The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 19, 2026
10:30 a.m.

The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector
The Reverend Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios, Associate Rector
The Reverend Marcia Sadberry, Priest Assisting

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 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:

https://www.trinitymidtown.org/contact-card-page/

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.
- There is a Children's Area in the Historic Church near the Fellowship Hall. It is available to all children up to five years old, all special needs children, and their caregivers during services held in the Historic Church. It features books, puzzles, and other quiet activities.

VESTRY

Elisabeth Tsubai, *Senior Warden*
Eric Beam, *Junior Warden*

Ben Blanding
Shelby Bradley
Catherine Guthrie
Tony Huffman
Patrick Humphreys
Tim Lawson
Andréa Shiloh
Jeanne Sommerfeld
Amanda Talaat
Ben Tallcott

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

THE TRINITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert
Piano: Pelayo Parlade
Flute, Clarinet: Ernesto Vega
Bass: Kevin Ray

SERVING TODAY

Lector: Theresa McClellan
Prayers: Jim Castro
LEMs: Julie Morin, Jim Castro
Acolytes: Ben Tallcott, David Villarreal, Mary Cloud
Ushers: Elmer Romero, Will Sager, Kerry Ward
Vergers: Mark Goza, Gladys Vallés
Vestry of the Day: Tim Lawson
Altar Guild: Amanda Talaat, Gregg Harrack, Linda Davenport
Audio Visual: Benjamin Rodriguez

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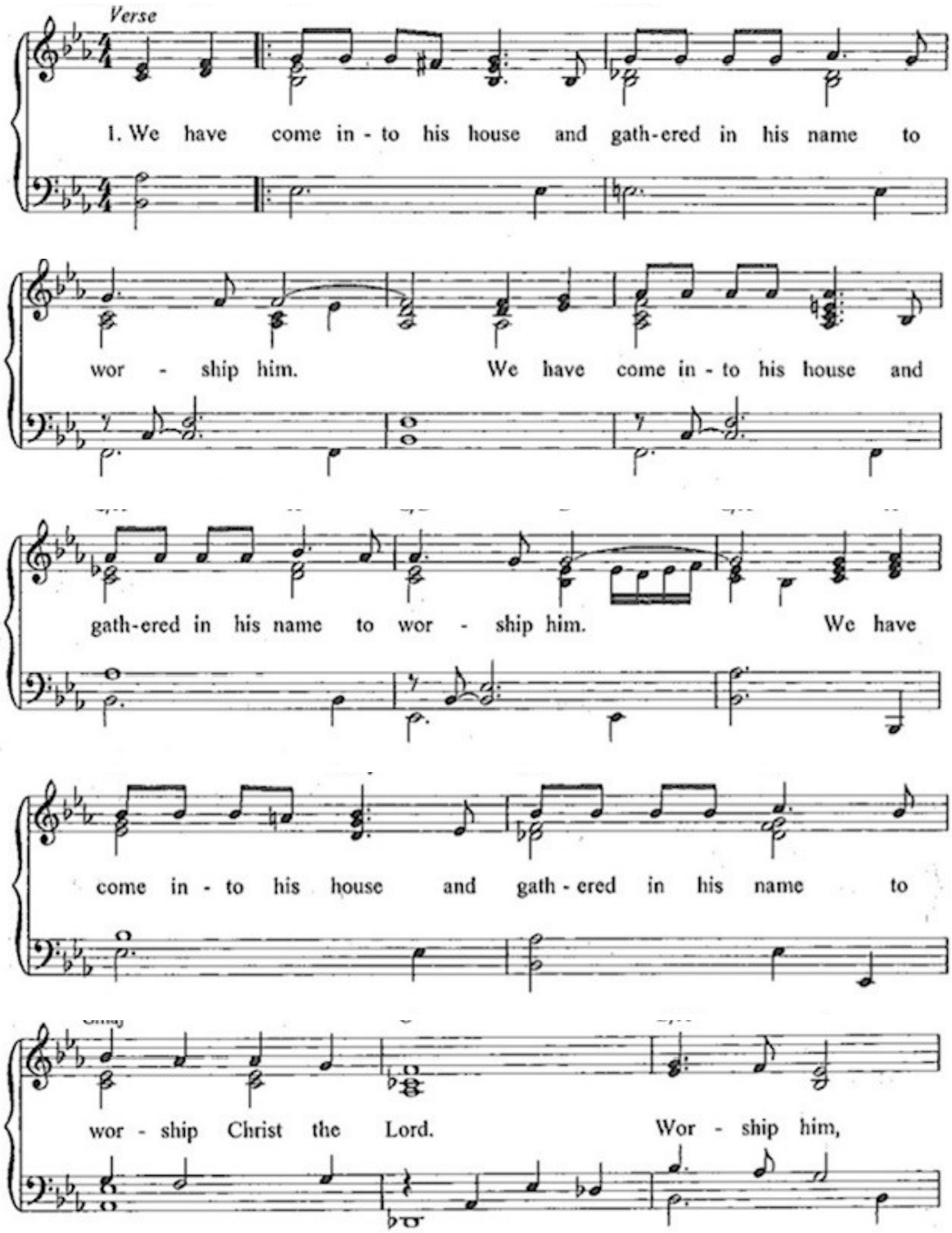
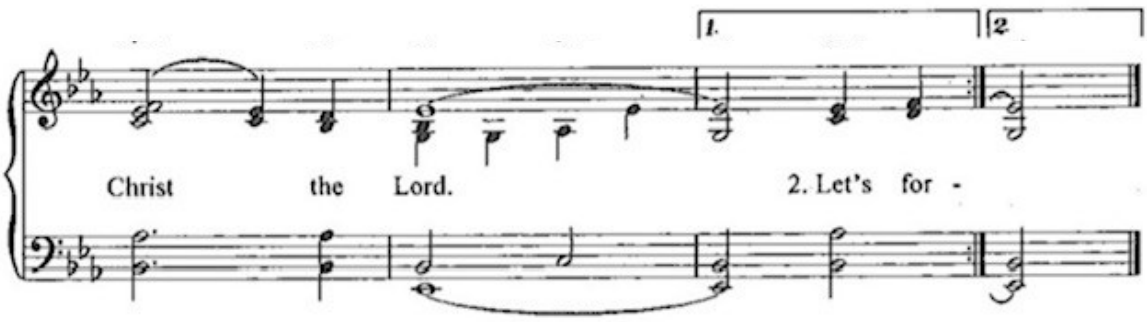
The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Please stand as able.

OPENING HYMN We Have Come into His House

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.**

OPENING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(Continued on page 6)

PSALM 139:1-11, 22-23 *Domine, probaste* BCP, page 599

Alternately by whole verse.

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

**2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

**4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

**6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?**

7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

**8 If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**

9 Even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.

**10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,"**

11 Darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.

**22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *
try me and know my restless thoughts.**

23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

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THE SECOND LESSON Romans 8:12-25

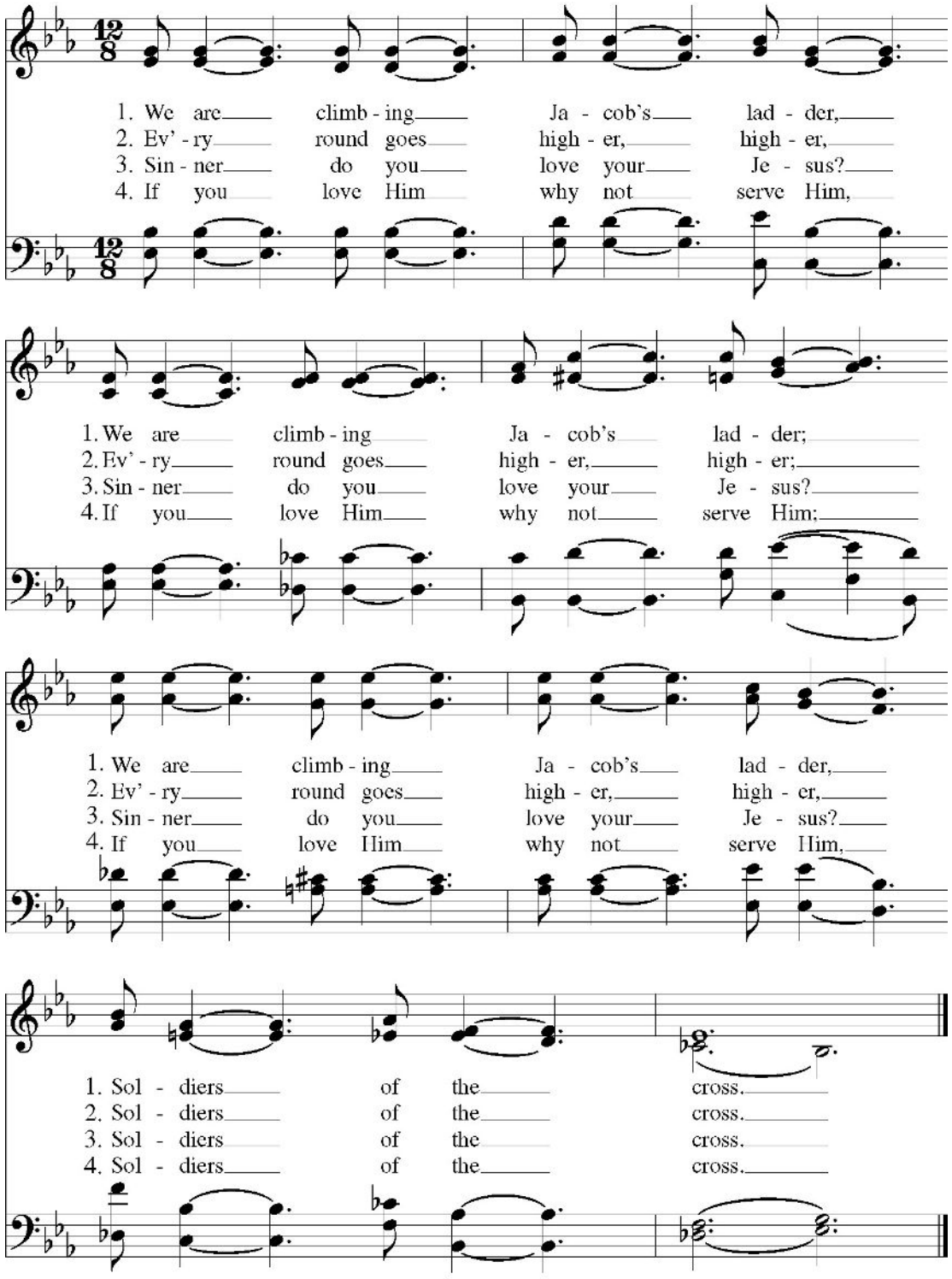
Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the

freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder LEVAS, page 220



THE GOSPEL *Please stand as able* Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

Presider The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
People Praise and glory to God!

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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

Please be seated

SERMON The Reverend Hannah E. Atkins Romero, Rector

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

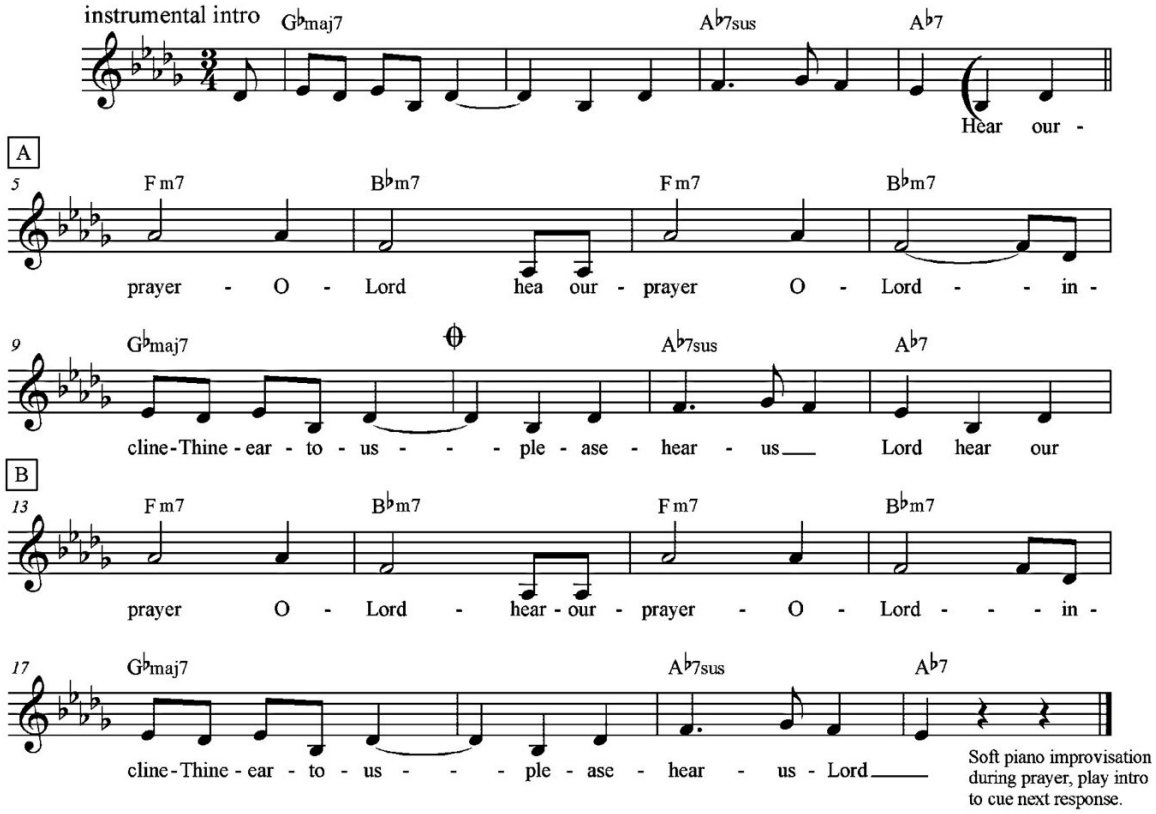
Please stand as able

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI *BCP,* page 392

Response to the Prayers

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 Ezekiel Kondo and the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Matthew's, Henderson; St. Michael and All Angels, Longview; St. Paul's (Karnack), Leigh; and St. Paul's, Kilgore. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Pat Laubach and the Wedding ministry.

Response to the Prayers

Reader 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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai (*pronounced "Kaye"*), Hector, and Brian, our Bishops; for Hannah, Maria Teresa, and Marcia, our clergy; for Barrett, our seminarian, 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: Jonathan, Jim, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Anita, Gentry, Diane, Jimmie, Arthur, Christina, Christopher, Benjamin, Libby, Edgar, Dalia, Irene, Stan, Darin, Garrett, Dave, Linda, and Alejandra.

Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Joshua, Claire, Julie, Greg, Henrik, Kathryn, Agatha, Olivia, and Patrick, as they celebrate their birthdays.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

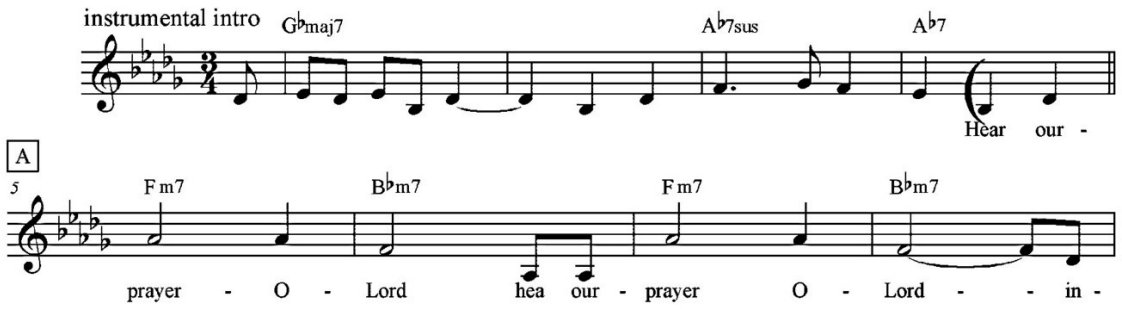
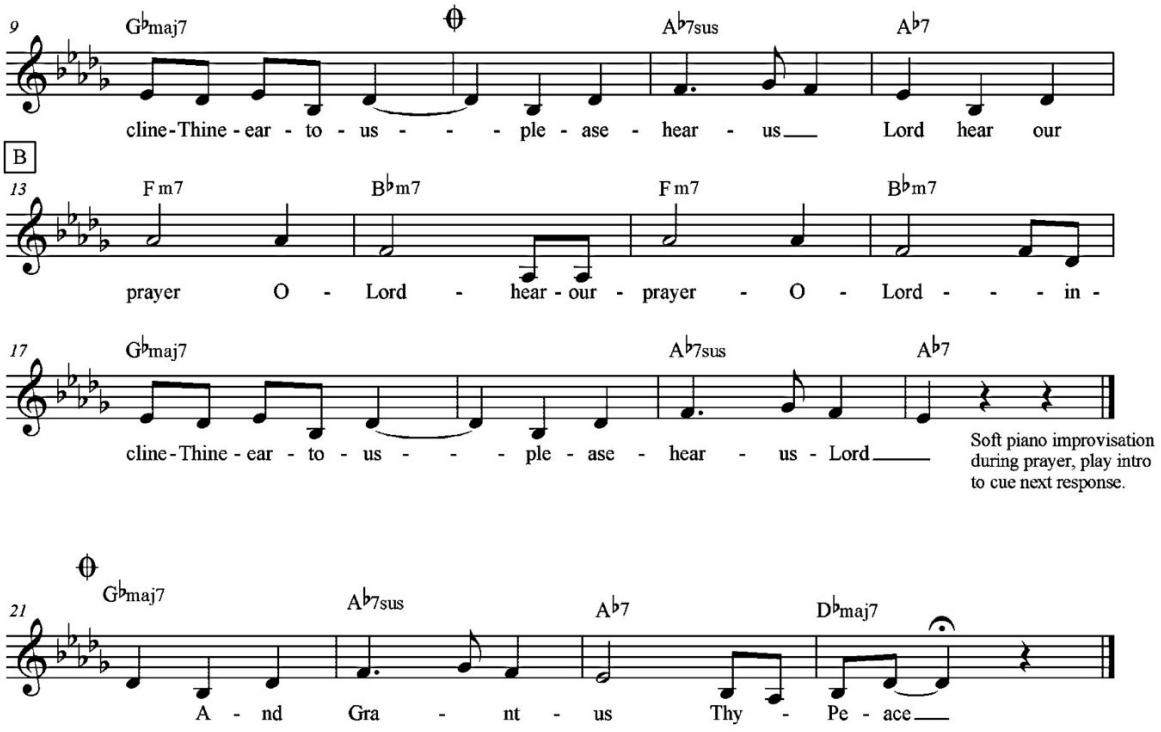
Reader We pray for all who have died, especially for Jane Weichel, Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero, Senator Lindsey Graham, Nolan Xavier Wells, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, Brian Young, the victims of the earthquakes in Venezuela, the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, victims of violence in U.S. 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.**

The people may offer their own specific petitions, praises or thanksgivings.

Final Response to the Prayers



CONFESSION *BCP, page 392*

Celebrant 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 **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.

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. **Amen.**

Please stand as able.

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 Otis Redding

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

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.

THE OFFERTORY — Day by Day — Oskar Ahnfelt, Karolina Sandell-Berg

VERSE AND RESPONSE AT PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord,
People **and of your own have we given you. Amen.**

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

Please stand as able.

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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

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.

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.

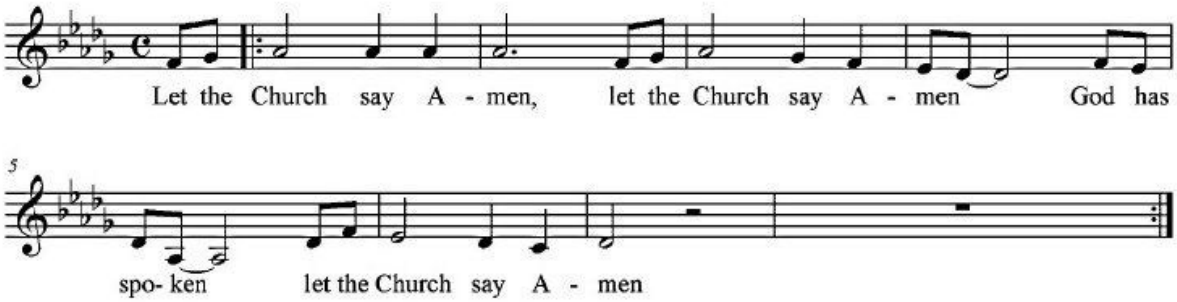
On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had 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.

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Presider Come to this table, you who have much faith,
and you who would like to have more;
you who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time;
you who have tried to follow Jesus,
and we who have stumbled.
Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

People **Amen.**

Instructions for Holy Communion

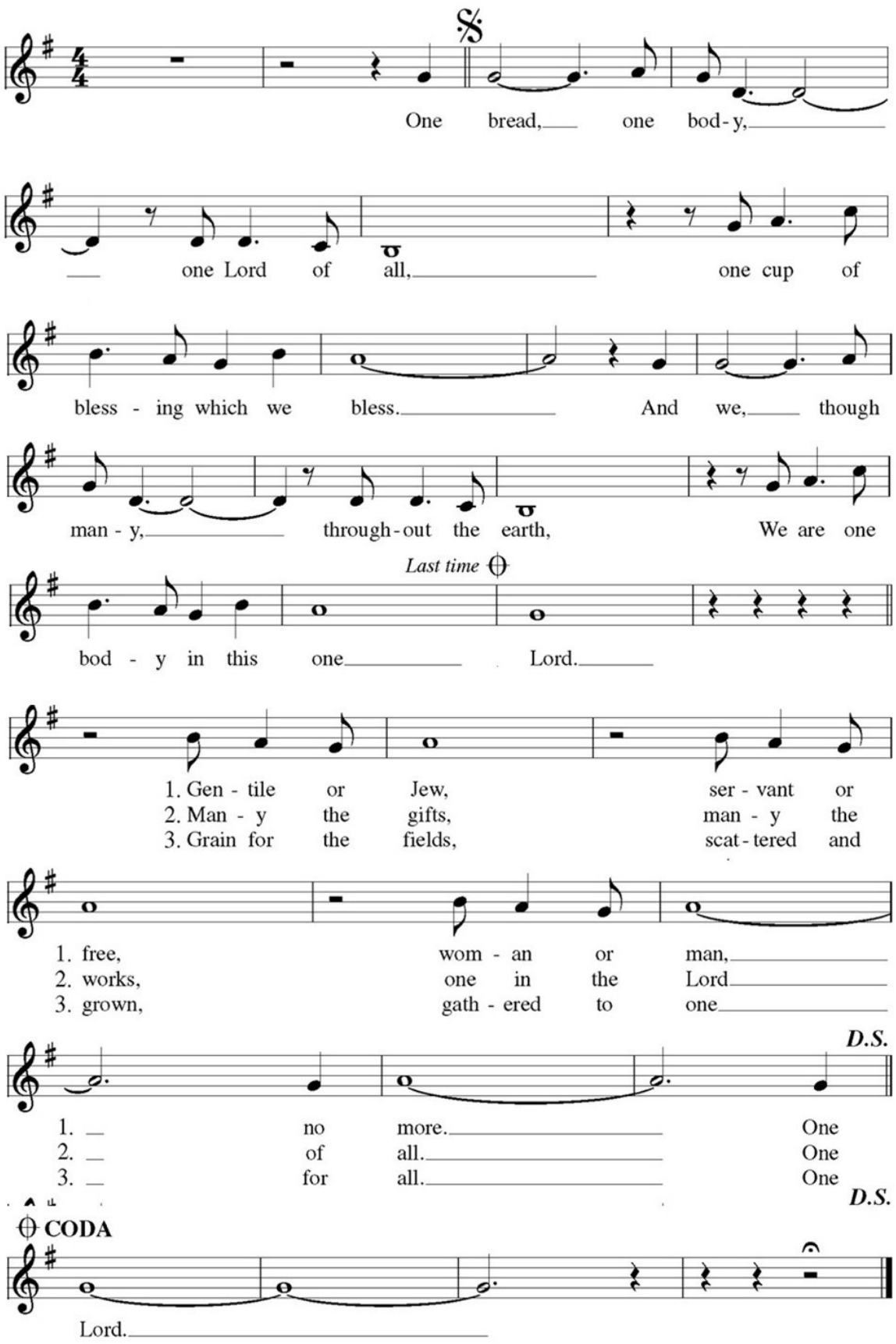
Please come forward to receive communion from a priest in front of the altar. All are welcome to come participate in Holy Communion. If for any reason you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms across your chest for a blessing.

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.

One bread, one bod-y,
one Lord of all, one cup of
bless - ing which we bless. And we, though
man - y, through-out the earth, We are one
Last time
bod - y in this one Lord.
1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and
1. free, wom - an or man,
2. works, one in the Lord
3. grown, gath - ered to one
D.S.
1. no more. One
2. of all. One
3. for all. One
D.S.
CODA
Lord.

The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

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

People **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN Down by the Riverside LEVAS, page 210

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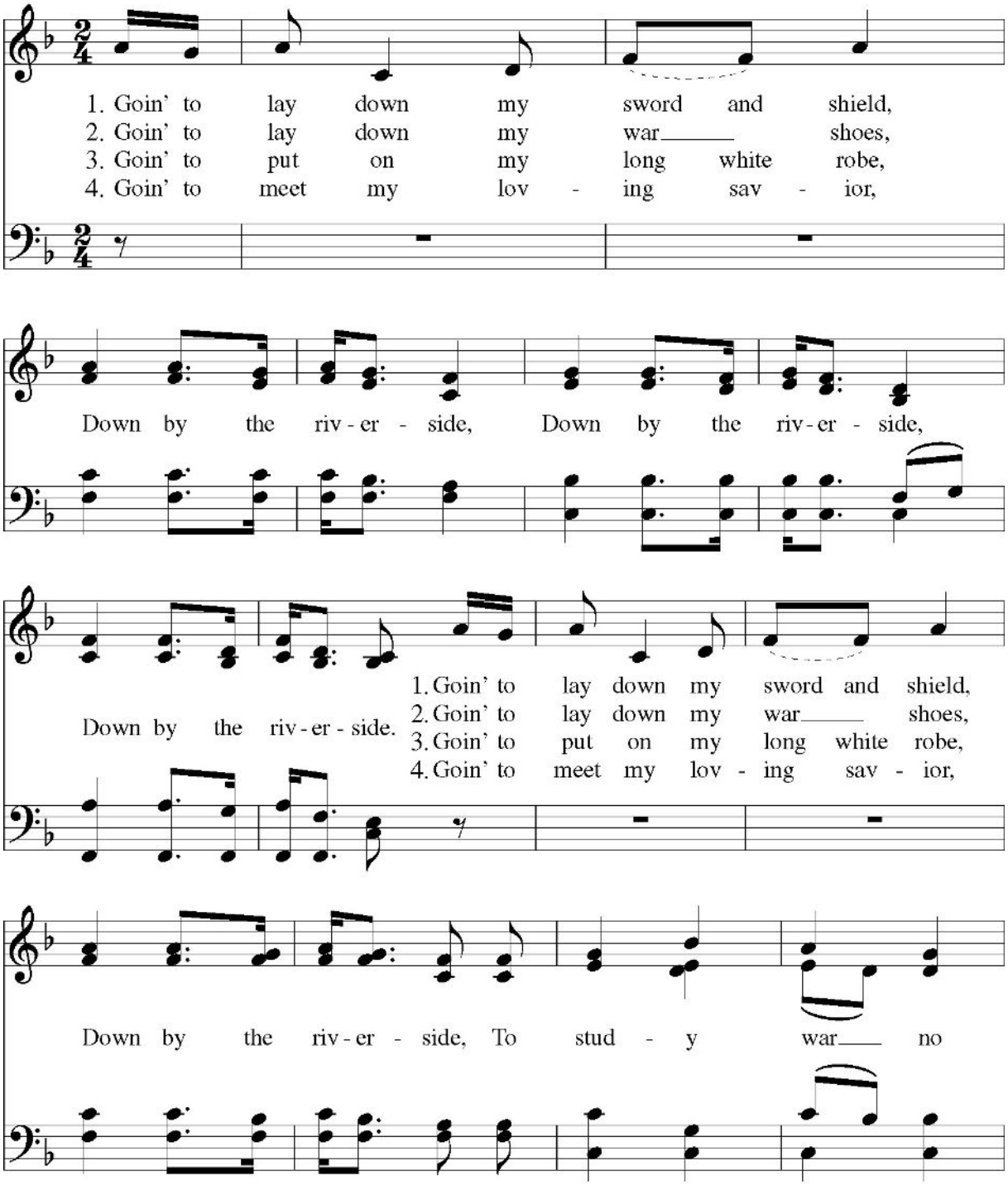
1. Goin' to lay down my sword and shield,
2. Goin' to lay down my war shoes,
3. Goin' to put on my long white robe,
4. Goin' to meet my lov - ing sav - ior,
Down by the riv - er - side, Down by the riv - er - side,
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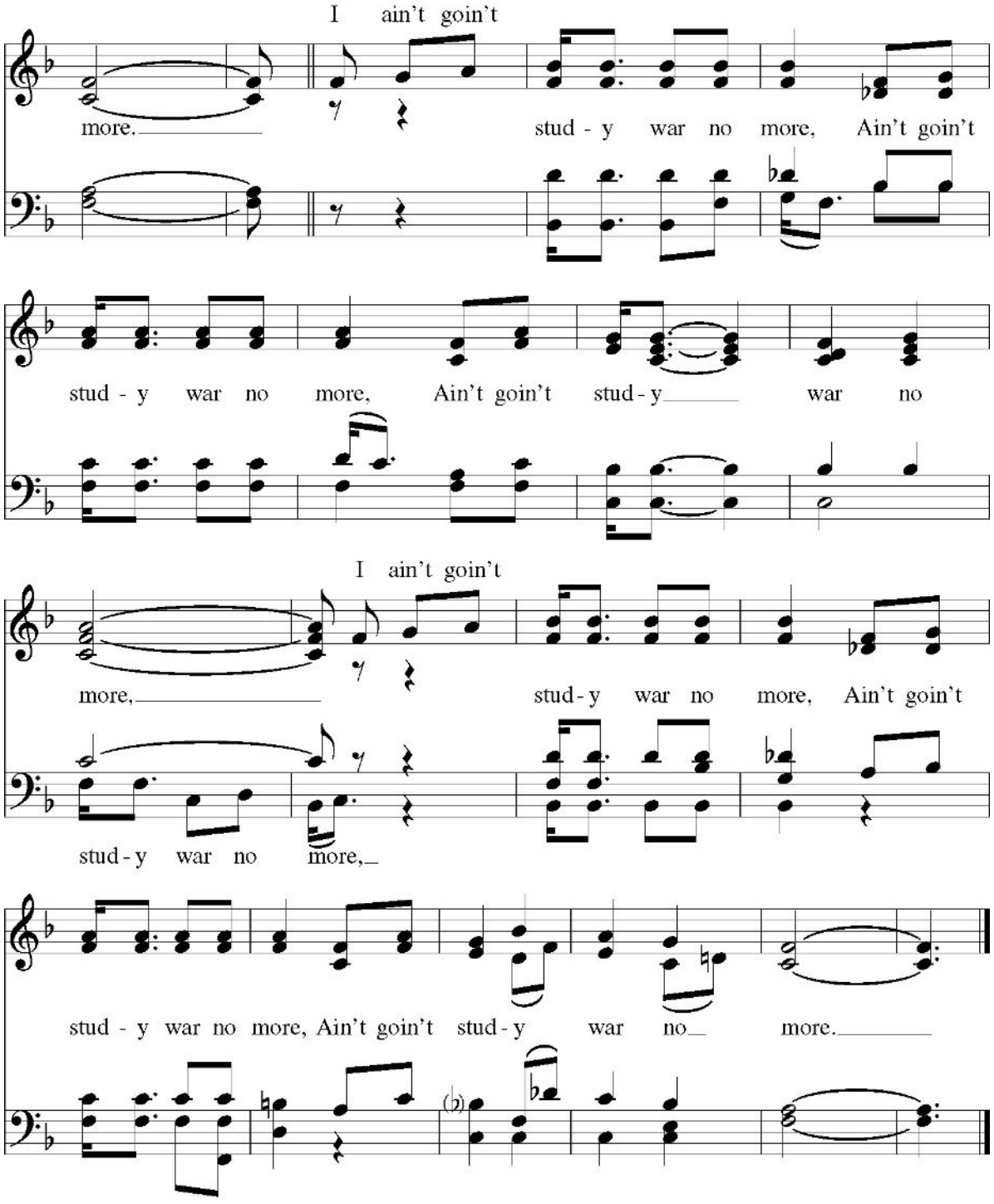
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Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **We go in the name of Christ.**

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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Flower dedications are available on August 2, 9, and 16
Make your Flower Dedications Online at trinitymidtown.org
or scan this QR code

We want to thank Jodi and Richard Rathburn for hosting coffee hour this morning.

Please note that August 2, 9, and 16 are open
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

THE WEEKLY WINDOW
OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MIDTOWN

July 19, 2026, Eighth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 11, Year A)
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Sundays:
Holy Eucharist
Sundays in July: 10:30 am only
Regular Schedule:
8 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm
Weekdays: Evening Prayer 5:30 pm

Episcopal Way – July 25th

If adults wish to be baptized, confirmed, or received into the Episcopal Church in September when the bishop visits, this will also explain the process.
The next class will be held Saturday, July 25th, at 9:30 am.
If you can't make it this time, this class will be offered again on August 29th.
Inquire at rector@trinitymidtown.org. RSVP here:

Sunday Schedule

During the month of July, we have one service of Holy Eucharist on Sundays, at 10:30 am in the Historic Church.
Today and July 26th, we will have a Jazz/Gospel service with music by the Trinity Jazz Ensemble.
We will return to our regular schedule of 8 am (Contemplative), 10:30 am (Traditional), and 12:30 pm (Jazz/Gospel) on **Sunday, August 2nd** .

Children's Chapel

Sunday school will not meet over the summer. We will have Children's Chapel for children under the third grade. Children will begin the service with their adults. The teachers will pick them up before the Gospel reading. They will return for the blessing of children after the Peace. The nursery is still open throughout the service for very young children.
Sunday school for all ages resumes on Aloha Sunday, September 13th.

Sandwich Makers – Today and July 21st

We have two opportunities to assist Sandwich Makers this week: today at Coffee Hour and Tuesday, July 21st, at 10 am. Both meet in Fellowship Hall.
The demand for sandwiches distributed each weekday by our Evening Prayer ministry has increased. Up to sixty underhoused and/or food insecure persons are fed at Trinity every Monday through Friday. Many hands make light work. Help us to help our neighbors in need.

Episcopal Night at the Astros – July 22nd

Join Episcopalians from across the Diocese of Texas to cheer on the Astros at Episcopal Night at Daikin Park, Wednesday, July 22nd. Our friends at Christ Church Cathedral will be hosting a pre-game gathering at 5 pm, including hot dogs and other refreshments. Free parking is available at the Cathedral Garage, 511 San Jacinto Street. Plan to walk a few blocks from the Cathedral to the ball park for the game by 7 pm. Tickets may be purchased by scanning this QR Code:

Welcome the Reverend Marcia Sadberry

We welcome our friend the Reverend Marcia Sadberry who will be assisting us until October. In addition to being a bi-vocational priest, she is a junior high school orchestra teacher who says her claim to fame is that she once taught Beyonce and played in the orchestra when she sang the National Anthem at the Super Bowl. Please introduce yourself and make her feel welcome.

Coffee Hour and Flowers

We have many opportunities this summer for hosting Coffee Hour and donating altar flowers. Details on how to sign up and available dates are on the second page of the Weekly Window.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, July 19, 2026
9:30 am Nursery Opens
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
11:45 am Coffee Hour (FH)
11:45 am Sandwich Makers (FH)

Monday, July 20, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, July 21, 2026
10:00 am Sandwich Makers (FH)
1:00 pm Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Wednesday, July 22, 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)

Thursday, July 23, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Friday, July 24, 2026
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Youth Room)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, July 25, 2026
9:30 am Episcopal Way (Smith)

Save the Date:
September 6th, 11 am
One Service
Bishop Hector Monterroso Visits
Bilingual Latin American Music Mass
The 30th Anniversary of the Rector's Ordination

Adult Forum and Sunday School resume
Aloha Sunday, September 13th
Nursery care is available for very young children.
Other children may participate in children's chapel during the 10:30 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 Rector. If you would like to participate as a member of the prayer chain, please contact Norma Cooper.

We pray for: Jonathan, Jim, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Anita, Gentry, Diane, Jimmie, Arthur, Christina, Christopher, Benjamin, Katie, Libby, Edgar, Dalia, Irene, Stan, Garrett, Dave, Linda, Alejandra
Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Tom, Patty, Emily, Dick, Barbara, Carolyn, Sylvia, Joyce, David, Robert, Rick, Susan, Mary, Kensington, Christina, Juan, Shirley, Ken, Randy, Bob, Edith, Lilian, Vanessa, Franklin, Neil, Anadeli, People of Venezuela, All victims of violence

For the faithful departed: Jane Weichel, Joan Sebastian Guerrero, Lindsay Graham, Nolan Xavier Wells, Lorenzo Salgado Araujo, Brian Young, the victims of the earthquakes in Venezuela, the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, victims of violence in U.S. 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:
The next available Sundays for dedications will be August 2, 9,16

Sign ups for coffee hour hosts are available, please sign up 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 August 2, 9, 16

Joshua Draper, Claire McCarty, Julie Morin, Greg LeGrande, Henrik Escoto, Kathryn Schuller, Agatha Harvey, Olivia Blissard, Patrick Humphreys

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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

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.

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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