



THE TRINITY TRUMPET

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Longview, Texas

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

For Independence Day: **George Washington and the Apostle Paul**

Father Bill Carroll, Rector

Each year, on the Fourth of July, we pause to give thanks for the United States of America, and to celebrate the many freedoms we enjoy. This year, on Sunday, July 2, we will sing patriotic hymns at both services and share a festive fellowship meal. (For details, see the announcement on outside cover, page 5.) For many of us, this will be the first opportunity to welcome Rachel White, our youth and family minister, to Trinity.

As we show gratitude for our independence, we should remember how fragile and imperfect our union is. We should also remember the sacrifices that others have made to make our freedoms possible, as well as the ongoing struggles to secure "liberty and justice for all."

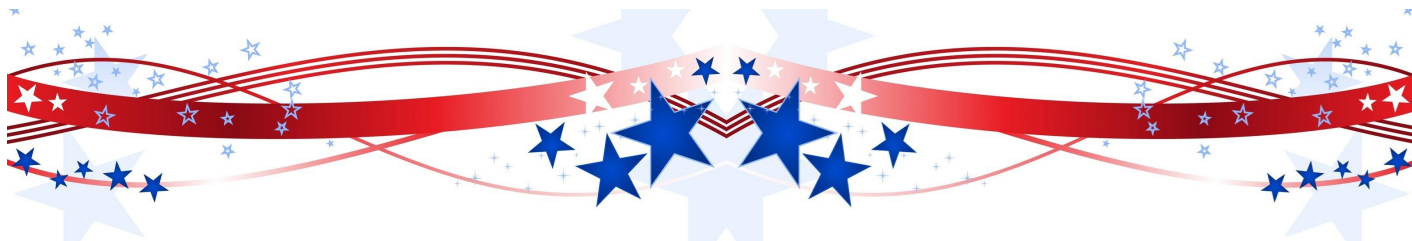
In his farewell address to the newborn Republic, George Washington warns us about the dangers of party spirit. In particular, he cautions against our sinful tendency to "make the public administration the mirror of the ill-concerted and incongruous projects of faction, rather than the organ of consistent and wholesome plans digested by common counsels and modified by mutual interests."

Like the other Founding Fathers, in fidelity to our Constitution, Washington is committed to multiple voices discerning the common good together through democratic institutions, deliberative reason, and the rule of law. At the same time, his counsel mirrors the biblical admonition from St. Paul to the early Church: "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:3-4)

Too often, we view freedom as the ability to do whatever we want. But true freedom means the ability to love God and our neighbors. The true torch of liberty is the Holy Spirit, who is God's own love burning in our hearts. The Spirit gives us courage to risk everything for other people, especially the most vulnerable among us. And so, we look forward to achieving what the Constitution calls a "more perfect union," where neighbors help neighbors and ALL are truly free.

*Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace:
Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen. (Collect "For the Nation," BCP, p. 258)*

Fr. Bill+



TRINITY CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Bill Carroll, Rector
The Reverend Vivian Shelby, Associate Rector
Melissa McCreary, TST Interim Head of School
Tim Baker, Parish Administrator
Jeff Richardson, Communication & Connection Minister
Bill Bane, Director of Music Ministries
Leno Mancilla, Sexton
Blake Scott, Endowment Board President

VESTRY

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Ava Welge, Junior Warden
Bill Keese, Treasurer

Class of 2023
Jan Barth, Shirley Griffin, Sallie Tullberg, Julia English

Class of 2024
Alyce Sparks, Kathy Tate, Ben Bright, Ava Welge

Class of 2025
Karen Frith, Christine Prior, Tovah Robertson, Gary Whitwell

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Kilgore College- Longview Student Food Pantry

For Kilgore College students struggling to pay for tuition and books, it's sometimes hard to put food on the table. A new program launched in 2017 aims to address that issue. Campus officials have set up a food pantry within the Duvall Student Center for students who are struggling.

The College and University Food Bank Alliance, which focuses on promoting campus programs to alleviate food insecurity and hunger at universities in the United States, said post-secondary enrollment patterns show more and more "nontraditional" students on college campuses. Many students now are supporting families and working full time while attending college. These students are often food insecure or one missed paycheck away from being food insecure.

We are proud to help in this effort. The January loose plate offering will go to help purchase food and other necessary living supplies for Kilgore College students in need. To learn more about this program, or to donate food or money directly, please call the office of Financial Aid at (903) 983-8211.

Pastoral Care Needs?

Please call Fr. Bill Carroll or Mother Vivian Shelby with any Pastoral Care needs. As well, please keep them informed of any pastoral issues that they may need to know about.

You can reach them at any time:

Fr. Bill Cell - (903) 399-1190

Mother Vivian Cell - (832) 846-7072

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They will be glad to receive phone calls up to 10:00 PM for general issues and at any time for an emergency. Please use your discretion for items that can wait until normal business hours. But, please err on the side of calling or texting for any issues you feel need their urgent attention.



Children's Church

Children's Church will be on hiatus for the summer and will resume after our youth and family minister, Rachel White comes to be with us. Children beyond nursery age are always welcome in the service and invited to sit with their parents in church.

For more information about Children's Church, Please contact Fr. Bill at frbill@trinityparish.org

We have a fully staffed nursery available for infants - 3 years from 9:00 AM to Noon on Sundays. The nursery is located in the former Flanagan Room in the hallway behind the nave.

Host Family Needed for 11th grade boy August 2023 - May 2024

For more information about this student and details, please contact Cissy Abernathy
903.753.0612 ext. 236
cabernathy@trinityschooloftexas.com

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July Parish Events

RED, WHITE & BLUE SUNDAY

Sunday, July 2nd • 12:00 PM • Parish Hall

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

Monday, July 3rd & Tuesday, July 4th

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

Monday, July 10th • 5:30 PM • Parish Hall

SENIOR MEN'S DINNER

Tuesday, July 18th • 6:00 PM • Parish Hall

WEEKLY

LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Mornings at 7:00 AM • Silver Grizzly

SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Tuesdays afternoons at 2:00 PM • Guild Hall

CROCHET GROUP

Wednesday Mornings at 10:00 AM • Guild Hall

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

On hiatus until September

MID-WEEK HOLY EUCHARIST

Wednesdays at 12:15 PM



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Melissa Crawford (7/07)	Eleanor Heinz (7/21)
Vicky Bright (7/07)	Dorothy Conrad (7/22)
Juanita Tucker (7/08)	Rusty Tucker (7/24)
Lindsay Mraz (7/10)	Julia English (7/25)
Betty Horaney (7/13)	Dan Stroup (7/26)
Tricha Wilcox (7/14)	Nathan Collins (7/27)
Arlene Devon (7/18)	Steve Lindsey (7/29)
Lindi Wiley (7/19)	Christine Prior (7/31)
Marilyn Lewis (7/19)	Jack Mann (7/31)
Myra Smith (7/21)	David Alexander (7/31)
Susie French (7/21)	

Bill and Patsy Charles (7/03)
Stan and Lindi Wiley (7/04)
Charles and Margaret Miller (7/07)
George and Marie Piler (7/11)
Harry and Jan Barth (7/15)
Ben and Vicky Bright (7/16)
James and Barbara Crittenden (7/21)
Dickens and Kate Wilkinson (7/22)
Joe and Barbara McClellan (7/23)
Scott and Steffani Jones (7/25)
Nathan and Christy Collins (7/26)

GRIEF and WATER SAFETY

By Mother Vivian Shelby

My first encounter with the death of a child was in 2015 while doing my chaplaincy at a Memorial Hermann hospital in Houston. My assigned area was the Emergency Room and this was my first call. A three-year-old girl had been with her grandparents and they were dropping her back at her father's house. He was finishing up some yard work and told her they would go swimming when he came in. The grandparents left and she went into the house alone to put on her swimsuit. When the father came in the back door was open and the little girl was at the bottom of the pool. Heroic measures by the EMT's and the ER staff were not enough to save her. Immediately, everyone left the room and I was brought in to console the parents as best as I could. There are no words at times like these so keeping my hand on the father's shoulder while he wept was really all I could do. God was present in the room, weeping with us.

My next encounter was one year later while I was Associate Rector at Trinity Episcopal Church in The Woodlands, TX. I was asked to serve at a funeral for a family from another Episcopal Church along with the other clergy from both churches. The family was at a pool party at a friend's house when their three-year-old son died in a drowning accident. It is a typical, tragic story of loving, responsible parents who put their son in a flotation device called a puddle jumper. He got cold so they took the device off to wrap him in a towel and he sat next to them on the pool deck. Two minutes later he was gone and found face-down in the pool. The best we could do to assist the family was to allow them to have the funeral at our church so they would not have that memory every time they went to worship at their home church.

The family has created a foundation dedicated to water safety – the Judah Brown Project. They tell their story to anyone who will listen and have also created a brochure to educate parents and caregivers about drowning prevention which is now in 350 pediatricians' offices around the country. **For more information, go online at <https://judahbrownproject.org>**

The grief that parents [and their families] experience in these situations is tragic and deep. We all have a responsibility to do everything in our power to try to keep tragedies like this from happening. Please pray for these two families as their grief continues. I pray that this message will educate those who can spread the message.

Trinity Service Calendar

July 2023 – Lectionary Year A

	July 2 Pentecost 5	July 9 Pentecost 6	July 16 Pentecost 7	July 23 Pentecost 8	July 30 Pentecost 9
1st Reading Psalm 2nd Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4,15-18 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42	Zechariah 9:9-12 Psalm 145:8-15 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16--30	Isaiah 55:10-13 Psalm 65: 1-14 Romans 8:1-11 Matt. 13:1-9,18-23	Isaiah 44:6-8 Psalm 86:11-17 Romans 8:12-25 Matt. 13:24-30,36-43	1 Kings 3:5-12 Psalm 119:129-136 Romans 8:26-39 Matt. 13:31-33,44-52
Altar Team	Snell Team	Sticher Team	Matteson Team	Baker Team	Collins Team
Verger	Linda Leath	Dinah Rushing	Steve Brice	Sallie Tullberg	Linda Leath
Coffee Hour	Judy Thomas	Cherry Sikes	Linda Leath	Dinah Rushing	Jan Barth
Flower Delivery	Bill and Patsy Charles	Linda Leath	Dot and Charles Fricks	Nancy and Jim Sawyer	Christine Prior
8:00 AM Service					
Verger	Rusty Tucker	Dinah Rushing	Sallie Tullberg	Rusty Tucker	Dinah Rushing
Ushers	Bright Team	Lynn A./Brenda A.	Charles Team	Peters Teams	Maly Team
Reader/LEM	Bill Charles	Mike Abernathey	Jack Welge	Bill Charles	Gayland Rushing
10:30 AM Service					
Verger	Bryan Wilks	Bill Keese	Linda Leath	Bryan Wilks	Dinah Rushing
Ushers	Tate Team	Wilcox Team	Gray/Pryor Team	Kuna/McElligott Team	Howard Team
Acolytes	Team 3	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1
Lay Readers 1st Reader 2nd Reader	Richard Kuna Trevor English	Jessica Wilkinson M. Wilkinson	Ben Bright Richard Joos	Jeff McAtee	Richard Joos
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Jeff Hart	Sammy York	John Sloan Alan Robertson	Jeff Hart	Jim Sawyer

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Red, White & Blue SUNDAY

BURGERS

HOT DOGS

PIE CONTEST

July 2nd - Immediately following the 10:30 Service

*Please come and bring a hearty welcome to Rachel White,
Our new Youth and Family Minister.*

PIE CONTEST - Bring a Pie! Any Pie!

Sweet or Savory • Handmade or Store-bought • Hot or Cold
Just Throw Something in a Crust and Come on!

