

# Trinity Episcopal Church The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

July 14, 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.

Each month we host a Connections Dinner for Newcomers. We hope that you can join us this month! Invitations and directions are available at the greeter table in the narthex. If you 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! Childcare is provided; contact the church office at 281.367.8113 for more information.

# "Something to Reflect Upon..."

Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe.
Saint Augustine

# 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, 7/14	
	Trinity Week at Camp Allen
8:00 AM	Second Sunday Breakfast
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 (P)
5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
Monday, 7/15	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (P)
11:30 AM	Prime Time Guys Lunch Meeting (WR)
7:00 PM	Stephen Ministers Supervision (P)
Tuesday, 7/16	
9:30 AM	Summer Program
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (P)
10:30 AM	Staff Meeting (OCR)
11:00 AM	Elijah and Elisha Bible Study (P)
11:30 AM	St. Anne's Guild Luncheon (Away)
7:00 PM	Elijah and Elisha Bible Study (L)
7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting (WR)
Wednesday, 7/17	
9:30 AM	Summer Program
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (P)
12:00 PM	Safe Harbor
1:00 PM	Women's Bible Study (P)
2:00 PM	Parish Life Weekly Meeting (OCR)
6:30 PM	North Dakota Meeting (OCR)
7:00 PM	Healing Eucharist (Nave)
Thursday, 7/18	
9:30 AM	Summer Program
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (P)
11:00 AM	Purls and Prayers (OCR)
7:00 PM	Master Planning Meeting (WR)
Friday, 7/19	
9:00 AM	Art As a Spiritual Process (A215)
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (P)
Saturday, 7/20	
5:30 PM	Kids Night Out

TKC-Trinity Kids Corner \*childcare provided Atrium, BFH-Butler Hall, C-Children's Bldg., K

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

#### 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

The Rt. Rev. Andrew Doyle, Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher, Bishop Suffragan The Rt. Rev. Dena Harrison, Bishop Suffragen

The Rev. Dr. Gerald Sevick, 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

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www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2004125

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#### 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

6/30/2013	478	2012	449
7/7/2013	425	2012	480

#### SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

#### The Hard Saying of Jesus A Long Obedience in the Same Direction

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

Lou Barron

#### **New Members and Inquires Class**

10:15 a.m. (adult)-Office Conference Room Nick Earl

#### Children and Youth Sunday School

Sunday School will resume after the summer. Please sign your children, TNT's and Youths up at Rally Day on August 25.

#### 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 developmentally appropriate curriculum that includes learning centers to encourage individual and group activities.

#### **WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES**

Monday:

Father Sean Steele 7:00 p.m. Crossways Bible Study A 215

Tuesday:

11:00 a.m. Elijah and Elisha Parlor Mother Susan Gerding 7:00 p. m. Elijah and Elisha Library Mother Susan Gerding

Wednesday:

1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study Library Nancy Farrell 1:15 p.m. Prime Time Guys Wesley/OCR George Cannon

Friday:

Jim Geiger 6:00 a.m. Sonrise Bible Study Wesley Room Atrium 212 9:00 a.m. Art As A Spiritual Process Alyssa Stebbing

#### Did You Know?

Hundreds of Episcopalians are coming to The Woodlands! Already one of the fastest growing communities in Texas and the home to over 1,700 companies, more than 30,000 people will move here in the next 3 years fueled by the expansion of energy companies like Exxon Mobil and Anadarko. Bishop Doyle and Fr. Gerry are reaching out to those relocating through videos, their home parishes and realtors to join our parish. Watch out for and welcome all the new faces.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING			GUIDANCE		
Buddy Parker	Rita Ramirez	Dave Sievers			
Kelsey	Yancey Holmes	Amanda Eads	Open Table Ministry	Egerton	David
Joyce Lowry	Lauren Mullenix	Ron Anderson	Christine	Marjorie	Jackie & Family
Connie Lippard	Anna Pirir	Lindsey Scruggs	Terri	Randy	Jenny V
Kimberly	Violet West	Ginger	Larry Martin	Gable Family	Nick
Jody	Gordon Pixler	Rick	Paul & Patsy	Alan	Erika P.
John/Pat Horner	Bob Mullenix	David Ashbaugh	FOR THE DEP	ADTED	
George Norris	Neil Cunningham	Bob Brenner		AKIED	
Cathy Wolfe	Carole Ingram		Keith Randolph		
Arlita McNeil			Tom W.		

#### 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 Babbit	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 ShumateJr Andrew Thornbury

# "U.S. Poverty Myths"

Sara Bliss

Darwin Dick and Dodie

Bob E Stewart Family

Elyse Giles Giles Family

Mary Kyle

Debbie Cain

Myth: People who are poor are lazy.

William Steele

Gail Streetman

Jerry Morris

Laurie W.

Jason Dick O'D

Mary MacMoritz

Christina

Tom Cook

Fact: More than 10.5 million people in poverty formed the "working poor" in the U.S. in 2010, meaning they were in the labor force for at least 27 weeks. (U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2012)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 14, 2013**

#### TRINITY KICKOFFS ITS MASTER PLANNING EFFORT -

The Trinity Tomorrow (T2) Committee has formally kicked off the master planning process for the church campus with our architect partners, Merriman Holt. Presentations were given at all 4 Sunday services on June 9, and brochures explaining the T2 effort are now available in the Narthex. All ministries have been invited to participate in focus groups with the architects that are scheduled between June 18 and July 9. The planning process will also include tours of other church facilities as well as a general parish meeting to ensure maximum participation and input. The target date to complete the Trinity master plan is October-November 2013. Look for periodic updates on Facebook, Twitter, the website and the Tidings as the process unfolds.

#### NEW BIBLE STUDY: ELIJAH AND ELISHA

In this 8 week study which begins with 1 Kings 12, we will explore the role of prophets in the Old Testament, while making connections to our own lives through the study of text, pictures, maps, timelines and more. Tuesdays – 11AM and 7PM Dates: July 9, 16, 23, 30, August 7. Susan Gerding, retired bi-vocational priest, will be the facilitator.

#### TRINITY ReCAPS JULY POOL PARTY-JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>

Come Join the Trinity ReCAPs (Christians as Parents) for our July event at the home of Jason and Liz Johnson on Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 PM. We will be gathering for a fun time of fellowship, swimming, laughter, conversation and more. There will even be fishing in the creek, so bring your poles! This is a potluck event, so please bring your favorite summertime food and drink. RSVP to Fr. Sean at ssteele@trinitywoodlands.org if you are interested.

#### WELCOME SERIES

Welcome Series for Inquirers and New Members

A new 5-week series continues this week, designed to acquaint new members and inquirers with Trinity Episcopal Church. We meet every Sunday between the 9AM and 11AM services, starting at 10.15AM. Each session covers a new topic, so if you miss one you can catch it on the next cycle. Pick up a flyer in the Narthex or contact Nick Earl for more details (call the office or email nearl@trinitywoodlands.org).

#### THE 8:45AM SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS-NEW SERIES

The 8:45 AM Sunday School Class has begun a new series with Eugene Peterson's book A Long Obedience in the Same Direction, Discipleship in an Instant Society. You may know Peterson as the translator of The Message, a contemporary translation of the Bible. In the Songs of Ascent (Psalm 120-134), Peterson discovers an old Hebrew songbook used by pilgrims on their way up to Jerusalem. He seizes on these verses to teach lessons on discipleship and encouraging us to grow in joy, service, humility, and community. This is indeed a classic on discipleship. Please plan on joining us on Sunday mornings in the Wesley Room for fellowship, prayer and study.

#### **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 "@snrhigh". Parents information text "@trinparent" You have graduated from high school text "@tringrads".

#### <u>LOTS</u>

The LOTS team for this week includes Deacon Bob Horner, Lawrence Homer, Joe Williams and Linda Lewis.

#### PRAYER REQUEST LIST

In an effort to keep the prayer list current, please call Shelia in the church office to remove a name. If you want to add someone to the healing, guidance or military list, complete a prayer request card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We will have Baptisms on July 28th. If you or someone in your family would like to be baptized call Shelia Gerth in the church office.

#### THE FAMILY MISSION TRIP-SPIRIT LAKE

The Family Mission Trip to Spirit Lake Reservation in North Dakota is collecting school supplies and new or gently used children's books. Please place in the designated box in Butler Hall. Deadline is Tuesday, July 23.

#### **SUMMER CHOIR**

Summertime and the singin' is easy! Come join with Trinity Choir for SummerSing at 11:00AM! Each Sunday in July we will meet in the music suite at 10:00AM to prepare the morning hymns and offertory anthem. There is no weekly commitment - the music is easy, the company is great and the rewards are everlasting. We look forward to singing with you!

#### VESTRY FORUM-AUGUST 11th

What will be Trinity's direction over the next several years? What's our financial status? How are the buildings holding up? What exactly is the Vestry, and what function does it serve? These and other topics will be discussed during an informal hour between the 9:00 & 11:00 Service on August 11th in Room A215.

#### **SAVE THE DATE-RALLY DAY AUGUST 25**

Rally Day is the best opportunity for people to learn about and sign up for all the ministries and Christian Formation that Trinity has to offer. If you are a ministry leader you need to reserve your spot! Contact Liz Linger in the church office (281) 367-8113 \*105 or llinger@trinitywoodlands.org to reserve your space or for more information.

#### FILL THE GAP BENEFIT

Across The Water, an all-acoustic folk group with a repertoire from both sides of the Atlantic will be at the Millbend Coffee House Saturday, August 10 at 7:30PM. Tickets can be obtained at the door or reserved at <a href="www.millbend.org/tickets.htm">www.millbend.org/tickets.htm</a> for a \$20 donation. All funds raised will be used by Fill the Gap to pay rent and utility deposits for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Fill the Gap is a program of the peace and Justice network of Montogmery County, Inc. which is a 501c3 organization. <a href="www.peacejusticenetwork.org">www.peacejusticenetwork.org</a>. For tickets, please contact Deacon Bob Horner or Dana Horton.