



# 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.

## Celebrating a Holy Lent: Opportunities for Spiritual Growth at Trinity

The “Invitation to a Holy Lent” contains some of the most powerful words in the entire Book of Common Prayer. It reads, in part, “Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.” (BCP, p. 265)

This year, we gather for the **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, February 13 at the Hollandsworth Commons on the campus of the Trinity School of Texas. **Ash Wednesday services** will be held at 12:15 PM and 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 14. We have moved the **burning of the palms** to immediately after the 10:30 AM service on Sunday, February 11, so that more people can participate and help us prepare the ashes that we will use as “signs of our mortality and penitence” as we begin our Lenten pilgrimage (please bring your palms to church).

On the Sundays in Lent (except for March 10), our 9:15 AM adult Christian formation offering will focus on a study of Brennan Manning’s *The Ragamuffin Gospel* led by Chris and Tisha Grotemat. The theme of the book is described as follows: “*God gives us His grace, willingly, no matter what we’ve done. We come to Him as ragamuffins—dirty, bedraggled, and beat-up. And when we sit at His feet, He smiles upon us...*” Books are readily available online and we will have copies available at the church for purchase for \$15. Rachel White will be reaching out to **youth and their parents about a Bible study about the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem and the Cross**. The precise date and time is being set in conversation with parents. Please email Rachel White, [rwhite@trinityparish.org](mailto:rwhite@trinityparish.org) for details. Our Wednesday night potluck and formation offering will continue to explore Dr. Tom Wright’s reflections on God’s self-revelation in nature, history, and Holy Scripture.

Two special offerings (requiring advance registration, see my contact info below) will focus on the Episcopal Church’s commitment to racial justice and reconciliation. On **Wednesday, February 21 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the parish hall, we will be hosting "Traces of the Trade: A Tale from the Deep North."** Dain and Constance Perry are Episcopalian lay leaders who met at Trinity Episcopal Church in Boston. Dain is white and discovered that his family were among the largest slave traders in the United States. Constance is African-American and the descendent of enslaved persons. The couple have traveled the country, showing a film about Dain's family history and facilitating a discussion about racial reconciliation in light of the Gospel and our Baptismal Covenant. Dinner and childcare will be provided, but space is limited, as we are inviting partner congregations, including St. Michael's and several historically Black congregations in Longview. To reserve your place, please contact Fr. Bill ([frbill@trinityparish.org](mailto:frbill@trinityparish.org), 903-399-1190). On **Saturday, March 9, we are hosting the One Human Race workshop from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**. Both events require pre-registration and are brought to us with funding from the community engagement team of the Episcopal Health Foundation.

All of these opportunities are meant to prepare us for Holy Week (March 24-30) and Easter Day (March 31), when we remember and celebrate all that Jesus did and suffered to bring us into loving and righteous fellowship with God—and with our fellow human beings.

Fr. Bill+

## TRINITY CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Bill Carroll, Rector  
The Reverend Vivian Shelby, Associate Rector  
Cindy Verhalen, TST Head of School  
Rachel White, Youth and Family Minister  
Tim Baker, Parish Administrator  
Bill Bane, Director of Music Ministries  
Jeff Richardson, Communication & Connection Minister  
Leno Mancilla, Sexton  
Blake Scott, Endowment Board President

## VESTRY

Sallie Tullberg, Senior Warden  
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



Open to all, Newgate is a day mission where faith, dedication and purpose come together to create a safe, Christ-centered community filled with compassion, hope, and renewed dignity. Each year, Newgate Mission provides hope in the form of life-changing services including 82,000 meals, housing referrals, a community, job readiness, health and hygiene, life's essentials and transportation. More than just serving meals, Newgate is about opening doors to the entire community, returning pride, offering friendship and support without judgement, rebuilding and uniting families, and helping those who are lost to discover new paths.

## 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:

**Father Bill Cell - (903) 399-1190**

**Mother Vivian Cell - (832) 846-7072**

**frbill@trinityparish.org / mothervivian@trinityparish.org**

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 meets during the 10:30 AM service and is led by our Youth and Family Minister, Rachel White. 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 Rachel White - [rwhite@trinityparish.org](mailto:rwhite@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.**



## FAITH

GATHERING WOMEN, KNOWING GOD, BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

**What:** We are continuing a six week study entitled *Inside the Miracles of Jesus* by Jessica LaGrone. This is a study of the significance of Jesus' miracles and the Gift of God's power for those who desperately need Him.

Book can be purchased for \$10 on Amazon

**When:** Thursdays at 6:00 PM

**Where:** The Tower Room

**Who:** All women of Trinity. Please invite your friends as we have extra books and it is not too late to join.

**To join the study or for more information, call Elise Hill at (903) 736-5176 or Vicky Bright at (903) 738-6752**

## The Service of Compline

Sung by the Men's Compline Choir

February 4th • 8:30 PM  
Reception following in Guild Hall



# FEBRUARY PARISH EVENTS

## Service of Compline

Sunday, February 4th • 8:30 PM • Nave

## Daughters of the King

Monday, February 12th • 6:00 PM • Parish Hall

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Bike Parade

Tuesday, February 13th • 5:30 - 7:00 PM  
Hollandsworth Commons at Trinity School of Texas

## Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, February 14th • 12:15 PM and 6:00 PM

## Senior Mens' Dinner

Tuesday, February 20th • 6:00 PM • Parish Hall

## Traces of the Trade Program

Wednesday, February 21st • 6:00 - 9:00 PM • Parish Hall

## WEEKLY

### Lectionary Bible Study

Tuesday Mornings at 7:00 AM • Silver Grizzly

### Spirituality Group

Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 PM • Guild Hall

### Crochet Group

Wednesday Mornings at 10:00 AM • Guild Hall

### Wednesday Evening Study and Dinner

Wednesday Evenings at 6:00 PM • Parish Hall

### MID-WEEK HOLY EUCHARIST

Wednesdays at 12:15 PM

## Prayer List Reset on February 18th

We are doing a periodic reset of the prayer list effective the First Sunday in Lent, February 18. If you have placed a person on the prayer list or know of someone on the prayer list who needs to remain on it, please email Bill Bane (bbane@trinityparish.org) or text him at (903) 452-9075 by February 1st. Otherwise, names will be removed. Names may always be added, added back, or taken off by contacting Bill Bane.



## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Daphne Scott (2/02)	Mike Abernathey (2/16)
Mike Lewis (2/03)	David Maly (2/18)
Pat Florence (2/04)	Sallie Tullberg (2/19)
Alyce Sparks (2/04)	Kelly Braswell (2/22)
Bobby Carney (2/05)	Nancy Elswick (2/23)
Janice Matteson (2/08)	Jennifer Jackson (2/23)
John Robbins (2/10)	Margaret Partin (2/23)
Jan Barth (2/11)	Loretta Lloyd (2/24)
Gail Wilks (2/12)	Tom Devon (2/25)
Harry Barth (2/12)	Michell Gish (2/26)
Ben Bright (2/12)	James Crittenden (2/27)

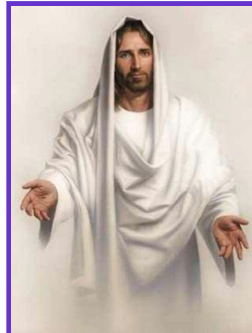
David and Brenda Alexander (2/05)  
Sammy and Cherisa York (2/12)  
Ed and Bonnie Rast (2/16)  
Wiley and Judy Thomas (2/20)  
Tom and Arlene Devon (2/23)

## DID YOU KNOW

You can give to Trinity Episcopal Church online? You can give to your pledge, altar flowers, or any other regularly used Trinity Episcopal Church fund. To give now, go to [Trinityparish.org](http://Trinityparish.org) and click the **giving** tab at the top of the page.



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*Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Joel 2:13*

# SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

The youth are participating in the "Souper Bowl Sunday," canned food drive, through Longview Community Ministries. We hope to collect canned and non-perishable food on or before Super Bowl Sunday (February 11) to help feed hungry people in our community. Trinity takes up an offering of food every Sunday of the year. We ask that you be especially generous on Souper Bowl Sunday to support the ministry and leadership of our youth as they respond to the call of Jesus to serve our neighbors in need.

# Trinity Service Calendar

## February 2024 – Lectionary Year B

<b>Date</b>	<b>February 4</b> 5th Sunday after the Epiphany	<b>February 11</b> Last Sunday after the Epiphany	<b>February 18</b> 1st Sunday in Lent	<b>February 25</b> 2nd Sunday in Lent
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</b> <b>Psalm</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</b> <b>Gospel</b>	Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-12, 21c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39	2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9	Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:22-30 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38
<b>Altar Team</b>	Matteson Team	Baker Team	Collins Team	Snell Team
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Michelle Gish	Cherry S.	Available	Available
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Karen Frith	Patsy & Bill Charles	LENT	LENT
<b>8:00 AM</b>				
<b>Verger</b>	Sallie T.	Rusty T.	Dinah R.	Sallie T.
<b>Ushers</b>	Bright Team	Lynn A./Juanita T.	Peters Team	Maly Team
<b>L. E. M.</b>	Jack W.	Mike A.	Gayland R.	Bill C.
<b>10:30 AM</b>				
<b>Verger</b>	Bryan W.	Bill K.	Linda L.	Bryan W.
<b>Ushers</b>	Kathy G./Christine P.	Kuna/McElligot	Howard Team	Tate Team
<b>Readers</b>	Trevor English	Tricha Wilcox	Richard Kuna	Jessica Wilkinson M. Wilkinson
<b>Lay Eucharistic Minister</b>	Jim Sawyer	Jeff Hart	Alan Robertson	Richard Joos
<b>Acolytes</b>	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1	Team 2





Trinity Veterans Quarterly Report

January 16, 2024

Trinity Veterans met Sunday, 0900, January 14, 2024, and updated their contact list. This was the first meeting since Covid19 shut down public meetings. We had five attendees and one guest. We also decided to meet on the second Sunday of the beginning of the first month of each new quarter. Our future meetings will be held at 0900, in the adult Sunday school room of TEC on April 14, Jul 14 and Oct 13, 2024. Mark your calendars.

We discussed how important it is to support all veteran programs. Our group will be supporting the following events: Wreaths Across America (Stan Wiley), Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and Veterans Day. I will make speeches on Memorial and Veterans Day, and we will require two flag bearers on these days. If you want to flag bear at the 8 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. service, let Gayland know and he will set up your schedule.

Gayland volunteered to continue as the veteran's leader. If I can help you in any way, please text, email, or call me any time.

We should continue to invite speakers to our meetings. Anyone of you can invite speakers, but please coordinate with Gayland to get on the schedule. Last year, Dee Shappell invited two WWII pilots to speak, and it was a delightful open forum meeting. One of the pilots flew a P51 Mustang fighter plane and the other pilot flew the famous Blackbird SR71 spy plane. Gayland invited the Gregg County Texas Veterans Advocate to several meetings to keep us informed regarding current veterans' benefits.

Future projects: we will check with the city of Longview to see if there are projects where we could assist that would help local veterans, such as Teague Park, The Sons of the Confederate Veterans, etc.

Dee spoke about Yates Memorial Cemetery, in Scottsville and Marshall, TX. They offer free burial plots to needy veterans. This cemetery is associated with Patty Yates Shappell's family.

Fair winds and following seas.

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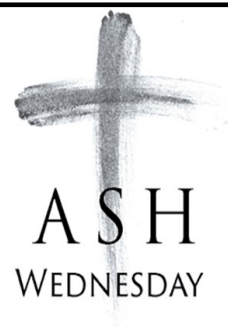
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*Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner*  
**AND BIKE PARADE!**

You are invited to a pancake dinner for Shrove Tuesday! Come and join us in the TST Hollandsworth Commons February 13th, 5:30-7:00 pm. Bring a friend or neighbor!



Come at 5:00 pm for the Bike Parade held in the Sports Court. Children and Youth -- decorate your bikes with green, purple, and gold. Trikes and Wagons welcome!



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WEDNESDAY

**FEBRUARY 14TH**

Imposition of Ashes with  
Holy Communion

**12:15 PM & 6:00 PM**