

**Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice, and walk humbly with God.**

**All are welcome.**

**If you are a guest today**, welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Please complete a visitor card found in the pew rack and drop it in the offertory plate, or hand it to an usher or member of the clergy. For more information, visit us online or call the church office at (504) 522-0276.

**Please join us for coffee hour** following the service, for snacks and conversation in Bishop Polk Hall. Exit via the stairs on the right side of the altar, and follow the hallway to the right, at the bottom of the stairs.



Trinity Episcopal Church New Orleans



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

### COVID Protocols

- The Diocese of Louisiana has mandated the use of masks for all participants during worship services until further notice.
- Communion will continue to be given by hand by the priest. Use of the common cup is still restricted.
- Virtual worship and formation opportunities will continue. Trinity will continue to livestream worship and provide online formation opportunities for those who feel safer gathering virtually.

Thank you for your continued flexibility as our protocols remain open to change based on guidance from the state, city and diocese.

## Sunday at Trinity

**Nursery Care will resume on January 9, 2022.**

**Godly Play will resume Sunday, January 9, 2022.** If you have not already registered, please do so at <https://trinitynola.com/godly-play-registration/>

**Faith and Fiction class will resume on January 9, 2022.**

**12 Steps Are for Everyone** meets 9:15am - 10:15am in Trinity's Board Room. All are welcome to come and learn more about the 12 steps. No prior knowledge necessary! For more information contact Karen Taylor at [taylorks@aol.com](mailto:taylorks@aol.com) or (203) 526-3590.

## New Worship Opportunities in 2022

**Casual Worship Service for all ages! (January 9)** - Churched, fed and ready for bed! Join us for a casual evening of worship with Holy Eucharist and a simple supper, offered on the the second Sunday of the month, January 9, February 13 and March 13, from 5:00pm - 6:00pm in Bishop Polk Hall. We will have a "Pray-Ground" for our littlest friends and nursery care for children under 3. Suggested donation for supper is \$5. Questions? Contact Ashley Bond at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com).

**An Evening of Prayer and Healing (January 11)** - "*Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.*" - (BCP p.124)

Trinity will begin offering an Evening Prayer style Healing Service on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:00pm in the Chapel. This service will include the sacrament of anointing, followed by a conversation on healing and wholeness in the Church Board Room, led by Debby Poitevent MSW/Therapist, Maria Elliott and The Rev. John Pitzer. Questions? Contact Maria Elliott at [melliott@trinitynola.com](mailto:melliott@trinitynola.com).

## Formation for All

### Children, Youth and Families

**Casual Worship Service for all ages! (January 9)** - See above!

**Godly Play Sundays at 10:30am (resumes Sunday, January 9).** The result of a lifetime of research and practice by theologian, author and educator, Rev. Dr. Jerome Berryman, the Godly Play® method is a curriculum of spiritual practice exploring the mystery of God's presence in our lives. The Godly Play curriculum engages what is most exciting about religious education: God inviting us into—and pursuing us in the midst of—Scripture and spiritual experience. Godly Play® practice teaches us to listen for God and to make authentic and creative responses to God's call in our lives. Register at <https://trinitynola.com/godly-play-registration/>.

**EYSeedlings for youth in grades 4-5 (Returning February 4)** - EYSeedlings is an opportunity for 4th and 5th graders to grow together in community and serves as a bridge between Godly Play and EYC (Episcopal Youth Community). EYSeedlings meet on the first Friday of every month (with a few exceptions) from 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Molly's House (2119 Coliseum Street). Past activities include candle making, soap making, dog toy making (for Blessing of Animals), White Elephant Epiphany Party, rock painting, movies and pool party. Dinner is always served and friends are always welcome. Stay tuned for more information or contact Phoebe Guinn at [pguinn@trinitynola.com](mailto:pguinn@trinitynola.com) with questions.

**EYC Epiphany Party (January 9)** - During regular youth group hours (5:00pm - 7:00pm), students are asked to bring one gift that is \$10 or less to participate in a white elephant gift exchange. Please no gift cards, funny/gag gifts are encouraged. Contact Phoebe Guinn at [pguinn@trinitynola.com](mailto:pguinn@trinitynola.com) with any questions.

**EYC Black History Month Field Trip (February 6)** - Beginning in February, EYC will participate in monthly field trips. On Sunday, February 6, 2022, from 11:30am - 2:00pm, EYC will be visiting Studio Be, the art gallery of New Orleans-based visual artist, Brandan 'Bmike' Odums. If you are an EYC parent who would like to volunteer to travel with the group, contact Phoebe Guinn at [pguinn@trinitynola.com](mailto:pguinn@trinitynola.com).

**Mom's Bible Study** - Join us **Thursdays from 12:30pm -1:30pm** in the Howcott Board Room for an intimate, life-giving bible study with a group of moms committed to growing spiritually and sharing their love of Christ with one and other. We do all sorts of different things to deepen our spiritual lives. Currently we are using the African Ubuntu Bible Study method to explore how Sunday's Gospel reading connects to our daily lives. It will be the best part of your week. Email Ashley Bond at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) or just show up!

## **Adults**

**Join us! The Young Adults and Professionals (January 5)** meet in the Parish House for a potluck meal and small group bible study on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. On Wednesday, January 5, they're having an Epiphany Party! Bring a white elephant gift (\$10 or a re-gift) and your hopes for the New Year for dinner and a festive evening. Newcomers strongly encouraged! Please RSVP to Becca Wallace at [beccam.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:beccam.wallace@gmail.com).

**YogaMass (January 8)**, offered on the first Saturday of every month, brings together the practice of yoga, breath work, meditation, and Holy Communion. As a way to encounter the Risen Christ on the mat, participants tap into the deep well of God's divine light within us. Class is led by Joy Meade, a Trinity Church choir member and certified YogaMass teacher. Music is offered by local yogis and musicians Keith Porteous and Sarah Quintana. Please register at <https://bit.ly/TrinityYogaMassRegistration>.

**Dream Group with Sister Mary Ann (Beginning January 11)** - Dreams can reveal so much about our inner gifts and spiritual journey. Sister Mary Ann is a spiritual director and gifted interpreter of dreams. See what new things are working within you during Epiphany! This group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 3:00pm to 4:30pm on Zoom, January 11 - February 15. A six-week commitment and donation for the program are encouraged. Contact Maria Elliott if you'd like more information at [melliott@trinitynola.com](mailto:melliott@trinitynola.com) or (504) 259-2098.

**Godly Play Training in Covington (January 28-30)** - Are you ready to deepen your spiritual life? Are you curious about children's spirituality and how we, as children of God, come to know God and embody religious language? Join us for a Godly Play Core Training weekend Jan 28 - 30. Anyone who works closely with children, including teachers, chaplains, clergy, youth ministers, lay leaders, formation leaders benefit from this workshop. Learn more about Godly Play at [godlyplayfoundation.org](http://godlyplayfoundation.org) and then email Ashley at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) if you'd like to know more.

**Pod Squad Bible Study!** Do you love to listen to podcasts? Do you always think: "Hmmm, I gotta tell someone about this podcast!" or "Wow! This podcast episode just blew my mind! Must share!" Yeah, us, too. If you'd like to be a part of a brand new bible study where we explore faith by discussing episodes from a variety of podcasts like "Bible for Normal People", "We Can Do Hard Things", "Everything Happens", "The Bible Project", "On Being" and more, email Ashley Bond at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com). We must have 8 people to kick this off. Day and time will be determined by the assembled group.

### **Stewardship at Trinity Church**

The year 2022 will mark a significant anniversary for Trinity Church - our 175th year. Trinity Church is at a crossroads. We have the opportunity to not only celebrate 175 years of ministry, but to set a course for the future.

We need every member to continue the tradition of generosity that has built and sustained our Church these 175 years. There is much important work to be done in 2022, and your support is essential. As you consider how you will support Trinity Church in 2022, we pray that this season of stewardship will be filled with a spirit of generosity, celebration and joy as well as a renewed commitment to God's call to all of us as faithful followers of Christ.

Visit [trinitynola.com/2022pledge](http://trinitynola.com/2022pledge) to make a commitment today. Please contact Raina O'Neil in the Church Development Office with any questions at (504) 670-2537 or [roneil@trinitynola.com](mailto:roneil@trinitynola.com).



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### **Trinity Treasures**

Cheers to the New Year! Use these festive candles as table decor or party favors. Not only are they crowd pleasers, but they are 40% off! All remaining Christmas items are also 40% off! Come take a look.

Trinity Treasures is open 8:30am - 3:30pm, Monday - Friday, and Sundays, before and after the 10:30am service. Shop online at [trinitytreasuresnola.com](http://trinitytreasuresnola.com). Trinity Treasures' profits go to Trinity ministries and community projects through WOTC grants.

## Called to Serve

**The Vestry Nominating Committee** invites our congregation to nominate future church leaders. A Vestry term is four years and begins on June 1st. Candidates must have been a member of the church for one year, be over age 21, and have been confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church by a bishop of the church. Nominees must also have provided financial support, as confirmed by the Church's stewardship records, within six months prior to the Annual Meeting to be held in the Spring. Among expectations and responsibilities of Vestry members, these include:

- Regular Sunday worship
- Attendance at forums, special events, and programs of the church
- Active involvement in committees and programs of the church
- Service on Vestry committees (such as finance\budget, stewardship, endowment, buildings and grounds, youth/adult education and community ministry)
- Providing leadership in stewardship activities, including an annual personal pledge
- Participation in annual budget development and review
- Support of the ministry of the Rector and staff in carrying out the mission of the church
- Attendance at monthly Vestry meetings and annual Vestry retreat
- Participate (or have participated in) anti-racism training
- Active involvement in hospitality and welcoming activities

The Vestry nominating committee includes Michelle Cox , Heather Lonian, Co Chairs, Cres Gardner, Barbara Waller, George Young, Beverly Lamb , Chris Puckett, King Logan, and Rachel Lombardo. The committee will review all nominations and recommend a slate of four candidates for a vote at the annual meeting in the Spring. Please share your nomination(s) with Michelle Cox at [michelle@chenault.net](mailto:michelle@chenault.net), Heather Lonian at [hlonian@stonepigman.com](mailto:hlonian@stonepigman.com), or any of our committee members. We welcome your input in identifying parishioners who are ready, willing, and able to serve and who are committed to advancing Trinity's mission: Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God. Thank you.