



The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

November 26, 2023 at 06:00 PM

The Feast of Christ the King

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.”

Returning Thanks

Our Ingathering of Time, Talent & Treasure

Ambrose of Milan, the 4th century bishop and statesman, wrote “No duty is so urgent as that of returning thanks.” I like that phrase, “returning thanks.” It suggests to me that “thanks” or “gratitude” originates somewhere else, that it moves through us or visits us for a little while, and so we should be careful with it, hold it gently, and then, when it’s time, let it go back to its source, to God.

On this last Sunday of the church year, Christ the King Sunday, one way we return thanks to God is through making a pledge to this particular expression of God’s Kingdom, The Church of the Holy Trinity. We ask members and friends to consider how God is calling you to share in our mission and to make a financial pledge for 2024. We also invite you to return thanks to God by sharing your time and talents and considering how you might become more involved in the life of our church community.

As we approach 2024, our 125th Anniversary, we will be giving thanks for our long history even as we pray for God’s Spirit to show us how to be more faithful in the present and future. Join us in returning thanks for all God’s gifts.

The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, Rector

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

The Kingdom of God

Welcome

Opening Song

Be Thou My Vision

All who are able, are invited to stand

Verse 1 Be thou my vision / o Lord of my heart
 Naught be all else to me / save that thou art
 Thou my best thought / by day or by night
 Waking or sleeping / thy presence my light

Verse 2 Be thou my wisdom / and thou my true word
 I ever with thee / and thou with me Lord
 Thou my great father / I thy true son
 Thou in me dwelling / and I with thee one

Verse 3 Riches I heed not / nor man's empty praise
 Thou mine inheritance / now and always
 Thou and thou only / first in my heart
 High king of heaven / my treasure thou art

Verse 4 Be my compassion / my love for the poor
 Break my distraction / so I can't ignore
 The least of your children / the ones you adore
 For by them Jesus / we worship you Lord

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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen**

The First Lesson from Scripture

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

All may be seated

Lector A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says

the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Gradual

The Kingdom of God

The kingdom of God is justice and peace / and joy in the Holy Spirit

Come Lord / and open in us / the gates of your kingdom

(x3)

The Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

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**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and

visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

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

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.**

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.

Eucharistic Song

All of Our Tomorrows

- Verse 1 This spinning world by your own hand / hurls ever on around the sun
The seasons march at your command / the old departs the new year comes
And though celestial is your gaze / you search and care for all our ways
We offer up to you this day / and all of our tomorrows
- Verse 2 May zealous youth and cautious age / determine not the steps we choose
Great shepherd guide us through each day / oh how we want to follow you
Come living way our way make clear / let perfect love drive out our fear
Be thou our vision now and here / and all of our tomorrows
- Verse 3 When winter makes us reminisce / of warmer days so distant now
Of cherished saints the sun once kissed / whose beauty passed behind the clouds
Let all our fond and longing tears / remind us we are pilgrims here
We trust you sovereign of our years / with all of our tomorrows
- Verse 4 Hands to the plow we're pressing on / and running hard to win the prize
Empowered by the love of God / with grace before and grace behind
For lo what hope before us stands / you finish all that you began
Eternal joy is in your hands / and all of our tomorrows
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Eternal joy is in your hands / and all of our tomorrows / and all of our tomorrows

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

All Creatures Of Our God and King

All who are able, are invited to stand

Verse 1 All creatures of our God and King / lift up your voice and with us sing
 O praise him / alleluia
 Thou burning sun with golden beam / thou silver moon with softer gleam
 O praise him / o praise him / alleluia / alleluia / alleluia

Verse 2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong / ye clouds that sail in heav'n along
 O praise him / alleluia
 Thou rising moon in praise rejoice / ye lights of evening find a voice
 O praise him / o praise him / alleluia / alleluia / alleluia

Verse 3 Let all things their creator bless / and worship him in humbleness
O praise him / alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son / and praise the Spirit three in One
O praise him / o praise him / alleluia / alleluia / alleluia

The Dismissal

A minister dismisses the people.

Minister Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People **Thanks be to God**

Postlude

Far Kingdom by Gray Haven

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Pat, Frances, Harry, Brian, Susan, Tom, Sean, Mitchell, Bea, Iris, Christopher, John, Paul, Nancy, Andrew, Margo, Bob, Emma, Matthew, Ann, Judy, Mary, Steve, Megan, Jackie, and David.

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, November 19, 2023 attendance: 8:00 AM: 14; 11:00 AM: 54; 6:00 PM: 17 . . . Today, we ask parishioners and friends to make a pledge for 2024 . . . If you have pledged or plan to pledge, please come to the Thank You Reception at the Rectory on Sunday, December 3, from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM . . . Thanks to all the volunteers including our friends at St. Joseph who helped prepare, finance, or will deliver Thanksgiving meals that will be delivered to homebound neighbors, or shared with our Saturday supper guests. Special thanks to Erlinda Brent, Joe Lipuma, Lydia Colon, Suzanne Julig, and St. Joseph's Church.

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.

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. 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 are in the back of the church, and it's also possible to make a pledge for 2024 on the church website.

Here's a reflection by Lydia Colón about stewardship.

Give, Give, Give

“Give abundantly. Feel that you are rich. Have no mean thought in your heart. Of Love, of thought, of all you have, give, give, give. You are followers of the World's Greatest Giver. Give of time, of personal ease and comfort, of rest, of fame, or healing, of power, of sympathy, of all these and many more. Learn this lesson, and you will become a great power to help others and to do mighty things.” -From God Calling

In St. Peter's first letter, he reminds us, “As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.” We are called to be stewards of all of God's gifts – our time, our talents, our financial resources, our communities, the earth we live on with its natural resources, and our relationships with family and everyone around us. We must truly recognize that everything belongs to God, and we are caretakers who are expected to use the gifts in service to one another. Simply put, stewardship is about how we use those gifts.

Stewardship will make a difference. The difference is seen in several areas of our lives. First, the difference is in the motivation of giving. Instead of focusing on the needs of the group to whom we're giving financial support or helping with time and talent, the emphasis is primarily on God and our relationship with Him. Second, the difference is in the inspiration for giving. Stewardship is

an integral part of our spiritual life and we give because we are grateful to God for what He has given us. We give freely because we want to, not because we have to. Third, the difference is in the effect of the giving. As we practice stewardship, we find we grow spiritually and that our faith is deepened and nourished. In fact, we find that our lives are changed for the good.

I hope you will give prayerful consideration to your personal commitment of your time, talent, and treasure.
Your sister in Christ, Lydia M. Colón

LEARNING AND GROWING

Adult Christian Education at 9:30 AM in Draesel Hall . . . "Christ the King," November 26. Join Deacon Pam Tang as she leads us through a Biblical and theological conversation about the meaning of this last Sunday of the liturgical year.

Upcoming Adult Christian Education:

December 3 & 10 - *Nativities: Mothers and Babies in the Hebrew Bible* with Helen Goodkin

God and the Machine: Theology and Artificial Intelligence. Join our own Calvyn duToit, Joseph Aylett-Bullock, and others for this Transatlantic Zoom discussion about theology and artificial intelligence. The second of two discussions is on December 2 (1:00 PM Eastern Time). More information is on the parish website under Upcoming Events.

LEARN & ADVOCATE

Break the Silence Sunday . . . The Diocese of New York has designated the Sunday closest to November 25, as "Break the Silence Sunday," a day to raise awareness and pledge to end gender-based violence. Learn more about the issue and see the resources in the back of the church.

The Race to End Child Marriage by 2030

Virtual Online Event: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at

7:00 PM. The practice of child marriage is widespread. According to new data from UNICEF, the total number of girls married in childhood is now estimated at 12 million a year. As a faith-based organization, we will discuss how the church can support vulnerable and marginalized groups in our communities and help bring an end to child marriage, locally and globally. See the online version of the newsletter (on the parish website) or contact Yvonne O'Neal for more information Yvonne.oneal@gmail.com.

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 82 neighbors! Contact Joe Lipuma. (jlipuma27@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY LIFE

Daffodil Planting: December 2

We have received 1,125 daffodil bulbs in celebration of our 125th Anniversary, which we will be celebrating in 2024. Join Father John and others for the grand bulb planting that will take place on two Saturday mornings, November 25 and December 2, from 10:00 am to Noon. We have some tools for planting, but if you have your own shovel or trowel, kneeling cushion, or gloves, feel free to bring or loan them for our task. Coffee, water and snacks will be available. All are welcome to help.

Advent Potluck & Crafts

Sunday, December 10: Advent Crafts & Potluck, Draesel Hall. Join us after the 11:00 AM service to share food, have some laughs, maybe sing a carol, and make an

ornament (or two), as we usher in the Spirit of the Season at our Advent Crafts Potluck Sunday. Please bring something to eat or drink (with some to share). Donations will be welcome at the door.

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 a 15 Minute Guided Tour most Sundays after the 11:00 AM service! Meet the tour guide in the Narthex, (just inside the main entrance). 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*. 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@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

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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.

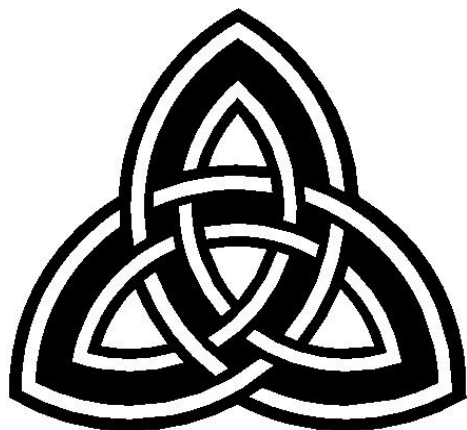
“I’ve never been baptized.”

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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