



The People of God

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A Message From Fr. Tom



Enter into the story: Holy Week at Trinity Church

Holy Week is not about going through the motions of faith. It's about walking with Jesus in real time. In the days of Palm Sunday and Holy Week, you don't just hear about Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, you witness it and hold palms in your hands as you greet him. And then you yell for him to be crucified.

You don't just hear about Jesus's last meal with his disciples, you share in that holy meal. You don't just hear about him washing the feet of his beloved, you wash feet and have your feet washed. You don't just hear that Jesus was betrayed and suffered and died on the cross, you get to touch the cross and draw close to it yourself. You can kiss it. You grasp Jesus's death, you understand what he went through, and you are there to mourn him in the silence that follows.

How are you feeling this year as we draw closer to the Spring? Maybe this year you come to Holy Week feeling like one of the disciples who is following Jesus but struggling to understand him and not at all about where he is leading you. Maybe you come to Holy Week feeling like one of the crowd on Palm Sundays—you are caught somewhere between hope and doubt. Maybe this year you feel like Mary must have felt—grieving, but still searching for Jesus.

Whatever you bring to church this year, just know that something of Holy Week is going to speak to you and will touch you, and will make your Easter experience better. When you fully participate in the complete story of Jesus's last days, Easter morning isn't just a celebration—it's a moment of deep, personal resurrection for you. Skipping straight to Easter without going through Holy Week is like watching the last five minutes of a movie and thinking you have heard the whole story. The joy of resurrection touches us the most after we have spent some time at the foot of the cross.

Trinity is preparing for a Holy Week like we have not had since Covid, a wonderful celebration of togetherness and participation. Wherever you are in your faith, Holy Week has a place for you. And through it, you'll find God is still speaking, still calling, still offering hope.

Don't miss this. Walk the journey. Let yourself be changed. Because this week will change you.

Holy Week 2025 Schedule

Volunteer Morning for Palm Sunday, Saturday, April 12, 9-11 am. Bring work gloves and garden shears and help prepare the palms and the sanctuary for Holy Week under the direction of Celena and David. Coffee and donuts will be available.

Palm Sunday, April 13. Starting outside near the fountain, we bless the palms and process into the sanctuary, sharing in both Jesus's triumph and his crucifixion in this powerful and moving service.

"Phone-a-Thon," Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, April 13 and 14, various times. Participate with Father Tom and others in a "phone a thon," to call members of Trinity to wish them Easter blessings and invite them to join us in worship. No experience necessary but please RSVP with Tom to let him know you are interested.

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7:00 pm. The beauty of the Maundy Thursday service is enhanced by an Agape meal in the Parish Hall, followed by an all-night vigil in the sanctuary. Participate in the foot washing during the service. Join in the vigil which will last until the morning. Come to the worship and find your heart lifted, then broken, then held in awe through the retelling of Jesus's love for his friends.

Good Friday, April 18, 7:00 pm. The simplest and most elegant worship experience of the year places us at the feet of the cross where we gather in silence to reflect on the love and sacrifice of Jesus. Were you there when they crucified my Lord? You will want to say yes, you were there for this transformational service.

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Holy Week at Trinity Church (con't)

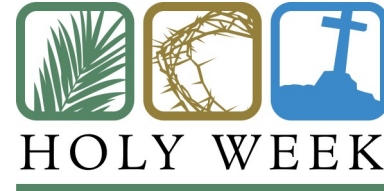
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Easter Sunday, April 20, 10:00 am. It's not just another Sunday – it's *the Sunday*, the ultimate affirmation of hope and ultimate experience of renewal in the midst of the challenges of our lives. For those carrying worry, grief and exhaustion – Easter reminds us that light breaks through darkness and we can always have hope. Come to see how your church offers hope in a way that's real, tangible, and transformative. For those of us looking for guidance and direction, come to hear how Jesus is speaking to you right now. Come for fantastic, uplifting music and a message that will touch your hearts.

Children's activity at Easter. Children are invited to join in an Easter Egg hunt and other activities after the service.

Dedicate Easter flowers. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for those who would like to dedicate Easter lilies for a small, suggested donation of \$10 or \$15.

Faithfully,
Tom+



Palms for Palm Sunday

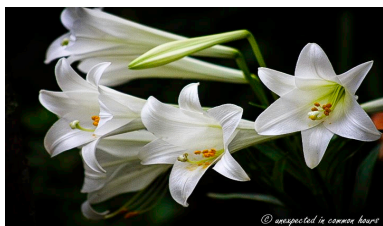
The palms for Palm Sunday have been ordered. We are so grateful, the Witman Family has been providing palms to Trinity for many years. They will be delivered and placed on the sidewalk outside the Sacristy Door. We will be setting everything up for Palm Sunday the Saturday before (the morning of April 12th). Anyone with some time is invited to help. It

takes many hands to set the large palms up in front of the church, around the alter and to cut all the palms we will be waving on Sunday. Please mark your calendar and come to help.



[This Photo](#) by Unknown

Easter Lillies



Easter will be here soon. Time to fill our beautiful church with Easter Lilies! The Flower Guild will be ordering them soon. We have prepared a signup sheet and posted it in the Narthex for you to donate flowers in

remembrance of loved ones or in thanksgiving for blessings. Simply sign your name and list the names you wish to remember, etc. After Easter, you may take the flowers home. Perhaps plant them in your yard for a lovely memory. We suggest a small donation of Ten or Fifteen Dollars. And thank you for joining us in making Trinity beautiful once again this year.

ICS Food of the Month - Please bring any non-perishable food to Trinity. The need is especially urgent. This month's highlighted item: **baby food & powdered infant formula**



The Agape Meal Returns to the Service on Maundy Thursday

I'm so excited to share news of the plan to once again have the agape meal during the Maundy Thursday service. This had been a long standing, moving tradition at Trinity that was placed on pause with the arrival of the pandemic.

So much could be said about why such a meal is appropriate for this day of Holy Week. I, though, am going to give my best description of this segment of the service for newer friends who joined us during its hiatus, and for those who've taken part in the past, yet may appreciate being reminded.

The evening service begins in the church and proceeds much like a Sunday worship service. Before the service ends, the congregation is instructed to follow the altar party and the choir as they process to the parish hall. Though the room is dimly lit, flickering tealight candles draw you to the seats around the elegantly set banquet tables. Sparkling runners with fresh flowers and candlelight share space with platters of fruits, vegetables, cheeses, olives, nuts and bread. There are carafes of wine and bottles of sparkling cider for clear glasses. The clergy and altar party indicate we may sit, and all begin to share. Bread is broken, food plated, beverages poured all with as little voice as possi-

ble. As sharing continues, the commandment given by Jesus to the disciples is heard in the scripture, read by parishioners, from the Gospel of John.

The end of the meal is not the end of the service. All are led back to the sanctuary. The choir sings the psalm as the altar is stripped of all decoration.

More than anything, I hope that many will be moved to participate in this and all the Holy Week offerings. It must be said, though, that the preparation for this is tremendous. The setting is achieved by moving and covering tables, arranging chairs, and wiring up for sound. The food requires rinsing, chopping and arranging many trays. All manner of tasks take place, and many hands are needed to do them. In the coming weeks, please add your name to [what I imagine will be a clipboard] if you will be available in the morning or afternoon on Thursday of Holy Week and are willing to help make this reintroduction of the agape meal to Maundy Thursday happen. Details like exact times for specific tasks will be made known to volunteers once decided.

Celena Lopes





The Watch

Maundy Thursday. Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. The agony of the betrayal. The loneliness. He asks: Will none of you stay awake with me?

'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death,' he said to them. 'Stay here and keep watch.' Mark 14:34

So, we keep watch.

To truly understand the joy of Easter, we must first experience the Triumph of Palm Sunday, the servanthood and the betrayal of Maundy Thursday, and agony of Good Friday.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for those who wish to keep The Watch beginning after the service of Maundy Thursday of Holy Week. All that is required of you is to come spend an hour or more in quiet at the altar of repose. Pray, read, wander the church. Stay with Christ.

As we keep the watch through the night, the stillness of the church, the silence of the moment, and the depth of the prayer moves the heart and prepares us for Easter and the Risen Lord.

Watch with Christ.

The Greatest Story Ever Told

We are talking about Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the trial, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, of course. The title, however, comes from an enormous movie from 1965. It was four hours and twenty minutes long ... way longer than our beautiful Holy Week services. It covered the entire life of Christ. The epic film only got a rating of 42% on Rotten Tomatoes but it had an amazing cast including: John Wayne as the Roman centurion, Sidney Poitier, Max Von Sydow as Jesus, Martin Landau, Telly Savalas as Pontius Pilate, Claude Rains, Joanna Dunham as Mary Magdalene, Dorothy McGuire as the Virgin Mary, Shelley Winters, Angela Lansbury, Pat Boone as the angel at the tomb, Ed Wynn, and Charlton Heston as John the Baptist. WOW!

I can assure you that OUR Trinity version has a better cast (you) and a much better rating. This year we hope to "resurrect" several aspects of our services that were lost during Covid, read about that in the other articles. As usual we will have beautiful music to add to the

drama of the liturgy and to the storytelling including: the beautiful Sanctus and Hosanna from the Requiem by Maurice Durufle and well as his setting of Ubi Caritas (Where charity and love prevail - God is there) ... The gorgeous "Agnus Dei" from the Faure Requiem with Annette Rico playing violin and a new piece recently composed by me just for Good Friday. On Good Friday we will have our Trinity friend Susan Haynes (AKA Madame Stolichnaya) with us again to read the moving Gospel accompanied by a set of lovely and emotional music sung by the choir.

Just like going to a movie, it is important that you stay for the whole story. If we only go to church on Palm Sunday and then on Easter Sunday, we miss the whole point of the journey. So, I sincerely hope that you can attend all four acts of "The greatest story ever told". We need you there.

David Lewis - Director of Music





Easter Egg Hunt

Trinity Sunday School will sponsor an Easter Egg hunt for Trinity grandchildren and friends after the Easter Church service. We will be outside near the fountain. The eggs will be filled with candy and lots of surprises.

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US! It will be lots of fun, so bring your camera.

Lynda, Sarah, Pat and Rachael

Sunday School Teachers



It's Earth Day Month!!!

Hooray! Although Earth Day is officially April 22nd, we all know that God wants us to make every day Earth Day.

As we learned last Lenten season from Father Tom, we can take on new practices rather than giving up things for Lent. It's clear that you good folks at Trinity have taken steps in the right direction towards learning new recycling practices at church and at home. Mixed recycling is being properly discarded in our clearly marked blue bins inside the Parish Hall and kitchen. Our bottles and cans fundraiser are going well, with over \$420.00 earned since its inception. Our Parish Hall event rental guests have been encouraged to participate in this effort, thanks to Javier and Mirna. We still have glitches, but it's going in the right direction. We make every effort in our events to use our glass plates, flatware and cups rather than plastic plates and utensils. There is much more to learn, and in the next few months, there will be opportunities to do so.

Speaking of learning more and having lots of fun in the process, you simply don't want to miss EARTH DAY ESCONDIDO on Saturday, April 5th, at Washington Park. Our Deputy Mayor, Consuelo Martinez, and friends, are putting together a truly fantastic event, full of eco-information and lots of interactive fun. There will even be yoga! Not much time to put this on your calendar if you haven't already seen it in Creation Care's weekly blast, but please do! You won't be sorry!

The Little Free Pantry is really a wonderful neighborhood outreach that we have restored and are monitoring regularly. People in the area really appreciate a little help in tough economic times, and they can find it there. It's just another way for us to spread a little love by providing our cute little neighborhood hub for them to place food items that they don't need, or that they have kindly purchased, and to take what they do need.

So, let's make every day EARTH DAY as we move forward. Every little action we take counts, no matter how small. In the words of Jane Goodall, "Millions of drops actually make the ocean." And the famous quote from our own Dr. Seuss, " Unless someone like you cares a whole lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not!"

Please consider helping with Creation Care. We need help with sorting and transporting bottles and cans, putting bins out on Sunday, monitoring the pantry, helping plan guest speakers and special events, just sharing ideas regarding how we can be better stewards of God's wonderful gift of planet earth and every living thing on it!

Thanks! :)Kim Billman

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Do You Know Joey Rodriguez??



Joey Rodriguez has been a Trinity parishioner since 2009 and serves regularly at our altar. He was born at San Diego State University Hospital on September 9, 1996, and has always lived in Escondido, residing with his parents, José and Angela Rodriguez. He attended Escondido High School, graduating in 2014.

He discovered Trinity when his brother Beto's girlfriend, Trinity parishioner Charlotte Pine, invited him to attend church. He felt comfortable here, feeling that Trinity was different from other churches. He was impressed that the preacher didn't keep repeating things and wasn't telling him what to do. He liked how friendly people were towards him, so he decided to continue attending. (Incidentally, Beto and Charlotte subsequently married.)

Joey is actively involved in several ministries at Trinity. He is a senior acolyte and serves in the altar party frequently. When asked why he serves, he laughingly replied, "It keeps me out of trouble." He then added that he enjoys serving and that he's happy that he now knows enough to help others learn.

Another of Joey's church passions is helping to cook at the monthly parish breakfasts. His specialty is making scrambled eggs. He enjoys helping because, "It's fun being with people and meeting new people." He also volunteers at Interfaith's Turk Center making and serving dinners. He loves doing it because it's an opportunity to help people and also another chance to meet new people.

"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'"

What is the most fun thing he has done at Trinity? "Going to the church barbeques we used to have. I wish they would bring them back." What would he like to see Trinity do? ... "More fun things, like a trip to the Midway or going to the park together."

Joey loves sports and is an avid Chargers fan. Since the Chargers moved from San Diego, he has attended games at SoFi Stadium in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas. A special treasure of his is a jersey signed by Charger's Shawne Merriman. In addition, he is a staunch San Diego Padres fan and has attended several home games.

He likes going to the movies. His favorite is "Terminator Two." He has enjoyed family vacations at Knott's Berry Farm, Disney Land, and visiting relatives in Long Beach and Phoenix.

When asked what he would like people at Trinity to know about him, he thoughtfully replied, "That I'm different, that there are some things I can't do." He shared that he was born with a heart defect, which was why he was delivered at SDSU Hospital. The defect was known, and he had open heart surgery soon after he was born. He had open heart surgery again when he was four.

Joey is upbeat about Trinity. He enjoys meeting people and making new friends. If you haven't met him, take a few moments to introduce yourself at coffee hour or breakfast. He would love to meet you.

Dave Cowles interviewed Joey Rodriguez





Crucial News from Interfaith Community Services

Interfaith Community Services (ICS) is a non-profit organization which Trinity helped found in 1979 and for whom we still provide active support. Because of the breakdown and uncertainty of federal funding Interfaith has created a Resiliency Fund to ensure critical client needs continue to be met. It is a savings account that will allow them to respond quickly to the needs of their 70+ programs to continue helping people help themselves.

About one third of ICS programs rely on federal grants, primarily through HUD and Medicaid (Medical). To name a just a few: 30 families housed in ICS's Rapid Rehousing program, 17 seniors who live in

ICS's Supportive Housing and the new 26 bed Detox Center are at risk if federal funding is withheld. Interfaith is already feeling the effects of funds being frozen or halted. Veterans, seniors and other vulnerable neighbors in Escondido and North County rely on ICS and its programs. If you can donate to the Resiliency Fund, please go to <https://interfaithservices.org/donateonce> and select "Match My Gift: Resiliency Fund" in the designated dropdown menu. Or you can click on the QR Code on the flyer.

For any questions please reach out to Interfaith Community Alliance Members; Kim Billman, Leila Sackfield or Helen Joline.

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It ensures the stability and sustainability of our 70+ programs, to continue **helping people help themselves.**

HOW TO DONATE:

- Scan this QR code, or visit interfaithservices.org/donateonce
- Select "Match My Gift: Resiliency Fund" and choose amount



Samaritan Team Ministries

The Samaritan Team had a really wonderful and productive March 2025, and there's a lot to come in April! Here are some of our highlights:

On **Sunday, March 16** (Second Sunday of Lent) we had our very first **"Episcopal Relief and Development Sunday"**, including special segments during our Sunday worship service that highlighted the work and the impact of **Episcopal Relief and Development**. ERD works here in the US and internationally to provide relief and create lasting change in communities affected by natural disasters (e.g., the recent terrible floods in Kentucky), injustice, poverty, disease, and climate change. The readings and the Prayers of the People that Sunday were specifically designed to help us keep ERD in our minds and hearts. But ERD needs the help of all of us, through our prayers AND donations. If you want to donate, we have donation forms still available in the Narthex throughout Lent for you to pick up. Or you can go to <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/> to learn more about Episcopal Relief and Development and to donate!

We also took advantage of this special ERD Sunday to recognize the work of so many folks here at Trinity in trying to meet the needs of our *own* community, through the **Ministries of our Samaritan Team**. Members of the Samaritan Team helped to lead our worship service by serving as the Lectors (**Marilou Kratzenstein and Sandra Robertson**), the Cantor (Jan McDaniel), and the Intercessor (**Andrea Evering**). We also took a few minutes during the service to highlight the tremendous participation we have in our service and outreach Ministries at Trinity. We asked all those in the congregation who volunteer their time, donate money or supplies, or in any way participate in our Ministries to *stand* (or raise their hand) as each Ministry was called out. It was truly amazing to see that *almost the entire congregation* was *on its feet* by the time we finished naming all the Ministries! What a gratifying sight this was!

In keeping with this special Sunday recognizing Episcopal Relief and Development, and the Samaritan/service and outreach Ministries at Trinity, Father Tom

gave an exceptionally wonderful sermon that morning. His sermons are always great, but this one was especially moving and meaningful. A real "barn burner" of a sermon! Thank you, Fr. Tom! If you missed Fr. Tom's sermon that day, just go to Trinity's Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEscondido/live>) or Trinity's website and watch the recording for Sunday March 16. You will be glad you did!



On **Sunday, March 30** we had **"Sock It To Me Sunday"**! This was a drive to collect *new socks* for adults, teens, and kids on behalf of Interfaith Community services. Socks are one of the biggest clothing needs ICS has for clients, especially during the colder, wetter months. **Andrea Evering** of the Samaritan Team headed up this drive, which kicked off on March 16. The drive concluded on March 30, our **"Sock It To Me Sunday"**! At the time of this article, a lot of socks were already gathering in the collection box in the Narthex! Way to go Trinity! We showed that we could really "Sock It To" cold feet and help our neighbors! We plan to repeat the "Sock It To Me" sock drive periodically during the year.

The **Turk Center Dinner Ministry (formerly Haven House)** continues twice a month, **on the second and last Thursday of each month** In April, our "dinner and dessert" dates are **April 10 and April 24**. If you are interested in this Ministry, or think you might want to volunteer, get on our email list! Getting our sign-up email doesn't obligate you to volunteer, but you can't even think about it if you don't get the email! So, contact Jan McDaniel at jan.mcdaniel@gmail.com or call 760-670-7455, and we'll get you connected!



Samaritan Team Ministries (con't)

“**Sack Lunch Sunday**” happened as usual on Sunday, March 2, and we had plenty of folks making PB&J sandwiches and helping with “building” the sack lunch bags. It’s quite impressive to see the “assembly line”, with people on one side of the line spreading peanut butter, and folks on the other side spreading jam, then putting the two pieces of loaded bread together and handing the completed sandwich to a “runner”, who stuffs it into a sandwich bag and takes it to the sack assembly line. Next there are lots of people helping to stuff the brown paper bags full of other items to go with the sandwich, like fruit, chips, a granola bar, and a small bottle of water. It’s such a well-organized process, that it is a sight to behold! But even more rewarding to see is that everyone is *laughing and having a really fun time while doing all this very efficient and wonderful work!* On March 2nd, the team delivered more than 130 sack lunches to ICS. Great job everyone! Many thanks to all who participate in this great monthly ministry, with a special thanks to the **Sharpe Family**, who all take part in the fun every month! Thanks to the hard work and initiative of **Faith Much, Cindy Kratz, and Sandra Robinson** from our Samaritan Team who put together this well-organized monthly “Sack Lunch Sunday” on the **first Sunday of each month**. Watch for the **next Sack Lunch Sunday on April 6** and come get in on the fun!

On March 8th several Trinity members joined the Street Stewards “2nd Saturday” cleanup up to collect litter around ICS, because the city felt that the sack lunches contributed to the litter.

We are continuing to collect **Hygiene Kit items** (soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, feminine products, etc.) for Interfaith. Feminine hygiene products are an especially big need. So take advantage of a chance to clean out your bathroom drawers, and bring all those toothbrushes and toothpaste you get at the dentist, or the mini shampoo and other personal care products you get at hotels. Just place them in the collection bin in

the narthex, and we will deliver them all to ICS!
Did you know that the Samaritan Team continues to collect non-perishable food items for the Interfaith Community Services food bank? Our food collection goes on ALL YEAR. There’s a wicker basket in the back of the church, near the baptismal font. Place your non-perishable food items in the basket, any time. This would be items such as canned or jarred food, peanut butter, cereal, soups, noodles, staples, etc. – anything that will not spoil and is ***NOT expired*** (please check dates – it gets thrown away if it’s expired). Twice a month the Samaritan Team picks up all that’s been placed there and transports it all to ICS. Thank you in advance for continuing to support the Food Bank at ICS!

And as for **the Samaritan Team** itself, we are always open to folks who would like to join us in initiating new ways for Trinity to do Service and Outreach. The Samaritan Team usually meets on the **third Sunday of every month right after church, in the Dove Library (starts at about 11:30, ends in one hour)**. Come learn more about the on-going Ministries and projects at Trinity that serve our community and our neighbors in need. Just grab your coffee and bring your curiosity and your IDEAS on SERVICE and OUTREACH. Everyone is welcome, because we are ALL Samaritans!

Jan McDaniel and Helen Joline
 Coordinators for The Samaritan Team Ministry

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Holy Curiosity

Sundays 9:00 am, Small group interactive and engaging discussion on various topics.

5 Practices for Christians, Thursdays @ 6:00pm

A weekly exploration of important spiritual disciplines for every Christian to follow. Soup and fellowship at 6:00, program begins at 6:30

Taking Rest 3/27 ... Discipling others 4/3



Companions of the Holy Cross

A reflection on a retreat by Ange Dee ...

The Society of Companions of the Holy Cross are a group of women who are committed to Intentional Christian Community growing out of the Episcopal tradition. Founded in 1884, the Companions meet throughout the country in 32 chapters as well as in community at the mother house, Adelynrood, in Massachusetts.

Julie Carroll and I attended our Companions retreat the first weekend in March along with the CA Southern chapter. It was a special time in that the Companion in Charge came to the West Coast to join us. Our topic: Change.

SCHC is going through a lot of change right now as it pertains to our beloved house. Yet the chapter Companions also were concerned about change happening now in our nation. We decided to take our worries to our community in prayer. We used scripture, history, art, and poetry as a framework to consider the topic of change.

Change can be frightening because of the element of the unknown. It can be alarming when the change is not what you want. It can be invigorating as it draws out creativity. It can be uplifting when a greater thing is the result. Change can be seen as good and bad. Change brings challenge and requires strength. I don't

know that we walked away from the retreat with answers. I don't even know if we were seeking actual answers. I think we were seeking simply to face change and not hide in fear from it. We did so, prayerfully and in community.

As Julie and I drove to the retreat, we found out our sister Companion, Cass, had entered hospice. Cass was my sponsor to the Companions when I was a discerner. As the weekend progressed, Julie kept getting updates. Before final Eucharist we were told Cass had died in the night. As we say in our community, she entered the Paradise Chapter. We were with her in prayer through the final days and I'm sure she remains with us. Losing Cass is a hard change for our chapter.

We ended our retreat with a Malawi traveling song led by Julie. I love this tradition since it comes from her upbringing when she was living there as a missionary kid. I also love when she gives us her Scottish blessing: safe home.

Perhaps you have an interest in Intentional Christian Community. If a rule of life that includes community, intercessory and thanksgiving prayer, social justice, and simplicity, is of interest, the SCHC may be for you. Talk to Ange Dee or Julie Carroll for more information.

If You Pray – You Can Stay

A note from Ange Dee about the columbarium ...

If you pray – you can stay. OK, it is a bit of grim quippy humor when it comes to the columbarium.

The columbarium at Trinity is for parishioners. I love the idea of the Communion of Saints at Trinity. Still with us. Still in prayer as we pray. Still humming along to the music. Still nodding at the wisdom of the sermons.

Trinity continues to pray for those of our community who have moved into the next life. The names are recorded in the Necrology and prayer are said each year. We also remember all in the columbarium on the Day of the Dead.

If you are interested in arranging a columbarium place, please call the office or talk to me, Ange Dee. It is a wonderful gift to your loved ones to make arrangements and have your wishes known.





Trini-tea for Newcomer's

"We had our first Trini-tea for Newcomers on March 2nd at Patty Stein and Jonathan Cartford 's home in Escondido. It was a wonderful gathering with stories shared, good food and a variety of teas to try.

of the month. The next one is April 6 in our home, from 1:30 to 3:30. September's gathering will be in the parish hall starting at 1:00pm whereas all others will continue to be at our home.

Each month a tea will be held, except for July and August. It will always be the first Sunday afternoon

Please contact me if you would like to attend or co-host one of these gatherings. (May and June are covered.) - Patty Stein & Jonathan Cartford



Vestry Update

Trinity's Vestry met at the church on Tuesday, March 18th. Kim Billman served as the chaplain of the month and led us in prayer. Treasurer Ange Dee reported that in the first two months of the year, income from plate and pledges has been over budget, but that the income from events has so far been lower than budgeted. We need to keep an eye on a few on-going expenses, like the water bill, which have been

high. During the meeting we discussed several of the church's ministries, including the Choir, Communications, Pastoral Care, Stewardship and the Trini-Tea. There were some questions about making sure all the doors in the Parish Hall were locked at the end of the day on Sunday. Due to a scheduling conflict, the next Vestry meeting will be on April 29.

Financial Report	
Annual Budget: -\$24,984.09	
February 2025:	
Income (YTD)	\$69,148
Expenses (YTD)	\$49,502
YTD Net Income	\$19,646



MILESTONES

April Birthdays

- 1 Rosie Castillo, Mia Rodriguez
- 3 Diana Davis
- 4 Cindy Mayo
- 15 John Martinet, Emily Cutrer, Scott Haynes
- 17 Eva Taupier
- 18 Everett DeLano, Lee Human
- 19 Jeanette Monsegur, Lilly Thomas, Cate Smullen
- 21 Teresa Miller, Dotty White, Rose Vaughn
- 22 Steven Waldron, Sagrario Callard, David Collins
- 24 Collena LoPresto, Sierra Dabasinkas
- 25 Pat Suna, Sean Sunda, Jeff Collings
- 26 Kate Lieurance
- 30 Virginia Reed, Felicity Carroll



April Anniversaries

- 1 Craig & Pat Thompson
- 4 Paul & Meryl DesForges
- 13 Lawrence & Ange Dee
- 26 George & Rosalie Cholacki
- 28 Craig & Charlotte Wilson

In Memoriam
Cass Martensen

If you don't see your special date listed here, please contact the office at 760.743.1629 or office@trinityescondido.org to give us the details.

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