

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

January 8, 2012

Welcome This Week...

Welcome to Holy Trinity Church! Whether you are just exploring the Christian faith or have been a Christian for many years, we are so pleased you are here to worship with us today. We hope you enjoy your time with us. If you have any questions or requests please fill out a green "Communication Card" and place it in the offering plate or visit the Welcome Table where we would love to meet you.

A Word from the Rector

Dear Friends,

I am not a big fan of New Year's resolutions, but this year I decided to make one. It happened quite by accident, and began when I was forced to recognize a weakness in me: I'm not very good at celebrating.

I know that is an odd thing to say, much less to recognize in one's self, so let me explain! I am one of those typical "Type A" people – goal oriented and driven. I like big tasks and I enjoy accomplishing them. Once I've met a goal I look for the next. But I rarely stop to celebrate when a goal has been met or a victory won. This has a spiritual side to it. I pray a lot. I pray for myself, for my family, for friends, for our church and our community. But when God answers those prayers, which he does regularly, I'm often so preoccupied with other things that I don't stop to celebrate what God has done. I don't stop to thank God for his faithfulness and praise him for his love. I just press on.

This is spiritually unhealthy. Part of being a child of God is recognizing when he answers our prayers and then celebrating his goodness. This encourages an attitude of thanksgiving. It promotes a sense of contentment. And it keeps the many other things we are longing for and praying for in perspective. When we don't celebrate God we forget just how good he is.

So my New Year's resolution is this. Every Monday morning, during my quiet times I am going to ask myself one simple question: What has God done during this past week that I need to celebrate? My hope is that as I ask and answer this question I will be drawn to praise him, I will develop an attitude of thanksgiving, I will be more content and have a better perspective. I'm not big on New Year's resolutions, but this is one I'm going to keep!

Yours, John



Thank You!

For the overwhelming response in collecting supplies for Mallory's box! The final count was 72 pounds of supplies for the children of Kids Alive orphanage. Thank you all so much! A special thanks to The Homeschool Gathering store for donating \$465 of educational materials for the children. You all are wonderful!

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God (2 Corinthians 9:11)

Mon 9	5:00 pm.....All Parish Prayer The Underwoods, 828 Vance St.
Tues 10	7:00 am.....TMC Men's Bible Study K&W Cafeteria, Cameron Village
Wed 11	9:30am.....WOW-Women's Bible Study North Hills Club
	6:30am...WWOW-Women's Bible Study 5017 Huntingdon Dr, 27606
Thurs 12	7:00 am.....Men's Bible Study 3700 Glenwood Ave-5th floor
	9:00 am.....Morning Worship
	10:15 am.....Adult Sunday School and Middle School Sunday School
Sun 15	11:00 amMorning Worship
	5:00 pm"Refuge" (Middle School) In the Old Gym at St. David's
	7:00 pm "Asylum" (High School) The Broughton's 1106 Marlowe Road

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Willa Kane

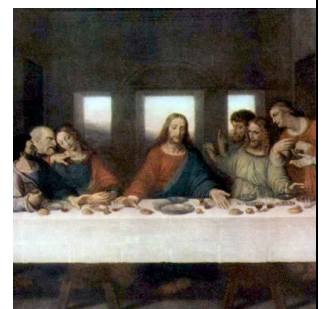
"Understanding Our Worship" A Class for 1st & 2nd Graders

This class will explain what we do and why when we gather for Sunday worship. This class is intended to prepare children to receive communion for the first time, and to give those kids who already receive communion a deeper grasp of what it means.

This four-week program begins January 22nd and will be held in-between the services from 10:15 to 10:50.

The group will celebrate Communion together on February 19th.

For more information and to enroll your child in this program please contact either Alexis Booth or Robin Harris.



Student Ministry News

Parents and Students – There is still time to register for the **Reach Work Camp**. The \$50.00 non-refundable deposit was due January 5th but we have extended the deadline. We would love all 8th graders and up to join us! Contact Jeremy for more information.

Also registration for our **Sr. High Asylum Ski Trip** and \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is due January 15th. We hope you will join us in what will certainly be a great time together!

All the information, including all information and registration forms for both trips can be found @ www.htc-r.org/theasylum on the "P2P" page.

**Refuge and Asylum will be serving at
With Love From Jesus Saturday, January 14th from 9am to 12pm.
Hope to see you there!**

**Drink Coffee. Do Good.
\$12.00 per bag in the lobby (Holiday Spice available!)**

Prayers of the People

We pray for those expecting the birth of a child: Sarah & Austin Barnhill, Laura Ann and Tom Parrott

We pray for those in need of healing or God's strength: Warren Briggs; Tana Carlton's mother, Grace; Peggy Collins; David Cumbie, Jr.; Claudia Dickson; Hardy Duerson; Kathe Garrison's sister, Ellen; Ann Grigereit; Ryann Warlick; Becky and Graham Yates son-in-law Aaron.

We pray for Mallory Cunningham, our missionary in the Dominican Republic. That God would empower her as she serves Jesus Christ at Kids Alive Orphanage.

We pray for our loved ones serving in the military – keep them safe, enfold them with your protection and fill them with courage each day: including the Kemp family in Germany and Clyde and Suzanne Wiley's son in law, Jared Volavka, in the US Navy.

We pray for Ger and Lizzie Jones and family and the work of our daughter church, Vintage Westside L.A. That God would bless them as they seek to reach the lost in the name of Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the provision of the Peace Street property, and we pray that you would provide us with all the resources necessary to establish our church home on this site. As we move to the edge of downtown give us grace to faithfully bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ, and use us to transform the heart of the city for the glory of your name. Amen.



The Jordan House in 2008 prepped to be moved to its current location on the corner of Peace and Blount.

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