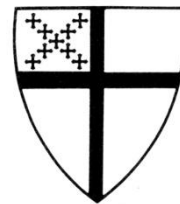




# Trinity Episcopal Church

## The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

May 12, 2013



### ***Welcome Newcomers!***

We are delighted you have joined us to worship the Lord this day! If you are a Visitor to our church community, we open our hearts to you in the love and fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please stop by the Visitors' Table for information about Trinity Episcopal Church. After the 7:30AM and 9:00AM services please join us for coffee and pastries in Butler Fellowship Hall. After the 11:00AM service please join us in the Parlor for coffee. Please look inside this Weekly Tidings for information regarding Children, Youth and Adult Sunday school classes.

### ***Connections Dinner***

We hope that you can join us for ***the Newcomers' Dinner on May 19<sup>th</sup>***. Invitations and directions are available at the greeter table in the narthex. ***If you are new to the church, would like to know more about all the different ministries at Trinity, or would like to meet the clergy in a more relaxed atmosphere, please consider joining us at the Newcomers' Dinner!*** Childcare is provided; contact the church office at 281.367.8113 for more information.

### ***"Something to Reflect Upon..."***

In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich. It is very easy to overestimate the importance of our own achievements in comparison with what we owe others.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

### ***"U.S. Poverty Myths"***

Myth: Few U.S. children are homeless

The Reality: More than 1.6 million of the nation's children go to sleep without a home each year. Homeless children experience a lack of safety, comfort, privacy, reassuring routines, adequate health care, uninterrupted schooling, sustaining relationships, and a sense of community. These factors combine to create a life-altering experience that inflicts profound and lasting scars. (National Center on Family Homelessness, 2012)

### ***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 10:00AM in the Parlor*

|              |                                     |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday, 5/12 | 7 Easter<br>Family Promise          |
| 7:30 AM      | Holy Eucharist Rite I (Nave)        |
| 8:00 AM      | Holy Smokers Breakfast (Kitchen)    |
| 8:45 AM      | Adult Sunday School Class (WR)      |
| 9:00 AM      | Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)       |
| 10:15 AM     | Welcome Series (OCR)                |
| 11:00 AM     | Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)       |
| 3:00 PM      | Christian Meditation Group (Parlor) |
| 5:00 PM      | Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)       |

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|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday, 5/13 | Family Promise                       |
| 6:30 PM      | TEDS Board Meeting (WR)              |
| 7:00 PM      | Bell Choir (MS)                      |
| 7:00 PM      | Crossways Bible Study (A215)         |
| 7:00 PM      | Finance Committee Meeting (OCR)      |
| 7:00 PM      | Walking the Mourners's Path (Parlor) |

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|---------------|---------------------|
| Tuesday, 5/14 | Family Promise      |
| 10:30 AM      | Staff Meeting (OCR) |
| 12:00 PM      | Open Table (Parlor) |
| 7:00 PM       | DOK (Library)       |

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|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Wednesday, 5/15 | Family Promise                   |
| 10:00 AM        | Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)    |
| 1:00 PM         | Parish Life Meeting (OCR)        |
| 1:00 PM         | PTG Bible Study (WR)             |
| 1:00 PM         | Women's Bible Study (Library)    |
| 4:00 PM         | Jr. Choir (MS)                   |
| 6:00 PM         | Contemporary Band Rehearsal (MS) |
| 7:00 PM         | Healing Eucharist (Nave)         |
| 7:30 PM         | Choir Rehearsal (MS)             |

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| Thursday, 5/16 | Family Promise          |
| 11:00 AM       | Purls and Prayers (OCR) |

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| Friday, 5/17 | Family Promise                          |
| 9:30 AM      | Ladies' Bible Study (WR)                |
| 1:00 PM      | TEDS Kindergarten Moving Up Celebration |

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|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Saturday, 5/18 | Family Promise                  |
| 10:00 AM       | Baptism/Confirmation Class (WR) |

TKC-Trinity Kids Corner \*childcare provided  
Atrium, BFH-Butler Hall, C-Children's Bldg., K-Kitchen, L-Library, MS-Music  
Suite, OCR-Office Conf. Rm, P-Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WR-Wesley Rm, YL-Youth Loft

## THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The Flowers on the Altar this week are given to the Glory of God by David and Camille Edgar in memory of their mothers Ilene Wood McCleskey and Jewel Jones.

### Weekly Outreach at Trinity

- **12 Step Program Open Meeting**
- Every Friday at 7:30PM in the Atrium  
Call 713.686.6300 for more information
- **English as a Second Language (ESL)**
- Monday through Friday in the Atrium  
Call Robin Booth at 713.248.6474 for more information

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

3901 S. Panther Creek Drive 281. 367.8113

Office Hours: 8:30AM-5:00PM 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. Genevieve Razim, Associate Rector (part time)  
The Rev. Robert W. Horner, Deacon  
The Rev. Robert Lowry, Deacon  
The Rev. Sean Steele, Curate  
Micki Balog, Director of Music Ministry  
Molly Carr, Parish Life Minister  
Nick Earl, Newcomers' Ministry  
Sheila Gerth, Pastoral Care Coordinator  
Carol Godell, Day School Director  
Liz Johnson, Kids Corner Coordinator  
Liz Linger, Admin. Asst. to Parish Life Ministry  
Melanie Sheffield, Admin. Asst. to the Rector  
Alyssa Stebbing, Outreach & Contemporary Music  
Larry Martz, Parish Accountant

### WORSHIP TIMES 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        |
| M-F       | 10:00AM  | Morning Prayer                |
| Wednesday | 10:00 AM | Holy Eucharist Rite II        |
|           | 7:00 PM  | Holy Eucharist with Anointing |

### SUNDAY PARKING

If you are an established member and are able, would you please consider parking across the street in the McCullough School Lot? This would leave space in our Lot for visitors, young families and those who may be young of heart but less-so of body. The Trinity Taxi is in operation every Sunday shuttling between McCullough and the Church.

### 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

Subscribe to our email lists at [www.trinitywoodlands.org](http://www.trinitywoodlands.org)

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[www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2004125](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2004125)

Dialog E-News [www.epicenter.org/comm](http://www.epicenter.org/comm)

### 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

|           |     |      |               |
|-----------|-----|------|---------------|
| 4/14/2013 | 422 | 2012 | 1451 (Easter) |
| 4/21/2013 | 517 | 2012 | 428           |
| 4/28/2013 | 485 | 2012 | 491           |

## SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### The Hard Saying of Jesus

8:45 a.m. (adult)-Wesley Room

Kathy Norris, Frank Handy & Bill Carter

### Common Lectionary Bible study

10:15-10:55 a.m. (adult)-Atrium 214

led by Lou Barron

### Welcome Series for Newcomers

10:15-10:55 a. m. Office Conference Room

Join us each week in the Office Conference Room

Led by Nick Earl

### Children and Youth Sunday School

10:15-10:55 a.m.

Pre-school to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade meet in the

TEDS building/Children's Building

TNT's 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade meet upstairs in A228

Jr. and Sr. Youth meet in the Atrium .

## WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

### **Monday:**

9:30 a.m.

Mom's Devotional

Library

Molly Carr

7:00 p.m.

Crossways Bible Study

A 215

Father Sean Steele

### **Tuesday:**

1:30 p.m

Gospel of Luke and "Choosing the Better Part?: Women in the Gospel of Luke" by Barbara E. Reid

OCR

Mother Genevieve Razim

### **Wednesday:**

1:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study

Library

Nancy Farrell

1:15 p.m.

Prime Time Guys

Wesley/OCR

George Cannon

### **Thursday:**

6:30 p.m.

Education for Ministry

Library

Kay Sevick

### **Friday:**

6:00 a.m.

Sonrise Bible Study

Wesley Room

Jim Geiger

9:00 a.m.

Art As A Spiritual Process

Atrium 212

Alyssa Stebbing

9:30 a.m.

Women's Bible Study

Wesley Room

San West

## **TRINITY EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL (TEDS)**

TEDS operates a pre-school for children 18 months through Kindergarten on the church campus. The School teaches Christian values and offers a developmentally appropriate curriculum that includes learning centers to encourage individual and group activities.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **HEALING**

Buddy Parker

Kelsey

Joyce Lowry

Connie Lippard

Kimberly

Matt M.

Margie Holmes

Doris Simpson

George Norris

Cathy Wolfe

Buddy Bolfrass

Randy V

William Steele

Giles Family

Darwin

Dick and Dodie

Mary Kyle

Debbie Cain

Bob E

Westmoreland Family

Sarah Knight

Yancey Holmes

Lauren Mullenix

Anna Pirir

Violet West

Jody

John/Pat Horner

Ronald Wishart

Neil Cunningham

Tim

Carole Ingram

Sarah Bliss

Paul Martin

Betty Miller

Gail Streetman

Mary MacMoritz

Jerry Morris

Richard Bosley

Dick O'D

Rita Ramirez

Amanda Eads

Ron Anderson

Lindsey Scruggs

Ginger

Gordon Pixler

Paul and Patsy

Hazel Griffith

Mike

Helen Geiger

George Burrell

Amanda Perez

Elyse Giles

Rose

Bob

Jim

Christina

Jason

Tom Cook

### **GUIDANCE**

Open Table Ministry

Christine

Terri

Larry Martin

Ryan

Mike Stofleth

Marjorie

Randy

Gable Family

David

Jackie & Family

Jenny V

Nick

### **FOR THE DEPARTED**

Antonio (Toni) Larroux

Merritt Allen

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

Lance

Misty

Gilbert

Marlo Baguyos

Justin Swick

Cameron Brooks

Quincy Simpson

Patrick Reeder

Vincent Geiger

Jessica Watson

Nicholas Babbitt

Brandon Schambach

William Shumate Jr

Michael Daigle

Lee Cain

Stephen Jones

David Gyure

Michael Wagner

Brandon Cox

John Collins

Tom Babbitt

Ryan Workman

Jim Watson

Jacob Fernandez

Matthew Wagner

Andrew Thornbury

David Flaherty

Travis Bassett

Brandon McCord

Zeb Perciful

Amanda Brooks

Casey Rogers

Jason Green

Christian Imle

Michael Corbin

Jon Greenhaw

Lynn Irwin

## **SUMMER 2013**

**\*Junior High Mission Trip June 9-13 Canyon Lake, TX (incoming 7<sup>th</sup>-Outgoing 8<sup>th</sup>)**

**\*Vacation Bible School June 24-28 Trinity Episcopal Church**

**\*Senior High Mission Trip June 29-July 6 Booneville, AK (incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**\*Camp Allen Week (session M,N,O) Grades 3-9 campers Grades 10-12 staff**

**\*Teens in Training Mission Trip August 5-7 Houston, TX (incoming 4<sup>th</sup>-Outgoing 6<sup>th</sup>)**

**\*For information on any of these mission trips or camps contact Molly Carr in the church office or [mcarr@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:mcarr@trinitywoodlands.org). To volunteer for VBS contact Liz Linger in the church office or [llinger@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:llinger@trinitywoodlands.org).**

## **TRINITY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 12, 2013**

### **Children's Sunday School Celebration Today During the Sunday School Hour in TEDS**

#### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION**

Parents and children stop by the Children's Building (TEDS) Today from 10:15-10:45AM to celebrate your teachers and say thank you for all they have done this year. Today is the last Sunday School instruction day for the 2012-2013 school year, please join your child to say thanks!

#### **FATHER GERRY'S 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION POTLUCK**

Father Gerry is celebrating 25 years of Priesthood this year. Please join us at 5:30pm on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> in Butler Fellowship Hall to celebrate before the 7pm Eucharist. Please bring a dish to share.

#### **SHEPHERDS WANTED-NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED**

As we seek to do a better job of guiding our new members into Trinity, we are seeking couples and individuals who would like to volunteer to be shepherds. Shepherds are asked to maintain contact with their assigned new member(s) over a period of 3-6 months, sometimes sitting with them on Sundays, inviting or even bringing them to a ministry that might be of interest to them, and generally helping them navigate their way into our Community. We are seeking volunteers of all ages as we will try to match new members with Parishioners of similar backgrounds and demographics. For more information, contact Nick Earl (call the Church Office or email [nearl@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:nearl@trinitywoodlands.org)).

#### **CHRISTIANS AS PARENTS -PIZZA NIGHT AT TRINITY**

Christians as Parents Pizza Night here in Butler Hall on Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7:30PM. The plan is simple. We are going to make pizzas in the kitchen and eat them. Every family just needs to bring their favorite family toppings and drinks with them, and we will have the dough and equipment here. We will gather at around 4:30PM, so the kids can play and we can get the kitchen ready. We will then bake the pizzas starting at about 5:15PM, and then lay them out buffet style for consumption. We should finish by 7:30PM, so kids can get to bed. There will be both regular and gluten free crust.

Contact Father Sean Steele with questions at [ssteele@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:ssteele@trinitywoodlands.org).

#### **VESTRY QUESTIONS**

Do you have questions about the Vestry and how we operate, but were afraid to ask? Are you possibly even considering serving on the Vestry someday? Do we have an opportunity for you! A "no strings attached" overview of what it means to serve on the Trinity Vestry will be held in the Wesley Room on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. The current Vestry members invite you to come for an overview and discernment as to whether this might be an opportunity for you. I hope to see you then! John McKinley-Senior Warden.

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY COMMUNICATION**

Youth ministry is moving to a new communication using texting. If you would like to receive text messages for any of the following ministries, please sign up. Text the following codes (one at a time) to 281.907.9028. Jr. high information text "@jhig". Sr. high information text "@snrhig". Parents information text "@trinparent". You have graduated from high school text "@tringrads".

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-NEW SAVE THE DATES!!!**

VBS 2013 will be June 24-June 28<sup>th</sup> from 9-12pm each day. Registration is open and closes on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Liz Linger in the church office if you can help out! We will set up and have a training on June 22<sup>nd</sup> between 10:30AM and 2:30PM. Lunch is provided. *We are in need of EMPTY 2 liter bottles for VBS games. Please drop them off in the church office to Liz Johnson or Liz Linger.*

#### **HOME ALONE? THEN PHONE A FRIEND**

I think there are a number of folks at Trinity, particularly older ones, who could use a phone call each day to say hello and make sure you are all right (You may have family close, but perhaps they are too busy to call you every day.) We will be brainstorming this idea by having a meeting. Anyone interested let us know by calling Shirley Cox, 281-367-2137, or call the church office 281-367-8113. I believe this is a very viable need in our community and each of us can help out and be helped!

#### **TRINITY GUYS IN FELLOWSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The Sixth Annual Trinity Guys' in Fellowship Charity Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 8th, at La Torretta Lake Resort & Spa on Lake Conroe. This year, in addition to golf, we have negotiated a group rate for those wishing to stay at the resort. So please take advantage of the opportunity to bring your spouse, family, or friends to raise money for Trinity Episcopal's children and youth programs, and also have a day, evening, or weekend of fellowship. The tournament registration deadline is May 31st - please see the flyer and registration forms in the narthex for more information. You can also followup with Jason Johnson or Corky Kratt.

#### **TRINITY KIDS CORNER NEEDS RECYCLABLES**

Trinity Kids Corner needs your recyclables for the Summer Program!! We are in need of Egg Cartons (cardboard only), Empty Toilet Paper Rolls, Empty Paper Towel Tubes, Empty Water Bottles (any size) and Paper Grocery Bags. Please bring them to the church office or to Trinity Kids Corner. Thank you so much for your help!

#### **LORD OF THE STREETS**

The LOTS team for this week includes Vern King, Shirley Cox, and Jayne Smith.