Weekly)
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)
6:00 pm Tidings of Comfort Service (Chapel)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 21st, 2023

12:15 pm Good Times AA (Masterson)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Friday, December 22nd, 2023

10:00am Phil Turley Funeral
12:00 pm Church Offices Close

Saturday, December 23rd, 2023

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

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve Services, 6:00pm (Carols), 6:30pm (Rite II Choral Eucharist),
10:00pm (Carols), 10:30pm (Rite I Choral Eucharist)
12/25: Christmas Day, 11am Jazz/Gospel Service



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.

Bill, Nick, Bob, Dale, Edith, Graeme, Christopher, Donna, Jason, Carol, Clyde, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Monica, Debby, Wally, Dorothy, Daniel, Gladys, Brenda, Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Jill, Stephe, Emily, Van, Dick, Victims of Violence, Ric, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, Bob, David, Robert, Susan, Cindy, Patty, Dana, Emilia, Gaby, Florence, Carolyn, Rick, Charles, Harrison, Kathy, Erma, Mary, Chris, Jane, Mark, Eliana, Guillermo, Holly, Ray, Barbara, Howard, Claudie, Romy, Gary, Yvonne, Bryce, Rose, Bart, and Marie.

For the faithful departed:

Denise Ray, Don Olson, Robert Vaughn, Phil Turley, the victims of war in Israel, Palestine and Ukraine and all victims of gun violence.

Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
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*Please note we will never ask you for money or gifts via email. Scams are circulating again, so please be aware and cautious.

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: December 31st, 2023 and January 7th and 14th.



Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please sign up online to volunteer [here](#) or scan QR code below. For questions or further information please click [here](#) to contact Jamie Chambers

Next available dates: Jan 7th, 14th, and 21st.



Happy Birthday!

Greg Lomasang, Benjamin Dayton Gonzales



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Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am – 3 pm
Friday 9 am – 1 pm

If you have building concerns please email parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org.



For more information on annual giving visit www.trinitymidtown.org/give.