



Trinity Tidings

April 23, 2021

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Prayer List - to submit a prayer request click [here](#).

Altar Flowers - if you would like to dedicate Altar Flowers click [here](#).

Stay at Home, Stay Connected

We worship on Sunday mornings at 9am [here](#).

You can find the Sunday bulletin [here](#).

There's a coloring sheet for children (or adults!) based on the Sunday lessons that you can print out at home [here](#). If you can't print at home, e-mail [Karen Van Winkle](#) and she will print a few weeks' worth and mail them to you.

We say Compline on Wednesdays at 8pm [here](#).

You can find the Compline bulletin [here](#).

Zoom meetings require a password to enter, but you should be able to bypass that by clicking on these links. The password for all Zoom meetings, except the Youth Sunday School, is trinity.

- **Young Adults** are meeting on Mondays at 7pm on Zoom [here](#).
- **Altar Guild** is meeting on Tuesdays at 11:30am on Zoom and would love for you to join them [here](#)
- **Qi Gong**, practice of simple movements, meditations, and breathing practices, on Zoom on Tuesday at 5:30pm [here](#).
- **Bible Study** on Wednesdays at 11am is meeting on Zoom and would love for you to join us [here](#). The lesson for next Wednesday is Acts 8:26-40.
- **Trinity Wednesdays** is meeting on Wednesdays at 6pm on Zoom [here](#).
- **Thrift Shop Volunteers** meet on Zoom at 10am on Thursdays and all are invited [here](#)
- **9am & 11:15am Choirs** meet on Zoom on Thursdays at 7pm [here](#).

- **St. Martha's Guild** meets on Zoom on Fridays at 11am [here](#)
- Fr. Todd is hosting a **parish-wide Social Hour** on Zoom every Friday at 5pm [here](#).
- **The children's Sunday story time video** is [here](#) and the conversation starters/questions are [here](#).
- **Youth Sunday School** for middle and high school students meets on Zoom on Sundays at 10:15am [here](#).
- **Sunday School for Adults** meets on Zoom on Sundays at 10:15am [here](#).
- **The recording** of last Sunday's Sunday School for Adults is [here](#).

The parish office is closed. Barbara and Fr. Todd are in and out of the office to take care of mail, finances, and other essential work to keep the parish running. If you need to be in touch with any of us, e-mail us or call us (Fr. Todd's mobile: 916.367.9281) or call the church office (916.985.2495), which has been rerouted to go to Barbara's mobile phone. If you e-mail Fr. Todd [tbruce@trinityfolsom.org] or Barbara [trinity@trinityfolsom.org], we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Word of the Week

Our word of the week is [mixed chalice](#). Even though we are currently prohibited from partaking of the wine due to the pandemic, we still consecrate a small amount of wine each Sunday, and we always use a mixed chalice. At the moment, it's already mixed before it is placed on the altar; when we return to gathering in person, the clergy will mix the chalice as they prepare the altar during the offertory, and though you might not be able to hear it, you might see their lips move as they say "blood and water poured from his side" as they mix the wine and water.

Construction Pic of the Week



Pews arrived this week! Our pews come from Sauder, a Mennonite company in northwestern Ohio and one of the leading American manufacturers of pews and other church furnishings. The pews and kneelers arrived in pieces around noon on Tuesday, and the crew has been busy putting the pews together and bolting them into the floor all week; installation should be complete by Friday afternoon. The pew design is based on a popular 19th century design, and from the few

pictures we have of the church before a renovation in the mid-20th century, it looks like it was the design of the pews that were previously in our building. We added pews behind the altar rail and in the new choir area, and we also added six rows of pews on each side of the nave. We could have added more, but we wanted to increase the distance between pews so that it would be more comfortable to use the kneelers. We've also added three wheelchair cutouts, two in the front row on the side aisles, and one near the back along the center aisle. Our seating capacity is changing from about 125 to a little over 225.

Reopening Planning

We are planning on reopening the campus for worship gatherings on Trinity Sunday, May 30th. At the moment, we're planning on returning to our usual schedule: 7:30am, 9am, 11:15am, and 7pm. We don't know yet what precautions we will have in place, but they will almost certainly include requiring masking to attend in person, and at least initially, distancing. Because we won't be able to operate at full capacity when we first reopen, we'll have overflow seating in the Parish Hall, broadcast the service there, and the folks in the Parish Hall will come over to the church to take Communion. Not ideal, we know, but we're living in interesting times and are doing the best we can. We're also planning on continuing to broadcast services online, probably permanently, so if you're not ready to gather yet, or if you aren't comfortable with the requirements to attend in person, we'll still be online. Look for more information soon!

Trinity Trekkers

After our pandemic pause, we're thrilled that Trinity Trekkers will be walking on Friday, May 7th. Look for the time and place to be announced in next week's Tidings, but go ahead and mark your calendars now!

Scheduling Baptisms, Weddings, & Funerals

Now that we have a sense of when we will be able to reoccupy the church, we're again scheduling baptisms, weddings, and funerals. We already have three baptisms, a wedding, and a funeral scheduled, and if you have delayed one of these events during the pandemic, e-mail [Fr. Todd](#) to schedule a date.

Bone Marrow/Stem Cell Donor Registry

One of our parishioners just finished a round of chemo that did its job, but landed them in the hospital for some time. As they recover there, they're waiting while doctors search for a stem cell donor, and if one isn't found, there's more chemo in their future. It's a great opportunity for us to consider whether we might register as a bone marrow/stem cell donor. If it is something you would consider, check out the info page on the City of Hope website [here](#).

Congratulations Graduates!

If you or your children are graduating from high school college, graduate school, boot camp, whatever, we would love to include you in our prayers, and to learn what is next for you. E-mail [Fr. Todd](#) and let him know!

Annual Mother's Day Diaper & Tampon Collection

Mother's Day this year is Sunday, May 9th. Every year for Mother's Day, we honor mothers by helping mothers in need, collecting diapers and menstrual hygiene products to donate to local food banks (and the Folsom-Cordova Community Partnership Diaper Bank), where they are much in demand. These products are necessary and expensive; imagine struggling to pay rent and buy food for your family, and also desperately needing diapers, tampons, and pads.

We usually collect the items and stack them in front of the altar that Sunday as part of our offering to God. But with the church building out of commission for a few more weeks, and a lack of storage space in general on campus as our construction project draws to a close, we've decided to collect money this year and donate it for the purpose of buying these products. You can send a check (memo: Mother) or cash (please include a note indicating it is for the Mother's Day collection) to the church office (801 Figueroa St, Folsom CA 95630), or you can easily and quickly make a donation online on the Facebook post announcing the collection – it is pinned to the top of our Facebook page. Facebook has currently waived all transaction fees for registered non-profits, so we'll get every dollar you give.

Music Notes ~ Victory Over Death

This week's postlude is an arrangement of "Thine is the glory." The tune comes from a chorus in George Frideric Handel's oratorio "Judas Maccabeus." Composers of the baroque era often reused their previous compositions in new works; in this piece, Handel reused the tune from "Joshua," an oratorio that he wrote four years earlier. In Judas Maccabeus, this chorus is about the Jewish victory over the Seleucid Empire, an empire that stretched from modern-day Afghanistan to the Mediterranean. The tune of the chorus gained widespread popularity as a hymn for Easter because of a 1923 English translation of a French text about Christ's resurrection; it has been used as part of Easter services for the British royal family and the Queen's 80th birthday. Unfortunately, the hymn did not make it into our 1982 Hymnal. This refrain appears at the end of each verse: "*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;/endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.*" ~ Dr. Brett Judson, Director of Music

Trinity Wednesdays

Trinity Wednesdays is meeting on Wednesdays at 6pm on Zoom [here](#). We're reading Adam Hamilton's Half Truths. For the 28th, read chapter three. A few questions to guide your reading and our discussion are [here](#).

Sunday School

Sunday School for Adults meets after church at 10:15am on Zoom [here](#). This Sunday, we'll join Jesus on the run from the folks trying to kill him, and we'll look at a few short stories that should give us a lot to think about.

For youth in **middle and high school**, we're hosting a live Zoom with Karen on Sunday morning at 10:15am [here](#). A special password is required to access this Zoom; e-mail [Karen](#) to get it.

For our **younger children**, who would have attended Children's Chapel and the kindergarten and elementary Sunday School classes, Director of Children's Ministries Karen Van Winkle is hosting a story time. She'll be telling a story while she builds it out of Legos, and she'll invite the children watching to build with her – or draw, or whatever creative activity they like. This is a prerecorded video; it will be posted on our Facebook page after Sunday service and saved in the videos section of our Facebook page, or you can watch it before Sunday morning by clicking [here](#). Karen has also prepared some questions and conversation starters for you to use during or after watching the video; you can find those [here](#).

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