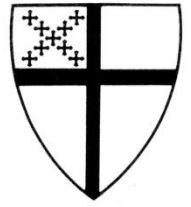




# Trinity Episcopal Church

## The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

December 21, 2014

### Weekly Services at Trinity

#### Sunday

7:30AM

Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00AM

Holy Eucharist Rite II\*

11:00AM

Holy Eucharist Rite II\*

5:00 PM

Holy Eucharist Rite II\*

#### Monday–Friday

10:00AM

Morning Prayer

#### Wednesday

10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist Rite II

7:00 PM

Holy Eucharist with Anointing

\*Childcare Available

### WELCOME NEWCOMERS

We are delighted that you have joined us to worship the Lord this day! We open our hearts to you in the love and fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We invite you to stop by the Visitor's table for more information about Trinity and our ministries.

### COFFEE

After the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM services please join us for coffee and pastries in Butler Fellowship Hall.

After the 11:00 AM service please join us in the Parlor for coffee.

We are now brewing BISHOPS BLEND coffee. Proceeds raised through Bishops Blend go into Episcopal Relief and Development's Global Needs Fund. GOOD never tasted so good.

### ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is always available.

Please visit our website

<http://trinitywoodlands.org/calendar-resources/online-giving/>

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### Weekly Outreach at Trinity

#### *12 Step Program Open Meeting*

Every Friday at 7:30PM in the

Atrium

Call 713.686.6300 for information

### TRINITY'S VISION

We believe Jesus Christ calls us to be His true disciples. Trinity chooses to use the unique gifts given to us by the Holy Spirit to become a shining example of God's love to each other and our community.

### TRINITY'S MISSION

Grounded in Christ's love and surrendered to the Holy Spirit, we provide a safe and positive environment for spiritual growth of all, to welcome and serve others, to reach out to those in need and to share the Gospel.

## TRINITY WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday-Friday Morning Prayer in the Parlor 10AM

Sunday, 12/21 4 Advent  
7:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Nave)  
8:45 AM Adult Sunday School Class (WR)  
9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)  
10:15 AM Christian Formation Hour  
11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)  
1:00 PM Junior Daughters of the King (Millspaugh Room)  
3:00 PM Christian Meditation Group (Parlor)  
4:00 PM Trinity Ringers Concert (Nave)  
5:00 PM The Longest Night Service-Rite II Eucharist (Nave)

Monday, 12/22

9:00 AM Kids Day Out  
10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)  
5:15 PM Zumba (BFH)  
7:00 PM BSA Troop 777 (BFH)  
7:00 PM Trinity Women's Book Club (Parlor)

Tuesday, 12/23

9:00 AM Kids Day Out  
9:30 AM Trinity Quilters (WR)  
10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)  
10:30 AM Staff Meeting (OCR)  
6:30 PM Pub Theology (Offsite)

Wednesday, 12/24 Office Closed

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)  
5:00 PM No Rehearsal Christmas Pageant (Nave)  
8:00 PM Christmas Eve Service (Nave)  
11:00 PM Christmas Eve Service (incense) (Nave)

Thursday, 12/25 Office Closed

Christmas Day - Christmas Day  
10:30 AM Christmas Day Service - Rite II Eucharist (Nave)

Friday, 12/26 Office Closed

6:00 AM Men's SonRise Breakfast (WR)

Saturday, 12/27

10:00 AM Tae Kwon Do for Children with Special Needs (BFH)

## FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE

(as approved at December 16 Vestry Meeting)

Here is how our year-to-date financials look through the end of November:

Our giving = \$1,274,061

Other income = \$217,984

Ministry, other expenses & capital additions = \$1,620,956

Year to date under funded ministries = \$128,911

Other Information:

Reserve Fund Balance - \$14,104

Mortgage - \$2,159,655

Line of Credit - \$61,000 (decrease of \$65,400 from December 2013)

Outstanding debt - \$2,220,655

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*3901 S. Panther Creek Drive 281. 367.8113*

*Office Hours: 8:30 AM–5:00 PM Monday–Friday*

[www.trinitywoodlands.org](http://www.trinitywoodlands.org)

The Rt. Rev. Andrew Doyle, Bishop  
The Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher, Bishop Suffragan  
The Rt. Rev. Dena Harrison, Bishop Suffragan  
The Rev. Dr. Gerald Seveck, Rector  
The Rev. Sean Steele, Associate Priest  
The Rev. Robert W. Horner, Deacon  
The Rev. Vivian Orndorff, Deacon  
Micki Balog, Director of Music Ministry  
Molly Carr, Community Life and Discipleship Minister  
Sheila Gerth, Pastoral Care Coordinator  
Carol Godell, Day School Director  
Liz Johnson, Kids Corner Coordinator  
Liz Linger, Community Life and Discipleship  
Melanie Sheffield, Admin. Asst. to the Rector  
Alyssa Stebbing, Outreach & Contemporary Music  
Sara Tate, New Member Ministry Coordinator  
Larry Martz, Parish Accountant

## WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday	7:30 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	11:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
M–F	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	7:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Anointing

## GLUTEN FREE WAFERS

Gluten free wafers and wine are available at the Altar Rail on the Gospel side (left side as you face the Altar). These wafers and the wine are separate from the wafers made of wheat. Please let the priest know you wish gluten free by placing your palms face down.

## PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

- When you are going in the hospital
- When there is a birth or death in your family
- When you would like to schedule a Lay Eucharistic visitor for Holy Communion

## STAY CONNECTED WITH TRINITY AND DIOCESE

Weekly Email: [trinitywoodlands.org/stay-informed](http://trinitywoodlands.org/stay-informed)

Facebook: [facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch](https://facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch)

Instagram: TrinityTWTexas

Twitter: TrinityTWTexas

Texas Episcopalian: Dialog

[epicenter.org/texas-episcopalian-dialog-archive](http://epicenter.org/texas-episcopalian-dialog-archive)

## MASTER PLAN ARTICLE AND PICTURES

Trinity, The Woodlands, Announces Plan to Revitalize Campus  
Read our article and see pictures about our Master Plan on our website: [trinitywoodlands.org/about-us/master-plan](http://trinitywoodlands.org/about-us/master-plan)

## ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM

Please speak with an usher if you would like to use the assisted listening equipment. Please turn off the receiver and put it back into the basket after the service.

## ATTENDANCE AT TRINITY

12/14/2014	488	2013	488
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## SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

*The Language of God; A Scientist Presents  
Evidence for Belief*  
**8:45 AM (adult) -Wesley Room**  
Dr. Frank Handy

**Common Lectionary Bible Study**  
**10:15-10:55 AM (adult) -Atrium 214**  
Lou Barron

**A Novel Bible Study-**  
**On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.**  
**10:15-10:55 AM (adult)-Millsbaugh Room**  
The Rev. Susan Gerding

**Children and Youth Sunday School**  
**Children 4 years old (as of September 1,**  
**2014) through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade** meet in the  
TEDS (children's building)

**4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade** meet upstairs in the Atrium  
TNT Room A228

**7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group**  
Meet in Butler Fellowship Hall Library

**Youth Community (Sunday Night)**  
Come hungry for dinner at 6:00PM.  
Drop off your Junior and Senior High  
Youth in Butler Fellowship Hall for  
dinner, Jesus and Fun!  
Pick up is at 8:30PM

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### **Monday:**

7:00-8:30 PM    Crossways    OCR    Deacon Vivian Orndorff

### **Wednesday:**

1:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study	Library	Nancy Farrell
1:15 PM	Prime Time Guys	Wesley/OCR	
4:30 PM	Coffee Talk-Youth	Starbucks Panther Creek	Molly Carr
7:00 PM	Coffee Talk Youth	Starbucks Panther Creek	Molly Carr

### **Thursday:**

7:00 PM    Rector's Bible Study    Millsbaugh Room    Ftr. Gerry Sevick

### **Friday:**

6:00 AM	SONrise Bible Study	Wesley Room	Jim Geiger
9:00 AM	Art As A Spiritual Process*	Atrium 212	Alyssa Stebbing
9:30 AM	Resumes January 16	Wesley Room	San West
1:00 PM	Rector's Bible Study	Atrium 215	Ftr. Gerry Sevick

\*Childcare provided by the Trinity Kids Corner

OCR (Office Conference Room)

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

Trinity Episcopal Day School is beginning its thirteenth year as part of Trinity Episcopal Church! Ours is a developmental preschool program serving children ages 18 months-4 years. Our classes meet for the morning preschool program from 8:45 AM-12:00 PM and we offer an optional extended day until 2:00. TEDS is a state licensed facility and we are in our 6th year of accreditation by The Southwestern Association of Episcopal Schools. TEDS is governed by a school board that has responsibility for fiduciary oversight and general guidance to the school administration. Each day of attendance, children in the three and four year old classes attend Chapel with Trinity Clergy and Staff. Currently, TEDS has several openings in the 18 month, 2 and 3 year old classes. If you are interested in more information about the preschool program of your church, please call the school office at 281.367.5148, email us at [office@tedstw.org](mailto:office@tedstw.org) or check out our website, [www.tedstw.org](http://www.tedstw.org).

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **HEALING**

Buddy Parker	Gary Workman	Marilyn Stofleth
Kelsey	Amanda Eads	Steve O
Joyce Lowry	Ron Anderson	Jack Sutton
Connie Lippard	Anna Pirir	Tom Wall
Violet West	Monty Koerner	Doreen Collins
John/Pat Horner	Mary Kyle	Patty Spahr
George Norris	Carole Ingram	Claire Kruchten
Dick and Dodie	William Steele	Bobby
Jerry/Mary Holland	Kenneth	Douglas
Dolores Sands	Chris/Carl Carter	Bidwell Drake
Gary Darby	Jane Horner	James Dewberry
Judy McCall	Ryan	Kyle
Crystal Fretz	Leigh	Barbara Miller
Ron Higgins	Nat	Jennifer Cardillo
Erika P.	Ernest	Peyton

### **GUIDANCE**

Craig Sherlock	Randy	
Jason S.	Janet Appel	Smokey

### **FOR MILITARY AND CIVILIANS SERVING**

Lance	Michael Daigle	David Flaherty
Misty	Travis Bassett	Brandon Schambach
Gilbert	Stephen Jones	Brandon McCord
Marlo Baguyos	Zeb Perciful	Ted Limmer
Amanda Brooks	Cameron Brooks	Brandon Cox
Quincy Simpson	John Collins	Jason Green
Tom Babbitt	Christian Imle	Vincent Geiger
Ryan Workman	Michael Corbin	Jessica Watson
Jim Watson	Nicholas Babbitt	William Shumate Jr
Jacob Fernandez	Lynn Irwin	Andrew Thornbury
Matthew Wagner	Dimitri Thomas	Andres Seminario
Joshua Johnson	Lee Cain	Scottie McKenzie

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 21, 2014**

*WE WILL NOT HAVE CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL ON DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> AND DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>.*

### **GREENING OF THE CHURCH**

The Flower Guild, Petal Pushers, and Jr. Daughters of the King will be doing the "Greening of the Church" after the 11:00 service TODAY. Please join in the fun with hanging of the wreathes, placement of the poinsettias, and decorating the Christmas tree in the Narthex. All are welcome and snacks will be served. Hope to see you there!

### **THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE**

The Longest Night Service is a Eucharistic service held on the evening of the winter solstice, literally the longest night. Everyone is invited, but this service is offered particularly for those who are grieving a loss, whoever or whatever that loss might be. Please join us at our Longest Night Service TONIGHT at 5:00PM in the Nave. Childcare is provided.

### **"I AM TRINITY" VIDEO**

We want YOU to be a part of our cross-generational "I am Trinity" video for our website. We invite members of all ages to stop by the courtyard after the 9 and 11 AM services, TODAY to have a quick picture taken for the video. It will only take a few minutes, but it sure to be fun! For more information contact Sara Tate or Molly Carr at the church office.

### **ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CONCERTS**

**December 21 the Trinity Ringers** will offer a concert of Advent and Christmas selections from the balcony at 4:00 PM. Feel free to come upstairs and watch, or simply listen in the nave and let the music float down.

**Christmas Eve** – December 24 Members of Trinity Choir will offer solos, duets and choir selections prior to the 8:00 PM & 11:00 PM services.

### **CLERGY LED NOVEL BIBLE STUDY**

Next Novel Bible Study led by The Rev. Susan Gerding- The Gospel of Luke. Read the book before the discussion TODAY at 10:15 AM in the Millspaugh Room. For discussion questions email [susangerding@comcast.net](mailto:susangerding@comcast.net).

### **KIDS CORNER UPCOMING EVENT DATES**

**December 22, 23, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>** Kids Day Out 9:00 -2:00 PM

The cost for the events is \$25 per child or \$40 per family. For more information or to RSVP contact Liz Johnson at the church office or at [ljohnson@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:ljohnson@trinitywoodlands.org)

### **NO REHEARSAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

Kids of all ages are invited to participate in the No Rehearsal Christmas Pageant at the 5:00 PM service on Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Costumes are provided starting at 4:30 PM in the hallway by the music suite. Dress up and live out the night Jesus was born. We need helpers to help the kids get creative with the outfits. Contact Liz Linger at [llinger@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:llinger@trinitywoodlands.org).

### **EPIPHANY**

We will celebrate Epiphany on January 4<sup>th</sup> from 10-11 AM. Stop by the courtyard outside the church to see the Wiseman, Camel, Gold, Frankincense and Myrh.

### **MENTAL HEALTH 101: AFTER THE HOLIDAYS**

January 10, 2015 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM in Butler Fellowship Hall. A workshop that helps participants identify the early warning signs of mental illness in adults and early-onset mental illnesses in children and adolescents. It focuses on the specific, age-related symptoms of mental illnesses, how best to intervene, and the shared and lived experiences of consumers and families who strive for recovery.

### **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY**

Financial Peace University classes will begin on Thursday, January 15th at 7:00 PM in the Trinity choir practice room. Childcare will be provided. Please contact Gary Underwood for more information at [underga07@comcast.net](mailto:underga07@comcast.net) or 713-454-9389.

### **TRINITY PHOTO DIRECTORY- SIGNUP**

**Sign up** for Photo sessions will continue thru December after **Sunday services**. **On-line sign up** is available for your use Tuesday thru Fridays each week. The on-line sign up can be accessed [@www.trinitywoodlands.org](http://www.trinitywoodlands.org). Click on *Portrait Sign Up*. Dates of the **photo sessions** are: January 2, 2015, Wednesday Jan.21 to Saturday Jan.24, and Wednesday Jan. 28 to Saturday Jan. 31. Please contact Sharen Horn at 281-844-4240 or by email at [srh46@live.com](mailto:srh46@live.com) with any questions.

### **#ADVENT WORD-A GLOBAL ADVENT CALENDAR**

Pray through Advent. Pray through your phone camera. Create a Global Advent Calendar. Tweet or Insta an Image, Each Day #Adventword and #trinitytwexas Watch the calendar grow each day. Follow Trinity on Instagram #trinitytwexas

### **SUPER BOWL SUNDAY - DON'T FORGET THE GUMBO – Place your order early!!**

Once again the Holy Smokers will be selling their famous Gumbo made right here at Trinity.

Sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Sign-up deadline is **Jan. 25, 2015** Pick up in Butler Fellowship Hall on **Feb. 1, 2015**

Gluten Free Available

Regular Gumbo—\$10.00 quart

Shrimp Gumbo—\$15.00 quart

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Our next date for Baptism is Sunday, January 11, 2015. If you or someone in your family would like to be baptized call Shelia in the church office or email [sgerth@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:sgerth@trinitywoodlands.org).

