



THE TRINITY TRUMPET

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Longview, Texas

NOVEMBER 2017
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Loving God and others, we invite, welcome and embrace all people through worship, fellowship, and service.

“It’s A Good Thing”

Cherry Sikes, Senior Warden

Martha Stewart ends her late night “cooking show” by saying “It’s a Good Thing.” And, I can think of nothing more descriptive to say about the last few months at Trinity Church! It’s a VERY good thing!

In September, we welcomed the largest group of youth confirmands ever at TEC, and, we welcomed the amazing Dr. Frank Hughes as our Interim Rector! Dr. Hughes has already proven that he is here to teach us, to guide us and to “walk along side of us” in our transition to welcoming a new Rector. Many of you have expressed to me how much you are enjoying his presence, his spectacular teaching style, and his sense of humor! Dr. Hughes has allayed many of our anxieties about our journey and we are blessed to have him! In October, we kicked off our “Growing in Giving” stewardship initiative with a “person to person” approach that is working well. Giving cards are coming in and if you have not completed yours, please do so immediately and return it to the parish office. Remember, what you give, pledge or tithe, is between you and God! We are good stewards of your gifts and your Vestry is committed to continuing that leadership.



The Right Reverend C. Andrew Doyle with the 2017 Confirmation Class

In mid-November we will appoint our Rector Search Committee! This “next step” has been a long time coming, has it not? But, we have done the work the Diocese has given us to do and we now see – in our rearview mirror – that each of the steps was essential! You will be delighted to know that we have received many excellent and thoughtful nominations from the congregation from which the Vestry will select the 9-member Committee. Truly, any combination of these nominees will be a strong one!

Advent is “right around the corner” and it will be a time of preparation for the most blessed event, the celebration of the birth of our Lord! Remember, He is our greatest gift! Thank you for your support and your prayers for Trinity Church.

The Gospel According to Mark

A New Study for a New Year!

Dr. Frank W. Hughes, Interim Rector

As we are aware, on Sundays we hear gospel readings in a three-year cycle of lessons. We are finishing up Year A now, and we have been hearing gospel readings mostly from the Gospel According to Matthew. On the first Sunday of December, Advent Sunday begins the new church year. In Year B, most of our gospel readings will be from the Gospel According to Mark. In Year C, most of our gospel readings will be from Luke. So we are getting ready to read Mark, since on December 3, 2017, we will be in Year B. You can read about this arrangement on p. 888 of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

The Gospels of Mark, Matthew, and Luke have a special relationship with each other. Most scholars believe that Mark was the first of the three gospels to be written, and that Matthew and Luke had a copy of Mark. There are only 30 verses in Mark which are not reproduced in some way in Matthew and/or Luke. Where either Matthew or Luke diverge from the order of events or sayings in Mark, the other (Luke or Matthew) preserves the order found in Mark. Luke and particularly Matthew are quite fond of improving Mark’s Greek style

TRINITY CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Frank W. Hughes, Interim Rector
Gary Whitwell, TST Head of School
Tim Baker, Parish Administrator
Bill Bane, Director of Music Ministries
Rae Dickson, Director of Student Ministries
Jacqui Baker, Director of Children's Ministries
Leno Mancilla, Property Manager
George Pfler, Endowment Administrator
Billie Padgett, Office Volunteer Coordinator

VESTRY

Cherry Sikes, Senior Warden
Robert Maly, Junior Warden
Andrew Snell, Treasurer
Tricha Wilcox, Clerk of the Vestry

Class of 2017

Christy Collins, Karen Frith, Robert Maly, Bryan Wilks

Class of 2018

Spencer Alford, Kathy Gray, Christine Prior, Gayland Rushing

Class of 2019

Brenda Alexander, Linda Leath, Cherry Sikes, Jack Welge

MISSION OF THE MONTH



EAST TEXAS ALZHEIMER'S ALLIANCE

The East Texas Alzheimer's Alliance is a non-profit organization that was founded in February, 2017, by a group of individuals comprised of doctors, lawyers, caregivers, hospice and long-term care who saw a need in the community for local services serving individuals and families in the East Texas area. The purpose of the East Texas Alzheimer's Alliance is to provide LOCAL support and assistance to the many East Texans suffering from or impacted by Alzheimer's.

For more information about the East Texas Alzheimer's Alliance, please visit their website.

EAST TEXAS ALZHEIMER'S ALLIANCE

etalzalliance.org

NEW STUDY, from cover

and word choice. Students of the gospels compare these three gospels, and sometimes John as well, in a book called a "synopsis." The gospels are printed in parallel columns, and one can compare the gospels with each other, word for word, either in their original language or in English. I have taught many people to use a synopsis of the gospels.

Mark is considerably shorter than Matthew and Luke. Mark occupies 74 pages of the newest edition of the Greek New Testament, whereas Matthew occupies 101 pages and Luke occupies 115 pages. John takes up 86 pages. Mark originally ended at 16:8 and thus lacked resurrection appearances of Jesus. Mark is full of references both to Jesus' death and his resurrection, but since the other three gospels all have resurrection appearances, three other endings were added when the manuscripts were copied. Mark 16:9-20 is one of those added endings, and there are two others.

Since it appears that Mark is the first of the gospels to be written, there is a great deal of interest in Mark precisely because it is the earliest. Unlike Matthew especially, Mark does not depict Jesus primarily as a teacher but as a prophet, preacher, and worker of miracles. Mark lacks familiar passages in the gospels such as the Sermon on the Mount, the Lord's Prayer, and the Great Commission. Mark does not include famous parables such as the Parable of the Good Samaritan or the Parable of the Prodigal Son. Mark seems to group several parables in chapter 4 primarily because they have to do with seeds. Mark likes to include words from Aramaic and Latin. To put it mildly, Mark is not thought to have been written in a polished style of Greek.

Mark is notable because this gospel does not let either the apostles or the family of Jesus get "off the hook." The author of Mark is quite explicit about how often and how egregiously the apostles misunderstand or directly

disagree with Jesus. Mark is quite matter-of-fact about how the Apostle Peter both misunderstands and is unfaithful to Jesus.

Yet it may be that St. Peter's foibles, as reported by Mark, cause us to cut him a lot of slack, and maybe this allows us to cut ourselves a lot of slack. If Peter got things wrong at first, he later got a lot of things right. He disagreed with Jesus about Jesus' future ministry . . . not a disagreement I would want to have with Jesus, to be sure. He denied knowing Jesus three times. But eventually Peter turned himself around and became an effective traveling missionary. If Peter could repent and eventually get things right, this suggests that we can too.

I am looking forward to teaching the Gospel According to Mark at Trinity Church after Christmas.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:15 AM

Beginning January 14th, 2018



St. Monday's

Monday, November 6 • 11:30 AM

Come enjoy our annual traditional Thanksgiving feast with turkey, dressing, all of trimmings and desserts!

Our program will feature the *Jewels for Jesus*, a Christian comedy duo from Marshall.

Come for a wonderful time of food and fellowship.

COMPLINE

Sunday, November 12 • 8:30 PM

Come and join us for thirty minutes of beautiful music and peaceful meditation in the quiet, darkened nave of Trinity Church.



Preparing Advent Wreaths

An Intergenerational Class



Advent Wreath with candles depicting the colors of the four Sundays of Advent

In preparation for Advent, Judy Thomas will lead a class on the making of Advent wreaths. Besides learning how to make an Advent Wreath, the goal of the class is to bring together adults and kids of all ages in a fun and meaningful activity. Each family will assemble an Advent wreath to be used in their home. To ensure adequate supplies, please RSVP to the church office no later than **Tuesday, November 21st**. Pizza will be served for dinner and children are invited to attend!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th

6:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Trinity Church to Host Harvest Dinner

November is a time to give thanks to God for all of the blessings that He has bestowed on us, not only as individuals, but as a church family. We are planning a wonderful occasion of thanksgiving on November 15th as we celebrate the completion of our Stewardship Campaign with a dinner featuring Italian cuisine. Trinity Church will provide pasta and an array of sauces and toppings and you bring a favorite side dish to compliment the main dish. We will top off the evening with a strolling guitarist who will lead us in favorite songs! Mark your calendars for a fun evening of great food and thanksgiving!



**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 15th**

6:00 PM in the Parish Hall



THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

“Understanding the Ins and Outs”

Beginning November 26th, our Interim Rector, Dr. Frank W. Hughes, will lead a five week Sunday morning Sunday School study on the Book of Common Prayer. This wonderful book contains all of the services, rites, and orders of the Episcopal Church, yet many folks in the church have only a marginal understanding of its contents and use. Dr. Hughes will explain the ‘ins and outs’ of our great liturgical resource and how we can better use it as our guide to worship and prayer.



BEGINS NOVEMBER 26th

**During the 9:15 AM
Sunday School Hour**

November 26th,
December 3rd, 10th, 17th
January 7th

REMINDER



**Change your
clocks at
2:00 AM**

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 5th**



A Christmas Service of Lessons and Carols

Featuring

The Longview Community Chorus
The LeTourneau University Singers

**Friday, December 1st
7:30 PM**

NOVEMBER 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS MONTH

NOVEMBER 1 - Wednesday

Women's Book Study
1:00 PM, Guild Hall

Corinthian Letters Study
6:00 PM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 2 - Thursday

Youth Worship in the Round
7:00 PM, Bridge 429

NOVEMBER 5 - Sunday

Kids' Club
5:00 PM, Education Wing

Youth Page Place Bingo
5:00 PM, First Christian Church

Service of Choral Evensong
5:00 PM, Nave
Reception after in Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 6 - Monday

St. Monday's
11:30 AM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 8 - Wednesday

TST Veteran's Day Program
10:00 AM, Nave

Women's Book Study
1:00 PM, Guild Hall

Corinthian Letters Study
6:00 PM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 12 - Sunday

**Youth Operation Christmas
Child Packing Party**
5:00 PM, First Christian

Service of Compline
8:30 PM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 13 - Monday

Daughters of the King
5:30 PM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 14 - Tuesday

Senior Men's Dinner
6:00 PM, Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 15 - Wednesday

TST Canned Food Service
10:00 AM, Nave

Women's Book Study
1:00 PM, Guild Hall

Harvest Dinner
6:00 PM - Parish Hall

NOVEMBER 19 - Sunday

**Youth Serve at Martha's
Kitchen**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM

Children's Kaleo 345
12:00 PM, Education Wing

NOVEMBER 29 - Wednesday

Making Advent Wreaths
5:30 PM, Parish Hall

WEEKLY

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite I
9:00 AM Coffee Hour
9:15 AM Adult Christian Ed
9:15 AM Children's Sunday School
9:15 AM Youth Sunday School
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite II

WEDNESDAYS

12:15 PM Holy Eucharist

5:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal
In the Choir Rehearsal Room

7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
In the Choir Rehearsal Room

MONTHLY

MONDAYS

St. Monday's
11:30 AM, First Monday of month

Daughters of the King
5:30 PM, Second Sunday of month

TUESDAYS

Senior Men's Dinner
6:00 PM, Second Tuesday of month

Vestry Meeting
6:00 PM, Third Tuesday of month

UPCOMING

DECEMBER 1 - Friday

Service of Lessons and Carols
7:30 PM. Please join us as we welcome the Christmas season with a delightful service of Christmas Lessons and Carols performed by the Longview Civic Chorus and the LeTourneau University Singers.

The Trinity Veteran's Outreach will be participating in the Trinity School of Texas Veteran's Day Program on November 8th at Trinity Church. If you have any pictures of veterans that you would like to have included in their powerpoint presentation, please email or take to Trinity School of Texas before November 6th.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Dinah Rushing (11/3)	Mary Wilkinson (11/18)
Nancy Jackson (11/6)	Courtney Harris (11/20)
Robert Montgomery (11/6)	Susan Brown (11/24)
Jennifer Fadal (11/11)	Nancy Sawyer (11/25)
Dee Shappell (11/14)	Mary Clark (11/27)
Lainey Stevens (11/14)	Courtney Thorson (11/28)
Robyn Kay (11/16)	Gary Whitwell (11/28)
Travis Prior (11/18)	Luke Jenkins (11/30)
Ed Rast (11/18)	

Zach and Ann White (11/03)
Joe and Lindsay Mraz (11/05)
Art and Patsy Machin (11/06)
James and Margaret Partin (11/14)
Scott and Lainey Stevens (11/18)
Doug and Lanette Sapp (11/19)
Paul and Susie French (11/21)
Hal and Wyvonne Willoughby (11/28)
George and Martha Joseph (11/29)

November Service of Choral Evensong

BILL BANE, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES

On Sunday, November 5th, singers from Trinity Church of Longview will combine with the choir of St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church of Lufkin in a Service of Choral Evensong honoring the Feast of All Saints.

Choral Evensong is a long cherished tradition in the Anglican church, and is a combination of elements from the monastic prayer offices of Vespers and Compline. It is an expanded version of our Evening Prayer as found in the Book of Common Prayer.

The November 5th service will feature beautiful choral works by the young celebrated English Composer Philip Stopford, and the famous American composer Rene Clausen. St. Cyprian's Organist/Choirmaster Greg Simmons will direct the choir and Bill Bane, Organist/Choirmaster of Trinity Church will be the organist. We are proud to host this wonderful service as an ecumenical endeavor on the part of these two fine East Texas Episcopal parishes. All are welcome and invited.

**SERVICE OF CHORAL
EVENSONG
HONORING THE FEAST OF
ALL SAINTS**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017
5:00 PM**



Evening prayer often takes the form of Choral Evensong, such as this service at [Westminster Abbey](#)

Highlights from October Vestry Meeting

CHERRY SIKES, SENIOR WARDEN

One hundred percent of the Vestry attended the meeting plus one visitor.

- Financially, the church is in a relatively good position for this time of year. Tighter controls of collection counting are in place.
- Stewardship is going well with over 25 pledge cards already returned. Remaining cards will be mailed next week.
- Dr. Hughes reported that he is making pastoral care visits, is distributing his personal cell number so that he can be reached in time of need. He is meeting with pastors from other downtown churches to discuss the proposed ordinances to address homelessness in Longview.
- A meeting is planned for all LEV and LEMs to ensure they are properly trained and commissions are current.
- Soup and Study is going very well and a study of the Book of Mark will be offered beginning in January at the Sunday School hour.
- The Junior Warden is investigating a security system for the front doors to the Education wing that will allow “Voice and Visual” capabilities and one that will provide more safety and security for office staff.
- Nominations for the Rector search team are coming in satisfactorily and the Vestry will be voting on the representatives from the Vestry and on the congregational representatives to the team at the November meeting. Nominations cease on November 1.

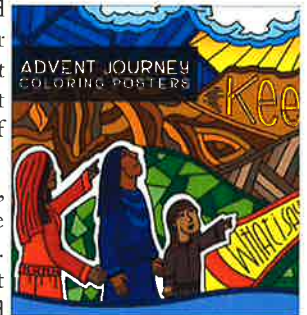
Children's Ministry For November

JACQUI BAKER, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Advent Anticipation

Advent has always been my children's favorite time of the year. When they were younger they would ask, “Is it time for that candle thing, yet?” During this time, we force ourselves to slow down and prepare for the coming of Christ. Our family celebrates Advent with a wreath and a short, nightly devotional. But the best part of Advent is when we invite people to join us for Sunday dinner and let them experience the joy of Advent with us. Now, our children ask to invite their friends, so they can experience the anticipation of the coming of Christ, too.

The anticipation of the coming of Christ is only made sweeter when it is shared with others. This year, we are going to celebrate the season of Advent as an intergenerational church community. Beginning with the first Sunday of Advent, coloring posters will be set out in Guild Hall and Parish Hall during the Coffee Hour. These posters are designed to walk us through each week of Advent through Epiphany with their thought provoking pictures and Scripture verses. Take the time to pick up a marker and experience the story of God made Flesh in a new and refreshing way. You may find yourself coloring next to someone from a different generation. Please take that opportunity to engage them in conversation about what you or they are noticing in the picture. Not only will you build community, but you just might spark a curiosity of faith in the person next to you!



Sunday School

Through the month of November, Daphne Scott, Jan Barth and Emily Dula will be teaching Children's Sunday School ages 4 years-5th grade. The children will be learning about Daniel, Jeremiah and Nehemiah. The children also learn about and participate in their Fall Service Project during this time. Children's Sunday School takes place at the same time as the Adult Sunday School from 9:15-10:15am. We meet in the “Tent Room” in the Education Wing. Nursery is provided.

Children's Church

Children's Church Helpers for the month of November are: 5th-Ted & Dorothy Skeans, 12th-Kate Sparks, 19th-Emily Dula, 26th-. The children, ages 4 years-5th grade, will be following the Gospel passage in the lectionary, like the adults. Children are also learning the Liturgical Wheel as well as the Books of the Bible, weekly. Children's Church takes place at the same time as the 10:30am service in the Tower Room. We return in time for Eucharist to sit with our families. Nursery is provided.



Kids' Club

Kids' Club will meet November 5th from 5:30-7:00pm (it). Todd & Eugenie Holman are the helpers. Our theme for rooms in the Education Wing, we will discover who we are welcome. Nursery is provided.



(unless this is the time shift that we talked about, then change the night is “L'il Ol' Me.” Using active learning and multiple according to the Bible. Children ages 4 years-5th grade are



Kaleo 345

Kaleo 345 will meet November 19th from Noon-1:30 in the “Boat Room” in the Education Wing. Brenda Alexander will be providing lunch. We still need a volunteer to lead games. We will be studying about Josiah. Kaleo 345 is for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders and their friends!



TRINITY SCHOOL *of* TEXAS

NEWS AND EVENTS

got cans?



TST annual
canned food drive
November 6-14

No donation is too small or too big!

We are collecting canned goods for our annual Thanksgiving canned food drive benefitting Longview Community Ministries and the local food bank.

Please have all donations to the main office by Tuesday, November 14th. The TST Thanksgiving Canned Food Service will be held Wednesday, November 15th at 10:00 AM at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Won't you consider donating during this season of Thanksgiving!

*Please join us
in honoring our veterans*

**Wednesday, November 8
9:50 a.m.
Trinity Episcopal Church**

at the annual

TST Veterans Day Service

Performances by Lower and Middle School Students

**TRINITY
SCHOOL
of TEXAS**

Education without Limits

First Round of College Acceptance Awards Given

First College Cookies of the year were presented for college acceptances thus far! Students have received acceptances to date to Lipscomb University, Abilene Christian University, University of Alabama, University of Arkansas, University of Mississippi, Mary Baldwin University, Auburn University, Blinn College, Tyler Junior College, University of Tampa, and Houston Baptist University.

Trinity Church is proud of the excellent work of our students at Trinity School of Texas!

**CONGRATULATIONS
TRINITY SCHOOL OF
TEXAS SENIORS!**

Trinity Service Calendar

Month of November – Lectionary Year A

Date	November 5 The 22 nd Sunday After Pentecost All Saint's Sunday	November 12 The 23 rd Sunday After Pentecost	November 19 The 24 th Sunday After Pentecost	November 26 The 25 th Sunday After Pentecost
1 st Reading Psalm 2 nd Reading Gospel	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22 I John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78:1-7 I Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13	Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 123 I Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46
Altar Team	Campbell Team	Mann Team	Arnold Team	Baker Team
Verger	T. Prior	M. Wilks	S. Alford	J. Barbe
Coffee Hour	J. Barth	M. Arnold	D. Fricks	S. Griffin
Flower Delivery	D & T Skeans	C. Prior B. Crittenden	J. Barth M. Arnold	D. Fricks C. Wilks
Early Service				
Ushers	E. Campbell M. Pliier	E. Campbell M. Pliier	E. Campbell M. Pliier	E. Campbell M. Pliier
Greeters	Charles Team	McWhorter Team	Charles Team	Maly Team
Acolyte	T. Gignilliat	B. Charles	T. Gignilliat	G. McWhorter
Lay Readers 1 st Reader 2 nd Reader	G. McWhorter L. Snyder	J. Welge B. Charles	J. Welge G. McWhorter	B. Charles L. Snyder
L. E. M.	G. McWhorter L. Snyder	J. Welge B. Charles	J. Welge G. McWhorter	B. Charles L. Snyder
Late Service				
Ushers	Thorson Team	Crittenden Team	Jones Team	Kirkindoll Team
Greeters	Kirkindoll Team	Gray Team	Skeans Team	Barbe Team
Acolytes	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1
Lay Readers 1 st Reader 2 nd Reader	Z. Brown H. Bane	C. Prior A. Robertson	R. McPhee V. Boaz	C. Thorson J. Sloan
L. E. M.	J. Fowler A. Robertson V. Boaz	A. Robertson J. Sloan S. York	V. Boaz H. Barth J. Sawyer	S. York J. Sloan D. Conrad
L. E. V.	L. Leath C. Collins		J. Hall K. Hall	

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November EYC Events

11/02/19	Worship in the Round with Bridge 429	7:00 – 10:00 pm
11/05/19	Paige Place Bingo w/1 st Christian	5:00 – 6:30 pm
11/12/19	OCC Packing Party @ 1 st Christian	5:00 – 6:30 pm
11/19/19	Martha's Kitchen @ Newgate	11:45 – 1:00 pm

For more information, call Rae Dickson @ 903-241-2399 or visit our facebook page @

TRINITY EPISCOPAL YOUTH MINISTRY

No Youth on 11/26/19 Happy Thanksgiving Week!



*Name them
one by one!*



Once again, it's stewardship time in The Episcopal Church.