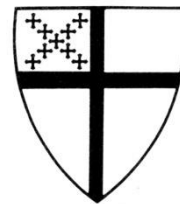




# Trinity Episcopal Church

## The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

November 17, 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.

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

Judge each day not by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant.

Robert Louis Stevenson

### Did You Know?

The Greek word that we translate in the gospel as "fellowship" essentially means "a partnership that mutually benefits everyone involved." Christian fellowship is about coming together so that we can help and encourage each other in our walk with Christ. In fellowship we gather to celebrate, support, and form disciples. Here at Trinity we have dozens of groups that meet solely for the sake of fellowship. There is definitely one that is just right for you. Contact the office to find where and when each group meets.

### 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, 11/17

- 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)
- 3:00 PM Christian Meditation Group (Parlor)
- 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 6:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Youth Community (BFH)

Monday, 11/18

- 9:30 AM Mom's Devotional (Library)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 11:30 AM Prime Time Guys Lunch Meeting (WR)
- 7:00 PM BSA Troop Board of Review (A213)
- 7:00 PM Crossways Bible Study (A215)
- 7:00 PM Stephen Ministers Supervision (Parlor)
- 7:00 PM Trinity Ringers (Nave)

Tuesday, 11/19

- 9:00 AM Jesus and Me (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (OCR)
- 1:30 PM Mtr. Genevieve's Bible Study (OCR)
- 7:00 PM The Salvation of God Bible Study (Library)
- 7:00 PM The Woodlands Chorale (MS)
- 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting (WR)

Wednesday, 11/20

- 9:00 AM Jesus and Me (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 12:30 PM Eclectic Eccentrics Meeting (Parlor)
- 1:00 PM PTG Bible Study (WR)
- 1:00 PM Women's Bible Study (Millsbaugh Room)
- 2:00 PM Parish Life Weekly Meeting (OCR)
- 4:30 PM Jr. Choir (MS)
- 4:30 PM Youth Coffee Talk at Starbucks
- 7:00 PM Healing Eucharist (Nave)
- 7:00 PM Trinity Choir Practice (MS)
- 7:00 PM Trinity Tomorrow Meeting (WR)
- 7:00 PM Youth Coffee Talk Starbucks

Thursday, 11/21

- 9:00 AM Cooking for AGM (Kitchen)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 11:00 AM Purls and Prayers (OCR)
- 6:30 PM EFM (Library)
- 7:00 PM Rector's Bible Study (Millsbaugh Room)

Friday, 11/22

- 6:00 AM Men's SonRise Breakfast (BFH)
- 9:00 AM Art As a Spiritual Process (A212)
- 9:00 AM Fun Fridays (TKC)
- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (WR)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 1:00 PM Rector's Bible Study (Wesley Room)

Saturday, 11/23

- 11:00 AM Family Retreat at Camp Allen

TKC-Trinity Kids Corner \*childcare provided MR-Millsbaugh Room  
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

### **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

## **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  
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? 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)

Diolog 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.

### **THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

### **ATTENDANCE AT TRINITY**

10/27/2013	458	2012	489
11/03/2013	502	2012	468
11/10/2013	544	2012	479

## SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### 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 Inquirers Class

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

Nick Earl

### The Other Lesson

**10:15 a.m.** (adult) Wesley Room

Clergy Led

### Children and Youth Sunday School

Children age 4 as of September 1, 2013  
through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade meet in the  
Children's/TEDS Building

Grades 4-6<sup>th</sup> meet in the Atrium room228

Junior and Senior High meet in the  
Butler Fellowship Hall Library

## WEEKDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### **Monday:**

9:30 a.m.

Mom's Devotional\*

Library

Molly Carr

7:00 p.m.

Crossways Bible Study

A 215

Fr. Sean Steele

### **Tuesday:**

1:30 p.m.

The Gospel of Luke

OCR

Mtr. Genevieve Razim

7:00 p.m.

The Salvation of God

Library

Mtr. Susan Gerding

### **Wednesday:**

1:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study

Library

Nancy Farrell

1:15 p.m.

Prime Time Guys

Wesley/OCR

George Cannon

4:30 p.m.

Coffee Talk (YOUTH)

Starbucks (PC)

Molly Carr

7:00p.m.

Coffee Talk (YOUTH)

Starbucks (PC)

Molly Carr

(YOUTH Coffee Talk has two time options to accommodate busy schedules.)

### **Thursday:**

7:00 p. m.

Rector's Bible Study

Wesley Room

Ftr. Gerry 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.

Twelve Extraordinary Women

Wesley Room

San West

1:00 p. m.

Rector's Bible Study

Wesley Room

Ftr. Gerry Sevick

\*Childcare provided by the Trinity Kids Corner

## Trinity Episcopal Day School News

Trinity Episcopal Day School (TEDS) is a licensed and accredited school with classes for 18 month olds through Kindergarten. Preschool hours are 8:45-12:00 and vary by day depending on age group, with an extended day until 2:00 available by reservation. Kindergarten hours are 8:45-2:00 Monday through Thursday and 8:45-12:00 on Friday. Our preschool and Kindergarten curriculum meets or exceeds the C.I.S.D. standards and best-practice. Our website is [www.tedstw.org](http://www.tedstw.org) and our e-mail address is [office@tedstw.org](mailto:office@tedstw.org). Please be encouraged to contact us with any questions or to schedule a tour. We would love for you and your child to join us here at TEDS. Carol Godell, TEDS Director

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **HEALING**

Buddy Parker

Kelsey

Joyce Lowry

Connie Lippard

Kimberly

Gordon Pixler

George Norris

Neil Cunningham

Carole Ingram

William Steele

Gail Streetman

Mary Kyle

Jason

Dick O'D

Melinda McGovern

Dain Buck

### **FOR THE DEPARTED**

Betty Moore

Kay Daigle

Yancey Holmes

Ron Anderson

Anna Pirir

Violet West

Rick

Michelle

Cathy Wolfe

Arlita McNeil

Elyse Giles

Dick and Dodie

Jerry Morris

Bob E

Kay Green

Dave Sievers

Amanda Eads

Robert Nawojeki

Lindsey Scruggs

Ginger

John/Pat Horner

Ronnie Pope

Laurie W.

Sara Bliss

Darwin

Mary MacMoritz

Christina

Lettica

Andrea Regg

Carolyn

### **GUIDANCE**

Robert

Terri

Larry Martin

Don

Harriet & Rick G.

Randy

Chris

Jenny V

Nick

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

Lance

Misty

Gilbert

Marlo Baguyos

Amanda Brooks

Quincy Simpson

Tom Babbitt

Ryan Workman

Jim Watson

Jacob Fernandez

Brandon Schambach

William Shumate Jr

Michael Daigle

Lee Cain

Stephen Jones

Zeb Perciful

Cameron Brooks

John Collins

Christian Imle

Michael Corbin

Nicholas Babbitt

Lynn Irwin

Matthew Wagner

Andrew Thornbury

David Flaherty

Travis Bassett

Brandon McCord

Brandon Cox

Jason Green

Vincent Geiger

Jessica Watson

## **A HEALTHY TIP FROM THE TRINITY WELLNESS COMMITTEE:**

Sip oolong tea - - research suggests that people with mild eczema who drink oolong tea three times a day may show improvement in itching and other symptoms. Compounds in the tea called polyphenols appear to be responsible.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 17, 2013**

### **FAMILY RETREAT AT CAMP ALLEN**

*To register for this event, sign up on line or in the narthex by November 18!* Go old school for the weekend and unplug from the world. Board games, hiking, campfire, family time and good food with good friends! Trinity folks are invited to Camp Allen for a family style retreat from November 23-24<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$25 per person, age 2 and under are free (maximum family cost is \$100). Meals are provided. For more contact Molly Carr.

### **BOOK FAIR-TRINITY EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL**

TEDS Parents Association is hosting our annual Scholastic Book Fair next Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> in Butler Fellowship Hall. Online ordering is available from November 9-29 at [www.scholastic.com/fair](http://www.scholastic.com/fair) log in using the zip code 77381 and click on TEDS. Books will be delivered the first week of December!

### **TRINITY EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL SCRIP**

Scrip fundraising allows participants to purchase online, retail, grocery and restaurant gift cards while TEDS Parents Association earns a percentage. Cards will be available for purchase November 18-22. Contact Tracy Atkins at 281-825-6404 for more information.

### **CRUST PIZZA FUNDRAISER FOR TEDS**

Monday, December 9, Crust Pizza in Panther Creek Shopping Center has graciously offered to have a day-long fundraiser to help raise funds for TEDS programs. With every TEDS/Trinity purchase Crust will donate 15% of the sale to the TEDS Parents Association. Watch for flyers. There will be Parents' Association representatives available during lunch and dinner times. Any questions? Please contact Tracy Atkins at 281-825-6404.

### **FOURTH SUNDAY FOR THE VETERANS**

Fourth Sunday For The Vets will not have a formal drop off on Sunday Nov 24 or Dec 22. There are many worthy projects that need your help during the holidays. TVF encourages you to support as many as you can. The green footlocker is always in Butler Hall for any donations you may have for the VA Hospital. Your donations are collected and delivered to the hospital monthly. We will be back Sunday, Jan. 26.

### **ST. ANNE'S**

St. Anne's will meet November 19 at 11:30AM in The Wesley Room. This will be a Pot Luck Luncheon. Please bring a main dish, side or salad. The hostesses will provide the dessert. After lunch we will travel to the Hindu Temple off Woodlands Parkway where an experienced guide will take us on a tour

### **THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE**

Trinity will hold its annual Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Enjoy the sounds of the Trinity Junior Choir as you give thanks to God. Bring home a blessed loaf of bread for your Thanksgiving meal.

### **THE TRINITY GIVING TREE**

The Trinity Giving Tree, which provides gifts to Interfaith families in need, will be out in Butler Hall through the end of November. Pick up one or two or three ornaments and have your donations back under the tree by Sunday, December 1st.

### **HAYRIDE AND CAROLING**

Join us on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30PM as we sing, play and enjoy a hayride together at The Old Time Christmas Tree Farm. Carpool from the church starting at 6:00PM or meet us at 6:25PM. Come join in the holiday cheer and roast marshmallows with us! Visit [www.oldtimechristmastree.com](http://www.oldtimechristmastree.com) for directions.

### **SAINT NICHOLAS DAY CELEBRATION**

Jolly Saint Nick will join us on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:15-10:55AM in Butler Fellowship Hall. The true story of Santa Claus begins with Nicholas. Come learn about him and how he spent his life serving Christ.

### **ANGEL GIFT MARKET**

The 6th Annual Angel Gift Market (which supports Trinity's Outreach Ministries) will be held in Butler Hall Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00AM-2:00PM, and Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30AM-1:30PM. This year's Market will feature Christmas centerpieces (created by our talented Trinity members) in our silent auction. Blessed Olive Wood Creations will have their display in the library. There will be a luncheon Saturday at noon, and our regular Second Sunday Breakfast on December 8<sup>th</sup> (love offerings for both, please). We will have Jesse tree kits available. The needs of the Food Pantry have increased. Please bring your non-perishable food items to Butler Hall during Advent and place on the stage.

### **COMMIT TO THE ADVENT CONSPIRACY**

Commit to the Advent Conspiracy! Worship Fully, Spend Less, Give More, Love All! Drop by Butler Fellowship Hall Sunday, December 1 between 8:30AM-11:00AM and see what this is all about!

### **WORKSHOP-MANAGING FAMILY STRESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS**

Trinity welcomes Dr. Kate Walker on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM-11:30AM. Dr. Walker will be speaking on how to manage family relations during the holiday season. Childcare is provided. Please let Liz Johnson in the church office know if you will need childcare.

### **THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE**

For those dealing with the grief of loved ones who have passed on please join us at our Longest Night Service on Saturday, December 21 at 7:00PM in the Nave. Childcare is provided.

### **TRINITY YOUTH COFFEE TALK GIFT CARDS**

Every Wednesday from 4:30-5:30PM and from 7:00-8:00PM you can catch a group of Trinity Junior and Senior High Youth at the Starbucks in Panther Creek. The Youth meet there for a Bible Study with a cup of coffee or yogurt from TCBY. This year we have had an extra large turnout for our Bible Study, we think this is fantastic! We are in need of Starbucks and TCBY gift cards in any amount. Please turn these into Molly Carr in the church office. Thank you for your support of the Trinity Youth!

### **TRINITY QUILTERS**

Notice to Trinity Quilters: We will not meet in November and December. Our next regular gathering will be the fourth Tuesday of January, the 28th. Hope to see many of you then! Vickie Frnka

### **FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE**

Through the end of October 2013, Trinity's financial picture has not improved. Our giving is \$125,207 behind our year-to-date budget with only 2 months to catch up. As a result, church and ministry operations are short \$77,504. Here are the numbers as of October 31st: Budgeted Giving = \$1,214,454 vs. Actual Giving = \$1,112,293 YTD Revenue = \$1,477,797 vs. YTD Expenses = \$1,555,301. A big "thanks" to those who caught-up on their giving following our call last month, others need to do the same. It is only through your faithful stewardship reflecting God's generosity that our ministries will continue to flourish at Trinity!