

## Trinity Episcopal Church

# The Trinitarian

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## A Potential Time Change for the 10:30 Service

At our most recent Vestry meeting in June an intriguing idea was proposed. The idea is that we consider changing the time of the 10:30 am service to 9:30 am for several reasons. The 8am and 6pm Sunday services would remain at the same times and same forms. The worship at 9:30 would be identical to that of 10:30 just an hour earlier.

After a stimulating and lively discussion it became apparent that there was widespread support for the idea. The staff discussed the idea and all were supportive to at least try it for a year. Frankly, I had never thought of it before but it has merits.

*The reasons we discussed at Vestry to change the 10:30am service to 9:30am are as follows:*

- 1) There would be time for fellowship from 9am-9:30am when parishioners from the two early services could come together. As it is, there is little overlap and time for fellowship.
- 2) There would be more time in the day for other activities.
- 3) It would be easier for families with small children.
- 4) Parking. Currently, the parking lot across the street to the East is mostly open at that time. The church diagonally across the street from us has services beginning at 8:30am letting out at approximately 9:15am and a 9:50am service letting out at approximately 10:40. The parking lot is then open for about twenty minutes until their 11:00am service.

*Reasons to keep the time the same:*

- 1) The church across the street could always change their service time again to secure the parking lot.
- 2) The choir and organist could only rehearse in the church from 9:00am until about 9:15am.
- 3) The time change would interrupt a longstanding Bible Study meeting then.
- 4) Inconvenience for those accustomed to the 10:30 time.

I am open to the idea and think it can provide the aforementioned benefits plus at least one other. If we were to make this change it becomes an opportunity to reorganize our Christian formation ministry. Currently, there are no offerings for adults and children on Sunday at the same time. As a result, seldom do parishioners with children ever attend Christian formation time. We could have formation (Sunday School or Adult Forum or other classes) for children and adults after the 9:30 service and coffee hour at 11am. This would be in addition to the twenty minutes of time for "Children's Church" during the service and would require some work but has great potential.

**Please let me know what you think** about the time change from 10:30 to 9:30. There will be no changes until there is ample time for reflection, comments and questions and advance notice. Please e-mail or speak to me at your convenience.

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## Deacons' Corner: *We need more Eucharistic Visitors*

At the end of some Sunday services, the deacons send out a layperson called a Eucharistic Visitor from the church bearing a wooden box. The box contains the necessary materials for conducting a home communion. The most important contents of the box are bread and wine that have been consecrated by the priest at the communion service.

The ministry of Eucharistic Visitors is not visitation of the sick in the classical sense. Generally speaking, the priest and the deacons handle hospital visits and emergency calls. Instead, the purpose of this ministry is to share the Holy Eucharist and the fellowship of the congregation with those unable to attend church because of age or chronic illness. The Eucharistic Visitor provides a connection between the homebound person and our church. In fact, the Eucharistic Visitor might be one of the few outside people the homebound person sees.

Generally, the visit to the homebound is carried out on the same day as the service. The Eucharistic Visitor uses a printed service with words from *The Book of Com-*

*mon Prayer* that include prayers and the Gospel for the day or some other suitable Scripture. The homebound person participates as much as possible. Sometimes the service is shortened, depending on the health of the homebound individual. If other family members or caretakers are present, the Eucharistic Visitor invites them to participate as well. Once the service is completed, the Eucharistic Visitor may stay for a brief visit. Eucharistic visitors are not expected to be spiritual guides, pastoral counselors or ministers of other sacraments.

Eucharistic Visitors normally do not make more than one visit per month.

The qualifications for becoming a Eucharistic Visitor are as follows:

- Eucharistic Visitors are confirmed members of the Episcopal Church.
- Eucharistic Visitors regularly attend Sunday services at Trinity Church.

We are presently seeking laypeople to assist in this important ministry. If you would like to explore becoming a Eucharistic Visitor, please plan to attend the next training session

on Saturday, September 13, at 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. The session will last about two hours. Meantime, feel free to talk with either of us if you have any questions.

Deacons

Dick and Rita Tracy

## **ANOINTING FOR HEALING WILL BE EXPANDED:**

Beginning with the month of August, the deacons will offer Anointing for Healing following each service on the third Sunday of each month as well as on the first Sunday. So, in August we will be offering anointing both on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup>. When the 6 p.m. Sunday services begin, anointing will be offered on the first and third Sundays following that service as well.

## Communicating at Trinity...new avenue?

I have been thinking about how to communicate better about the life of Trinity parish. As we continue to grow in many ways it is important for us to strengthen communication and always seek transparency.

As one possible way to do this I would like to gauge your interest in having an email from the church once every two or four weeks. It would have items like calendar events, an

occasional theological reflection piece, ministry opportunities, updates of church life, links to photos from church events, links to sermons and so on. It is mainly intended to be informational and educational.

If you are interested in this please email me at [jwj@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:jwj@trinitylawrence.org) or drop your name and email address in the offertory plate and I will add you to the list.

If you have suggestions for what to name the email communication please submit them and I will choose from the suggestions. One name has already been suggested, E-Pistle. I know you are more creative than that.

Jonathon

## Christian Education has new director

I am pleased to be your new director of Christian education for children. I welcome your ideas and input to make children's education excellent in 2008-09 at Trinity. Please call me at the Church Office (843-6166) or email me at [pkm@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:pkm@trinitylawrence.org) if you would like to volunteer, have suggestions, or would like to visit about children's Christian education. We held a meeting on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> to receive input in planning the curriculum for the fall, and plan to have other opportunities to share ideas and work together.

Thank you, Peter Doddema, for your leadership in this role and working with me during this time of transition in the summer. Thanks, too, to Peter and his wife Nicole for leading our Vacation Bible School program in June, and thanks to all the volunteers and children who participated. Best wishes to Peter, Nicole and Roman as they move to Virginia as Peter begins his seminary training.

Deacon Paul McLain

## Our fall program kicks off on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>!

Our offerings include:

### *Nursery (Birth – 3 years)*

Our nursery is available for infants to 3 years. Nursery care is available Sunday mornings from 9:00am – 11:30am. We have a small, quiet room and a larger

play room with age-appropriate toys. Our nursery is also equipped with a paging system. The nursery is located in the hallway leading to the Parish Hall.

### *Early Christian Awareness (6 months – 3 years)*

The Early Christian Awareness (ECA) program is available each Sunday during the 10:30am service. Our ECA teachers use sensory exploration along with story telling and songs to experience God's love for His smallest children. ECA meets in the nursery, which is located in the hallway leading to the Parish Hall.

### *Kids Sunday Adventures (3 years – 5 years/PreK)*

Children begin their worship in the Church Sanctuary at 10:30am and are lead by the Cross to the lower level classrooms for a Bible story and lesson.

### *Godly Play Plus (Kindergarten – 2nd Grade)*

This age children begin their worship in the Church Sanctuary at 10:30am and are lead by the Cross to the lower level classrooms for Godly Play Plus. Children will hear stories of the Bible and are encouraged to re-tell the story through dramatic play, crafts, and games.

### *Trinity Youth Groups*

Grade School Youth Group (3rd Grade – 5th Grade) ~ Junior High Youth Group (6th Grade – 8th Grade)

The groups meet on alternate Sunday's following the 10:30am service to explore their Christian faith through fellowship, activities, service projects, and mostly to have a great time as they put their faith into action.



### *Acolytes (3rd Grade – 12th Grade)*

The Acolytes at Trinity serve an integral part of the worship service. Acolytes serve in processions, bearing crosses and candles; and they serve at the altar, aiding the Deacon and Priest in preparing the table for Communion. Those in grades 3rd through 12th are welcome to serve as an Acolyte.

### *Parish Library for Children*

Trinity's library has several books and videos for children and their parents. Seasonal books are also on display throughout the year for your convenience to checkout. The library is open Sunday mornings and other times by request.

## Trinity Choristers will have its first fall rehearsal on Thursday, September

**4**, from 4:15-5:00 p.m. in the upstairs choir room. Singers in grades three through nine are most welcome. Returning choristers and new choristers are encouraged to join. Trinity Choristers sing an anthem once a month during the school year. A Chorister should be able to match pitch and sing in tune. Contact Susan Ralston (843-3920) [sralston@sunflower.com](mailto:sralston@sunflower.com) for further information.

**Christian Classics** will begin reading C.S. Lewis' *Screwtape Letters* on Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. We invite every one who would like to read and discuss this comic satire about good and evil to join us.

Christian Classics meets at 7:30 p.m. in the library on alternate Wednesdays.

Ruth Turney will have copies of *Screwtape* for purchase. Contact Joan Ring at 864-5544 or e-mail [jring@ku.edu](mailto:jring@ku.edu) for further information.

## Trinity's Discernment Process update

Over the last several years we have offered prayers during our Sunday worship for those in discernment and preparation for ordained ministry. I wanted to update you on all the people for whom we have offered to God in prayer.

Each person is called to serve. The question of discernment is how and in what capacity we are to exercise that call. Will it be as a baptized minister or as an ordained minister either as a deacon or a priest? Discernment is the time of preparation through prayer, directed reading, writing a spiritual autobiography, discussions with the priest, and reflection with a group of lay members that help one discern or figure out or listen for how God is calling the person to offer himself or herself up for service. Preparation, be it for ordained or baptized ministry, is making ready for service either by prayerful reflection, seminary coursework, time at the Kansas School for Ministry or directed reading and projects..

**Zane Wilemon**, who was youth director at Trinity and then later was graduated from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the

Southwest in Austin, is now assistant priest at Trinity Cathedral in San Jose, CA. Zane works for Dean David Bird who was my field work supervisor while I was in seminary in Alexandria, VA and he was a rector in Georgetown, DC.

**Steve Segebrecht**, one time Senior Warden at Trinity, finished the Kansas School for Ministry, was ordained a deacon and now serves with us at Trinity. He also carries on a vital ministry of prayer and pastoral ministry in the diocese. He further is a leader with Kansas 2 Kenya, an outreach ministry of the diocese, started by Zane Wilemon.

**Josh Bullock** has been on the prayer list for a few years now after he was a summer intern at Trinity while a student at Nashotah House seminary in Wisconsin. He was graduated from Nashotah with a Master of Theological Studies degree and is currently working in a secular job in Annapolis, MD. His ordination plans are on hold as he engages in further discernment about how he is called to serve, as a lay or ordained person.

**Judy Graham**, a much beloved parishioner, was offered up in prayers for a while during our services. She was formally the chaplain at the Bishop Seabury Academy but has since left that position. After a period of discernment Judy decided that ordained ministry was not her calling at this point. She has chosen to exercise her vocation as a baptized minister.

**Peter Doddema** has been at Trinity for several years and recently as Director of Christian Education for Children. In the fall, he will begin studies at the Virginia Theological Seminary. We hope he and Nicole and their son Roman will be able to return to Kansas in May of 2011 when he is graduated from VTS.

We can be very proud that Trinity has nurtured so many people recently for ordained ministry. In addition to the people above, Dick Tracy, Rita Tracy, Deborah Burns, Gail Davis, Linda English, and Patty Minx all have come through Trinity to offer themselves for service to our Lord.

Jonathon

## New Communion Service offered at Brandon Woods

Trinity will offer a new communion service at Brandon Woods Retirement Community each month beginning August 14 at 10:00am.

The service will take place in the Town Hall meeting room at Brandon Woods on the second Thursday of each month at 10am.

There are approximately 15-20 Trinitarians who live at Brandon Woods, many of whom are unable to attend Sunday services at Trinity.

The service will be open to all at Brandon Woods and to others who may wish to attend.

The liturgy for the Brandon Woods service includes the Holy Eucharist, anointing, a sermon, and music.

Trinity is grateful to Kim Blocher, activities director at Brandon Woods for his cooperation in helping make this new service possible.

For more information and to learn how to be involved in the Brandon Woods service, please contact Deacon Paul McLain at 843-6166.


## Anglican Chant coming soon to Sunday services!


Trinity Episcopal Church has been singing **Simplified Anglican Chant**. In the fall 2008 we are planning to sing regular **Anglican Chant**. Below is some information about Anglican Chant - we look forward to your participation in the singing of these great chants with the choir this fall.


Anglican chant is used for singing of psalms and canticles in the liturgy of the Anglican/Episcopal Church. A single chant consists of two sections, utilizing the psalms or canticle verses in which it is sung. The initial chord in each half is the 'reciting' chord in which a substantial part of the verse section is freely sung. The first half of the chant concluded by a progression of between


three and five chords, the second half by a progression between five and nine chords. There are many ways of 'pointing' or fitting the words to these chants, and various systems of symbols are used to indicate how this may be done.

The following 'pointing' or marks which indicate when to move on to the next chord will be used in the fall:

 represents the bar lines of the chant. You normally change pitches when you move past this mark.

 connects two syllables (occasionally three) to one note.

 represents one syllable to be sung to two chords.

 indicates that the first note of that half of the chant is left out.

It is important to note that Anglican Chant is sung as if reading the psalm. One observes each punctuation normally with a pause (with few exceptions) which shall enable all participants to stay together. We look forward to your participation in singing Anglican Chant this fall 2008.

## Solemn High Mass to resume August 24th at 6:00 PM

### Solemn High Mass Meeting Scheduled

We invite everyone who wishes to serve at the 6 PM Solemn High Mass to attend a meeting following the 10:30 service on **August 10, 2008**. This invitation is extended to all who have served in the past two years but especially to those who would like to begin serving at this service. We need lectors, ushers, oblationers, and servers for all of the aspects of the liturgy. Please contact Dr. Boshears for more information.

### Suppers following the High Mass need your assistance

The suppers which follow this service begin on August 24<sup>th</sup>. If you can **assist in providing these meals**, please sign the form on the kitchen counter in the Parish Hall.

We have received a grant from the Diocese to strengthen this outreach campus ministry. As a result, we will provide a partial reimbursement of \$60 toward the cost of each weekly supper. We need additional volunteers for this ministry of hospitality. Every Sunday evening we have 35-40 at these suppers. For more information, please speak to Dr. Boshears. Thanks to all who have supported this ministry.

### Our Mission in Music and Worship at Solemn High Mass

The Solemn High Mass has resulted in the formation of the Trinity Consort under the direction of Henry Heller Smith, our Interim Music Director and doctoral candidate in choral conducting at the University of Kansas. Most of the singers are students at the University.

The choir's hymnody, psalmody, plainsong, Gregorian chant, Anglican chant, and anthems represent the finest tradition in the church's repertoire of ancient and modern sacred music.

The celebration of Solemn High Mass reminds us that liturgy, music, and ceremony are woven together from a common catholic thread. Individual performance is not the essence of what is taking place. Rather, individual efforts are shaped and formed into a sacramental whole, a mystical unity, transcending place and time, which focuses the utmost devotion and prayerful attention to the worship of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is, indeed, an offering of worship in the solemnity and beauty of holiness.

## Fall Education for Ministry Forming

Education for Ministry --

During August, we will be forming an Education for Ministry group for the 2008/09 calendar year. The Education for Ministry program began about 30 years ago to equip people for connecting their Christian faith with their daily lives. Developed and administered through The University of the South (Sewanee, TN), EFM has developed into a program that has more than 20,000 graduates from around the world. The program targets the laity of the church, not just those who might seek ordination, as we all have our own ministries to offer.

EFM is a four-year program although the commitment is made one-year at a time. The subject matter covers the Old Testament, New Testament, 2000 years of church history, and the development of theology. Beyond the academic study, the groups identify the application of the information to our daily lives. Groups of six to twelve students meet weekly with a mentor to discuss the reading materials and to reflect theologically on our lives. The principal requirement of the participant is reading the materials and participating in the weekly discussions (September through May). Although mentored (not taught) and structured,

there is leeway to delve as deeply into topics as one's time and interest allows.

The cost of the program is \$340 per year. "Scholarships" and other financial support are available. If you are interested, please contact Tod or Sidney Sutton (838-4573).

More information can be found at <http://www.sewanee.edu/EFM/EFMhome.html>.

## New happenings at Trinity

### NEW TREASURER ELECTED

At our meeting in June, the Vestry elected Mr. Matt Lord as Treasurer of Trinity parish. Matt succeeds Brad Chindamo who has served faithfully with excellence building on the solid foundation of past treasurers. Brad will carry on as Assistant Treasurer for the foreseeable future.

At Trinity, as in most Episcopal churches, the Treasurer is elected by the Vestry and need not be a Vestry member but can be. He or she has seat and voice at all meetings but no vote. The Treasurer works closely with the Vestry and bookkeeper making monthly reports on regular parish finances, year end reports, providing information to our annual independent audits and makes recommendations about our church finances. Both the treasurer and assistant treasurer positions are unpaid and require a great deal of time and effort.

Both Matt Lord and Brad Chindamo work at Landmark Bank in Lawrence. They are happy to address any questions you may have about church finances.

Please join me in thanking Matt and Brad for their devoted service.

### LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS

You may have noticed some upgrades to our landscaping over the last couple of months. Thanks to the leadership of Henry Smith and the Trinity Adult Choir the plantings in front of the church between the steps no longer consist of mostly overgrown weeds. It has become a more attractive space thanks to their efforts cleaning up and Henry's desire to adopt that space as a choir project. Thank you.

The area next to the Matthews Center church offices is also much nicer thanks to Master Gardener, Linda Chesbro. Linda, along with help by Don and Barbara Roehl, weeded, planted and tended to make the area along the walkway much more inviting and pleasing to the eye. All of the plantings and the hours of work were donated by Linda and the Roehls.

Thank you to the choir and Linda for their leadership on making this small part of God's Creation more inviting and beautiful.

Jonathon

**Please remember Trinity Church in your will.**

## August/September Birthdays



If you have an August or September birthday and you don't see your name listed, please

call the office so we can add it to our database.

- 8/02 Proctor Crow Jr.
- 8/02 Mary O'Brien
- 8/03 Barbara Romzek
- 8/03 Rachel Sanner
- 8/03 Andrew Geisler
- 8/04 Linda Trotter
- 8/05 Winnie Getto
- 8/06 Jeff Bangert
- 8/07 Mary Mozingo
- 8/07 Jeannot Seymour
- 8/07 Marian Wilbur
- 8/07 Jack Sanner
- 8/08 Anita White
- 8/09 Ann Andrews
- 8/10 Jeremiah Jones
- 8/11 Pat Miller
- 8/14 Isaac Severance
- 8/14 Kelvin Suddith
- 8/15 Sophia Chindamo
- 8/16 Ellyn Owen
- 8/17 Geoffrey Keys

- 8/18 Julia Sollars
- 8/19 Cheryl Flessing
- 8/20 Margaret Schweda
- 8/20 Elizabeth Stephens
- 8/20 Barry Molineux
- 8/20 Kelly O'Brien
- 8/20 Chris Carter
- 8/21 Christine Miller
- 8/23 Maley Wilkins
- 8/24 Clint Laing
- 8/27 Scott Chesbro
- 8/27 Isabel Carter
- 8/29 Rachel Krambeer
- 8/30 Eleanor Symons
- 8/31 Natalia Jensen
- 8/31 Onva Boshears
- 8/31 Sandra Wiechert

- 9/02 Ann Mackie
- 9/02 Atlee Myers
- 9/03 Paul Hotvedt
- 9/03 Erika Sander
- 9/03 Josephine Burkett
- 9/04 Lynn Segebrecht
- 9/04 John Wilkins
- 9/05 Karin Denes-Collar
- 9/06 Toppo Johnson
- 9/07 David Paden
- 9/08 Christa Cromwell
- 9/09 John Reese

- 9/09 Elizabeth Henley
- 9/09 Tessa Collar
- 9/10 Rita Tracy
- 9/10 Claire Sanner
- 9/11 Jesse Cox
- 9/12 Don Warders
- 9/13 Ruth Tomasek
- 9/13 Scott Andrews
- 9/13 Kelly Thompson
- 9/16 Callie Easley
- 9/17 Lynne Ellis
- 9/17 Patrick Musick
- 9/17 Lauren Seybold
- 9/18 Cathy Callan
- 9/18 Jan Moore
- 9/20 Emilie Padgett
- 9/21 Brenda Clary
- 9/22 Catherine Robins
- 9/22 Kelsey O'Brien
- 9/23 Erin Flessing
- 9/24 Clenece Hills
- 9/24 Richard Cromwell
- 9/24 Katie Nichols
- 9/24 Natalie Wilkins
- 9/25 Bob Larrabee
- 9/26 Steve Segebrecht
- 9/26 Rebecca Mills
- 9/26 Katherine Halsted
- 9/30 Jim Erland
- 9/30 Sarah Hoppe

## Drawing to be held for Habitat motor scooter give-away

**Lawrence Habitat for Humanity is having a drawing** to win a new Vespa motor scooter. Donations of \$5 or above will get you a ticket. Drawing is September 26 at the Lawrence Habitat annual business meeting. Call John Reese (842-9950) or Mary Mozingo (856-8085) for tickets.

**Reminder:** If you need items for your home, don't forget to consider shopping at the Habitat Re-Store located at 800 Comet Lane, Lawrence. Phone number: 856-6920.



Trinity Habitat liaisons Mary Mozingo and John Reese wish to thank those Trinitarians who volunteered Saturday morning, June 29<sup>th</sup> to help build the 70<sup>th</sup> Habitat house in the Clay Comfort neighborhood: Garth Burns, David Severance, Allen Wiechert, Glen Davis, and John and Mary had a fun, satisfying experience. The Southern Baptist church served us lunch. We invite all Trinitarians to join us in the fall for another building session. No experience necessary.

## Calendar Days of Food from Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry

The food that is provided to any single patron or to a family of 3 or more provides approximately two-to-possibly-three days of food-- *Each day is a calendar day of food.*

### APRIL has 30 calendar days

The food pantry was open 9 days (Tuesdays and Saturdays) and served 571 people.

63 % of the groceries provided were purchased.

37% of groceries provided were donated.

### MAY has 31 calendar days

The food pantry was open 9 days (Tu/Sat) and served 541 people.

40% of groceries provided were purchased

60% of groceries provided were donated.

### JUNE has 30 calendar days

The food pantry was open 8 days (Tu/Sat) and served 503 people.

50 % of groceries were purchased;

50 % of groceries were donated;

**Food donated each Sunday at Trinity in the *little red wagon*** is an important and ongoing contribution of food to our patrons.

During April, May, and June 2008 **food drives and donated food** helped supply from 37% to 60% (in May) of food to over 500 people during each of these months.

- **April:** from the Boy Scouts of America, the First United Methodist Church, and St. John the Evangelist Church;

- **May:** from local support for the national food drives in May with the National Association of Letter Carriers

- **June** from (1) Episcopal Community Services with the Episcopal Hunger Relief Network and from (2) the Information Technology Program at the University of Kansas;

- **June from *the children***...from the Vacation Bible Schools at Plymouth Congregational Church and St. John the Evangelist Church, and from St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

**Money donated and awarded has been used to purchase from 40% to 63% of the food each month.**

- from Trinity Episcopal Church and the other member churches, from private individuals, from the Douglas County Community Foundation grant, and from money directed to Just Food to purchase food at Harvester's Community Food Network in Kansas City, MO.

### Donate non-perishables:

Donations are needed for non-perishable food and non-perishable monies.

*...Patrons need and are grateful for this food for about two calendar days each month from TIFP.*

## Date set for Progressive Dinner

**Mark your calendar for the  
Trinity Progressive Dinner  
Saturday October 4, 2008**

**Join us for an evening of  
wonderful food and fellowship**

- **Wine and hors d'oeuvres in the parish hall**
- **Dinner and dessert served in homes of members**

This is one of Trinity's most enjoyable annual events, and a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and become reacquainted with familiar friends.

There will be a sign-up table, and more detailed information, in the parish hall after all services beginning Sunday September 7, or you may drop a check by the church office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to hold your reservation.

The cost is \$8.00 per person. Sign-up will continue until September 21. We look forward to seeing all of you in October.



## Noteworthy News

### Stewardship Chair named:

Sandra Wiechert has agreed to be the chair of the Stewardship Committee. Members of the team are: Susan Morris, Donna Olson, Susan Tate, Don Roehl, Ray Wilbur, and Greg Hazen. Fr. Jensen, Deacon Paul McLain, and Senior Warden Polly Spencer will work with the team.

The pledge cards will be mailed the first week of October and our ingathering (the Sunday we ask you to bring your pledge cards to the church) will be November 2. Plans are to include our children in producing Stewardship cards, etc. Watch for information in the Sunday bulletin announcements about a possible fun-filled M&M Sunday!!

*Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful...give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back.*

Luke 6:36-38



**50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration!** Please plan to join us at a reception after the 10:30 service on August 24<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of long-time Trinity parishioners, **Jim and Jan Erland.**



### We have Supper Club hosts for August, and September!

August 15 – Tom and Linda McCoy, September 19 - Dan and Ann Rosenthal. Please notify Tom and Linda if you plan on attending August 15. **As always, everyone is welcome.** Bring your own beverages and a dish to share.

### Work days set to help Chapman schools

The Episcopal Diocese of Kansas is sponsoring some mission work in the city of Chapman to help them rebuild after the tornado. There are two work days left: **Aug. 1 and 2.** Work is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be work for all ages. Meals will be provided, and overnight accommodations can be arranged. To sign up, **please contact Campus Missioner the Rev. Craig Loya.** (785) 250-0061 or [cloya@episcopal-ks.org](mailto:cloya@episcopal-ks.org).

### News from Lambeth From Bishop Wolfe

Bishop Dean Wolfe has a new report from Lambeth posted on the diocesan website at [http://www.episcopal-ks.org/news/Lambeth\\_2008/Bishop\\_July\\_24.htm](http://www.episcopal-ks.org/news/Lambeth_2008/Bishop_July_24.htm). His may be the only online bishop's report with such a detailed account of the day in London, including a march on behalf of the Millennium Development Goals, lunch at Lambeth Palace and a garden party at Buckingham Palace. **After Lambeth is over...** You can watch a live webcast with Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori on Thursday, Aug. 7 at 1 p.m. Central time. It will originate in the chapel at the Church Center in New York.

### St. John's, Wichita, seeks artists

St. John's, Wichita, is seeking artists interesting in submitting work for exhibit at the parish during an Aug. 31 "Final Friday Art Crawl." The art crawl, during which people travel from place to place to view works of art, takes place on the last Friday of every month and includes art

galleries and museums across downtown Wichita. The Aug. 31 event will begin with a reception for participating artists. If you are an artist interesting in exhibiting work as part of this event, contact Kathy McCoy for more information. She can be reached at (316) 258-1038 (evenings); (316) 687-0630 (days); or [kathy-jane115@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathy-jane115@sbcglobal.net).

### Kansas School for Ministry announces fall Tocher Lecture

The Kansas School for Ministry will sponsor this year's Tocher Lecture, making comments by a noted ethics scholar available at no cost to lay people and clergy from across the diocese. This year's speaker is the Rev. Gary Dorrien, an Episcopal priest who teaches social ethics at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary in New York. His topic will be "American Liberal Theology: History, Necessity, Crisis and Renewal." The lecture will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19 at Grace Cathedral, Topeka. The lecture is free and open to the public, and a reception will follow the speech. He has written extensively on ethics, social theory, theology, history and politics. According to KSM's dean, the Rev. Andrew Grosso, Dorrien's work as both scholar and priest should be of great interest to Kansas Episcopalians. "Much of what he says about the liberal theological tradition will bear immediately on the history and future of Anglicanism in the United States," Grosso said. The Tocher Lecture is named for the Rev. George Tocher, a priest who served in the Diocese of Kansas in the 1960s and 1970s.

### Solo Flight conference designed for singles in the church

Single adults of all ages can share experiences and gather idea of creating communities of one at the annual Solo Flight conference Aug. 29 to Sept. 1 at Kanuga Conference Center in western North Carolina. This year's event will be the 18th such conference.

More information about this event is available at [http://www.kanuga.org/conferences/2008/solo\\_flight.shtml](http://www.kanuga.org/conferences/2008/solo_flight.shtml).

## Some Current Environmental Stewardship Matters

### Your Vote, and Caring for God's Creation

As Trinitarians and other U.S. citizens go to the polls on August 5 and November 4, members of Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team will be praying that voters include protecting the natural environment as a priority in making their voting selections. TEST, as a group, does not take a stand for or against any particular candidate. But since wise laws—and public officials who will enforce and uphold them—are needed (a) to assure that our communities and nation are active partners in preserving a habitable natural Earth environment (our God-given life support system), and (b) to reform our economic system into an equitable and environmentally sustainable one (for our nation's longevity and security), we'd like to offer a few reminders of how to be an environmentally conscious voter.

1. Find out all you can about each candidate's record of support for environmental protection measures—assurance of clean air and water, preservation of natural habitats and wilderness areas, energy conservation/fuel efficiency, reduction of carbon emissions, protection of endangered species, etc. Check the candidate's Web site. Take advantage of opportunities to query the candidate personally on environmental policies. Does the candidate have a plan to reduce human contribution to global warming? Does the candidate make protecting the environment a priority? Does the candidate understand that human health, a stable economy, national security, and peaceful international relations require a sustainable, healthy natural environment—and pledge to protect that environment?

2. Check incumbent federal government candidates' environmental voting records at the League of Conservation Voters Web site, [www.lcv.org](http://www.lcv.org): click on "Scorecard"; enter your state in the "Select State" box for percentages and details of how your state's Senators and Representatives voted on environmentally related bills. Under the "State and Leadership Averages at a Glance," you can also view the highest and lowest environmental voting records among states and Congresspersons.
3. Support your environmental-activist candidate however you can—with a donation, legwork, and/or word of mouth. Let people—including your candidate—know you're supporting the candidate because you like his/her environmental policies.
4. Be sure to vote! If you're going to be out of town during the election (Nov. 4, 2008), call the County Clerk's office (Douglas County, 832-5182) and ask to have an application for an advance ballot mailed to you; or print out the application online at [www.douglascountyelections.com](http://www.douglascountyelections.com): under "Election Links," click on "Advance Voting." Fill out the application and mail to Douglas County Election Office, 1100 Massachusetts St., Lawrence, KS 66044. You'll receive your advance ballot within a couple of days. Your advance vote must be received by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
5. Also, please remember to keep elected officials accountable to their environmentally pro-active pledges! Refer again to [www.lcv.org](http://www.lcv.org) to check federal elected officials' voting records. You can find contact information for your state and local representatives online at <http://maps.kansasgis.org/demograph/ims/myelect.cfm>, and links to every

Kansas state government entity from <http://www.kansas.gov/index.php>.

### An Energy Audit at Trinity

An energy audit is a professional inspection, survey, and analysis of energy flows in a building to offer suggestions on how energy use can be made more efficient while human comfort, health, and safety are maintained. An audit can provide a list of prioritized steps that can be taken to reduce energy costs.

At the invitation of Father Jensen, two Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team members attended the Vestry meeting on June 16 and presented the idea (with cost estimate) of having an energy audit done at Trinity. The Vestry voted to accept the idea, with TEST making the arrangements and sharing the cost of the audit. TEST members approved the shared cost, via e-mail vote. In conjunction with Junior Warden Tom McCoy, TEST has arranged for Kansas-based Energy Solutions Professionals to perform the audit; as of July 10, ESP had begun its data collection that will lead to determining energy use and identifying energy-inefficient features in Trinity's facilities (nave & sanctuary, parish hall, and offices). An energy audit report is expected from ESP for presentation to the August 18 Vestry meeting.

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## Environmental Stewardship, continued

### A Kansas Interfaith Power and Light?

Interfaith Power and Light is “a campaign to mobilize a religious response to global warming in congregations through the promotion of renewable energy, energy efficiency, and conservation.” The campaign engages churches and other faith groups in committing to being good stewards of Earth’s resources. The IPL campaign grew from Episcopal Power and Light, which was initiated by the Rev. Canon Sally Bingham, of Grace Episcopal Cathedral in San Francisco, in 1998. Interfaith Power and Light has chapters now in 27 states, and a movement is in action to establish a Kansas chapter. Members

of Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team are participating in the planning. Two representatives of TEST will attend a “KSIPL” Steering Committee meeting in August. You can find out more about the Interfaith Power and Light campaign online at <http://www.theregenerationproject.org/>, and/or contact Dave Owen or Nancy Hanson for more information on the Kansas IPL effort.

### Thank You for Your Prayers!

TEST members are pleased and honored that Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team has been added to the list of Parish and community organizations for whom prayers are requested in the Prayers of the Peo-

ple at Sunday morning Eucharists. We very much need and appreciate your prayers as we seek to determine and carry out the work to which God is calling us in this ministry. Please know that you have our prayers also, and that it is our fervent intention that all Trinitarians and all Christians—not just members of TEST—make caring for God’s creation an integral part of the special and particular missions to which you are called by the loving Spirit of Christ.

*Caring for the environment—it’s a Christian thing to do!*

*Submitted on behalf of Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team, by Nancy Hanson, 7/22/08.*

## What Is A Bishop?

Like many of you, I’m not a “cradle” Episcopalian. I was a Southern Baptist, a tradition in which the idea of a bishop is foreign. An important part of my journey in the Episcopal Church and now as an ordained minister is learning to respect and embrace the authority and pastoral leadership of bishops.

What is a bishop? According to the *Book of Common Prayer*, “the ministry of a bishop is to represent Christ and his Church, particularly as apostle, chief priest, and pastor of a diocese; to guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the whole Church; to proclaim the Word of God; to act in Christ’s name for the reconciliation of the world and the building up of the Church; and to ordain others to continue Christ’s ministry.” Well, that’s the book definition of a bishop. But, what is a bishop *really*?

One of the symbols of a bishop’s office is a crozier, a shepherd’s crook. A bishop is a shepherd. Bishops look first and foremost to Jesus, the Good Shepherd, for guidance. Bishops then feed, lead, and tend the flocks entrusted to them. Our bishop, The Right Reverend Dean Wolfe, embodies these

characteristics of a shepherd. He seeks to feed us, his flock, by preaching and teaching throughout the Diocese of Kansas. Bishop Wolfe places a priority on Christian education for laypersons and clergy, and for all age groups. He feeds us by recruiting, ordaining and building up clergy to preside and serve at Christ’s table. And he literally feeds many of us through his quick responses in times of emergency and distress.

Bishop Wolfe leads his flock by proclaiming Christ’s resurrection and interpreting the Gospel. He has named Father Jensen, our rector, as a canon theologian to assist him in this vital ministry. Bishop Wolfe also leads by seeking Christ’s vision for the diocese and taking risks to make it a reality. He recently named one of my fellow ordinands, Deacon Philip Hubbard, to a ministry of planting a new church in the Kansas City suburbs.

The Bishop tends his flock by being a pastor to the pastors. He takes a personal interest in the lives of the clergy entrusted to him. He cares for us. He seeks to equip us with what we need to care for you and for each other.

A bishop is not only shepherd to

the flock entrusted to him. A bishop is told at ordination, “With your fellow bishops you will share in the leadership of the Church throughout the world.” Bishop Wolfe takes this responsibility very seriously. He is respected as a leader in the House of Bishops in the Episcopal Church. He was recently named by his colleagues to serve as a Bible Study group leader at this summer’s Lambeth Conference, the worldwide gathering of Anglican bishops that takes place once every 10 years in the United Kingdom. You can follow his experiences at Lambeth by reading his postings on the Diocese of Kansas website – [www.episcopal-ks.org](http://www.episcopal-ks.org).

Through a relationship with Bishop Wolfe, I have discovered the blessing of being under the authority and pastoral leadership of a good shepherd. He looks to Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as his example and his source of authority. I join you in looking forward each Sunday to offering prayer “for Dean, our bishop.”

Deacon Paul McLain  
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**Sunday Schedule**

8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 1  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite 2  
9:30 a.m., Adult Christian Education  
10:30 a.m., Children's Education

**Morning Prayer**

9:00 a.m. in the Chapel  
Monday-Wednesday

**Thursday**

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
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**Trinity's Mission Statement**  
***Building a Loving Community***  
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**Trinity Happenings**

**Sunday, August 3**

- Anointing after each service

**Thursday, August 7**

- Trinity Adult Choir Rehearsals begin

**Sunday, August 10**

- Solemn High Mass meeting

**Thursday, August 14**

- Brandon Woods Eucharist-10 AM

**Sunday, August 3**

- Anointing after each service

**Monday, August 18**

- Yoga Class-5:30 PM
- Vestry Meeting: 7 PM

**Wed., August 20**

- Trinity Consort Rehearsals begin

**Saturday, August 23**

- Bennington Art Show 6-9 PM, Parish Hall

**Sunday, August 24**

- Erland 50th Wedding Anniversary Reception after the 10:30 service
- Solemn High Mass resumes: 6 PM

**Monday, Sept. 1**

- Labor Day, Office Closed

**Friday, Sept. 5**

- Bangert Art Show: 5-8 PM, Parish Hall

**Saturday, Sept. 13**

- Eucharistic Training: 10:30 AM

**Sunday, Sept. 14**

- Youth Group: 12-2PM

**Tuesday, Sept. 16**

- Serve at LINK

**Saturday, Sept. 27**

- Library Meeting, Parish Hall

**Sunday, Sept. 28**

- Youth Group: 12-2PM

**Saturday, October 4**

- Progressive Dinner

**Sunday, October 5**

- Blessing of the Animals: 1:00 PM

**Sunday, October 12**

- Youth Group to the Pumpkin Patch: 12-4



**Deadline for October/November newsletter articles: September 15**