

The Messenger

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From the Rector

From the Rev. Timothy H. Graham, Rector

Dear Friends,

There are many wonderful things about being an Episcopalian. We have a rich tradition and history as a church, and we are always changing. I think the Church and our denomination has a bright future despite the challenges that all Christian churches face these days. And I hope we will continue to grow and make new Episcopalians! About once a year our Bishop from Atlanta visits Trinity (usually during the season of Lent) to make new Episcopalians, by confirming our teenagers and receiving adults from other faith traditions. Typically we prepare for his visit, and instruct our new members, by offering special times of instruction. This year I want to include all of us in this process of shaping new Episcopalians. Instead of exclusive special classes for prospective members, I intend to instruct all of us in various ways by writing newsletter articles and periodically preaching on Sundays about what it means to be an Episcopalian. My hope is that we will encourage new folks to be received into our church, and also hope that those who have been Episcopalians for many years will learn something new. So, to begin this fun series of newsletter articles and sermons, I will ask and answer a question:

"Is the Episcopal Church Catholic or Protestant?"

The Episcopal Church finds its roots in the Church of England. In the 16th century, King Henry VIII separated the Church of England from the Catholic church and the authority of the pope in Rome. The occasion that necessitated the separation was the king's desire for a divorce and need for a male heir. However, there were other issues that influenced the decision. Henry VIII never intended for the church in England to become a Protestant or Reformed Church, but rather a Catholic church without a pope. However, the separation from Rome and protestant ideals did later influence the Church of England. The church in Henry VIII's realm embraced the protestant ideal of the importance of holy scripture and also preserved the Catholic identity of the authority of bishops, sacraments, and structured liturgical worship. The separation of the church from the authority of a pope in Rome also created a more democratic form of church government.

The Church of England struggled for many years after this separation from Rome to understand its identity as both Catholic and protestant. A century later, when our country was being formed, many of the colonists brought their form of religion with them from England and established worshipping communities of the Church of England here on our soil. The American Revolutionary War created the necessity for them to break ties with the Church of England and the Episcopal Church was formed in the 1780s. Although our denomination is self-governing, we still remain a part of the world wide Anglican Communion - a group of independent churches with roots in the Church of England. And as such, we still identify ourselves like the Church of England - as both protestant *and* catholic.

There are distinctions now between the Episcopal Church and the Church of England, however much is the same about our theology, worship, and polity. There are also distinctions between congregations within the Episcopal Church, yet there is much the same about our worship. You can visit any Episcopal Church in any diocese or any state and likely feel quite at home, although the style of worship may vary. Within the Episcopal Church you will find congregations that identify themselves as "high church" (a ceremonial style that perhaps seems more ancient and "Catholic" and is characterized by chanting, incense, and great solemnity), "low church" (a relaxed ceremonial style that can be very informal and tends to seem more "protestant"), "evangelical" (may seem much more "protestant" with a strong emphasis on preaching), or "broad church" (an openness to intellectual and social concerns, perhaps more progressive in theological expression and worship). Most congregations within the Episcopal Church would identify with one or more of these categories.

So, how would one describe Trinity Church, Columbus, GA? Are we more protestant or catholic in nature? Are we high church, low church, evangelical, or broad church? As Rector here, I would have to honestly say that we are a mixture of *all* of these categories! Our worship tends to be formal and reverent, yet we would not identify ourselves as high church or Anglo-Catholic. Our music style, vested choir, use of acolytes and vergers, all indicate that we are definitely not low church. We might tend to think of ourselves at times as evangelical because we value powerful sermons, but we definitely like ser-

Building a Spirit-empowered community that serves and celebrates Christ.

"Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;" Psalm 88:2

We pray God's protection for those serving in battle.

In Our Prayers:

- Jacquie Rawls
- Aldine Pound
- Bill Batastini
- Charlie Morgan
- Fleur Stearns
- Margaret Quintard
- Dr. Lloyd Hudson
- Lucius Morton
- Don & Nancy Bloebaum
- George Wade
- Ann Sturkie
- Hadley Scott
- Joyce Curry
- Terry Hurley
- Tracy Mourer
- Paul Rickard
- Joey Burke

- George Trussell, Sr.
- George Trussell, Jr.
- Bob Upchurch
- Aiden Elias
- Mackenzie Etheridge
- · Gladys Sherwood
- Craig Jones
- Ginger Calhoun
- Jessica Taylor
- Cammy Marchetti
- Bryan Wright
- Rudi C. Pierson
- Susan Brooks
- Les Pierpoint
- Family & friends of Col. Robert "Bob" Robinson

If you know of a Parishioner who is in the hospital, has had a child, or is facing some crisis, please let the Parish Office know so our Parish family can respond.



mons to be brief and to the point, and we do not like long sermons!

Often the church architecture can give some clues about the piety of a congregation. In many ways our beautiful church looks very Catholic in style. There is a great formality about our worship space. We have a large pipe organ, the altar is prominent and elevated, stained glass windows and brass, and there is beauty and intention in many details of the building and its furnishings. One interesting architectural detail of our church building is the rood screen that separates the chancel or choir from the nave. The term "rood" is from Old English and means "cross." This architectural feature is found in some old historic churches and



functioned either practically or symbolically to separate the monks, or clergy, or choir from the laity at worship. Rood beams are seldom seen in churches today, and they are not encouraged in modern church architecture. Yet, we have one here in our church building and it tells an interesting story about our history and traditions. Rood beams are almost exclusively found in churches that are identified as high church or "Anglo-Catholic." The interesting and curious thing about our rood beam is that it is a simple cross in a more protestant style. In every other occasion when I have seen a rood beam, the cross is a crucifix with the body of Jesus attached and the figures of the Virgin Mary and St. John are on pedestals to the left and the right of the crucifix. Yet, at Trinity, we have only a plain cross and the pedestals on either side of the cross remain unoccupied or unadorned. We are uniquely protestant and Catholic as expressed in the architecture of our building. (You will see in the two photographs here our rood beam, and a comparison to another rood beam of an Episcopal Church in Syracuse, NY.)

Are we a protestant church or a Catholic church? Perhaps we are both. Or either. Or neither! Are you thoroughly confused now?

I hope you are more curious and want to learn more about our faith, our worship, and our traditions. Stay tuned for more articles from me, and show up for worship in the weeks leading up to the Bishop's visit in the spring of 2019 for a series of sermons about what it means to be an Episcopalian. I'm proud to be one and I hope you are too!

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

Umoling H. Graham + Fr. Tim Graham

TRINITY SPOTLIGHT: Get to Know...

Frank & Sarah Riddick



Frank is from Atlanta and lived there until his family moved to Durham, NC during his high school years. He attended Chewan College before joining the U. S. Army. Frank's family moved to Columbus to be near Auburn. When he left the military, he enrolled at Columbus State University. He graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice, served as a Columbus Police Officer, private investigator in Macon, and is currently on the catastrophe team for State Farm.

Sarah is a native of Columbus. She graduated with a degree in Health

Science, worked as a physical rehabilitation therapist in Macon, and presently works in underwriting at Aflac. Frank and Sarah have worked at their current places of employment for 20 years.

It was during the time he was at CSU that he met Sarah while with a group of friends on an outing to Six Flags Over Georgia. It was Frank's birthday and introductions were made in line as they were paired to ride the Scream Machine. They have been together since that day in 1987 and have been married for 29 years!

FAMILY: We remember their lovely daughter, Rachel, who grew up at Trinity, serving as an acolyte, on the youth advisory board, in Trinity's Clothes Closet, and as a missionary. Rachel graduated from Armstrong State University in Savannah with a degree in nursing and is employed as an Emergency Room Nurse at Atlanta Medical Center. Frank and Sarah enjoy their two Basenjis and a Golden Doodle grand-dog.

FAITH: Frank was raised Lutheran and Sarah as a Methodist. They were married at St. Luke Methodist Church and attended there for two years. When their careers took them to Gray, Georgia, they attended Mulberry Street United Methodist Church where Rachel was baptized. Eventually their career brought them back to Columbus and with a pre-kindergartner, they were looking for a church home that would offer their family structure, education, fellowship, and opportunities for involvement. They visited Trinity on Christmas Eve of 1999 for the Sunday service. Fr. Tom Jones greeted Rachel, invited her to be an angel in the pageant, and then welcomed Frank and Sarah. It was love at first sight! Frank and Sarah were confirmed that spring, and Rachel was confirmed with her class as a teenager.

HOBBIES: They enjoy traveling, scuba diving, obstacle runs, and spending time with family and friends. All three of them have served on mission teams in Belize twice, fall-

ing in love with the country and its people. During several vacations, they have traveled back to the same villages and have plans to retire there.

TRINITY: Sarah has served on the Vestry, oversees Trinity's clothes closet, and serves as LEM. Frank's travel with his job limits his regular participation. However, he is willing to help with any work or kitchen duty or in the closets when he is in town. In the past they were both involved in Murphy's Ministry, attended Sunday School, and participated in church retreats.

They find Trinity to be just big enough to allow members to come together in support for the good of the Church and just small enough that the members can get to know each other as family and friends. "The choir brings light and emotion to the services, and the youth/children's programs have remained a priority for the leaders of the church." Sarah encourages everyone to volunteer, formally or informally. "Every event, activity, or group would welcome walk-on assistance. There is so much joy to receive from every corner of our beautiful church that you cannot help but want to give and serve in return."

We appreciate that the Riddick family has been involved in so many areas of the church. We are especially thankful for Sarah's dedication to Trinity's Clothes Closet. This is an important outreach ministry to the community, and Sarah has done an outstanding job directing this project since its inception a few years ago. You can help the clothes closet by donating clothing, funds, or your time.

We've Been BUSY!

Joseph Golden – This past month has seen a great deal of activity in the area of music!

The Trinity Choir, Organ and Brass/Timpani recording "Christmas at Trinity Church"



was completed in three separate recording sessions. Everyone did outstanding work throughout the process over a span of several months of preparation and execution.

The CDs are in the final stage of editing and will be sent off for reproduction soon. When they are returned, the CD booklets will be stuffed and ready for purchase as soon as possible.

The music contained in the CD is traditional church music for the Christmas liturgical season. It features music for brass, organ and timpani, choir anthems, Christmas carols including "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "The First Nowell" with brass, timpani and soaring descants, as well as two newer and quite challenging works. Plan now to give these CDs as totally unique gifts during the holiday season. They will truly be one of a kind!

On Sunday, October 21 the Trinity Choir and Associate Organist/Choirmaster, Dr. Aesook Moon, and I represented Trinity, along with Lector Ms. Muriel Fish, in a special choir festival titled "Seasons of the Liturgical Year" at First

Baptist Church. Sponsored by the Columbus Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, music and lay and clergy leaders from St. Luke United Methodist Church, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Trinity Church, and First Baptist Church all joined forces to showcase prayers, Bible readings, choir anthems and congregational hymns for the seasons of Advent, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter.

The event culminated with the combined choirs (well over 100 singers!) presenting the "Hallelujah! Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

It was a truly marvelous afternoon of worship and music, and all of the choirs did their very best work, following many hours of preparation. The final portion of the event was a simply *smashing* postlude "Toccata on 'Ode to Joy" presented by Dr. Moon. Bravo, Aesook!

Coming up on Sunday, November 18 at 10:30 am worship is **Anglican Heritage**, when we happily welcome back members of the Atlanta Bagpipe Band for a rousing celebration of our heritage just before we dine together at our 11th Annual Parish Family Thanksgiving! That same afternoon at 4:00 pm we hope you will come back for Hymn Arrangements for Thanks & Praise, an organ recital by our own Dr. Aesook Moon in Trinity's Nave.

Many, MANY thanks to the dedicated members of the staff, the choir, and to our wonderful, warm, and always encouraging and supportive parish family for the many blessings that we all share together.

Soli Deo Gloria.

PRESENTED BY DR. AESOOK MOON





for Christmas 2018

Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the Parish Office with checks payable to Trinity. Specify "Flowers" or "Music" on your check. Gifts *must* be submitted no later than **Sunday**, **December**! 9 in order to be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletins. *Please **print** below.

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Altar Guild - Team II

November Ministry & Service Schedule

Linen Guild – Team II

Ministry	November 4 – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost	November 11 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost	November 18 – Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost	November 25 – Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King
Prayer B'fast	Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter	Jill Hiers	Margaret Barber	Gunby Garrard
Prayer Intercessors	8:00 am Barbara Rivers, Patricia Poston 10:30 am Barbara Korzan, Bill Stahl	8:00 am Jean & Bob Miller 10:30 am Kevin & Marcie Topping	8:00 am Mona Thorington, Barbara Rivers 10:30 am Bill Scrantom, Christina Stahl	8:00 am Patricia Poston, Bonnie Topping 10:30 am Autumn Grimes, Nell Hudson
Eucharistic Ministers P-Prayers †-High Altar *-Lower Altar	8:00 am Bill Perkins 10:30 am Dr, Philip Schley/P, Wayne Hadden/†, Trip Parker/* Muriel Fish/*II	8:00 am Gary Cason 10:30 am Barbara Korzan/P, David Fox/†, Mary Johnson/* Glenn Fish/*II	8:00 am Malcolm Cooper 10:30 am Bill StahlP, Muffy Schladensky/†, Jo Myers/* Dr. Philip Schley/*II	8:00 am Bob Miller 10:30 am Kristen Hedden/P, Glenn Fish/†, Harlan Price/* Bill Stahl/*!I
Lectors	*Volunteer needed!	Garry Pound	Mamie Pound	Harlan Price
Greeters	Muffy Schladensky, Debby Kemp	George & Judy Wilkinson	Connie Armstrong, Kathleen Bishop	Jonathon, Emily, Lilly, & William Myers
Verger	Carlo Thorington	Muriel Fish	Sydney Smith	Glenn Fish
Ushers	Team I – John Holt & Bill Scrantom	Team II – Brooks Yancey	Team III – Chuck Staples	Team IV – Carlo Thorington
Clothes Closet	Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter	Jill Hiers	Margaret Barber	Gunby Garrard

November Birthdays



Benson Smith Jacquie Rawls Patti Simkins Carol Vowell Jean Romeo

Tracy Mourer Walter Clark Carter Watts

Charlotte Laverty Theo Pound Pat Passailaigue

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- Meghan Twigg Jack Collins 0 0 7 0 0
- Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter Jennifer Gurrola Fraeger Young 10

Laura Tidwell-Book

Joseph Sillitto

Lillie Caves Laura Porter Ashley Holt

Sally Rowe

Dr. Susan Boes

Effie Bowers Chloey Price

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- Laura Kate Rambo Maggie Yancey John Shinkle Emily Doll 111
- 21 27 23 25 26 Lily Twigg Elizabeth Woods Rush McMurphy Ken Henson 15 14

Mary Maurice Young

Ford Garrard

Melanie Smith Connie Armstrong

Katie Anne Solomons

Richard Waddell, Jr.

- 29 30
- Claire Berry The Hon. Kenneth Followill Mary Stewart Mullin Henry Mullin

*If your birthday is missing or listed incorrectly, please call the Parish Office at (706) 322-5569.

Libby Wells

Will Peek

NOVEMBER 2018

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SPREADING THE LOVING MESSAGE OF GOD'S WORD



It's That Time of Year Again...

Lauren Blanchard – Let's be honest - it's November and most everyone is thinking about the outrageous spread of delicious food and the great time that will soon be spent with friends and family. It's a special time and we're all thankful for it. Society has put a pretty big focus on something else during the month of November - Black Friday. I've found that there are two types of people when it comes time to shop; the shut-ins who want *nothing* to do with the madness, or, the overly enthusiastic shopper ready to do whatever it takes to get the best deals out there! Go BIG or go home! Big screen TVs, furniture steals, home appliances, clothing, and more! You might be wondering how this article has anything to do with Trinity. Although it may be nice to have a new TV or maybe a new furniture set in one of our many classrooms, I'm thinking on a smaller scale. We have many wonderful ministries here at Trinity but a few in particular have the potential to benefit *greatly* from Black Friday deals!



Trinity's Clothes Closet – The closets are always in need of small toiletries, toilet paper, and of course, clothes and shoes. Both men's and women's styles and sizes are needed. Contact Sarah Riddick at (706) 332-5270 for info on specific size needs.



Children's Ministry – This area is always in need of arts and craft supplies like paints, Play-Doh, and even Legos! Item donations or gift cards to Hobby Lobby or Michaels would be a HUGE help and would be greatly appreciated by all our kiddos.

Youth Ministry – One of the outreach projects we take on in December of each year is decorating several family apartments and Christmas trees at Trinity House, a local shelter for women and children. Any donations of tree decor (ornaments, tree skirts, garland, tree toppers, lights, etc...) would go a long way in helping to provide a fun and festive Christmas season to families in need.



Thank you for *ALL* you do to support Trinity and the ministries we have here. Now go forth and claim those Black Friday deals!



Sunday Nights!

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11TH ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY THANKSGIVING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

BRING YOUR SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO THE KITCHEN BEFORE WORSHIP. *R.S.V.P. TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY NOV. 8 IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND.

Wear Your Stretchy Britches to Church 'Cause it's Turkey Time!

Join us **Sunday**, **November 11** after the 10:30 worship service for our 11th ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY THANKSGIVING! We will provide the turkey, cranberry sauce, dressing & gravy, rolls, and beverages. All YOU have to do is bring a large side dish or dessert to share! Bring your *ready-to-serve* dish to the kitchen *before* church and we'll keep it warm or cold until it's time to serve. If you'd like to contribute towards the turkeys for this event, \$30 is the suggested donation. Please make checks payable to Trinity with "turkey lunch" in the memo section.



*Turkeys will not be cooked in or around peanut oil.

**The 9:00 am Parish Breakfast will be Continental style so you can save room for lunch!