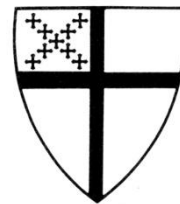




Trinity Episcopal Church

The Weekly Tidings



The Woodlands, Texas

April 28, 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 19th***. 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..."

It is no use pretending we are broken before God if we are not broken in our attitude to those around us. God nearly always tests us through other people. There are no second causes for the Christian. God's will is made known in His providences, and his providences are so often others with their many demands on us.

Roy Hession

"U.S. Poverty Myths"

Myth: Poverty has little lasting impact on children.

The Reality: Research is clear that poverty is the single greatest threat to children's well-being. Poverty can impede children's ability to learn and contribute to social, emotional, and behavioral problems. Poverty also can contribute to poor physical and mental health. Risks are greatest for children who experience poverty when they are young and/or experience deep and persistent poverty. (National Center for Children in Poverty, 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

Sunday, 4/28	5 Easter
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	Common Lectionary (A214)
10:15 AM	Usher's Meeting (A215)
10:15 AM	Welcome Series (OCR)
11:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
12:00 PM	Family Promise Workers Pot Luck (BFH)
3:00 PM	Christian Meditation Group (Parlor)
3:00 PM	Walking the Mourners Path (OCR)
3:30 PM	Pack 777 Meeting (BFH)
5:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
6:15 PM	Youth Community Groups (BFH)
Monday, 4/29	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (Parlor)
7:00 PM	Bell Choir (MS)
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 777 (BFH)
7:00 PM	Crossways Bible Study (A212)
Tuesday, 4/30	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (Parlor)
10:30 AM	Staff Meeting (OCR)
12:00 PM	Open Table (Parlor)
Wednesday, 5/01	
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)
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)
Thursday, 5/02	
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (Parlor)
11:00 AM	Purls and Prayers (OCR)
6:00 PM	TNT Rising Up to Youth Group Dinner (BFH)
7:00 PM	Rector's Bible Study (OCR)
Friday, 5/03	
9:00 AM	Art As a Spiritual Process (A212)
9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study (WR)
10:00 AM	Morning Prayer (Parlor)
1:00 PM	Rector's Bible Study (WR)
Saturday, 5/04	
10:30 AM	Embracing Hospice Memorial Service (BFH)

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

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

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Lynn and Terry Schieber in celebration of their 21st Anniversary and by Fr. Gerry and Kay Sevic in celebration of the marriage of Stephen and Tiffany Sevic.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

3901 S. Panther Creek Drive 281. 367.8113

Office Hours: 8:30AM-5:00PM Monday-Friday

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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 Sevic, Rector
The Rev. Genevieve Razim, Associate Rector (part time)
The Rev. Robert W. Horner, Deacon
The Rev. Robert Lowry, Deacon
The Rev. Sean Steele, Deacon
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

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Dialog E-News 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

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

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

The Hard Saying of Jesus

Kathy Norris, Frank Handy & Bill Carter

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

Common Lectionary Bible study
led by Lou Barron

Welcome Series for Newcomers

Join us each week in the Office Conference Room
Led by Nick Earl

10:15-10:55 a.m. (children and youth)

Pre-school to 3rd grade meet in the
TEDS building/Children's Building
TNT's 4th-6th 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	Deacon 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
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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
7:00 p.m.	The Letters of John	Wesley Room	Father 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.	Women's Bible Study	Wesley Room	San West
1:00 p.m.	The Letters of John	Wesley Room	Father Gerry Sevick

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
Carol G	Gary	Matt M.
Margie Holmes	Kelly Anderson	Denise Richardson
Doris Simpson	Ronald Wishart	Hazel Griffith
George Norris	Neil Cunningham	Mike
Cathy Wolfe	Larry Wright	Tim
Buddy Bolfrass	Carole Ingram	George Burrell
Randy V	Sarah Bliss	Hull McKinnon
William Steele	Paul Martin	Elyse Giles
Giles Family	Betty Miller	Rose
Darwin	Gail Streetman	Donald Strickland
Dick and Dodie	Mary MacMoritz	Gary
Mary Kyle	Jerry Morris	Dion Cole
Christina	Denny Kerr	Jim
Erika	Bob	Amanda Perez
Jason S.	Auburn Frost	Waide
Helen Geiger	Kip	Ashley
Vicky Bunteen	Paul and Pasty	

GUIDANCE

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

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 7th-Outgoing 8th)**
- *Vacation Bible School June 24-28 Trinity Episcopal Church**
- *Senior High Mission Trip June 29-July 6 Booneville, AK (incoming 9th-12th 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 4th-Outgoing 6th)**

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

TRINITY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 28, 2013

SHARING FAITH DINNERS

Please sign up to attend the Sharing Faith dinners by registering online at sharingfaith.epicenter.org or by emailing or calling Alyssa Stebbing in the church office. astebbing@trinitywoodlands.org. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other and share our journey of faith!

A NOTE FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Thoughts of Summer....and Stewardship

As the summer months are fast approaching, I know that many of you have already begun making plans for special activities, vacations, what to do with the children when they're out of school, and, oh yes, all of that yard work! This is also a time to reflect on a number of Church milestones achieved this spring; a wonderful contribution of over 33,000 pounds of food and staples for Interfaith food drive from our Wall of Compassion; a very successful TEDS dinner/dance; repaving of the parking lot; and the beginnings of our Trinity Tomorrow project, just to name a few. Summer 2013 additionally promises Vacation Bible School, 3 Mission Trips, as well as all of our other ministries that go on 12 months of the year. Summer months also bring on the traditional "summer doldrums" with regard to our Church finances. It is very easy to let our stewardship responsibilities fall through the cracks with so many activities this time of year. Because of this annual trend, the Vestry felt that it was important to remind everyone that the financial needs of the Parish continue year-round, without a "summer vacation." Please, as you plan your summer activities, consider not only your personal plans, but also your commitments to the Church.

John McKinley, Senior Warden

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 19th 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.

THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW CAR SHOW

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is hosting its 5th Annual Car Show on the 27th of April. This year we are pleased to be sponsored by Volkswagen of The Woodlands, newly opened on I45 just north of 242. As the Brotherhood helped found the Boy Scouts of America, all proceeds will benefit local scouting and youth programs supported by the Brotherhood. The exhibition is open to all cars and trucks and will be held on the Trinity Campus. The entry fee of \$20 for the first vehicle and \$20 for each additional vehicle includes two lunch tickets. Participants entering vehicles will judge 10 classes for First and Runner-up as well as Best in Show trophies. Registration begins at 9:00 AM and the show hours are 10: AM to 2:00 PM. Sponsors and non-food vendors are welcome. For further information, call 713.899.6910.

FAMILY PROMISE

Family Promise Invitational Meeting. Trinity participates in Family Promise, a local outreach to homeless families – mostly single parents with young children – to provide that extra push to help them get on their feet. Several times each year, these families are lodged at Trinity for a week, and we provide shelter, meals, and compassion. Our next hosting week is May 12th - 19th. *On April 28th, following the 11 AM service, we will have a potluck meeting to introduce the Family Promise Program.* If you are new to Trinity and interested in a great opportunity to share God's love, please come. We're also inviting those who currently volunteer, so together we can share, plan, and pray together. For more information, contact Stu Thompson, 281-651-5154.

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".

WELCOME! SERIES FOR INQUIRERS

Introducing a 5-week series designed to acquaint Inquirers and New Members with Trinity Episcopal Church. We will meet each Sunday between the 9am and 11am services, starting at 10.15am. There is no obligation to attend all of the sessions and they are not required for membership - we simply offer the Welcome! Series to help Inquirers and New Members learn more about our Community. Pick up a flyer in the Narthex and contact Nick Earl (call the office or email nearl@trinitywoodlands.org) for more details.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-NEW SAVE THE DATES!!!

VBS 2013 will be June 24-June 28th from 9-12pm each day. Registration opens on May 5th and closes on June 2nd. *The VBS Decorating Committee will be painting and getting ahead on some projects on May 1st from 9AM-12PM in Butler Hall. Everyone is invited to help!* Childcare is provided upon request; contact Liz Johnson in the church office for childcare. Contact Liz Linger in the church office if you can help out! We will set up and have a training on June 22nd 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.*

TEENS IN TRAINING RISING UP DINNER

Teens in Training is a youth group for kids in 4th-6th grade. TNT's meet weekly during the Sunday school hour and at events during the year. The TNT's also participate in a summer mission trip every year. The 6th grade TNT's will RISE UP to our Junior High Youth Group on May 2nd at 6pm in Butler Fellowship Hall. All 6th graders and their parents are invited to join. Please R.S.V.P. to Liz Linger in the church office.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

New Members or those seeking Membership please join us on May 11th from 9-4PM here at Trinity in the Wesley Room. Father Gerry will lead this class. R.S.V.P. to Melanie Sheffield in the church office 281.367.8113 or msheffield@trinitywoodlands.org. Childcare is provided upon request. Lunch is provided for adults, please pack a lunch for your child.

JUNIOR CHOIR AT TRINITY

Trinity Junior Choir will present "Elijah! God's Faithful Prophet" on Sunday, May 5th at 3:00PM in Butler Hall. Junior Choir is made up of children in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade and they have been having fun preparing this musical for you. Come hear the story of Elijah and witness God's power!

DEACON SEAN'S POTLUCK BEFORE HIS ORDINATION

Deacon Sean Steele will be Ordained to the Priesthood on Wednesday, May 8th. Please join us before this Ordination at 5:30PM in Butler Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Deacon Sean's Ordination begins at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

FATHER GERRY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION POTLUCK

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

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 youth ministries, 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 HIRING FOR THE SUMMER

Trinity Kids Corner is hiring for their summer program. We are looking for staff that are energetic, love kids, have great communication skills, and would like to be a part of a great team! Applicant must be 16 years of age. If you are interested or like more information contact Liz Johnson at the church office or at ljohnson@trinitywoodlands.org.

LORD OF THE STREETS

The LOTS team for this week includes Dan Brouse and Buck Struven.