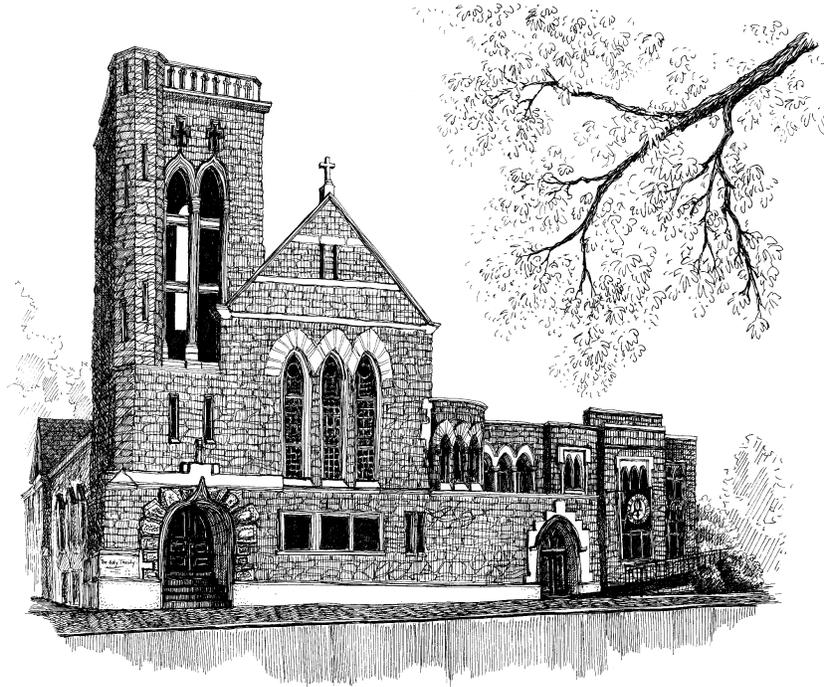


Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



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The Celebration of the Life of Joseph T. Knox

Burial, Rite One

February 22, 1935 – November 5, 2025

The Twenty-Fourth day of November in 2025

2:00 p.m.

The Funeral Service

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

—Romans 8:39–29

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

Flowers at the Altar

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in the celebration of the life of Joe Knox.

The Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of quiet prayer and reflection for all.

Please silence your devices.

Prelude

“Air in D”	Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)
“St. Christopher’s School Hymn”	Frederick Charles Maker (1844–1927)
“Prière à Notre-Dame” <i>Suite Gothique, Opus 25</i>	Léon Boëllmann (1862–1897)
“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”	J. S. Bach
“Old Nassau” (Princeton University's Alma Mater)	Carl Langlotz (1834–1915)

Gilbert & Sullivan Medley

“I’m Called Little Buttercup” <i>H.M.S Pinafore</i>	
“I Am the Very Model of a Modern Major-General” <i>Pirates of Penzance</i>	
“The Moon and I” <i>The Mikado</i>	Arthur Sullivan (1842–1900)
“Les Canaries”	François Couperin (1668–1733)
“Française d’après Claude Gervaise”	Francis Poulenc (1899–1963)
“Gymnopedie No. 1”	Erik Satie (1866–1925)
“La fille aux cheveux de lin” (“The Girl with the Flaxen Hair”)	Claude Debussy (1862–1918)

“Sarabande” *French Suite in G Major, BWV 816*

J. S. Bach

“C’est Mon Plaisir” *Belle!* (Musical on the life of Isabella Stewart Gardner)

Phoebe Knox Binkley
Lyrics by Ella-Prince Knox

C'est mon plaisir
To welcome each of you.
C'est mon plaisir
To whisper bienvenue,
To hear the music of a symphony that's playing
Within a palace all ablaze
With candlelight!

C'est mon plaisir
To take your hand tonight.
I ask one simple thing:
That you recall
My love's among the many memories
That linger in this hall.
C'est mon plaisir
Must say it all.

“Boston Lullaby” *Belle!* (Musical on the life of Isabella Stewart Gardner)

Phoebe Knox Binkley
Lyrics by Ella-Prince Knox

Sleepy boy,
Hush-a-bye,
Sail a swan-boat through the sky.
Close your eyes,
Drift away
Past the clouds, but never stay.
I'll be waiting.
Watching here,
For your swan-boat to appear.

Sleepy boy of Boston town,
Close your eyes,
Snuggle down.
Angels keep you through the night.
Boston loves you
Now good-night.

Processional Hymn

“For All the Saints” *The Hymnal 1982* #287

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer p. 469

Celebrant I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For if we live, we live unto the Lord; and if we die, we die unto the Lord. Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

The Welcome

The Collect

Book of Common Prayer p. 470

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servant *Joseph Knox*, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Romans 8:35–39

Read by Mr. Knox Buxton

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to

come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

Read by Mr. Brad Davenport, St. Christopher's School, Class of 1965

Book of Common Prayer p. 754

Confitebor tibi

Lector Let us read Psalm 111, responsively by the whole verse.

Lector 1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

All 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *

because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;

his praise endures for ever.

Second Reading

Phillipians 4:4-9

Read by Mr. Jon Biley, St. Christopher's School, Class of 1998

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Phillipians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

“St. Catherine’s School Hymn” *Puck of Pook’s Hill* | Rudyard Kipling

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Music: *Duke Street* by John Hatton

1. Fa - ther in hea - ven who loves us all, o help your
2. Teach us to rule our - selves al - way, con - trolled and
3. Teach us to look in all our ends, on You for
4. Teach us de - light in sim - ple things, and mirth that

1. chil - dren when they call; that they may build from
2. clean - ly night and day; that we may bring, if
3. judge and not our friends; that we, with You, may
4. has no bi - tter springs; for - give - ness free of

1. age to age, an un - de - fil - ed her - i - tage.
2. need a - rise, no maimed or worth - less sa - cri - fice.
3. walk un - cowed, by fear or fa - vor of the crowd.
4. e - vil done, and love to all be - neath the sun.

The Homily

The Rev. Jay Morgan, *Chaplain at Westminster Canterbury*

The Apostles' Creed

Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, standing let us proclaim our faith and say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 480

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Notre Père qui es aux cieux,
que ton nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne,
que ta volonté soit faite,
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.
Pardonne-nous nos offenses,
comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux
qui nous ont offensés.
Et ne nous soumet pas à la tentation,
mais délivre-nous du mal.
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,
la puissance et la gloire,
pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.

Celebrant In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace. **Amen.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. **Amen.**

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that thy Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. **Amen.**

Grant to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind. **Amen.**

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in thy fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love. **Amen.**

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. **Amen.**

Grant us grace to entrust Joe to thy never-failing love; receive him into the arms of thy mercy, and remember him according to the favor which thou bearest unto thy people. **Amen.**

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, he may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom. **Amen.**

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in thy eternal and everlasting glory, and, with blessed Joe and all thy saints, to receive the crown of life which thou dost promise to all who share in the victory of thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Commendation

Book of Common Prayer p. 482

Celebrant Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant(s) with thy saints,

All where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so thou didst ordain when thou createdst me, saying, “Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.” All we go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant(s) with thy saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant Into thy hands, O merciful Savior, we commend thy servant Joe. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech thee, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of thy mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

“O God Our Help in Ages Past” *The Hymnal 1982* #680

Please remain standing as you are able and sing.

The Dismissal

Book of Common Prayer p. 339 & Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Celebrant Friends, life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us so be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Sine Nomine” | Dr. John Weaver

All are warmly invited to a reception in the Parish Hall.

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Brent Melton, *Celebrant*

The Rev. Jay Morgan, *Preacher*

The Rev. Deacon Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Choirmaster & Organist*

Abigail Stinnett, *Cantor*

Hope Armstrong Erb, *Pianist*

Mr. Brad Davenport, Mr. Knox Buxton & Mr. Jon Bliley, *Lectors*

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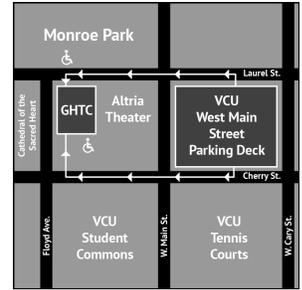
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