



# The Messenger

Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbus, Georgia

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## From the Rector

*The Rev. Dr. Timothy H. Graham*

Dear friends,

Summer is typically a time for us to relax a bit, and I hope that your schedule allows for some rest and perhaps time away from a busy routine. But for Trinity Church, summer is a busy time of year! The two photo collages featured here are from Vacation Bible School and Father Andy's ordination and first Sunday as a priest at Trinity. VBS and the ordination were wonderful events, full of joy and excitement and the love of God. Both were occasions for us to give thanks for all that God is doing in our midst and reminders of the work that God has called us all to.

In this summertime we will continue our regular pattern of activities. On Sundays we now have two indoor services: 8:30 am Rite One in the Chapel; and 10:30 am Rite Two in the Nave. We will continue to serve a continental breakfast each Sunday at 9:00 am and offer Adult Sunday School in the parlor at 9:30a m. On Wednesdays we offer a 10:00 am Bible Study and an 11:30 am Healing Service in the chapel. Through the summer we will also have a monthly Wednesday night supper and a monthly Pot Luck lunch. You will find a schedule of these monthly offerings elsewhere in this newsletter.



We have some exciting special events coming up soon as well. On August 21<sup>st</sup> we will hold Rally Day, a time to "start up" again with renewed interest in the many ministries of our church. This year we will recognize ministries in our worship, have a catered meal, and very special music in worship.

On September 11, Bishop Wright will make his annual visit to Trinity. He will preach at the 10:30 service that day and confirm new members. Father Andy will be leading some special classes soon to prepare new members.

The summer is busy and exciting around here, and the coming months will bring even more occasions for us to worship, learn and serve together. I hope you will be a part of it all! God bless you.

*Timothy H. Graham*

Father Tim

***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*

**In Our Prayers:**

**Parishioners**

Bill Batastini  
Jenny Lind Berry  
Nancy Bloebaum  
Ceil Bone  
Jack Collins  
Peggy Collins  
Joyce Curry  
Ginger Driver  
Ken Followill  
Becky Goldsmith  
Mary Johnson  
Mary Dana Knight  
Fred Korzan  
Harriet Lippmann  
Robert Marcus  
Karyn Marra  
Lally McGurk  
Bob Miller  
Jo Myers  
Bill Perdue  
Jacquie Rawls  
Hazel Rust  
Fleur Stearns  
Kathryn Torres  
George Trussell, Jr.  
Walter Trussell  
Bob Upchurch  
George Wade  
Libby Wells  
Judy Wilkinson  
Marg Williams

**Friends**

Jim Buntin  
Rick Davidson  
Angela Haskell  
Joe Higdon  
Doug Irvine  
Bob Kidd  
Jennifer Kidd  
Kim Kimbrough  
Ricky Korzan  
Devon Levy  
Coles McKagen  
Mary Anne Merryfield  
Paul Rickard  
Martha Robert  
Hadley Scott  
Billy Steele

*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.*



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SO PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW IF YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO COME.  
TRINITY WILL COVER THE COST OF TICKETS.

**Safeguarding Training**

*"Seek and Serve Christ in All Persons"*



On Saturday, August 6th, from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm, Trinity will host a training session called Safeguarding God's Children. Attendees will learn about the policies and procedures that are in place to protect children and youth from abuse, and explore best practices to ensure church ministries are welcoming for all. Episcopal congregations from around the Chattahoochee Valley area are invited to attend the training. It will be led by Holle Tubbs, who grew up in Columbus and now serves as the Youth Missioner for our Diocese. Those involved with child & youth ministries must renew their Safeguarding God's Children certification every three years; any others interested in working with children & youth are also encouraged to participate in the training on August 6th. For more information about Safe Church and how to register for the training, please contact Father Andy (blakemore.trinity@gmail.com).



**Faith Seeking Understanding**  
Adult Faith Formation at Trinity

Starting on Sunday, August 7th, Trinity will offer a "Faith Seeking Understanding" class from 5 to 7 pm. Each Sunday, we will share a simple meal and say evening prayer together. Over the course of five weeks, we will explore the meaning of Christian faith through the lens of the church's liturgical seasons and celebrations. All are invited to join the class, whether you are a life-long Episcopalian, a newcomer to Trinity, or just curious about Jesus. For any adults or teenagers who would like to receive the sacrament of confirmation, be formally received into the Episcopal church, or publicly reaffirm your faith, the five-week class will culminate with these special blessings during Bishop Wright's visit to Trinity on September 11th. "So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9).



## Moments from Fr. Andy's Ordination



*This picture captures the moment of my ordination to the priesthood. After the other ordinands and I were presented and duly examined by Bishop Wright, the Bishop lay his hands on me along with Father Tim and other priests, and said: "Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Andrew; fill him with grace and power, and make him a priest in your Church."*



*I was pretty delirious from all the picture-taking and hugging that had happened right after the ceremony was over. But before the Trinity bus headed back to Columbus, Nicole and I stopped by to celebrate with everyone over a glass of champagne!*



*On Sunday morning in the chapel, I served as Eucharistic celebrant for the first time. With Trinity church all around me, I had much joy in my heart and so much to give thanks for that morning. –Father Andy*



## JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



### Birthdays

- 1– John Page, Deana Graham, Roonie Berard
- 2– Michael Dudley
- 3– Natalie Page
- 6– Sydney Flournoy, Seth Knight
- 8– Nell Scrantom, Collie Holt
- 9– David Young
- 10– Bob Miller
- 11– Ed Sprouse, Sarah Sillitto
- 12– Jimmy Yancey, Lou Baker, Michael Knepper
- 17– Hugh Rodgers, Amy Helmick, Nancy Schley
- 18– John McElveen, Bradley Waddell, Jr.
- 19– Mary Stamper Grogan
- 21– Angela Stephens, Presleigh Stephens
- 22– Dorothy Holt
- 23– Marla Caligaris, Amelia Berry
- 24– Bitsy Dedwylder, Steve Miller
- 25– Lucy Knight
- 27– Barbara Morgan, Sanford McMurphy, Jr.
- 28– Alessio Caligaris
- 29– Kristen Heddon, Ariel Benton
- 30– Terri Wilkinson, Cathleen Heider
- 31– Malcolm Cooper

### Anniversaries

- 7– Lara Allen & John Lasseter
- 29– Ashley & John Holt

### From the Music Department

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Singular Evening of Music featuring  
THE GREAT AMERICAN SONG BOOK  
(Hit songs of the past 100 years!)

Performed by JOSEPH GOLDEN, on the Mighty Wave theater organ in Bill Heard Theater at RiverCenter for the Performing Arts

Sunday, August 14, 4:00 p.m.  
Ticket Information: RiverCenter  
Box Office: 706-256-3612

Family entertainment for all ages!

# SUMMER 2022 AT TRINITY

## JULY

4 - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

6 - GRILLED HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, AND ICE CREAM WITH  
SPRINKLERS IN THE COURTYARD FOR KIDS - 6 PM

17 - POTLUCK LUNCH AFTER 10:30 WORSHIP

## AUGUST

3 - KARAOKE & SUPPER - 6 PM

6 - SAFEGUARDING - 10 AM - 1:30 PM

7 - BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - 10:30 WORSHIP SERVICE

21 - RALLY DAY - MINISTRY BANNERS IN WORSHIP &  
BARBERITOS AND WOLF & CLOVER AFTER 10:30 WORSHIP

## EACH WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY - 8:30 & 10:30 HOLY EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAY - 10:00 BIBLE STUDY 11:30 HOLY EUCHARIST





# FALL 2022 AT TRINITY

## AUGUST

3 - KARAOKE & SUPPER - 6 PM

6 - SAFEGUARDING - 10 AM - 1:30 PM

7 - BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - 10:30  
WORSHIP SERVICE

21 - RALLY DAY - MINISTRY BANNERS IN  
WORSHIP & BARBERITOS AND WOLF &  
CLOVER AFTER 10:30 WORSHIP

## SEPTEMBER

4 - DAUGHTERS OF THE KING  
INSTALLATION - 10:30 WORSHIP SERVICE

5 - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR  
DAY

7 - BINGO & BAKED POTATO BAR - 6 PM

11 - BISHOP'S VISIT TO TRINITY DURING  
10:30 WORSHIP & POTLUCK LUNCH AFTER  
10:30 WORSHIP

## OCTOBER

2 - ADULT FELLOWSHIP - 6 PM

5 - BIBLE TRIVIA & SPAGHETTI SUPPER - 6  
PM

9 - PARISH POTLUCK AFTER 10:30  
WORSHIP

10 - OFFICE CLOSED FOR INDIGENOUS  
PEOPLES' DAY

30 - FALL FESTIVAL - GAMES & CHILI AFTER  
10:30 WORSHIP

## NOVEMBER

2 - ALL SOULS' DAY PRAYER AT LINWOOD  
CEMETERY - 6 PM

6 - ALL SAINTS' DAY

11 - OFFICE CLOSED FOR VETERANS DAY

13 - ANGLICAN HERITAGE SUNDAY &  
POTLUCK LUNCH AFTER 10:30 WORSHIP

24 & 25 - OFFICE CLOSED FOR  
THANKSGIVING

## EACH WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY - 8:30 & 10:30 HOLY EUCHARIST  
9:00 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:30 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY - 10:00 BIBLE STUDY 11:30 HOLY EUCHARIST



# TRINITY KIDS NEWS!



Hi friends!

I'm writing with GREAT GRATITUDE about our amazing VBS! There are so many people to thank; my heart is full! I wish you all could have seen all of the children, volunteers, activity, learning, laughing, and dancing that went on for a week with our next door neighbors. We made great partners, and it was such fun to join together with our First Presbyterian friends. Our theme for the week was LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS: A PLACE FOR ALL, and we concentrated on feeding. Each day was centered around a story from the Bible where Jesus feeds or eats with others. We talked about how fortunate we are to have the food we need and how so many in the world don't have enough to eat. The children learned that there IS enough food for everyone in the world and about folks and organizations who are working to get food to people who need it.

The older kids loved visiting the farm at Mercy Med, and each day the kids brought in donations for Society of St. Andrew (an organization doing an amazing job of getting food to those who need it). To help the children more fully appreciate their own situations, each night they counted things in their homes - pieces of fruit, cans of food, number of times they had eaten out in a week, number of faucets in their houses where they could get clean water, etc. Each morning the children brought in quarters - a quarter for each of the items they counted the night before. They were SO PROUD to dump their quarters in the bucket each morning, and I only wish you could see the crazy dance we did for each donation! We raised over a thousand dollars for Society of St. Andrew in one week! Sometimes, it seems that activities like that can seem a bit abstract for kids, but I was delighted to hear from so many parents about the discussions their children were having at home about why we were collecting money. It sunk in, and I believe the children will look at things differently now. What a thrill to watch!

There were more special moments than I can list here, and I just wish you could hear the laughter and joy from the week! Our volunteers made it all happen, and showed the kids so much love! I am awed by, and indebted to the best VBS workers anywhere:

Harry Graham, Anne Johnston, Maggie Johnston, Punkin Johnston, Gail Leslie, Harper Maxey, Suzanne Morton, Ashlyn Ogletree, Natalie Page, Pam Page, Suzanne Perkins, Sandra Rogers, Linda Shinkle, Mackenzie Stephens, Courtney Twigg, Eloise Twigg, and Sally Walden.

They are simply the best and gave their time and love with open arms, smiles, and the ability to truly 'go with the flow'.

And one more thing . . . don't think for a minute that your priests weren't part of the action! I think you should volunteer next year, just to see them in costume and in action! Thank you to Father Tim and Father Andy - you made us laugh, and you helped the kids understand Bible stories they won't forget!

With great love and thanks! Mama D

