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## This Week at Trinity

### Worship Assistants for Sunday, January 15, 2017

#### Discretionary Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Gail Griffin, Patricia Henshall  
Lector: Margaret Bearse  
Intercessor: Carol Hatton  
Usher: Don Roehl

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Joan Handley, Glenna Kleinkauf  
Lectors: Ari Myers-Arenth, Dru Sampson  
Intercessor: Rachel Schwaller  
Ushers: Steve King, Vera King, Glenn Davis, John Bullock  
Vergers: Donna Griffin  
Acolytes: Cristian Willis, Mateo Willis, Mia Willis, JJ Siquah

6:00 p.m. - Rite I, Solemn High Mass  
Chalice Bearers: Carl Edwards, Bianca Elliott  
Lector: Nathan Roser  
Greeter and Usher: Dave Eddington

#### Readings

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 40:1-12

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

The complete lectionary readings for January 15, can be found at [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net).

#### Hymns

Opening: #7, "Christ, whose glory fills the skies" (*Ratisbon*)

Sequence: #132, "When Christ's appearing was made know" (*Erhalt uns. Herr*)

Communion: #324, "Let all mortal flesh keep silence" (*Picardy*)

Closing: #538, "God of mercy, God of grace" (*Lucerna Laudoniae*)

Hymns can be accessed at [www.oremus.org/hymnal](http://www.oremus.org/hymnal).

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

#### Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

## Announcements

### Office Closed January 16

On Monday, January 16, the parish office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

### Sunday School Returns to 10:30

After discussion with teachers and parents and many prayers, we have decided to move Sunday school back to 10:30 a.m. We look forward to seeing everyone this Sunday.

### Opportunities to Serve

Nominations are now open for four Vestry positions and a member of the Endowment Board. The nominating committee consists of outgoing Vestry members (Brenda Clary, Glenna Kleinkauf, Terry Mandle, and Mari Russell) along with two members at large (Katherine McGillivray and Jerry Hanson). If you are interested in being nominated to serve on Trinity's Vestry or the Endowment Board, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee.

- The Vestry meets monthly on the third Monday of each month with an occasional planning meeting on a Saturday. Each position is for a three-year term.
- The Endowment Board meets quarterly and the position currently open is for a three-year term.

Serving on the Vestry or the Endowment Board is a wonderful way to lend your support to the mission and ministries of Trinity Episcopal Church. Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of these opportunities to serve.

## Annual Meeting January 29

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 29, Trinity's Annual Meeting. The meeting will convene at 1 p.m. in the main sanctuary. New members of the vestry and endowment board will be elected, and the business of the past year will be discussed. All members of the parish are requested to attend and participate.

## Upcoming Events

### Holy Stir-It at Bon Bon

On Thursday, January 12, Holy Stir-It, Trinity's men's fellowship group, will meet 5:15 p.m. - 7 p.m. to sample food and drinks at a new restaurant in the Warehouse Arts District, Bon Bon (804 Pennsylvania). There is still time to register by email ([trinity.holystirit@gmail.com](mailto:trinity.holystirit@gmail.com)) and pay \$5 at the door.

## Words of Inspiration

### From the Desk of Father Rob



A parishioner mentioned to me on Sunday that the phrase "Ordinary Time" sounded like the name of an artsy film that could be shown at Liberty Hall. It isn't, it's the term used to describe both the liturgical seasons of Epiphany and Pentecost, both characterized by the color green. Much like the job title "Canon of the Ordinary" that is held by the Rev. Torey Lightcap, a member of the diocesan staff, "Ordinary" refers to the everyday workings of our Christian life. This is a time characterized not by penitence or special observation, but by adopting the normative practices of discipleship. The two seasons illustrate how the Church should be spending its time: by participating in the revelation of God (Epiphany) and doing the works of the Holy Spirit (Pentecost).

I chose the word "participating" carefully, because it isn't just about trying to listen for the voice of God. It is also about our being that image of God to other people. Recollect your own faith history: likely there were people who embodied grace, or compassion, or wisdom, or love. Those were the people who helped you understand by extension how God might feel about you. They were your epiphany, whether you recognized that at the time or not.

Now, ask yourself, how can I be an epiphany? Can I help teach someone about Christ? Can I perform an act of service to someone in need, the sick, the imprisoned, the widowed or orphaned? (P.S. "The imprisoned" is the one we often leave out, the most neglected.)

And can we make the idea of being an embodiment of the love of God "ordinary"? Can it become so much a part of our regular faith life that it is as familiar as a standard Eucharistic prayer, a familiar versicle and response, or a hymn we can sing by heart? Because that is what ordinary means.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Rob+

### Stewardship Message: After the Holidays

Tracy Earl Welliver reminds us in [Everyday Stewardship](#) that there are times in which relaxation and recreation, "those gifts of time and space," seem to be inappropriate. Often the beginning of a new year is one of those times. We may have pushed ourselves to exhaustion during the holidays: decorating and entertaining; finding just the right gifts; wrapping and mailing. At the end of the holiday season, we find ourselves still overloaded with tasks: writing those thank-yous; the big clean-up; resolving to be better organized next year; catching up on tasks we left undone while we were preparing for Christmas. And, oh yes, the inevitable un-decorating.

Tracy writes that "we can find ourselves in a place where the desire for leisure is seen as a sign of laziness or lack of commitment. But was it not God who gave us the model of rest by refraining from activity on the seventh day of creation? And if all we have comes from God, by not taking the time for leisure, do we not disregard this essential gift? Let us be good stewards by taking time to rest in the Lord. At times the fields must lie fallow to be watered by the rain and nourished by the sun. This will provide time to the sower to decide the best crop to plant and seeds to sow. Then the harvest, when it arrives, will be that much fuller."

### News From Nepal

*(Karin Feltman is a member of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Lawrence, KS, who is currently living in Nepal as a full-time missionary, fighting human trafficking.)*

Yesterday marked my three-year anniversary of arriving in Nepal. In some ways it seems like I have been here much longer, and in other ways the time has flown by. I arrived with no idea what I would be doing other than "human trafficking (HT) prevention." I still had a year of language learning ahead of me, no contacts in the field of HT, and no clear vision of how to proceed.

In just three years' time, I have become functional in the language, joined a leadership group for people and organizations involved in HT work, and designed and implemented a scholarship program for at-risk village girls and a trafficking awareness and prevention program. Through the Evangelical Alliance Mission (TEAM), we sheltered a village, and provided relief after the earthquakes. I have had the opportunity to teach at conferences in both Nepal and Brazil, and am now a consultant for a Nepali NGO on community development projects designed to protect the vulnerable.

I feel so blessed that even though I had no real "plan" of my own, God knew his plans for me and has guided me and helped those plans to flourish. Thank you so much for your financial and prayerful support that make all of this possible. May this be a blessed year for all of us!

#### **A Note From Margaret Brack**

Just a note to let you all know that I am so happy to be back here at Trinity! This is an incredible parish family. I will be here in Lawrence for the whole month of January. You will see me on the altar serving, but I will also be helping out with the Food Pantry and participating with activities of TEST, of which I am a member. If I have not already had an opportunity to meet or speak with you, I hope to do so soon.

Here is a brief bio: I am in my senior year at seminary in Wisconsin. My husband Jim and I will be celebrating our 29th anniversary next month. We have four children: Joshua, 27; Riley, 25; Peter, 22; and AnneMarie, 19. Our youngest just moved into an apartment near her college, with a roommate, so Jim and I are adjusting to being "empty nesters." I was a Roman Catholic for 48 years and worked in liturgical ministry for almost 30 years. I also worked nationally for the RC church in music, liturgy, and catechism. I hold a BA in Religious Studies with a minor in Cello Performance from the Notre Dame of Maryland University and a MA in Vocal Performance and Pedagogy from the University of Maryland, College Park. I am also a musician and music teacher.

My husband and I will be moving to Kansas in June after I graduate. We are looking forward to exploring more of the state. Last summer when we were here teaching at Trinity's Vacation Bible School, we were able to visit many museums and historic sites. One of my favorite hobbies is trains! I have visited a couple of train museums here, but wish to do more. If there is anyone who shares this passion, please contact me (margaretbrack@aol.com). I would love to join a local train club.

Grace & Peace,  
Margaret

#### **TEST Tidbits: Promising New Technologies**

The beginning of a new year is a good time to focus on positive innovations that will help us as we continue to work on addressing the issues of global warming. Some of these innovations are more practical or efficient than others, but all show great creativity. (Please, take time to go to the websites to see pictures of some of these innovations.) Here are just a few examples of these new technologies that are in various stages of development.

1. Ben Hubert and the non-profit company Carbon Trust have designed a wristband that has a smartphone app that tracks an individual's carbon footprint and gives feedback on challenges and goals that are built into the device. This seems like a good fit for today's gadget-oriented society.
2. An updated thermostat for your home has been developed. Not only can you set the thermostat to automatically turn down the heat or turn the air-conditioner down at night, but it "knows" when the house is empty and will automatically adjust the temperature, which saves money and energy.
3. Carbon Engineering, a Canadian energy company, has developed a device that will suck in air (for instance, on a busy intersection), run it through a carbon-absorbing fluid, and release clean air. The small prototype has been able to collect the carbon emissions of 14 cars in a 24-hour period. Of course, to be effective it will need to work on a larger scale.
4. Researchers at Michigan State University are busy working on transparent solar panels. Such panels may, when perfected, be used as ordinary windows in home construction. These solar panels would then collect energy to run the house as well as acting as windows.
5. Laurence Kenball-Cook, a British inventor, has developed a type of floor tile that is able to use the pounding of feet to store energy in batteries. In Brazil, an experimental soccer field was set up using his tiles covered with artificial turf. The game action produced enough electricity to run the floodlights of the field.
6. Engineers Scott and Julie Brusaw of Idaho have developed solar panels strong enough to pave a highway or a parking lot. This invention could light up parking lots at night, outline roadways in country settings, or even some day be used to melt snow and ice from the road.
7. A French company called New Wind has invented a 26-ft.-tall tree-shaped wind turbine. The tree's "leaves" are the many small turbines

- turning to catch the wind and turn it into electricity. The company has (or will) set up their trees in a commercial setting in Paris. These trees have the look of "art objects," but of course, do not produce the same amount of electricity as the big wind-farm turbines. However, they have a potential market for smaller settings. France has also recently passed a law that new commercial construction in the country must use part of their rooftops to either have solar panels or greenery that will help absorb carbon emissions.
8. University of Michigan engineer, Aaron Lemoureux, has teamed up with the university art department to learn the old Japanese paper art called Kirigami. He wanted to see if the art could help him design new solar cells. It worked. He has developed cells that remain inside flat solar panels, but are able to twist like a ribbon to track the angle of the sun as the day goes on. These new solar panels are able to produce about 36% more energy than the conventional panels.
  9. Designer Andre Boessel has developed a spherical sun-powered unit that turns on an axis and collects twice the amount of solar energy as a standard, flat panel. The device looks like a very large old-fashioned globe of the world. The device could be a free-standing, electric-car charging station (collecting and storing solar energy) or mounted on buildings and connected to the grid.
  10. David Hartman and Jason Balash have developed a wave-power device that is on a platform anchored to the sea floor. The device has a flywheel-type of mechanism that can convert wave action into electricity. The device could be paired with other platforms and hooked up to the grid, or the energy produced could be stored in batteries.

There are thousands of other examples of inventions that may help us on our way to fighting global warming. Right now, we may be watching future inventors within our families or community. We need to give them the best grounding possible in science, but also a heart for caring for the earth.

Information for this article came from "[Six Real-World Inventions](http://huff.to/2ijZGt2)" (<http://huff.to/2ijZGt2>) by Craig and Marc Kielburger, and "[Energy Inventions](http://bit.ly/TgdiJJ)" (<http://bit.ly/TgdiJJ>) by AE News.

*"Caring for the environment -- it's a Christian thing to do!"*

## Ministry Opportunities

### Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry

The food pantry was open six days in December 2016 and served 156 families (129 children, 257 adults, and 23 senior adults) with 10 new families requesting food assistance. The total expense for food purchased locally and through Harvesters in December was \$812.40, and the total retail value of all food provided (both donated and purchased) was \$3,430.80.

The food pantry was open 172 days in 2016 and served 3,202 families (a total of 8,430 people) with 270 new families enrolled over the year. We are grateful to all for donations of money and the abundant donation of food throughout the year to provide food assistance to many people in Douglas County.

The Harvester's Mobile Food Distribution is held on the fourth Saturday of each month from 1-2 p.m. at First Baptist Church (1330 Kasold) and is a partnering program with volunteers from First Baptist Church, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas, Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry, and the Salvation Army.

### GIFT Cards: A Good Deal

Grocery Income for Trinity (GIFT) cards for all the Lawrence grocery stores are always available for sale in the parish hall between church services. A GIFT card you buy at church is treated like cash at the store: a \$50 card buys \$50 worth of groceries. And it results in a contribution to the church, because these grocers have agreed to give back to Trinity between 4% and 6% of the total amount that you spend with that store's GIFT card. It is an easy way to contribute to Trinity.

## Prayer Chain

To add a person's name to the prayer list or to become a prayer chain member, please contact the parish office ([prayers@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:prayers@trinitylawrence.org); 785-843-6166) or Carol Hatton, Prayer Chain coordinator ([caroldonhatton@gmail.com](mailto:caroldonhatton@gmail.com)).

The Prayer Chain prays daily for those who are ill, suffering, troubled, have died, or wish to offer praise and thanksgivings. Prayer Chain members find that their own private prayer life with God also deepens during this daily practice.

Pray for those who are ill:

Jane, Shandi, Oliver, Cliff, Dottie, Philomena, Scott, Mary, Charles, Brad, Michael, Annife, Mike, Melissa, Brian, Carol

Prayer for those with special intentions:  
Hazel, Candi, Steve, Anne, Mike

Pray for those in the hospital:  
Mike, Ben, Steve, Lexi, George, Ginny, Delma, Mary

Pray for those who are departed:  
Doug Coffin, Charlyn Orel, Rick Sawin, James Muirhead, Dottie Knetsch

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### Sunday, January 15

8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:30 a.m., Adult Forum  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
10:30 a.m., Sunday School  
11:30 a.m., Coffee Hour  
6:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist, Solemn High Mass

### Monday, January 16

Parish Office Closed  
6:30 p.m., Vestry Meeting, Jackson Kemper Room

### Tuesday, January 17

10:30 a.m., Staff Meeting  
12:00 p.m., LINK Service, Kitchen  
2:00 p.m., Food Pantry

### Wednesday, January 18

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park  
6:00 p.m., Evening Service & Dinner

### Thursday, January 19

7:30 p.m., Trinity Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, January 20

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park

### Saturday, January 21

10:00 a.m., Organ Practice  
10:00 a.m., Food Pantry  
7:00 p.m., Board Games and Beer

## Newsletter Information

The deadline for placing items in this newsletter is every Wednesday at 12 p.m. If you have any questions or would like to start receiving this newsletter each week, please contact Sheryl Poole ([sp@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:sp@trinitylawrence.org)).

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