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This Week at Trinity

Worship Assistants for Sunday, February 5, 2017

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: Margaret Bearse, John Bullock
Lector: Mary Donovan
Intercessor: Diana Dyal
Usher: Kent Tomlinson

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: David Marker, Carl Edwards
Lectors: Jennifer Attocknie, Dean Bevan
Intercessor: Harlanne Roberts
Ushers: Bob Sanner, Jennifer Sanner, Bruce Roberts, Harlanne Roberts
Verger: 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 58:1-9a, [9b-12]
Psalm 112:1-9, [10]
1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16]
Matthew 5:13-20

The complete lectionary readings for February 5, can be found at www.lectionarypage.net.

Hymns

Opening: #490, "I want to walk as a child of the light" (*Houston*)
Sequence: #381, "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness" (*Tony-y-Botel*)
Communion: #340, "For the bread which you have broken" (*Beng-Li*)
Closing: #497, "How bright appears the Morning Star" (*Wie schön leuchtet*)
Hymns can be accessed at www.oremus.org/hymnal.

Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Altar Flowers

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

Announcements

Hearts for Willow

Valentine's Day can be a difficult time for the women and children at the Willow Domestic Violence Center. Last year we packed shoeboxes with gifts for the women and children at Willow to receive on Valentine's Day. In response, we received notes of deep gratitude from the women, children, and staff at Willow. With Valentine's Day fast approaching, it is time to once again for our Hearts for Willow project. Here's how you can help:

1. This year we are packing the goodies in shoebox-sized plastic boxes. Donations of boxes, empty or filled, will be appreciated.
2. We also need donations of toys, small books, crayons, mittens, scarves, craft items, portable games, etc., for the children; and donations of perfume, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, hairbrushes, barrettes, headbands, nail-care items, gloves, scarves, etc. for the women. These are just suggestions to get your imaginations working!

There are three ways for you to contribute:

1. Donate empty plastic boxes.
2. Donate a box filled for a child or adult. Please attach a tag on the top of the box stating if it is for a woman or child. If it is for a child, please specify if it is for a boy or girl and the approximate age.
3. Donate individual items for us to pack in boxes.

Last year, we packed over 40 boxes. We will bless the boxes on Sunday, February 5, at the 10:30 a.m. service, and they will be taken to Willow in time to distribute on Valentine's Day. Thank you so very much for helping with this project. What may seem like a small act of kindness is seen as an extraordinary gift of grace by those who receive these boxes. For more information, please contact Mother Susan (st@trinitylawrence.org).

Upcoming Events

Climate Change Presentation

On Monday, February 6, please join Trinity's Environmental Stewardship Team (TEST) for a presentation, "[Update on Climate Change](#)," by Dr. Chris King, 7-9 p.m., at Village Presbyterian Church (6641 Mission Rd., Prairie Village). The U.S. military is acutely aware of the challenges that human-caused global climate change poses to national security and international stability. Dr. Chris King -- retired Brigadier General; environmental engineer; defense analyst; international climate change council member; and down-to-earth, personable speaker -- will address updates related to these challenges. If possible, RSVP to Jerry Rees (913-568-4250) so they have an idea of how many people to expect, but walk-ins are also most welcome.

Canterbury House

On Tuesday, February 7, Brother James Dowd, Order of the Holy Cross, will be joining KU's [Canterbury House](#) (1116 Louisiana) to lead the program. He will discuss how to fit contemplative prayer and spirituality in everyday life, and give an overview of Anglican monasticism. The night will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a free dinner; the program will start shortly after. As always, all are welcome to join!

Pipe Organ Program

On Sunday, February 12, the Topeka Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present "An Introduction to the King of Instruments: The Pipe Organ," 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church (8th & Harrison St, Topeka). Although a reservation is not required, for planning purposes, RSVP (785-233-9601) to reserve your seat.

Words of Inspiration

From the Desk of Father Rob



At last Sunday's annual meeting, I told the congregation in my address about an initiative that I was calling "The 70." The name's origin comes from the tenth chapter of Luke:

"After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the

Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

He then instructs them about how they are to travel, what they are to say, and what they are to go. The seventy (or seventy-two in some manuscripts) returned talking with amazement about what they had accomplished.

Many months ago I was having a conversation with the Rev. Don Compier, the dean of the Bishop Kemper School for Ministry. The General Convention had created a position of "licensed lay evangelists" to go hand-in-hand with other licensed lay ministries such as Eucharistic visitors, lay readers, and preachers. But there are few guidelines about what constitutes a "lay evangelist." By definition, it is someone who proclaims good news, especially the Gospel of Jesus Christ. But is this someone who just walks up to people on the street and begin talking about Jesus? That seems counterproductive. Is it someone who goes out and performs acts of service in the community? But then how do people know this is part of their life of faith?

So Fr. Don and I are beginning to have a long and fascinating conversation about what a lay evangelist really is. But in the meantime, I got the idea of using that conversation as a springboard for equipping seventy members of the congregation to be evangelists. One thing I have realized is that different people evangelize in very different ways, so equipping people will be a custom task, not a one-size-fits-all kind of program.

It is also in its earliest stages of development, but my hope is to have Trinity's seventy evangelists go out into the world proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed, and return marveling at the mighty things they have accomplished in the name of God.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rob+

Stewardship Message: A Simple Definition of Stewardship

When deciding what to write to you this week, it was suggested that a truly simple definition of "stewardship" is way past due. So here it is, from Glenna Kleinkauf:

Stewardship is all that we do with all that we have and all that we are ... all the time.

Truth be told, it's really not quite that simple. But it's a good place to start.

Immigrant Ministries



I went to Wichita last week to represent our Lawrence Interfaith Refugee & Immigrant Ministry group and had the opportunity to help set up a residence. Many of the items being used were collected here at Trinity in December. The residence was being prepared for four refugees.

Grace and Peace,
Margaret Brack

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.)

Hi, everyone! Sorry that it has been a couple of weeks since the last update. It has been a really busy season here, with lots of different things going on. All good, but all busy.

This week I am hosting and participating in a Community Health Evangelism training for a Christian Nepali non-profit community development group that I am partnering with in the village; doing a Priceless Cube anti-trafficking training for a non-profit counseling group; giving three different devotions in Nepali (one at a freedom business, one at a salon that employs at-risk girls/women, and one at a safe house).

Next week I am helping to organize and host a forum on human trafficking laws and human rights in Nepal. Then the next day, I leave for the village for a two-week stay. I am completely unplugged there (no wifi or Internet) so also need to complete all the administrative things that need to be done before I head out.

While there, I will start the reading and coursework for the Bachelor's degree in Biblical Counseling that I am enrolled in, and also working on year-end reports and year-beginning budget items for my personal ministry work, and my initiative. I also need to plan and select music for our team annual meeting and lead worship for that, two days after returning.

Not very romantic or spiritual sounding, I know -- but it definitely all needs to be done. Here's hoping and praying that the season after this one is a bit more reflective and restful! Wish me luck. (Pray for me.) Talk to you in a couple of weeks.

TEST Tidbits: A Prayer for Our Times

Our Trinity Environmental Stewardship Team (TEST) always begins and ends each meeting with prayer. We are mindful to always ask for direction of the Holy Spirit in all the tasks we undertake. We know that, like others, we are bound to fall short of our intentions. However, we press onward. We also ask our parish family to keep the work of TEST and the health of the planet in your prayers. Here is one of the prayers we use that has been composed by a member of TEST:

"Litany for Disturbing Times"

Radically loving, omnipresent God:

Through the life, death, and resurrection of our Savior Jesus,
You have taught us to trust in the triumph of your love over all evil,
even over death.

Make your presence known to us, we pray,
in our times of disappointment, doubt and grief;
our times of failure, frustration and fear.

Comfort, fortify, and guide us, Lord, we pray.

By your Spirit, lead us,

to patience, wisdom, and hope;
Instill in us kindness, forbearance, and humility,
that we may hear your voice, perceive your truth,
and walk in your way.

Comfort, fortify, and guide us, Lord, we pray.

Delivery us from the evils of ignorance and prejudice;
of greed, narcissism, self-righteousness, meanness of spirit,
and all uncharitableness.

Comfort, fortify, and guide us, Lord, we pray.

Give us strength to stand with courage for justice, fairness, truth,
mercy, and righteousness;

That your love may prevail in all ways and in all things
and all your people, creatures, and creation
may rejoice in the unity and everlasting presence of your kingdom.

Trusting in your goodness, we pray to you,

most gracious God -- Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

Ministry Opportunities

Forward Day by Day

[Forward Day by Day](#) for February through April is now in the tract racks.
March and April will begin with Ash Wednesday and cover Lent and Easter.

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; 785-843-6166) or Carol Hatton, Prayer Chain coordinator (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:
Baby Lucy, Julia, Suzanne, Carol

Prayer for those with special intentions:
Hazel, Vashti, Rachel, Deborah, Kathleen, Colin and Caro

Pray for those in the hospital:
Mike, Ben, Steve, George, Ginny, Delma, Terry, Heather

Pray for those who are departed:
Tom Huntzinger, Detryck Franklin, Mary Tyler Moore

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Sunday, February 5

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, February 6

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park
9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer, Chapel
12:00 p.m., Women's Lunch Group
7:00 p.m., Climate Change Presentation, Village Presbyterian Church, 6641 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS

Tuesday, February 7

10:30 a.m., Staff Meeting
2:00 p.m., Food Pantry
6:30 p.m. The Canterbury House

Wednesday, February 8

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park
9:30 a.m., Group Two Women's Quest-ioning
6:00 p.m., Evening Service & Dinner

Thursday, February 9

10:00 a.m., Trinity Treasures
7:30 p.m., Trinity Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 10

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

Saturday, February 11

10:00 a.m., Organ Practice
10:00 a.m., Food Pantry

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).

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