



# The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

August 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

## 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 [holymtrinity-nyc.org](http://holymtrinity-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.”

## The Transfiguration

*God reaches us even through the clouds.*

Every summer, the Church observes the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ on August 6, and we're fortunate that this year, it falls on a Sunday. The Gospels of Matthew (17:1-9), Mark (9:2-8), and Luke (9:28-36) describe how Jesus and his disciples went up a mountain to pray and saw a vision of Jesus talking with Moses and Elijah. A cloud overshadowed them, and even though they couldn't see clearly, they began to hear the voice of God saying, “This is my Son, my chosen. Listen to him.” The Transfiguration reminds us of how the presence of Christ can penetrate clouds of uncertainty, fear, or confusion.

Especially this year, as we navigate crazy weather and smoke, strikes in various industries, political turmoil, and all the other uncertainties of our days, we can probably relate to the disciples' sense of confusion, fear, and frustration. We can't see beyond today, but we can give thanks that God still speaks through the clouds, points to Jesus, and says, “This is my chosen one. Listen to him.”

And so, that's what we do. We continue to pray. We continue to explore the scriptures and listen for God through music. And we continue to look for the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the lives of those around us. Led by Christ's example, we can allow our prayers to be used by God to transfigure us and to fill us with a new sense of God's love and mission. *The Reverend John F. Beddingfield, Rector*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Prelude

*Sing to God*

### Welcome

### Opening Song

*I Will Be Still*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Chorus        I will be still / I will be still / and know / and know  
                  And know you are God

Verse 1        Though the earth give way / though the mountains fall to the sea  
                  Though its waters roar / I will cling to thee

Pre Chorus    There is no fear as I look upon you

Verse 2        Though the nations rage / and creation yearns for the Lord  
                  Though the earth may melt / I'm forever yours

Bridge        Forever my refuge / forever my strength  
                  Forever my helper / forever my friend

### Opening Acclamation

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

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

People        **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Trisagion

Celebrant Holy God,

People **Holy and Mighty. Holy Immortal One. Have mercy upon us.**

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

## The First Lesson from Scripture

*Exodus 34:29-35*

Lector A reading from the first Book of Exodus

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Sing to God*

Sing to God with joyful hearts / praise the Lord for evermore

Praise the Lord forever more

(x3)

## The Gospel

*Luke 9:28-36*

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

People        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Minister      The Gospel of the Lord.

People        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

*All may be seated*

**John Beddingfield**

*Rector, The Church of the Holy Trinity*

## Prayers of the People

*A vocalist sings the refrain before the prayers. Then interspersed throughout the prayers all sing the refrain .*

Refrain        **Kyrie eléison / Christe eléison / Kyrie eléison**

*(Lord have mercy / Christ have mercy / Lord have mercy)*

## The Peace

Celebrant     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People        **And also with you.**

*A sign of Christ's peace is offered without touch and while keeping distance.*

## Announcements

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Song

*Transfiguration*

*All may be seated*

Verse 1        From the cloud you speak / what was veiled now is seen  
Jesus the image of the invisible God

Verse 2        Divinity confirmed / in the transfigured Word  
A kingdom once concealed / on the earth now revealed

Chorus        Holy is the Lord / revealed before my eyes  
And our burning hearts / can scarcely take it in  
As we behold your beauty / with unworthy eyes  
The only song our souls can find to sing / is hallelujah / hallelujah / hallelujah our King

Verse 3        Lead my longing heart / to the high ground to a clear view  
                  And in awe I'll be there / beholding you

Bridge         Now I know I have seen / your glory that cannot be unseen  
                  I am changed and changing still / as I look upon you Lord and believe

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant     ...lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing.:

People        **Holy holy holy / God of power and might**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord**

**Hosanna in the highest / hosanna in the highest**

Celebrant     ...therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People        **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant     ...through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy  
                  Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People        **Amen.**

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

People            **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant        Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People            **Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia.**

## **Eucharistic Song**

*Hungry*

Verse 1            Hungry I come to you / for I know you satisfy  
I am empty / but I know your love does not run dry

PreChorus        So I wait for you / so I wait for you

Chorus            I'm falling on my knees / offering all of me  
Jesus / you're all this heart is living for

Verse 2            Broken I run to you / for your arms are open wide  
I am weary / but I know your touch restores my life  
Lord Jesus come in glory / Lord Jesus come in glory

## Post-Communion Prayer

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Minister      Let us pray.

People      **Loving God, whether we are in your church or joining online from another place, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, and renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

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

## Closing Song

*The Earth Shall Know*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Verse 1      Let us come of one accord / to lift up praises to our king  
                  There is splendor / and power / all around him  
                  And we will gather / all together  
                  Every nation tribe creed and color  
                  Let the body come alive / and our creator be glorified

Chorus      And the earth shall know God's name  
                  And the earth will sing God's praise  
                  All of the earth shall sing the praise / of our God



Verse 2      Let us come of one accord / to see each other and our needs  
When we gather / there is power / all around us  
Power to live right / power to be light  
Over our cities and neighbors / to speak life  
Spirit give us eyes to see / your perfect will for humanity

## **The Dismissal**

*A minister dismisses the people.*

Minister      Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People      **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

*Transformation by Van Morrison*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Patsy, Stephen, Barbara, Cynthia, Melissa, Bea, Iris, Christopher, John, Paul, Nancy, Geoffrey, Calvin, Regina, Sean, Frances, Jean, Andrew, Margo, Bob, Rhonda, Helen, Emma, Victoria, Matthew, Ann, Etelka, Fabio Sr, Judy, Mary, Steve, Megan, Jackie, David, Matthew, Mariah, and Lois.

**The sympathy and love of the parish** are extended to Matthew Koerner, husband of Adam Koch, as Matthew and his family gather to remember his father, Tim Koerner, who died on March 7, 2020. Pray for the repose of the soul of Tim, for Matthew and Adam, 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, July 30 Attendance: 8:00 AM: 7; 11:00 AM: 91; 6:00 PM: 23 . . . 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 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](mailto:apkoch@holytrinity-nyc.org).

### 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.

### 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.

## LEARNING AND GROWING

**Forward Day-By-Day.** Copies of the Aug/Sept/Oct edition of the daily prayer guide, *Forward Day by Day* are available on the wall shelves in the church.

### 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*. You can also purchase a paper or digital copy from Amazon, or Barnes & Noble (newly opened on Third Ave & 87th Street!). 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.)

We previously met on June 27 and July 25. Our final meeting will be: *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.

## **CREATION CARE**

### **Several Options for Compost:**

#### **1. Drop off your Compost at Asphalt Green**

Sundays 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM

*Items accepted:* fruit & vegetable scraps, non-greasy food scraps (rice, pasta, bread, grains, cereal), coffee grounds & filters, tea bags, egg shells & nuts, cut flowers & houseplants, soiled brown paper products, potting soil.

*Not accepted:* meat, fish, bones, dairy, fat, oil, greasy food scraps, animal waste, charcoal, coconuts, plastics, twist ties, rubber bands, receipts, insect-infested plants, vines, excavated soil.

#### **2. Look for the Orange Compost Bins on Corners**

Drop-off composting sites across the city can turn your food scraps and plant waste into compost and clean energy while reducing the amount of waste sent to landfills. You'll need to download the NYCgov app in order to open the bins, but once open, you can compost ALL food scraps, plant waste, and food-soiled paper. This includes meat, bones, dairy, prepared foods, and greasy uncoated paper plates and pizza boxes.

## **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, July 29, HTNC served 92 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.) *There will be no Yoga during the month of August. It will return Wednesday, September 13.* Questions? Contact Registered Yoga Teacher and parishioner Liz Poole at [lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com](mailto:lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com).

## **Tour Holy Trinity**

Tours will resume September 10, 2023

Join us for an in-person 15 Minute Guided Tour

Tours are free! Meet the tour guide in the Narthex, (just inside the church's main entrance). Tours are given most Sundays following the 11:00 AM service, and with the *NY Landmarks Preservation Conservancy Annual Sacred Sites Open House*. Free copies of the booklets *A Short History of Holy Trinity*, and *The Windows of Holy Trinity* are available on the information tables. For further information, please visit our website: [www.holytrinity-nyc.org](http://www.holytrinity-nyc.org) *Are you interested in being a Tour Guide?*

## 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@holymtrinity-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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**Sunday School:** Oluyemisi Ariyibi sennyb@yahoo.com

**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 Poole: lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com

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**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)

## **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.

## **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 Rhineland, 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.



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