

# Trinity Tidings

## From the Interim Rector

### A Season of Blessing

We are at the threshold of the change in the seasons. September 22 marked the Autumnal Equinox and now the days grow shorter and the nights grow longer.

With all the pain in the world, it is truly easy to begin to despair that we are all spiraling into the abyss of depression. We all pray for all of us who suffer, but I ask you all to think on what blessings we share, and to dwell more on what we have been given today, tomorrow and in the weeks to come.

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis and bless our pets on October 9, which can mark for us a season of blessings as we care for Creation. Should you wish, here's a prayer you can say for your own pets whenever the need arises:

*Blessed are you Lord God of the universe.*

*In your infinite wisdom you created the universe and blessed us with all living creatures. I especially thank you for entrusting me with my pet, my friend who brings me so much happiness and whose presence very often helps me through trying times.*

*Please bless my pet and make me a responsible steward of your creature. May we continue to give each other joy and remind us of your power.*

*As my pet trusts me to take care of it, help me to remember to trust you to take care of us, for in so doing we share in your love for all your creatures. And especially, we remember all endangered species and ask your help in taking care of them so that we may continue to appreciate all of your creation.*

*Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

St. Francis often is remembered as preaching to the animals, but his ministry was much more involved in the ministry to the poor. After his conversion experience, he started giving away his father's money. When his father tried to stop his charity, Francis renounced his life of privilege, stripped off his clothes, handed them to his father, and began a ministry in poverty.

The example of Francis is difficult to follow. I know I can't share in the pledge of poverty. Perhaps what we can do is do what we can to reflect his philosophy of being Christ in the world, and pray that we can do more than we do as we mature in the faith. Here's his model in the prayer attributed to St. Francis:



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## Weekly Worship Schedule

### Sunday

8 am: Rite I Holy Eucharist  
(masked)

10:30 am Rite II Choral Eucharist  
(masks optional)

### Wednesday

7:30 am Holy Eucharist

12:30 pm: Healing Service

Both in St. Athanasius Chapel  
(both masked)

~ Come Worship With Us! ~  
All are Welcome

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## FROM THE CO-JUNIOR WARDENS



Greetings, dear brothers and sisters in Christ! Fall has fallen, and with it comes heating work that has been and is being accomplished to ensure a smooth transfer to winter for the building and all its fabulous inhabitants who pray for a warm, cozy shelter in which to worship. To that end, the Office heating system has been repaired and is now ready for wiring in new thermostats. By the time you read this, work on the Kelly Hall and Undercroft heating system will have begun as well. Many thanks to Mark Hartman and Brad Wright for their involvement in meeting with contractors to get this project rolling.

You are not alone in noticing the floor shift in Kelly Hall, the cracks around the wall between the new addition and the narthex, and water leakage in the Undercroft. We have opened a claim with our church insurance to see whether they will pay for any repairs. The first step is to bring out, free of charge, a structural engineer to assess the problems. Stay tuned.

We are still working with the Scouts to get rid of their shed in our parking lot. By the time you read this, we should have resolved this issue or at least put a resolution in the works. Once that is done, we can get a dumpster in for Shop on the Corner, as well as start striping the parking lot before cold weather sets in.

Shop on the Corner has officially moved to the Old Parish Hall from the Undercroft and continues to be in business. This move includes coordination with numerous other ministry groups to clear out rooms to move to other parts of the church. This new location will hopefully give Shop on the Corner more room and better accommodations, as well leaving the more appealing-for-renters space in the Undercroft open and available to the church. Many shoppers have already provided encouraging, positive reviews. To all of you amazing ladies who accomplished so much in this move so very quickly, we are incredibly grateful and duly impressed. To the Parish, we encourage you to visit their new site when they are open to congratulate them (and hopefully find something to buy that takes your fancy!).

And while we are talking about this area, please notice that Judy Crocker has worked hard with professional landscapers to donate a beautiful garden and water redirection (read “a lot less ice in the winter”) to the area outside the Undercroft. Where once stood dirt, weeds, and mud, we now have lovely plants, mulch, and water siphoned out from drainage pipes and away from the entrance. When you next see Judy, be sure to thank her for her dedication to beautifying our church and for her generosity.

Something to think about this week: From the Welsh minister D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones, “The ultimate test of our spirituality is the measure of our amazement at the grace of God.”

Blessings,

Lisa and Mark

Co-Junior Wardens



### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY WILL HONOR ALL OF OUR SAINTS

For All Saints Sunday, November 6, we again will be assembling an *ofrenda* to honor those who have gone before. Please bring photos of your loved ones to the church on Sunday, October 30, or drop them by the office during the week.

The *ofrenda* (Spanish for offering) is a traditional Mexican celebration for the *Día de los Muertos*, during which families create altars at home to honor ancestors. According to Wikipedia, the *ofrenda* dates back to the Aztec empire and was incorporated with Christian practices after the Spanish conquest, when the cultures merged.

If you look at the liturgical calendar, All Saints is November 1 and All Souls is November 2. The two days present a distinction between Saints and All the Faithful Departed. We make no such distinction, in keeping with St. Paul's direction that we are all saints in the community of Trinity on the Hill. The collect for All Souls is this:

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of your Son; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

We all share in the kindred of the Lord as God's children. We honor those who are no longer with us so, in addition to the reading of the names of those who have died as part of our observance, we'll have an *Ofrenda* before the Altar for that Sunday. The *Ofrenda* will display photographs and items the families of the church to remember those who have gone on to their reward.

Trinity on the Hill is a home for many families and those who have passed on will be honored and remembered during our Eucharist, and their spirits welcomed to the altar to share in our thanksgiving.



The *Ofrenda* at the TOTH altar, November 2021





**TOTH is looking to hire an Organist & Choir Director**

**Position available immediately**

**Please contact TOTH Office for more details (505-662-5107)**

A couple of photos that fell through the cracks last month. Children's Sermon with Susan Sprake (below) and Damon Giovanielli training a future Usher (right). (Photos: Maggie Moore)



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## Trinity on the Hill's Mission

*The Mission of Trinity on the Hill is to share the power and joy of God's love, to fully embrace all God's children, and to respond to the needs of our community and the world in the spirit of Jesus Christ*

**The next regularly scheduled issue will be in October. Submission deadline: Friday, October 28, 2022.**

Submit electronically to [admin@latoth.org](mailto:admin@latoth.org)

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*Lord, make us instruments of your peace.*

*Where there is hatred, let us sow love;*

*where there is injury, pardon;*

*where there is discord, union;*

*where there is doubt, faith;*

*where there is despair, hope;*

*where there is darkness, light;*

*where there is sadness, joy.*

*Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved as to love.*

*For it is in giving that we receive;*

*it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;*

*and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

Blessings

Father Raymond+

### DO YOU WANT TO BE ...?

Father Raymond is putting together a list of those in the Parish who wish to be confirmed, received, or who want to have their Baptismal Vows reaffirmed by the Bishop, to request his next visitation to Trinity on the Hill. If you wish to be any of the above, please contact the office so we can have your information.

**Confirmation** – The sacramental rite in which the candidates "express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop." Those who were baptized at an early age and those baptized as adults without laying on of hands by a bishop are expected to make a mature public affirmation of their faith, recommit themselves to the responsibilities of their baptism, and receive laying on of hands by a bishop. Adults baptized with the laying on of hands by a bishop are considered to be confirmed.

**Reception (Christian Commitment)** – Baptized persons who have been members of another Christian fellowship and who wish to be affiliated with the Episcopal Church may make a public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their baptism in the presence of a bishop. The bishop lays hands on each candidate for reception and says, "We recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion" Candidates for reception normally have made a mature commitment in another Christian fellowship.

**Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows** – Persons already baptized may reaffirm their Baptismal Vows in the presence of the bishop in the context of a service of Baptism or Confirmation. These might be persons returning to the church after a period of unbelief or those who have entered a new level of spiritual life. This reaffirmation is another level of commitment than the "renewal" of the baptismal covenant by the entire congregation at various times in the church year.

### FROM THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

We are now coming into the second, smaller, hiring season in the fall, and so our TOTH opening will again be posted in the Episcopal News Service and the Office of Transition Ministry (OTM) website for the month of October, with any applicants being considered before the Advent season begins. After that, Advent and Christmas pretty much occupies everyone's attention until next spring's hiring season begins. At Fr. Raymond's suggestion, we are going to expand the number of places where we post our opening, trying to cast a wider net.

In addition, the Search Committee is reviewing our OTM profile and website text to see if we can improve them. Clergy availability in the U.S. Episcopal Church remains challenging, as it is for many denominations, but we need to be patient and remember that we are on God's time here. Meanwhile, we in the parish can continue to move ahead in restoring our services and missions to their pre-pandemic levels as much and as fast as possible.

#### ***For the record: September 2022***

Burial: *Mary Ellen Tallerico (October 11, 1940—April 25, 2022),  
September 16*

Celebration of Life: *James Frederick Lime (December 11, 1934—June 5, 2020),  
September 17*



### ALTAR GUILD MINISTRY AND RETREAT

Our church ministries involve us in the workings of the Church and draw us closer to one another and to God. Altar Guild Ministry—truly a spiritual extension of worship—gives you the unparalleled opportunity for acts of true reverence. In handling sacred vessels and linens, in arranging the altar for the celebration of our Lord's life, death, and resurrection, you experience a peace and a joy in closeness to God.

Discover more and meet our members at the Altar Guild Retreat:

Altar Guild Members: be sure to come!

**Saturday, November 5, 8:00 am to 12 noon (see next page)**

**Courtyard and Sherrill Hall, Trinity on the Hill**

Find out why we love Altar Guild Service. The Altar Guild is filled with members who enjoy doing something beautiful for our Lord, for themselves and for each other.



**Altar Guild work is a lovely, serving ministry for men and women, and the “arm of the priest” through the work at the Altar, in the sanctuary, and with the Holy Communion.**

**Interested? Come and See!** Talk to any Altar Guild member.

**We always welcome anyone interested in this  
wonderful ministry.**

## **UPCOMING TOTH ALTAR GUILD EVENTS**

### **2022**

**Eucharist and**

**Retreat**

**Sherrill Hall/Courtyard**

**November 5**

**8 am**

**Birthday Party**  
Susan Sprake's  
70th

*Let's Celebrate  
Together*

**TOTH Kelly Hall**

**MUSIC**

The Big Band  
&  
Jan McDonald



**FOOD  
WINE  
BEER**

**Dancing**

Saturday, October 22, 2022  
Join us at 6:00PM



**Note: Please no presents. Let's just celebrate together.**

**SUSAN'S BIRTHDAY—ALL INVITED!**

Susan Sprake is inviting ALL members of the Trinity on the Hill parish family to celebrate with her on **October 22 in Kelly Hall at 6 pm**. See invitation above:  
**Susan specifically requests no presents—just your presence.**

**BOOK DISCUSSION, by Sam McRae**

I am hoping to gauge interest in doing a book discussion this November, prior to the beginning of Advent Season. Previously, this book was discussed to be presented as a full adult education study over several weeks, however, after further reflection, perhaps some might be interested in reading the book and simply having a discussion during adult ed time on a *single* Sunday.

The book is **Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians**, by Austen Hartke. The month of November was chosen because of **Transgender Awareness Week**, and Transgender Day of Remembrance in November.

If anyone is interested in having a discussion about this book, please reach out to me at [mcrae.srose@gmail.com](mailto:mcrae.srose@gmail.com) with the subject line "Book Discussion" as soon as possible so we can begin making plans.

Thank you all!

Blessings, Sam McRae

For reference:

<https://www.amazon.com/Transforming-Bible-Lives-Transgender-Christians/dp/0664263100>

<https://www.glaad.org/transweek>



## UNITED THANK OFFERING - REMINDER OF “INGATHERING!!”

Have you picked up your Little Blue Box yet? More importantly, have you developed the daily habit of giving thanks to God? A great way to demonstrate your thanks, which also helps UTO's ability to award grants to Episcopal Churches around the country and overseas, is to drop loose change into the box, perhaps saying a pray of thanks.

All offerings are given 100% to the Episcopal Church UTO and will be given to those congregations who have applied for 2022 grants, following the theme :

“Care of Creation: Turning love into action by caring for God’s creation to protect the most vulnerable - who will bear the largest burden of pollution and climate change - through justice, advocacy, environment reparations, or the development of fundamental materials.”

Our parish ingathering will be held on November 6 at both services. So there are a few weeks left, enough time to pick up a Blue box and begin filling it with coins each time you remember a blessing that God has bestowed upon you. TOTH's delegates will take a check from our church that will represent all of our offerings to the Diocesan Convention Eucharist in Albuquerque on November 11. So please don't forget your box! That is also the first day of Standard Time, so you also have to remember to set your clocks back one hour!

Envelopes will be provided in the pews for those who prefer to write a check, which should include “UTO” in the memo line. Personally I like the blue box method as it makes me more aware of all God's generosity and goodness. Here is a simple prayer of thanks I like:

Dear God,

How can I ever thank you enough for the blessings in my life? Each time I turn around, I see something to be grateful for, some small (or large!) miracle that makes my heart sing. Thank you for the daily joys that greet me when I rise each morning and for the calm and peace that is in my heart. Thank You! Amen

Blessings to all,

Cathy Walters

TOTH UTO Representative

## A REQUEST FROM THE BISHOP

Bishop Hunn has requested feedback on the communications from himself and the Diocese. For those who wish to participate, Father Raymond will show the Bishop's video communications on Wednesday afternoons. He'll then compile comments and remarks to relay to the Bishop.

The first viewing will be next week at **3 pm, Wednesday, October 5**. If later or earlier times would be helpful, please let the office know so adjustments can be made.

## DR. LINDA RANEY: ORGAN RECITAL, OCTOBER 21

Dr. Linda Raney will present a recital on the C.B. Fisk organ at First Presbyterian Church, Santa Fe at 5:30 pm on Friday, October 21.

The TGIF concert program titled *The Stylus Phantasticus* will feature the music of Frescobaldi, Froberger, Bruhns, Buxtehude, and J. S. Bach, specifically:

**Buxtehude: Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137**

**Frescobaldi: Toccata no. 1 part 2**

**Froberger: Toccata, FbWV 102 in D**

**Bruhns: Praeludium in E minor ("Little")**

**J. S. Bach: Toccata and Fugue in D, BWV 565**

Dr. Raney earned her doctorate in Organ Performance and Church Music from Indiana University. She has been the organist and choir director at First Presbyterian Church since 1986. She also has directed the Santa Fe Women's Ensemble since 1988. In 2017 she retired after 20 years as Director of the Santa Fe Symphony Chorus.

First Presbyterian, 208 Grant Avenue, is located at the intersection of Grant Avenue, Griffin and Marcy streets, adjacent to the Santa Fe County building. Parking is available at the Santa Fe Convention Center garage across from the U.S. Post Office, as well as metered parking on adjacent streets. The doors open at 5:15 pm.



Dr. Linda  
Raney at the  
CB Fisk  
Organ

# OCTOBER

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

October 2022

Date	Time	Server/other Acolytes	LR or LEM/LR	Prayers of the People 10:30	Media Team 10:30	Usher 10:30	Altar Guild
Oct 2	8:00	Joe Cox, Crucifer	Kay Dreamtrader				Marilyn and Paul Lisowski Andy and Linda Light
	10:30	Mariah Stephens, Crucifer Peter Maginot, TB Josh Moore, TB	Susan Sprake	Nancy Coombs	Bill/Robin	Andy Light	
Oct 9	8:00	Isabella Stephens	Rozelle Wright				Rozelle and Brad Wright Kathy and Pete Peterson
	10:30	Susan Sprake, Server Ben Foley, Crucifer River Yamada, TB Anna Moore, TB	Susan Sprake	Linda Light	Richard/ Michelangelo	Maggie Moore	
Oct 16	8:00	Richard Triplett	Kay Dreamtrader				Renee Roybal Valarie Prestwood Karen Humphrey
	10:30	Isabella Stephens, Server Luke Favorite, Crucifer Josh Moore, TB Peter Maginot, TB	Anne Huysman	NEEDED	Nancy??	Andy Light	
Oct 23	8:00	Luke Favorite	Renee Roybal				Ellie Giovanielli Marybeth Stephens Jo Moore, Susannah Smith
	10:30	Andy Light, Server Mariah Stephens, Crucifer River Yamada, TB Hazel Brookshire, TB	Lynn Godwin	Nancy Coombs	Michelangelo/ Richard	Damon G.	
Oct 30	8:00	Joe Cox	Rozelle Wright				Jo Moore Karen Humphrey
	10:30	Susan Sprake, Server Isabella Stephens, Crucifer Peter Maginot, TB Josh Moore, TB	Susan Sprake	Linda Light	Bill/Richard	Maggie Moore	



### Remaining Connected during COVID-19

Let's get something straight: Screen-Time Burnout is a real thing. But it's the safest way to stay connected, so let's use it to the best of our ability. Knowing this, however, we have expanded some in-person offerings for those who desire.

#### Tuesdays:

- **Women Alive** via Zoom and in Sherrill Hall at 7:30 am. Contact Rozelle Wright or Claire Singleton for the link. First Tuesday walks at 7 am.
- Zoom **Coffee Hour** at 10 am. Link sent out via email ([admin@latoth.org](mailto:admin@latoth.org) for more information)

#### Wednesdays (masks required):

- **Holy Eucharist**, 7:30 am in St. Athanasius Chapel. In-person service only.
- **Service of Healing**, 12:30 pm in St. Athanasius Chapel. In-person and Zoom service.

#### Thursdays:

- **Holy Communion**, 9:30 am at Sombrillo Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
- **Service of Prayer for Healing**, 10:15 am at Aspen Ridge Lodge

#### Sundays:

- **Holy Eucharist Rite I** at 8 am, in person only (**masks required**).
- **Choral Eucharist Rite II** at 10:30 am, in person (**masks optional**) and via Facebook live at [www.facebook.com/trinityoth](https://www.facebook.com/trinityoth)

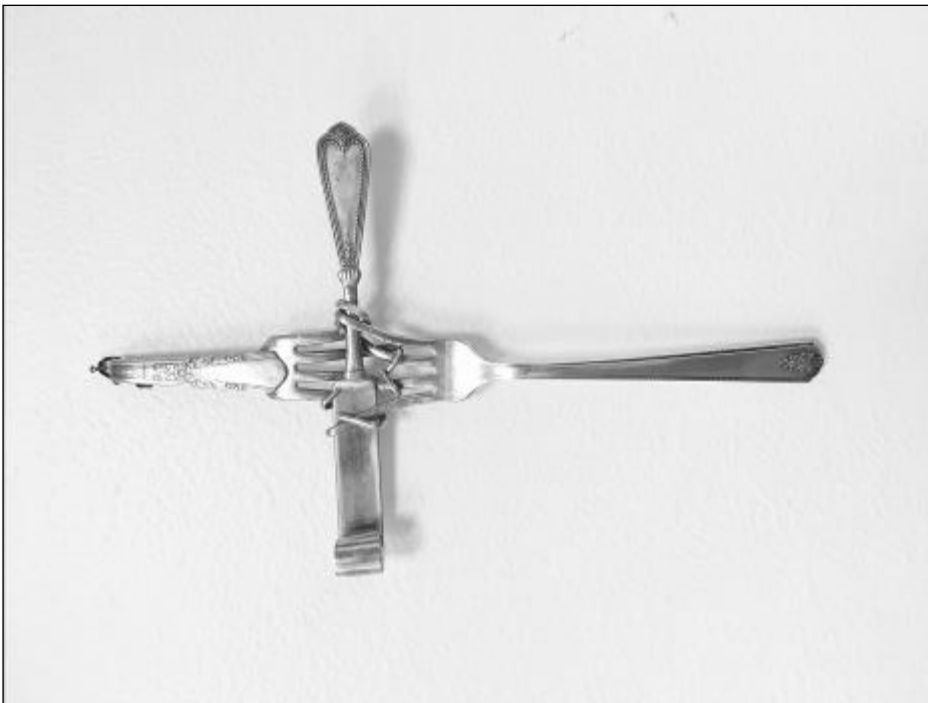
**Looking ahead:** The 2022 Convention of the Diocese of the Rio Grande will be held at the Cathedral of St. John in Albuquerque, November 11-12, 2022.

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