



The Trumpet

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TRINITY PROUD!

As I look forward to the next few months at Trinity, there are a number of things that could serve as the subject of this article. On Sunday October 6th we will celebrate our 56 year old relationship with Trinity School of Texas on Episcopal School Sunday. The following Sunday, we kick off our Annual Stewardship Drive. In this article, however, I want to draw your attention to what has been, in order to look forward to what can be at Trinity.

On September 15th like many Episcopal churches in the diocese, we celebrated "Invitation Sunday." It was a wonderful Sunday with new and returning faces in the congregation. An unexpected blessing was a number of guests we had the previous Sunday as well. It really feels as if God is on the move at Trinity.

I found the experience of "Invitation Sunday" a very positive one. It pushed me out of my comfort zone as I mustered the courage to invite casual acquaintances to worship with us. I discovered two things in the process. The first was that the easier it became to invite people to "Invitation Sunday" the easier it became to invite them to

other Trinity events as well; Compline, Episcopal School Sunday, Theology on Tap, etc.

Second, and I think this may be the most important thing I learned, was that the more I asked people to attend Trinity, the more pride I took in what we have to offer. Conversely, the more pride I took in Trinity Church, the easier it was to ask people to join us. I want to share with you some of the ways in which I find myself "Trinity Proud:"



• I'm proud of the way we have strengthened our ministry to children and youth.

• I'm proud of the organic nature in which a group of young adults has taken shape to minister to people of their age, even inviting non-Trinity adults to join them.

• I'm proud of the music program, both in worship and the *Music at Trinity* Concert Series.

• I'm proud of the way we have opened our facilities to groups outside the church; Toastmasters, Tai Chi, Alanon, The Symphony Board, a quilting group and others.

• I'm proud of the ministry the Vestry has offered, with the support of others, to Trinity School of Texas.

• I'm proud of the two teams that faithfully serve at Martha's Kitchen once a quarter and the way in which the youth of Trinity have embraced this ministry.

• I'm proud of the way Trinity continues to embrace mission as a core value of the church.

• I'm proud of the way a Senior Men's group has evolved at Trinity.

• I'm proud of the way our youth help as acolytes and serve at the altar on Sunday.

• I'm proud of the way many of you serve week in and week out to make our church such a wonderful place of welcoming.

I'm proud of what we are doing and accomplishing here at Trinity. I hope that you are proud of the work we are doing, as well.

I'm Trinity Proud!

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LONGVIEW, TEXAS

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<u>Class of 2013</u>	<u>Class of 2014</u>	<u>Class of 2015</u>
Sam Clark	Claire Alford	David Balliett
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SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

Psalm 34:1-3, 8-9

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his Name together.

O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. O fear the LORD, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

Mission of the Month

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

We are proud to continue the tradition of giving toward Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Three community agencies come together to organize this great program: Salvation Army, Caring and Sharing, and Longview Community Ministries. This program credits its success to the generosity of the citizens of Longview and dedicated volunteers. Items suggested for collection include: green beans, corn, peas, sweet potatoes, soups, pasta, canned meat, dessert mixes, cranberry sauce, bread, and canned fruit. Monetary donations are needed to purchase turkeys. Volunteers are greatly appreciated; help is needed in the unloading, sorting, and packaging of baskets. Please call Betty Horaney at (903) 753-3661 if you are interested in volunteering. **All open plate contributions during the month of October will be given to the Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive in November.**



ST. MONDAY'S

Monday, October 7
11:30 AM

Menu is taco salad with all the fixin's and dessert.

Guest speaker will be Tim Baker discussing the Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans



Service of Compline

Come and worship with us as we celebrate the ancient monastic service of Compline performed by the men's Compline Choir in the beautiful, acoustic and darkened nave.

Afterward, please stay and enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the Guild Hall.

Sunday, October 13
8:30 PM

October Musical Events at Trinity

Sung Compline

Second Sunday of Each Month - 8:30 PM

Kilgore College Chorale Fall Concert

October 8 • 7:30 PM

Vive La France

Music of France featuring duo pianos and chamber orchestra
October 15 • 7:00 PM

Choral Evensong

Originally scheduled for October 27 has been cancelled and will be rescheduled for the spring.

All concert events are free admission and held in the nave of Trinity Church.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Sunday, Oct 27
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
FCC Parking Lot



Tai Chi Classes

Trinity Outreach Center
Mon & Thurs @ 5:00 PM
For more info: call Barbara McClellan @ 903 653-4650 or e-mail at bayrm12@gmail.com



Trinity School of Texas Upcoming Sports Schedule

Football:

October 12th (Homecoming) vs. Killeen Memorial Jr High 4:00/ Varsity 7:00

October 19th vs. Heath Fulton 10:00 (Jr High) Waco Parkview 12:00 (Varsity)

October 24th @ Leveretts Chapel 5:00 (Jr High)

October 25th @ Leveretts Chapel 7:30 (Varsity)

Volleyball:

October 1st vs. St. Marys 5:00 (Varsity)

October 3rd @ ETCS (Jr. High) 4:30

October 4th vs. Dallas Westwood (JV/Varsity) 5:00

October 8th @ Waxahachie Prep (Varsity) 6:00

October 10th @ CSAC Tournament (Jr High) TBA @ Full Armor or LCS

October 11th @ LCS (JV/Varsity) 5:00

October 15th (Senior Night) vs. Heath Fulton (Varsity) 6:00

October 22nd vs. Brook Hill (Varsity) 5:00

Soccer:

October 3rd vs. ETCA-Tyler 4:30 @ Lear Park

October 10th @ CSAC Tournament @ Lindsay Park TBA

Vestry Report

By Nathan Collins

Our September meeting began with prayers for the many needs of our parish. Even though there are so many in our church family that need physical, emotional, and spiritual healing it is a refreshing thing to lay our needs at the feet of Jesus so we can better focus on our mission.

We discussed Trinity's core values which were described by the Vestry as community, worship, prayer, music ministry, care for one another, outreach through mission/service, an effective relationship with TST, Ministering to Children/Students (Discipleship), Diversity, and Hospitality.

The Treasurer's report states that cash continues to be "tight" for the parish. Continue to pray that God will do what He has promised and provide us with the resources we need to do His work here.

Gary Whitwell informed us that the school year at TST is off to a great start. He reminded us that Family Day is October 18th. The Vestry will help with organizing and providing food. This is an excellent opportunity to serve and open more relationships with the families at TST. All church members are encouraged to volunteer. Also, the vestry is considering increasing our financial commitment to give a leadership financial gift to the school for 2014. A motion was passed that we will commit at least the same amount as have in 2013.

Todd Holman is organizing a focus group made up of church members to meet with the master plan architect (Jeff Potter) to help him form a broad perspective of where we are going as a body of believers.

Kevin was pleased to report and discuss how God blessed us with many visitors on Invitation Sunday. There were lots of familiar faces and some new ones. This was such a picture of what God can do if we simply invite people to join us in worship.

Cherry Sikes and Fr. Kevin are in the beginning stages of planning our stewardship time this fall. The theme will be "Planting seeds today, reaping a harvest tomorrow". Please be on the lookout in the coming weeks for more information.

Youth
Highlight:
Small is great!



Small is always a great idea in youth ministry. Breaking students up into smaller groups for conversation creates safe zones for conversation and learning. Recently, Trinity Students took a bold step in this direction. In order to create an environment for effective spiritual formation, we've begun meeting in small groups. Our Guys Small Group and Girls Small Group will meet monthly beginning in September. The goal is simple: we want to give students space to form deep relationships with each other, and give them opportunities to learn about God together. I am thrilled that our Youth Ministry is taking this bold step toward a healthy spiritual life.

Important Dates in October

- 10/6: Sunday School Doughnuts. 9:15AM -10:15 AM
- 10/13: Hangtime at Trinity Outreach Center. 4:00 PM-6:30 PM
- 10/20: Guys / Girls Small Group. 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
- 10/27: Trunk Or Treat. 5:30 PM-7:30 PM

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Sunday school is in full swing! We have started off with a study about Samuel. Godly Play curriculum is being used in children's church and we are adding an important piece- Our Noah's Ark - which has been ordered and should be here any day. It will play an integral role in our instruction this year.

The nursery is under renovation with new paint, curtains and cleaning. We still need new or gently used toys, books or videos if you would like to donate.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- October 4 - Blessing of Animals at Trinity School - 8:00 AM
- October 6 - Episcopal School Sunday - 10:30 AM worship service
- October 27 - Trunk or Treat - 5:30 PM in Parking lot of First Christian Church. If you would like to volunteer in helping with this event or if you would like to bring your car and hand out candy from your trunk, please contact Tisha.



Happy Birthday

10/01	Jacqui Baker	10/09	Don Bradford	10/20	Aurora Buckner
10/02	James Partin	10/11	Kim Howard	10/20	Emily Wilcox
10/03	George Joseph	10/11	Susie Sheffield	10/21	Jenny Rappeport
10/03	Dee Anne Sloan	10/12	Nicole Baker	10/24	Emily Sawyer
10/05	Ben Darby	10/13	Jack McIlhenny	10/24	Bill Charles
10/06	Ellen Hendrix	10/14	Perry Reed	10/25	Robert Heitkamp
10/06	Lee Pigeon	10/16	Anne Rast	10/25	Claire Alford
10/06	Susan Thomas	10/16	Curtis Man	10/25	Kate Hoover
10/07	Phyllis Skolnick	10/16	Sarah James	10/26	Spencer Alford
10/07	Elaine Campbell	10/19	John Barbe	10/27	Ian Owen
10/07	Anne Moore	10/19	Ashley Maly	10/28	Patty Shappell
10/07	Zan Brown	10/19	Terry Phoenix	10/29	Blaine Balliett
10/09	Kyle McBride	10/19	Lynne Abernathey	10/30	Terri Fields

Happy Anniversary

10/11	Brian & Charlotte Wilks
10/17	Blake & Daphne Scott
10/19	Joe & La Juan Snider
10/25	Kim & Paula Howard
10/27	Jack & Carla Mann

TRINITY SERVICE CALENDAR

MONTH OF OCTOBER- LECTIONARY YEAR C

Date	10.6.2013 Pentecost 20 (Proper 22)	10.13.2013 Pentecost 21 (Proper 23)	10.20.2013 Pentecost 22 (Proper 24)	10.27.2013 Pentecost 23 (Proper 25)	11.3.2013 Pentecost 24 (Proper 26)
Acolytes	8:00 - G. Rushing 10:30 - TBA	8:00 - T. Gignilliat 10:30 - TBA	8:00 - G. McWhorter 10:30 - TBA	8:00 - T. Gignilliat 10:30 - TBA	8:00 - J. Hall 10:30 - TBA
Lay Readers	8:00 1st - J. Welge 2nd - G. Rushing	8:00 1st - W. Charles 2nd - G. Rushing	8:00 1st - G. Hoover 2nd - G. McWhorter	8:00 1st - J. Hall 2nd - J. Welge	8:00 1st - J. Welge 2nd - J. Hall
	10:30 1st - TST Student 2nd - TST Student	10:30 1st - L. Germany 2nd - J. Sawyer	10:30 1st - J. Sloan 2nd - K. Sparks	10:30 1st - L. Smith 2nd - J. Fowler	10:30 1st - J. McClellan 2nd - G. Power
L.E.M.	R. Chalice TST Student TST Student	R. Chalice L. Germany J. Sawyer	R. Chalice J. Sloan J. Hall	R. Chalice J. Sawyer J. Fowler	R. Chalice G. Rushing G. McWhorter
First Reading	Genesis 18:1-15	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Joel 2:23-32	Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
Psalm	Psalms 15	Psalms 66:1-11	Psalms 119:97-104	Psalms 65	Psalms 119:137-144
Second Reading	Ephesians 2:14-22	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Gospel Reading	Matthew 25:31-40	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14	Luke 19:1-10
Altar Team	E. Campbell Team	B. Crittenden Team	A. Rast Team	L. Baker Team	E. Campbell Team
Flower Delivery	B. Hancock Z. Brown	J. Walters D. Fricks	J. Barth E. McClure	M. Arnold M. Harkrider	E. Cargill T. & D. Skeans
Vestry Counters	8:00 - E. McClure B. Charles 10:30 - T. Holman S. Clark	8:00 - G. Whitwell B. Charles 10:30 - T. Skeans S. Jones	8:00 - E. Campbell D. Balliett 10:30 - N. Collins TBA	8:00 - G. Whitwell E. McClure 10:30 - S. Jones S. Clark	8:00 - TBA TBA 10:30 - TBA TBA
Usher Team	Team # 2	Team # 4	Team # 5	Team # 1	Team # 2
Greeters	Team # 4	Team # 5	Team # 1	Team # 2	Team # 3
Verger	S. Alford	M. Wilks	J. Barbe	S. Alford	M. Wilks
Sunday School	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Children's Chapel	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Coffee Hour Host	TBA	TBA	Men of Trinity	TBA	TBA
Parish Hall Security	D. Tracy	T. Devon	G. Piler	T. Todd	N. Collins
L.E.V.	L. Leath D. Conrad		J. Mraz W. Charles		M. Arnold L. Leath

OCTOBER 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Theology on Tap 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	3	4 8:00 AM Blessing of the Animals Trinity School of Texas 	5
6 Regular Sunday Schedule Episcopal School Sunday 9:15 AM Youth SS Doughnuts 5:30 PM Young Adult Group - Coffee Café	7 11:30 AM St. Monday's 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center 5:30 PM DOK 6:00 PM Youth Renovation Committee	8 6:00 PM Senior Men's Dinner Group Parish Hall 7:30 PM Kilgore College Fall Concert	9 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Theology on Tap 7:00 Chancel Choir	10 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	11	12
13 Regular Sunday Schedule 4:00 PM Youth Hang time 8:30 PM Compline	14 Church Offices Closed in observance of Columbus Day 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	15 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM Vive La France Music at Trinity Concert	16 12:15 Noonday Prayer 6:00 PM Theology on Tap 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	17 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	18 8:30 AM TST Family Day	19
20 Regular Sunday Schedule 9:00 AM Men of Trinity Breakfast Parish Hall 7:00 PM Youth Guys/Girls Small Groups	21 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	22	23 12:15 Noonday Prayer 6:00 PM Theology on Tap 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	24 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	25	26
27 Regular Sunday Schedule Youth Serving at Martha's Kitchen 5:30 PM Trunk or Treat	28 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center	29	30 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Theology on Tap 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	31 5:00 PM Tai Chi Class Trinity Outreach Center		
<p><u>REGULAR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:</u></p> <p>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:00 Coffee Hour 9:15 AM Christian Education 10:30 Rite II Holy Eucharist</p>						

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October Special Events

- 6th Episcopal School Sunday Celebration, 10:30 AM Worship
- 7th St. Monday's, 11:30 AM, Parish Hall
- 8th Kilgore College Fall Choral Concert, 7:30 PM, Nave
- 13th Compline, 8:30 PM, Nave
- 14th CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED
- 15th "Vive La France" Duo Piano and Orchestra Concert, 7:00 PM, Nave
- 18th TST Family Day, 10:00 AM, Nave
- 27th Trunk or Treat, 5:30 PM, Parking Lot of FCC

November Special Events

- 3rd Stewardship Ingathering Sunday, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Worship
- 4th St. Monday's, 11:30 PM, Parish Hall
- 10th Compline, 8:30 PM, Nave
- 11th TST Veteran's Day Program, 10:00 AM, Nave
- 20th TST Can Service, 10:00 AM, Nave
- 20th Harvest Dinner, 6:00 PM, Parish Hall
- 21st East Texas Children's Choir Concert, 7:30 PM, Nave
- 28th & 29th HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Church Offices Closed