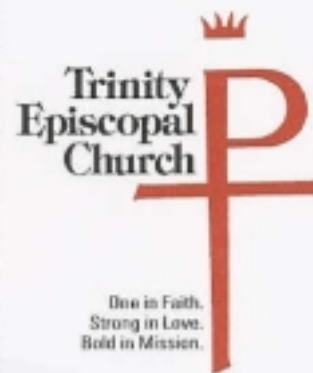


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SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite 1
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite

Wednesdays in Lent

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist w/
Meditation

Thursdays

6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite 2

RECTOR

The Rev. Anne Kelsey

AFFILIATED CLERGY

The Rev. Michael Randolph
The Rev. William Baker

The service most closely identified as “Anglican” surely has to be Evensong. Every Episcopalian who travels to England wants to go to Evensong at least once. Evensong means a hushed chapel with high, vaulted ceilings and dark wood pews, boy soprano voices, and the cadences of chanted psalms.

Evensong is the name that was given to the service of Vespers in medieval England and is associated with monastic observance of the canonical “Hours,” or times of daily prayer. One of its canticles, the *Nunc dimittis*, taken from the second chapter of the gospel of Luke, reaches back into the history and tradition of the Western church, as it has been sung at the evening offices since the fourth century.

Evensong as a cathedral service of worship these days takes some getting used to, for there is little required of the lay person kneeling in the pew, who may be accustomed to a more active role in the liturgy. However, it is in the sitting still, the listening, and in putting aside activity for a short while that the grace of the office does its holy work. At the close of the day and before it is completely night, we are beckoned into a quiet realm of prayer where the heart may find solace and our overbusy heads some peace. We are gently led to place our lives in God’s hand at the end of the day so that, preparing for sleep, we may also prepare for eternal life.

At Easter we celebrate the resurrection with the drama of the Great Vigil. Darkness turns to light as the shroud over the Christus Rex is taken down while bells and alleluias ring. On Easter morning there are trumpets and hymns of joy, and all is bright, the stone rolled back from the tomb. There is much activity in church and at home – resurrection is a busy event. There are masses of lilies to be placed on the steps in front of the altar, and preparation of food after the long fast of Lent.

When dusk melts the sky on the afternoon of Easter Day, the notes of Evensong will sound clear and pure in cathedrals and churches across the Anglican Communion, and the faithful will find rest for their souls. The stone of death is rolled away to reveal hope and celebrated in the more quiet atmosphere of the evening office.

At Trinity on the afternoon of Sunday, April 17, a service of Evensong will be held as part of our sesquicentennial celebration. It will be the spiritual anchor for the concert and festive dinner that will follow. After the long, dark, and hard days of this past Lent, I anticipate the quiet joy of the evening office in communion and fellowship with all of you.

Anne

WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Dee Scott
 Dorothy Fisher
 Jeanie Ader
 Geoff Kraft
 Jackie Judd
 Kayte Foxwoth
 Margaret Kane
 Frank Oakes
 Camilleann Nelson
 Karen Thacher
 Steven Pfeiffer
 Barb Roddy

IN THE MILITARY

John Worland
 Eran Eaton
 Josh Gennari
 Corey Harwell

SEEKING DISCERNMENT

Matthew Owings

WHO HAVE DIED

Michael Sampson
 Charlie Watts
 Glen Baker, Martha Baker's Uncle
 Jean Belchee, Betty Weber's Mother

WHO MOURN

Patricia Sampson, Kathi McDonald and
 Drew Medsker
 Ann Watts and her family
 Martha Baker and her family
 Betty Weber and her family

CELEBRATING BIRTHS

Karin and Bill Layher, along with big brother Oliver, welcomed Anna Ingrid into their family on Monday, March 7.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

3/2 Matthew King
 3/3 Gwen Porter
 3/6 Tom Kirk
 Devanshe Renne Sanders
 3/7 Jerry Copeland
 Daniel Moore
 3/8 Claire Corliss
 3/10 Orelia Woodson
 3/12 Al Adams
 3/17 Karen Lucas
 3/18 Frank Oakes
 3/19 Marjorie Hoeltzel
 3/21 Kenneth Lehrmann
 3/25 Valvin Sinclair
 Nathaniel Winston
 3/26 Carlos Daughaday
 3/28 Karin Layher
 3/29 Kim Corliss
 4/4 Donna Eldridge
 4/6 Sallie Fuhri
 4/7 Laurie Murphy
 4/8 Vanessa Gacilos
 4/10 Dolores Friesen
 4/14 Kathy van Bakergem
 Robert Krug
 Mariah Kathrine Hale-Schroeder
 4/19 Nanora Sweet
 4/21 Patricia Way
 Lexi Hanson
 4/29 Michael Haggans

Women's Spirituality Group

Because of conflicting Lenten gatherings, the Women's Spirituality Group will not meet in March. We will look forward to Wednesday, April 16, 6:30 for our next meeting when Dr. Candy Brown will speak with us about the history of Faith Healing in the U.S. All women are welcome. To be put on the Women's Spirituality e-mail list, contact me at johnstgk@slu.edu.

Georgia Johnston

Trinity: A Fun Look Back

One Sunday, a sacristan had marked the wrong Gospel lesson, and the minister of ceremonies had not checked it. The Rev. Bill Chapman did not realize it until he was mid-aisle. Much furrowing of bushy Irish brows. Then he leaned over and asked a congregant to borrow her crumpled leaflet. As he smoothed it out on the Gospel book and prepared to cense it, he muttered, "Thank God, we're laid-back high church!" And then, with due dignity, he proceeded to proclaim.

Martha Baker

St. Cecilia Remembered

Our 150th Anniversary celebration continues on Sunday, April 17, with music, a meal and merriment in tribute to a saint who long played a part in festival

events at Trinity. Organized in 1957 by then-organist, Mary Gallatin, the Society of St. Cecilia presented its first concert in November 1957 and became a yearly tradition for the next 40 years.

Plan on joining us April 17 at 5:30 p.m. for a service of Evensong that will be taken from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer with a musical setting composed by Jeff Nall and commissioned for this event. A concert will follow featuring a variety of performers with Trinity connections, among whom are Darrell Berg, Helen Hendry and James Nacy.

A buffet supper in the South Parish Hall comes next and after that ---dancing! Greg Hoeltzel's group, the Booze Arts Ensemble, will once more provide the sound that gets our feet to tapping.

Reservations for the dinner are required and the cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Please call the church office at 361-4655 by April 15 to make yours. We look forward to seeing you then.

P.S. And don't forget to circle May 22 on your calendar -- Trinity Sunday! Not only will our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. G. Wayne Smith be with us, but our guest preacher will be the Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, the Assisting Bishop of Washington. A luncheon at the Mahler Ballroom will follow the 10:30 service.

Etta Taylor

February Meeting Report

Your Vestry held its annual retreat in February. We spent much of the meeting on discussion of the functions of vestry and staff in the leadership of the church and on organization of commissions.

The Vestry Commissions are as follows: Buildings and Grounds – Jan Parker, Dave Crawford and Nancy Cadenhead; Parish Life - Kate Haggans, Jim Andris and Gil Fisher; Outreach – Cheryl Sharpe, Harry Leip and Jeff Wunrow; and Stewardship – Kim Corliss, Virginia Benson and Bill Layher. Opportunities will be forthcoming for you to learn more about the work of each commission and how you can get involved. Also:

Jan Parker reported that we have changed our trash-hauling service to Aspen. If you need a key to the newly-locked trash bins, please ask Jan or Curtis.

Kate Haggans presented a report on the state of Trinity's organ. Despite the Herculean efforts of organist Jeff Nall, it is clear that we need a permanent solution of repair or replacement sooner rather than later. The Organ Committee and Vestry will continue deliberations on this matter. Look for further information in future issues of the Trinity Times.

Jeff Wunrow

From the Junior Warden

The new vestry, especially the Building and Grounds committee, is reviewing the 2004 "to-do" list. We are touring the building, taking notes and setting up a list of priorities for projects and repairs. The goal is to continue to "Rally Around The Church" to keep the physical plant of Trinity looking good while providing a safe and secure environment.

With that in mind, mark your calendars!! The Clean-up, Spiff-up, Shine around the church will be Saturday, March 19th from 8:30 until 12:30.

We will use the time to get the church ready for Holy Week and Easter. Some projects will focus on the interior of the building, and the gardening crew will work its magic outside. A light breakfast will be provided. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the South Parish Hall.

Jan Parker

Treasurer's Report

As of February 28, pledge income is at almost 16% of budget, at about 17% of the year elapsed. Parish expenses are at about 19% of budget, and include a number of expenses paid quarterly and the purchase of new computers. For the year to date, expenses exceed income by \$12,000.

Barbara Uhlemann

Food Ministry Update

During February, our food pantry provided food for 218, of whom 52 were children and 34 were seniors. We give food to all those who come asking for our help. We have two restrictions, however: we give to any particular individual or family only once each month and we serve primarily 5 zip codes. If clients come from ZIP codes that are not in our service area, we give them food for the day and give the addresses of food pantries in their ZIP codes. As usual, we gave fresh produce and bread, margarine and canned food.

The hot lunch also continues to feed the poor and homeless on Sundays. The churches in the Holy Grounds Group -- Central Reformed Congregation, First Unitarian, Metropolitan Community Church, St. John's Methodist Church and Cornerstone Baptist -- have asked to be on the schedule of churches preparing and serving the hot lunch. Each will take a turn on the first Sunday of each month.

A highlight of the month was the luncheon hosted by the Food Advisory Committee to thank the volunteers who give so freely of their time to serve in the food pantry and to pick up donated bread from the St. Louis Bread Company. The committee is planning an event to thank those who volunteer in the hot-lunch program.

Steve Turner

Hot-Lunch Volunteers Needed for Easter Sunday

Trinity Episcopal Church is responsible for the hot lunch on March 27, Easter Sunday. A sign-up list is posted in the South Parish Hall. Any and all are invited to take this opportunity to serve our friends on this resurrection day.

Steve Turner

Eastertide Inquirers' Class

When: Sundays at 12:30 p.m.
Dates: April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1
Where: North Parish Hall

On Sundays in Easter at about 12:30 p.m., there will be a class for those new to the Episcopal Church who are preparing for baptism, confirmation, or reception, or for anyone who has lots of questions. A light lunch will be served in the north parish hall before the class. All are welcome, newcomers and long-time Episcopalians alike, and childcare will be provided with advance notice. Topics will include the liturgy and why we do what we do; sacraments; the structure and polity of the Episcopal Church; holy scripture – how we read and how we interpret; as well as other questions, such as “Who is God?” If you have a burning issue, bring it, and we will try and fit it in. If you would like to attend, please speak to the rector.

Anne

Schedule for Servers

Sunday, March 20, 2005: Palm Sunday

8:00 AM **CB1** George Friesen
U1 Tom Kirk

10:30 AM **MC** Gil Fisher
CB1 Susan Adams
CB2 Darrell Berg
CR Harry Leip
TH Lisa Will-Smith
T1 Michael Simbeck
T2 Ellen Weber
R1 George Benson
R2 Virginia Benson
I Ellie Chapman
U2/G Dean Bradley
 Martha Bradley

Sunday, April 3, 2005: Easter 2

8:00 am **CB1** Mary Seager
U1 Darrell Berg

10:30 am **MC** Matt Owings
CB1 Gil Fisher
CB2 Susan Adams
CR Jeffrey Simbeck
TH Robby Giunta
T1 Michael Simbeck
T2 Ellen Weber
R1 Martha Bradley
R2 Ellie Chapman
I Joan Dunbar
U2/G Etta Taylor
 Ted Taylor
H Susan Adams
 Mary Ellen Anderson

Sunday, March 27, 2005: Easter

8:00 AM **CB1** George Friesen
U1 Barbara Ritchey

10:30 AM **MC** Harry Leip
CB1 Jim Andris
CB2 Steve Turner
CR To be determined
TH Matt Owings
T1 Fritzi Baker
T2 Ida McCall
R1 Darrell Berg
R2 Dean Bradley
I Cindy Curran
U2/G Nora Peterson
 Rolly Peterson

Sunday, April 10, 2005: Easter 3

8:00 am **CB1** Darrell Berg
U1 Tom Kirk

10:30 am **MC** Lisa Will-Smith
CB1 Harry Leip
CB2 Steve Turner
CR Jan Parker
TH Matthew Owings
T1 Lisa Carpenter
T2 Alex Gerteis
R1 Cindy Curran
R2 Beth Dockery
I Janet Dunlap
U2/G Ann Watts
 Jeff Wunrow
H Jan Dunlap
 Steven Nichols

Sunday Lectionary Readings

From the Revised Common Lectionary

Palm Sunday	Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31 Philippians 2:5-11 The Passion Gospel According to Matthew
Easter Sunday	Colossians 3:1-4 Psalm 118 Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18
Easter 2	Acts 2:14a,22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31
Easter 3	Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 20, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Blessing of Palms, Passion Gospel, Holy Eucharist
Tuesday, March 22, 6:00 p.m. Agape Dinner
Wednesday, March 23
5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Maundy Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m. Holy
Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar, Vigil at Altar of
Repose
Good Friday, March 25
12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Liturgy of Good Friday,
Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
5-6:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance and
Reconciliation available in chapel
Saturday, March 26 8:30 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter
Easter Day, March 27, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist

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