



Trinity Episcopal Church

The Weekly Tidings

www.TrinityWoodlands.org

The Woodlands, Texas

December 4, 2016

Weekly Services At Trinity

Sunday

7:30 AM
Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 AM
Holy Eucharist Rite II*

11:00 AM
Holy Eucharist Rite II*

5:00 PM
Holy Eucharist Rite II*

Monday-Friday

10:00 AM
Morning Prayer

Wednesday

10:00 AM
Holy Eucharist Rite II

*Childcare Available

**Questions? Call the
church office at
281.367.8113**

ARE YOU NEW TO TRINITY?

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. Please contact Kate Lagus in the church office, or email klagus@trinitywoodlands.org with any questions.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP & COFFEE!

Every Sunday, please join us for coffee after the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM worship services in Butler Fellowship Hall, and after the 11:00 AM service in the Parlor.

WELCOME VISITORS IN THIS HOLY SEASON

Romans 12:13 Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Advent and Christmas always bring a higher number of new visitors and seekers to all churches, Trinity included. This year, we have begun some new online advertising efforts designed to reach those who are using the Internet in their search for a new spiritual home. It can be intimidating for some people to enter into a new community, and for them a warm welcome can make all the difference in the world. Be mindful of faces you don't recognize, people who look as though they aren't sure where to go, and others who might need help. As we welcome the strangers in our midst, we extend the love of Christ to them, and expand our own experience of faith.

LAST DAY TODAY TO ORDER POINSETTIAS TO SUPPORT TEDS

Help support TEDS by placing an order for a poinsettia! Poinsettia orders are begin taken throughout the month of November at the table just outside the church. You may also place an order by emailing the TEDS office at office@tedstw.org. Red and white poinsettias are available for \$10 each. The poinsettias will be available for pickup over the weekend of December 10.

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.

Sunday, 12/4

- 8:30 AM Angel Gift Market (BFH)
- 7:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Nave)
- 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 10:15 AM Common Lectionary Bib Study (OCR)
- 10:15 AM Parenting with Grace (WR)
- 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 12:45 PM JDOK (A215)
- 12:45 PM Jr. Brotherhood of St. Andrews (A212)
- 3:00 PM Christian Meditation Group (P)
- 3:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 777 (Atrium)
- 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 6:00 PM Youth Community Groups (BHF)

Monday, 12/5

- 9:30 AM Mom's Devotional Group (L)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parlor)
- 1:30 PM Sit and Be Fit (WR)
- 6:00 PM Taekwondo (BFH)
- 7:00 PM Crossways Bible Study (OCR)
- 7:00 PM Troop Meeting (BFH)

Tuesday, 12/6

- 9:00 AM TKC Jam (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (P)

Wednesday, 12/7

- 9:00 AM TKC Jam (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (P)
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Nave)
- 10:30 AM Sit and Be Fit (WR)
- 1:00 PM Prime Time Guys Bible Study (WR)
- 1:00 PM Women's Bible Study (MR)

Thursday, 12/8

- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (P)
- 11:00 AM Purls and Prayers (WR)
- 1:00 PM Rector's Bible Study (A215)
- 7:00 PM Rector's Bible Study (OCR)

Friday, 12/9

- 9:00 AM TKC Fun Friday (TKC)
- 10:00 AM Morning Prayer (P)
- 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study (WR)

Saturday, 12/10

- 10:00 AM Tae Kwon Do for Special Needs (A215)
- 11:30 AM DOK Christmas Luncheon (offsite)
- 5:30 PM Kids Night Out (TKC)

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**3901 S. Panther Creek Drive 281.367.8113****Office Hours: 8:30 AM-5:00 PM 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 Suffragan
 The Rev. Dr. Gerald Sevick, Rector
 The Rev. Robert W. Horner, Deacon
 The Rev. Vivian Orndorff, Associate Rector
 Micki Balog, Director of Music Ministry
 Molly Carr, Community Life and Discipleship Minister
 Ernest Gallegos, Facilities Manager
 Betsy Delaney, Day School Director
 Amanda Boling, Kids Corner Coordinator
 Kate Lagus, Membership Coordinator
 Liz Linger, Administrative Assistant to Parish Ministries
 Megan McCready, Communications Coordinator
 Larry Martz, Parish Accountant
 Melanie Sheffield, Admin. Asst. to the Rector
 Alyssa Stebbing, Outreach & Contemporary Music
 Rev. Sean Steele, Parish Missioner, St. Isidore

STAY CONNECTED WITH TRINITY AND DIOCESE

Weekly Email: trinitywoodlands.org
 Facebook: facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch
 Diocesan Newsletters: <http://tinyurl.com/EDOTNews>

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 request gluten free by placing your palms face down.

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

November 20, 2016	475	2015	360
November 27, 2016	356	2015	428

** Contact Amanda Boling in the church office for questions regarding childcare.*

TKC-Trinity Kids Corner, MR-Millspaugh Room, Atrium, BFH-Butler Fellowship Hall, C-Children's Bldg., K-Kitchen, L-Library, MS-Music Suite, OCR-Office Conference Room, P-Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WR-Wesley Room, YL-Youth Loft

***The Millspaugh Room, Wesley Room, Library, Kitchen and Office Conference Room are all located in BFH.**

FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE

(As Approved at November 15, 2016 Vestry Meeting)

Here are our year to date financials through September 30, 2016

Our Giving: \$1,293,556 Other Income: \$214,990
 Ministry and Other Expenses: \$1,535,303

Capital Campaign Received: \$1,135,568; Cash Balance: \$976,582
 Insurance Proceeds Received: \$524,097; Cash Balance: \$ 4,490
 Reserve Fund YTD Spend: \$77,520; Cash Balance: \$80,531
 Operating Liabilities: \$240,531; YTD Reduction: \$3,040
 Mortgage Balance: \$1,916,451; LED Loan Balance: \$108,083

**SUNDAY
CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

8:45 AM (adult) – Wesley Room
Acts for Everyone, N.T. Wright, led by
Dale and Jan Alexander

10:15 AM (adult) – Wesley Room
Parenting with Grace
Led by Kate Lagus

Common Lectionary Bible Study
10:15-10:55 AM (adult) –OCR
Lou Barron

Children’s Liturgy of the Word
Children's worship during the 9:00 AM
and 11:00 AM Sunday services, for
children ages 3-8. If you are interested
in helping out with CLOTW please
contact Molly Carr or Liz Linger in the
church office.

**Youth Community Groups
(Sunday Night)**

Youth Community for Jr. and Sr. High is
from 6:00 – 8:00 PM in Butler
Fellowship Hall.

Formation as a Family, our online
hybrid formation program,
can be found at
www.FormationAsAFamily.com.
This website will be updated each
Wednesday.

WEEKLY CHRISTIAN FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Monday:

9:30 AM	Mom’s Group*	Library	Molly Carr
7:00-8:30 PM	Crossways	Wesley/OCR	Mtr. Vivian Orndorff

Wednesday:

1:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study	Library	Nancy Farrell
1:15 PM	Prime Time Guys	Wesley/OCR	

Thursday:

1:00 PM	Rector’s Study	Atrium 215	Fr. Gerald Sevick
7:00 PM	Rector’s Study	Wesley	Fr. Gerald Sevick

Friday:

6:00 AM	SonRise Bible Study	Wesley Room	Bob Wolfe
9:30 AM	Ladies’ Bible Study	Wesley Room	San West/Connie Rogers

*Childcare provided by the Trinity Kids Corner
OCR (Office Conference Room)

PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING

George B.	Jane H.	Carole I.	Donna H.	Violet
Wade N.	Marty M.	Ray S.	William S.	Don D.
Amy B.	Peter D.	PJ H.	Fred O.	Virginia H.
Shelley L.	Gerry W.	Kris L.	Denny M.	Julie M.
Grant M.				

THANKSGIVINGS

Melanie S.

GUIDANCE

Amy B.	Peter D.	Erika	Jason
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FOR MILITARY AND CIVILIANS SERVING

Samantha B.	Zeb P.	Anderson S.
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FOR THE DEPARTED

Virginia Hamill, mother-in-law of Vicki Hamill

***If you or a loved one would like to be added to our prayer list, or a correction is needed,
please contact Mother Vivian Orndorff at vorndorff@trinitywoodlands.org or call the church office.***

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 (LEV) for Holy Communion
Change in address or contact information

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Daughters of the King annual Christmas Pot Luck luncheon will be December 10 at 11:30 AM at the home of Robin Allinger, 40 Golden Shadow Circle (off of Shadowbend.) The hostesses are Debbie Williams, Scarlet Stokes and Robin Allinger. All Senior Daughters as well as Daughters-in-waiting are invited to attend. As a service project, and if you are able, we are requesting socks filled with personal grooming items which will be given to Lord Of The Street clients. For questions or to RSVP, please message Debbie at 832.244.0834. Merry Christmas!

TRINITY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Trinity Christian Meditation meets each Sunday afternoon at 3:00 PM in the Parlor. So the group may attend an Advent Quiet Day, we will not meet on December 11. On December 18, we will meet at 2:00 PM so we may attend the Fine Arts Series Concert. We also will not meet on December 25 or January 1.

CLEANUP DAY

We need your help to spruce up the gardens and clean up our campus Saturday, December 10, from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. If you have adopted a garden please come care for it or let me know if you need others to help out. We also need others who can help with special clean up chores as well. Do you have a truck and muscles? We need some items hauled away. Sign up in Narthex, contact Tana Key at peterandtana@gmail.com or 281.723.0475, or just come join us. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

TEDS BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

Trinity Episcopal Day School (TEDS) is seeking six individuals to serve on its Board of Directors. Four will serve normal three-year terms ending in the spring of 2020, and two will fill vacant positions expiring in 2018 and 2019. Anyone who is interested in serving on the board or to learn more is encouraged to call Paul Cloud at 281.989.4478 or email him at pd84@texasclouds.net.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

We will be offering a First Holy Communion Class on Sunday, December 11, from 10:00 – 11:00 AM. Kindergarten and below please meet Mtr. Vivian in the TEDS Chapel. For those in 3rd grade and above, please meet Molly in the Parlor. For more information please contact Molly or Mtr. Vivian in the church office.

BISHOP DOYLE AT TRINITY

The Rt. Rev. Andrew Doyle will be at Trinity on Sunday, December 11, at the 5:00 PM Eucharist. We look forward to seeing him and extending our traditional Trinity welcome to him.

ST. ANNE'S GUILD

Our meeting for December is the Christmas Luncheon on December 13, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen on I-45. The cost of the lunch is \$26.00 (cash only). The program will be a fun time with Molly Carr. RSVP to Kathy Brumbaugh at 281.205.7189 by December 11 at 5:00 PM. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

MOLLY'S GOODBYE CELEBRATION

Let's party! Sunday, December 18 at 6:00 PM, join us as we celebrate Molly's past years at Trinity and wish her Godspeed with the next adventures in her life. Let's send Molly off with a fantastic potluck celebration. Bring your deviled eggs, meat casseroles, salads, and desserts! We will need help decorating and setting up, as well as cleaning up.

TRINITY FINE ARTS SERIES CONCERT

On Sunday, December 18, at 3:00 PM, music ministers Micki Balog and Alyssa Stebbing will present an Advent concert – *Songs of Isaiah, Aquinas, and Thurmon* – A musical meditation of poets throughout the ages. As part of our Fine Arts Series, this Advent concert will weave Celtic, gospel, and folk tunes with texts from poets past and present.

THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

The Longest Night Service is a Eucharistic service held on the evening of the winter solstice, literally the longest night. This service is offered particularly for those who are grieving a loss, whoever or whatever that loss might be, during the holiday season. All are welcome to attend. Please join us Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00 PM in the Nave. Childcare is provided.

ORNAMENTS NEEDED FOR FLOWER GUILD

The Flower Guild is seeking the donation of 2-3 sleeves of gold and white plastic Christmas ornaments. Please give any donation to Marta Abrams or leave in the church office prior to December 20.