



CELEBRATING



TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

175

EST. 1847

YEARS OF FAITHFUL
MINISTRY



**The steadfast love of
the Lord never ceases,**
his mercies never
come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

- Lamentations 3:22-23

For most of us, the past 18 months have been unparalleled.

Yet, in its 175-year history, Trinity Church has withstood many challenges—Yellow Fever, the Civil War, the 1918 pandemic, WWI, the Great Depression, WWII, Hurricane Katrina, and our current pandemic, just to name a few.

That's only a small piece of our story.

We read in Lamentations that God's love never ceases and God's faithfulness is great and enduring. Even in times of adversity, we experience the joy of God's blessings, tenfold.

Cover: Trinity Episcopal Church (1923), Left: Lent (2021), photo by Helen Reed.



Top Left: Potato sack race at annual picnic (1949), Center Left: Second line (circa. 2000), photo by Sandy Courvoisier, Bottom Left: Trinity dispensary during yellow fever outbreak (1905), Top Right: Sunday School (circa 1978), Bottom Right: Staff photo (1954), Background Image: Christmas following the 1910 Renovation.

A VISION OF TRINITY'S FUTURE

REV. CANON WILLIAM S. TURNER

We are indeed proud of the traditions of Trinity Church in New Orleans. The record of accomplishment and service in God's Kingdom is outstanding. We often wonder whether the present members can begin to make the enormous contributions to society that our forefathers have made. Have we done enough—or rather have they done enough—and may we now rest upon our accumulated laurels, and is there nothing left that we can do for others that has not already been done?

Our generation must answer these questions, and answer them in a time when great social and political problems are just as pressing and acute as in the years gone by.

If our heritage of Christianity in Trinity Church has any value at all we do have answers and contributions to make, and I believe that what we do in these next hundred years will be just as significant and vital as what we have done in the past century.

So, as we look to the future in which we have already entered, I feel certain that the following things should be in our vision: Primarily the Gospel of Our Lord and Saviour must be preached, children baptized, men, women and young people brought to the Bishop for the laying on of hands, the Sacrament of Holy Communion regularly celebrated, people brought into the fellowship of the Church, our children and adults given training in the fundamentals of the Christian life, holy Matrimony solemnized, the sick, the distressed, the confused, and the needy ministered unto, the dead buried and the grieved ones consoled.

We yearn for a parish that is truly a family in Christ, with a warmth of fellowship with God and each other, with divine purpose and direction, mutually helpful, welcoming of all who will join with us, assisting people in every good cause, gladly joining our sister parishes and our Christian brethren of all Churches in our common cause, and showing forth in our corporate lives the light of Christ.

We yearn for a parish family that will feel its bounden duty to follow Christ, to worship God every Sunday in His Church, and to work and pray and give for the spread of His Kingdom.

Further, we hope to do certain things that will aid us in accomplishing our task.

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- The Reverend Canon William S. Turner, 1948



Left: Excerpt from "Trinity Church 100 Years in New Orleans" (1948), Center: Young Adults Progressive Dinner, Arnaud's (2017), Right: Young People's Social League (1948).





Above: Godly Play Classroom (2019), photo by Helen Reed, Right: Every Member Canvass Dinner (1962)





Our legacy as a faith community spans well beyond the four walls of our sanctuary and our nave. Generations of Trinity parishioners contributed their leadership and service to the benefit of their congregation, the city of New Orleans, and beyond. We stand on the shoulders of angels whose foresight, careful investment, and steadfast faith established and expanded our endowments, cultivated our ministries, and constructed and lovingly restored our beautiful buildings these 175-years.

As Trinity Episcopal Church moves forward towards new challenges, we are at a critical juncture.

The shifting landscape of the past 18 months, including the COVID-19 pandemic, has greatly affected revenue streams. Reduced income from the Offertory, losses in rental income from Molly's House and special events, and an overall decrease in pledged income substantially impacted the annual Church budget.

In order to live into our mission and faithfully enter God's future for Trinity, the financial support of every member is needed as we embark on the next phase of a journey as critical as any in our 175-year history.

Left: Blessing of the Backpacks (2019), photo by Helen Reed.

We are grateful for the financial commitment so many Trinity families make with their annual stewardship gifts to the Church. If you are a pledging member, please continue to do so! If you do not yet pledge to Trinity Church, please consider doing so this year.

We can only do this together. **Now is our moment.**



Top: Worship during the COVID-19 pandemic (2021), photo by Helen Reed.
 Bottom: Trinity Loaves and Fishes delivers meals in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida (2021).

Trinity Church is worthy of your investment.

Your pledge is an affirmation of your membership and will help us determine what we can do in 2022.

Range of Pledges	Pledges Received			
	2019 ACTUAL	2020 ACTUAL	2021 ACTUAL	2022 GOAL
\$30,000 and above	4	4	2	5
\$20,000 to \$29,999	6	8	9	12
\$15,000 to \$19,999	8	4	6	9
\$10,000 to \$14,999	19	22	19	25
\$5,000 to \$9,999	63	62	49	65
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66	64	56	75
\$1,000 to \$2,499	166	167	145	169
\$999 and less	128	141	110	140
TOTAL	460	472	396	500

Out of an estimated 1,000 families in the congregation, 396 were able to pledge in 2021. If more families pledge for 2022, and do so generously, we will be able to expand our ministries.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss.

- Psalm 85:10

Each fall, Trinity Church asks every parishioner to make a financial commitment to support the ongoing ministries of the Church during the coming year. The breadth and complexity of our Parish life requires our vestry to budget skillfully and carefully for the year ahead. Your pledge helps us plan for the resources that will be available over the course of 2022.

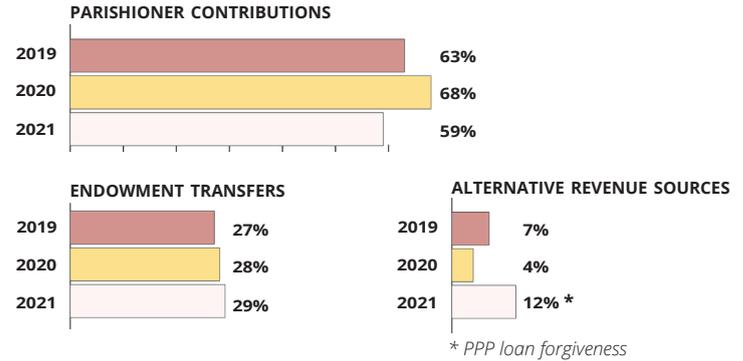
Prayerfully consider what Trinity Church means to you and your family and what Trinity Church can do for the greater community. We ask you to please affirm your commitment for 2022 by the end of December 2021.

Ways to make your pledge

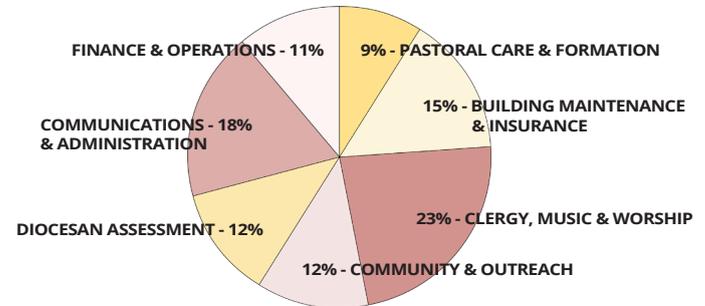
Please complete and return the enclosed 2022 pledge card, either at Church in the offering plate, or by mail. You may also make your pledge online at trinitynola.com/2022pledge.

Kindly contact Director of Stewardship, Raina O'Neil, with any questions at (504) 670-2537 or roneil@trinitynola.com.

Where our funding comes from



Where our money is spent



Online Pledge Card
Scan with your phone