



The Church of the Holy Trinity

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York

January 7, 2024 at 11:00AM

The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Welcome to Holy Trinity

This leaflet includes an order of service for worship and other important information.

Assistance. If you need assistance in any way, an usher at the entrance can help you. Restrooms are located in the Mission House building basement, accessible through the Cloister Corridor or across the garden and into the westernmost building.

New to Holy Trinity? We would love to be able to greet you properly. Please fill out a visitor card, located in the pews, and place it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy or ushers.

Giving. As Christians, we believe that all we have—from our talents, to our energy, to our financial resources, is a gift from God. If you would like to know more about how to give of your talents and energy, please let a member of our clergy know and they will gladly connect you with the various ministries of the parish. You can make a financial gift through the offering plate, online at 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.”

Thinking about the Baptism of Jesus

And reaffirming our own baptismal vows

At Christmas we celebrate the coming of God as Emmanuel, God with us, God in the flesh, God coming into the world as Mary’s child, a little baby. Before long we come to understand Jesus as God walking with us, dying for us, rising again for us, God with us, Emmanuel.

Today’s Gospel shows us another way in which God is with us and alongside us. It is God being like us, so that we can be more like God. A question arises from all of the Gospel accounts of the baptism of Jesus, the question of why Jesus would be baptized to begin with?

The early church wrestled with this issue. If baptism had to do with the washing away of sins, why did a sinless Jesus undergo baptism? The church wondered in the words of Maximus of Turin, “Why would a holy man desire baptism?” The reason Maximus gives is that “Christ is baptized, not to be made holy by the water, but to make the water holy, and by his cleansing to purify the waters which he touched.” (Sermon 100, as reprinted in *The Liturgy of the Hours*, 1975).

This means that Jesus was baptized not so much because of sin, but to bring holiness into the world and to bring us from the death of sin to the life of God’s love and forgiveness. With gratitude and joy, we can renew our own baptismal vows.

The Reverend John F. Beddingfield, Rector

The Word of God

The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Voluntary

Quand Jésus naquit à Noël

Claude Balbastre (1724-1799)

“When God was born at Christmas”

Welcome

Hymn

Puer nobis

All are invited to stand and join in singing the hymn.

Unison or harmony

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous
2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the
3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them
4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us
5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald
2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges
3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with
4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful
5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.
 2 with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.
 3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.
 4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.
 5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Opening Acclamation

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant *People* *Officiant*

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People A - men.

The People are invited to be seated for the lessons.

The First Lesson from Scripture

Genesis 1:1-5

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29: 1-5, 7-11

Afferte Domino

Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)

The antiphon will be introduced by the choir and then sung by all.



Choir: Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

All join in singing the antiphon.

Choir: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

All join in singing the antiphon.

Choir: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; the voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

All join in singing the antiphon.

Choir: The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

All join in singing the antiphon.

Choir: The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as King for ever more. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

All join in singing the antiphon.

The Second Lesson from Scripture

Acts 19:1-7

Lector A reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?”

They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Those who are able, please stand for the hymn and the reading of the Gospel.

The Hymn at the Sequence

Caithness

1 Christ, when for us you were bap-tized, God's Spi-rit on you came,
2 God called you his be-lov-ed Son, called you his ser-vant true,
3 Straight-way and stead-fast un-til death you then o-beyed his call
4 Bap-tize us with your Spi-rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,
as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur-gent as a flame.
sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho-ly will to do.
free-ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like-wise in God's ser-vice we may per-fect free-dom find.

The Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. John F. Beddingfield, *Rector*

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Baptismal Hymn

Baptized in Water

Bunessan

1. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praise we sing.

2. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our king:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praise we sing.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to
Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Celebrant continues

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Baptismal Hymn

Baptized in Water

Bunessan

3. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our king:
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

The Prayers of the People

Form I

The Deacon or another Minister bids the prayers and the people, which are then led by the lector.

Minister With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

Lector For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our Bishops and the Bishop-Elect, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the City of New York, for every city and community, and for those who live in them,
 let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us
 pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering,
 especially [the lector includes names] and those we include in silence or aloud . . . [silence] . . .
 let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and
 captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially those
 we name aloud or in silence . . . [silence] . . . let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach,
 let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our link parish of St. Stephens with St. John's in the Diocese of London, for the clergy,
 parishioners, visitors, and programs, let us pray to the Lord.
 People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For those concerns we now name in the silence of our hearts . . .

*The celebrant concludes with a final petition ending with all saying together, **Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The People are seated for the announcements.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

As the anthem is sung, a collection is taken for the work and mission of the Church.

At the Offertory, Anthem

My Dancing Day

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day: I would my true love did so chance to see the legend of my play, to call my true love to my dance: Sing O my love; this have I done for my true love.
Then Was I born of a virgin pure, of her I took fleshly substance: Thus was I knit to man's nature, to call my true love to my dance: Sing O my love; this have I done for my true love.
In a manger laid and wrapped I was, so very poor, this was my chance, betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, to call my true love to my dance: Sing O my love; this have I done for my true love.

At the Presentations, The Doxology

Old 100th

As the gifts of bread, wine, and money are brought forward, those who are able stand to sing.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Sanctus

Susan Calvin Fletcher (b. 1940)

All join in singing

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est.
Blessed is the one
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. _____ Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est.

The people may stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant

There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People

A-men.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a moment of silence is kept.

Celebrant	
People	

Agnus Dei

Susan Calvin Fletcher

All join in singing

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Reception of Communion

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.

At Communion, Anthem

In the Bleak Midwinter

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan. Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone. Snow had fallen,
snow on snow, snow on snow. In the bleak midwinter long ago.

Our God, Heav'n cannot hold him nor earth sustain; Heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:
In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed. The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ.

Enough for him, whom cherubim worship night and day, a breastful of milk and a mangerful of hay: Enough
for him, whom angels fall down before, The ox and ass and camel which adore.

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb, if I were a wise man I would do
my part, Yet what I can I give him, give my heart.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit. be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn

The First Nowell

All are invited to join in singing the hymn.

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star
3 And by the light of that same star
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5 full rev - erent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
2 and to the earth it gave great light,
3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,
4 and there it did both stop and stay
5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

1 on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
 2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 3 and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
 4 right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6 Then let us all with one accord
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

The Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the people.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Voluntary

In dir ist Freude, BWV 615
 (1685-1750)

Johann Sebastian Bach

“In Thee is Gladness”

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Notes on today's music...

The voluntary at the end of the service, *In dir ist Freude*, is one of the forty-six chorale preludes that make up the *Orgelbüchlein*, or “Little Organ Book.” These chorales were composed while Bach was serving as court organist at Weimar from 1708 until 1714. This collection was intended by Bach to contain 145 chorale preludes, or organ works based on melodies sung during a Lutheran worship service. Why Bach did not complete the collection as he envisioned is not known. It is believed that the chorale preludes that make up the *Orgelbüchlein* were written to serve as introductions to hymn singing or perhaps as a setting to be played alternating verses with the congregation. What is known is the deep spiritual message Bach conveyed in writing these pieces. Bach’s inscription on the title page reads the following: “... to the honor of the Most High God alone, and for my neighbor, so that he may learn from it.”

The text which is sung in worship services to the tune *In dir ist Freude* is set to what was originally a secular dance melody written by Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi. The combination of a sacred text and this tune first appeared together in a collection of Christmas carols published in 1594 and has since been associated with the New Year. Bach’s setting maintains the dance rhythms, punctuated by a carillon-like ostinato played in the pedal. Fragments of the melody appear in the hands between scalar gestures flowing up and down the keyboard. Bach’s setting is certainly a jubilant dance into the new year!

Below is the text as it appears in the *Lutheran Book of Worship*, as translated by Catherine Winkworth:

In thee is gladness amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By thee are given the gifts of heaven, thou the true redeemer art.
Our souls thou wakest; our bonds thou breakest.
Who trusts thee surely has built securely and stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining to see thy shining, dying, or living, to thee are cleaving;
naught can us sever: Alleluia!

Jesus is ours! ... We feel no powers, not of earth or sin or death.
He sees and blesses in worst distresses; he can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story tell of his glory with heart and voices;
all heaven rejoices in him for ever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness, triumph o’er sadness, love him and praise him
and still shall raise him glad hymn forever: Alleluia!

~Adam Koch

SERVING TODAY

Ushers: Chris O'Hanlon, Liz Poole

Lectors: Oluyemisi Ariyibi

Subdeacon: David Liston

Altar Guild: Alden Prouty

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. John Beddingfield

Deacon: The Rev. Pamela Tang

Tours: Retta Blaney

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for Steve, Red, Margo, Maria, Karolina, Victoria, Marlin, Robert, Jean, Richard, Frank, James, Helen, John, Joe, Sandra, Bill, Pat, Frances, Brian, Susan, Tom, Sean, Mitchell, Bea, John, Emma, Mary, Steve, Megan, Jackie, David.

Praying with our Link Parish in London of St. Stephen with St. John. We especially pray for the parish 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, December 31, 2023 attendance: 8:00 AM: 6; 11:00 AM: 70; Monday, January 1, 2024 attendance: 20.

. . As snow is predicted for this weekend, please use your best judgment when deciding to venture out and come to church. Since the rector lives in the building, as long as he is able, church services are never canceled. Recall that the 11:00 AM service and the 6:00 PM service are available online at <https://facebook.com/holytrinitynyc> .

. . As viruses continue to spread, please use your best judgment when gathering with others and wear a face mask if you are feeling the sniffles. As always, please respect others' precautions around physical greetings and distance.

A note of thanks...

Matthew and I would like to express our thanks and appreciation to Father John, Erlinda, the Staff and people of Holy Trinity for your kind words, support, and love in the months leading to and the passing of my mother, Judy. The flower arrangements were beautiful, and we appreciate the tree planted in my mothers memory. Each card, email, message, and note of condolence during this difficult time has been greatly appreciated. Matthew and I are quite fortunate to be a part of such a wonderful community. Thank you! *Peace, Adam*

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, January 28, 2024

11:00 AM Choral Eucharist

(Only worship service of the day.)

12:15 PM International Potluck Luncheon (bring a dish representing your background or your favorite dish to share) More information below.

12:30 PM Annual Meeting of the Congregation (sharing of reports, elections, and celebration of 2023) More information below.

January 28, International Potluck

(Before the Annual Meeting.)

We all know that food tastes better when shared, so we invite you to prepare a dish that is representative of your family's heritage. Please make enough to share with others! (If you don't like the food of your ancestors, bring a dish that you wish was ancestral!) Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church, or send an email to mailbox@holytrinity-nyc.org, indicating what you will bring. Please be sure to indicate the country of origin of your dish.

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Sunday, January 28, 2024

The Annual Meeting of the Church of the Holy Trinity will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2024, after the 11:00 AM worship service, at 12:30 PM. **The meeting will be in person and online, through Zoom.** (<https://zoom.us/j/8753617165> (for the password, type the numerals for eighteen ninety-nine, two thousand nineteen. No comma or space.)

All parishioners are invited to attend in the way that seems best for their situation. The Annual Meeting features brief reports from parish leadership as well as the completion of voting for the 2023 Vestry Election. Ballots for vestry members and a vestry warden will be available one week before the meeting, as well.

Standing for Vestry. The parish will be asked to vote on those standing for vestry.

Running for Warden for a second two-year term:

Chris Abelt

Running for a second three-year term: Jean Geater

Running for a first three-year term:

Joseph Ayett-Bullock; Amelia (Amy) Cover; and Christina Dhanuja

Running to complete a one-year term: Steve Knight.

Who Can Vote. According to the parish by-laws, all baptized parishioners of 18 years or older who have been in regular attendance at worship services at The Church of the Holy Trinity and are “contributors to its support for at least twelve months prior to an annual election” are eligible to vote.

Absentee Ballots. Absentee ballots may be requested on, and after January 21, 2024. Any person eligible to vote may request an absentee ballot by email or telephone call to Erlinda Brent, parish secretary, at 212-289-4100, ext. 201, ebrent@holytrinity-nyc.org or by applying to her in person. Paper and email ballots must be received by the church office by Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 1:00 PM.

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Join us after the 11:00 AM worship service in Draesel Hall. Instead of Coffee Hour, we'll have a *Pancake Brunch and Talent Show*, just like we've done in the past, but instead of having this on Shrove Tuesday (the night before Ash Wednesday), we are having it on the Sunday afternoon before Ash Wednesday. We'll welcome contributions of \$5 or \$10 to help defray the costs, and also invite desserts. (Pancakes will be cooked by volunteers.)

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday: Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes at 7:00 AM, Noon, and 7:00 PM

Weather permitting, ashes will also be available in front of the church, between services.

Saturday, February 17, 2024

Lenten Quiet Day: 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Join Father Beddingfield in an exploration of "The Heart of Faith: Connection, Compassion, & Courage."

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.

Choir and Music Sponsorship. If you would like to give the gift of music, please complete the form that can be found at the back of the church or visit the church website to complete the interest form. If you have any questions, please reach out to Adam Koch, Director of Music, via email or by calling the church office. Thank you for your continued support of music at the Church of the Holy Trinity!

LEARNING AND GROWING

Forward Day-By-Day. Copies of the Feb/Mar/Apr edition of the daily prayer guide, *Forward Day by Day* are available on the wall shelves in the church.

Adult Christian Education

Epiphany Book Discussion: January 7, 17, and 21

Join us in Draesel Hall or online at

<https://zoom.us/j/8753617165> (for the password, type the numbers for eighteen ninety-nine, two thousand nineteen. No comma or space.)

Father Beddingfield and the clergy from our link parish in London read and discussed this book during Advent. Join Father John for a discussion of Chapters 8, 9, and 10 of Kelley Nikondeha's book *The First Advent in Palestine*. The readings for each week can be found on the parish website under Upcoming Events.

STEWARDSHIP

It's not too late to pledge!

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

We have received 87 pledges totaling \$332,620.58 Our goal for 2024 is \$350,815.

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

COMMUNITY LIFE

Yoga at Holy Trinity. Yoga resumes on January 2. 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.

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.htnccnyc.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;
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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)

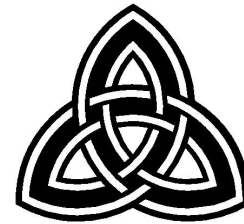
Jean Geater (2023), Scott Hess (2024),

Joseph Lipuma (2024), Marlin Mattson (2025)

Fabio Mejia (2025), Liz Poole (2024),

Donald Schermerhorn (2023),

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