THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 1, 2026
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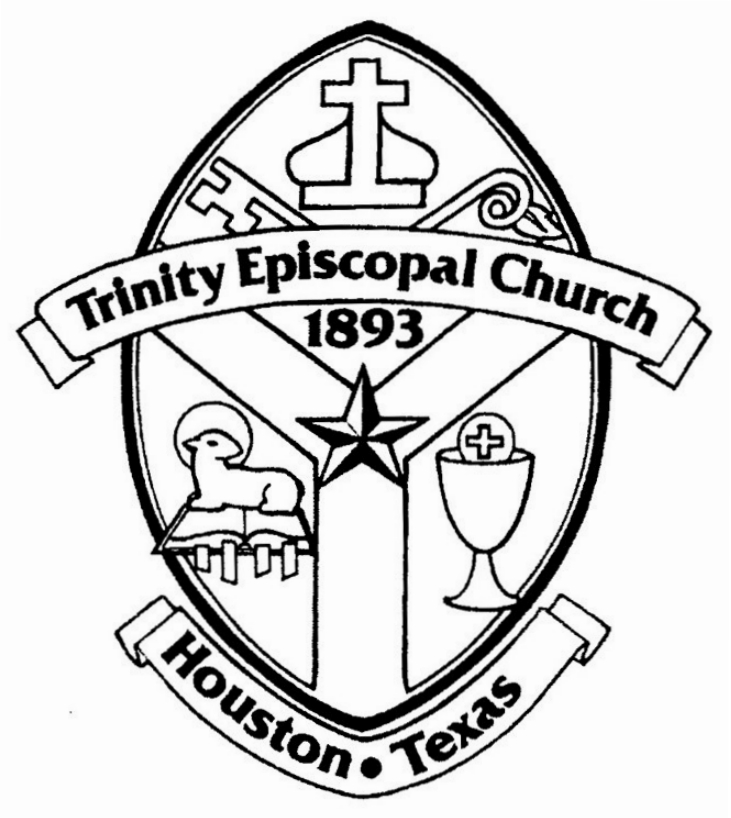

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
The Reverend Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios, Curate

Tian Qin, Organist
Paul Mortilla, 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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For more information, please visit our website:
www.trinitymidtown.org

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.
- 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*
Eric Beam, *Junior Warden*

Ben Blanding
Lovette Browne
Tony Huffman
Patrick Humphreys
Samantha Rainman
Andréa Shiloh
Jeanne Sommerfeld
Elisabeth Tsubai
Gladys Vallés
David Villarreal

Teddy Adams, *Chancellor*
Dana Gannon, *Assistant Chancellor*
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: Ethan Smith
Prayers: Phylliss Chappell
LEMs: Larry Laubach, Pat Laubach
Acolytes: S. Chambers, L. Chambers, G. Chambers, O. Humphreys, D. Bearup
Ushers: Dana Gannon, Elmer Romero, Paula Lane, Joe Lane
Verger: David Villarreal
Altar Guild: Catherine Guthrie, Samantha Rainman, Shelby Bradley
Audio Visual: Austin Galvan, Kristyn Fielder
Vestry of the Day: Ben Blanding

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God
and with great appreciation and gratitude for
our outgoing vestry members: Andy Durham,
Samantha Rainman, Gladys Vallés, and David Villarreal

The High Altar flowers on January 18 were dedicated to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for our 57th wedding anniversary
by Pat and Larry Laubach

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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

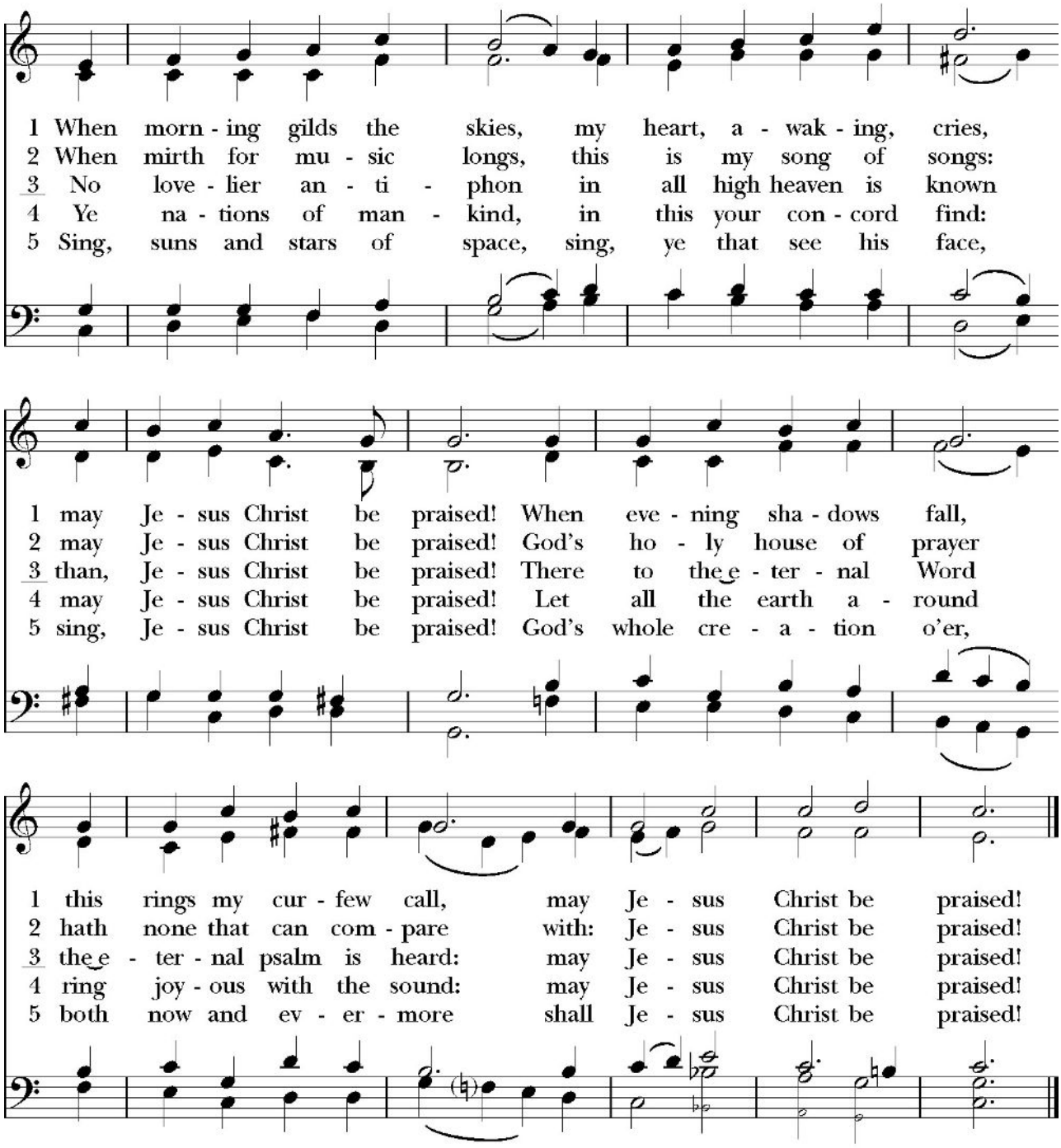
10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

PRELUDE *Invention No. 1* Johann Sebastian Bach
Henry Chen, piano

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 427 *When morning gilds the skies* Laudes Domini

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION *BCP,* page 355

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

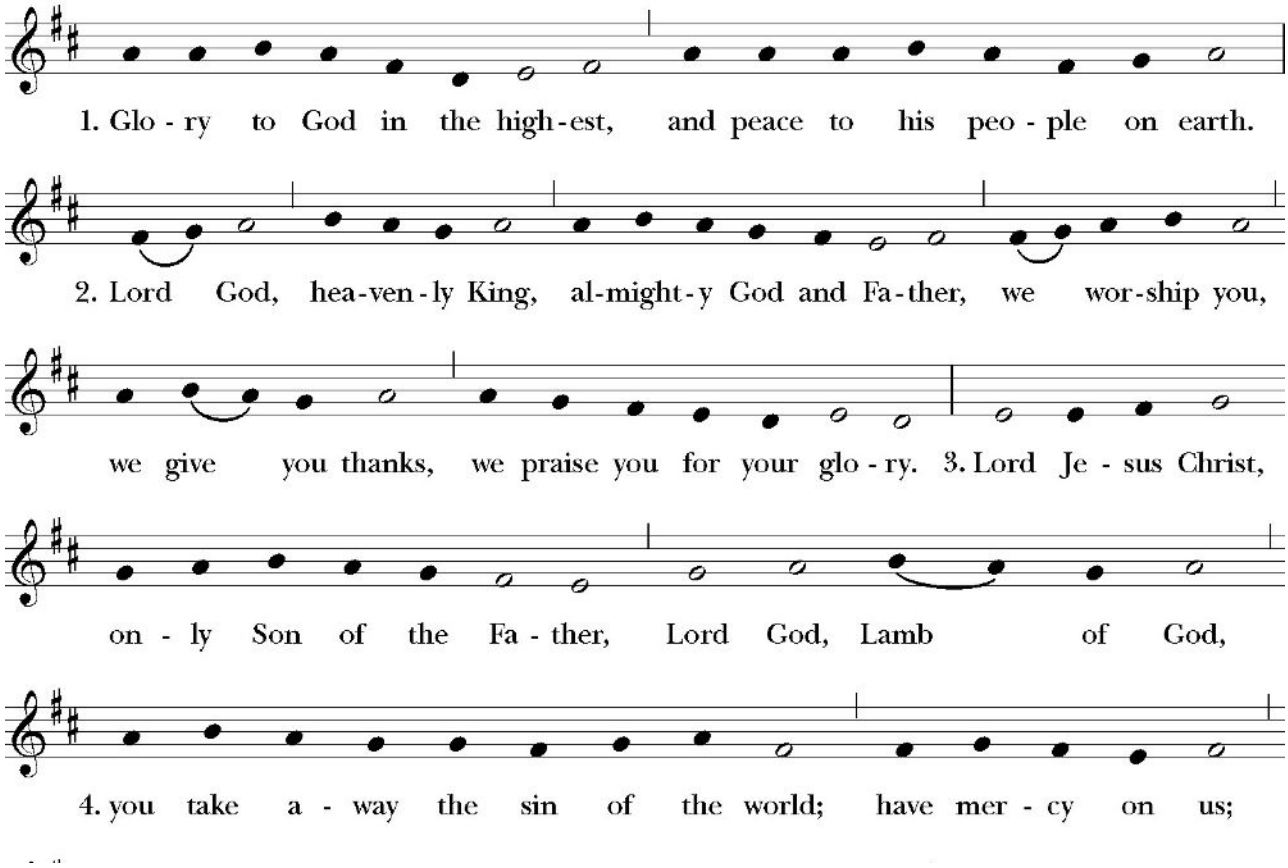
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

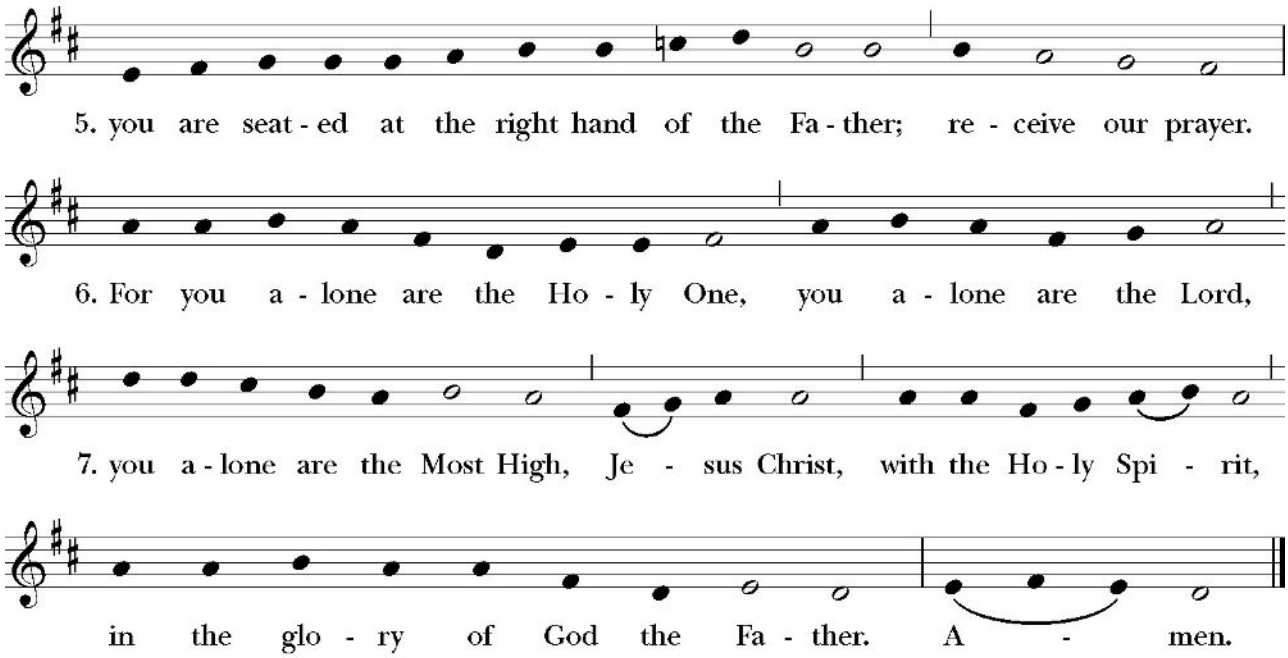
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY *BCP,* page 355

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 S277 Glory to God David Hurd





COLLECT OF THE DAY

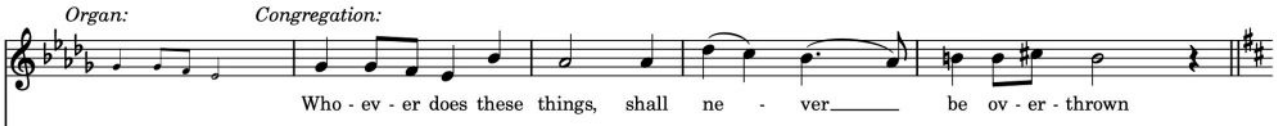
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
People **Amen**.

THE FIRST LESSON Micah 6: 1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord. With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

PSALM 15 *Domine, quis habitabit?* David Hurd

The Antiphon is sung first by the choir, then repeated by the congregation.

1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord. **Antiphon**

5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown. **Antiphon**

THE SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31

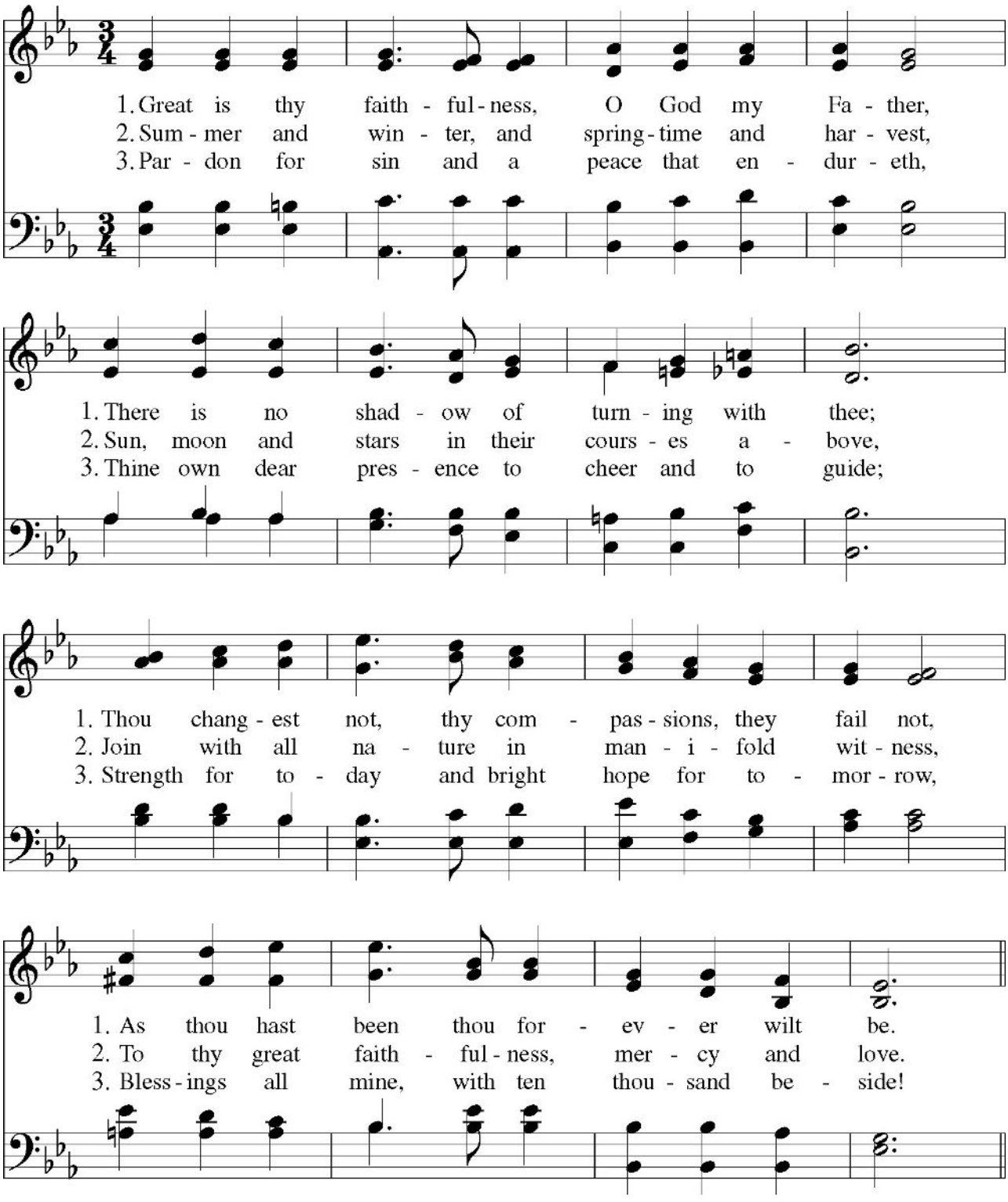
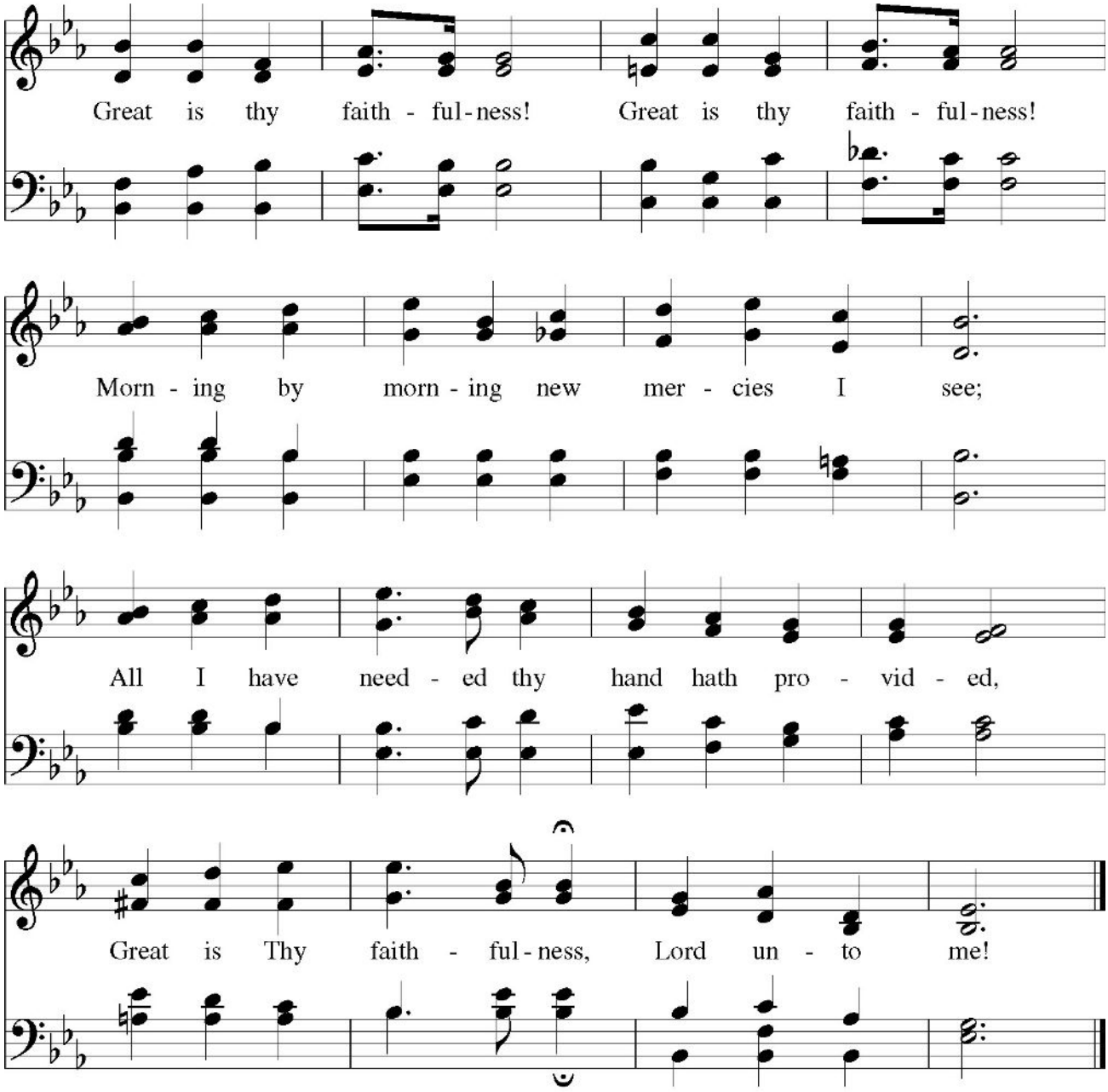
For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE *Great is thy faithfulness* Faithfulness

Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Great is thy faith - ful-ness!
Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;
All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,
Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord un - to me!

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5: 1-12

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON The Reverend Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios, Curate

Please stand as able.

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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 Donald, the president; Greg, the governor; Lina, the county judge; John, the 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 and Right Honorable Sarah Mullally, the Most Reverend and Right Honorable Stephen Cottrell and the Church of England. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Christopher's, Austin; St. David's, Austin; and St. George's, Austin. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Theresa McClellan and the Listening Post 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* Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), Hector, and Brian, our Bishops; for Hannah and Maria Teresa, our clergy, for Barrett, our seminarian; and 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**:** Edith, Christopher, Jonathan, Bob, Jim, Kathleen, Kenzo, Joyce, Ken, Brian, Randy, Frazer, Elizabeth, Anita, Anadeli, Jane, Gentry, and the people of Venezuela.
Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Steve, as he celebrates his birthday.
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 Kennedy Loftin, Alex Pretti, Rick Goswick, Kenneth Griffin, the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan and Palestine, the victims of violence in US cities, 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 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People **Most merciful God,**
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION *BCP,* page 360

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.**

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 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.
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.

VESTRY COMMISSIONING

Sponsor I present to you, Catherine Guthrie, Tim Lawson, Amanda Talaat, and Ben Tallcott to be admitted to the Trinity Vestry in this congregation.

Celebrant The Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity.

V. I am your servant; grant me understanding:
R. That I may know your decrees.

Celebrant Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O Eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the Source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Wardens and Vestry of this congregation, and so rule their minds, and guide their counsels, that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In the Name of God and of this congregation. I commission Catherine Guthrie, Tim Lawson, Amanda Talaat, and Ben Tallcott as members of the Vestry in this Parish.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Please participate as able in the collection of an offering to help Trinity Church sustain our mission and ministry. For those who are unable to give monetarily, or have given online, we have made reusable wooden coins available so that all might participate in the spiritual practice of giving and contributing in a visible, inclusive way. A dollar, an offering coin, or more helps ignite the spirit of generosity in children and adults alike.

OFFERING

Online Giving is available.
Go to www.trinitymidtown.org and click the "Give" button on the top right, or click: https://onrealm.org/TrinityMidtown/-/form/give/now or scan this QR code:

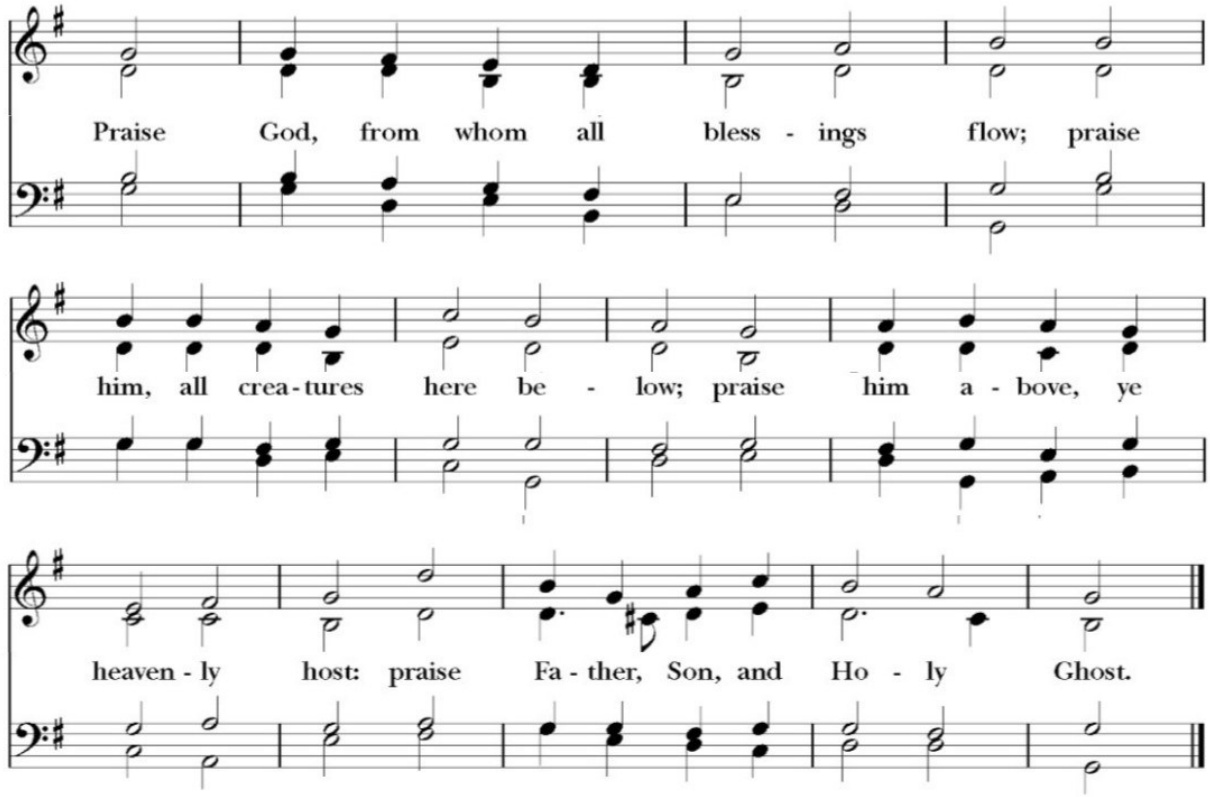
Texting. Send the message **heartofmidtown** to **73256**. Be sure to type heartofmidtown with no spaces, or autocorrect may insert information about a different church. The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contribution.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *O Radiant Dawn* James MacMillan (b. 1959)

O Radiant Dawn, Splendor of eternal Light, Sun of Justice,
come shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.
Isaiah had prophesied, "The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone."
Amen.

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380, stanza 3 Old 100th



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B *BCP*, page 367

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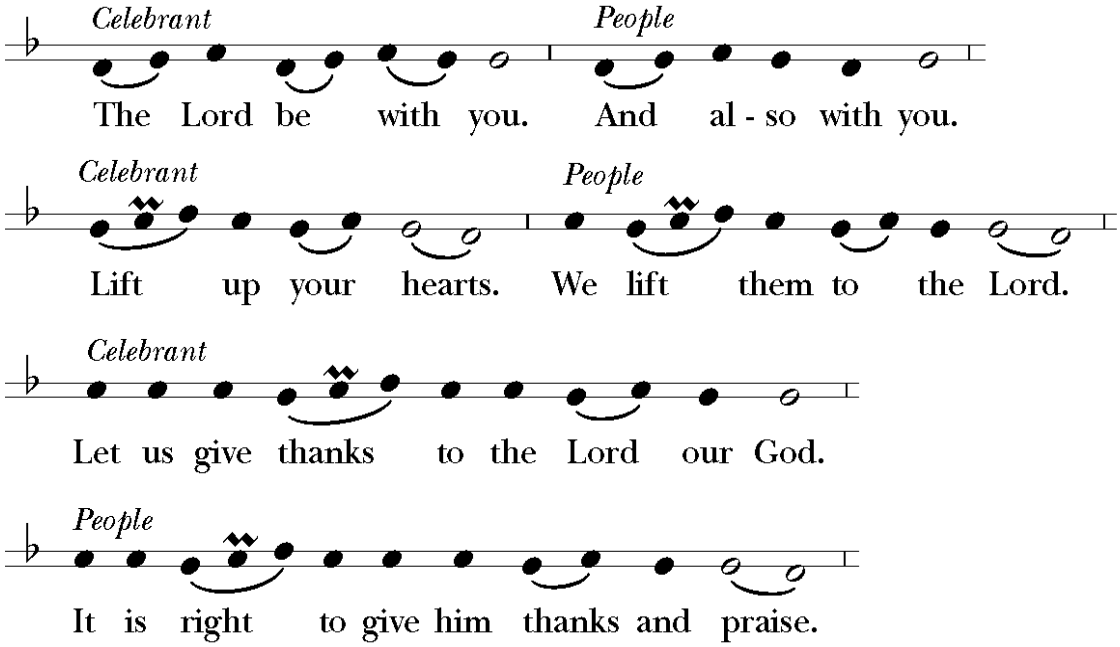
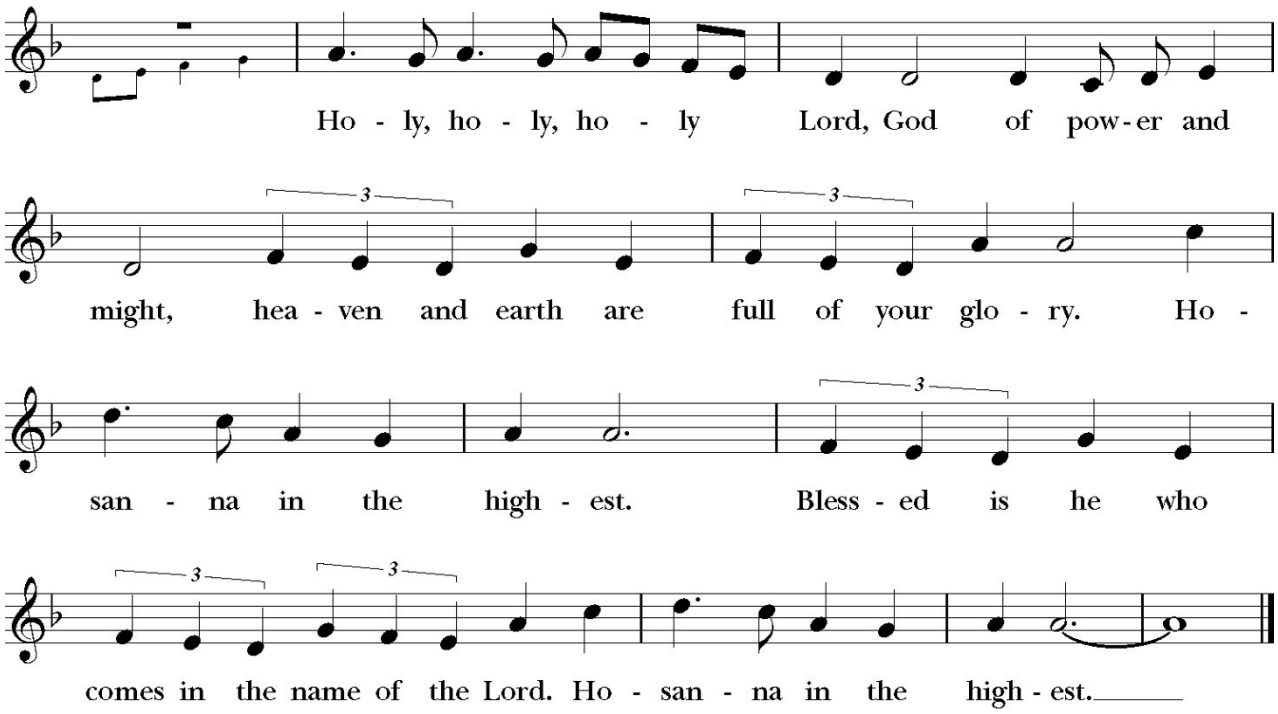


Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son 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 S129 Robert Powell



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 God, now and for ever.
AMEN.

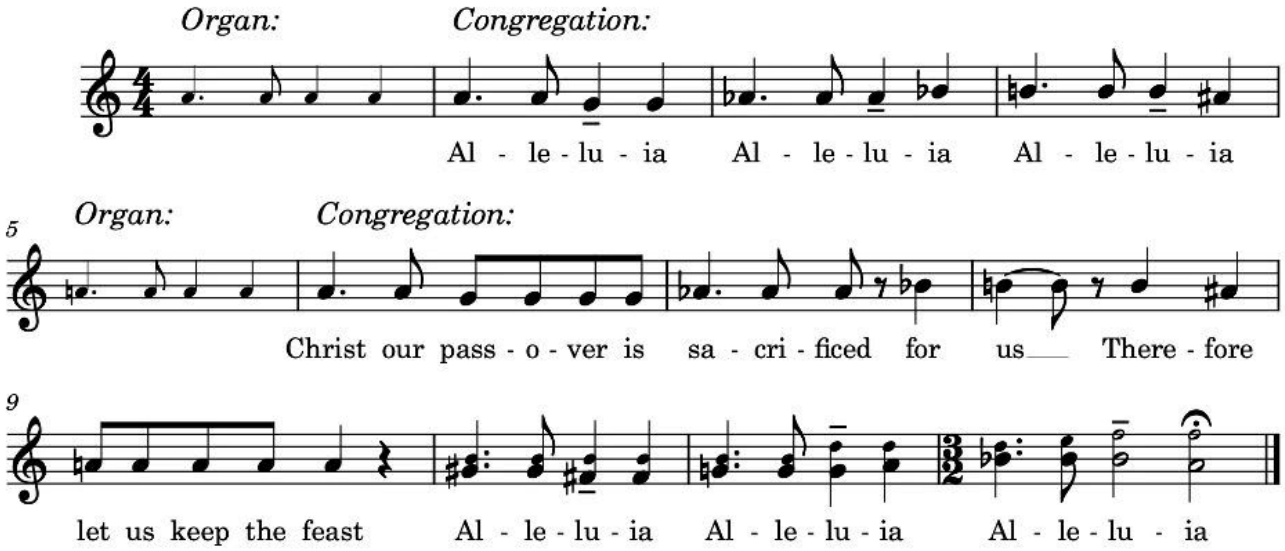
The Celebrant then continues

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

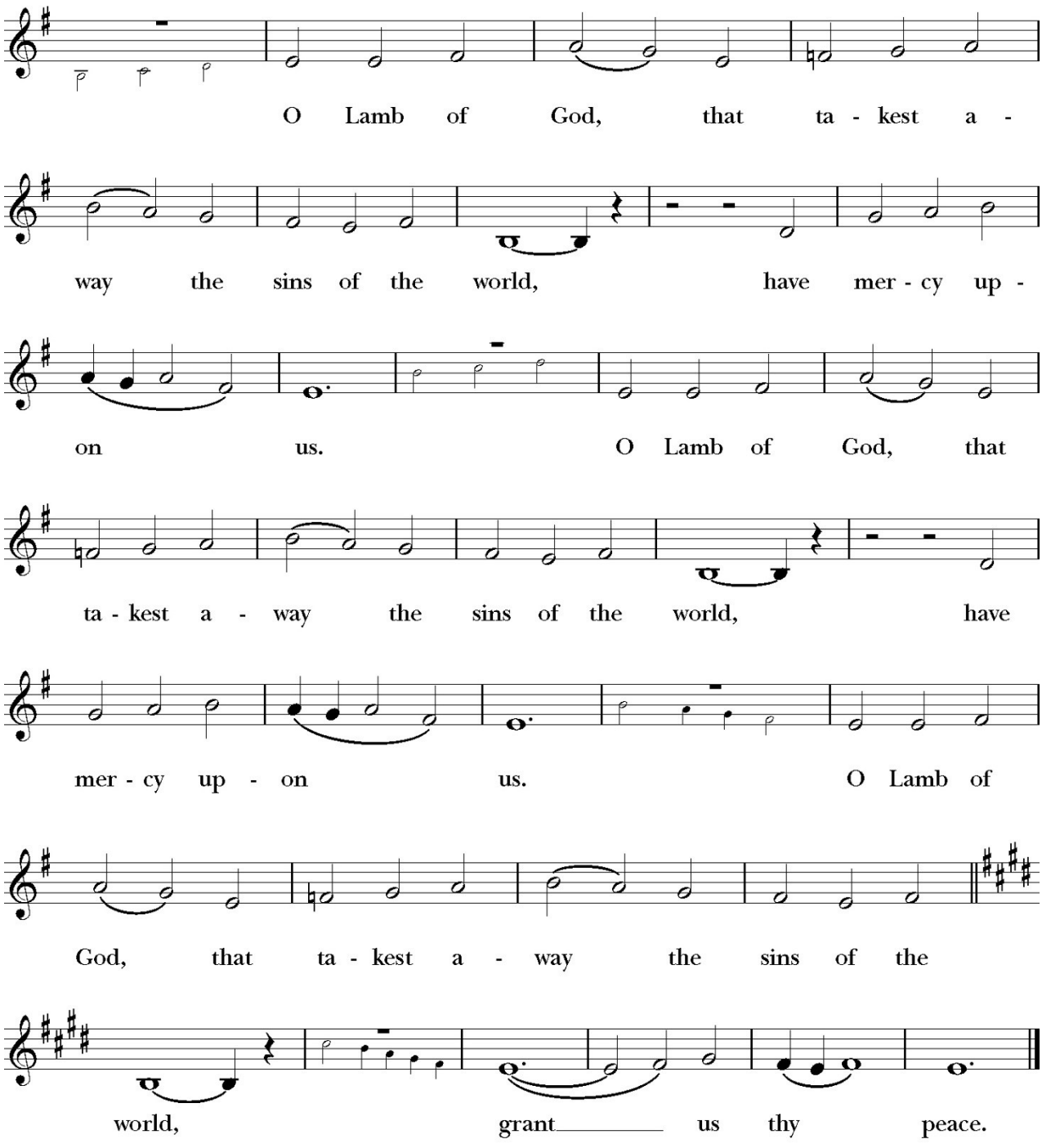
Celebrant and People

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM — Paul Mortilla



INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
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mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy 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.

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.

Communion Anthem *The Beatitudes* Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted
Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth
Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness:
for they shall be filled
Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy
Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God
Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the children of God
Blessed are the persecuted for righteousness sake:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you,
and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.
Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad: for great is your reward in heaven:
for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.
Amen.

The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

Celebrant On behalf of God and Trinity Parish, we send forth these holy gifts that the patients at Hospitality Apartments, and all 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 May Almighty God, who led the Magi by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.
Amen.

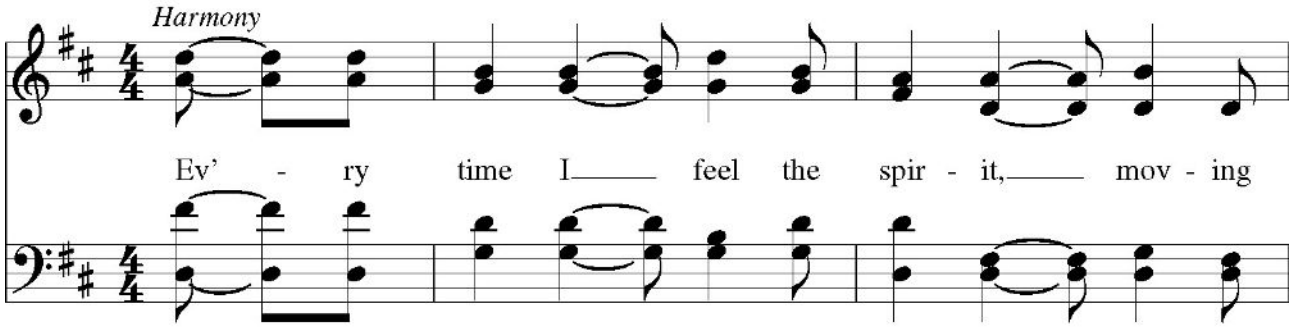
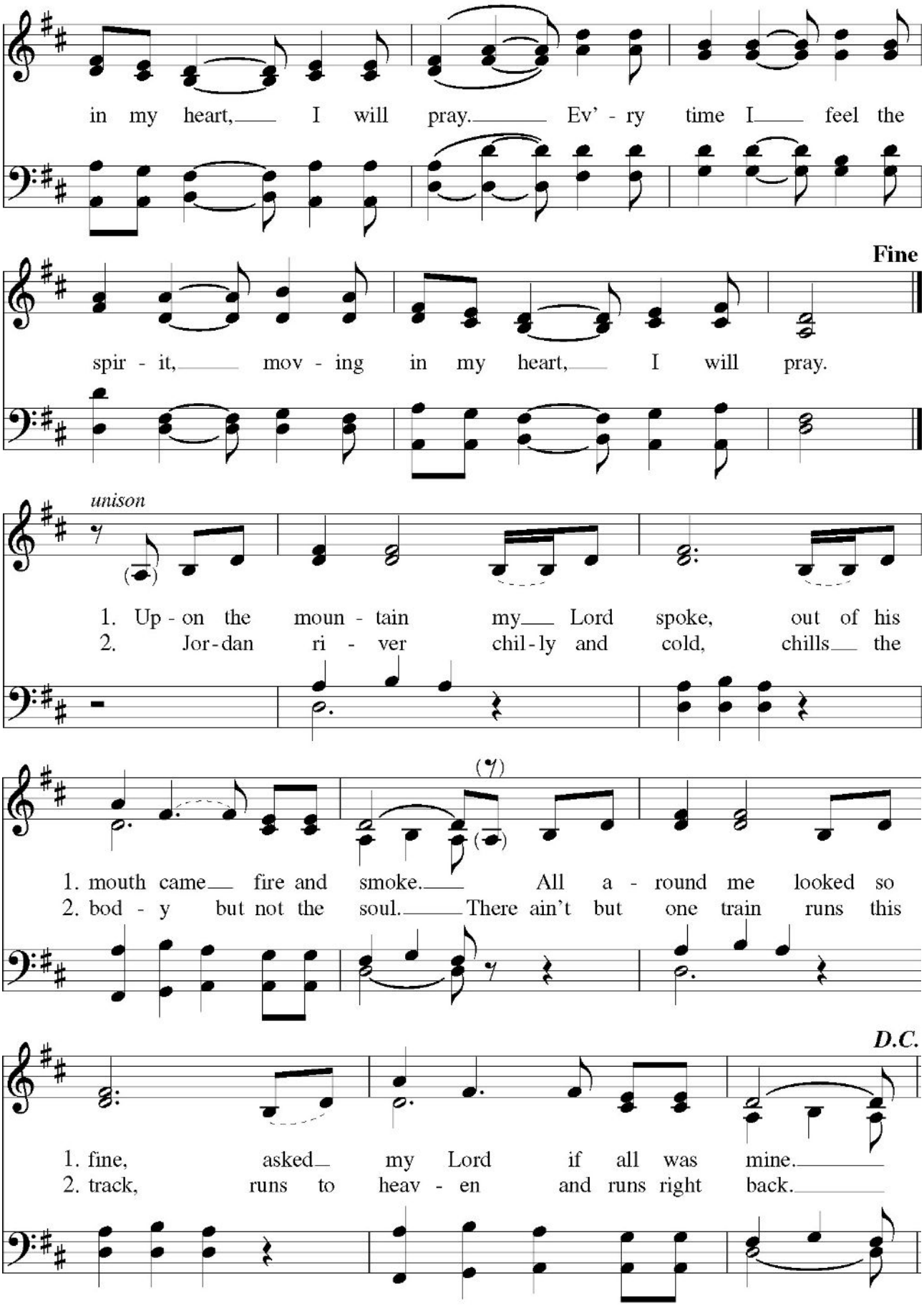
May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of a new birth.
Amen.

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.
Amen.

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

Please stand as able

HYMN IN PROCESSION *Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving*
Upon the mountain my Lord spoke



in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the
Fine
spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.
unison
1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the
1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this
D.C.
1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.
2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back.

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE *Improvisation on* In Paradisum Paul Mortilla
(Dedicated to those who died in Minneapolis

"May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem. May choirs of angels receive you with Lazarus, may you have eternal rest."

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.

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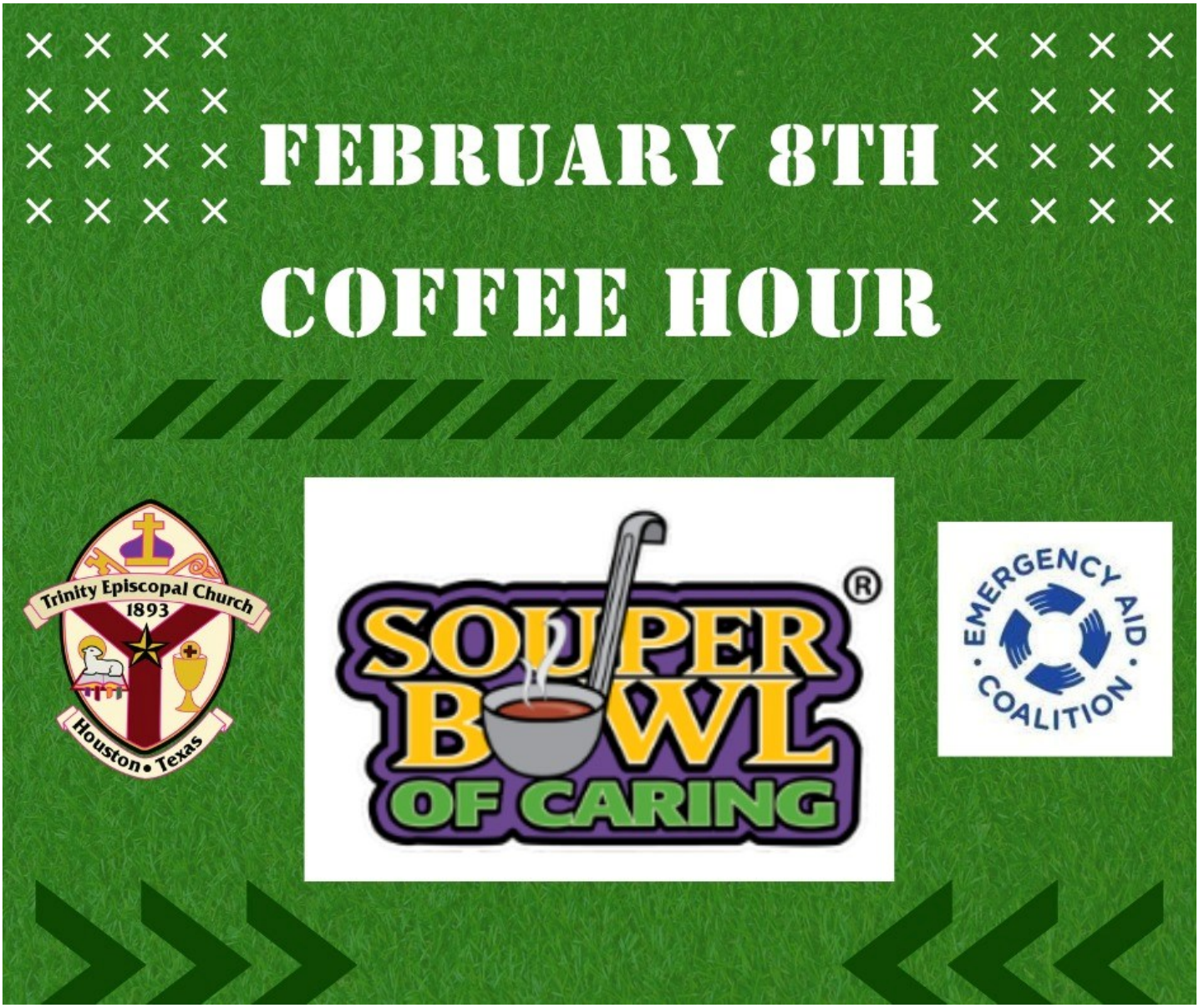
Flower dedications are available for February 15
after which date we go into the season of Lent.
Make your Flower Dedications Online at trinitymidtown.org
or scan this QR code

We would like to thank Jamie Chambers for hosting the Annual Meeting breakfast and coffee hour.
Please note that February 15 (Black history celebration) March 1 (after the Big Country Mass) are available to host (part/all) coffee hour.
To sign up, please scan the QR code or contact Jamie Chambers:
jamielynnchambers@hotmail.com or call/text at 832-370-7155
if you need assistance.
Thank you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THE WEEKLY WINDOW
OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MIDTOWN

February 1, 2026, Fourth Sunday After Epiphany, (Year A)
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1015 Holman @ Main | 713-528-4100

Sundays:
Holy Eucharist
8 am and 12:30 pm in Chapel
10:30 am in Church
Weekdays:
Evening Prayer 5:30 pm

Annual Meeting Today

The Annual Meeting has been postponed till Today, February 1st, at 9:15. The following people have agreed to appear on the vestry slate.

Catherine Guthrie, Tim Lawson, Amanda Talaat, Ben Tallcott

Per parish bylaws vestry candidates must be confirmed members of the parish who are 16 years of age or older and have been active, pledging members of the parish for at least one year prior to election. we will also hear reports from the Rector, the Wardens, and the Treasurer. We will also honor our four outgoing vestry members.

Diocesan Council delegateswere appointed at the most recent vestry meeting: **Samantha Rainman** for a three-year term, with **Jeanne Sommerfeld** for a one-year term as alternate.

A Portrait of a Postman at MFAH

A Portrait of a Postman, a documentary film about artist Kermit Oliver whose Resurrection hangs in Trinity's Morrow Chapel, will be shown at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. Tickets are selling out, but as we go to press, we have five $9 tickets available for the 7 pm showing on February 5th. Please contact the Reverend Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios at curate@trinitymidtown.org for more information.

Souper Bowl of Caring – February 8th

We will hold our annual Souper Bowl of Caring at Coffee Hour on Febrary 8th. Please bring canned soup donations for Emergency Aid Coalition and a pot of your favorite soup to share. Please contact Mary Johns for more information.

Black History Month Potluck – February 15th

We will celebrate Black History Month with a special potluck in Fellowship Hall at Coffee Hour on Sunday, February 15th. Please plan to bring any favorite dish to share. We thank Pam Lawson and Pat Laubach for organizing this event. Please feel free to contact them if you have any questions. You can scan this QR Code to sign up to bring a dish or sign up in person in Fellowship Hall:

Absalom Jones Concert – February 15th

The M usic Center of Houston's Scott Joplin Chamber Orchestra will offer a free concert on February 15th at 4 pm to celebrate the Feast of Absalom Jones. Please also see the concert flyer;

Shrove Tuesday – February 17th

Our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held Tuesday, February 17th, at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall. The all ages event including pancakes, pancake races, and the burning of palms for Ash Wednesday.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, February 1, 2026
7:30 am – 1:30 pm Nursery Open
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
9:00 am Annual Meeting Checkin (FH)
9:15 am Annual Meeting (FH)
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
11:45 am Coffee Hour (FH)
12:30 pm Jazz/Gospel Eucharist (Chapel)
8:00 pm Completas (Facebook)

Monday, Februrary 2, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, Februrary 3, 2026
9:15 am Morning Prayer in Spanish (Chapel)
12:00 pm Endowment Board (Smith)
1:00 pm Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Wednesday, Februrary 4, 2026
10:30 am Staff Meeting (Smith)
12:15 pm Good TImes AA (Youth Room)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)
6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Room 218)

Thursday, Februrary 5, 2026
5:00 pm Migration with Dignity (Zoom)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)
7:00 pm Portrait of a Postman (MFAH)

Friday, Februrary 6, 2026
10:00 am Trintiy Garden Club (Smith)
12:15 pm Good TImes AA (Youth Room)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, Februrary 7, 2026
8:30 am Men's Group (Offsite)

This Week's Adult Forum:

No Education Hour this week; Please attend the Annual Meeting

Meeting This Week:

Trinity Garden Club: Friday at 10 am, Smith Room
Men's Group: Saturday at 8:30 am, IHOP, 2515 Southwest Freeway

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 Rector. If you would like to participate as a member of the prayer chain, please contact Norma Cooper.

We pray for: Edith, Christopher, Jonathan, Bob, Jim, Kathleen, Kenzo, Joyce, Ken, Brian, Randy, Frazer, Elizabeth, Anita, Anadeli, Jane, Gentry, and the people of Venezuela

Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Jimmie, Tom, Patty, Emily, Dick, Barbara, Sylvia, Joyce, David, Robert, Dana, Carolyn, Rick, Harrison, Ric, Daniel, Norma, Margaret, Marcie, Yvonne, Steve, Beryl, Amanda, Mary, Marcy, Aaron, Eric, Charles, Mary, Kilmar, Charles, Ed, Susan, Diamond, Kensington, Christina, Juan, Benjamin, Shirley, Willie, Eugenia, Juana, Winnie, Richard, Muriel, Toni, Kenneth, Jesse, Jan, John, Carla, Stephanie, All victims of violence

For the faithful departed: Kennedy Loftin, Alex Pretti, Rick Goswick, Kenneth Griffin, the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan and Palestine, the victims of violence in US cities, and all victims of gun violence,

For our seminarian: Barrett Hess

Altar Flowers and Coffee Hour

If you would like to make a flower dedication, you can sign up here:
Flowers are available February 15
There are no altar flowers during Lent.

Sign-ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please signup online to volunteer by scanning this QR code.

For questions or further information please contact Jamie Chambers: jamielynnchambers@hotmail.com or call/text at 832-370-7155 .
The next available dates are February 22, March 1, 8

Steve Lee

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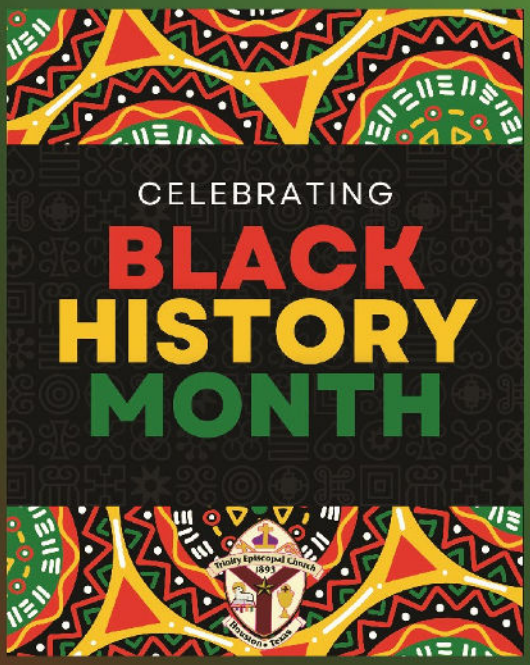
For those who are unable to give monetarily, or have given online, we have made reusable wooden coins available so that all might participate in the spiritual practice of giving and contributing in a visibly inclusive way

Trinity Episcopal Church Giving Coin

Thank you for making and wearing a name tag every Sunday.

Office Hours:
Monday–Thursday 9 am – 3 pm
Friday 9 am – 1 pm
If you have building concerns please email parishadministrator@trinitymidtown.org.

Thank you to all who have given so generously! It is never too late.
www.trinitymidtown.org/give.



ABSALOM JONES DAY CONCERT

THE MUSIC CENTER OF HOUSTON'S SCOTT JOPLIN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

PRESENTS A CONCERT CELEBRATING THE FEAST DAY OF ABSALOM JONES (1746 - 1818) THE FIRST BLACK EPISCOPAL PRIEST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH
4 PM

Trinity Episcopal Church
1015 Holman St. at Main
Midtown Houston

A Prayer for Migrant Ministries

Gracious God,
we give you thanks and all the glory
for abiding with us and blessing our ministries.
You walk us along paths of purpose;
You open portals of new opportunities before us;

Encourage our hearts,
to ensure a radiant and safe future for our newest neighbors,
who come from afar;

Inspire us
to create a beloved community with all who cross our paths.
We give thanks for the countless stories of small victories
and grand success
which are signs of your love and power working through us.

We thank you for the courage of all those who are compelled to migrate,
who strive to scale not just the high walls of life
but also and especially the higher walls of challenge.

Strengthen us to walk together with them
Be our continuing vision, O God,
Give us the hope of the immigrant,
the resolve of the wanderer,
and soften our hearts to their cries for justice.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
our welcomer, our greeter, our host,
AMEN+

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