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GRACE

It was July 1955. The western Tennessee summer air hung heavy. Days were long for playing up and down the street - no locked doors, no fear of predators. I was a rising 2nd grader at Union City Elementary School. My dad was the minister of religious education at First Baptist Church and we knew a lot of people in the small, friendly town.

It was the year he bought our first and only brand new car - the cream puff, the yellow and white Chevy Bel Aire. We lived in a green asbestos shingle house with brown trim, on a street of similar small but neat houses. Not too far behind our house was a Civil War cemetery that provided endless adventures for young children into the mysteries of the spirit world. There was even a community swimming pool where my mother sometimes took me in the heat of the summer days. Life was good.

And on the 4th of July 1955, life got even better. I discovered my usually gentle, shy and cautious father's love of loud firecrackers. You know the kind - those little ones with several on a string or singles that make a bang far louder than their size predicts. My dad delighted in setting them off just behind me when I was unaware. My screams just egged him on until the last firecracker was spent.

To make amends to me for his pranks, Daddy went back to the fireworks store; and with money he could ill afford to spend, bought a box of Roman candles, sparklers and other fireworks that I preferred. There was one stipulation: that I wait until dark to shoot them and only if he were present. I promised.

And I waited through the afternoon with images of colorful explosions dancing in my head. I checked the box of fireworks over and over, fingering and holding each and every one. Surely my dad would not mind if I lit just one. I took the box out of the shed that sat in the back yard. Which should I choose? A Roman candle won out and with much excitement and maybe just a teeny bit of shame, I lit the wick.

When the Roman candle fizzled in my small hand, I tossed it away. The brief fireworks show was dazzling as the sparks from that fizzed candle landed in the box and ignited everything in it. Unfortunately, the show and popping attracted my father's attention and he came running from the house. After making sure I was not hurt, he reminded me of my promise and that there would now be no show in the cool, damp darkness for my mother and the neighbors to enjoy.

How I cried and cried, not so much for disobeying my father, but for the lost pleasure of a fireworks show. My mother took me inside the house and tried to comfort me with the appropriate mixture of sternness for my transgression, followed by a bowl of ice cream. It worked pretty well, but I was so very disappointed that I did not notice my dad drive off in the cream puff and return after a brief time. He walked into the kitchen and handed me a small brown paper sack. Inside were four sparklers and two Roman candles. It was all he could afford, and it was vastly more than I deserved.

That July 4th, 1955 was when I learned about grace. Oh, at the time I would not have known to call it that, and I would not have known that it originated from my father's deep relationship with God whose name is Grace. But even to my self-centered eight year old heart, my father's sacrifice for my pleasure, even in the face of my disobedience to him, was not in vain. I turn to it still for inspiration 56 years later; and remembering that display of a father's love, I see the magnificent explosion of God's grace and love.

His love has no limits, His grace has no measure,
His power no boundary known unto men;
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again.

- Annie J. Flint (1866-1932)

Submitted by Dorothy Chatham Hartzog

Wednesday Night Suppers for May

<u>Date</u>	<u>Menu</u>	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Team</u>
May 4th	Hot Dogs	Yes	Greeters
May 11th	Chicken & Noodles	No	Baird/Burke/Murray
May 18th	Tacos	Yes	Johnston Team

(MAY 18TH WILL BE THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER AND SERVICE)

Request from the Church Office!

If your home address, email address or home/cell phone numbers have changed, please call the church office so we can update our records. Recently, when we have tried to contact members to pass on information, we were unsuccessful due to communication changes. Call or email the church office, 645-2458 or secretary@trinityparish.com.

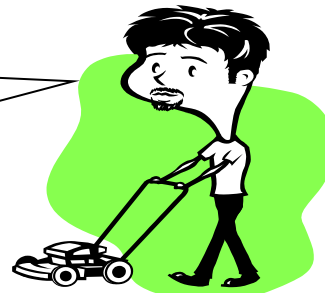


Paper Recycling

Did you know recycling 1 ton of paper saves 7,000 gallons of water, 3.3 cubic yards of landfill space, and enough energy to power the average American home for six months?

So be a good steward of God's creation and put those bulletins and other paper into our recycling containers around the church. There is also an industrial sized container available for **PAPER** recycling in the parking lot of the church if you want to recycle letters, newspapers, and magazines from home. **Please, NO CARDBOARD, plastic or cans. Only paper!**

Junior Warden, Bob Houston, says thanks to all who helped with Clean-up day on April 9th!



MIDWEEK WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (30 minutes)
- Noon Noonday Prayers
Liturgy will last about 15 minutes.
Church will remain open for meditation until 1:00 pm
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (30 minutes)



May Birthdays

1 Greg Cooper	16 Jacob Yarbrough, Mercy Yrabledra
2 Thayer Beach, Jeanie Faust	17 Art Eaves
3 Cornelia Mitchell	22 Juanita McKinney
5 Nadine Hare, Kate Smith	23 Russell Yarbrough
6 Robert Boone, Ryan Ploeckelman	24 Terry Welsh
8 Betty Allen, Bobby Williams	27 Sheila Foust, Mike McGhee, Zoe Prichard
10 Sydney Mace	28 AJ Jackson
11 Gayle Knickerbocker, Nicholas O'Bryan	29 Maggie Watkins
12 Josslyn Kimbrough	30 Anne Glass
13 Alexandra Nelson, Koen Ploeckelman	31 Allison McCormack, Christopher Woolford
14 Connor Dial, Anna Heron, Vicki King, Karla Miller	


ECW will meet Saturday, May 14th at 9:30 a.m. All women of the church are invited.

Wednesday Nights at Trinity

- 5:30-6:00: Holy Eucharist
- 6:00-7:00: Supper served (modest charge)
- 6:30-8:30: Children's Choir (1st & 3th)
Children's Activities (2nd & 4th)
- 6:30-8:00: Youth Group (1st & 3rd)
- 7:00-8:00: Adult Classes (as announced)
Adult Choir (2nd & 4th)

** Times and specific activities/classes may change throughout the year. Check monthly newsletter and Sunday bulletins for updates.

** When Clarksville-Montgomery County schools close for inclement weather, all Wednesday night activities will be cancelled also.

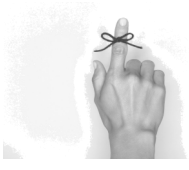


Remembered in our Prayers

Diocese and Worldwide: Our military and all victims of wars

Parish Family and Friends:

Naomi Cannaday, Tony Ciotta, Laura Clontz, Paige Dearfield, Mary Ellen Dillon, Nancy Doherty, George Fisher, Nadine Hare, Della Hemmrich, Ed Irwin, Gina Jaillier, Judy Janes, Miguell Johnson, Suzanne Johnson, Michelle Kitmitto, John Knickerbocker, Ginny Lindsey, Virginia McKenzie, Juanita McKinney, Harriett Moore, Tom Moore, Dan Rechtien, Crys Sackrider, Dorothy Woodham, Mary Catherine Word, Mercy Yrabledra.



Don't Forget



Refreshments during “coffee hour” are definitely something nearly everyone looks forward to after the 9:30 a.m. service. If you enjoy a cookie and coffee with fellow parishioners, I encourage you to consider helping. It’s not as difficult as it may appear. You can work in teams or you can simply donate packaged items to store in our pantry. There is a new sign-up sheet for refreshment “partners.” If you’re interested in providing refreshments, but would prefer to partner with someone, please add your contact information to the sign-up. Thanks for your help!

Paige King



Children’s Choir



Whitney Price is the children’s choir director. She is a recent graduate of APSU and is currently the music teacher at Barkers Mill Elementary School.

The children are learning songs to sing during services and receiving group training in basic music theory. Participants are elementary school age children who can focus and pay attention for at least 45 minutes.

Rehearsals are on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in the choir room (3rd floor). The children will perform during one Sunday service each month.

POC: Katie Dean at katedean1@charter.net or 217-8314.

Trinity Needles ...

Meet in the Library every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.

If you knit or crochet please come and join us!



Secretary’s Hours

Monday through Friday

10 a.m. until 2 p.m.



Coloring Books in Church

Look to your left as you enter the church and you will see our new coloring book display. We have coloring books and crayons in small canvas bags hanging on a children’s coat rack. Help us point this out to new members and those visiting Trinity. Interested in making a donation? We are using Christian coloring books (we found ours at the Dollar Tree and Lifeway Bookstore), small boxes of crayons, and canvas bags with pockets, (from Hobby Lobby).

Room In The Inn Supplies

RITI still has needs! Travel size toiletries are always needed. Paper products are needed for the shelter. Any questions, please call the parish office, 645-2458.



The Work of the Church

Oftentimes people want to get involved in the work of the church, but aren't sure how to do so, or even how the work is done. It's no secret - it's just not always obvious. We have seven church committees, and just about every church function falls under one of them. Please look over the list below and see where God might be calling you to get involved. - Senior Warden Chris Smith, 217-7531

Building and Grounds - Maintenance, repair and improvement of church grounds, facilities and equipment, including technology, expansions, landscaping, kitchen, recycling. Junior Warden Bob Houston, 906-8130

Christian Education - Supervise and support Sunday School program, adult education, VBS, Children's Chapel, Nursery and Youth Group. Liaison Rev. Dorothy Hartzog, 645-2458

Congregational Development - Organize church social and growth functions, including planning initiatives to maintain and grow church membership and involvement. Covers practical planning for greeters, coffee hour, Wednesday night suppers, receptions, supper clubs, annual festival, website, advertising and other efforts. Liaison Kathy Murray, 206-3188.

Finance - Prepare monthly financial report, organize annual stewardship campaign, count donations after church. Treasurer Howell Foust.

Liturgy and Worship - Plan and share info on upcoming services, events and liturgical changes. Includes verger, Altar Guild, priests, choir director, organist, ushers, handbells director, Children's Choir liaison. Chairman Mark Hunter, 648-3805

Outreach - Organize and support church outreach efforts, such as FUEL, Room In the Inn, Nashville Cares, coat collection, phone cards, support for Loaves & Fishes, Christmas Dinner program, Empty Bowls. Liaison Katie Dean, 217-8314, and Anne Finley, [615-696-2406](tel:615-696-2406)

Pastoral Care - Visitation and care for the sick and shut-in, and those in times of need. Includes meal delivery, home communion. Liaison Cynthia Goad, 217-2206

Where Can I Serve?

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. 1 Peter 4:10

Altar Guild needs at least four people interested in joining this group. POC is Mary Smith, 624-6078, or mary@clarksville.org



SUNDAY SCHOOL POSITIONS AVAILABLE!!!!

We still need some volunteers for our 2010 -11 Preschool through Sixth grade Sunday school program and to lead Children's Chapel! Please consider joining us in this very rewarding and important ministry. We have storyteller and assistants positions available. Fall term begins in September, followed by winter and spring sessions. Contact Dabney Peacher 931-627-2455, dabney-peacher@aol.com, or the parish office.

HANDS ON CLARKSVILLE is a brand new online clearing-house for organizations needing volunteers and for wantabee volunteers to find their niche. If you are part of an organization that would like to be registered with Hands On Clarksville or if you are looking for a place to volunteer your unique gifts (after using them at Trinity, of course!), go to www.handsonclarksville.org.



Trinity volunteers at Loaves and Fishes (Clarksville's Soup Kitchen)

the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Volunteers are always welcome to help in this fun and rewarding ministry. For more information, please contact the church office and Jan will put you in touch with

Altar Flowers for May

*To provide flowers one Sunday, contact Mildred Mickle at 503-0159 or Jan Hammett at 645-2458.



May 1st	Don & Tia Batterson
May 8th	Jerry & Fessey Hackney
May 15th	Dr. & Mrs. William Lyle
May 22nd	Mr. & Mrs. Jack Mitchell
May 29th	Available



Collecting Food for Loaves and Fishes



Loaves and Fishes is a local program that feeds Clarksville's needy. Next time you're shopping at the grocery store why not pick up an extra item—or two—for this worthy cause? Bring donations to church where there is container in the Vestibule of the church, and the Parish Hall for you to drop off your donations. These will be taken to Loaves and Fishes every month. Your support is very much appreciated. Please remember items that require refrigeration cannot be accepted in the collection bins. Shirley Hood. 552- 3538



GREETERS FOR MAY

May 1st
May 8th
May 15th
May 22nd
May 29th

IF YOU NEED COFFEE HOUR, WE NEED YOU!!

Coffee Hour schedule is posted on the hall bulletin board beside Dorothy Conroy Hall. Feel free to sign up for a week!!



May 1st	Gildrie's
May 8th	Martha & Kathy
May 15th	Available
May 22nd	Available
May 29th	Available

If you have question, please call or email Paige King, 931-302-3750 or paige@hodgepodge-home.com

Hope Pregnancy Center needs donations.

Will you consider donating

- formula
- diapers
- gently used or new diaper bags
- new baby equipment (bouncy seats, pack-n-plays, infant car seats, etc.)

These items will be placed in Hope's store where young mothers can purchase them with "mommy money" they have earned by participating in birthing classes, parenting classes and mentoring groups. This program is called Earn As You Learn and it has proven to be a great way to empower these young women.

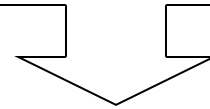
Donations can be dropped in the box marked "Hope Pregnancy Center" outside DC Hall or you contact POC Katie Dean @ 217-8314.

Thank you!!



Trinity is going to try to "recruit" more pictures of our military members (and their families). We are asking that you send a photo (preferably one with the soldier and family) along with the following information: Soldier's Name, additional family members' names, estimated dates of deployment and/or return. The information can be emailed to the church office at secretary@trinityparish.com or to Anna Crawford at aeskilson@gmail.com POCs for this endeavor are Anna Crawford (334-406-2170) and Amy Johnston (931-542-7905)

**RESCHEDULED UNTIL
MAY 14th - STAYED
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Murder of a Millionaire
**"A Will Reading for the Rich
and Greedy"**

Saturday, May 14th, 7 p.m.

"Pay What You Can"

Light appetizers and drinks will be served. Signup sheet on the DC Hall bulletin board. Want to learn more? Contact Sheila Foust, Kendall Welsh or Dede Casteel or call the church office, 645-2458.

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Secretary's Hours: Monday–Friday, 10:00 am–2:00 pm

The Episcopal Diocese of TN
www.episcopaldiocese-tn.org

The Episcopal Church (national offices)
www.episcopalchurch.org

Episcopal Life Online
www.episcopalchurch.org/elif

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Mrs. Anne Glass, Organist

Mrs. Lisa Conklin Bishop, Choir Director

Dr. Mark Hunter, Master of Ceremonies

Mr. Howell Foust, Treasurer

Ms. Jan Hammett, Secretary
secretary@trinityparish.com

Mrs. Tia Batterson, Librarian

Members of the Vestry

Senior Warden:	Chris Smith
Junior Warden:	Bob Houston
Clerk of the Vestry:	Kate Smith
Robert Boone	Jan Hodgson
Bill Colclough	Paige King
Katie Dean	Paul Laugeness
Sheila Foust	Kathy Murray
Anne Finley	
Cynthia Ebel-Goad	

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OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE (September through May)

Sunday

(Nursery provided during 9:30 worship and Sunday School)

7:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, (no music)
8:30 am	Old Testament Class
9:00 am	Grace Chapel, worship
9:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music)
9:30 am	Children's Chapel (through Offertory)

(Coffee hour in parish hall immediately following 9:30 service)

11:00 am	Handbell rehearsal
11:00 am	Christian Education for all ages
12:00 am	Daughters of the King (2nd)
5:00 pm	Grace Reformed Baptist Church meets in DC Hall

Monday

5:30-7:00 pm Brownies (1st & 3rd)

Tuesday

1:00 pm	Needles (knitting/crocheting group) (2nd & 4th)
5:00 pm	Executive Committee meeting (2nd)
6:00 pm	Vestry meeting (3rd)
8:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday

(Nursery provided 6:30-8:00 pm)

7:00 am	Holy Eucharist
12-1 pm	Noonday Prayers & Meditation
5:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
6-7 pm	Supper Served
6:30 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal (1st & 3rd)
6:30 pm	Youth Group (1st & 3rd)
6:30 pm	Older Children's Group (2nd & 4th)
7:00 pm	Adult Classes
7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (2nd & 4th)

Thursday

1:00 pm Grief Support Group Meeting

Saturday

9:30 am Episcopal Church Women (2nd)