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This Week at Trinity

Worship Assistants for Sunday, February 26, 2017

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: David Marker, Ryan Zavacky
Lector: Marian Wilbur
Intercessor: Eleanor Symons
Usher: Don Roehl

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: Sara Woods, Donna Olson
Lectors: Barbara Cook, Joanne Feist
Intercessor: Austin Turney
Ushers: David Severance, Vashti Winterburg, Dave Griffin, Gail Griffin
Verger: Glenna Kleinkauf
Acolytes: Ozi Ajekwu, Geme Ajekwu, Abbey Bieker

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

Readings

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

The complete lectionary readings for February 26, can be found at www.lectionarypage.net.

Hymns

Opening: #460 (v. 1, 3, 4), "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!" (*Hyfrydol*)

Sequence: #129, "Christ upon the mountain peak" (*Mowsley*)

Communion: #336, "Come with us, O blessed Jesus" (*Werde munter*)

Closing: #137, "O wondrous type! O vision fair" (*Wareham*)

Hymns can be accessed at www.oremus.org/hymnal.

Collect of the Day

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers are given by Terry and Kim Mandle to the glory of God and in celebration of the wedding of Haley Elizabeth Deines and Jaimie Lynn Skeen.

Adult Forum

This Sunday, February 26, Trinity's "Save Our Kids" ministry will speak at the Adult Forum, 9:30 a.m. in the Jackson Kemper Room in the parish hall. "Save Our Kids" is a ministry of Trinity Episcopal Church that seeks to help curb gun violence in our communities through a program of building awareness about responsible gun ownership and helping people find mental health resources for themselves and loved ones. Judy Heller and Susan Ralston, among other members, will discuss this new and timely ministry.

Announcements

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday, March 1, services for Imposition of Ashes will be at 12 p.m. (noon) and 7 p.m. A light dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

Upcoming Events



Lawrence Parks & Recreation Department

2017 Lawrence Ice Bowl

Saturday, February 25

Centennial Park • 600 Rockledge Rd.

All proceeds benefiting the Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry

Schedule:

9 a.m.	Check-in
9:45 a.m.	Players Meeting
10 a.m.	Round 1 Tee Off (Singles)
1 p.m.	Round 2 Tee Off (Doubles)

Costs:

1 round -\$10 + 5 Cans or non-perishable items
OR
2 rounds -\$15 + 10 items

*Pro Panel Technique Q&A
to be held Immediately
following Round Two*



Play one or both rounds!

Contact: Isaac Heinen
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PARKS AND RECREATION

African Team Ministries Sale

On Sunday, February 26, the African Team Ministries Sale will hold its annual sale in the parish hall all morning and after the 6 p.m. service. This sale of African-made crafts and jewelry supports the efforts of both Anglican (Episcopalian) and Lutheran dioceses in East Africa. Working with bishops in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda, it supports orphanages, vocational education, and agricultural and health improvements through drip-irrigation kits for farmers and solar-powered water pumps for villages.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

On Tuesday, February 28, please join us for Trinity's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 5:30-7:30 p.m., in the parish hall. All freewill donations will go toward youth scholarships for this year's church camp. Blueberry and gluten-free pancakes and apple sausage will be available. Music pending. Bring family, friends, and strangers off the street.

Lenten Taizé Services

Friday, March 3, will be the first service in the 2017 Lenten Taizé season, at 6 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (2211 Inverness). Other Lenten services will be held at First Baptist (March 12), Immanuel Lutheran (March 17), First United Methodist (March 24), St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Eudora (March 31), and concludes with the always popular Stations of the Cross Taizé at St. John the Evangelist Church (April 7). All services start at 6 p.m. For more information or to be put on the Taizé email notification list, please contact Judith Galas (*judithgalas@gmail.com*). Bookmarks listing upcoming services and locations are available in the narthex.

Planning Your Legacy -- Choose Wisely

Have you planned your estate? Yes, everyone has an estate!
If you have not yet made a will...
If you need to update your will...
If you need to know more about estate planning before you ask an attorney...
...this is an event you will not want to miss!

Join us on Saturday morning, March 4, beginning at 9:30 a.m., when Trinity Episcopal Church will host Planning Your Legacy -- Choose Wisely, a presentation which will address basic questions everyone should ask in planning their estate:

- Is this really a spiritual/faith issue?
- What do I need to know?
- What questions should I ask my attorney?
- How do I talk to my family about my plans?
- How do I give voice to my legacy?
- How can the church help me in planning?

as well as the questions you bring with you.

John M. Hoskins will be our guest and presenter. Hoskins has served as a church administrator, stewardship officer, and planned-giving advisor for 40 years, assisting individuals and their advisors in creating legacy plans that fulfill the donor's desire to benefit charities, ministries, and families. For the past 16 years, he has served as Senior Philanthropic Advisor at the St. Francis Foundation, an Episcopal-affiliated ministry serving over 10,000 children and families in five states. Hoskins speaks at numerous conferences and makes presentations in gift and legacy planning and preparing for retirement.

The presentation will be **followed by lunch at 11:30 a.m.** Please join us and invite your friends to attend with you. **Make your reservation, and arrange for transportation, if needed, with Ann Elizabeth Bishop (aebishop49@gmail.com; 316-461-0547), or call the parish office (785-843-6166).**

St. Margaret's Book Group

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is hosting a discussion group on the book [Why Christianity Must Change or Die](#) by the Rt. Rev. John Shelby Spong. Members of Trinity are welcome to attend this book discussion group that often focuses on contemporary Christian authors such as Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crosson. This group meets at 1:30 p.m. twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church (5700 W. 6th St.). Contact Bob Procter (785) 221-2100 if you'd like more information.

Words of Inspiration

From the Desk of Father Rob



I wanted to announce to you that Andrew Hoyt has stepped down as Junior Warden but will continue to serve as a member of the vestry. David Severance will take over as Junior Warden for the duration of 2017.

This is a good opportunity to remind everyone that the position of Junior Warden is a volunteer position, but holds a tremendous amount of responsibility in the oversight of the property of Trinity Episcopal Church.

Throughout the week the Junior Warden fields all sorts of messages regarding issues of maintenance, but on Sunday morning the Junior Warden is there to worship, just like everyone else. If the issue doesn't need immediate attention (such as an overflowing toilet), then it is kind, respectful, and appropriate either to send him an email (jrwarden@trinitylawrence.org) or make a note and place it in the black box with the silver cross on it under the pictures of the former rectors of the church in the parish hall.

I am grateful for the faithful work Andrew has done in his tenure as Junior Warden, and am thankful for David's willingness to serve.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rob+

Stewardship Message: The Transfiguration of Our Ministry

Stewardship is not passive. It is active, expressive of our relationship with Christ working and giving to proclaim and establish God's kingdom in the world. But so often we want to pitch a tent right where we are and preserve a moment in time, for all time. This can happen with our giving, our resources, and even our ministries, both for congregations and individuals. This is much like putting a light under a bushel basket, limiting the reach of our spiritual transformation to a single moment in time and space.

The story of the Transfiguration of Jesus and its following verses move us from settling in place to going forth into the world to do Christ's kingdom work of healing, whole-making, and liberation. Peter's request to set up tents on the Mount of Transfiguration was founded in a state of what I might call "ministry comfort." Jesus' actions encourage us always to ascend from our present position of "ministry comfort," using them to be looking for the next mission fields to enter.

We -- the baptized -- are God's chosen stewards to deliver the good news of God's kingdom presence in the world. To veil that message in any way or to put up tents to sequester Christ's kingdom work would be irresponsible stewardship of what has been entrusted to us. As congregations it is our responsibility regularly to review how our ministries, facilities, finances, and other resources are being optimized for Christ's mission, to make sure these have not become "tents" to cloister the glory of Christ. The same is true for our individual gifts for ministry and our resources.

--- The Rev. Canon Lance Ousley, Episcopal Diocese of Olympia

TEST Tidbits: New Leader, New Era for EPA

Scott Pruitt, former Attorney General for Oklahoma, was recently confirmed by Congress to be the new head of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Mr. Pruitt's confirmation was tense, and he was confirmed on a vote of 52 to 42 over the objections of more than 800 former EPA officials and many environmentalists who pointed out that he had sued the EPA 14 times in his six years as Attorney General for Oklahoma. Those who objected asked for a halt to the confirmation until more documentation of his opinions and actions could be made available. It appears he has sent

over 3,000 email and letters to oil, gas, and coal companies and their leaders -- many to gain support for his suits against the EPA.

The request for making these e-mails public is being made by the Center for Media and Democracy, a non-profit advocacy and reporting group based in Madison, Wisconsin. The request, made over two years ago, and recently ordered to be expedited by an Oklahoma judge, has only produced around 114 email so far. Advisors for Mr. Pruitt maintain that they are not required to deliver most of these email. The request for delay was denied, and he was confirmed as head of the EPA.

This past Tuesday, February 21, Mr. Pruitt made his first speech to the employees of the EPA, saying, "We are an agency and a nation that can be both pro-energy and jobs and pro-environment." He continued by saying that the agency should make regulations that are, in his words, "regular," so that all may know what to expect. Although short on details in this speech, he outlined some guiding principles. He wants to try to limit the scope of the agency's actions, avoid over-reaching protections, and remain focused on the "rule of law." He emphasized that states' rights and landowners' rights be respected. He made no mention in his speech about safeguarding public health or the threats from greenhouse-gas emissions.

The employees of the EPA were professional in their welcome, but remain wary. Outside the agency, protesters decried Mr. Pruitt's lack of qualifications for his new job and his former wish to eliminate the agency. A clue as to how he might lead the EPA can be found in a quote from the confirmation hearing. He said that, "the EPA had strayed from its mission to administer environmental laws into an unaccountable federal bureaucracy."

Underlining the anxiety of many of the employees of the EPA, there is speculation from many (including Fox News) that President Trump will soon visit the EPA to make some new executive orders. CNBC's environmental editor, Tom DiChristopher, believes that such announcements could come as soon as next week. There has been no confirmation of any such new executive orders to do with the environment. However, in a February 21 article, Mr. DiChristopher outlined some possible new actions, based on campaign promises of the new administration. Here are a few possibilities: to get rid of or redo President Obama's Clean Power Plan that helps reduce emissions from power plants; to rewrite or revise the current Waters of the U.S. rule that outlines protections for rivers, lakes, streams, and wetlands; to eliminate the current regulation of mining and development on federal lands; and to prevent U.S. participation in the Paris Climate Agreement.

If possible, the Trump administration would also like to undermine the "endangerment finding" section of the Clean Air Act. This is the part of that legislation that allows the EPA to regulate greenhouse gas emissions that are found harmful to public health. This might be a tall order, since the ruling was approved in 2007 by the U.S. Supreme Court.

It remains to be seen how Mr. Pruitt will oversee the many professional scientists in his agency and how any possible executive orders might affect the work of the agency that helps protect our environment and public health.

Sources for this article were www.motherjones.com, www.foxnews.com, and www.cnn.com.

"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

Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry (TIFP) was open eight days in January 2017 and served 266 families (275 children, 472 adults, and 24 senior adults) with 32 new families requesting food assistance. Food purchased locally and through Harvesters in January totaled \$1,437.46, and the total retail value of all food provided (both donated and purchased) was \$5,256.16.

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. The total donations of money to TIFP in 2016 was \$15,383. The actual cost for food in 2016 was \$25,511.73, purchased at Harvesters and locally. We are grateful to all for donations of money and for the abundant donation of food throughout the year to provide food assistance to many people in Douglas County.

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

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:

Darrell, Justin, Oliver, Joyce, Shirley, Tara, Jim, David

Prayer for those with special intentions:

Kaye, Mary, Kip, Patrick, Deborah, Kathleen, Dale, Alex, Janelle, Victoria, Dawn, Joe, Anna, Judy, Logan

Pray for those in the hospital:

Steve, George, Ginny, Terry, Mabel, Gavin, Dominador, Kari, Jack, John

Pray for those who are departed:

Dennis and Maxine Sumner, Norm McCorvey, Joanne Anderson, Jim Carrol, Rick Willoughby, James Erland, Mitch King, Connie Fisher

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Sunday, February 26

8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00 a.m., African Team Ministries Sale

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 & Supper

Monday, February 27

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

9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m., TEST Meeting

Tuesday, February 28

2:00 p.m., Food Pantry

5:30 p.m., Shrove Tuesday, Parish Hall

6:30 p.m. Canterbury House

Wednesday, March 1 - Ash Wednesday

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

9:30 a.m., Group Two Women's Quest-ting

12:00 p.m., Imposition of Ashes & Eucharist

6:00 p.m., Lite Supper

7:00 p.m., Imposition of Ashes & Eucharist

Thursday, March 2

10:00 a.m., Trinity Treasures

7:30 p.m., Trinity Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 3

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

6:00 p.m., Taizé Worship Service, Good Shepard Lutheran

Saturday, March 4

9:30 a.m., Wills & Estates Presentation, Parish Hall

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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