Trinity Episcopal Church’s Holy Vision:

In glorifying God, we the members of Trinity Church, will foster a unified parish, demonstrate our spirituality with an open heart, and reflect in our actions the good news of the Holy Spirit to all members of our church and community.

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Holy Week and Easter Sunday

Alleluia, the Lord is risen! In April we had a marvelous Holy Week and Easter. We journeyed together on the way to the cross. We walked into Holy Week together on Palm Sunday, just as Jesus walked into Jerusalem. During the Palm Sunday service we got to enjoy an offertory anthem sung by our children’s choir. Once again Katie DeSa, along with Pauline Manly and Mike DeSa prepared our children for this performance. Once a month they practiced, as well as enjoyed lessons to accompany the practice, and the work they put in showed. The kids did marvelous! That evening we put on the final Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament of the season. We spent time in the presence of our Lord, and were blessed by the sacrament.

We then entered the week. Each day we journeyed with Jesus and those who followed him on the way of the Cross with Stations of the Cross each day during Holy Week, followed by a soup lunch. Monday was an extra special day as we hosted the Ministerial Alliance Holy Week service for Monday. We had many visitors from churches in and around Marshall attend the Stations of the Cross service, as well as eat soup with us. We ended up running out of soup, but not before everyone present got a bowl.

On Wednesday we walked the way to the cross by remembering the plot of Judas to betray Jesus. We explored the final plea Jesus offered to Judas by giving him the bread. Then on Thursday we saw that plot unfold. First we remembered how Christ served by coming up and getting our feet washed. We then celebrated the Eucharist together before the altar was stripped. We watched as the beautiful pieces of church furnishings were taken away, just as the disciples watched as their Lord was taken away.

On Friday we explored the passion of Christ in sung form. During the Tenebrae service the choir sang powerful pieces of music that accompanied readings from the Passion narrative. On Saturday we waited. We waited in silence by the tomb for our Lord to arise. Just as the disciples waited in fearful expectation for their Lord to rise again as he promised he would.

Then we got to Easter Sunday. What a joyful Sunday it was. At the 10:30 service we baptized two new members into the body of Christ, and those two members received their first communion. They joined some of the earliest Christians who were baptized on Easter and received the sacrament of the Lord following their baptism during the Easter Vigil. Being able to walk through Holy Week, to see what Jesus went through during those last days sure makes Easter more powerful. It makes it more real. It makes it more special to say “The Lord is Risen indeed, Alleluia.”

*See some pictures from Holy Week and Easter on page 6.*
Senior Warden Message

Greetings from your Senior Warden!

God’s Peace to each of you for the Lord has Risen!

Your Vestry is progressing forward with the required activities involved in preparing our Parish for the calling of a new rector for Trinity Marshall. Fr. Andrew is doing an outstanding job as Locum Tenens and I know I speak on behalf of the Parish in saying “Thank You Fr. Andrew for All that you do, for you have been such a Blessing”!

Your Vestry continues with the existing “pre-search” work that shall be done in preparation of beginning the Rector search committee. As stated previously, The Diocese of Texas is governing our Vestry work and is guiding us throughout this process. We shall have Comfort and Peace to know that God already knows for whom He has called to serve as the new rector of Trinity Marshall and He is currently preparing that calling, as well as preparing Trinity Marshall too.

So what is next? Our next step within the multiple series of pre-search work is implementing the parish survey. The Holy Cow parish survey work is being led by chairperson Kathleen Abraham, along with Angela Bray and Chris Altnau. The survey has been purchased and the committee expects to introduce the survey to the parish toward the mid to late month of May. This survey is so important as it will be the foundation of creating our Parish Profile for which Trinity Marshall will utilize in finding a new rector, as well as, rector candidates will utilize in determining if Trinity Marshall is the right calling. The parish will be given detailed instructions and directions in the upcoming weeks from the Holy Cow committee.

From a Rector compensation financial status update, I have been in contact with The Episcopal Diocese of Texas Human Resource manager in preparing and identifying the compensation package for our new calling. This minimum compensation package is a requirement that your Vestry will complete and submit to The Diocese for approval. The respective 2018 and 2019 budgets will reflect such changes when warranted.

Many of you have expressed interest in serving on the Search Committee for our new rector. In May, we will be circulating Search Committee Nomination forms for those interested in serving.

Let us continue to be in prayer and listen to the Holy Spirit as Trinity Marshall is guided in this ever so important rector search process.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace!

Blessings!
Tony
Hello Friends, greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. We are entering that time of the year when things are getting busy. Many are preparing for end of school year. Many are taking tests, or preparing children to take tests. Teachers are getting grades in, and preparing end of school activities. With Easter so late we went straight from celebrating the resurrection to preparing for the end of the school year. This is a reminder of the busyness of life getting in the way of our enjoyment of this holy season. The season when we celebrate the paschal mystery. It is important for us in our daily walks with Christ to find some time to slow down and just be with Him.

At the end of this month we will be celebrating the Ascension. The moment where Christ ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father. Christ left his Disciples to carry on the mission of the church. They had a big task ahead of them. It would be dangerous, it would take them all over. This was busy work. I would feel that it would be something which we would need to begin right away. That we would need to get busy and go. However, that is not what Christ told them to do. He told them to wait for the Holy Spirit. That is what they did, waited for a little over a week to receive the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. It was when they received the Holy Spirit that they were able to accomplish all they had to do. It was the Spirit that helped them accomplish the task before them. It was the Spirit that guided them in those tasks. It was the Spirit that gave them the words to preach when they were spreading the Gospel of Christ.

Christ new the importance of waiting. This is why he told them to wait. So that they will be prepared, and refreshed when they go out. This still rings true for us. During this busy season we too must stop and wait on the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will equip us to carry on the many tasks, as well as help us keep focused when the demands of the world get in the way. This season find times to stop and wait for the Spirit. Especially when the busyness begins to get difficult.

The Holy Spirit will lead us through all life’s difficulties, and keep us focused on God. Often times when life get’s too busy the first thing that goes is our time to be with God. Our prayer time is easy to put off. Our time to study scripture is easy to put off. Spending time with God should be the last thing we put off because of busyness. Because God sustains us. When life gets busy, let us find time to slow down and even stop; if only momentarily. Let us slow down and enjoy this season of new life, during the craziness of the world. When we slow down and focus on God and wait for Him to send His Spirit, we can and will be sustained and be blessed in the midst of a busy world.

God bless you all on the remainder of this Holy Season, and have a great end of this school year.

Blessings,

Fr. Andrew
Our Vision:
Our vision for Trinity Episcopal Church includes Growing a dynamic youth program. Reaching out to our community outside the walls with the love of Christ. Increasing spiritual and congregational growth for our parish.

LEGACY CLOSET “MINI” CLOSET IN MARSHALL
Legacy Closet was started in Longview by a foster mom wanting to support other foster families. What started in a backyard shed is now a 501(c)3 with a main location in Longview. We, at Trinity, are opening a closet and another one is coming soon to Daingerfield. As foster parents, Kenneth and I have received children from several counties, most coming with little more than the clothes they’re wearing. What Legacy Closet has done for us is asked for our needs (clothing sizes, shoe sizes, etc) and had a volunteer pull items we needed so we didn’t have to take a scared and confused child to Walmart. Our licensing agency, based in Longview, would then deliver these items. Personally, I met a CPS caseworker at the Longview closet so she could get items needed for kids on her case load. We also allow foster parents to “shop,” for free, for items they need such as school clothes, school supplies, etc. Recently, a friend from the Texarkana area came to our house to get beds for her children as we replaced all of the kids’ beds and were giving her some of the old ones. On the way home, she stopped at the Longview closet to get items she needed. At a recent board meeting, a friend’s daughter said “Legacy receives donations but we give out love.” We are completely separate from the Rainbow Room but, in my experience, equally valuable and worthy of support. We would love your support with new or gently used clothes, gear (not expired and never been in an accident car seats, strollers, etc) or anything a child (newborn to teenage) might need. We support all foster families through these donations. Also, we are hoping our church, as well as other churches and businesses, would host drives for diapers and new packages of socks and underwear. Thank you to Trinity Church for allowing us the space to serve these families.

WOMEN OF TRINITY
Meeting this month will be a lunch at Bear Creek Smokehouse on Hwy 154.

YOUTH NEWS
Hello Trinity Members! In years past the Youth have participated in Operation Christmas Child every November and it has always been a special blessing for us to know that we are helping in spreading the Good News of our Christ to children all over the world. In an effort to be more efficient, this year we will be asking for a special item each month for donation as opposed to asking all at once.

This month we are asking for: Socks
You are welcome to drop them off upstairs in the lounge area or near the youth door. Thank you for all you do in participating in our projects!
### Birthdays

1. Robbey Simmons
2. Mia Abraham
3. Harold Hoffmeister
4. Hannah Tondee
5. Ken Haynes
6. Dick Boyd
7. Ben Whaley
8. Margot Lingold
9. Fort Staggers
10. Carol Hicks
11. Amanda Palmer
12. Scott Rectenwald
13. Carol Meyer
14. Dylan Minatrea
15. Jerry Tanner
16. Catherine Cope

### Anniversaries

4. Mr. & Mrs. David Cope
7. Mr. & Mrs. Woody Moseley
10. Mr. & Mrs. Frank Strauss
14. Mr. & Mrs. Walter Fugler
17. Mr. & Mrs. Paul Palmer
23. Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Duncan
26. Mr. & Mrs. Louis Slayter

### Church Financials for February 2019

- **Budget Income for 2019**: $465,536
- **Budget Expenses for 2019**: $475,960
- **Budget Difference for 2018**: $(10,424)
- **Income Received to Date**: $146,719
- **Expenses to Date**: $88,780
- **Income for the month**: $110,655
- **Expenses for the month**: $42,911
- **Difference for the month**: $67,743

### Russian Singers coming back to Trinity!

Last year we had four singers come to Marshall all the way from Russia to put on a show for us. It was a wonderful show indeed. They will be back this month to offer us another opportunity to hear them perform. The music was wonderful, as well as entertaining. On May 19th, at 6 PM they will be at trinity to perform. There will be a reception following the performance. We will also be providing nursery care, so parents a free night out! Don’t miss this awesome opportunity to hear some great music, and see a fun show.
Pictures from Holy Week and Easter
At Trinity Episcopal School 5th-8th graders have the opportunity to play sports. The girls play volleyball and basketball, while the boys play basketball. These sports are open to all the students in our middle school for free. The students and their families are not required to pay any fees whatsoever. The school does pay though. The school pays ref fees, tournament fees, uniforms, and all the things that go along with athletics. All of this begins to add up for the school. Our PE teacher is looking at ways to have a more viable athletic program. Some of those would include finding coaches who would be paid, and adding more sports. This of course will add more money being spent. We want to avoid charging kids to play, so that we can have all kids participate who wants to. So we are starting an athletic budget to fund these efforts. This is where we can help!

On May 16th from 5:00-9:00 PM you can support the athletic program by eating at our brand new Dairy Queen. 15% of all profits will be donated to our school, specifically for the athletic program. This is an easy, and delicious way to help out. This will be the first of many fundraisers that they will be participating in, but this would be a good one to participate in.

So on May 16th go get yourself a hunger buster, or any of the other delicious meal options for dinner and a blizzard for dessert and help support Trinity’s new athletic budget.
Understanding the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion

XXX Of both Kings

The Cup of the Lord is not to be denied to the Lay Perople: for both parts of the Lord’s Sacrament, by Christ’s ordinance and commandment, ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.

In the Anglican world we see communion as valid in both kinds. We give an option on how to receive communion. Many eat the bread and drink from the cup. However, due to personal reasons some choose not to drink from the cup. They might either dip the host in the chalice, or simply skip the chalice. When this is done the communicant still receives the Eucharist. There are no requirements on what they receive. Further, the Anglican world practices “open communion”. That is, any baptized Christian regardless of their faith tradition, is welcome to receive the Holy Sacrament.

This is not the case in all of Christendom, and is why we have the Thirtieth Article in the Thirty-Nine Articles. In other religions, such as the Roman Catholic Church and Eastern Orthodox faiths, communion is limited just for those who are members of the specific church. Further, historically the laity only received the host. The chalice was reserved only for the celebrating Priest. Meaning the Laity would often times either not receive, or just receive the communion in one kind. This is still a valid communion, but it leaves out the option of receiving communion in both kinds. The Thirtieth article is a shorter article, but it gets straight to the point. The point is that the lay people will not be denied the chalice. It also explains that no Christians will be denied communion. In this article I will explain why we have the Thirtieth article, and what it is explaining.

First off I will explain what we man by communion of both kinds. When we say both kinds we mean the bread and wine, which contains the real presence of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. The way we practice administering communion is the priest gives the host, either placing it in the hand of the communicant or on their tongue. Then the chalice bearer comes and offers the cup. The person may either dip the bread in the cup and then eat it, or they may drink from the cup. They may also pass on the cup completely. This is communion of both kinds. Having both the body and blood available. We do this because it is what Christ commanded. During the Last Supper Jesus gave both the bread and the wine to the disciples. He told them to take and eat, for that is his body. He then offered them the wine and told them to drink this, for it is his blood shed for us. He did not tell them to do this once, but continuously. This is why we receive communion each week and receive both the bread and the wine.

When this article was written the Church did not give communion of both kinds. The lay would receive the bread on the tongue and then be done. The priest was the only person who would be able to receive the communion in both kinds. Today the Roman Catholic Church has shifted their stance, where they offer the communion in both kinds, however there are still some that do not. Communion of both kinds is not all that this article talks about. The last part of the short article states “ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.” This is stating that all Christians should be given the commun-
ion. Regardless of what church they attend. This is a response to the Catholic Church’s policy that only Roman Catholics can receive the communion. Now it is important to look at their reasoning. There are many views of the Eucharist. The Roman Catholic sees the Eucharist as the complete body and blood of Christ. There are some who do not see it this way. The Catholic Church views that if you do not see the bread and wine as the real body and blood of Christ then you cannot receive communion faithfully, thus you cannot receive communion. When we look at it this way it makes sense, and it is in a way pastoral. They are not simply playing favorites, they are looking out for the well being of the sacrament, and those receiving the sacrament.

In the Anglican world we have a wide view of the Eucharist and what it is, and that is why we leave it open for anyone to receive. This article makes it clear that all members of the whole church, whether they are Episcopalian or not ought to be offered the communion in both kinds, that being offered the bread and the wine which is the real presence of the body and blood. We are not forced to receive it in both kinds, but we are to be offered. The only time someone can be denied communion is if they are living in notorious sin. Although, this is rarely an issue. It is by God’s grace that we are able to receive his body and blood. With this, we cannot withhold communion to any baptized Christian, as it is not ours to give. WE are administering God’s holy Sacrament.
Join us for a special Concert!!!

On Sunday April 19th, at 6PM the group “ChoRuss” will be performing at Trinity Episcopal Church once again. They came out last year, and it was a wonderful show. They have offered to come for a second show.

Please make plans to hear them perform, and stay after for snacks and drinks.
TRINITY EPISCOPAL SCHOOL PRESENTS

THURSDAY, MAY 9
10 am and 6:30 pm
Admission is free
Presented in the Trinity Episcopal School Gym
2509 Rosborough Springs Rd
(903)938-3513 www.trinitymarshall.org

Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman
Al Rinker and Floyd Huddleston, Terry Giklyson

Music Adapted and Arranged and Additional Music by Bryan Louiselle
Book Adapted and Additional Lyrics by Michael Bernard

Based on the 1970 Disney film “The Aristocats”
### Parish Staff
- Fr. Andrew Ellison  
  *Locum Tenens*
- Rae Dickson  
  *Youth Director*
- Magdalena Altnau  
  *Children’s Christian Formation Director*
- Angela Bray  
  *Nursery Director*
- Jim Johnson  
  *Music Director and Organist*
- Melissa Hammers  
  *Choir Director*
- Stacey Shaw  
  *Parish Administrator*
- Suzie Ward  
  *Administrative Assistant*
- Melvin Williams  
  *Sexton*

### Vestry
- Tony Pierce  
  *Senior Warden*
- Jackie Weeks  
  *Junior Warden*
- Angela Bray  
  *Clerk of the Vestry*
- Margot Lingold  
  *Treasurer*
- Carol Meyer  
  *Choir Director*
- Chris Altnau  
  *Choir Director*
- Steve Lewis  
  *Sexton*
- Don Bramlett  
  *Sexton*
- Sam Clark  
  *Sexton*
- Blair Hammers  
  *Sexton*
- Roy McCarroll  
  *Sexton*
- Kathleen Abraham  
  *Sexton*

### Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday
- **Holy Communion** - 8:00 AM
- **Parish Breakfast** - 9:00 AM
- **Christian Formation for all ages** - 9:30 AM
- **Holy Communion** - 10:30 AM
- **After 10:30 Service**
- **Coffee & Cookies In All Saints Hall**

#### Wednesday
- **Holy Communion** - 10:00 AM
- **Choir Practice** - 5:00 PM
- **Dinner** - 5:15 PM
- **Contemporary Worship** - 6:15 PM

#### Thursday
- **Martha’s Kitchen** - 6:00 PM

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