The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 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*
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Steve Lee, *Assistant Treasurer*
Ben Blanding, *Clerk of the Vestry*

The Trinity Jazz Ensemble

Vocals: April Sloan-Hubert
Piano: Pelayo Parlade
Winds: Ernesto Vega
Bass: Felix Yoan Alonso, guest musician

Serving Today

Lector: Ric Byrd
Prayers: Gladys Vallés
LEMs: Samantha Rainman, Stan Tubbs
Acolytes: S. Chambers, L. Chambers, D. Bearup, G. Chambers
Ushers: Jody Rathburn, Richard Rathburn, Will Sager, Kerry Ward
Verger: Christian Bearup
Vestry of the Day: Patrick Humphreys
Altar Guild: Joanne Starbuck, Madeline Mauk, Jeanne Sommerfeld
Audio Visual: Daniel Romero Atkins

The High Altar flowers are designed and dedicated by Shelby Bradley
to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of my Aunt, Charlotte Baylor,
and my Cousin, Roseanna Fernandes.

They are also dedicated in Joyful Thanksgiving for
my Brother, Robert Percy Jones, Jr.,
and my Cousin, David Anton Baylor,

The Liturgy of the Word

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

Please stand as able.

OPENING HYMN Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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.
O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 29: 15-28

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

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

PSALM 105: 1-11, 45B Confitemini, *Domino* BCP, page 738
Alternately by whole verse.

1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

4 Search for the LORD and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

(Continued on page 6)

**6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

7 He is the LORD our God; *
his judgments prevail in all the world.

**8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, *
the promise he made for a thousand generations:**

9 The covenant he made with Abraham, *
the oath that he swore to Isaac,

**10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, *
an everlasting covenant for Israel,**

11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan *
to be your allotted inheritance."

45b Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

E♭ Fm E♭/G A♭6 E♭
Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise.
Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;
High King of heav - en, when vic - t'ry is won,
5
B♭ F/A Gm E♭ Cm B♭/D E♭ B♭
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:
may I reach heav - en's joys, bright heav - en's sun!
9
A♭ Cm Gm A♭ B♭
Thou my best thought, by day and by night,
Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
13
Cm B♭ E♭/G E♭ A♭6 Cm A♭6 E♭
Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
Great God of heav - en, my treas - ure Thou art.
Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.
Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as able* Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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 Maimbo Mndolwa and the Anglican Church of Tanzania. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. John's, Carthage; St. John's, Center; St. John's, Tyler; and St. Luke's, Lindale. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Sarah Flick and the Women's Circle.

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, Diane, Jimmie, Arthur, Christina, Christopher, Garrett, Dave, Linda, Alejandra, Joanne, Ron, Kathy, Nia, Gina, and Tricia.
Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Cornelia, Mary, Andréa, and Amy, as they celebrate their birthdays.
We will exalt you, O God our King;

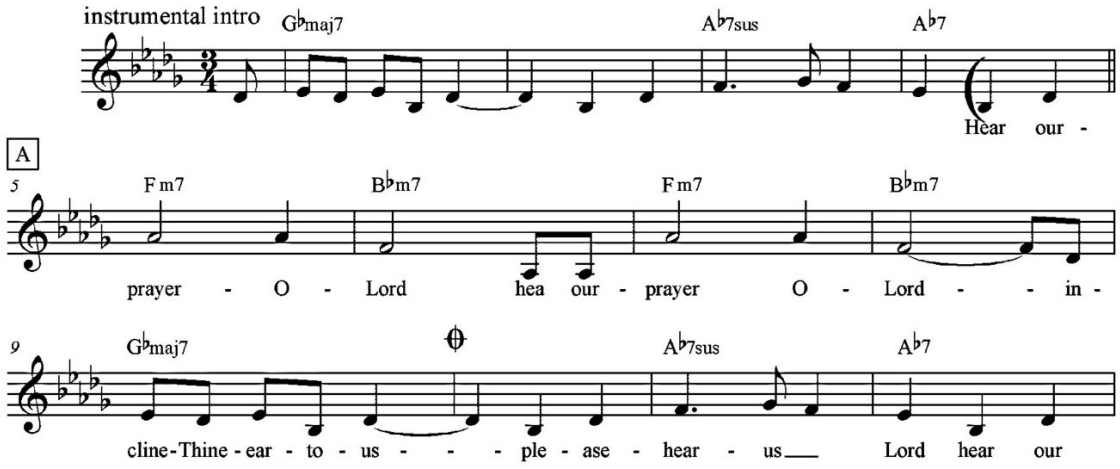
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

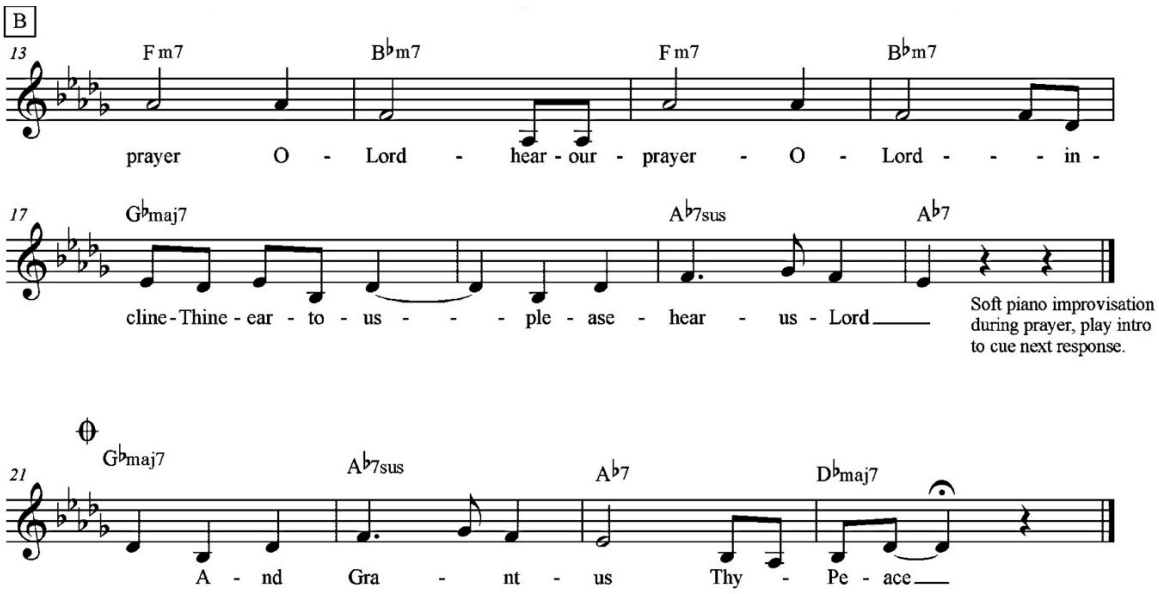
Reader We pray for all who have died, especially for Jane Weichel, Brian Young, the victims of the earthquakes in Venezuela, the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, victims of violence in U.S. cities, and all victims of gun violence, that they may have a place in 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 Say a Little Prayer for You Burt Bacharach

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 — His Eye Is on the Sparrow — Civilla Martin, Charles H. Gabriel

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 God, 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.

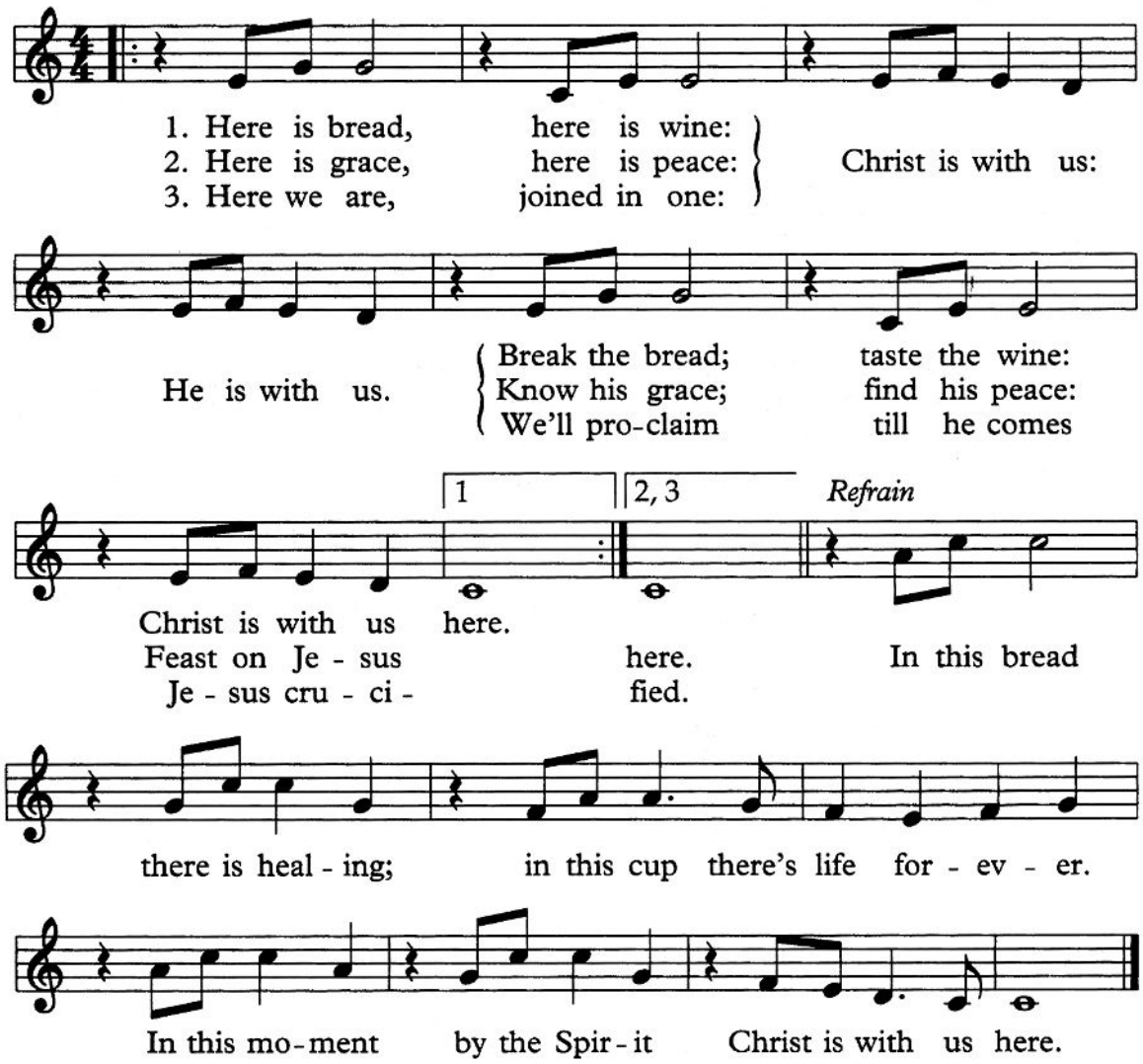
We offer a gluten-free bread option for those with dietary restrictions who wish to receive communion. To receive a gluten free wafer, please clasp your hands with palms facing each other when the priest administering the bread approaches you.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine



The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

Celebrant On behalf of God and Trinity Parish, we send forth these holy gifts so that Tom, Patty, 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 Just a Closer Walk with Thee LEVAS, page 72

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 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 everyone who assisted with 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

Regular Sunday Schedule Resumes August 2nd

Holy Eucharist

8 am (Contemplative)

10:30 am (Traditional)

12:30 pm (Jazz/Gospel)

THE WEEKLY WINDOW
OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MIDTOWN

July 26, 2026, Ninth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 12, 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

Regular Sunday Schedule Resumes August 2nd

Today we have only one service of Holy Eucharist, at 10:30 am. We will return to our regular schedule on Sunday, August 2nd :
8 am: Contemplative service in Morrow Chapel with piano meditations
10:30 am: Traditional service in Historic Church with organ and Trinity Choir
12:30 pm Jazz/Gospel service in Morrow Chapel with the Trinity Jazz Ensemble

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.

Rhapsode Guild Concert – Tonight

Rhapsode Guild of Houston will offer a concert today at 6:30 pm in the Historic Church, called Wild Tracks: Music from the Byways and the Hedges. It celebrates a community of adventurous Houston composers and honors the performers who bring the music to life. You will hear new voices, unique approaches, and music from the periphery. Program includes works by Stephen Yip, Misha Penton, B. P. Herrington, Paul Kasperitis, and our own Tian Qin.
You can purchase tickets by scanning this QR Code:

Breakfast Club – August 1st

The Trinity Breakfast Club (formerly the Men's Breakfast) will meet on Saturday, August 1st, at 8:30 am at IHOP, 2515 Southwest Freeway. All adults are welcome for meditation, conversation, and fellowship.

Episcopal Way – August 29th

If you were unable to attend yesterday's Episcopal Way class and you are an adult who wishes to be confirmed or received or to reaffirm your commitment when the Bishop visits in September, please attend the class on August 29th at 9:30 am. You will learn about the Episcopal Church and the Anglican tradition and how the process of becoming a member of Trinity works.

Save the Date – September 6th

The Right Reverend Hector Monterroso, Bishop Assistant of Texas, will visit on September 6th. We will have one service that day, at 11 am. That day also happens to be the 30th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of our Rector, the Reverend Hannah Atkins Romero. It will be a bilingual Latin American Music Mass. Please mark your calendars.

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 26, 2026
9:30 am Nursery Opens
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, RIte II (Church)
11:45 am Coffee Hour (FH)
7:30 pm Rhapsode Guild Concert (Church)

Monday, July 27, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, July 28, 2026
1:00 pm Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Wednesday, July 29, 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 30, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Friday, July 31, 2026
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Youth Room)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, August 1, 2026
8:30 am Breakfast Club (Offsite)

Please note:
The Ministry Heads Meeting scheduled for July 30th will instead be held on August 17th. Ministry heads will be contacted with more details.

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: onathan, Jim, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Anita, Gentry, Diane, Jimmie, Arthur, Christina, Christopher, Benjamin, Libby, Edgar, Dalia, Irene, Stan, Darin, Garrett, Dave, Linda, Alejandra, Joanne, Ron, Nia, Gina, Tricia, Kathy
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, 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

Cornelia Harvey,
Mary Johns,
Andrea Shiloh,
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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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