



# The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

October 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**The Twentieth 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 [holyltrinity-nyc.org](http://holyltrinity-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.”

## Loving our Neighbor

In Luke’s Gospel, when a man asks Jesus about eternal life, Jesus responds, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” (Luke 10:27) After the man then asks, “but who is my neighbor?” Jesus tells the Parable of the Good Samaritan which, among other things, suggests that one’s “neighbor” is often very closer than we may notice.

As troubled as we may be about the attacks in Israel, the treatment of Palestinians, and the continuing violence, our own ability to influence the situation is limited. We can pray. We can contact our leaders and we can send money and resources to victims. But we can also practice loving our neighbor close by and pray that God’s Spirit will widen circles of love, respect, and tolerance.

This Sunday afternoon, we invited our neighbors from St. Joseph’s Roman Catholic Church to join us for Choral Evensong. Such a service between Anglicans and Roman Catholics would have been impossible for many years, and would still be unlikely in some places today. While our prayer and praise may not have established world peace, we have contributed to peace in OUR world, and that’s a start. Let us continue to look for opportunities near and far to love our neighbor and work for peace.

*The Reverend John F. Beddingfield, Rector*

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude**

*In The Lord I Be Ever Thankful*

**Welcome**

**Opening Song**

*Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Verse 1                    Savior / like a shepherd lead us / much we need thy tender care  
                                  In thy pleasant pastures feed us / for our use thy folds prepare  
                                  Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / thou hast bought us / thine we are  
                                  Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / thou hast bought us / thine we are

Verse 2                    We are thine / thou dost befriend us / be the guardian of our way  
                                  Keep thy flock / from sin defend us / seeks us when we go astray  
                                  Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / hear / o hear us when we pray  
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Verse 3                    Thou hast promised to receive us / poor and sinful though we be  
                                  Thou hast mercy to relieve us / grace to cleanse and pow'r to free  
                                  Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / we will early turn to thee  
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## Opening Acclamation

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.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

## The First Lesson from Scripture

*Philippians 4:1-9*

Lector A reading from The Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector           The Word of the Lord.

People           **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual**

*In The Lord I Be Ever Thankful*

In the Lord I be ever thankful / in the Lord I will rejoice

Look to God / do not be afraid / lift up your voices the Lord is near

Lift up your voices the Lord is near

(x3)

## **The Gospel**

*Matthew 22:1-14*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

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

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Minister        The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

*The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, Rector*

*All may be seated*

## **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**

*Trinity Song*

*All may be seated*

Part 1      Holy Father Son and Spirit / Holy Communion Three-in-one

Part 2      Come with your peace / with your invitation / bind us together in holy love

## 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**

*Holy Communion*

Verse 1 Gracious Father / we give you praise / and thanks for this Holy Communion

The body and blood / of your beloved Son

Chorus The body is broken / God's love poured open

To make us new / Lord make us new

Verse 2 Abba Father / we bless your name / and take part in this Holy Communion

Make us all one / to love like your Son

## **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

*His Banner Over Me*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Verse 1        He brought me to his banqueting table  
                  (He brought me to his banqueting table)  
                  He brought me to his banqueting table  
                  (He brought me to his banqueting table)  
                  And his banner (and his banner) / over me (over me) / is love

Verse 2        I am my beloved's and he is mine  
                  (I am my beloved's and he is mine)  
                  I am my beloved's and he is mine  
                  (I am my beloved's and he is mine)  
                  And his banner (and his banner) / over me (over me) / is love

Chorus        And we can feel the love of God in this place  
                  We believe your goodness / we receive your grace  
                  We delight ourselves / at your table oh God  
                  You do all things well / just look at our lives

## The Dismissal

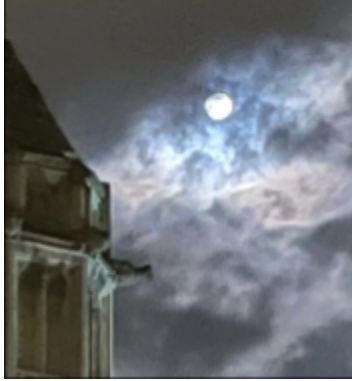
*A minister dismisses the people.*

Minister        Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People         **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude





*Music & Readings for All Hallows' Eve*

**Tuesday, October 31 at 7:00PM**

**Spooky Music and Creepy Readings**

**Costumes are welcome!**

**Donations to Music at Holy Trinity are welcome!**

**Saints, sinners, and everyone in-between is welcome!**

*A ghoulishly light reception will follow!*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Susan, Tom, Sean, Mitchell, Bea, Iris, Christopher, John, Paul, Nancy, Jean, Andrew, Margo, Bob, Helen, Emma, Matthew, Ann, Fabio Sr, Judy, Mary, Steve, Megan, Jackie, David, Matthew.

### 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, October 8, 2023 attendance: 8:00 AM: 9; 11:00 AM: 94; 6:00 PM: 19; Wednesday, October 4 (St. Francis Eucharist) 25 . . . Congratulations to parishioner Rose Imperato and her team on their work to install a memorial to the victims and legacy of the 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire. The Memorial was installed on the very building that housed the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory, at the corner of Greene Street and Washington Place in Greenwich Village. More can be found at [rememberthetrianglefire.org](http://rememberthetrianglefire.org) . . . Stewardship packets for 2024 have been mailed to most households and the parish website has been updated with information and electronic pledge forms. Look and listen for more information in the coming days . . . 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

### All Saints' Sunday

*Names read at each of our services.*

November 1 is celebrated as All Saints' Day, a day for giving thanks for all the great saints of the faith. November 2 is traditionally observed as All Souls' Day, a day for giving thanks for the saints we have known and loved, our loved ones who have died. We combine the celebration and the commemoration on **All Saints' Sunday, November 5, 2023**, the Sunday immediately following these two important days. If you would like specific names of beloved who have died, please list their first and last names on the form below and submit to the parish office by **Wednesday, November 1, 2023**.

Each service will include special prayers for the dead. If you would like someone to be included in the prayers, please fill out one of the paper forms in church or online.

**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).

## STEWARDSHIP

The season of stewardship is a time to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to share in the mission of The Church of the Holy Trinity and beyond. We ask you to make a financial pledge for 2024 by Sunday, November 26th. In doing so, know that your contribution will not only keep the church operating smoothly, but also enable us to answer the call to serve our local community, New York City, and the world at

large through our outreach programs. Stewardship packets have been mailed, more are in the back of the church, and it's also possible to make a pledge for 2024 on the church website.

Over the next eight weeks, you'll have the chance to hear from members of the parish who will share what The Church of the Holy Trinity means to them in writing or during announcements on Sunday services. To start, here's a poem by Scott Alexander Hess.

It was the garden fronting the church that  
first drew me to Holy Trinity,  
it was the garden that most delighted our wedding guests  
on that joyous day,  
and it is the garden that I always pause at  
wondering at its all-season beauty  
before I step up into the church proper  
where the real mysteries are revealed.

## LEARNING AND GROWING

### **Adult Christian Education: Teresa of Ávila Study *Sundays in October at 9:30 AM in Draesel Hall***

Using the Study Guide *Teresa of Ávila: Inner Joy*, by Dale and Sandy Larsen, we will spend five weeks in October reflecting on the words of Teresa paired with scripture passages that amplify her thoughts. The booklet is out of print, so sections are photocopied and available in each of the Sunday's Upcoming Listing on our website. Join us in Draesel Hall or online at <https://zoom.us/j/8753617165> (for the password, type the numerals for eighteen ninety-nine, two thousand nineteen. No comma or space.)

## Upcoming

November 5 - No Adult Christian Education (All Saints' Sunday, NYC Marathon)

November 12 and 19 - Discussion of "Laudate Deum," the recent letter of Pope Francis

November 26 - Christ the King Sunday - Discussion of Kingship with Deacon Pam Tang

**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.

## 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. 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) Saturday between 3:00 PM and 3:30 PM. Last Saturday, HTNC served 92 neighbors! Contact Joe Lipuma. ([jlipuma27@gmail.com](mailto:jlipuma27@gmail.com))

## CREATION CARE & MISSION

### **Honoring our Promise to Protect the Earth!**

In our efforts to be friendlier to the Earth, and support a healthier environment, we have stopped ordering plastic cups for Coffee Hour and the Neighborhood Supper. We use paper cups that are good for hot and cold beverages! We use compostable bowls at the Neighborhood Supper on Saturdays, and as needed for other events. We will continue to use the plastic items we have on hand, and when we have no other choice.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

**Yoga at Holy Trinity.** Join us for yoga in the main church on Tuesdays from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM. All levels are welcome. The class is free, though donations are welcome and go to support the programs of HTNC. For questions, contact registered yoga teacher and parishioner Liz Poole at lizpoolenyc@hotmail.com.

**Poetry Reading. October 28 at 3:00 PM, Draesel Hall.** Parishioner Christine Baldino O'Hanlon and three other poets will share their voices and stories. All are welcome.

**Tour Holy Trinity.** 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.

## 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: calvyn@protonmail.com

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

**Lectors** (serve as readers in worship services): Yvonne O'Neal; Yvonne.oneal@gmail.com

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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

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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](mailto: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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