



The Corner

Newsletter of Trinity Episcopal Church, Lawrence, KS



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This Week at Trinity

Worship Assistants for Sunday, September 17, 2017

Discretionary Sunday

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

Chalice Bearers: Patricia Henshall, David Marker

Lector: Eleanor Symons

Intercessor: Marian Wilbur

Usher: Don Roehl

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

Chalice Bearers: Carl Edwards, Mary Donovan

Lectors: Dru Sampson, Ari Myers-Arenth

Intercessor: Janine Cox

Ushers: Steve King, Vera King, Glenn Davis, John Bullock

Verger: David Severance

Acolytes: Alex Baldwin, Ellie Seybold, Lauren Seybold

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

Chalice Bearers: Carl Edwards, Glenna Kleinkauf

Lector: Brenda Clary, Debbie Beckley

Readings

Genesis 50:15-21

Psalms 103: (1-7), 8-13

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

The complete lectionary readings for Sunday, September 17, can be found at www.lectionarypage.net.

Hymns

Opening: #390, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (*Lobe den Herren*)

Sequence: #627, "Lamp of our feet, whereby we trace our path" (*Nun danket all und bringet Ehr*)

Communion: #345, "Savior, again to thy dear Name" (*Ellers*)

Closing: #397, "Now thank we all our God" (*Nun danket alle Gott*)

Hymns can be accessed at hymnary.org.

Collect of the Day

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ 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.

Announcements

Looking for a Change of Pace on Sundays?

Our 6 p.m. evening service is now being held in the Matthews Chapel (located to the south of the parking lot). This service is a Rite II Eucharist with music, and features a cozy, intimate worship experience. A light dinner follows.

Upcoming Events

All Are Welcome at the Harvest Festival!

Please join your parish family to celebrate Trinity Episcopal Church at the Harvest Festival on Saturday evening, September 16. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for our annual celebration, the event that brings all our members together -- persons of all ages who attend any of our three services and/or our mid-week events and programs. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We will gather at Bishop Seabury Academy (4120 Clinton Parkway) for a potluck dinner beginning at 6 p.m. Special entertainment includes a video of events and ministries at Trinity over the past twelve months. (You might see yourself in it!) Following dinner there will be a program for adults, nursery care for babies and toddlers through age 4, and a special stewardship program for

children ages 5 and up. The evening will conclude by 8 p.m. following drawings for great door prizes.

PLEASE RSVP TODAY TO THE TRINITY PARISH OFFICE (785) 843-6166!
Need a ride? Let us arrange your transportation. Bring your favorite potluck dish to share! Enter the drawing to win a door prize!

We'll see YOU there!

--- Trinity Stewardship Committee

Habitat for Humanity Events

On Saturday, September 16, Habitat for Humanity will have a Nail Drive (the official kick off to the start of a Habitat house) at 9 a.m. at 1903 East 17th Street. Following the Nail Drive ceremony for the Brown family's house they will raise the exterior walls for this newest Habitat house in Lawrence. Bring a hammer and be ready to swing away.

Saturday, September 23, 9 a.m. will be the dedication and open house for Rebecca's house at 1905 East 17th Street. This is the Habitat for Humanity house many from Trinity worked on this summer. Come bless and celebrate Rebecca's new home. For more information, please contact Garth Burns (gbperson@sbcglobal.net; 785-843-9189).

Film Screening

On Sunday, September 17, the Lawrence Interfaith Refugee and Immigrant Ministry (LIRIM) will host a screening of the documentary film "[Salam Neighbor](#)" (2015) at 4 p.m. at the Lawrence Public Library (707 Vermont). It is the story of two young Americans who spend several weeks in a Syrian refugee camp. Please join us for this viewing and discussion about the current refugee crisis -- the worst since WWII. For more information, please contact Chuck Olcese (chuckolcese@gmail.com).

LINK Volunteers Needed

On Tuesday, September 19, Trinity Episcopal Church and St. Margaret's Episcopal Church will serve at the Lawrence Interdenominational Nutrition Kitchen (LINK) at the First Christian Church (1000 Kentucky). Trinity has been a provider of a nutritious noon meal for all who need it since the program's inception in 1985.

We will need casseroles, milk, salads, fruit (especially bananas), and bread. We also need people! People to cook casseroles that will serve 10-12, people to bring food of other types, and, really importantly, people to join us in the kitchen (down the stairs on 10th Street, just off the alley between Vermont and Kentucky) at noon on that Tuesday.

This is a real chance for fellowship with other Episcopalians. We have fun and many good conversations while fulfilling our mission to see Christ in others.

The gold standard for casseroles is a hot casserole in an aluminum foil pan delivered at noon. If you can't make that arrangement, we are happy to have food left in the kitchen at Trinity on Sunday and we will swoop in a take it to LINK on Tuesday.

Orean Kent shops for LINK on Monday; if you would prefer to have her pick up your donation, you can get cash or a check to her before then. Orean Kent (badger@sunflower.com) and Catherine Hale Robins (cathcu90@gmail.com) are co-chairs for LINK; you may contact either of them to let them know what you are bringing or if you have questions.

Sign up sheets will be in the parish hall, beginning this Sunday, September 3.

P.S. Episcopalians serve at LINK on the third Tuesday of every odd month. How Anglican can you get?

Christian Classics

On Wednesday, September 20, the Christian Classics discussion group will begin reading Geoffrey Chaucer's [The Canterbury Tales](#), one of the greatest masterpieces of English literature. Chaucer tells of a group of pilgrims traveling from London to the shrine of St. Thomas Beckett in Canterbury. Along the way each pilgrim tells a story to entertain the pilgrims. We will be using the modern English version by David Wright in the Oxford World Classics. Please join us if you are interested in reading and discussing Chaucer's tales. For more information contact Rich or Joan Ring (richring@ku.edu; 785- 842-5544).

Taizé Worship Service

The 18th season for Lawrence's Traveling Taizé prayer services begins Friday, September 22, with the Healing of Creation service at Plymouth Congregational Church, (925 Vermont). The 2017-2018 Taizé season includes 14 services hosted by nine area churches. All services start at 6 p.m., except the Good Friday Tenebre service, which begins at 7:30 p.m. All our welcome to these ecumenical services. For more information or to be put on the Taizé email list, contact Judith Galas (judithgalas@gmail.com).

DACA Scholarship Fund

On Sunday, September 24, at coffee hour in the parish hall, seven recipients will be honored at a recognition ceremony for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) scholarships. Trinity has partnered with Centro Hispano -- the main service agency for the Hispanic community in Lawrence -- to develop the privately funded DACA scholarships. Our first scholarships have been awarded this fall. Please plan to join us to meet these great young people with impressive dreams for their lives and contributions to the community. For more information, contact Chuck Olcese (chuckolcese@gmail.com).

CROP Walk

On Sunday, September 24, at 1 p.m., the Annual Lawrence CROP Walk to Stop Hunger will be hosted by First Baptist Church (14th & Kasold). There will be a 5K and a 1K walking route. CROP Walks to Stop Hunger raise money by pledges to walkers, and is sponsored by Church World Service (CWS). Twenty-five percent of Lawrence CROP Walk donations are given to LINK and Jubilee Cafe. For more information, or to be a walker or sponsor, please contact Garth Burns (gbperson@sbcglobal.net; 785-843-9189).

Save the Date

The Ploughman's Lunch/Trinity Treasures Sale will be Thursday, November 16. A planning meeting will be held on Saturday, September 23, at 10 a.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome.

Words of Inspiration

From the Desk of Father Rob



What is the opposite of being thankful? The answer isn't just "unthankful" or something like that. How would you describe a person who is not thankful?

Miserable? That is often the argument used to explain why you should be thankful -- because purportedly people who are miserable are not aware of their blessings.

I think this is a tremendous disservice to the countless people who suffer hardship and depression. Trying to relativize the negatives in their lives and highlight only the positives doesn't necessarily draw people into the truths of their existences -- in fact it might put greater pressure on them. And it reveals our own inability to sit with other people's suffering.

I prefer the term "unaware." Being thankful isn't about being a Pollyanna, it's about being aware of your own life, your own gifts, and your own relationship with God. It doesn't seek to mask hardship, but rather to allow you to see beyond what's right in front of you, good and bad, and appreciate the entire landscape. We are often so focused on the immediate, the essential, and the demanding that we often overlook a God who is busy at work in our lives.

It's in the hope that we can all become a little more aware, a little more thankful, and enjoy those gifts we have been given, that we gather annually for our Harvest Festival dinner. We come together as one church, one family, one body of Christ, to experience in that fellowship the love of God. I hope you can join us.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rob+

Stewardship Message: Forgiveness = Grace, Mercy & Love

The stewardship message in forgiveness is this: forgiveness is an act and an attitude rooted in a theology of abundance. It is not just our gift of grace and mercy to the one who has wronged us, but also our own acceptance of God's grace, the limitless gift that frees us from self-destruction. Humility and gratitude are the qualities that enable us to give and receive mercy.

This Sunday in our Gospel reading, Jesus makes it clear that there are no limits to forgiveness and no scarcity of grace, and that God's grace -- like all God's gifts -- is given to us to be shared with others. In so doing we ourselves receive grace, mercy, and freedom, and the circle of gifts is unbroken.

"Father, forgive us, for we know not what we do, and give us the grace to forgive others as we have been forgiven, that all people may experience the liberation of your love. Amen."

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

TEST Tidbits: A Prayer for Our Earth

The following prayer is from Pope Francis' encyclical "[Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home](#)." The prayer thanks God for this earthly home and encourages all of us to care for this wonderful gift to humankind, and reminds us to care for it. We must care for the earth in order for it to continue to sustain us. The prayer below can be found at <http://ti.me/2xZOyTL>.

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey toward your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

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

Ministry Opportunities

New Group for Widows and Widowers

Please join us for lunch on Sunday, September 17, at 12:15 p.m. at Encore Cafe (1007 Massachusetts). Afterward, we'll gather in the church library for a brief discussion ending at 2 p.m. If you plan to attend, please contact Susan Ralston (sralston@sunflower.com; 785-843-3920).

BackSnack Volunteers Needed

The BackSnack program will resume at the end of September. A few more volunteer delivery people and Wednesday morning helpers are needed. Some manual labor is involved, handling 20-lb boxes from Harvesters. Delivery people are needed for about an hour on Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning (typically).

The BackSnack program is a ministry opportunity to feed hungry children in Lawrence. The major part of the program is run by Harvesters Community Food Network in Kansas City. They provide food packs to us for about 400 elementary-school students. We then deliver those to 11 Lawrence schools. Trinity supplements the Harvesters pack with fresh fruit bought through your generous donations. If you would like to donate, checks can be made payable to Trinity Episcopal Church -- be sure to put "BackSnack" on the memo line. If you can volunteer or would like more information, please contact Greg Hazen (gahazen@gmail.com; 785-813-1614) or Tod Sutton (todsutton@sunflower.com; 785-312-1238).

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, Nancy, Deborah, Kathleen, Kim, Patrick, Fred, Rita, John

Prayer for those with special intentions:

Dennis, Garry and Barbara, Karen family, Jan, Karen, Abigail, Jennifer and Jeff, Joie, Amy

Pray for those in the hospital:

John, Judy, Jeremy, Mike

Pray for those who are departed:

Michael Dennis, Robyn Lipscomb, Blanche Matthews, Bud Arensberg, Therese Martell

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Sunday, September 17

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
1:00 p.m., Widow/Widowers Group, parish library
4:00 p.m., Film Screening: Salam Neighbor, Lawrence Public Library (707 Vermont)
6:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Matthews Chapel

Monday, September 18

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

Tuesday, September 19

10:30 a.m., Staff Meeting
12:00 p.m., LINK Service, First Christian Church (1000 Kentucky)
2:00 p.m., Food Pantry

Wednesday, September 20

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level
6:00 p.m., Dinner, parish hall
6:30 p.m., Evening Service
6:30 p.m., Children's Choir, choir room
7:30 p.m., Youth Handbell Choir, choir room
7:30 p.m., Christian Classics

Thursday, September 21

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

Friday, September 22

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

Saturday, September 23

9:00 a.m., Habitat for Humanity Open House & Dedication, (1905 East 17th Street)
10:00 a.m., Food Pantry
10:00 a.m., Organ Practice
10:00 a.m., Ploughman's Lunch/Trinity Treasures Planning Meeting

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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