

The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

July 2, 2023 at 11:00 AM

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Holy Trinity

This leaflet includes an order of service for worship and other important information.

Assistance. If you need assistance in any way, an usher at the entrance can help you. Restrooms are located in the Mission House building basement, accessible through the Cloister Corridor or across the garden and into the westernmost building.

New to Holy Trinity? We would love to be able to greet you properly. Please fill out a visitor card, located in the pews, and place it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy or ushers.

Giving. As Christians, we believe that all we have, from our talents, to our energy, to our financial resources, is a gift from God. If you would like to know more about how to give of your talents and energy, please let a member of our clergy know and they will gladly connect you with the various ministries of the parish. You can make a financial gift through the offering plate, online at holytrinity-nyc.org or by texting COHT316 to 73256.

Our Mission. To show and share the love of God.

Our History. Since 1899 The Church of the Holy Trinity has opened its doors to those of the Anglican Faith, of other faiths, and of no faith. Through hospitality, service, and worship, we seek to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God."

Independence and Faith

Giving thanks for religious freedom.

James Madison, the fourth President of the United States, thought a lot about religion and the country he was helping to shape and lead. In an 1822 letter to Louisiana lawyer Edward Livingston, Madison reflected on the delicate balance needed between religion and government:

Religion and government will both exist in greater purity the less they are mixed together...We are teaching the world the great truth that governments do better without kings and nobles, than with them. The merit will be doubled by the other lesson that religion flourishes in greater purity, without than with the aid of government.

I think Madison's words should be read more frequently by preachers and by politicians. Issues that mix up state and religion have been with us forever. But I hope that all sides might reclaim the ability to argue, to hear the other side and rephrase its argument, and to put forth a case with equal parts of passion, faith, and reason.

Let us give thanks that we can worship freely and in peace. Blessings to all for a good and safe Fourth of July Weekend.

The Reverend John F. Beddingfield, Rector

The Word of God

The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Voluntary

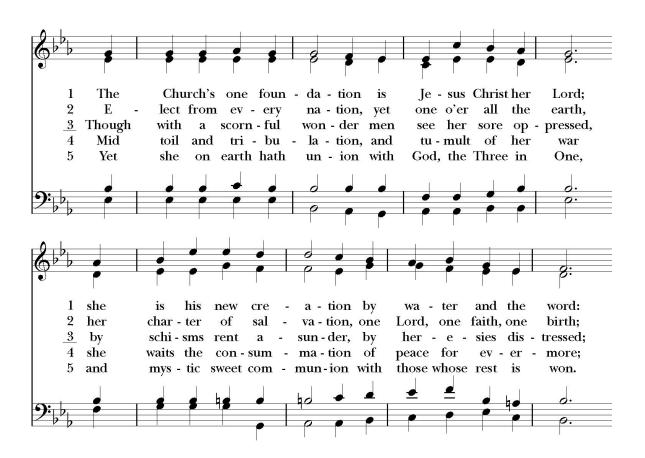
Voluntary in A

William Selby (1738-1798)

Welcome

Those who are able are invited to stand for the singing of the hymn.

Hymn Aurelia





Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

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.

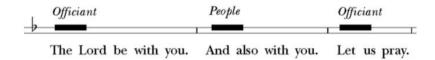
People Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Robert Powell (b. 1932)



The Collect of the Day



Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

The people are seated for the Lessons.

The First Lesson from Scripture

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Lector A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

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

All join in singing, changing tones as indicated by the boldfaced, underlined text.



- 1. Your love, O LORD, for ever will I **sing**; *
 - from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2. For I am persuaded that your love is established for **ever**; * you have set your faithfulness firmly in the **heavens**.
- "I have made a covenant with my <u>chosen one</u>; *
 I have sworn an oath to David my <u>servant</u>:
- 4. 'I will establish your line for **ever**, * and preserve your throne for all gener-**ations**.'"
- 15. Happy are the people who know the festal **shout**! * they walk, O LORD, in the light of your **presence**.
- 16. They rejoice daily in your <u>Name</u>; * they are jubilant in your <u>righteousness</u>.
- 17. For you are the glory of their **strength**, * and by your favor our might is ex-**alted**.
- 18. Truly, the LORD is our <u>ruler</u>; *
 the Holy One of Israel is our <u>King</u>.

The Second Lesson from Scripture

Romans 6:12-23

Lector A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

All who are able are invited to stand for the singing of the hymn and reading of the Gospel.

Verses 1-3 before the reading of the Gospel and verses 4 and 5 after the Gospel.



The Gospel Matthew 10:40-42

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, Rector

The Nicene Creed

Those who are able are invited to stand as we affirm the faith of the Church.

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 III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

The lector adds the names of those on the parish prayer list and concludes by saying

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

The lector bids prayer for those who have died and concludes by saying

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The celebrant concludes with a final petition ending with all saying together, Amen.

Prayer of Confession

The deacon or another minister bids the Confession.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humble

repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that

we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The ministers and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The People are seated for the announcements.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

As the voluntary is played, an offering is received for the work and mission of the Church.

At the Offertory, Voluntary

Andante Espressivo Dudley Buck (1839-1909)

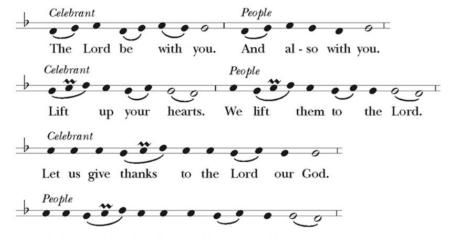
At the Presentation, The Doxology

As the gifts of bread, wine, and money are brought forward, those who are able stand to sing.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A



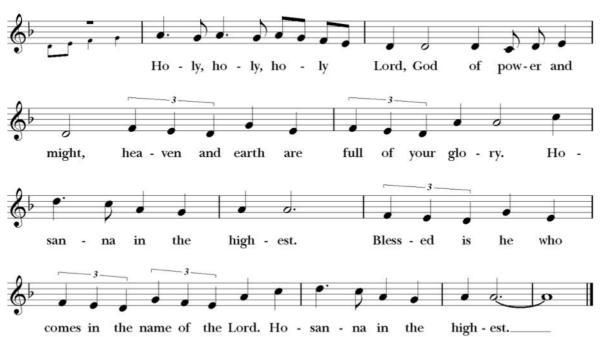
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Robert Powell

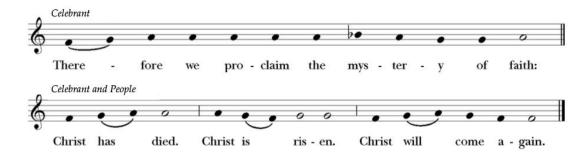
All join in singing



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

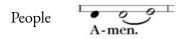
He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and 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."



The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.



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

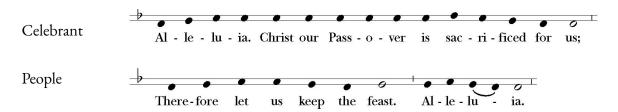
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a moment of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

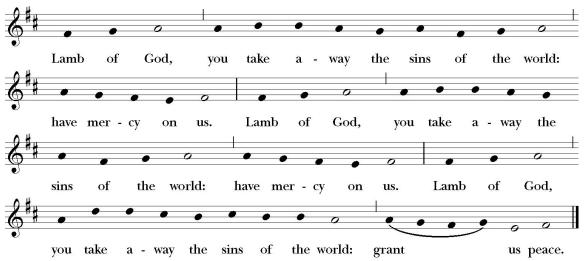
Ambrosian Chant



Agnus Dei

New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

All join in singing



Reception of Communion

It is the tradition here at the Church of the Holy Trinity to invite all who wish to come forward to receive Holy Communion, the sacrament of the Body and the Blood of Christ in the form of bread and wine. Follow the directions of the ushers and the practice of your fellow worshippers. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward at the same time, and cross your hands over your chest to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing only.

At Communion, Voluntary

Melody Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son and 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

The Celebrant blesses the People, and the People respond: Amen.

Hymn America



The Dismissal

Minister Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Festive Processional Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

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Holy Trinity Summer Choir

The Summer Choir will lead music and sing an accessible choral anthem on the following Sunday mornings:

July 30th August 27th

Rehearsal will be in the church at 9:45AM Come as you are, invite a friend, and lift your voice in song!

Please email Adam Koch with your name, voice part, and dates you will be singing at: apkoch@holytrinity-nyc.org.

The *Summer Choir* is an opportunity to join with some of our regular choir members in leading worship and singing an anthem along with musicians of the Holy Trinity Choir. This is a relaxed opportunity for you to participate in leading our liturgy through song. We will rehearse the hymns and anthem at 9:45 AM on each of the two Sundays, meeting at the front of the church. We look forward to hearing from you and to your participation in the Holy Trinity Summer Choir.

~Adam Koch

Music notes...

In honor of the upcoming Independence Day holiday, the organ voluntaries chosen for today's service were written by American organists and composers. The pipe organ and its music is relatively new in the United States compared to other parts of the world. For historic context, the earliest known surviving music for keyboard, known as the *Robertsbridge Codex*, contains music of English origin, previously thought to have been Italian, and dates from 1360. The first *recorded* use of an organ in the United States, was 343 years later, in 1703 during an ordination service at a Lutheran church in Philadelphia.

Though he was not born in the Colonies, William Selby (1738-1798) emigrated to New England where he first served as organist at Trinity Church in Newport, Rhode Island. In 1777 Selby was appointed organist at King's Chapel in Boston, Massachusetts, where he organized the first colonial music festival. There are very few works of William Selby that survive today: two voluntaries and one fugue for organ, a lesson for the harpsichord, and an anthem for Thanksgiving. Beyond his duties as an organist and choirmaster, Selby managed a grocery store.

Born in Hartford, Connecticut, Dudley Buck (1839-1909) graduated from Trinity College, in Hartford, in 1862 and pursued further studies at the Leipzig Conservatory. Buck served as organist at Hartford's North Congregational Church and then St. James' Episcopal Church in Chicago where he remained until his home, teaching studio, and church were destroyed in the Great Fire. In 1877 Dudley Buck began a 25 year tenure at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, and for a year as organist and choirmaster at Plymouth Congregational Church, Brooklyn, before his retirement. It is believed that Dudley Buck wrote the first American organ symphony, though he may be best known today for his *Concert Variations on The Star Spangled Banner*, Op. 23. ~ *Adam Koch*

SERVING TODAY

Ushers: Jeff McCulley

Subdeacon: David Liston

Altar Guild: Alden Prouty

Lector: Suanne Julig

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. John F. Beddingfield

Deacon: The Rev. Pamela Tang

Coffee Hour: Millie Deleon, Patricia Miller

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Jean, Margo, Bob, Rhonda, Maddie, Helen, Emma, Victoria, Matthew, Ann, Etelka, Fabio Sr, Judy, Mary, Steve, Megan, Jackie, David, Matthew, Katie, Erin, Ryan, Sue.

The sympathy and love of the parish are extended to the family and friends of Mari Lyn Henry, upon her death. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mari Lyn, her family, and for all who mourn.

Praying with our Link Parish in London

of St. Stephen with St. John. We especially pray for the clergy, parishioners and all the programs of the parish.

Keeping our Prayer List Current. Names remain on the list through the end of the calendar month, but are refreshed for the first Sunday of each month.

HOLY GOSSIP

Sunday, June 25 Attendance: 8:00 AM: 14; 11:00 AM: 74; 6:00 PM: 20... A memorial service will be held for Marion (Betsy) Morey on Wednesday, July 5, at 11:00 AM at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Fifth Avenue at 90th Street . . .Join us for our cookout, eating in Draesel Hall, and hymn sing in the church this Wednesday, July 5, beginning at 7:00 PM. If you're joining us for dinner, please bring a side or dessert to

share . . . Father Doug Ousley will spend July as chaplain at St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral in Malta . . . Deacon Pam Tang will be on vacation July 6 - 16. We wish Deacon Pam and Father Doug safety and rest in their travels . . . We invite members and friends to pledge to the operating budget of the church for 2023. Pledge packets can be found in the back of the church, or can be found on the church website . . . Check for recordings of our Sunday worship services at https://facebook.com/holytrinitynyc. A large box will pop up asking you to log in or create an account, but in smaller print underneath, you can click "not now" and continue.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Are you interested in singing in the Holy Trinity Choir? If you or somebody you know (singers do not need to be members of Holy Trinity) would be interested in joining the Holy Trinity Choir, please email Adam Koch: apkoch@holytrinity-nyc.org.

LEARNING AND GROWING

Forward Day-By-Day. Copies of the May/June/July edition of the daily prayer guide, *Forward Day by Day* are available on the wall shelves in the church.

It's All About Love, July 9-12, is a festival for the whole Episcopal Church that will be taking place in Baltimore, MD. The four days will include revival worship, plenary speakers, and 90+ workshops, panels, and practice opportunities around Evangelism, Racial Reconciliation, and Creation Care. Opportunities to join online for of the festival be found parts can at https://www.episcopalchurch.org/its-all-about-love/. Congratulations to our own Yvonne O'Neal for coordinating a workshop on Eco-Womanism: Gender at the Intersection of Race and Climate, which will also include parishioner Christina Dhanaraj. Pray for Yvonne, Christina, and all those participating in the festival.

Summer Reading

Join us as we read and then gather for three online discussions. We are reading a new book by the Rt. Rev. Mariann Budde, the Episcopal Bishop of Washington, How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith. Some copies are for sale in the back of the church, but you can also purchase a paper or digital copy from Amazon, or Barnes & Noble. The conversations will be coordinated by Father Beddingfield.

Join us online at https://zoom.us/j/8753617165 (for the password, type the numerals for eighteen ninety-nine, two thousand nineteen. No comma or space.)

Tuesday, June 27, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Twelve people joined us for our online discussion of the Introduction, Chapter 1: "Deciding to Go," and Chapter 2: "Deciding to Stay."

Tuesday, July 25, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Chapter 3: "Deciding to Start," Chapter 4: "Accepting What You Do Not Choose," and Chapter 5: "Stepping Up to the Plate."

Tuesday, August 29, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Chapter 6: "The Inevitable Letdown," Chapter 7: "The Hidden Virtue of Perseverance," and Epilogue.

Summer Centering & Meditation Sundays from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM

We meet in the round Cloister Chapel. After a 5-minute introduction, we pray in silence for 25 minutes, concluding with the St. Francis Prayer. Whether you are a Christian, from another faith tradition, or no faith tradition; an experienced practitioner of meditation, or just beginning—all are welcome.

Summer Sounds & Social

First Wednesday of the Month, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM We'll be spending three summer Wednesday nights talking about music, and then being social with summer desserts.

July 5 - Hymn Sing

Follow your nose from the grills in the church yard into Draesel Hall, and then the church for a hymn sing. We'll be grilling that night, so feel free to bring shareable desserts or fruit as sides.

August 2 - Marian Music

Since August 15 is a Feast Day for the Blessed Virgin Mary, we'll spend some time together singing and listening to music that celebrates the Virgin Mary, from long ago and from our time. Led by Adam Koch, Director of Music, and Father Beddingfield, Rector.

September 6 - A Byrd of Many Sounds

Help us celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of English Renaissance composer William Byrd, as we explore his history and background and listen to some of his music. Followed by dessert. Led by Adam Koch, Director of Music, and Father Beddingfield, Rector.

OUTREACH & SOCIAL JUSTICE

(Holy Trinity Neighborhood Center, Inc.)

HTNC - HTNC serves sit-down, cooked meals to our neighborhood guests who join us on Saturdays at 5:15 PM. If you would like to volunteer by helping to cook or set up, come to the basement of the Mission House (the large building to the west of the main church) on Saturday between 3:00 PM and 3:30 PM. Last Saturday, June 24, HTNC served 105 neighbors! To learn more, contact Joe Lipuma. (jlipuma27@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY LIFE

Yoga (online). Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Join us through Zoom at https://zoom.us/j/8753617165 (for the password, type the numerals for eighteen ninety-nine, two thousand nineteen. No comma or space.) Questions? Contact Registered Yoga Teacher and parishioner Liz Poole at lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com.

GET INVOLVED

Acolytes (volunteer in worship and help everything go smoothly): Susan Valdes-Dapena; susan@valdes-dapena.net

Altar Guild (help with linens, vessels, and set up for worship): Alden Prouty; alden.prouty@gmail.com
Choir & Music: Adam Koch directs the 11:00 AM

choir: apkoch@holytrinity-nyc.org. Calvyn du Toit leads the 6:00 PM band and can be reached at

calvyn@protonmail.com

Holy Trinity Neighborhood Center (lunch, dinner, shelter or other programs): www.htncnyc.org

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Trinity Cares (assists with such tasks as grocery shopping, dog walking, or escort to a doctor, or to church): Patsy Weille; highlandmb4@gmail.com

Ushers (volunteer to greet people at worship services and offer hospitality): Liz Poole; lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com

Yoga at Holy Trinity (Wednesdays at 7:00 PM) Liz

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José Cornier and Ozell Ryant, Sextons

The Vestry (with year of term ending listed)

Wardens: Christopher Abelt (2023)

Jeanne Blazina (2025)

General Members of the Vestry:

Hal Barth (2024)

Paul Chernick, secretary (2025)

Lydia Colon (2025)

Leona Fredericks (2023)

Jean Geater (2023)

Scott Hess (2024)

Joseph Lipuma (2024)

Marlin Mattson (2025)

Fabio Mejia (2025)

Liz Poole (2024)

Donald Schermerhorn (2023)

Christine du Toit, treasurer (2023)

A Brief but Complicated History of The Church of the Holy Trinity



The original Church of the Holy Trinity, founded by the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr. in 1864, stood at 42nd Street and Madison Avenue. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Watkins, and the Rev. Dr. E. Walpole Warren. In the early 1890s, as Holy Trinity sought to move northward, the possibility developed for Holy Trinity to combine with St. James Church. Serena Rhinelander, who wanted to build a church as a memorial to her father and grandfather, bought out her relatives to amass a parcel of land on East 88th Street, and plans began to take shape for a new mission church. In 1897, St. Christopher's Mission House, the first building of the Holy Trinity complex, was dedicated. The old Holy Trinity building in midtown sold for \$750,000, which allowed \$200,000 to create an endowment for the new Holy Trinity, and the remainder of the money to go to St. James, who could then retire the mortgage on its new church building. When the rector of St. James retired, the former rector of Holy Trinity became rector of St. James, and the Rev. Dr. James B. Chalmers, became the first vicar of Holy Trinity's new incarnation. After Dr. Chalmers, Holy Trinity was led by vicars, the Rev. Samuel Dorrance, 1919-1926; the Rev. Dudley St. Stark, 1926-1932; the Rev. William J. Dietrich, 1932-1940; and the Rev. James A. Paul who began as vicar but was made the first rector with Holy Trinity's independence in 1951.

HOW TO JOIN US MORE FULLY

"I'm already an Episcopalian."

Simply contact our parish office, give Erlinda Brent, the parish secretary, (ebrent@holytrinity-nyc.org) the name of your previous church, and we will do the rest.

"I was baptized, but not in an Episcopal Church."

Simply obtain a letter from a former church or photocopy of your baptismal certificate. You can also be received or confirmed when the bishop visits Holy Trinity. Contact the rector or church office.

"I'm Roman Catholic."

First of all, know that you are already welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would like to unite formally with the parish, simply provide evidence of Christian baptism. Roman Catholics are "received" into our parish. You remain "fully catholic," but are adopted into the Anglican Communion.

"I've never been baptized."

Then get ready for a life-changing celebration! You will be led through a process that allows you to ask your deepest questions, to search with others for answers and to be baptized at any of our services.



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