HELLO FRIEND!

Welcome to Trinity

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Here you will find some great resources to help you learn more about Trinity, connect with us, and get involved!

WELCOME, Friend!

What a joy it is to introduce you to Trinity Episcopal Church in Midtown, Houston! At Trinity you'll find a message you can understand and people you can relate to. Our doors are wide open to everyone from all backgrounds, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey.

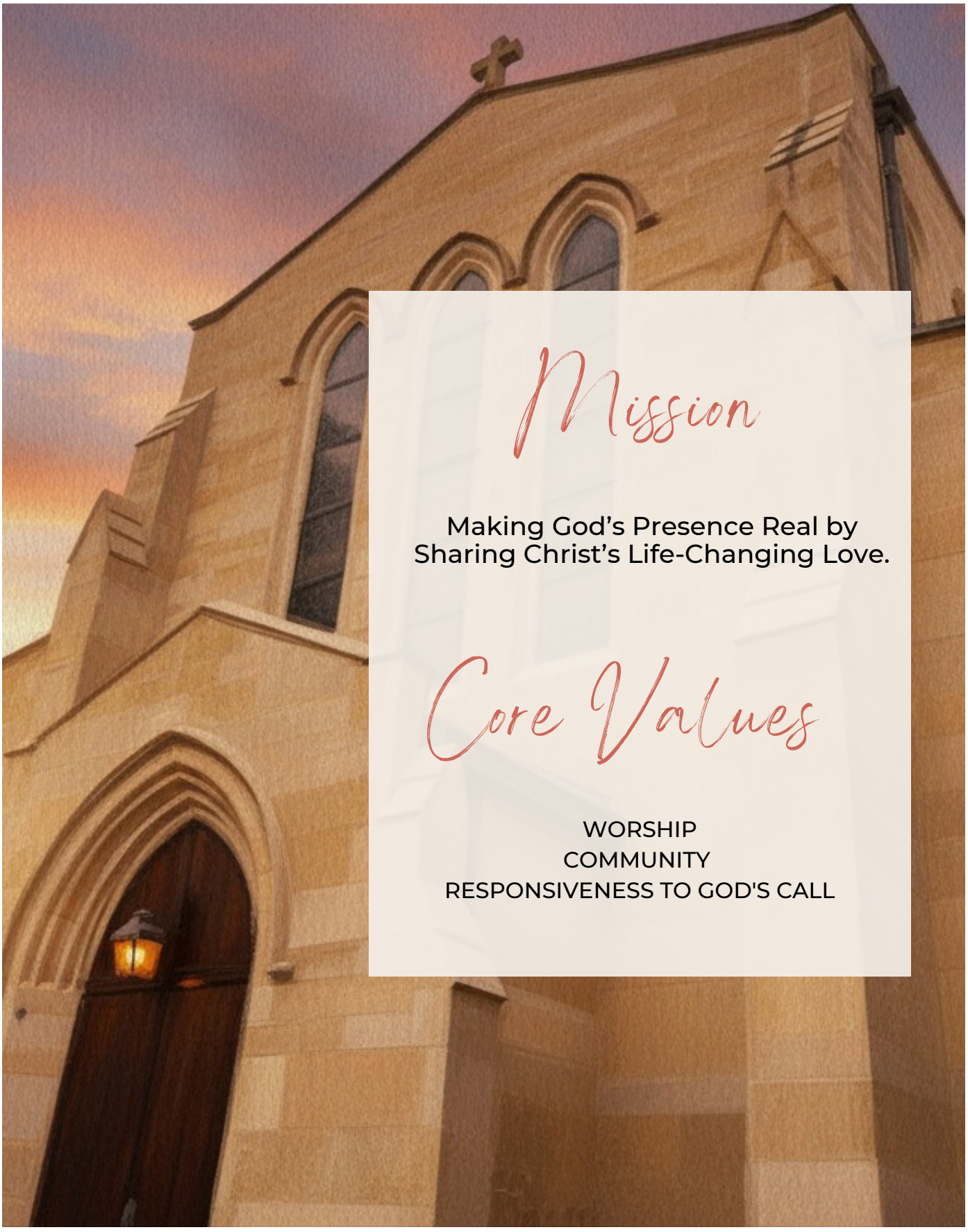
We invite you to come as you are and start a new season of spiritual growth in your life. We believe church is more than just a building or organization; it is a community of people walking through life together, lending strength and support to one another in the good times and bad.

What's worship like at Trinity? Whether you like traditional services with organ and choir or prefer jazz and gospel, we are sure you will find something at Trinity that makes it a perfect match for you.

We desire to relate to each other with a standard of love and forgiveness. At Trinity, we choose restoration over judgment, believing that God is more interested in your future than your past, and much more excited about pointing you towards your purpose rather than pointing out your mistakes.

So, please come as you are. God delights in our diversity. Come discover what makes Trinity unique and how you will fit right in!

-Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector



Mission

Making God’s Presence Real by
Sharing Christ’s Life-Changing Love.

Core Values

WORSHIP
COMMUNITY
RESPONSIVENESS TO GOD'S CALL

WHO WE ARE

Meet the Team

Rev. Hannah E. Atkins Romero

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Contact me for pastoral care needs, Christian education, discernment, community engagement, hospital visits, and life events.

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WHO WE ARE

Meet the Team

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Meet the Team

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Contact me for communications requests, donation drop-offs, facility reservations, general operations information, and security concerns.

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Contact me for new visitor information, wedding information, vestry, ministry head, and volunteering information and any church membership requests.

A BRIEF History of Trinity

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 in a new residential area southwest of downtown, Trinity was a product of Houston's expansion, when distance made it difficult for the faithful to travel to Christ Church, Trinity's mother parish and Houston's initial Episcopal church. 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 some of the leading architects of their time and paid for through the hard work of the congregation, became an architectural landmark.

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. Always blessed with able clergy and energetic membership, Trinity came into its own. The congregation's many youth and adult activities were community events that attracted wide attention among the general populace and involved many hundreds of people. 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. Commercial activity intruded on its immediate neighborhoods, and parishioners moved away. Rather than abandon its historic location, the congregation showed itself to be steadfast. Resurrecting itself from this period of decay, Trinity reaffirmed its mission, this time as a beacon in the inner city where, through much effort, it has become a leading institution in the heart of Houston, determined to enhance the quality of urban life for everyone. Trinity began to deal with more diversity and a larger community beset by modern problems; and in the process, Trinity has secured its place in the future.

Excerpt from ***Pillar of Faith: Trinity Church at 100***, by Gayle Davies-Cooley, 1992

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TRINITY CONGREGATION, EASTER 2026

TRINITY

Highlights

HISTORIC CHURCH

Trinity was built in 1917-1921 and originally designed by William Ward Watkin and Ralph Adams Cram to resemble a thirteenth century parish church. Trinity Episcopal is the only neo-Gothic style church in Texas that Cram designed.

MORROW CHAPEL

The chapel was constructed in 1972 and renovated with contemporary artwork in 2001. Here you will find Kermit Oliver's (Texas artist) work "Resurrection" above the altar. There are several other notable pieces of art in the chapel.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Trinity has a variety of stain glass windows in both the Historic Church and Morrow Chapel. The windows were installed from the mid 1930's to the mid 1980's and represent significant moments in the life of Christ and the Church.

TRADITION OF MUSIC

Trinity has a history of rich and diverse musical offerings in worship and concerts. Music is integral to way we encounter the Divine. You will find traditional organ music, contemporary jazz, and many other varied forms of music in our worship and offerings.

HELPFUL Resources

01 **Worship Services**

Our regular worship schedule is 8am and 12:30pm services in Morrow Chapel. Our 10:30am service is in the Historic Church.

02 **Family Ministry/Childcare**

We provide childcare every Sunday in the nursery. For family ministry information please contact Rev. Hannah at rector@trinitymidtown.org.

03 **Weekly Window/Email**

Each week we publish a concise newsletter and distribute an email about life at Trinity. You can sign up on our website under the Connect tab.

04 **Parish Life Guide**

Every fall and spring we create a Parish Life Guide that lists extensive information about Trinity's worship services, programs, and people. Pick one up on campus or download online.

05 **Prayer Requests**

We would love to pray with and for you. There is a form to submit a prayer request under the Connect tab on our website.

06 **Becoming a Member**

If you are interested in becoming a member at Trinity Episcopal please connect with one of our clergy!

Connect with Us!

Contact Details

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Office Hours

M - Th 9:00 am - 3:00 pm CST

Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm CST

Response Time

24 - 48 hours except weekends

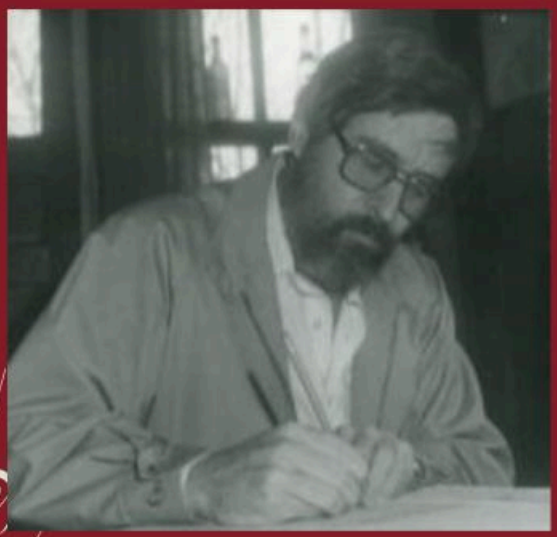
Music
AT TRINITY

NOONDAY CONCERT

THE TRINITY QUARTET PRESENTS

BEN JOHNSTON'S 10TH STRING QUARTET

TUESDAY, MAY 5TH | 12 NOON



THANK YOU FOR VISITING!

We are so grateful you visited Trinity Episcopal Midtown! We are a unique community here in Houston. We welcome ALL for worship. We hope that you will spend some time getting to know us and that you will feel at home here at Trinity. We hope that you our family will become your family!

Trinity is an open and affirming congregation.

Have a blessed day!

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

If we can be of assistance, help you find your way around campus, or just grab a coffee with you - let us know!

We look forward to getting to know you!

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