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## This Week at Trinity

### Worship Assistants for Sunday, June 11, 2017

#### Trinity Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Donna Griffin, Patricia Henshall  
Lector: Sidney Sutton  
Intercessor: Carol Hatton  
Usher: Kent Tomlinson

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Joan Handley, Carl Edwards  
Lectors: Kim Mandle, Rachel Schwaller  
Intercessor: Sandra Wiechert  
Ushers: Steve King, Vera King, Glenn Davis, John Bullock  
Verger: Glenna Kleinkauf  
Acolytes: Max Eldridge, Dylan Eldridge, Abby Baldwin

#### Readings

Genesis 1:1-2:4a  
Psalm 8  
2 Corinthians 13:11-13  
Matthew 28:16-20  
The complete lectionary readings for Sunday, June 11, can be found at [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net).

#### Hymns

Opening: #370 (v. 1, 2, 6, 7), "I bind unto myself today" (*St. Patrick's Breastplate*)  
Sequence: #366 (v. 1-4), "Holy God we praise thy Name" (*Grosser Gott*)  
Communion: #306, "Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest" (*Sursum Corda*)  
Closing: #362, "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty" (*Nicaea*)  
Hymns can be accessed at [www.oremus.org/hymnal](http://www.oremus.org/hymnal).

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### Altar Flowers

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

#### From the Altar Guild

This Sunday is our parish's patronal feast day -- Trinity Sunday -- in which we celebrate the doctrine of the Trinity. In honor of this day, we are using several antique silver chalices (cup-like vessels that hold the consecrated wine) and patens (plate-like vessels that hold the consecrated bread). One of these chalices was given to the church in 1860 by Mrs. Catherine Heiner Smith. Her husband, George Washington Smith, Sr., played a pivotal role in the early days of Kansas' statehood as well as the founding of our parish. (If you would like more information on Mr. Smith, see [http://kansasboguslegislature.org/free/smith\\_g\\_w.html](http://kansasboguslegislature.org/free/smith_g_w.html).) In addition to the Smith chalice, in 1866, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Vail gave us two chalices as well as a stem paten belonging to St. Luke's Church, Lecompton, which had recently closed. As we use these vessels today, let us remember those who have gone before us.

## Announcements

### Bianca Elliott Ordination

By the Grace of God, the Right Reverend George Wayne Smith, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, will ordain Bianca Lynn Shindley Elliott to the Sacred Order of Deacons in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church at half past ten o'clock in the morning Saturday, the seventeenth of June in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen at Grace Episcopal Cathedral, 701 Southwest Eighth Avenue, Topeka, Kansas. All are welcome to attend.

## Upcoming Events

### Trinity Sunday Picnic

On Sunday, June 11, please join us after the 10:30 a.m. service to celebrate Trinity Sunday, our patronal day. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and ubiquitous lemonade will be served, and we will potluck the rest. Please bring family, friends, and strangers off the street. David and Vashti will need help with both the set-up and clean-up for the picnic; if you can assist, please gather in the parish hall kitchen at 10 a.m.

## Words of Inspiration

### From the Desk of Father Rob



Why do we celebrate birthdays? I know this seems like such a fundamental notion to question, but I have found that asking questions about well-established things sometimes bears interesting insights.

So why do we? I suspect that, intentionally or unintentionally, we are conveying and celebrating the innate value of the person. We are saying, "The world was better the day you came into it, and we are so happy

about that day we remember it every year."

I mention this because we are in the midst of several related birthday celebrations. The first is for the Church, capital C, whose birthday is observed by many at Pentecost, which was last week. The second is the birthday of Trinity Church specifically, which we celebrate on Trinity Sunday, which is this upcoming Sunday. In both cases, the celebrations focus on what a blessing the Church and Trinity Church are in our lives. The Church is our home, our community, our school, our spiritual hospital, and the venue for many of the most important moments in our lives. It is a place of support, growth, lamentation, and love.

So I am thankful both for the presence of the Church and for all it does for us, and that we can come together in that spirit of joy and thankfulness. I hope you will join your Trinity family this Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. service, spend time with old friends, make some new ones, and reflect on the many blessings God has given to you.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Rob+

### Stewardship Message: Trinity, A Good Place to Call Home

In the Episcopal liturgical calendar, this Sunday is called Trinity Sunday because of the lectionary readings. In addition, Sunday is our patronal feast day, the "birthday" of Trinity Episcopal Church in Lawrence, Kansas. On Trinity Sunday we will celebrate, praising God and giving thanks for the great blessing that is our parish.

Our website, [www.trinitylawrence.org](http://www.trinitylawrence.org), states that we are engaged in building "a loving community that seeks and serves Christ in others" -- "a good place to call home" for everyone. Fr. Rob describes Trinity as a "community of people who are surrounded and together by love, and who care for each other with love ... a loving and welcoming church where every day we strive to be the people Jesus wants us to be."

This is indeed who we are! Every one of us at Trinity has experienced God's love as it is given and received within our parish family and flows outward into our community and the world. As people of God, Trinitarians are charged with living our stewardship by being generous with all our gifts; that is, with all we do with all we have all the time. At Trinity's altar we receive God's gifts, and there we offer our diverse gifts of time, talent and treasure through prayer, service, money and our very presence at worship.

At Trinity we are home.  
--- Ann Elizabeth Bishop

### TEST Tidbits: Withdrawal From Paris Climate Agreement

On June 1, despite the urging of world leaders and a personal plea from Pope Francis, the announcement was made official: the U.S. would withdraw from the landmark Paris Climate Agreement that had taken over ten years to achieve. The formal withdrawal can't take place, however, until November 4, 2020. This means that climate policies will be high on the agenda for the next presidential campaign.

President Trump also stated that he would leave it open for "better" (in his view) terms to be negotiated. The original terms of the agreement, however, were largely voluntary and developed by each of the participating countries themselves to fit their levels of pollution and ability to achieve the goals they set for themselves. Each country's goals were to be transparent, and they were to be held accountable through periodic progress reports through the United Nations. After President Trump's announcement, no other participating country appears willing to set new goals, since they are geared to their own economies.

President Trump also directed that monies to the United Nations Green Climate Fund end right away. This UN fund helps developing nations finance their efforts to reduce carbon emissions and to rebuild after climate-change-caused disasters. This fund was developed as an incentive to smaller and poorer nations to be able to work together with others to address the ongoing threats of global warming. In the long run, the loss of U.S. monies to this initiative might prove quite problematic. However, Bloomberg philanthropies in the U.S. have just donated \$15 million to the fund, and other participating countries pledge to continue to donate their share to this fund.

A lot has happened in just a few days since the announcement. Almost every nation that signed the Paris Climate Agreement has pledged to continue working toward the overall goal of keeping global warming under 2 degrees Celsius. Besides that, in the U.S., over 1,200 business leaders, mayors of both large and small cities, governors of at least 12 states (and

counting), and various colleges and universities have pledged to keep on track for the goals already made and to endeavor to go beyond those goals.

Many states have come together in a group called the Climate Alliance to coordinate efforts and support each other. Mayors have formed a group to do the same, called the Climate Mayors -- 246 participants and counting. (Lawrence is not yet on this list; perhaps, it will join soon.)

Governor Brown of California has promised to do his best to bring his state in ahead of time on their goals. He has already traveled to China to discover ways that his state and China can cooperate on meeting mutual goals.

Other states are quietly doing their part in fighting climate change. Kansas, for instance, has tripled its wind power production from 2011 figures. Hawaii boasts 1 out of 7 households have rooftop solar in their state. Texas continues to be a leader in wind-power energy production. (For a listing of state efforts in alternative energy, please go to [www.ucsusa.org](http://www.ucsusa.org) to find a chart of state efforts in clean energy.)

In a June 5, 2017, [article in the Lawrence Journal World](#), Wes Jackson, past president of the Land Institute in Salina, said that we need to evolve into a new type of environmental activism. It seems that the states, the governors, the mayors, and the business leaders are pointing the way to this a new environmental activism.

Be resilient. Find ways to be part of the positive work that needs to be done to fight climate change now and to protect the planet for our future generations.

Information for this article was gathered from [www.npr.org](http://www.npr.org), [Lawrence Journal World](#), [climatemayors.tumblr.com](http://climatemayors.tumblr.com), [www.climatealliance.org](http://www.climatealliance.org), and [www.nytimes.com](http://www.nytimes.com).

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

## Ministry Opportunities

### Trinity Connections

The relationships we develop with each other are important aspects of our parish life, providing an opportunity for conversation, a physical "check in" and a greater sense of security. We are in the process of organizing potential participants willing to communicate with others by phone, email, text, or in person to build a robust network of communicators in the church family. If you are interested in learning more, or if you would like to participate, please contact Tudy Youngberg (785-218-2283), Nora Clark (785 491-8445), Clenece Hills (785-842-6313) or Grace Cooper (785-842-2874).

### Forward Day by Day

Forward Day by Day for May through July is now available. This edition emphasizes the Holy Spirit and courage and strength the Spirit will give us in our lives. The Spirit brings creative ways to express love in our lives and the lives of those around us. One phrase is "More Love, Less Hustle." Another emphasis is on thankfulness, especially for what we can do for others.

### Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry

The food pantry was open nine days in April 2017 and served 271 families (185 children, 436 adults, 30 senior adults, and 34 new patrons) requesting food assistance. In April, the total expense for food purchased locally and through Harvesters was \$1,874.45, and the total retail value of all food provided in April (both donated and purchased) was \$5,354.96. The food pantry is grateful for all donations of money and food to provide food assistance to many people in Lawrence and in Douglas County. NOTE: The Harvesters Mobile Food Distribution for May has been canceled. The next Mobile Food Distribution is scheduled for Saturday, June 24, 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](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:  
Vashti, Diana, Stephanie, Donna, Robyn, Denise, Alex

Prayer for those with special intentions:  
Rachel, Ray, Roy, Linda, Patti, Beverlee

Pray for those in the hospital:  
Barbara, Sara, Bob, Liz, Anne, Tom, David

Pray for those who are departed:  
Bob Campbell, Kay Kennedy, Betty Ann Towner, Gary Watson, Herb Rowland

## This Week at Trinity

### Sunday, June 11

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., Trinity Sunday Picnic

### Monday, June 12

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level  
9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer

### Tuesday, June 13

10:30 a.m., Staff Meeting  
2:00 p.m., Food Pantry

### Wednesday, June 14

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level  
6:30 p.m., Evening Service & Dinner  
7:30 p.m., Christian Classics

### Thursday, June 15

10:00 a.m., Trinity Treasures

### Friday, June 16

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level  
6:30 p.m., Trinity Supper Club

### Saturday, June 17

10:00 a.m., Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m., Organ Practice  
10:15 a.m., Bianca Elliott Ordination, Grace Episcopal Cathedral, Topeka  
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).

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