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## This Week at Trinity

### Worship Assistants for Sunday, March 26, 2017

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Patricia Henshall, Gail Griffin  
Lector: Sidney Sutton  
Intercessor: John Bullock  
Usher: Doug Flessing

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: John Bullock, David Marker  
Lectors: Terry Mandle, Rachel Schwaller  
Intercessor: Austin Turney  
Ushers: Bob Sanner, Jennifer Sanner, Bruce Roberts, Harlanne Roberts  
Verger: Donna Griffin  
Acolytes: Geme Ajekwu, Ozi Ajekwu, Abbey (Mary) 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

1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41  
The complete lectionary readings for Sunday, March 26, can be found at [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net).

### Hymns

Opening: #145, "Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry" (*Quittez Pasteurs*)  
Sequence: #671, "Amazing grace! how sweet the sound" (*New Britain*)  
Communion: #304, "I come with joy to meet my Lord" (*Land of Rest*)  
Closing: #493, "O for a thousand tongues to sing" (*Azmon*)  
Hymns can be accessed at [www.oremus.org/hymnal](http://www.oremus.org/hymnal).

### Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## Upcoming Events

### Upcoming Lenten Taizé Services

The next Taizé Lenten service will be held on March 24, 6 p.m. at First United Methodist (946 Vermont). On March 31, the service will be at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Eudora (738 Church St.); and the Lenten services will conclude on April 7 with the always-popular Stations of the Cross Taizé at St. John the Evangelist Church (1234 Kentucky). For more information or to be put on the Taizé email notification list, please contact Judith Galas ([judithgalas@gmail.com](mailto:judithgalas@gmail.com)).

### Canterbury House Presentation on UN

On Tuesday, March 28, KU's Canterbury House (1116 Louisiana) will offer a presentation by Jennifer Allen, who will discuss her time on the Episcopal Church's delegation to the United Nations 61st Conference on the Status of Women. The night will start with a free meal at 6:30 p.m., and the program will start shortly after. All are welcome!

### Justice Matters

On Thursday, March 30, Justice Matters will hold their biggest event of the year, the Nehemiah Assembly, at 6:30 p.m., at the Lied Center (1600 Stewart Lane). Justice Matters is an interfaith network of 21 congregations in Lawrence that works to create positive changes in the community in response to problems of affordable housing, childhood trauma, mental health, incarceration, and racial conflict in Lawrence. Tickets to this important event are available through St. Margaret's Episcopal Church ([stmargaret@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stmargaret@sbcglobal.net); 785-865-5777).

### Climate Change Talk

On Sunday, April 2, the Lawrence Ecology Teams United in Sustainability (LET-US) and the Sierra Club present Dr. Chris King speaking on climate change during the Trump administration, 4-6 p.m., at the Lawrence Public Library auditorium (707 Vermont). Dr. King presently serves on the Global Military Advisory Council on Climate Change. He retired from the U.S. Army as a Brigadier General and was dean of the Army's Command and General Staff College. He is also a trained engineer. He brings a lot of scientific knowledge to the table as well as a different perspective on the

challenges of climate change. Please join Trinity's Environmental Stewardship Team (TEST) and mark your calendars now.

## Words of Inspiration

### From the Desk of Father Rob



Throughout the season of Lent, there are many traditional disciplines with which the faithful can observe the season. Fasting, for example, provides both a way to help train ourselves to resist temptation and be mindful of those who have less than we do. Foregoing more festive language and music in worship reminds us of the grim nature of Jesus' final weeks before his crucifixion. Regular prayer helps reacquaint us with

God, should we have let ourselves drift away.

One traditional Lenten discipline that has not been mentioned often is almsgiving, the donating of money to those in poverty or need. Intentionally giving away money allows us, as Edward Hays put it so colorfully, to break through the crusty soil that may have built up around our wallets to allow beautiful fruits of the Spirit to grow. It reminds us that it is our relationship with God that is primary in our lives, not our relationship with money, and that the blessings that we have been given are intended for the building up for God's kingdom.

There are many ways to engage in almsgiving. The Deacons' Discretionary Fund is used almost daily to support the immediate needs of people. The Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry and the BackSnack program provide food to financially insecure families. The Rector's Discretionary Fund provides less immediate assistance to individuals or programs that serve members of the parish or the greater community. These are only a handful of examples, but if you need additional suggestions, please feel free to contact me and we can, together, help find a way for you to give that is meaningful to you during this Lenten season.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Rob+

### Stewardship Message: Seeing With New Eyes

I was initially drawn to the Episcopal Church by its rich expression of the Eucharist. The whole Eucharistic experience was the vehicle that reconnected me to God. It was not many weeks after I first attended that I began hearing and seeing something new each time I was in church. Not that something new was done each time, but the newness that comes from seeing anew. It was the same as last Sunday, but I saw -- really saw, or heard and sensed -- something new, something that I had heard before or seen before, but now heard and saw with the eyes of my deepest thinking, the eyes of my soul.

One Sunday this "new seeing" happened when I heard the priest say, "Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God. Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord." To be honest, I don't remember if the priest that Sunday used both offertory sentences, or the two statements came together in my mind, but I know that when I saw and heard the sentences together, something changed. My perspective on my involvement in the Eucharist changed. When that change happened I was not thinking about stewardship. But I heard the words anew, and then I saw something.

The members of the congregation walked forward with the empty offering plates and with the Eucharistic elements. For the first time I saw this as a whole. My giving an offering was not separated from the offering of the Eucharistic elements. My participation in offering something on the offering plate was not to be a separate act from my going to the communion rail. It was all one whole. It did not take guilt or a new theology of stewardship or anything but my seeing that my offering could be and must be part of the entire offering of myself to God and God offering Christ to me.

I saw the event of Eucharist as a whole. Maybe until that time I had gone to the service and to the communion rail to get something from God. Now I saw that I was to bring -- and could not help bringing -- something to the event. It was not money that God wanted from me, or the church wanted from me; it was that I participate in the event, in the service, in the Eucharist, in the thanksgiving that can be the Church.

Since that day, I see my placing an envelope or check or cash in the offering plate in a new way. It is something of me that is presented at the altar. It represents more of my "life and labor" that I give to God. It makes me more of a participant in worship. It acknowledges more of the claim of God on my life to be faithfully a child of God.

--- Charles B. Gambrell, [A Steward's Book of Prayers](#)

### TEST Tidbits: Climate Change and National Security Talks by Dr. Chris King

By Vashti Winterburg & Nancy Hanson (to give TEST reporter Ellyn Owen a break)

For more than ten years, the U.S. Military/Department of Defense has recognized climate change as a driver for national security strategic planning. The agencies charged with keeping peace and defending our nation militarily are acutely aware that a destabilized climate threatens the

stability of life around the world. Dr. W. Chris King -- Environmental Engineer; Brigadier General, U.S. Army, retired; Dean Emeritus, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College -- serves on the Global Military Advisory Council on Climate Change. He is an authority on both the science of climate change and the position and actions of our military to address and deal with the dangers posed by climate change.

At 4 p.m. Sunday afternoon, April 2, at the Lawrence Public Library, you will have the opportunity to hear a talk titled "Climate Change and Environmental Security in a Trump Whitehouse," by Dr. King.

On February 6, four TEST members heard Dr. King present "Update on Climate Change: Where Are We? Where Are We Going?" at Village (Presbyterian) Church, in Prairie Village. We had also heard Dr. King speak at Village Church a year ago, in February 2016; a report on that talk may be found on our [Trinity Episcopal Church website](#).

Here are a few notable updates, from Dr. King's February 6 presentation:

1. A survey in March 2016 showed that 45% of U.S. citizens are either alarmed or concerned about climate change, with their numbers growing, while only 21% were doubtful or in denial.
2. Greenhouse gases (GHGs) in Earth's atmosphere (measured in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents) surpassed 400 ppm (parts per million) in 2016. For 800,000 years before the Industrial Revolution, the average had remained stable at around 270 ppm. The most rapid rise has occurred in the past 50 years.
3. Earth's 10 hottest years have occurred within the past 18, with 2015 and 2016 the hottest on record so far. (Record keeping began in 1880.)
4. For all recorded history, air circulation patterns around the globe remained fairly predictable, "mappable." Today those predictable patterns have disappeared, and storms are increasingly random and intense.
5. Warming air, melting ice sheets and tundra, acidifying and rising oceans, shifting and disrupting weather patterns, etc. -- all lead to redistribution and shortages of food, land, and water -- expected to generate increased migrations of myriad life forms and disease; rising social disorder, conflict, and terrorism; and inestimable emergency and mitigation costs -- to name a few.
6. The Paris Agreement of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change -- jointly drafted in December 2015 by 197 nations to cut GHG emissions worldwide, limit global temperature rise to < 2°C above pre-industrial levels, provide mitigations, and share technologies and costs to implement needed actions -- went into effect on November 4, 2016, after 55 nations (including the U.S.A.) emitting 55% of the GHGs ratified the Agreement. To date, 136 of the 197 nations have ratified it. The United States is the #2 emitter of GHGs. President Trump has indicated he wants to withdraw the U.S. from the Agreement.

An informed and active citizenry is needed.

*"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 eight days in February and served 226 families (179 children, 390 adults, and 31 senior adults) who requested food assistance. In January, the total expense for food purchased locally and through Harvesters was \$1,198.87, and the total retail value of all food provided (both donated and purchased) was \$4,465.78. We are grateful to all for donations of money and the abundant donation of food to provide food assistance to many people in Douglas County.

Harvester's Mobile Food Distribution is held on the fourth Saturday of each month, 1-2 p.m., at the First Baptist Church (1330 Kasold) and is a partnership of TIFP, First Baptist Church, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas, 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).

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:  
Vashti, Diana, Theresa, Julia, Oliver, John

Prayer for those with special intentions:  
Jacob, Michelle, Aimee, Patti, Matthew, Emily, Abby, Linda,  
Brian, Stephanie, Ray, Nicole, Janelle, Victoria, Michael, Wayne, Mathew  
and Allison, Emily and Nicholas, Cindy, Dave

Pray for those in the hospital:  
Steve, George, Ginny, Terry, Mabel, Gavin, Dominador, Kari, Jack, Linda,  
Ellen, Richard

Pray for those who are departed:  
Joan Scannell, Rita Haugh (how), Janny Burgess, Marjorie Heinzen, Helen  
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### Sunday, March 26

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 & Potluck

### Monday, March 27

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park  
9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer  
7:00 p.m., TEST Meeting

### Tuesday, March 28

2:00 p.m., Food Pantry  
6:30 p.m. Canterbury House

### Wednesday, March 29

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

### Thursday, March 30

10:00 a.m., Trinity Treasures  
6:30 p.m., Justice Matters - Nehemiah Assembly Lied Center  
7:30 p.m., Trinity Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, March 31

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Rock Chalk Park  
6:00 p.m., Lenten Taizé Service, St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Eudora

### Saturday, April 1

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](mailto:sp@trinitylawrence.org)).

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