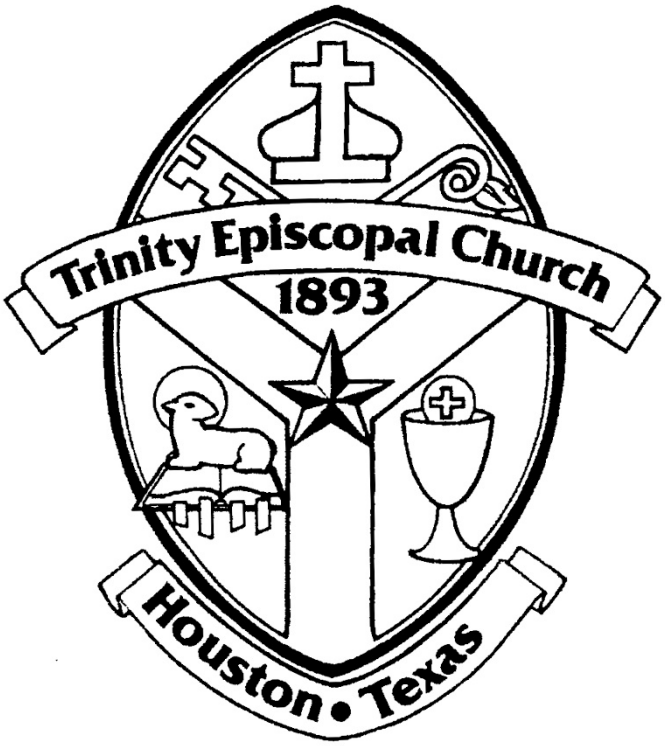
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 8, 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

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 using the QR code or at this link:
https://www.trinitymidtown.org/contact-card/

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 children 2 to 5 years old and their caregiver during the 10:30 service. It features books, puzzles, and other quiet activities.

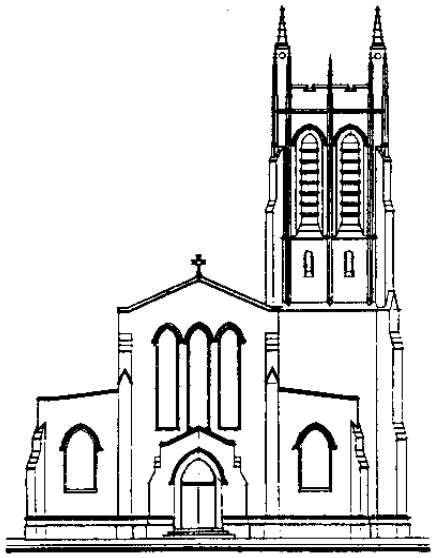




Lay Ministers Serving Today

Lector: Harrison G. Moore, IV
Prayers: Paulina Lane
LEMs: Christian Bearup, Larry Laubach
Ushers: Ken Jones, Madeline Mauk, Jeanne Sommerfeld, Andrew O'Neill
Verger: David Villarreal
Altar Guild: Mark Goza, Brett Smiley, David Villarreal
Audio Visual: Harry González
Vestry Person of the Day: Amanda Talaat

The High Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God
and in celebration of the Parishioners of Trinity
and their Devotion and Dedication to God
by the Consecration Sunday Committee



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Holy Eucharist Rite II

10:30 a.m. Historic Church

Please enter in a spirit of prayerful contemplation.

PRELUDE *Improvisation on* Intret oratio mea in conspectu tuo Paul Mortilla

Please stand as able.

HYMN IN PROCESSION 436 *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates* Truro



The Liturgy of the Word

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

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 S280 *Gloria in excelsis* Robert Powell (b.1932)





COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.
O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

"Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we

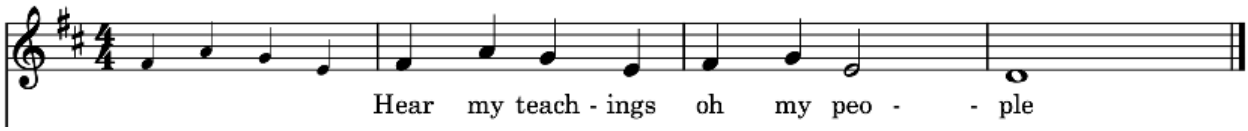
will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

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

PSALM 78: 1-7 *Attendite, popule* Mortilla/Robleto

Congregation joins the choir singing the antiphon and the verses in bold
John Robleto is in the 12th grade at The Saint Constantine School

John Robleto



Paul Mortilla



1 Hear my teaching, | O my | people; *
incline your | ears to the | words of my | mouth.
2 I will open my | mouth in a | parable; *
I will declare the | mysteries of | ancient | times.

3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our | forefathers have | told us, *
we will not | *hide* | from their | children.
4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the | power of the | Lord, *
and the wonderful | *works* | he has | done.

5 He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a | law for | Israel, *
which he com-| manded them to | teach their | children;
6 That the generations to come might know,
and the children | yet un-| born; *
that they in their turn might | tell it | to their | children;
†7 So that they might put their | trust in | God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but | *keep* | his com-| mandments.

THE SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

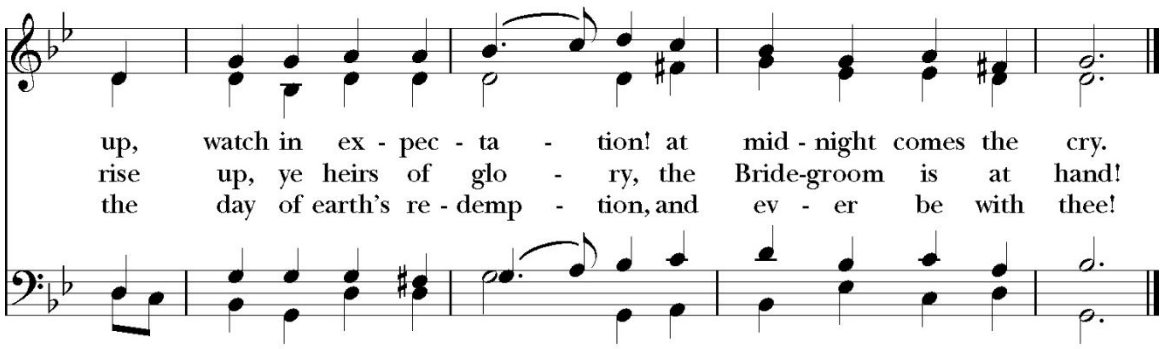
We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

Please stand as able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 68 *Rejoice! rejoice, believers* Llangloffan





THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

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

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

Please be seated.

SERMON The Reverend Marcia Sadberry, Priest Assisting

Please stand as able.

NICENE CREED BCP, page 358

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

(We invite you to offer any prayers you wish to share in the Livestream 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; Gina, the governor-elect; Lina, the county judge; Letitia, the county judge-elect; 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 Dr. Georges Titre Ande and the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo. In the diocesan cycle of prayer for St. Catherine of Sienna, Missouri City; St. John's, Palacios; and St. Mark's, Bay City. In the ministry cycle of prayer for Madeline Mauk and the Consecration Sunday 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, 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: Jim, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Anita, Diane, Arthur, Gina, Tricia, Blanca, Libby, Linda, Stan, Randy, Samantha, Beatriz, Marianne, John, Megan, Lily, Meeka, Mary, Susan, Lorcan, Sheree, Jimmy, Winnie, Jorge, Isabel, Pelayo, and his Holiness Pope Leo the Fourteenth.
Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Winnie, Meaghan, Samantha, Ric, Sarah, Catherine, Erma, Elliot, Ceci, Larry, Shelbie, and Kaylee, 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 George Grider Davis, the victims of the school shooting in Bend, Oregon; the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, 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 celebrant offers this concluding prayer for Veterans' Day:

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

Amen.

CONFESSION BCP, page 393

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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.

People **Amen.**

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.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY OFFERING

The congregation will be invited to bring their Estimate of Giving card (pledge cards) to the front of the church.

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.

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**.

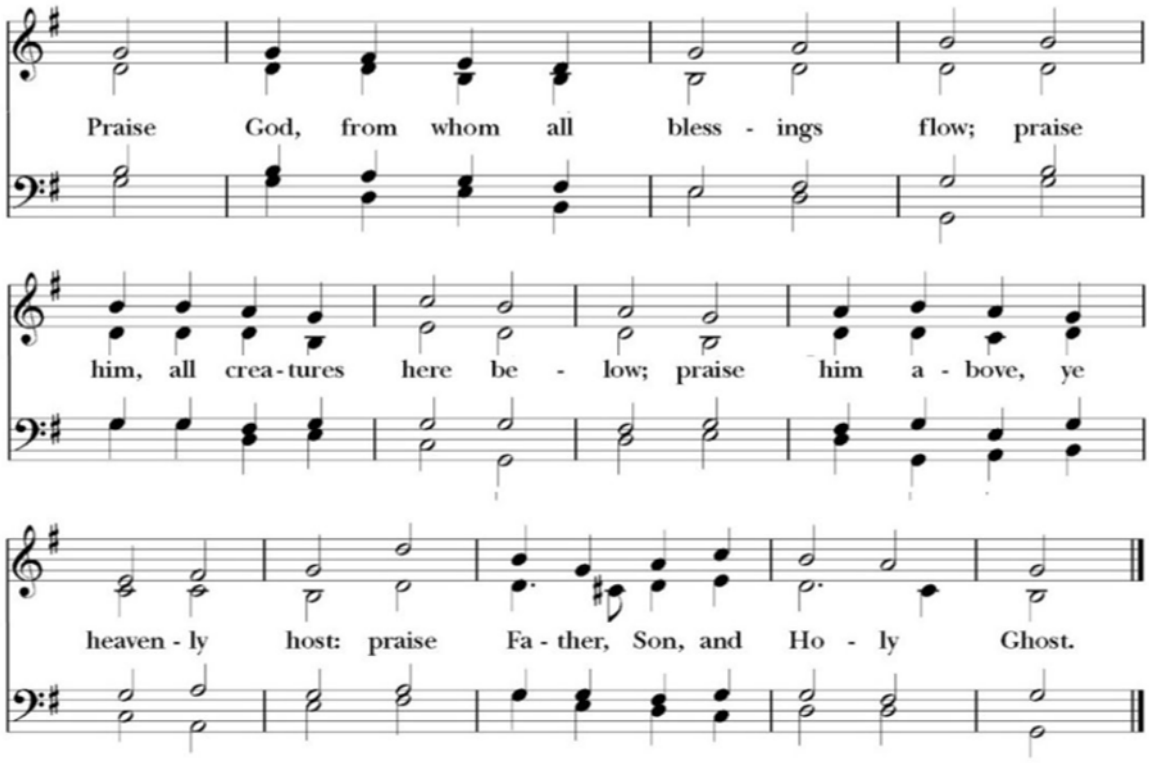
- Be sure to type **heartofmidtown** with no spaces, or autocorrect may insert information about a different church.
- The prompt will ask for a credit card number which can be kept on file for future contribution.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *If ye love me* Thomas Tallis (c1505-85)

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you for ever:
e'en the spirit of truth,
that he may bide with you for ever.

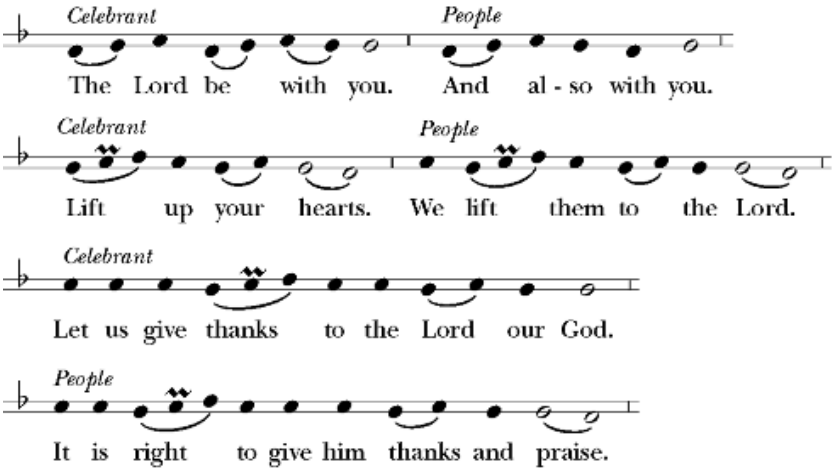
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HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380 v.3 Old 100th



GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B BCP, page 367

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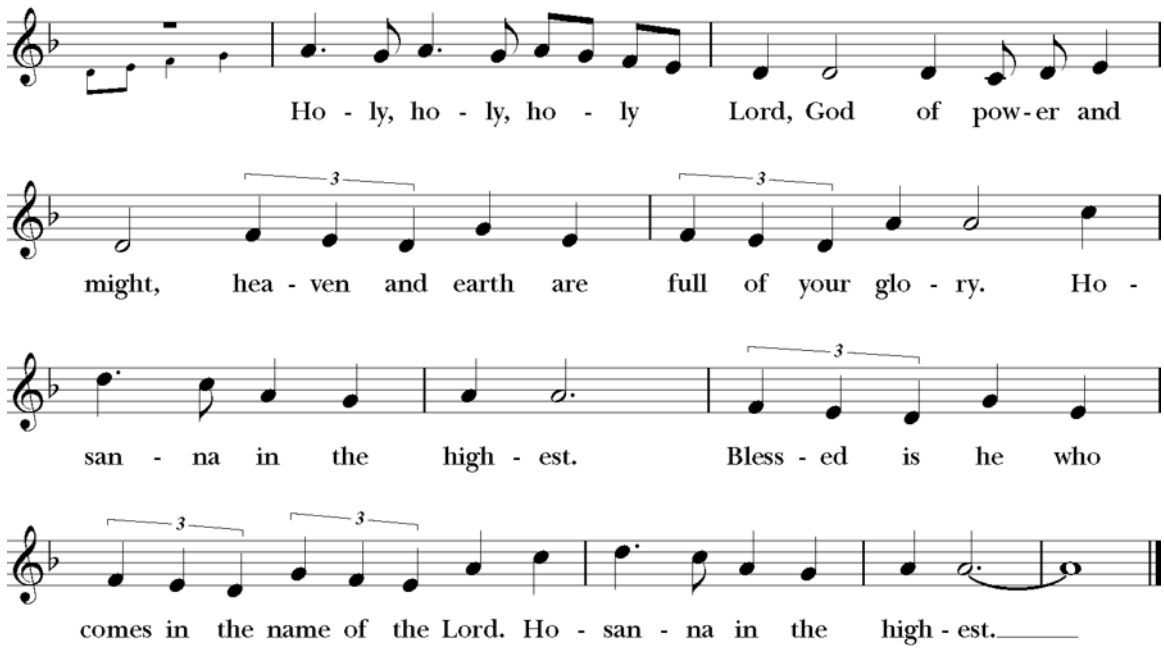
The Celebrant proceeds

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 S129 Robert Powell (b. 1932)



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.**

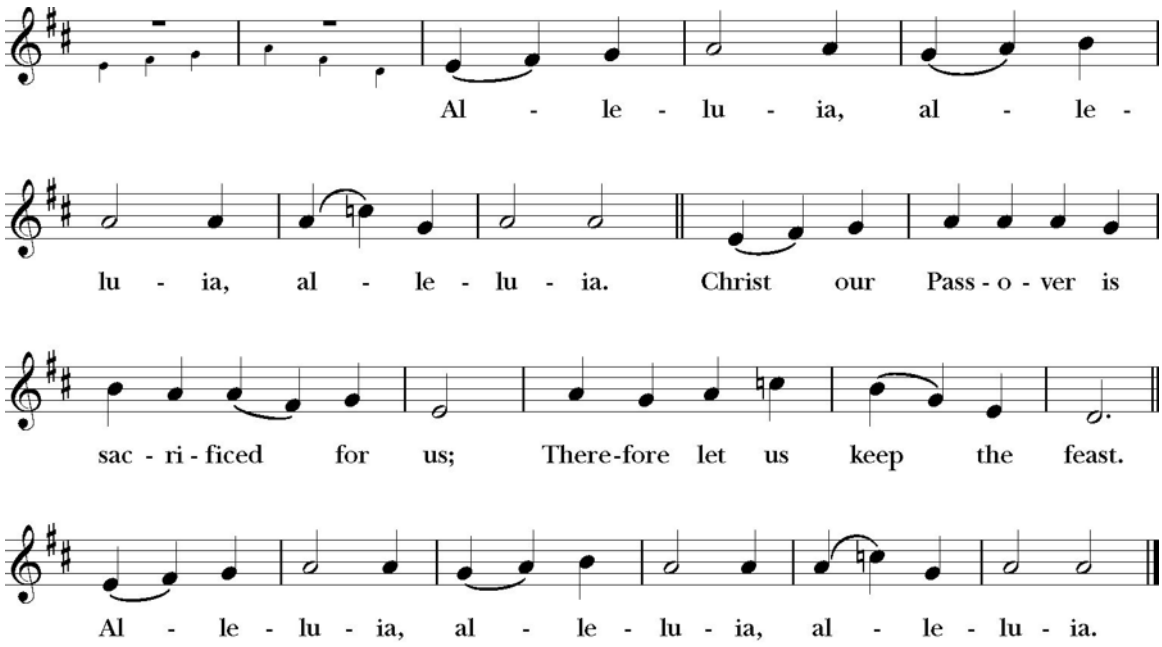
The Celebrant then continues

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 S155 Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)



INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION BCP, page 364

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

AGNUS DEI S166 Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)



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 324 *Let all mortal flesh keep silence* Picardy



The Celebrant distributes a communion kit saying,

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

People **Amen.**

Please kneel or stand as able.

Celebrant and People

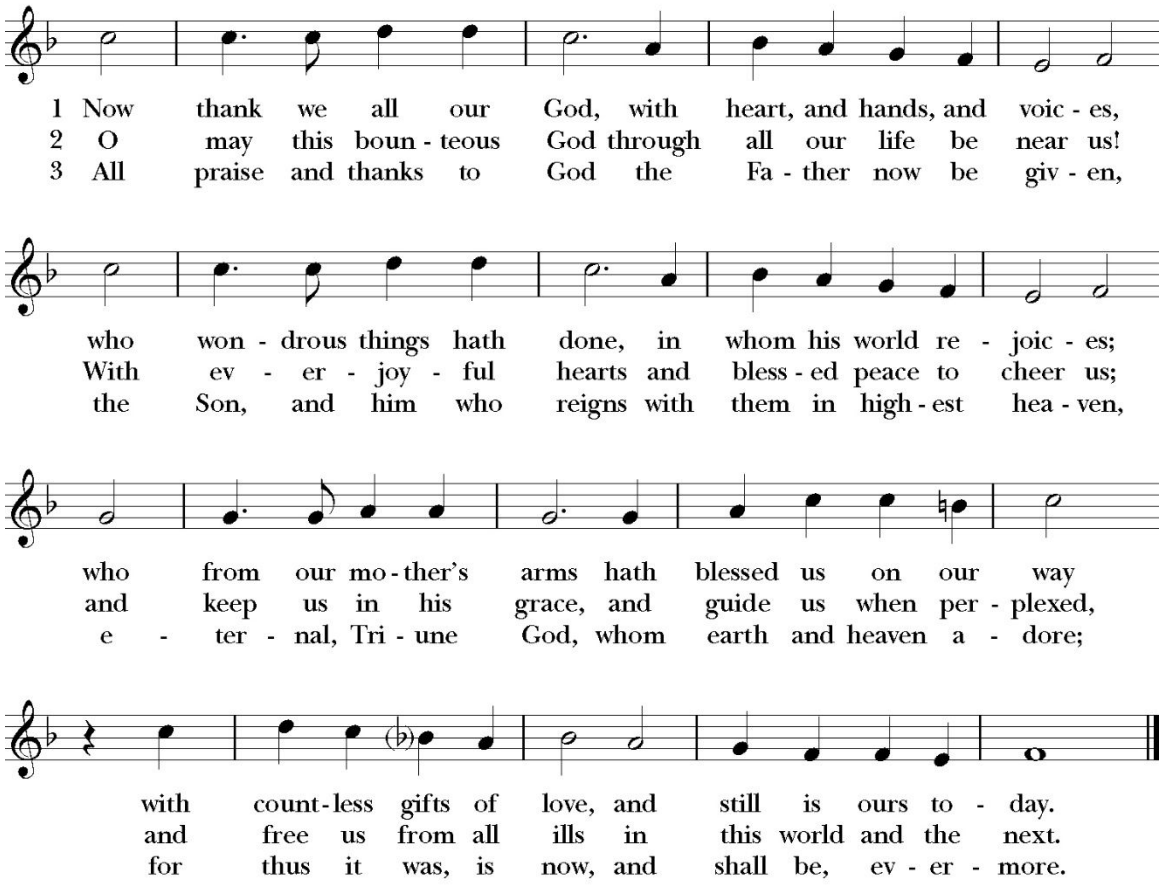
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant 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.**

Please stand as able

HYMN IN PROCESSION 396 *Now thank we all our God* Nun danket alle Gott



DISMISSAL BCP, page 366

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Voluntary on Picardy* Paul Mortilla

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Please note that November 22 and December 20
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

Flower dedications are available on November 22,
December 13, 20, and 27.
Make your Flower Dedications Online at trinitymidtown.org
or scan this QR code

THE WEEKLY WINDOW
OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MIDTOWN
November 8, 2026, 24th Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 27, Year A)
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1015 Holman @ Main | 713-528-4100

Sunday Schedule:
Holy Eucharist
8 am (Contemplative)
10:30 am (Tradtional)
12:30 pm (Jazz/Gospel)
Weekdays: Evening Prayer 5:30 pm

Consecration Sunday – Today

Sunday, November 9th, is our congregation's Consecration Sunday. Please fill out an Estimate of Giving (pledge card) and turn it in as soon as possible. A virtual card may be found at this QR Code: Please join us for brunch after each service.

EYC Goes to Downtown Aquarium – November 14th

The Episcopal Youth Community continues their fall activities on Saturday, November 14th, with a trip to the Downtown Aquarium. All teens are welcome. Meet at 3 pm.
For more information, contact George at g.zemanek.1@gmail.com. RSVP by Sunday, November 8th.

Choral Evensong – November 22nd

Join us for Choral Evensong to end the church year on November 22nd at 5:30 pm. The Preces and Responses are the well-loved setting by Herbert Howells. The Magificat and Nunc Dimittis are a setting by 19th Century Irish composer Lizzie Walker, possibly the first such setting by a woman composer. Also featured is a new anthem by Choirmaster Paul Mortilla, "When I Was Hungry" which is dedicated to Trinity's Evening Prayer Ministry. Join Paul, Organist Tian Qin, and the Trinity Choir. The Rector will officiate. We will have incense.

Jazz Mass – November 29th

Our annual Jazz Mass will be held on Sunday, November 29th, with music under the direction of Jessie McBride from Tulane University and Anne Lundy from the Community Music Center, which will celebrate the Music of New Orleans. There will be **one service** that morning at 11 am, with reception to follow.

Parish Retreat – Registration Due November 30th

Our parish-wide retreat at Camp Allen will be held February 12 to 14 at Camp Allen. Registration is $85 per adult, $40 per child/youth, with a $200 maximum per family. It is $50 to attend for the day on Saturday. Please contact the Reverend Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios at associaterector@trinitymidtown.org with any questions. Scan here to register on our website:

Trinity News

All Saints' Day

We celebrated All Saints' Day on November 1st by welcoming two new adult members through Holy Baptism, Keegan Reynolds and Hitomi Saso, at the 10:30 service. Music included a choral mass setting by Jonathan Dove, sung by the Trinity Choir, along with Arvo Pärt's setting of the Beatitudes and John Tavener's "Song for Athene." Coffee Hour had a Día de los Muertos theme featuring skull-shaped cakes.

Election Day

Trinity served as a Harris County polling place on Election Day, November 3rd. A steady stream of voters came trhoughout the day. Thank you to the clergy, staff, and volunteers who assisted.

Meeting This Week

Adult Forum : Today at 9:30 am in Smith Room – Saints and Martyrs and Thankfulness
Sandwich Makers: Tuesday at 10 am in Fellowship Hall
Yoga : Tuesday at 10 am in Atrium II
Women's Circle: Tuesday at 11 am in Masterson Room
Tots and Rents (Return): Saturday at 9:30 am, Fire Truck Park, 3743 Garnet Street

Prayers

Our custom is to read aloud the names of those who request our prayers weekly. We also remember in our Prayer Chain and here those who desire prayers. Please email to keep us informed. For information or comments about 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, Diane, Clyde, Arthur, Christina, Gina, Tricia, Ian, Blanca, Libby, Linda, Alejandra, Randy, Stan, Samantha, Beatriz, Bob, Marianne, John, Megan, Mary, Susan, Lorcan, Sheree,Winnie, Ray, Jorge, Isabel, Pelayo, Pope Leo XIV Allegra, Gareth, Kazi, Aurora, Tom, Patty, Emily, Barbara, Carolyn, Sylvia, Joyce, David, Robert, Rick, Susan, Kensington, Christina, Juan, Shirley, Ken, Randy, Bob, Edith, Lilian, Vanessa, Franklin, Neil, Anadeli, Gentry,Benjamin, Dalia, Jimmie, Joanne, Ron, Nia, Gina, Tricia, Amy, Vivian, Erma, Ken, Linda, John, Catherine, Ian, All victims of violence

For the faithful departed: George Davis; the victims of the floods in Nepal; the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, and all victims of gun violence.

For our seminarian: Barrett Hess

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.

Happy Birthday!

Winnie Davis, Meagan Heath, Samantha Rainman, Caroline Larsson, Sarah Flick, Catherine Guthrie, Erma De Wispelaere, Elliott Snell, Ceci Bruton, Larry Laubach, Shelbie Weatherly, Kaylee Edwards

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, November 8, 2026
7:30 am – 1:30 pm Nursery Open
8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
9:00 am Meditations (Masterson/Zoom)
9:30 am Education Hour
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, RIte II (Church)
11:45 am Coffee Hour (FH)
12:30 pm Jazz/GospelEucharist (Chapel)
8:00 pm Completas (Facebook)

Monday, Nvember 9, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, November 10, 2026
10:00 am Sandwich Makers (FH)
10:00 am Yoga (Atrium II)
11:00 am Women's Circle (Masterson)
1:00 pm Listening Post
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Wednesday, November 11, 2026
10:30 am Staff Meeting (Smith)
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Youth Rm)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)
6:00 pm Healing Service (Zoom)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Room 218)

Thursday,November 12, 2026
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Friday, November 13, 2026
12:15 pm Good Times AA (Youth Rm)
5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church)

Saturday, November 14, 2026
9:30 am Tots and Rents (Offsite)

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Oración por los Ministerios para Migrantes

Dios misericordioso,
te damos gracias y toda la gloria
por permanecer con nosotros y bendecir nuestros ministerios.
Nos guías por caminos de propósito;
abres ante nosotros puertas a nuevas oportunidades.

Anima nuestros corazones,
para asegurar un futuro radiante y seguro
para nuestros nuevos vecinos,
que vienen de tierras lejanas.

Inspíranos
a crear una comunidad amada
con todos aquellos que cruzan nuestro camino.
Te damos gracias por las innumerables historias
de pequeñas victorias y grandes éxitos,
que son signos de tu amor y poder obrando a través de nosotros.

Te damos gracias por la valentía
de todos aquellos que se ven forzados a migrar,
quienes se esfuerzan por escalar no solo los altos muros de la vida,
sino, sobre todo, los aún más altos muros del desafío.

Fortalécenos para caminar junto a ellos.
Sé nuestra visión constante, oh Dios.
Danos la esperanza del inmigrante,
la determinación del peregrino,
y ablanda nuestros corazones ante su clamor por justicia.
Oramos en el nombre de Jesucristo,
nuestro acogedor, nuestro guía, nuestro anfitrión.
AMÉN+

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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