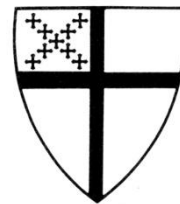




# Trinity Episcopal Church

## The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

May 19, 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 TONIGHT!*** 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..."***

This is how Christ appears to us 99 percent of the time in ordinary, simple, everyday ways rather than in dramatic and awesome events. The resurrected Christ walked with men on the road to Emmaus, he had a fish dinner with Peter, and I am convinced that all of us are invited to have such experiences and encounters NOW.

Charles H. Huffman

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

MYTH: All U.S. children have equal opportunities in school.

THE REALITY: \*Children born poor, at low birth weight, without health coverage, and who start school not ready to learn often fall behind and drop out. \*Teachers in high poverty schools are more likely to have less experience, less training, and fewer advanced degrees than teachers in low poverty schools. \*22 percent of children who have lived in poverty do not graduate from high school, compared with 6 percent of those who have never been poor. \*32 percent of students who spent more than half of their childhoods in poverty do not graduate. (Children's Defense Fund, 2010; Annie E. Casey Foundation, 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, 5/19

- 7:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Nave)
- 8:45 AM Adult Sunday School Class (WR)
- 9:00 AM Baptism (9:00 & 11:00 AM)
- 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10:15 AM Common Lectionary (A214)
- 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 3:00 PM Christian Meditation Group (Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Walking the Mourners Path (WR)
- 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 6:15 PM Youth Community Groups (BFH)
- 6:30 PM Connections/Newcomers' Dinner-Off-site

Monday, 5/20

- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 11:30 AM Prime Time Guys Lunch Meeting (WR)
- 6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 777-Court of Honor (BFH)
- 7:00 PM Bell Choir (MS)
- 7:00 PM Crossways Bible Study (A215)

Tuesday, 5/21

- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (OCR)
- 12:00 PM Open Table (Parlor)
- 7:00 PM The Woodlands Chorale (MS)
- 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting (WR)

Wednesday, 5/22

- 9:00 AM Kids Day Out (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 1:00 PM Parish Life Meeting (OCR)
- 1:00 PM PTG Bible Study (WR)
- 1:00 PM Women's Bible Study (Library)
- 5:30 PM Father Gerry Seveck's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Potluck (BFH)
- 6:00 PM Contemporary Band Rehearsal (MS)
- 7:00 PM 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Eucharist (Nave)

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (MS)

Thursday, 5/23

- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 11:00 AM Purls and Prayers (OCR)

Friday, 5/24

- 9:00 AM Art As a Spiritual Process (A212)
- 9:00 AM Kids Day Out (TKC)
- 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study (WR)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)

Saturday, 5/25

4:30 PM Re-Capps Bring Your Own Topping Pizza Night

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 Marie and Matthew young in honor of their Birthday!

### **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.facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch](http://www.facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch).

Follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/TrinityTWTexas](http://www.twitter.com/TrinityTWTexas), or

join in our discussion on LinkedIn at

[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**

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## 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

### Children and Youth Sunday School

Sunday School will resume after the summer.  
Please sign your children, TNT's and Youths up  
at Rally Day in September.

## 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: (not meeting on May 21<sup>st</sup>)**

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	Sarah Knight	Rita Ramirez
Kelsey	Yancey Holmes	Amanda Eads
Joyce Lowry	Lauren Mullenix	Ron Anderson
Connie Lippard	Anna Pirir	Lindsey Scruggs
Kimberly	Violet West	Ginger
Matt M.	Jody	Gordon Pixler
Margie Holmes	John/Pat Horner	Paul and Patsy
Doris Simpson	Ronald Wishart	Hazel Griffith
George Norris	Neil Cunningham	Mike
Cathy Wolfe	Tim	Helen Geiger
Buddy Bolfrass	Carole Ingram	George Burrell
Randy V	Sarah Bliss	Amanda Perez
William Steele	Paul Martin	Elyse Giles
Giles Family	Betty Miller	Rose
Darwin	Gail Streetman	Bob
Dick and Dodie	Mary MacMoritz	Jim
Mary Kyle	Jerry Morris	Christina
Debbie Cain	Richard Bosley	Jason
Bob E	Dick O'D	Tom Cook
Westmoreland Family		Pam
Judy	Vicki	

### **GUIDANCE**

Open Table Ministry	Mike Stofleth	David
Christine	Marjorie	Jackie & Family
Terri	Randy	Jenny V
Larry Martin	Gable Family	Nick
Ryan	Chris	Scott
Maysa	Jackie	Larry

### **FOR THE DEPARTED**

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

Lance	Michael Daigle	David Flaherty
Misty	Lee Cain	Travis Bassett
Gilbert	Stephen Jones	Brandon McCord
Marlo Baguyos	David Gyure	Zeb Perciful
Justin Swick	Michael Wagner	Amanda Brooks
Cameron Brooks	Brandon Cox	Casey Rogers
Quincy Simpson	John Collins	Jason Green
Patrick Reeder	Tom Babbitt	Christian Imle
Vincent Geiger	Ryan Workman	Michael Corbin
Jessica Watson	Jim Watson	Jon Greenhaw
Nicholas Babbitt	Jacob Fernandez	Lynn Irwin
Brandon Schambach	Matthew Wagner	
William Shumate Jr	Andrew Thornbury	

## **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 19, 2013**

### **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.

### **TRINITY VETERANS**

Sunday, May 26, is "Fourth Sunday For the Vets". The Trinity Veterans Fellowship (TVF) will be, in front of the church, collecting your books, magazines, shaving & dental hygiene items, board games, used clothing and new socks & underwear, for the veterans at the De Bakey Veterans Hospital in Houston. Don't forget to ask your friends and neighbors if they have items to donate. The TVF green foot locker is located next to the stage in Butler Hall, to drop off items at your convenience. Thank you for supporting our veterans in need!

### **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.

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

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 follow up with Jason Johnson or Corky Kratt.

### **FATHER'S DAY B-B-Q DINNER**

The Holy Smokers will once again give families a chance to give Dad the day off. Order your B-B-Q Dinners in the Narthex by June 9, pick them up after church in Butler Fellowship Hall on Father's Day, June 16. Adult take-out plates—\$10. Choice of ribs, chicken or combo. All plates come with sausage, beans, potato salad, and dessert. Children's take-out plates—\$5. All plates come with 1 chicken leg, potato salad, beans and dessert. **Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex - Deadline: June 9**

### **SPIRITUAL FORMATION SCHOOL**

Spiritual formation school accepting applications. You may be called to listen to another on his or her spiritual path. You may be called to teach workshops or lead quiet days. Or, you may be called simply to work on the transformation of your own soul and see where God leads you. FIND, the diocesan school for spiritual formation, now is offering programs in both spiritual direction training and in spiritual formation for ministry. Applications will be accepted until June 30. See [www.f-in-d.org](http://www.f-in-d.org) for more information and an application form. Or contact Kathleen Phillips, 979-324-4302 or [finddirect@yahoo.com](mailto:finddirect@yahoo.com).

### **SENIOR BIRTHDAY**

Interfaith of the Woodlands needs someone who is interested in heading up birthday parties for seniors at Tamarac Pines once a month. If you have an interest in this delightful ministry, please contact Alyssa Stebbing or Deacon Bob Horner at the church office.

### **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 Karen Budde and the Moms Devotional Group.