



# The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

November 5, 2023 at 11:00 AM

**All Saints' Sunday**

## 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.”

## Celebrating All Saints & All Souls

### *And calling on Holy Help*

November 1 is traditionally celebrated as All Saints' Day, a day for giving thanks and remembering the great saints and martyrs of the Christian faith. Over time, people began to add their own familiar saints to the prayers of the day, and so, there developed the tradition of November 2 as All Souls' Day, when ALL the saints (that is, anyone who aims to live a Christian life, regardless of how holy we actually become) are included in our prayers.

Among the many messages of All Saints' and All Souls', which we combine in one celebration this Sunday, is the idea that in the saints (familiar and famous) we have “holy help.” Just as our grandmothers might have prayed for us in this life, there is nothing to separate their continuing to pray for us and with us.

As we hear the cheers of the crowds for the NY Marathon this Sunday, let's imagine the saints also cheering for us, praying for us, offering their strength and insight, their humor and wisdom.

May the saints inspire us. When we are tired, may they strengthen us. When we are lazy, may they shame us. When we are alone, may they surround us. And may they fill our lives with increasing love until the day that we join them before God in everlasting praise.

*The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, Rector*

# THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude**

*See I Am Near*

**Welcome**

**Opening Song**

*Little Things With Great Love*

*All who are able, are invited to stand*

Verse 1                    In the garden of our savior / no flower grows unseen  
His kindness reigns like water / on every humble seed  
No simple act of mercy / escapes his watchful eye  
For there is one who loves me / his hand is over mine

Verse 2                    In the kingdom of the heavens / no suffering is unknown  
Each tear that falls is holy / each breaking heart a throne  
There is a song of beauty / on every weeping eye  
For there is one who loves me / his heart it breaks with mine

Bridge                    Oh the deeds forgotten / oh the works unseen  
Every drink of water / flowing graciously  
Every tender mercy / you're making glorious  
This you have asked us / do little things with great love  
Little things with great love

Verse 3                    At the table of our Savior / no mouth will go unfed  
His children in the shadows / stream in and raise their heads  
Oh give us ears to hear them / and give us eyes to see  
For there is one who loves them / I am his hands and feet

### **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 God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People         **Amen.**

## The First Lesson from Scripture

*Revelation 7:9-17*

*All may be seated*

Lector            A reading from The Revelation to John.

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector            The Word of the Lord.

People            **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*See I Am Near*

See I am near says the Lord / See I make all things new (x3)

## The Gospel

*Matthew 5:1-12*

*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 Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Minister        The Gospel of the Lord.  
People         **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **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

*Are We Not One*

- Verse 1      O are we rivers / coursing every valley / o are we waves / upon shores of time  
                 O are we stardust / gathered through the ages / are we not dreams / of the one eternal mind
- Verse 2      O are we trees / rising to the heavens / o are we flowers / unfettered by the thorn  
                 O are we pillars / of a great eternal temple / are we not one / o Lord / are we not yours
- Chorus 1     Have we not joy / in the midst of every shadow / have we not hope / in the deepest of the dark  
                 Have we not peace / that passes understanding
- Verse 3      O are we sons / fashioned in your image / o are we daughters / carrying your name  
                 O are we brothers / across the generations / are we not sparks / from an everlasting flame
- Chorus 2     Have we not joy / in the midst of every shadow / have we not hope / in the deepest of the dark  
                 Have we not peace / that passes understanding / have we not love
- Verse 4      O are we light / summoned by the light / o are we gleaming / and dancing on the shore  
                 Lord can we hold / each other through the crossing / are we not one / o Lord / are we not yours  
                 Are we not one / o Lord / are we not yours

## 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

*Miracle of Grace*

*All who put their faith in Christ are invited to come forward to receive holy communion*

Verse 1 Miracle of grace / mystery of faith / calling us to venture to the deep  
Though our senses fail / your graces still prevail / and we become the love that we receive

Chorus Bread of life / bread of life / those who eat this bread shall live and never die  
Bread of life / bread of life / your true presence in this holy sacrifice / bread of life

Verse 2 Unworthy though we are / you feed the hungry heart / with bread come down from heaven above  
And like a grain of wheat / we fall down at your feet / dying here with you oh let us rise

Verse 3 Your faithfulness revealed / in this covenant you've sealed / with your very body and your blood  
Come claim your bride again / with love that cannot end / for what God joins no one can divide

## 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

*Alive*

Verse 1        This is a call to all the dead and disappointed / the ones who feel like they are done  
                  This a word to all the ones who feel forgotten / you are not / you are not

Chorus        We're alive / alive / alive and we're singin'  
                  We're alive / alive / alive / and we're shakin'  
                  We're alive / alive / alive / alive in you

Verse 2        We are soaked in all the grace that we've been given / unchained from all that we have done  
                  Your mercy's risin' like the sun on the horizon / we're comin' home / we're comin' home

## The Dismissal

*A minister dismisses the people.*

Minister        Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People         **Thanks be to God**

## Postlude

*Into The West by Annie Lenox, Fran Walsh, and Howard Shore*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

**We pray for** Pat, Brian, 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.

**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 29, 2023 attendance: 8:00 AM: 11; 11:00 AM: 91; 6:00 PM: 9 . . . Thanks to Father Ousley for leading services this Sunday as Father Beddingfield preaches at our sister parish, St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, in London . . . Thanks to everyone who helped make our Spooky Music & Creepy Readings Halloween Concert such a success. About 130 people attended the event. Enormous thanks to Adam Koch, who played so beautifully, to Karen Ryugo for her wonderful cookies, and to Erlinda Brent for her great baking and coordination of the reception . . . Work on the church's new sound system has begun. . . . We learned this week that Bishop Matthew Heyd will visit Holy Trinity on Sunday, May 5, 2024 to help celebrate our 125th Anniversary. This was our first priority request for his busy schedule, since our church was consecrated on May 6, 1899 . . . 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. . . Holy Trinity is a polling site this Tuesday. Don't forget to vote at your polling location.

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

### Lay Eucharistic Training

Though we hope to host an in-person Lay Eucharist Training program this winter, a Zoom training event will be available Monday, November 13, 6:30-8:30 PM. Please contact Deacon Pam Tang for details or to register.

**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 26. 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 can be accessed online.

Many thanks to Leona Fredericks, Carol Haley, Christine du Toit, and Yemisi Ariyibi for speaking about what Holy Trinity means to them during announcements in recent weeks.

This week, we're sharing a written reflection from Vestry member and HTNC volunteer Donald Schermerhorn.

"I was first drawn to The Church of the Holy Trinity by its Gothic Architecture. Upon entering, the church enveloped me with a sense of calm, and welcome. The

beauty of the stained-glass windows, with their depiction of so many religious moments, captivated my thoughts and reminded me that this was a holy place. Returning, I began to feel the same welcome from members of the parish. The sense of inclusion and collegiality was palpable. We are all here in this church for one purpose to worship and give thanks to God. I've actually forgotten the exact date of when I started coming to the Church of the Holy Trinity, but its welcome has been constant and has led to invitations to participate more fully in the parish. Feeling that shared desire, shared belief, and shared practice has been a true gift, which I truly appreciate." *Donald Schermerhorn*

### **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**

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

**God and the Machine: Theology and Artificial Intelligence.** November 18 and December 2 on Zoom. Join our own Calvyn duToit, Joseph Aylett-Bullock and others for this Transatlantic Zoom discussion about theology and artificial intelligence. Two Saturday afternoons (1PM Eastern Time) More information is on the parish website under Upcoming Events.

**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 92 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**

**Save the Date:** Sunday, December 10: Advent Crafts & Potluck, Draesel Hall.

**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 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.htnyc.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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