



The Corner

Newsletter of Trinity Episcopal Church, Lawrence, KS



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This Week at Trinity

Worship Assistants for Sunday, August 20, 2017

Discretionary Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist

Chalice Bearers: John Bullock, Gail Griffin

Lector: Tod Sutton

Intercessor: Diana Dyal

Usher: Brian Christiansen

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism

Chalice Bearers: Joan Handley, Glenna Kleinkauf

Lectors: Barbara Cook, Mary Donovan

Intercessor: Rachel Schwaller

Ushers: Bob Sanner, Bruce Roberts, Harlanne Roberts

Verger: Brian Haupt

Acolytes: Max Eldridge, Dylan Eldridge, Abby Baldwin

6:00 p.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist

Chalice Bearers: Carl Edwards, Glenna Kleinkauf

Lector: Brenda Clary

Readings

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Psalm 67

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 14:22-33

The complete lectionary readings for Sunday, August 20, can be found at www.lectionarypage.net.

Hymns

Opening: #420, "When in our music God is glorified" (*Engelberg*)

Sequence: #371, "Thou, whose almighty word" (*Moscow*)

Communion: #316, "This is the hour of banquet and of song" (*Canticum refectiois*)

Closing: #690, "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah" (*Cwm Rhondda*)

Hymns can be accessed at hymnary.org.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Altar Flowers

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

Sunday School

Sunday school begins again on September 10 at the 10:30 a.m. service for children 3 years old to 6th graders.

Announcements

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Training

On Saturday, August 19, at 10 a.m., there will be a training session for new Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEVs) in the parish hall. Are you interested in helping the sick, the elderly, or those who are unable to leave their homes participate in the sacramental life of the Church? Would you like to visit those who are lonely and need a connection with their parish family? The LEV ministry brings the shared Communion of Jesus Christ to those who can not be with us on Sundays. LEVs generally visit one person each month, bringing them Communion. This simple visit is incredibly meaningful to those who receive, and is a wonderful way to live out your own faith. Please contact the parish office (785-843-6166) if you would like to attend.

Upcoming Events

Ministry Expo

On Sunday, August 27, before and after the 10:30 a.m. service, there will be a Ministry Expo in the parish hall to celebrate our gifts and prepare for another year of service.

We are often reminded that Christian Stewardship is about the grateful use of all the gifts God has given us: our Time and Talent as well as our Treasure. That means *everything* we have:

work time and play time
skills and talents
health and energy
thoughts and ideas
family and friends
neighbors and community
money and possessions
the world we live in and the church we attend.

All these gifts are granted to us to use wisely and carefully.

All group leaders and chairpersons are asked to be at Trinity before and after the 10:30 a.m. service on August 27 to share information about their ministries and sign up new volunteers. Leaders are being contacted by the Stewardship Committee, so be prepared to tell us whether you need a table, space for a poster, or whatever else we can provide. We are using the leadership list as provided in the January 2017 Annual Reports booklet, and we do not want to leave anyone or any group out! If you did not receive an inquiry about your needs from a member of the Stewardship Committee, please contact Terry Mandle, Ann Elizabeth Bishop, or Sandy Jacquot.



SAVE THE DATE!

Trinity's 2017
Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 16
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Bishop Seabury Academy

Join us for
a Potluck Dinner
and
an evening of fellowship!

Watch for details to follow!

Words of Inspiration

From the Desk of Father Rob



It is one of the unfortunate effects of not having a sitting bishop present in the Diocese of Kansas that there has not been a statement at the diocesan level of about recent events involving racism, violence, and the public displays of neo-Nazis and white supremacists. I think that the absence of a statement speaks more to the logistics of having the diocese led by a committee that meets monthly and not a single figure in the office daily, rather than a lack of sentiment on the part of the Council of Trustees.

In the absence of such a statement, I'd like to share a statement from the Rt. Rev. Jake Owensby, Bishop of the Diocese of Western Louisiana, entitled "[Christians Must Resist White Supremacy](http://bit.ly/2fN3FD3)," which can be found at <http://bit.ly/2fN3FD3>.

After my sermon on Sunday, our church librarian, Margaret Bearse, said she would be creating a display in the parish hall of books from our library written by non-white authors, particularly on issues of religion and race, so please keep an eye out for that.

And finally, this Sunday we will be baptizing yet another member into the body of Christ, young Emma Anne. Please, I know that we say these things so often, but in the context of the day and age, listen to the questions posed to her family and to us all:

"Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?"

"Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?"

"Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?"

"Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?"

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rob+

Stewardship Message: Come to the Ministry Expo

"The duty of all Christians is to follow Christ; to come together week by week for corporate worship; and to work, pray and give for the spread of the kingdom of God." (Book of Common Prayer, p. 856)

Each of us has special gifts, and each of us has a ministry. Each of us is meant, as a member of the Body of Christ, to use our gifts to represent Christ and the Church in the world.

What is God calling you to do?

Come to the Ministry Expo next Sunday, August 27, and discover new ways to serve!

--- Trinity Stewardship Committee

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.)



(Theology of Trafficking conference)

Thank you for your prayers for our Theology of Trafficking conference, which explored a Christian response to human trafficking and prostitution. We had a great turnout: over 50 participants each day. It was a real blessing to be a part of this, and I pray that God uses this to open hearts and minds toward a more loving response to the marginalized in Nepal. There was a lot of interest in future sessions, so I hope we will be able to provide that and continue the discussion.

Now please pray as I head to the village Friday for a two-week stay; the roads are very dangerous.

Also, pray for the village projects, as there is still quite a bit of funding needed to move forward.

Most importantly, pray for Nepal, as there is heavy rainfall and flooding in the plains regions. Over a hundred people have died, many are missing, and thousands have lost their homes and all their possessions. Prayers for a good and effective response from the government and other organizations here in a position to help.

Thank you. Have a great week!

TEST Tidbits: Changing Our Minds to Reach a Green Future

Each month, the [Episcopal Ecological Network](#) posts a Creation Care Newsletter, edited by Dr. Kent Shifferd. This month's offering includes an essay by Dr. Shifferd entitled, "Changing Our Minds: Getting to a Green Future on Planet Earth." In this essay he offers a few suggested changes in our way of thinking that, if enacted, could have a great and lasting effect on the sustainability of our planet that keeps us all alive.

Shifferd quotes Ted Trainer, who said, "To save our planet we do not need miraculous technical breakthroughs or vast amounts of capitol. Essentially, we need a radical change in our thinking."

Rob Hopkins, founder of [Transition Towns](#), and David Korten, author of [The Great Turning](#) (Berrett-Koehler, 2007), also feel that a change in thinking is in order.

Listed here are suggestions from Dr. Shifferd for making some changes in thinking and acting that he feels will make a big difference in reaching that promised future.

1. Replace the old idea of the "self-made" person with its emphasis on extreme individualism with an expanded sense of community. We all depend upon others to survive, and that should include our "community relationship" with trees, plants, animals, soil organism, and the atmosphere.
2. Work toward the idea of the common right to clean water, clean air, healthy soil, open spaces, healthy food, and a sense of peace and security that is ahead of profit making corporations.
3. Develop a deep sense of place and join together in a shared sense of responsibility to and for our "home place."
4. Remember that our human well being is one and the same as the well being of our planet. Acknowledge that our earth is the very source of our

- lives.
5. Respect the design of nature as an interdependent web of subsystems instead of ignoring the limits.
 6. Expect that all who want to introduce changes that affect natural systems prove them harmless before mindlessly introducing them into nature (e.g., genetically engineered fish that might harm the DNA of wild fish).
 7. Use nature as a guide to design; this will often be the most sustainable design.
 8. Move from a society that requires more stuff to one that knows when enough is enough.
 9. Include the measuring of true happiness and well being as well as economic growth.
 10. Move from rigidity to resilience, from global dependence to local independence and self-sufficiency.
 11. Increase our efforts toward peace and security per Dr. Shifferd's book, [From War to Peace: A Guide to the Next 100 Years](#) (McFarland, 2011).
 12. Turn from irresponsibility to responsibility, from allowing corporations to externalize their environmental and social costs to requiring accountability to us.

The good news is that the "turning" that David Korten is talking about is already underway.

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

Ministry Opportunities

Forward Day by Day

[Forward Day by Day](#) for August through October is here. The author for August is Scott Claassen, a priest who, for one year, minimized his carbon footprint and bicycled 11,500 miles engaging people in discussion about climate change and care for God and neighbor. In September the author is Sophronia Scott, a writer and teacher of creative writing who is a member of Austin Turney's former church in Newtown, CT. In October the author is Eileen O'Brien, who is campus missionary for the University of Houston. For those who prefer a large-print version of Forward, they are on the desk in the parish library

Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry

The food pantry was open nine days in July 2017 and served 264 families requesting food assistance. Each bag of food given to a family has a retail value of \$19.76. In May, the total expense for food purchased locally and through Harvesters was \$2,118.04, and the total retail value of all food provided (both donated and purchased) was \$5,216.64. We are grateful for all donations of money and the donation of food to provide food assistance to many people in Douglas County and Lawrence. The Harvesters Mobile Food Distribution is scheduled for Saturday, August 26, at 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, Julia, Father George Klasinski, Kathy, David, Arlie

Prayer for those with special intentions:

Roy, Rob, Peggy, Daniel, Mari, Chisom, Ozioma, David, Sara, Dan and Alex, Patti, Emily, Matthew

Pray for those in the hospital:

Fred, Barbara, Loraine, John, Judy

Pray for those who are departed:

Mary Ann Hoffmann, Rebecca Bouma, Mary Jane

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Sunday, August 20

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

9:30 a.m., Adult Forum
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II & Baptism
10:30 a.m., Sunday School
11:30 a.m., Coffee Hour
6:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Chapel

Monday, August 21

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level
9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer
6:30 p.m., Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, August 22

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

Wednesday, August 23

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, August 24

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

Friday, August 25

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

Saturday, August 26

10:00 a.m., Food Pantry
10:00 a.m., Organ Practice
1:00 p.m., Ministry Expo Set-up

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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