



# The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

October 29, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**The Twenty-second 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](http://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.”

## Facing Fear

*What we might learn from Halloween*

As I read of various states and communities around the country who are “banning Halloween” or restricting Halloween celebrations because they are “against particular religions,” it seems like people are missing an opportunity to explore how we might face our fears. I don’t worry much about the kinds of demons portrayed on Halloween. I worry more about the invisible demons that people wrestle with, or the obsessions, habits, and fears that bedevil us.

A very primitive, yet real, motivation behind dressing up for Halloween (aside from simple fun) is to deflate the very thing that might scare us. If we can reduce some aspect of evil to something that is comical or ridiculous, it can help us notice that so often, our fears take on shapes and shadows that make them seem more powerful than they really are. By naming a fear, I bring it into the open. By laughing at my fear, I reduce its power.

Someone has pointed out that FEAR can serve as an acronym for false evidence appearing real.” On the other hand, by sharing fears, shifting perspectives, and praying about what scares us, FEAR can become something else: “face everything and rise.”

*The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, Rector*

# THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude**

*Bless The Lord My Soul*

**Welcome**

**Opening Song**

*Simple Song*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Verse 1                    With a simple song / with words that don't quite belong  
We come worship / we come worship / you

Chorus 1                But you give our words wings / you are closer than my skin  
And in every breath of life  
There is a song for you / there is a song for you

Verse 2                    Breath / a life lived / acts / weak yet through grace prolonged  
Creation sighs / yet we all will rise / in you

Chorus 2                So you give our being wings / you are closer than my skin  
And in every act of love  
There is a song for you / there is a song for you

Bridge                    You promise life / you promise life / you promise life  
In abundance

## 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

## The First Lesson from Scripture

*Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18*

*All may be seated*

Lector A reading from The Book of Leviticus.

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Bless The Lord My Soul*

Bless the Lord my soul / and bless God's holy name

Bless the Lord my soul / who leads me into life

(x3)

## The Gospel

Matthew 22:34-36

*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.**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

## The Sermon

*All may be seated*

**The Rev. Canon J. Douglas Ousley**

*Honorary Assisting Priest at 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**

*God the Maker*

*All may be seated*

Verse 1          We bring our time we bring our treasure / we lay them down before your throne

You will make them something greater / more than we could ever know

Verse 2          We bring our gifts we bring our power / place them in your sov'reign hand

You will take what we have given / you will use it for your plan

Chorus          Glory be to God / the maker / glory be to God / creator

Take our time use our treasure / turn them into something greater

Glory be to God / the maker

Verse 3          Though our hearts are weak from failure / broken dreams and failed attempts

Show us that in ev'ry season / you will fill our emptiness

## 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

*Remembrance*

Verse 1 Oh how could it be / that my God would welcome me / into this mystery  
Say take this bread take this wine / now the simple made divine / for any to receive

PreChorus By your mercy we come to your table / by your grace you are making us faithful

Chorus Lord we remember you / and remembrance leads us to worship  
And as we worship you / our worship leads to communion  
We respond to your invitation / we remember you

Verse 2 See his body his blood / know that he has overcome  
Ev'ry trial we will face  
And none too lost to be saved / none too broken or ashamed  
All are welcome in this place

Bridge Dying you destroyed our death / rising you restored our life  
Lord Jesus come in glory / Lord Jesus come in glory  
Lord Jesus come in glory / Lord Jesus come in glory

Ending By your mercy we come to your table / by your grace you are making us faithful  
Lord we remember you

## 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

*Wood and Nails*

Verse 1      O humble carpenter / down on your hands and knees

Look on your handiwork / and build a house

So you may dwell in me / so you may dwell in me

Chorus 1    The work was done / with nothing but / wood and nails

In your scar-borne hands

O show me how / to work and praise

Trusting that I am your instrument

Verse 2      O loving laborer / with the sweat upon your face

O build a table that / I too may join you

In the father's place / in the father's place

Chorus 2    The kingdom's come / and built upon

Wood and nails gripped with joyfulness

So send me out / within your ways

Knowing that the task is finished



Chorus 3      The dead will rise / and give you praise  
Wood and nails will not hold them down  
These wooden tombs / we'll break them soon  
And fashion them into flower beds

Chorus 4      The curse is done / the battle won  
Swords bent down into plowshares  
Your scar-borne hands / we'll join with them  
Serving at / the table you've prepared

### **The Dismissal**

*A minister dismisses the people.*

Minister      Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People        **Thanks be to God**

### **Postlude**

*Reflecting Light by Sam Phillips*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

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

**The parish rejoices** with the Rev. Canon J. Douglas Ousley and Dana Fern upon the birth of their grandson, Sidney, on October 25. Baby, parents, and grandparents are all doing well.

**Praying with our Link Parish in London** of St. Stephen with St. John. We especially pray for SSSJ this fall, as they highlight various community partner ministries and donate ten percent of their offerings to a different organization each week.

**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 22, 2023 attendance: 8:00 AM: 12; 11:00 AM: 94; 6:00 PM: 22 . . . Work on the West Porch balustrade has almost been completed. Though several of the terra cotta pieces do not properly fit, they will be replaced when the reordered pieces arrive . . . Policies for the new section of the columbarium can be found in the Funerals & Memorial section of the website. Also on that page are resources for advance planning.

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

### All Saints' Sunday, November 5

All Saints' Sunday is a day when the Church gives thanks for the famous saints, but also our own familiar friends and family who have died but live still in Christ. If you wish to have particular people remembered, please list their first and last names on the form below and submit to

the parish office by Wednesday, November 1, 2023. Paper forms are in the back of the church, or you may fill out the form 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 to most households, more are in the back of the church, and it's also possible to make a pledge for 2024 on the church website.

### The Trefoil Society - Planned Giving Opportunity

Please keep an eye out for a mailing about Holy Trinity's Trefoil Society, which provides ongoing support for the future well-being of our church. Gifts and bequests go to the Property Preservation Trust, an endowment fund that provides for repairs and upkeep of our historic buildings. This is a great estate planning goal.

## LEARNING AND GROWING

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

Join us for our final discussion of *Teresa of Ávila: Inner Joy*, by Dale and Sandy Larsen, 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

December 10: Advent Crafts Potluck Sunday

**Forward Day-By-Day.** Copies of the Nov/Dec/Jan 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 87 neighbors! Contact Joe Lipuma. (jlipuma27@gmail.com)

### The Thanksgiving Project

One of the great traditions at The Church of the Holy Trinity and St Joseph's Church is Our Thanksgiving Day Program. Each year, we prepare over 300 complete meals. Over 270 are delivered to homebound neighbors, and the balance is served to our Neighborhood Supper guests. We're doing it again this year, and we need your help.

Volunteers are needed for several shifts, beginning Sunday, November 19 through Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23. Flyers outlining the shifts are on the information table in the church.

## 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.

**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 main entrance). Tours are given most Sundays after the 11:00 AM service, and at the NY Landmarks Preservation Conservancy Sacred Sites Open House. Free copies of booklets are located on the wall at the main entrance: *A Short History of Holy Trinity*, and *The Windows of Holy Trinity*. For further information, please visit the Holy Trinity website. Holy Trinity windows are featured in George B. Brant's 2023 book: *Henry Holiday: His Stained Glass Windows for Gilded Age New York*.

## GET INVOLVED

**Acolytes:** Susan Valdes-Dapena; susan@valdes-dapena.net

**Altar Guild:** Alden Prouty; alden.prouty@gmail.com

**Choir & Music:** Adam Koch directs the 11:00 AM choir: apkoch@holyltrinity-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

**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

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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)

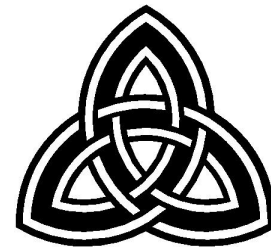
Marlin Mattson (2025)

Fabio Mejia (2025)

Liz Poole (2024)

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