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VOICE OF TRINITY

Proclaiming Jesus Christ to the World



From Our Pastor

“Bloom Where You are Planted”

The month of April was a very busy time for me. I spent one weekend as a spiritual director for the Men’s Via de Cristo weekend, and another week being away on vacation at the beach with family. Then there was the funeral service for Clarence Walker. We had two spaghetti dinners, one to benefit the Riverside Chorus and the other for the Children’s Enrichment Workshops (CEW). I am ready for some yard therapy, tending to flower beds and repotting plants around the house.

It was timely to also receive a letter of appeal from Lutheran Social Services of Northeast Florida (LSS) encouraging financial support and to “Grow Hope in our Community.” In the letter, Bill Brim (President & CEO), gave recipients little paper seed hearts to plant and grow and to also give “Hope” to people who are food-insecure, newly arrive refugees, individuals with an HIV diagnosis, or wanting to take control of their financial future. I plan to plant the little seed hearts and to continue our support of LSS for the coming year(s) along with planting seeds of hope this year through the work and ministries of Trinity.

There is an often used saying in Via de Cristo, that encourages one to “***Bloom Where You are Planted.***” Where we may be planted may change overtime, yet we are still called as followers and disciples of our Lord to “***bear much fruit***” for the glory of God (*John15:8*).

My hope for you this spring and summer is to continue to plant seeds of hope in Jesus Christ in your life and for the lives of others. My hope is that those seeds would bear much good fruit for the glory of God.

*In Christ’s service,
Pastor Robert*

Opportunities to serve at Trinity’s worship service:

There are several ways and needs for people to serve at the worship services for Trinity.

- Usher/Greeter at both services (particularly at the 11:00am Traditional service)
- Reading the scripture lessons (Lector);
- Communion/Worship assistant at both services.

To find out more about and signing up for these opportunities speak to Mary and Byron Bollingberg, Pam Piersall, Lise York, and Pastor Robert.

May

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Choir 10:30am	2 Food Pantry 4:00pm	3 Food Pantry 10:00am	4
5 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am	6 Quilters 9:00am	7	8 Choir 10:30am	9 Food Pantry 4:00pm	10 Food Pantry 10:00am	11
12 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am	13 Quilters 9:00am	14 Circle 12:00pm Council 6:30pm	15 Choir 10:30am	16 Food Pantry 4:00pm	17 Food Pantry 10:00am	18
19 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am (Pentecost)	20 Quilters 9:00am	21	22 Choir 10:30am AARP Driving Class 9:00am	23 Food Pantry 4:00pm AARP Driving Class 9:00am Lunch Bunch 11:30am	24 Food Pantry 10:00am	25 Contra Dance 6-11pm
26 One Service 10:00am (Confirmation) Holy Trinity Sunday	27 Memorial Day Office Closed	28	29 Choir 10:30am	30 Food Pantry 4:00pm	31 Food Pantry 10:00am NFAN Luncheon 11:30am	





Our Sympathy:

To Joyce Walker and the family of Clarence Walker, who passed away on Sunday, March 31. A funeral service was held at Trinity on April 11, with burial in the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

To Tom Culverwell and family upon the death of his brother-in-law Richard Kowalczyk. Richard was in his 90's. He and his wife Roberta Ann (Tom's sister) celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in 2023.

Trinity Lunch Bunch Schedule

May 23 –
Harp's American Pub & Grill
4070 Herschel St
Jacksonville, FL 32210
904-389-5631

June 27 –
Ale Pie House
3951 St. Johns Ave.
Jacksonville, FL 32210
904-503-8000

July 25 –
Tuptim Thai & Sushi
5907 Roosevelt Blvd #700
Jacksonville, FL 32244
904-503-0168

Remember to sign up in the Hall of Memories.

Call Kim with any changes:
904-635-9104

Thank You

We received thanks from Cindy Funkhouser, President and CEO of the Sulzbacher Center. Cindy says "Your gift of \$260.00 is tremendously appreciated. Because of your compassionate support, Sulzbacher is able to provide safe shelter, nutritious meals, quality healthcare and other uplifting assistance to over 350 men, women and children who call Sulzbacher "home" each night, and medical outreach to hundreds of others living on the streets. We could not accomplish as much as we do without you. Thank you so much!"

First Communion Recipient

Congratulations and God's strength be with Bronson Elias Speth, who was instructed in and received his First Communion on Sunday, April 14th.

The Daily Devotional - Word in Season

for April through June are available in the Narthex.

Choir News

Choir practice is every Wednesday at 10:30 am. The Choir needs YOU! See you there!

New Address!

Cameron and Karen Warner
Waldo Edwards
3773 Wilson-Youngstown Rd.
Wilson, NY 14172

The Love Offering for May will go to support Rachel's Day / Hubbard House.

Spaghetti Dinner Thank-You's

Thank you to all who supported the two spaghetti dinners at Trinity in the month of April.

Riverside High Chorus Dinner/Concert was very successful as 120+ guests (including the chorus) were served. Over \$900 was raised. Thank you to Rae Ettmyer and Gary Hautau for cooking along with Bill and Karen Hiers, Fanny Hautau, Berni and Steve Tomaszewski and several folks for the Riverside High who volunteered. Funds from this year's event will be shared with the Riverside High Band.

Children's Enrichment Workshops (CEW) Dinner was again a great time of fellowship. About 100 dinners were served and over \$900 raised to help support the transportation costs for CEW. Thanks again to Rae Ettmyer for cooking along with Gary Hautau, Bill and Karen Hiers, Berni Tomaszewski, Kacey Merritt, Kathy Brantley, Rev. Dana and Jim Riley and Janet Novick for volunteering.

Florida-Bahamas Synod Assembly

The annual Synod Assembly will be held in Kissimmee from May 31st to June 2nd. Pastor Robert and Dwane Tyson will be serving as voting members from Trinity at the Assembly. There is a place open for a female voting member.

Holy Trinity Sunday

May 26th there will be **ONE SERVICE at 10:00 am**. We will be celebrating the confirmation of one of our young persons on this day.

Graduations

If you have someone in your immediate family who is graduating this spring from High School or an institution of higher education, please let the church office know.

From the Quilters:

The quilters are in need of fabric to use in making the quilts. If anyone has any fabric to donate to our cause, please let us know or bring it to the church. Preferred: Cotton or Cotton/Poly blend. Can not use microfiber.

Pentecost Sunday

May 19th is Pentecost Sunday, as we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit being in the church the body of Christ. There will be two worship services at their standard times: reSource – 9:00 am and Traditional – 11:00 am. Remember to wear RED as the color of the Holy Spirit!





**Treasurer's Report
March 2024**

3/1/2024 to 3/31/2024

Receipts

Actual	\$78,458
Budgeted	\$64,593
Actual-Budget	\$13,865

Expenses

Actual	\$56,461
Budgeted	\$59,157
Actual-Budget	(\$2,696)

Year-To-Date

Total Income	\$78,458
Total Expense	\$56,461
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$21,997

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Trinity Food Pantry Highlights

Here's a recap of activity during April 2024:

Date	Patrons	Family Members	# of Zip Codes
Apr 4 th - 5 th	202	622	24
Apr 11 th - 12 th	218	619	22
Apr.18 th - 19 th	211	666	26
Apr.25 th -26 th	235	697	27
Total	866	2,604	30

40 Different Volunteers Served at the Community Food Panty during April.

Current Schedule for April 2024:

May 2nd – 4PM-6PM May 3rd – 10AM-12PM
 May 9th - 4PM-6PM May 10th - 10AM-12PM
 May 16th - 4PM-6PM May 17th – 10AM-12PM
 May 23rd - 4PM-6PM May 24th – 10AM-12PM
 May 30th - 4PM-6PM May 31st – 10AM-12PM

Thank you to all of the Trinity Members that have Volunteered time and Voluntarily donated food and money to the food pantry. The pantry continues to serve a growing number of patrons in need of food. Books and magazine donations are also requested as patrons quickly select those available for their use and enjoyment.

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: Reverend Robert Kinley
Office Administrator: Lise York
Organist/Choir Director: Kim Bloomer
Director of reSource Ministry: Dean Winter
Hostess: Rae Ettmyer
Custodian: Scott Piersall

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS:

President: Rusty White
Vice President: Karen Kuebler
Secretary: Judy Hassler
Treasurer:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Pam Piersall	Judy Hassler	Bekah Alenduff
Geri Buchanan	Rusty White	Sandra Bryant
Gene Harvey	Karen Kuebler	Kyle Lind