



# THE TRIPOD

*Trinity Episcopal Church & School*

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## 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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## FALL CONCERT



Music has always been a way in which we can connect with God. In Scripture, during many moment of praise, song was used to pray God. When God helped the Israelites cross the Red Sea to escape Egypt, Moses sung the Song of the Sea, also the Song of Moses. Mary sung a song praising God for the gift of Jesus growing in her womb. Music helps us experience God, and praise him. The Fall Concert was one way we can experience God. Each year Trinity hosts two concerts, one in the fall and one in the spring. This began with a fall concert four years ago. The Shreveport Festival String Quartet began playing with us during that first year. Suffice it to say, that first year was a hit, as they have been back with us the following 4 years. We were excited to welcome them back on Sunday, October 27th. The Fall Concert is one of my personal favorite events

we do, aside from our excellent outreach options. It began in 2015 with a grant given to us by the diocese for outreach opportunities. This grant was just a two year grant covering the 2015 and 2016 concert. Due to the popularity of this concert we even added a spring concert. The Jr. DoK hosted the concert and reception for the first few years. Now the Hospitality Committee hosts the reception following the shows.

Once the diocese grant ran out, we were left with trying to figure out how to continue the concert, which we knew we wanted to do. God gave us the means to do just that. The family of Wanda Summerford Parker was moved to help fund the concert in her memory. Wanda was a beloved member of Trinity and of Marshall, and it is an honor to continue both the fall and spring concert in her name.

This year for the Fall Concert the Shreveport Festival String Quartet played an uplifting show for us, using both symphonies from Beethoven as well as some more recent pieces. They



played a very moving rendition of Unchained Melody by the Righteous Brothers. It was a moving night. After they were done with their set, the crowd urged them to play an encore, which they gladly obliged. They blessed us with one of my favorite pieces from Phantom of the Opera, The Music of the Night which was a wonderful way to end a night of music.

After the show we enjoyed a nice reception; with wine, punch, meat, cheese and crackers, as well as fruit, vegetables, and nuts. There we got to enjoy fellowship with the quartet and those who came to hear them.

The Shreveport Festival String Quartet seemed to really enjoy being back with us, and we certainly enjoyed having them. It truly was a great and uplifting night.





**Our Mission**

To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by:

Inviting all to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Fostering the presence of the Holy Spirit for the equipping of saints to do the work of ministry.

Witnessing to the power of God to heal, transform, and make all things new.

Supporting those who by word and example make Christ's redemptive work known.

# Thanksgiving Outreach

Trinity hosts the Thanksgiving Outreach each year, where we provide Thanksgiving meals to people who may not be able to receive them otherwise. These are our first responders who are working to protect us, those in jails, those who are homebound, those who live in poverty, or any other person who cannot enjoy a Thanksgiving meal. Last year we served just under 1200 meals, and this year we most likely will serve around the same amount. This is a lot of work, and cannot be done without volunteers. Consider giving a couple of hours on Thanksgiving morning to this worthy cause. There are plenty of opportunities to serve. The cranberry brigade prepares the cranberry sauce on Wednesday before Thanksgiving. This is a great way to help. We can also use help on Thanksgiving day by cutting up desserts, serving meals, boxing up meals, and delivering meals. This is a great opportunity to give back, and we can use any age to help.

So come to the church on Thanksgiving morning to help serve those who truly could use a meal. This may be their only way to enjoy a meal on Thanksgiving.

Contact the church office for more details.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH | CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## Children's Choir

CHILDREN K - 5 TH GRADE

### FALL 2019 CHOIR DAYS



SEPTEMBER 25, 2019  
 OCTOBER 16, 2019  
 NOVEMBER 13, 2019  
 DECEMBER 04, 2019  
 DECEMBER 11, 2019  
 DECEMBER 18, 2019



FINAL PRACTICE:

DECEMBER 22, 2019 (9:30 AM)

ALL CLASS DATES  
 ARE ON  
 WEDNESDAYS @ 6:15pm

CHRISTMAS EVE  
 PERFORMANCE  
 Tuesday, December 24, 2019  
 5:30 PM FAMILY SERVICE



Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;  
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
 Psalm 95:1

## A Word With Fr. Andrew

Hello friends, greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. I was sitting in the Fall Concert listening to the beautiful music being made and was mesmerized. Not just by the music, which was awe inspiring, but by how the music is made. I was watching as the leader motioned to the other members of the quartet to begin. They all would then begin playing at the same moment. I was watching the bows moving at the same time. All four of the musicians worked perfectly together to make the music. It struck me how much they relied on each other to make the music happen. How each person had their own pieces to play, as well as three different instruments. If one was not ready, the whole piece would be off. I watched as they waited for different members to tune their instruments. They could not go on without that vital person. You see, they all had a vital part to play. Alone they would not be able to play the pieces that we heard, but together they could. It was great to see this working together make beautiful music.



I could not help but think about the Church when listening to the Shreveport Festival String Quartet. This is how the church works, like a quartet, or an orchestra. We are all given gifts by God, gifts we can use for the church. Some have musical gifts, like the Shreveport Festival String Quartet, that they use to the glory of God. Some of us don't. However, we all have a spiritual gift. If we do not use them we are missing out on the opportunity to participate in Kingdom building.

Paul used the metaphor of the church as a body. If part of the body does not work the whole body suffers. If we are not working together in ministry, the church suffers. If we are not playing our part, the ministry can't happen. If we are not bringing our own gifts, the work of building up the Kingdom is much more difficult. I urge us all in this stewardship season to explore ways we can not only give resources, but also ways we can give ourselves. In the Rite 1 Eucharistic Prayer we say we offer up ourselves, our souls and bodies. When we offer up ourselves, the work of ministry can happen. The work of bringing the kingdom of God to Marshall will happen. We can be like the Shreveport Festival String Quartet, and work together to make something beautiful. We can bring the church to the world.

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.

WOMEN OF TRINITY

It's meeting time again! We will meet on Wednesday, November 20th at 11am in the Guild Room. Lunch will be served after. Our speaker will be Glenn Barnhart who is the new manager of the Memorial City Hall Performance Center. All women are invited.

**Parish Meeting**

**On Sunday, October 20th during our 8 am and 10:30 am services we held our parish meeting. We blessed the Joan Jones Memorial Bench given by Women of Trinity. We also voted for the new vestry members; Gary Hathaway, Edwina Thomas, Juli Jameson, and Bud Bray. We also voted for the delegates; Magda Altnau, Jim Steidley, Angela Bray, and Carol Meyer. We thank those who were willing to serve. We also welcomed the Rev. Blake Rider, who went over our Holy Cow survey as well as talked with us about the upcoming search process. It was good to have him with us to speak some truths as well as reaffirm us in our works. It was a good morning, with many members of the church coming out. This showed the ex-**



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 : soccer balls or monetary donation for it**

You are welcome to drop them off at Rae's office in All Saint's Hall or upstairs in the lounge area or near the youth door. Thank you for all you do in participating in our projects!

## Birthdays

3 Susan Bogue	16 Nora Brown
3 Carrie Weeks	18 Magda Altnau
6 Sarah Slayter	20 Spencer White
10 Sarah Hasty	20 Troy Simmons
11 Bill Pool	22 Gary Jackson
15 Patty Whaley	22 Laura Rectenwald

## Church Financials for May 2019

Budget Income for 2019.....	\$465,536
Budget Expenses for 2019 .....	\$475,960
Budget Difference for 2019 .....	(\$10,424)
Income Received to Date .....	\$255,031.32
Expenses to Date .....	\$203,311.06
Income for the month .....	\$23,900.05
Expenses for the month .....	\$42,862.53
Difference for the month .....	\$(20,962.48)

## Anniversaries

- 9 Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Brannon
- 18 Mr. & Mrs. Kurt Truelove
- 24 Mr. & Mrs. Russell Minatrea

T R I N I T Y   E P I S C O P A L   C H U R C H

# Jr. Daughters of the King

## FALL 2019 SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 - WELCOME LUNCHEON

W E D N E S D A Y   C L A S S E S   :

S E P T E M B E R   1 8 ,   2 0 1 9

O C T O B E R   2 ,   2 0 1 9

O C T O B E R   2 3 ,   2 0 1 9

N O V E M B E R   6 ,   2 0 1 9

N O V E M B E R   2 0 ,   2 0 1 9



*All Wednesday Classes are at 6:15-7pm*

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2019 - CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

PLEASE CONTACT CAROL HICKS OR CATHY COPE FOR MORE  
INFORMATION OR OTHER QUESTIONS.

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## Trinity Episcopal School Happenings!

Trinity Episcopal School has had a very busy month of October, and a fun month. We began the month with Fall break. After a good start to the year for our students and faculty, they received some time off. On Thursday, October 10th the students got out at 11:30 am, then they were off the following Friday and Monday. It was a refreshing break from the rhythms of school life.

We also had a fun month of athletics. Our Middle School girls participated in Volleyball playing against other private schools in the area. They represented Trinity with class and grace. They faired well against other team. Including teams with girls older than them. It seemed like the girls had a good time playing, and got better as the season progressed. Now, both boys and girls in the Middle School are getting ready for Basketball season. Practices began in late October, and this looks to be an exciting year for our basketball teams. We also were represented by 3rd–8th graders at the Fall Relays in Longview. The Fall Relays are various athletic events that the students participated and we did quite well, with various first place finishes. The most important thing in all of these events is if the kids have fun, which they seemed to have a great time. Friends of Trinity also put on a golf fundraiser. Many local businesses and individuals sponsored holes, and many golfers participated. It was a great event.

We also went on a all school field trip...well all K-8th field trip. Originally the trip was supposed to be to Dixie Maze. Before this year the 1st grade class has always went to Dixie Maze in Louisiana north of Shreveport. This year a group of teachers asked “why not us?” So the idea was born that the whole upper school go on a field trip together. That is what we did! On October 16th we were ready to leave from the school. Children and their parents began to arrive to go to Dixie Maze, all in their spirit shirts, when we got the call. Dixie Maze called the teacher coordinating the event and informed her that due to the storms Dixie Maze was not able to accommodate the students and their families. So the goal then was to find a replacement field trip. While the parents were there, the teachers along with head of school Carrie Hammak found a backup plan. That was Tyler Zoo, which easily accommodated our group. It was a super fun second option. I was impressed with our teachers ability to work something out in a bind.

The last month of October was Red Ribbon Week, a week where kids can stand up to drugs by dressing up in a different theme each day. Monday was western day, Tuesday was black out day, Wednesday was Tacky Tourist, Thursday was wear Halloween costumes, Friday was 80's days. It was so much fun seeing the kids and teachers get creative each day dressing up.

Finally, on Friday, October 25th we had a bake sale raising money for childhood cancer research. There was a wonderful assortment of baked goodies available for the students, faculty, and parents to buy. Many members of our Trinity family baked these treats and donated them for the sale, and the students worked taking money. It was a huge success.

To say this has been a busy month is an understatement. Many exciting things are happening at our school, and it is great that we at Trinity Episcopal Church can be a small part of it. One way we can sup-



**Our Core Values:**

Commitment to Jesus Christ

Authority of Scripture

Evangelism

Relational Ministry

Worship

Servant Ministry

Sacrificial Giving

Biblical Leadership



## Greetings from your Senior Warden!

All,

Blessings and God's Peace to each of you! What a Blessing our Annual Parish Meeting was for Trinity Marshall! Our 2020 annual budget reflects change and growth for Trinity Marshall! Change is exactly the topic that Rev. Blake Rider spoke to us about and asked that the members of Trinity Marshall continue to be in prayer for all the known and unknowns associated with this change. As you know, the Rector search committee was formed from the names that you the members submitted to represent Trinity Marshall as we progress with the calling of a new rector. In addition to the current seven committee members, two additional members were elected by your vestry during the October Vestry meeting. Julie Jameson and Edwina Thomas, both newly elected 2020 vestry members will also join the search committee. The search committee consist of the following members: Julie Jameson, Edwina Thomas, Roy McCarroll, Mike DeSa, Jackie Weeks, Henry Henderson, Laura Rectenwald, Julie Trexler and Joyce Hammers. Join me in thanking each of these dedicated servants for their commitment to Trinity!

As the committee is now in place, you may be asking what happens next? The Parish Profile has been submitted to Rev. Rider and is currently being reviewed and edited for final revision. In December, Rev. Rider will return to Marshall to complete the required training of the search committee in preparation of their upcoming search process activities. This training will occur on Thursday December 12th. A search committee chairperson will also be elected during that time. On Sunday December 15th, Commissioning of the search committee will take place by Fr. Andrew. Rev. Rider expects that names will be sent to the search committee no earlier than mid-January 2020. Rev. Rider has informed us that he has already been receiving inquiries from interested parties about Trinity Marshall.

The remaining months of 2019 will be bountiful with your vestry and search committee. Let us not become anxious, fearful or doubtful yet be reminded to listen to the Holy Spirit and allow ourselves to be guided and comforted. Our search committee members are representing Trinity Marshall with their work and their actions as Servant Leaders, let us join them in continuing to do the work that The Lord has set before us.

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

# Archbishop Ben Kwashi Visit To Marshall



What a treat Marshall got to experience with the Visit of Archbishop Ben Kwashi. Archbishop Ben Kwashi is a Nigerian Anglican Archbishop from the Diocese of Jos in northern Nigeria. He and his wife Gloria came to Marshall to visit our own parishioner Edwina Thomas. When we found out he was coming we saw the need for him in our community. So the Marshall Ministerial Alliance went to work planning a wide range of opportunities in which we could hear the powerful witness of this man and woman of God. Over the three days they were with us they shared about their experiences in Northern Nigeria, where they face persecutions daily for living out the Gospel, and sharing Jesus Christ. They shared about their children. Both their biological children, as well as the 60 something children that they legally adopted whose parents have been killed or

died from AIDS. Many of these children have AIDS themselves. It was a powerful and moving three days listening to both Ben and Gloria.

On Sunday, October 6th we welcomed Ben and Gloria to Trinity Episcopal Church, where we got to hear the Archbishop preach for us. This was not the first time he has been to Trinity, and we hope he will make it back again. Later that evening the Marshall Ministerial Alliance put on the Fall Community Unity Worship Service at our next door neighbor First Baptist Church. The preacher for the evening was Archbishop Kwashi. On Monday the 7th Ben and Gloria went to



ETBU, to bring their message to the students during their chapel service. The Holy Spirit was truly at work during this service. I truly believe that there were students who received a call to ministry, mission work, or

just to a new life in Christ during his message. Later that evening back at First Baptist Church Ben and Gloria spent some time with men and women from faith communities in our town talking about living out our faith as men and women. Finally on Tuesday the 8th Archbishop Ben gave a lecture to Wiley College students about the importance of Faith and Education in the lives of college students.



It was an amazing three days spent with the Archbishop and his wife. They are truly a model of living for the Gospel. Even when living for that Gospel can mean death.



Help Needed  
For the  
Annual Thanksgiving Lunch

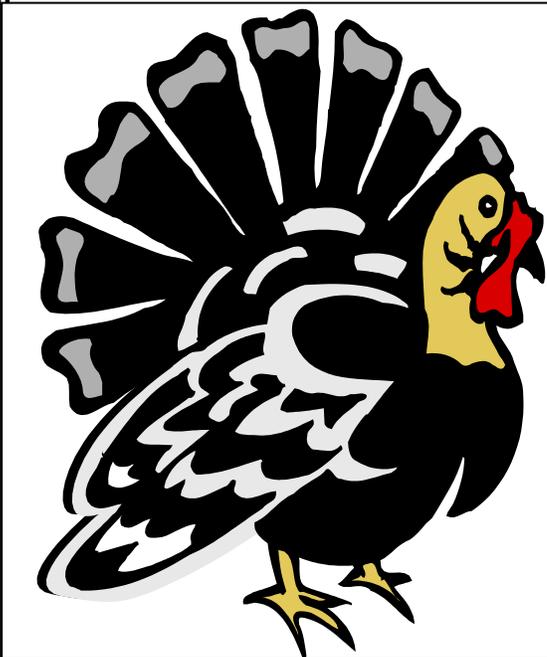
November 28

8:00 am – 1:00pm

Trinity Episcopal Church

106 N Grove St

Marshall, TX 75670



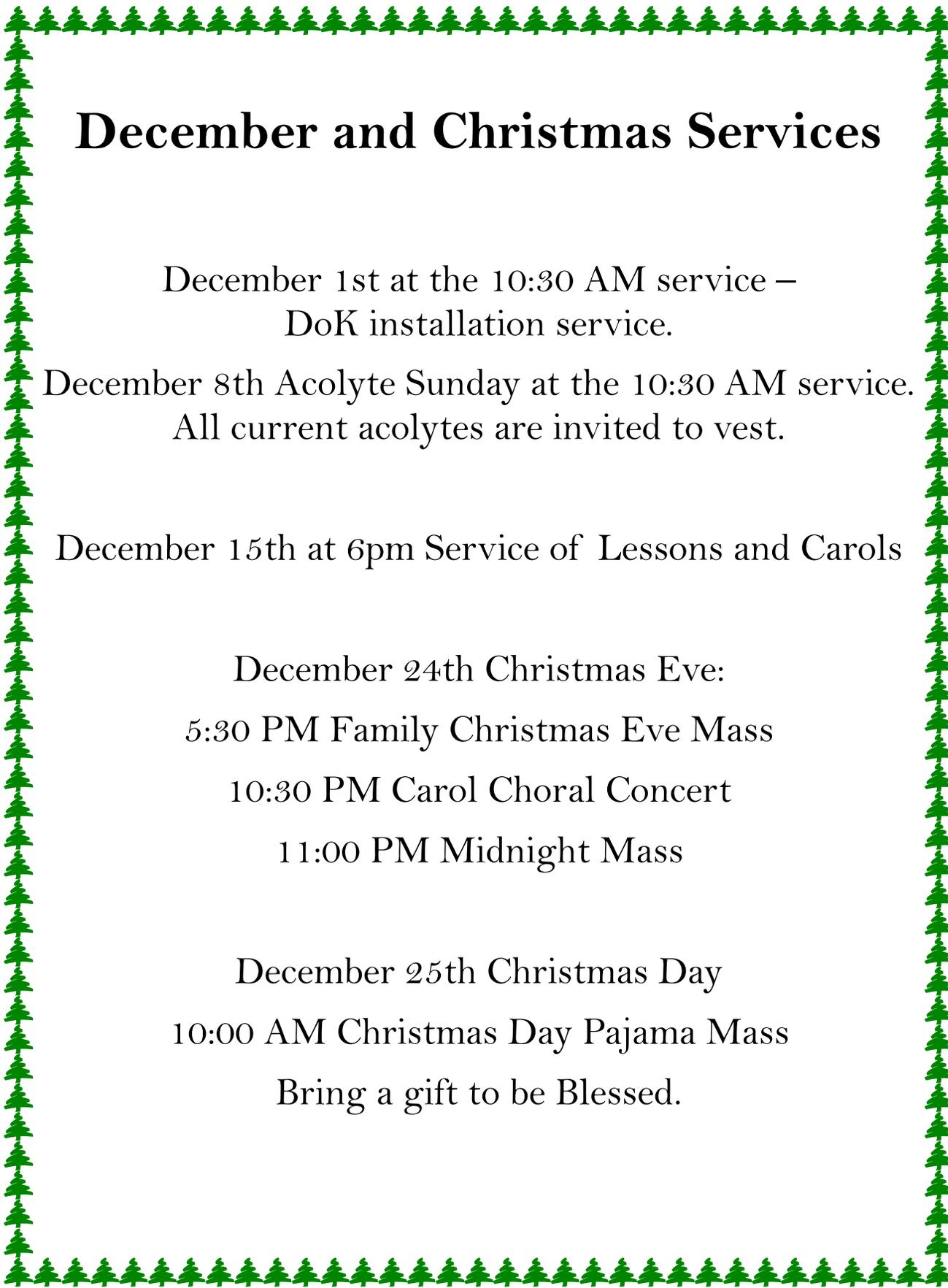
**We will need:**

*Dessert cutters*

*Servers*

*To-Go Box Fillers*

*Delivery Drivers*



## December and Christmas Services

December 1st at the 10:30 AM service –  
DoK installation service.

December 8th Acolyte Sunday at the 10:30 AM service.  
All current acolytes are invited to vest.

December 15th at 6pm Service of Lessons and Carols

December 24th Christmas Eve:

5:30 PM Family Christmas Eve Mass

10:30 PM Carol Choral Concert

11:00 PM Midnight Mass

December 25th Christmas Day

10:00 AM Christmas Day Pajama Mass

Bring a gift to be Blessed.



*Behold, I come  
among you as one  
who serves.*

**Luke 22:27**

### **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*

### **Vestry**

Tony Pierce  
*Senior Warden*

Jackie Weeks  
*Junior Warden*

Angela Bray  
*Clerk of the Vestry*

Margot Lingold  
*Treasurer*

Carol Meyer

Chris Altnau

Steve Lewis

Don Bramlett

Sam Clark

Blair Hammers

Roy McCarroll

Kathleen Abraham

### **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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