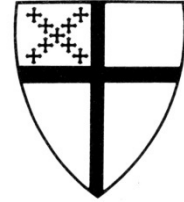




Trinity Episcopal Church
The Weekly Tidings
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The Woodlands, Texas

September 24, 2017

**Weekly Services
 At Trinity**

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II*

11:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II*

5:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II*

Wednesday

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

*Child care available

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

ARE YOU NEW TO TRINITY?

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 each worship service in Butler Fellowship Hall.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Fr. Bill Houghton has donated the flowers on the altar to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for his wife Candy's birthday.

TRINITY TOMORROW UPDATE

The Trinity Tomorrow Committee met on September 1, 2017 to review cost-saving alternatives that we had requested. The committee met with our architects (Merriman Holt Powell) and construction company (Paradigm) on September 5, 2017.

The committee feels that (barring any unforeseen circumstances) we remain on target to meet with the Church Corporation on December 7, 2017, and anticipate receiving approval very quickly thereafter, to begin demolition of the Atrium Building and construction of the new facility in the new year.

Thank you for your continued patience and contributions as we move towards this groundbreaking event. 2018 will be a special time in our hearts and a huge step in showing our children how much they are valued at Trinity.

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, 9/24

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (Nave)
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 10:00 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class (WR)
- 10:15 a.m. Common Lectionary (OCR)
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 3:00 p.m. Meditation Group (P)
- 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)*
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Community (BFH)

Monday, 9/25

- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Devotional Group (L)
- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (P)
- 1:00 p.m. Sit & Be Fit (BFH)
- 1:00 p.m. Faiths Together (WR)
- 7:00 p.m. Crossways Bible Study (WR)

Tuesday, 9/26

- 9:00 a.m. TKC Jam (TKC)
- 9:30 a.m. Trinity Quilters (WR)
- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (P)
- 3:30 p.m. Taekwondo (WR)
- 7:00 p.m. Trinity Tricksters (WR)

Wednesday, 9/27

- 9:00 a.m. TKC Jam Program (TKC)
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Nave)
- 10:30 a.m. Sit & Be Fit (WR)
- 1:15 p.m. Prime Time Guys Bible Study (WR)
- 6:30 p.m. NAMI (OCR)

Thursday, 9/28

- 1:00 p.m. Rector's Bible Study (OCR)
- 7:00 p.m. Rector's Bible Study (WR)
- 6:00 p.m. Taekwondo (A)

Friday, 9/29

- 6:00 a.m. SONrise Men's Discussion Group (WR)
- 9:00 a.m. TKC Fun Friday (TKC)
- 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study (OCR)
- 6:00 p.m. Trinity Art Show
- 7:00 p.m. JPN Concert (BFH)

Saturday, 9/30

- 10:00 a.m. Trinity Art Show
- 4:00 p.m. Christian Couples in Community (OCR)

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 Rt. Rev. Hector Monterosso, Assistant Bishop
 The Rev. Dr. Gerald Sevick, Rector
 The Rev. Vivian Orndorff, Associate Rector
 The Rev. Frank Samuelson, Curate
 The Rev. Robert W. Horner, Deacon
 Micki Balog, Director of Music Ministry
 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 Assistant to the Rector
 Alyssa Stebbing, Minister of Outreach and Youth Formation
 Rev. Sean Steele, Parish Missioner, St. Isidore

STAY CONNECTED WITH TRINITY AND DIOCESE

Weekly Email: TrinityWoodlands.org
 Facebook: [Facebook.com/TrinityEpiscopalChurch](https://www.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

September 10, 2017	419	2016	420
September 17, 2017	443	2016	486

FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE

(As Approved at the September 19, 2017 Vestry Meeting)
 Here are our year-to-date financials through August 31, 2017

Our Giving: \$817,834 Other Income: \$235,897
 Ministry and Other Operating Expenses: \$1,184,402

Capital Campaign Received: \$1,709,782; Cash Balance: \$1,371,387
 Reserve Fund Transferred to Operations: \$33,191;
 Cash Balance: \$7,645
 Operating Liabilities: \$25,678; YTD Increase: \$59,363
 Advancing Term Loan: \$250,000; Line Of Credit: \$50,000
 Mortgage Balance: \$1,830,277; LED Loan Balance: \$81,242

** 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, N-Nave, WR-Wesley Room, YL-Youth Loft

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

**SUNDAY
CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

8:45 AM (adult) – Wesley Room
*Praying the Psalms, Engaging Scripture
and the Life of the Spirit* by Walter
Brueggemann, led by Fr. Bill Houghton

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 Liz Linger in the church office.

Youth Community Groups

7th-12th graders join us for Community
Sunday nights in Butler Fellowship Hall
from 6-8:30 p.m.

WEEKLY CHRISTIAN FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Monday

9:00-11:30 p.m. Mom's Group*	Library	Tracy Atkins
7:00-8:30 p.m. Crossways	WR	Fr. Frank Samuelson

Wednesday

1:15 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study	MR	Nancy Farrell
1:15 p.m. Prime Time Guys Bible Study	WR	Fr. Bill Houghton

Thursday

1:00 p.m. Rector's Afternoon Bible Study	WR	Fr. Gerry
7:00 p.m. Rector's Evening Bible Study	WR	Fr. Gerry

Friday

6:00 a.m. SonRise Bible Study	WR	Bob Wolfe
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Friday

9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	WR	Connie Rogers, San West
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*Childcare provided by the Trinity Kids Corner

PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING

George B.	Carole I.	Donna H.	Violet	Wade N.
Ray S.	Elizabeth	Greg G.	Bob S.	Dolores
Gerry G.	Luke	Steve S.	Susan D.	Feri
Mark B.	Corey R.	P.J. H.	Peter D.	George H.
Paul M.	Ronee	Jim	Polly	Austin O.
Pam D.	Nancy	Dan V.	Jason	Mary
Patty	David	Shirley		

THANKSGIVINGS

Deacon Bob Horner
Birth of Alice Virginia Howell, daughter of Chris & Courtney; granddaughter of Liz and
J.R. Howell; great granddaughter of Nancy & Jim Farrell

GUIDANCE

Craig S.	Pam D.	Amanda	Elizabeth R.	Walter R.
Erika	Austin O.	Pam D.	Chad	Adrienne
Justin				

FOR MILITARY AND CIVILIANS SERVING

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

Bert Elswick (Father of Jan Alexander)
Donald Scott, brother of Gloria White

*May their souls and the souls of all the departed rest in peace, and may light
perpetual shine upon them. Amen.*

***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

VICKI HAMILL TO BECOME A TRINITY VERGER

We are happy to announce that Vicki Hamill has accepted Fr. Sevick's call to join the Ministry of Vergers. She started her training in August, and her investiture will take place during the 9 a.m. service Sunday, September 24. A reception in her honor will follow the service in Butler Fellowship Hall. Those of you fairly new to Trinity may not know exactly what a verger is. The role of Verger originated in the Middle Ages. Vergers were men who led priestly processions through dirt streets to the church and who carried a mace to clear the way. Today, vergers are lay assistants to the rector. They still have the ceremonial role of leading processions. Instead of a mace, they carry a staff called a verge as a symbol of their office. A verger's primary role is one of "stage manager" for the services. Vergers worry about the physical aspects of the service so that the clergy can concentrate on the liturgy. They help plan special services, sometimes fill in as lay Eucharistic minister or acolyte server and do other bidding of the rector. Vergers are called by the rector, and theirs is a long-term commitment.

COFFEE TALK

Youth in junior and senior high are invited to the Panther Creek Starbucks at 5 p.m. — 6 p.m. on Wednesdays to gather together and study the Bible. We begin Wednesday, September 27. Enjoy a free beverage and fellowship!

TRINITY ART SHOW AND "TWO GIRLS WALK INTO A BAR"

The annual Trinity Art Show opens Friday, September 29 at 6 p.m. Come enjoy food, refreshment, and the visual talent of local artists. Free from 6 — 7 p.m. Following that is a fundraiser for Fill the Gap, featuring Two Girls Walk Into A Bar (to Pop, Rock, and Roll) with Micki Balog and Alyssa Stebbing from 7 — 10 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and are available through Eventbrite.com. The event is BYOB and snacks will be available for purchase. Child care available for the concert by reservation to Amanda Boling at aboling@trinitywoodlands.org. The Art Show will remain on display on Saturday, September 30 from 10 a.m. — 2 p.m. in Butler Fellowship Hall.

COFFEE WITH CLERGY

Sunday, October 1 from 10:15 — 10:45 a.m., stop by the Parlor for Coffee with Clergy. Join Mtr. Vivian for coffee and conversation. If you're new to Trinity, have a question on your mind, or just want to thank them for all they do; this is an informal opportunity to do so.

TEDS PLAYGROUND DEDICATION

We are excited to announce that the TEDS playground renovation is complete. Come check out the new trike track, sandbox, shade umbrella, wrought iron fence, and much more. Join us for the dedication ceremony, Sunday, October 1, at 10:30 a.m.

NORTH DAKOTA ELDER VISIT POTLUCK

Welcome our brothers and sisters from St. Thomas Episcopal, Spirit Lake Nation. Join us in Butler Fellowship Hall for a Potluck on October 1 after the 11 a.m. service. Bring a dish to share!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Bring your animals of all shapes and sizes to be blessed at our Blessing of the Animals service on October 8 at 2 p.m. in the courtyard.

MUSIC NOTES

On Saturday September 30, the Trinity choir will travel to St. James in La Grange to offer Evensong with the St. James Choir. You might know that this is Fr. Eric Hungerford's parish. We will also worship with them on Sunday morning. On Monday, October 2, we will be singing a noon concert in the Texas State Capitol Rotunda in Austin. The concert will be all of our favorites and will be from 12 — 1 p.m. The Trinity Choir is also planning a trip to Oxford, Wells, and London, England for May/June 2018. We, along with St. James (Conroe), Good Shepherd (Kingwood), and St. Peter's (Brenham) will be Choir-in-Residence at Wells Cathedral for three days, offering Evensong each day. There are a limited number of spots still available for singers and non-singers. For information, please contact Micki Balog.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Be on the lookout for stewardship information and videos as we make our financial commitment to our 2018 ministries. Ingathering is Sunday, October 29, at all four services.

ONLINE GIVING

You can now access our online giving feature through the website, via text, via the Trinity app, or via the Tithe.ly app. A complete guide to setting up your account and accessing online giving is now available on our website at TrinityWoodlands.org/online-giving.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The next Baptism Class will be held Saturday, November 4, from 10 a.m. -12 p.m. in the office conference room. Please contact Melanie Sheffield in the church office if you have any questions or you would like to sign up for Baptism. Baptism will take place on Sunday, November 5.