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This Week at Trinity

Worship Assistants for Sunday, June 4, 2017

Day of Pentecost

8:00 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: David Marker, Gail Griffin
Lector: Margaret Bearse
Intercessor: Diana Dyal
Usher: Brian Christiansen

10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist
Chalice Bearers: Mary Donovan, Glenna Kleinkauf
Lectors: Anne Patterson, Ari Myers Arenth
Intercessor: Harlanne Roberts
Ushers: David Severance, Vashti Winterburg, Dave Griffin, Gail Griffin
Verger: David Severance
Acolytes: Abbey (Mary) Bieker, Ellie Seybold, Lauren Seybold, Alex Baldwin

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

Readings

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

The complete lectionary readings for Sunday, June 4, can be found at www.lectionarypage.net.

Hymns

Opening: #225, "Hail thee, festival day!" (*Salve festa dies*)

Sequence: #516, "Come down, O Love divine" (*Down Ampney*)

Communion: #513, "Like the murmur of a dove's song" (*Bridegroom*)

Closing: #511, "Holy Spirit, ever living" (*Abbot's Leigh*)

Hymns can be accessed at www.oremus.org/hymnal.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Altar Flowers

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

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 both set up and clean up for the picnic. If you are available and would like to help, please gather in the parish hall kitchen at 10 a.m.

Words of Inspiration

From the Desk of Father Rob

The feast day of Pentecost is the third and last of the high feast days of the Christian year (aka the days I wear my festive pink shoes to church). It celebrates the day in which the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, descended upon the disciples fifty days after Jesus' Resurrection. Christ had already left the disciples by that time (on the feast day of the Ascension, which was last week) and the disciples were wondering, idly perhaps, about what was to happen next.

Pentecost is often referred to as the "birthday of the Church," because it is the moment in which we, as Jesus' disciples, took up the mission and mantle of his ministry to the world. The presence of the Holy Spirit, experienced first by the disciples as tongues of flames above their heads and the ability to speak in a multitude of languages, continues to empower us in a variety of ministries first done by Christ, but now done by us: healing, teaching, serving, and bringing people to God.

I've often been taken with the fact that Pentecost is the only holiday that hasn't been commercialized and covered over by non-Christian imagery and traditions like Christmas and Easter. I strongly suspect it is the lack of gift-giving associated with the holiday; there is no economic engine to be revved up beyond all sense and reason by stories eager to give us an excuse to spend more. In fact, Pentecost is the antithesis of that impulse. Rather than buy things, we are encouraged to consider giving of ourselves, our lives and our time, to the service of the Lord, to find the gifts that we are given by the Holy Spirit and discover our own way in which we can live into our ministry of the Church.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rob+

Stewardship Message: The Gift of Pentecostal Fire

At his Ascension, Jesus commanded his friends to "go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations." By his ministry they had already been made ready for this lifetime task. On the Day of Pentecost, flames appeared above their heads as they received the gifts of strength, inspiration, and passion that they would need in order to follow Jesus' command.

In an article submitted to the Episcopal Network for Stewardship in 2002, Jennifer Kitt wrote that "God's good news was carried far and wide -- even as far as us."

"The gifts God gives to each one of us contain the embers of this very same Pentecostal fire" that descended on the disciples, said Kitt. "The Spirit, given that first Pentecost, burns brightly in our hearts today. Perhaps in receiving that fire as a gift, we are being prepared for our role in God's world."

Each of us is obligated to find out what our own role is, our own call. How do we discern that in our lives? We can begin by taking the time and making the effort to pay attention, to notice, evaluate, and give thanks for the gifts and talents we have been given. Yes, we all have them! And then we are to ask God and ourselves how we are meant to use them. By nurturing, increasing, and sharing our talents, with the strength of that Pentecostal fire, we fulfill God's call to us and God's plan for the persons we touch.

"Pentecost is a celebration of call ... but it is more than that, isn't it? It is also a moment where we see clearly the very generosity of God," writes Kitt. "Looking at these Pentecostal fires in ourselves, we begin to receive them as God's gift. Then, just as the disciples were readied for their next steps, we are prepared as well."

God's call to each one of us is intended to be stewarded, as are all of God's gifts. May we prayerfully recognize, accept, nurture, and share that call as our part in fulfilling God's intention for the world.

--- Ann Elizabeth Bishop

News From Nepal



Karin (right) with her nephew (center) and his fiancée (left)

(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.)

Hello! It seems like it has been so long since I've written an update. I am spending half time in the village now, and I don't have access to email while I am there, so that makes connecting difficult. I am headed there again tomorrow for three weeks, so this may be the last update for awhile.

I was able to go on a vacation earlier this month and spend my birthday with my nephew and his fiancée who were traveling around Europe. My mother was born and raised in Belgium, so her entire family still lives there. We met there and had a family reunion of sorts. About 35 or 40 of our Belgian family came. It was really fun to connect in that way, and introduce her side of the family to my nephew. It seems especially important, now that my mom is gone.

Anyway, now it is back to the village and back to work. I want to thank you for praying for the approval of the projects I am trying to get started in the village. We just got approval from the district government today for the community water-system replacement project, as well as the menstruation hygiene program. I will be giving more information about these another time -- but for now, thanksgiving for the approval!

Now please lift up the fundraising process, as we can't complete them without adequate funding.

Have a great week!

TEST Tidbits: In Praise of Life's Beauties

The following is just a small part of a long poem called, "A Little *Te Deum* of the Commonplace." This and other poems are found in a book entitled,

[The Te Deums and the Sacraments](#) by John Oxenham. The Pilgrim Press first published this book in 1928. This section of the longer poem seems to fit right into the first days of summer. The poem opens with the gathered congregation saying:

"With hearts responsive
And enfranchised eyes,
We Thank Thee, Lord"

There are twelve different sections of this poem, each ending with the congregation saying, "We Thank Thee, Lord." Here is the section that is dedicated to praising God for the beauty of life and the "perfection" of His handiwork for our physical and spiritual good:

For all life's beauties and their beauteous growth;
For Nature's laws and Thy rich providence;
For all thy perfect processes of life;
For the minute perfection of Thy work
Seen and unseen in each remotest part;
For faith, and works, and gentle charity;
For all that makes for quiet in the world;
For all that lifts man from his common rut;
For all that knits the silken bond of peace;
For all that lifts the fringes of the night,
And lights the darkened corners of the earth;
For every broken gate and sundered bar;
For every wide-flung window of the soul;
For that Thou bearest all that Thou hast made;
We thank Thee, Lord!

Please continue with your praise for the beautiful world God has given us to enjoy and to protect.

"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; 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, Stephanie, Kathleen, Father George Klasinski, Denise,
Martha, Dennis, Joanna, Annette

Prayer for those with special intentions:
Ray, Roy, Anna and Charles, Jan, Matt, Brian, Jill, Patrick

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

Pray for those who are departed:
Gregg Allmon, Daniel Householder, Jean Lukeheart

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Sunday, June 4

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, June 5

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level
9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer
12:00 p.m., Women's Lunch Group

Tuesday, June 6

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

Wednesday, June 7

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray, Kansas Union parking garage, top level
9:30 a.m., Group Two Women's Quest-ioning
6:30 p.m., Evening Service & Dinner

Thursday, June 8

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

Friday, June 9

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

Saturday, June 10

10:00 a.m., Food Pantry
10:00 a.m., Organ Practice

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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