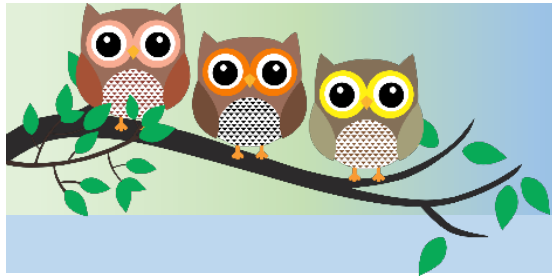


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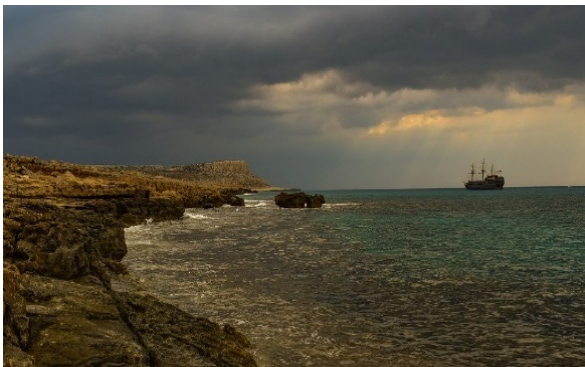
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August/September 2021

Knowing the Truth



Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "if you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth and truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin." John 8:31

During court hearings witnesses take an oath to tell "The whole truth, nothing but the truth, so help us God." The "help" is that the "whole truth" will prevail, and justice will be served - the accused freed or just due render for wrongs committed. For us, truth, "believing", "continuing in the word", "knowing", "being made free" are tied to, justice, peace, and humanity dignity. For truth to be true, it must reliably support and sustain reality and give credibility to beliefs and propositions envisioning right or "trustworthy" relationships and the proper stewardship of life's circumstances for the good of all - "the building up in love".

Scripturally, the source of truth is in God "whose ways are faithful, just, and upright amidst a crooked and perverse people" (Deuteronomy 32:4). In John's Gospel, Jesus, as God's incarnate word, becomes "the way, the truth, and the life" and "sanifies his disciples, "sets them apart" in truth (John 14:6, John 17:17)." Without truth there can be no sustained trust. Without trust, relationships are skewed, missing the mark with God and each other. Justice, peace, human dignity, the ability to solve moral ethical dilemmas and freedom, all negatively impacted when truth is not sought and embraced. There is plenty evidence on the evening news.

Knowing the truth requires critical thinking about what is faithful, reliable, and just beyond easy "either or" or "black and white" conclusions and a willingness to submit and be guided by the "authority of truth". It seems that some lack of curiosity in this regard, and others are defiant, dismissiveness, and complacent in seeking truth that transforms lives and communities. It is just easier to pick sides with those whom we agree with and assume this is the truth. After all, who can really know the truth.

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Knowing the Truth continued...



Harry G. Frankfurt observes...

"Someone who lies and someone who tells the truth are playing on opposites sides in the same game. Each responds to the facts as understood, one is guided by the authority of the truth, while the other defies that authority and refuses its demands. While others ignore the demands of truth altogether"

Ignoring the demands of truth leaves us "blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming." Like a boat without a compass and anchor in a stormy sea. According to Paul, those who are anchored and guided by truth must "speak truth in love, growing up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love (Ephesians 4:14-16)."

*Blessings,
Les+*

Monthly Servers

(The list of Sunday servers is on the back page)

Altar Guild

August: Gail Ellet & Virginia Amend

September: Cindy Badwey, Carol Turner
& Becky White

ECW Chairs

August: Annette Gurney

September: Pat Cameron



Every Sunday at 10:15am

Father Les will lead us in the Holy Eucharist the 1st & 3rd Sunday of every month.

Deacon Diane Kruger, David Reynolds & Carol Turner will lead us on the second and fourth.

Join us every Sunday following the service for coffee & fellowship.

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday Mornings

9:00-9:45am on Zoom

[Join Zoom Meeting:](#)

Meeting ID: 936 4443 1825 Passcode: 797179
1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Thursday Mornings

10:00-11:00am

A study through the Gospel of Mark



Wednesday Evening Prayer

6:30pm on Facebook

facebook.com/stmattsnewton



If you would like to be a part of our hospitality team, please contact the church office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



As we continue our return to normal practices and patterns, we are looking to re-establish the rotation of folks who read and usher during services.

If you're interested in being scheduled for one or more of these important worship ministries, please contact the parish office.

Prayer Chain

If you have a request for prayers for yourself or others, please contact the church office 316.321.6606. If you would like to join Trinity's pray chain please let us know.

Prayer Requests

Amber, Anita, Barbara, Becky, Beth, Brooks, Bertha, Danny, Dave, Delinda, Denny, Elaine, Eldon, Gracie, Ian, Jaden, Jean, Jeanette, Jerry, Jessica, Jim, Joan, Jonah, Kathleen, Ken, Kent, Lesly, Suzanne, Ralph, Robby, Robert.

Thanksgivings

- For those who faithfully lead "Communion in the Absence of a Priest". You encourage and nurtures us with the ministry of the Word and Reserved Sacrament.
- For Carol and her Priscilla's Pet Pantry volunteers and doners distributing pet food to those in need. Pets are God's gift of loyal and faithful companionship. Thanks for your ministry.
- For Ted, Denise, Iris and David and their time and effort in problem solving our live streaming issues.
- For Edith and Heather's support in ministry to Trinity and St. Matthew's. Thanks be to God!
- For our musicians Kelly, Deb & Cherilyn for the gift of music.
- For all those who offer hospitality in our parish.
- And for each of you and your faithfulness and steadfast stewardship of our parish. Thanks be to God!

Celebrations at Trinity



The Right Reverend Cathleen Bascom, the Wardens, Vestry, and Members of Trinity Episcopal Church, invite you to join us for a

**Celebration of New Ministry and the installation of
The Reverend Les Jackson as our Rector
Monday, August 30, 2021 | 6:00pm**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

If we missed a birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office so we can add it to the list. Thank you!



August Birthdays

- 1 Nancy Samp
- 3 Annette Gurney
- 13 Keri Myers
- 27 Ted White
- 30 Joyce Demo

August Anniversaries

- 8 Clay & Michelle Calhoun

September Birthdays

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| 3 Genevieve Gilson | 21 Ann Stiegel |
| 5 Knox Rasnick | 22 Vince Haines |
| 6 Glenda Giro | 23 Betty Kirkpatrick |
| 8 Christine Gilson | 27 Cecilia Goeel |
| 15 Julia Gurney | 29 Dana Lee |
| | 30 Martha McKay |

September Anniversaries

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| 16 Wayne & Carol Turner | 18 Ned & Gail Ellet |
| 21 Tim & Ashley Corkill | |

Trinity Family You are Invited!

Devin King would like to invite you to his Eagle Scout Court of Honor

Sunday, August 1 at 3 pm
Park Avenue Baptist Church

Reception following

Devin appreciates all the support from the church family through the years and especially with the labyrinth project! Presents are not expected, but your presence would mean a lot. -Susan, Richard & Devin King



A Literary Garden Celebration

Those in and near Topeka are invited to join Bishop Cathleen Bascom, author, *Of Green Stuff Woven*, and Tim Bascom, author, *Climbing Lessons*, to this gathering to benefit the Bethany Garden Project. Sunday, August 8, 2021, 6 pm, All Saints Hall, Grace Episcopal Cathedral, 701 SW 8th Avenue, Topeka, KS. Hors d'oeuvres reception following. Reserve your spot online at bit.ly/cometogracecathedral



Bethany House & Garden

Learn about this new diocesan initiative to utilize the land around the diocesan office to benefit the local community and contribute to the care of creation.

Watch on YouTube: youtu.be/wAM4teV6gVc

Questions about this project can be directed to The Rev. Jennifer Allen, Diocesan Missioner, jallen@episcopal-ks.org, or on the website: bethanyhouseandgarden.com



Priscilla's Pet Pantry

Saturdays Mornings

August 28 & September 25

8am-noon

We have been averaging about 90-100 pets per month.

With these large numbers we need more donations, and we always need plastic bags.

More volunteers are needed on every fourth Saturday from 8 - 12.

Volunteers are always Welcome!

I have a thank you gift for everyone who volunteers to help for an hour! Either come set up before Saturday or help on the day of to shop for dog/cat food. You don't have to stay the entire time, just come help for an hour, and that will help a lot.

God's Blessings,
Carol Turner

For more information go to trinityeldorado.org



Amazon has a charitable giving program where Trinity Episcopal Church can receive a percentage of an item's purchase price. Amazon Smile, a division of Amazon, will contribute to Trinity a percentage of your purchases when you order from **Amazon Smile rather than Amazon.**

Ordering from Amazon Smile works the same as ordering from Amazon. It uses your same account number and password, so it has all your stored addresses and payment information. If you already have an Amazon account, go to amazon.smile.com and log in. In the header, will be three bars that are to the left of "amazonsmile". Click on the three bars. Scroll down to "Your AmazonSmile". It will be towards the bottom. Click on "Your AmazonSmile" (toward the bottom). Search "Rector, Wardens & Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church of El Dorado KS". Once you find our name, select it and that will become your designated charity



Church Care

Honor someone special, remember an important event, or just be a sponsor by signing up to cover Trinity's expenses for a particular day. It costs approximately \$55.00 to operate the Church on a regular day.

All you have to do is sign your name on the The "Church Care" calendar (located in the Parish Hall) for the day(s) that you want to take care of Trinity and send a check to the office or place it in the collection plate. Be sure to write "Church Care" on the memo.

Thank you for your stewardship and care for our Church. *David and Christie Reynolds gave to church cares in thanksgiving and honor of family members on their birthdays. Happy and blessed birthday to Joe Reynolds, July 21, Angela Reynolds, July 24, Christie Foulston Reynolds, July 30, and Catherine Foulston, September 21.*

Dillons donations for the 2nd quarter of 2021 totaled \$75.00 *Thank you!*

Church Financials

Account Fund Balances:

General Fund	<u>\$83,621.77</u>
Memorial Fund	<u>\$13,524.98</u>
Priscilla's Pantry Fund	<u>\$14,774.07</u>
Episcopal Church Women Fund	<u>\$4,137.84</u>
Youth Activities Fund	<u>\$1,906.38</u>
Deacon Discretionary Fund	<u>\$100.00</u>
Adopt A Family	<u>\$50.00</u>
Payroll Taxes Payable	<u>\$90.00</u>

Commerce Bank Balance June 30 **\$118,209.04**

Year to Date General Fund as of June 30

Balance January 1, 2021	<u>\$43,999.43</u>
Year to Date Income	<u>\$216,721.30</u>
Year to Date Expenses	<u>\$177,098.96</u>

Ending Balance June 30, 2021 **\$83,621.77**

Thanks to each and everyone of you for your steadfast support of the life and ministry of our parishes as we share the good news and the healing and reconciling presence of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.

Inquirer's & Confirmation

- Would you like to learn about the Baptismal Covenant, the Way of Love, and the Episcopal Church as preparation for Confirmation (youth or adult)?
- Are you interest in being Received into the Episcopal Church?
- Are you New? This is a great way to learn more about Trinity and the Episcopal Church.

Join us for our first session be via zoom Tuesday, September 7 at 7pm

If you are interested, please contact the church office or Father Les.



Connecting young adults to local ministries

The Diocese wants to stay connected with Episcopal young adults after they finish high school. If college is in your future, let us to know if you'll be attending one of the schools in Kansas that has a campus ministry program. If you'll be attending elsewhere or doing alternative activities, the Diocese wants to help connect you with a local program or church. Complete [this form](#) with a current phone and/or e-mail so they can stay in touch.



Suggestions for Spirituality

Looking for something to do this summer to enrich your spiritual journey? Consider picking one (or more) of these suggestions to help grow in the Spirit.

- Pick one of the Gospels to read
- Devote 20 minutes a day to prayer
- Help out with Priscilla's Pantry on the 4th Saturday of the month. Next one is August 28.
- Read your Forward Day by Day faithfully for a whole month-keep a chart-make sure to look up one of the listed Scriptures and/or google the diocese(s) we pray for at the bottom of the page!
- Commit to pray for someone who needs your prayers. Send them a text or a card to let them know you've prayed for them.
- Share one of the sermon videos on our Facebook page to someone you know who'd like to deepen their spirituality. Maybe invite them to church.



Next Vestry Meetings

Sunday, August 15 & Sunday, September 19 at 11:45am

In-Person & via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/97258761596?pwd=a3BTUIBFdjIGYzRManN4ZlVkcU2dz09>

Meeting ID: 972 5876 1596

Passcode: 528733



- Thursdays @ 10am** Bible Study at Trinity
- Sunday, August 15** 11:45am Vestry Meeting
- Saturday, August 28** 8-12pm Priscilla's Pet Pantry
- Monday, August 30** 6pm Renewal & Celebration of New Ministry



- Wednesday, September 1** 7pm Worlds Divided Lecture at Grace Cathedral, Topeka
- Tuesday, September 7** 7pm Zoom Book Study
- Monday, September 6** Labor Day
- Saturday, September 11** 2pm Convocation Meeting
- Sunday, September 19** 11:45am Vestry Meeting
- Saturday, September 25** 8-12pm Priscilla's Pet Pantry
- Sunday, September 26** Feast of St. Matthew

Friends of the Library Used Book Sale

Support the El Dorado Hills Library by shopping their Used Books Sale!

Shopping the Used Book Sale provides funding for a significant portion of the support the Friends of the Library channels to the library. Shoppers can find books in all genres, including children's books, at incredible prices.

All proceeds go directly to fund the library's collections, programs, and facility.

Sale is located in the Clymer Room of the library. More information to be coming out soon.

Wednesday, August 25
Thursday, August 26
Friday, August 27
Saturday, August 28

Southwest Pre-Convention Convocation Meeting

Saturday, September 11 at 2:00pm

The diocese is divided into 4 geographic regions, called convocations, and every church of the diocese is a member of one of these convocations. The clergy of the convocation, plus lay delegates from convocations churches, make up the convocation board, which is required by canon to meet at least four times a year.

Convocation officers: *President:* The Rev. Les Jackson
President-elect: Adrienne Edwards
Secretary: Mike Morrow *Dean:* The Very Rev. Laurie Lewis

The Southwest is made up of:
Trinity, Arkansas City; St. Andrew's, Derby;
Trinity, El Dorado; St. Andrew's, Emporia;
St. Matthew's, Newton;
St. Jude's, Wellington;
Good Shepherd, Wichita;
St. Bartholomew's at St. John's, Wichita;
St. James', Wichita; St. John's, Wichita;
St. Stephen's, Wichita; Grace, Winfield

Words for a Divided World

Eliza Griswold, Pulitzer Prize Winner

Co-sponsored by the Kansas Book Festival
and the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas



Wednesday, September 1, 7 pm
Grace Cathedral, Topeka
Free and open to the public.

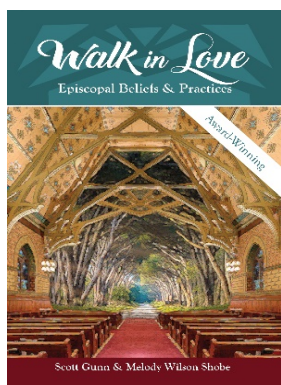
Join us for a public lecture

September 1 at 7pm

Grace Cathedral, Topeka

In an era that is polarized politically and religiously, how can Americans of faith re-open the conversation and find common ground and purpose?

Author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Amity and Prosperity* which recounts the true story of how fracking shattered one Pennsylvania town and how one resident brought it to light. She also wrote *The Tenth Parallel: Dispatches from the Fault Line Between Christianity and Islam*, and her latest book, *If Men, Then*, a collection of poems.



Coming Attraction!

NewZoom Book Study

Walk in Love: Episcopal

Belief & Practices

Begining Tuesday,

September 7 | 7:00pm

Take a journey through The Book of Common Prayer, the Christian life, and basic beliefs of our faith, guided by two Episcopal priests. Walk through the liturgical year, the sacraments of the church, habits of daily prayer, and the teachings of Anglican Christianity. See how our prayer shapes our belief and our lives and how our beliefs lead us into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Walk in Love is a comprehensive look at the practices and beliefs found within the Episcopal faith.

Six Signs Your Spiritual Life Is Healthy

(1) You have thought it out. There is an internal logic to your faith. You have spent time in critical reflection about what you believe. (2) You want to go on learning. Your faith has a built-in curiosity. (3) You value kindness very highly. Your sense of compassion radiates out, taking in all forms of life. (4) You have the confidence to see your own fragility. Each day is precious to you. You do not want to waste a moment on negative behavior but radiate hope to as many as you can. (5) You are a spiritual veteran. You have known hard times and faced many fears. The foundation of your faith is not greeting card theology, but resilient commitment to the peace beyond struggle. (6) You have seen visions. Even if through a glass darkly, you have caught a glimpse of the other reality that this world often obscures. You have seen beauty. You have felt serenity. You believe. - The Rt. Reverend Steven Charleston

Sessions: I Tuesday, September 7, 2021
"The Anglican Way of Christianity" Pg. xi. -16

Session II Tuesday, September 14, 2021
"The Sacraments and Sacramental Rites"
(Pt 1) Pg. 17-67

Session III Tuesday, September 21, 2021
"The Sacraments and Sacramental Rites"
(Pt 2) Pg. 68-108

BREAK: Tuesday, September 28 -Thursday,
September 30, 2021- Clergy Gathering
Session IV Tuesday, October 5, 2021
"Marking Time" Pg.109-168

Session V Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Basic Beliefs Pg. 169-222

Session VI Tuesday, 19, October 2021
The Church Pg. 223-268

Session VII Tuesday, October 26, 2021
A Trinitarian Life Pg. 271-299

Session VIII Tuesday, November 2, 2021
What's Next Pg. 304-329

Let Fr. Les know if you will join
fatherles@trinityeldorado.org

Zoom meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/99475919113>
Meeting ID: 994 7591 9113
Passcode: 668129

Schedule for Sunday Servers

Thank you to all who are willing to serve on Sundays

If you would like to be a part of a team, please contact the church office. 316.321.6606

August 2021

Sunday	Counters	Ushers	Lectors	Hospitality	Minister of the Word
1	Christie Reynolds Cindy Badwey	Cindy Badwey	David Reynolds	Carol Turner	
8	Ted White Christie Reynolds	Ted White	Carol Turner	Christie Reynolds	David Reynolds
15	Annette Gurney Cindy Badwey	Glenda Giro	Annette Gurney	Glenda Giro	
22	Ted White Cindy Badwey		Lorraine Huntoon	Ted & Becky White	Carol Turner
29	Annette Gurney Christie Reynolds	Annette Gurney	Carol Turner	Annette Gurney	David Reynolds

September 2021

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5	Christie F. Reynolds Cindy Badwey	Cindy Badwey	David Reynolds	Cindy Badwey	
12	Ted White	Ted White	Carol Turner	Ted & Becky White	David Reynolds
19	Annette Gurney Christie Reynolds	Glenda Giro	Annette Gurney	Glenda Giro	
26	Ted White	Carol Turner	Lorraine Huntoon	Christie Reynolds	David Reynolds

If you are scheduled and unable to attend, please find a replacement and call the church office. Thank you



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