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MAKING DISCIPLES AT TRINITY CHURCH

Over the summer months the leadership of Trinity Church has met to discuss the future direction of our Parish. Parishioners have explored the question of, "Who is Trinity Church?" and "What is our distinctive identity as church in the Longview Community?" Last month we identified seven core values that are at the heart of our identity.

- The Welcome and acceptance of all people
- Worship
- The Christian development of our youth
- Fellowship
- Music
- Missional Outreach
- Stewardship

In the coming months we will gather again to define a mission statement and a vision for the future. We will then develop a strategic plan to work toward fulfilling the vision God has given us.

As our discussions proceeded over the summer, people recalled the many stories of Trinity that have shaped us as a community. Some of the stories were joyful, some of those stories

were painful. The commonality was that they were *our stories*.

We are storied people and the stories we tell about ourselves shape our future. At times we find themes in those stories that we want to repeat



**The Gospel of Matthew:
Making Disciples**
Adult Sunday School
Starting September 11th

and at other times there are stories that we want to change. The sharing of those stories are important because only the

people who know the story can help reshape the story.

The most important story that Trinity Church or any church has is the biblical story. It is the metanarrative that is intended to be the most dominate story of any church. So we must know that story, the story of God's great love for us. A love so deep that God sent Jesus to die for us and to show us how to live lives authentic to God's story. So once again, it is imperative that we know that story.

Beginning Sunday, September 11th I will be teaching a Sunday School class on the Gospel according to Matthew. I have chosen this gospel for two reasons. The first is that Matthew's gospel is the gospel most often used in our Sunday gospel reading in the liturgical year that begins in Advent. Second, the gospel of Matthew was written with the intention of making disciples. This emphasis on disciple making is found in Matthew's "Great Commission," Matthew 28:18. "Go and make disciples..." Come join us on Sunday mornings and learn what it means to be a disciple.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LONGVIEW, TEXAS

STAFF

VESTRY

The Rev. Kevin Wittmayer	Rector	<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Gary Whitwell	TST Head of School	Harry Barth	Christy Collins	Spencer Alford
Bill Bane	Director of Music Ministries	John Hall	Karen Frith	Kathy Gray
Rae Dickson	Director of Student Ministries	Kim Howard	Robert Maly	Christine Prior
Jacqui Baker	Director of Children's Ministries	Ava Welge	Bryan Wilks	Gayland Rushing
Tim Baker	Parish Administrator			
Leno Mancilla	Sexton	Senior Warden, John Hall		
George Pliler	Endowment	Junior Warden, Robert Maly		
Billie Padgett	Office Volunteers	Treasurer, Andrew Snell		
		Clerk of the Vestry, Kristin Hoover		

MISSION OF THE MONTH

WINDRIDGE THERAPEUTIC EQUESTRIAN CENTER OF EAST TEXAS

Windridge is dedicated to improving the lives of those who face mental, cognitive, or physical disabilities and/or life debilitating situations. Windridge is a non-profit, community supported organization which utilizes standardized therapeutic horsemanship programs.

Windridge is a premier accredited center with the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association. Founded in 1988, Windridge Therapeutic Center is making great strides in the lives of children and adults by providing therapeutic horsemanship programs, physical therapies, academics, and life skills.

Windridge's therapeutic horsemanship programs are funded by individuals, corporations, churches, and civic organizations. Donations received in support of these programs are investments in lives of children and adults with disabilities. Windridge is home to more than 140 participants and 70+ volunteers a week, 9 full time staff members, and 24 horses. For more information about Windridge, please visit their website at windridgetexas.org.



Confirmation Retreat

September 16th & 17th

If you desire to be confirmed in the Episcopal Church or would simply like to learn more about the Episcopal Church, please join us for this informative time of fellowship. For more information, including times please call Fr. Kevin at (903) 753-3366 or email at frkevin@trinityparish.org

SERVICE OF COMPLINE

Come and worship with us as we celebrate the ancient monastic service of Compline performed by the men's Compline Choir.

Join us for refreshments in Guild Hall immediately following.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th
8:30 PM

ST. MONDAY'S

Monday, September 12 11:30 AM

Join us for Roasted / Baked Lemon Chicken, twice baked potatoes, green beans, salad and deserts.

Gayland Rushing will be speaking on "Fire Safety". Come and enjoy!



TRINITY
SCHOOL
of TEXAS

TST VARSITY FOOTBALL HOME SCHEDULE

Sept. 9th	Tyler Heat	7:30 PM
Sept. 16th	Leveretts Chapel	7:30 PM
Oct. 14th	Full Armor (Homecoming)	7:30 PM
Oct. 29th	Dallas Fairhill	2:00 PM
Nov. 4th	CHS (Senior Night)	7:30 PM

TST JV/VARSITY VOLLEYBALL HOME SCHEDULE

Sept. 6th	ETCS	5:00/6:00 PM
Sept 20th	LCS	5:00/6:00 PM
Sept. 22	Athens Christian	5:30 PM
Sept. 29	Full Armor	5:30 PM
Oct. 4	St. Mary's	5:00/6:00 PM

Christian Military Association

Our first Military Veterans meeting was a success! Twelve military veterans and spouses of Trinity met, Friday, August 12, 2016, forming a new group "**Christian Military Association**". Attending were veterans from the Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy; we are missing the Army, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine and State/National Guards.

Our next meeting is Sunday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., September 11, 2016, focusing on our mission statement creation. All veterans and spouses are invited to attend and participate in this historical movement for Trinity. If you know any veteran who may not be getting this information, please call Gayland Rushing, 903-234-1929 or email Gayland.Rushing@gmail.com or momanddad.rushing@gmail.com or text 903-399-9503 cell.



We had a
GREAT time
Blessing
Backpacks!



September Youth Events

September 4

Guys Small Group—5:30PM
Girls Small Group— 6:30PM

September 18

Basketball and Pizza
at TST—5:30 PM

September 25

AirU—6:00 PM



Children's Evening Sunday School

Children's Sunday School begins in September! Children will meet on September 4 and 18 from 5:30 PM—7:00 PM in the Education Wing. Join us!

The Music at Trinity Concert Series
Presents

Alexander Boggs-Ryan Memorial Organ Concert

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 • 7:00 PM

Organist Lorenz Maycher of First Presbyterian Church in Kilgore will present a concert of works on our magnificent Ross King Pipe Organ in honor of Dr. Alexander Boggs Ryan, for whom our instrument was given and dedicated.

Mr. Maycher is a concert artist of extraordinary ability, so this concert promises to be a thrilling musical experience. All are welcome and invited!

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

August Vestry Meeting



The Vestry meeting began with the voicing of prayer requests and an opening conversation about vestry nominations. Fr. Kevin encouraged the Vestry to consider carefully and prayerfully who should be on the slate of candidates for vestry next year. As we enter a year of strategic planning for the church's future it is important to have the proper leadership in place to lead the parish forward.

Andrew Snell provided an explanation of the financials. It was noted that even though we had a loss in the month of July it was because we incurred a large expense for our financial audit.

Fr. Kevin said that copies of the God's People workshop. The audit would be provided to the tentative date is October 8th. vestry in the coming weeks but The Vestry also considered a reported that we had received a salary adjustment beginning in "clean" audit. Senior Warden, September for Jacqui Baker who John Hall reported that the has taken on more responsibilities due to staff realignment. Fr. Kevin presented three bids for new flooring in the office area. The Vestry approved a bid by Gilmer Warden, reported that Holt Lumber and the flooring will be installed at the end of August.

The last item Fr. Kevin presented was an update APOSTLES organizational chart which delineates all ministries of the church and who is responsible for each ministry. Corrections were offered by

Fr. Kevin reported that all Vestry members and a discussion followed about filling vacant spots in the chart.



SEPTEMBER 2016

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Happy Birthday

09/01	Judy Thomas	09/13	Judy Stone	09/22	Dickens Wilkinson
09/04	Rachel Darby	09/13	Barbara Crittenden	09/22	Trudy Godsey
09/06	Joe Snider	09/14	Drew Jackson	09/22	Paula Howard
09/06	Tali Wilkinson	09/15	Shirley Griffin	09/23	Dianne Conoly
09/06	Charles Miller	09/15	Gene McWhorter	09/24	Tom Irwin
09/07	Bella Butter	09/15	Margaret Miller	09/25	Eleanor Byrd
09/08	Matt Wilks	09/16	Tommy Lloyd	09/25	Peggy Alley
09/09	Nancy McWhorter	09/16	Cherisa York	09/25	Emma Grotemat
09/09	Shirley Downs	09/18	Tim Baker	09/27	Steve Baker
09/10	Erik Owen	09/19	Mary Davis	09/28	Joel Johnson
09/12	Mary Charlotte Sweat	09/20	Kate Sparks	09/28	Truly Taylor
09/12	Jack Welge	09/21	Bill Bane	09/29	John Hall
09/12	Shirley Caldwell	09/22	Gail Martin	09/29	Fran Mettle
09/12	Jessica Baker	09/22	Jim Sawyer	09/30	Blake Scott

Happy Anniversary

09/01	Dee Anne and John Sloan	09/20	Eugenie and Todd Holman
09/03	Susie and John Sheffield	09/20	Kristen and Geoff Hoover
09/03	Pearl and Jeffery Thorpe	09/22	Kim and Robert Montgomery
09/11	Delfina and Gary Whitwell	09/25	Laura and John Jenkins
09/18	Tricha and David Wilcox		

Trinity Service Calendar

Month of September – Lectionary Year C

Date	September 4 The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	September 11 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	September 18 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	September 25 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139: 1-5,12-17 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 51:1-11 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31
Altar Team	Collins Team	Campbell Team	Crittenden Team	Mann Team
Verger	M. Wilks	S. Alford	J. Barbe	C. Collins
Coffee Hour				
Flower Delivery	J. Barth M. Harkrider	B. Crittenden C. Wilks	D. Fricks L. Leath	J. Walters D. Skeans
Early Service				
Ushers	E. Campbell M. Pfler	E. Campbell M. Pfler	E. Campbell M. Pfler	E. Campbell M. Pfler
Greeters	Charles Team	Maly Team	Charles Team	McWhorter Team
Acolyte	N. Collins	T. Gignilliat	G. Rushing	T. Gignilliat
Lay Readers 1 st Reader 2 nd Reader	J. Hall N. Collins	G. McWhorter J. Welge	B. Charles G. Rushing	J. Welge J. Hall
L. E. M.	J. Hall N. Collins	G. McWhorter J. Welge	B. Charles G. Rushing	J. Welge J. Hall
Late Service				
Ushers	Kirkindoll Team	Thorson Team	Crittenden Team	Jones Team
Greeters	Barbe Team	Kirkindoll Team	Gray Team	Skeans Team
Acolytes	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1	Team 2
Lay Readers 1 st Reader 2 nd Reader	S. Thomas J. Fowler	R. McPhee J. Sawyer	C. Thorson J. Sloan	Z. Brown G. Hoover
L. E. M.	H. Barth J. Fowler	G. Hoover J. Sawyer	V. Boaz J. Sloan	A. Robertson G. Hoover
L. E. V.		J. Mraz N. Collins		L. Leath C. Collins

September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Regular Sunday Schedule 5:30 PM Young Adult/ Young Family Fellowship 5:30 PM Children's Evening Sunday School 5:30 PM Youth Small Groups	5 LABOR DAY OFFICES CLOSED	6	7 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8	9	10
11 Regular Sunday Schedule 5:30 PM Veterans Meeting 8:30 PM Compline	12 11:30 AM St. Monday's 5:30 PM Daughters of the King	13 6:00 PM Senior Men's Dinner	14 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	15	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Confirmation Retreat </div>	
18 Regular Sunday Schedule 5:30 PM Children's Evening Sunday School 5:30 PM Youth Basketball at TST	19	20 6:00 PM Vestry	21 12:15 PM Holy Eucharist 5:30 PM Handbell Ensemble Practice 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	22 7:00 PM Boggs Ryan Memorial Organ Concert	23	24 Mission Statement Meeting with Molly Carnes 8:00 AM—12:00 PM
25 Regular Sunday Schedule 6:00 PM - Youth trip to AirU	26	27	28	29	30	
<div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 10px;"> <p>REGULAR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:</p> <p>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</p> <p>9:00 AM Coffee Hour</p> <p>9:15 AM Adult Christian Education</p> <p>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</p> </div>						

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September Special Events

4th	Youth Small Groups, 5:30 PM
4th	Young Adults Meeting, 5:30 PM, Coffee Café
4th	Children's Evening Sunday School, 5:30 PM, Education Wing
5th	Church Offices Closed for Labor Day
11th	Compline, 8:30 PM, Nave
12th	St. Monday's, 11:30 AM, Parish Hall
12th	Daughters of the King, 5:30 PM, Parish Hall
13th	Senior Men's Dinner, 6:00 PM, Parish Hall
16th—17th	Confirmation Retreat, Parish Hall
18th	Youth Basketball, 5:30 PM, TST
20th	Vestry Meeting, 6:00 PM, Guild Hall
22nd	Boggs-Ryan Memorial Organ Concert, 7:00 PM, Nave
24th	Mission Statement Meeting with Molly Carnes, 8:00 AM—12:00 PM, Parish Hall
25th	Youth Trip to AirU, 6:00 PM

October Special Events

8th	Safeguarding God's People Training, 8:00 AM, Parish Hall
22nd	Vision Statement Meeting with Molly Carne's , 8:00 AM—12:00 PM, Parish Hall
30th	Trunk-Or-Treat, 5:30 PM, Location TBA