



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.

On Independence Day: Forming a More Perfect Union

In the Episcopal Church, we expect people to participate in our democracy. Although the Church does occasionally take a stand on issues of social concern, we obey the law and avoid endorsing candidates or parties. But we expect our members to go out and get involved. Whether that means voting our conscience, working for and giving to the candidates and causes we care about, or participating in vigorous public debate, we believe that faithful citizenship matters. That being said, not everything is permissible. Where do we draw the line? Well, we draw it, when we reject violence against people—including verbal violence directed against our fellow human beings. We expect that, for Christians, Jesus and the Gospel will always come first. Jesus and his love will shape how we treat each other.

As the Fourth of July approaches (our parish celebration is on Sunday, July 7, see the announcement in this issue of the *Trumpet*), I am reminded of the blood that men and women have shed—both to win our independence and to keep the torch of freedom lit for future generations. I am also reminded that our Republic is an unfinished project, what the Founders called an “experiment in ordered liberty.” Here, I think especially about the struggle against racism—the original sin of this country. I am reminded of Martin Luther King’s bold appeal to the unfulfilled promises of our nation—to the rights and inspiring words in our founding documents. As a Baptist minister in the prophetic Black tradition, King also appealed to the Old Testament prophets and the Gospel of Jesus, as he sought dignity and freedom for African-Americans. I am reminded of parallel, ongoing struggles for freedom among women and workers and other racial and ethnic groups.

In spite of these struggles (and, in some ways, because of them), America has been a beacon of hope for much of the world. It is our job to protect and extend the freedoms we enjoy, until *no one is left behind*. Part of how we do that is by keeping faith with the Constitution as the framework for our common life, protecting the right to vote and civil liberties, and by continuing to fight for justice and the common good. We do it by asking God (in the words of “America the Beautiful”) to “mend our every flaw.” We do it by refusing to settle for anything less than the ways of Jesus that lead us to a more neighborly existence.

As citizens of a democracy, we must realize that our perspective is fallible and limited—that even our most passionate convictions are subject to correction over time. God has given us our neighbors to “mend our every flaw” and teach us how to love. That’s why we have freedom of speech and of the press, of assembly and peaceful protest, and the “free exercise of religion.” It’s why our Constitution commits us to equal protection of the laws and the right to vote. The role of Christians in this jumbled, noisy, democratic conversation is to insist that loving our neighbors comes first. In our country today, we need more hands raised up in prayer and stretched out in love. We need less violence, hatred, and division. Without the love of neighbor, our experiment in ordered liberty will fail. As Dr. King once taught us, “we must learn to live together as brothers and sisters, or we will perish together as fools.”

As we celebrate our Independence, let us pray for our country and all who call this land our home. God bless America!

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 Children's Minister
Tim Baker, Parish Administrator
Bill Bane, Director of Music Ministries
Jeff Richardson, Communication & Connection Minister
Leno Mancilla, Sexton
Sammy York, Endowment Board President

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Class of 2025

Karen Frith, Christine Prior, Tovah Robertson, Gary Whitwell

Class of 2026

Tisha Grotemat, Elise Hill, William Keese, Jim Sawyer

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 will be taking a break for the summer. We will return on August 3rd. For more information about Children's Church, please contact Rachel White - 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.

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 July 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.

Items that are especially needed:

Hygiene products

Non-perishable food items:

Rice

Oatmeal

Applesauce

Canned soup, stew and chili

Canned fruit

Canned vegetables

Canned beans (black, black-eyed peas, green beans, pinto beans, etc.)

Canned meats (Chicken, Turkey, Ham and Spam)

Canned fish (tuna and salmon)

Peanut Butter

Protein Bars

Granola Bars

Ramen Noodles

Pasta and Pasta Sauce

Flour and Sugar

Dried Spices

Baby formula

Baby food



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JULY PARISH EVENTS

Church Offices Closed

Friday, July 4th & 5th

Independence Day Sunday

Sunday, July 7th • Following 10:30 AM Service • Parish Hall

Daughters of the King

Monday, July 8th • 5:30 PM • Parish Hall

Senior Mens' Dinner

Tuesday, July 16th • 6:00 PM • Parish Hall

WEEKLY

Lectionary Bible Study

Tuesday Mornings at 7:00 AM • Silver Grizzly

Spirituality Group

On hiatus until the fall.

Crochet Group

Wednesday Mornings at 10:00 AM • Guild Hall

Wednesday Evening Dinner and Study

On hiatus until the fall.

FAITH Women's Bible study

On hiatus until the fall.

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 Plier (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)



A Genius in Plain Sight by Mother Vivian Shelby

Traveling is when I meet the most amazing people and this trip was no different. My husband and I took a vacation in Gloucester, Massachusetts in May. Being near or on the ocean is one of my favorite places, feeling God's presence in the wind and the waves.

We decided to go on an evening sail on the Ardelle – a 58' wooden Pinky Schooner. We were greeted by the Captain, Harold -who was wearing torn shorts, a baseball cap and barefoot – and his apprentice, Charlie – a twenty-something putting in his training hours to one day become a captain himself. Harold introduced us to the boat and invited everyone to assist in pulling up the sails. Watching the wooden hoops that slide up the mast as the sails go up was amazing. Only then could we feel mother nature take the boat to full speed, which was breathtaking. It was a beautiful evening, and the wind took us out from the bay into the Atlantic Ocean as the sky turned a brilliant orange.

Harold then began visiting with each of us, showing us a large book of photographs documenting the building of the Ardelle. Turns out, he built her in six-months from 2010-2011. Not only that, this humble, unassuming man was awarded the Masters of Traditional Arts distinction in 2012 by the National Endowment for the Arts as the best craftsman of original Essex wooden schooners in the world!

He learned boatbuilding from his father, who was a doctor, and small wooden boats were his hobby. In 1996, a man commissioned Harold to design and build an authentic 64.5' wooden Fredonia Style Schooner. One had not been built in over 50 years, so Harold had to study photographs, get advice, and rely on his instincts as a boatbuilder. Many people said it simply could not be done and definitely not in the six-month timeframe her owner wanted.

Harold A. Burnham proved them all wrong, and it began an incredible journey. He is dedicated to passing his passion on to the next generations of boat designers, builders, crew, and passengers. If you are ever in Massachusetts and want to experience the glory of God's creation, there is no better place, vessel, or captain. Even the seagulls know him. More information can be found at burnhamboatbuilding.com.

**“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,
for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.” Hebrews 13:2**

Trinity Service Calendar

July 2024 – Lectionary Year B

Date	July 7, 2024 7th Sunday after Pentecost	July 14, 2024 8th Sunday after Pentecost	July 21, 2024 9th Sunday after Pentecost	July 28, 2024 10th Sunday after Pentecost
1st Reading	Ezekiel 2:1-5	Amos 7:7-15	Jeremiah 23:1-6	2 Kings 4:42-44
Psalm	Psalm 123	Psalm 85:8-13	Psalm 23	Psalm 145:10-19
2nd Reading	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Ephesians 1:3-14	Ephesians 2:11-22	Ephesians 3:14-21
Gospel	Mark 6:1-13	Mark 6:14-29	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	John 6:1-21
Altar Team	Baker Team	Collins Team	Snell Team	Sticher Team
Coffee Hour	TBA	Cherry Sikes	Marie Piler	TBA
Flower Delivery	Patsy & Bill C.	Patsy & Bill C.	Dot & Charles F.	Christine P.
8:00 AM				
Verger	Dinah R.	Rusty T.	Sallie T.	Rusty T.
Ushers	Lynn A./Juanita T.	Maly Team	Peters Team	Bright Team
L. E. M.	Mike A.	Gayland R.	Bill C.	Jack W.
10:30 AM				
Verger	Bill K.	Linda L.	Ben Bright	Bill K.
Ushers	Howard Team	Tate Team	Wilcox Team	Kathy G./Christine P.
Readers	Trevor English	Richard Kuna	Tricha Wilcox	Jessica Wilkinson
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Sammy York	Jeff Hart	Jim Sawyer	Richard Joos
Acolytes	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1	Team 2

INDEPENDENCE

DAY SUNDAY



BURGERS

HOT DOGS

PIE CONTEST

SUNDAY, JULY 7th

Immediately Following the 10:30 AM Service

PARISH AND GUILD HALLS



Enter your "creation" in our annual pie contest for all to enjoy! **Select one of 4 categories:**

Meringue pie

Nut pie

Fruit pie

"Savory" pie

Please bring your pie to the Parish Hall **NO LATER** than 10:30 AM!

Include a note with your name and the "category".

Winners will be announced following the 10:30 AM service and all pies will be **CUT AND SERVED** for dessert!

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A graphic for a roller skating event. It features the text "Roller Skating Pop-Up!" in orange and blue. There are illustrations of a person in a green shirt and orange shorts performing a trick on roller skates, and a pair of orange roller skates. The event details are listed in a rounded rectangle: "10 JULY 2024", "2.00 PM - 5.00 PM", "REO Starplex and Event Center", "4716 W Loop 281, Longview, TX", "75604". The text "Youth and Children-- Join us for an afternoon of fun!" is at the bottom. There are decorative asterisks and swirls.

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