

## **CORRECTION: THE EARLIER NEWSLETTER DID NOT INCLUDE INFORMATION FOR THE 6 PM SERVICE ON SUNDAY, JULY 9.**

### **Serving at Trinity**

Rector:  
The Very Rev.  
Rob Baldwin

Assistant Rector:  
The Rev. Susan Terry

Deacons:  
Dick Tracy,  
Rita Tracy,  
Steve Segebrecht  
Rob Schwaller

Parish  
Administrator:  
Jenn Holloway

Office Administrator:  
Sheryl Poole

Communications:  
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Music Director:  
Doug Lawrence

Organist:  
Mark Stotler

Vestry:  
Steve King (Sr.  
Warden),  
David Severance  
(Jr. Warden),  
Jennifer Attocknie,  
Katie Bieker,  
Nora Clark,  
Brenda Clary,  
Heather Eichman,  
Andrew Hoyt  
Kim Mandle,  
Allison Marker,  
Katherine  
McGillivray,  
Charles Olcese

Altar Guild:  
Carl Edwards,  
(captain),  
Nora Clark,  
Lynn Segebrecht,  
Carol Hatton,  
Katherine  
McGillivray,  
Vanessa Milota,  
Donna Olson,  
Melissa Padgett

Flower Guild:  
Pat Kehde  
(coordinator),  
Ann Elizabeth  
Bishop,  
Gerry Miller,  
Pam Paden,  
Mary Stauffer,  
Terry Mandle

## **This Week at Trinity**

### **Worship Assistants for Sunday, July 9, 2017**

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Patricia Henshall, Margaret Bearse  
Lector: Marian Wilbur  
Intercessor: Ray Wilbur  
Usher: Brian Christiansen

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist  
Chalice Bearers: Joan Handley, Carl Edwards  
Lectors: Katie Becker, Joanne Feist  
Intercessor: Rachel Schwaller  
Ushers: Lindy Eakin, Liz Miller, Terry Mandle, Karen Keim  
Vergers: Glenna Kleinkauf  
Acolytes: Max Eldridge, Dylan Eldridge, Abby Baldwin

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

### **Altar Flowers**

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

## **Announcements**

### **Vacation Bible School**

This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be July 17-21, 6 p.m.-7:45 p.m., in the parish hall. Many thanks for responding to the call for volunteers! We need to fill only two more positions: one group leader and one person to show the daily video. Please contact Mother Susan (st@trinitylawrence.org; 785-843-6166) if you'd like to volunteer for one of these positions. Many thanks to everyone who signed up this past Sunday. VBS will happen at Trinity this year because of everyone who volunteered!

Of course, now we need children. All children 3 years old through rising 5th graders are encouraged to come share this time with us. VBS is made just for them. We will have games, stories, videos, crafts, and yummy snacks. Registration is simple: just email Mother Susan (st@trinitylawrence.org) or call the parish office. We will need the child's name, your name and contact information (cell phone number and email address. Please tell us if your child has any allergies we need to know about and if we have permission to put your child's picture on the bulletin board, in The Corner newsletter, or in a video we will be making.

Trinity children, grandchildren, neighbor children -- everyone is invited to share VBS with us. It's going to be a great week.

### **Listening Session for Bishop Search**

On Saturday, July 15, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., in the parish hall, the Northeast Convocation and the Diocese of Kansas' Bishop Search Committee invite all Episcopalians to participate in a listening session to discuss your hopes, dreams, and expectations for the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas and our next bishop. Your voice is needed so the diocese may accurately represent who we are -- in all our diversity as a diocese -- to the Episcopal Church and prospective nominees for bishop. Participating in a listening session will help the diocese develop a survey instrument that will be administered to clergy and laity throughout the diocese in the coming weeks and, ultimately, will help write the narrative for the diocese's profile. Please come!

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Trinity Treasures**

Trinity Treasures invites anyone who is interested in crafts and needle arts to come join us at our weekly meetings Thursdays, 10 a.m. to noon in the parish hall, where we create items to sell at our annual sale in conjunction with the Ploughman's Lunch in November. The profits from this sale are distributed to various worthy causes throughout Douglas County. Sometimes we work on our own projects, sometimes we have something we work on as a group, but mostly we just enjoy each other's company. Not that crafty? Come anyway -- we'd love to get to know you better, and we can probably find something for you to do!

## **Words of Inspiration**

### **From the Desk of Father Rob**

I wanted to keep everyone at Trinity up to date on some current events that have been happening at Trinity Church.



A few weeks ago we were subjected to a series of break-ins, individuals who appeared to be stealing food and engaging in some small-grade mischief. After some investigatory work by the Lawrence Police Department and members of the congregation, we were able to identify several of the individuals involved. These individuals were youths, and we have contacted them and their parents to work out a suitable plan focused on teaching them about consequences and how hurtful their actions were. We have also taken some steps to better secure the property to help prevent this from happening again.

Also, on July 4th we received a call from our security company that a smoke alarm in the undercroft had gone off. The fire department arrived, along with our Junior Warden and myself, and together we discovered that an electrical box that was part of one of the AC units was in fact smoldering and putting out smoke. Power was shut off to the unit and it was replaced. Thankfully there was no real damage to the building.

Finally, as less of a way of news and more of a reminder, please remember that children need to be accompanied by an adult when going to and from the nursery or rest rooms. As a downtown church that is open to the public during services, it is up to us to ensure the safety of our most vulnerable members, so exercise caution and care.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Rob+

### **Stewardship Message: Christianity Is Sure Peculiar**

Stewardship work brings us in touch with some of the most obvious peculiarities of the Christian life, those that have to do with money, time, and management of other resources. Here are a few examples:

*The world says:* He who dies with the most toys wins. *Jesus told the rich young man:* Sell all your possessions, give the money to the poor and come and follow me.

*The world says:* The ones with the most money, power, and prestige go to the head of the line. *Jesus says:* The last shall be first.

*The world's parents teach their children:* If someone hits you, hit them back. *Jesus says:* If a man smite you on the right cheek, turn to him the left also.

*The world says:* Dress for success. If your wardrobe isn't right, you'll never get ahead. *Jesus says:* Do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, the body more than clothing. ... Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

*The world says:* It's wonderful to be rich. Don't we all want that? *Jesus says:* It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.

Do you begin to get the idea? Jesus was nothing less than counter-culture personified. Stewardship is about a perspective on resources that flies in the face of "conventional" wisdom. Perhaps the most outrageous assumption Stewardship makes is that our lives (not to mention our talents, our possessions, all we have and are) are not our own. We belong to God, and it is to God that we will give the accounting.

--- The Rev. Terry Parsons in *Networking*, November 2001

### **TEST Tidbits: Controlling Methane Leaks**

An Obama era ruling that would regulate methane leaks from oil and gas wells and transfer stations was about ready to go into effect in June. On June 5, before the regulations could go into effect, the EPA under Scott Pruitt put a 90-day stay on the regulations. He later extended the stay to two years, saying that the industry needed more time to comment on the regulation.

Also on June 5, several environmental groups such as Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Environmental Defense Fund, the Sierra Club, and a coalition of more than 12 states brought suit against the EPA. The suit argued that the stay was not following the procedures laid down by the 1970's Clean Air Act. The Federal District of Appeals Court in Washington DC that heard the case agreed, and further stated that calling for the stay before it had gone into effect was, in fact, revoking the regulation.

However, the court agreed that the EPA does have a right to reverse these regulations if they go through the same process of writing regulations that the Obama Administration followed, including public hearings. That process could take years. The EPA may also appeal this decision to the Supreme Court. There may also be a renewed push to revoke the Clean Air Act itself.

In an interview after the favorable court ruling, David Doniger, representing the NRDC, said that this was a big win for environmentally concerned organizations and states that are working together to reduce methane emissions that are contributing to global warming. This ruling might give others incentive to fight against the repeal of other environmental regulations.

Why should we worry about methane leaks? The answer to that question is that methane is a very, very potent greenhouse gas. So potent that it has 25 times the capability of causing short-term warming in the atmosphere as does carbon dioxide. It breaks down faster than carbon dioxide in the

atmosphere, but spikes temperature rise more quickly. Scientists believe that if we can control methane emissions, it will give us a longer timeframe to work on carbon dioxide emissions.

Methane emissions have greatly increased in the last few years, more or less following the increase in drilling for natural gas. NOAA satellites, working last February on a project of monitoring well sites worldwide, took images of "flaring" or burning off excess gas, from 6,292 sites in the United States. From this information, they estimated that there was approximately 10.65 billion cubic meters of methane going into the atmosphere just from these flaring sites. While it is true that methane emissions also come from agriculture, meat production, and other industries, fighting methane emissions anywhere they come from is an important task in reducing global warming.

What can the average interested citizen do to reduce methane emissions? Keeping natural gas needs low is one key thing to do (along with other sources of energy): insulate your house, use a programmable thermostat, and purchase Energy Star appliances. You can also eat less meat and purchase only as much food as you actually consume (reducing landfill methane). Most of all, keep up to date on what is happening to policies, rules, and regulations that cut greenhouse gas emissions, and continue to support environmentally sound organizations.

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

## Ministry Opportunities

### **Holy Stir-It Teams Help Community Shelter**

On Thursday, July 13, Holy Stir-It, the men's fellowship group, will break into three teams to prepare and serve the evening meal for about 150 people at the Lawrence Community Shelter (3655 E 25 St.). The meal will include sandwiches, chips, relishes, and snow cones.

- Team I: 3-4:30 p.m., 2-3 people to pick up and set up a snow-cone machine that is being donated by Anderson Rentals
- Team II: 4-5:30 p.m., 4-6 people to arrive at the shelter at 4 p.m. to assemble sandwiches and prepare for serving, which begins at 5 p.m.
- Team III: 5:30-7 p.m., 4-6 people to continue preparing and serving for the second shift, which begins at 6 p.m. and ends at 7 p.m.

In addition to signing up after services on Sunday, July 9, it would be helpful to indicate which team(s) you can join by emailing [trinty.holystirit@gmail.com](mailto:trinty.holystirit@gmail.com).

### **Habitat for Humanity Work Day**

On Saturday, July 15, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church will participate in a work day for Lawrence Habitat for Humanity. The Habitat house under construction is at 1905 E. 17th St. and will be the 95th Lawrence Habitat house. Funding for this house comes from Habitat's Covenant Churches; Trinity Episcopal is one of the Lawrence Covenant Churches. Contact Garth Burns to sign up ([gbperson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gbperson@sbcglobal.net); 785-843-9189).

### **LINK Volunteers Needed**

On Tuesday, July 18, Trinity and St. Margaret's Episcopal Church will serve at the Lawrence Interdenominational Nutrition Kitchen (LINK). They will need protein-rich casseroles that will serve about ten people, also milk, bread, vegetables, and salads. The latter are especially popular this time of year. Fruit, especially bananas, is eagerly chosen -- even fruit cocktail is popular. Large or industrial-sized cans of vegetables and fruit are available at the local Checkers market. And volunteers to help in the kitchen and server are always needed! This is a good opportunity for teenagers to do some public service; just remember that all minors must be supervised by an adult. Please consider helping in this fun fellowship opportunity as we remind ourselves of our mission to seek and serve Christ in others. If interested, please call Catherine Robins (785-766-0883) or Orea Kent (785-842-8021).

### **Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry**

The food pantry was open eight days in June 2017 and served 271 families (271 children, 461 adults, 38 senior adults) requesting food assistance. Each bag of food given to a family has a retail value of \$19.76. In June, the total expense for food purchased locally and through Harvesters was \$2,823.17, and the total retail value of all food provided (both donated and purchased) was \$5,354.96. TIFP is grateful for all donations of money and food to provide assistance to many people in Douglas County. This month's Harvesters Mobile Food Distribution is scheduled for Saturday, July 28, 1 p.m. 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:

Vashti, Diana, Marjorie, Tanya, Arnold, Luke, Earl, Richard, Shirley, Jill, Fred, Bill, Peggy, George, Chris

Prayer for those with special intentions:

Ray, Roy, Taj, Shawn, Kaye, Garry, the Cook family, Cliff, Chris, Emily, John, Julie and family, the Jettz family, the Durkin family, Emily, Matthew & Allison

Pray for those in the hospital:

Larry, Glenn, Kim, JoAnn, Jim, Barbara. Sheryl Kroese

Pray for those who are departed:

Romaine Taylor, Lunn Anderson, Barbara Peat Schlobohm

## This Week at Trinity

### Sunday, July 9

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, July 10

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

### Tuesday, July 11

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

### Wednesday, July 12

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, July 13

9:30 a.m., Brandon Woods Eucharist  
10:00 a.m., Trinity Treasures  
1:30 p.m., Group One Women's Quest-ioning  
5:15 p.m., Holy Stir-It

### Friday, July 14

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level  
9:00 a.m., Set up for Vacation Bible School

### Saturday, July 15

9:30 a.m., Bishop Search Listening Session, Parish Hall  
10:00 a.m., Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m., Organ Practice  
7:00 p.m., Board Games & 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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