



The People of God

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A Message From Fr. Tom



Easter is a gift given over fifty days ...

We are used to thinking of seasons in the church year. We are aware that we just finished the season of Lent, which is distinct from the seasons around it because we don't say "Alleluia," we don't have a blessing, we use purple (which I look good in), and culturally people are fasting

and giving things up. Lent seems different from other seasons of the year. It is a special time.

Now, of course, we are in the season of Easter. And I want to suggest that Easter is also a special time and point out some of what makes this season special. We have paschal candles, literally candles of the Easter, throughout the sanctuary which we will light every week. We have extra "Alleluias" to make up for the lack of "Alleluias" in Lent. We often have baptisms during Eastertide, and we have one planned for this year. We wear white (which I look good in) this time of year.

It is also a special time because our lessons talk again and again about Jesus appearing, coming back, being alive, showing up in people's lives. And that I think is the real gift of Easter. This is a time when we are encouraged and motivated to see that God and Jesus are alive in our lives and our world!

Every day for fifty days, we are greeted by the resurrected Jesus. When we wake, his hope rushes out to meet us. When we worry, his presence comes to remind us that we are loved. When we look at the events of the world with great concern, he reminds us that he is with us and has empowered us, given us his glory, so we can do great things. Every Sunday during Eastertide, we hear fantastic things ...

Believe, he tells us this season.

Feed my sheep, he tells us this season.

I will give you eternal life and will protect you forever, he tells us this season.

Love one another, he tells us this season.

Stand up, take your mat and walk, he tells us this season.

I have given you my glory, he tells us this season.

Jesus is the flowers coming from the ground, and the bloom of life on the trees. He is easy to overlook but impossible to ignore. And we have fifty days to be with him in the intensity of life and the swirl of resurrection. And we hope you join us.

Good things await during these fifty days. Every day is a gift we are blessed to open.

Happy Eastertide. I hope to see you in church.

In faith,
Tom+





Music Ministry News

Meet Frank Hallock - Guest Choir Director

I am thrilled to announce that my longtime friend and musical colleague, Frank Hallock, has agreed to direct our choir during my next overseas adventure in Australia and Japan. Frank will be with us at Trinity for the seven weeks immediately after Easter conducting choir rehearsals and directing on Sundays. I'll be here in June for a bit too. This arrangement will bring continuity and focus to the choir as they wind down the spring season. Frank may be available at other times as well when we need him.

I have been so happy with our organist team and now we can expand that concept to a directing team. Trinity is really blessed to be able to attract and hold on to so many talented and committed musicians. Thank you ALL for your beautiful music during Holy Week and throughout the year. I expect to be "back on the bench" or standing at a music stand for the fall season in September.

See Frank's bio in the article below.

David Lewis, Music Director

Introducing Rev. Frank Hallock

Rev. Frank Hallock is a choral and orchestra director, operatic soloist, composer, poet, author, and ministerial mentor. He is recently retired after 27 years as the Minister of Music and Fine Arts at the United Methodist Church of Vista, California, USA. He holds a BA in Music from San Diego State University and an MA in Theology from Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, and is an ordained deacon in the United Methodist Church. He has studied voice and conducting in Master Classes with Dr. Charlene Archibeque, Dr. Howard Swann, Dr. Charles Hirt, Roger Wagner and John Rutter.

He enjoyed a 10 year career with San Diego Opera, as a chorister, then as soloist, and was also the Assistant Chorus master, Assistant Stage Director, and Assistant Orchestra Conductor for several productions, as well as an understudy for American baritone Norman Treigle. He has performed with the Pacific Lyric Opera Company. He has toured Europe with award-winning Choral ensembles, winning the International Choral Festival Grand Prix at the Hague in 1973. Rev. Hallock is a past member of the American Guild of Musical Artists (AGMA), Regional Director for Area XII of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (AGEHR).

Rev. Hallock has also taught at the high-school and Jr. College levels and is a professional voice teacher and coach. "Music, Rev. Hallock states, is the most holistic of the arts, involving both the analytical and emotional aspects of the human mind. Its' message is universal, encompassing, uplifting and cross-cultural. Those of us blessed to be able to express ourselves in this way have been granted a touch of heaven on our hearts"

An interesting coincidence ... or is it??? Our associate organist, April Snyder was Frank's accompanist about 50 years ago at the Methodist Church in Lemon Grove. It was her very first church job. David and Frank were both music students at San Diego State, singing in the concert choir and graduating in 1973. It is a small world. The three of us are ecstatic at being together again, all these years later and still making music and praising God.





Creation Care

Since you are reading this, you had to have opened your eyes this morning on this beautiful gift of planet earth, experiencing one more miraculous day that is, yes, another Earth Day! Every day is Earth Day, after all! May I share with you a short prayer from "The Cry of Creation: A Call for Climate Justice"

Creator, this is such a beautiful world, both fragile and resilient. Forgive us when we act as if this world belongs to us, rather than to you. May our desire to love all of life grow; may our ability to act lovingly toward all of life grow. Help us to support one another in our journeys; use us to bring about a world more compassionate and just, where all people and all creation enjoy and share in life's bounty. Amen

Yes, God gave us the gift of earth and "every fruit bearing seed which is upon the face of the earth ... "to be good stewards of, not to "own" or exploit". We continue to learn how to be better stewards because we know it is God's will that we do so. Please mark your calendar to make sure you come to church on Memorial Day weekend, May 25th (yes, it's a three-day weekend, but you don't want to miss this!). Mr. Bob Hill, the Director of Recycling for EDCO will be joining us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall, giving us a presentation about all things recycling, and answering any questions you might have regarding how you can do your part at home and here at Trinity. We have made a really good start thus far! We are filled with gratitude that he is happy to come to us on a Sunday!

Other news: Our Bottles and Cans fundraiser now includes CA CRV glass bottles. You may have noticed that many, many more beverage containers of all kinds are now CA CRV. That is a move in the right direction as more people in the community will see the benefit of recycling. We have reached almost \$500.00 from all of your efforts to bring bottles and cans to church and deposit them in our bins as you head in to worship. Our guests who use our facility are also participating. Just yesterday, I spoke with the line dancing folks, and they were excited to start bringing their bottles and cans to us when they come. Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors!

We have lost a great leader and outspoken champion of the environment, wildlife, indigenous people, the poor, and the youth. Pope Francis chose his name aptly. He walked the walk and didn't just talk the talk. Look for a movie night here in the near future featuring his documentary, "The Letter". It is extremely moving, and a call to action which was first outlined in his letter to everyone on the planet (not just Catholics) outlining the most critical environmental and social issues that we collectively face.

Lastly, Creation Care lessons happen in Sunday school every so often and will, once again, be a part of Vacation Bible School. We must teach our children well, as the song goes, and model behaviors for them to show them that we all can be stewards of the earth and everything in it, no matter how small we may be!

Kim Billman, Vestry Member

Genesis Opera Theatre

Presents: Spring Fling

A Gala Fundraiser

Featuring Beloved Opera and Musical Favorites

To Benefit Genesis Opera Theatre and

Trinity Episcopal Church

\$30 online or at the door

Genesisoperatheatre.com

Saturday, May 3rd @ 2:00pm

Trinity Episcopal Church

Holy Curiosity

The Prophetic Voice

(How the prophets subverted the power dynamic and lifted the lowly)

A 6 week overview of the Prophets with videos, scripture and discussion

Thursdays at 6:30pm

(Refreshments at 6:00pm)

May 8, 15, 22, 29 &

June 5, 12



Do You Know Pat Bavender



I was born in Indianapolis, IN, August 20, 1949. I have two younger sisters. My parents decided to move to California when I was 5 years old. My dad learned the roofing trade, and in 1959 we moved to Escondido where he became the Manager of Service Roofing

Company on 15th and Escondido Blvd. There was a 3 bedroom house on the property where we lived. My mom became the secretary, and my sisters and I spent lots of time playing on the loading dock with the kittens that were always there. My mom wasn't thrilled with living there (lots of dirt and always smelled of hot tar).

We soon bought a house on 12th St. right up the street from Grace Lutheran Church where the three of us went to school. It was a 1-8 School with 4 classrooms, 2 grade levels in each room. There were 11 students in my 8th grade graduating class. Then onto Escondido High School. Scary! I graduated in 1967. I went to Palomar Jr. College (now Community College). I received my AA degree in 1969 and went on to San Diego State. I received a BA degree in 1971 and entered the Teacher Credentialing Program. I got my Lifetime Credential. (I think this was the last year these were given.)

There were too many teachers at the time, so I substituted for 3 years. My last year of subbing I did a long-term sub job at Miller School. The next year I was hired to teach 1st grade at Miller. I loved teaching there, the classrooms were divided by curtains, which we left partially open, so it was like every day was a Professional Development Day, learning from the best teachers. I was there for 12 years. I moved to Felicita and was there for 18 years, teaching 1st, 2nd, 3rd. My nephew was in 1st grade at Felicita when I moved there, so I got to spend lots of time with him. I have made so many wonderful friends in my teaching career, several are members of the Trinity family.

I left Felicita to become the President of Escondido Elementary Educators Association in 2005. This was a full-time job working with and advocating for teachers and their students. I was surprised at how much I enjoyed this job of advocating for teachers. I had been very shy as a child so was very surprised at how much I enjoyed this job.

I went back to the classroom at Farr Elementary in 2009. My dad passed away that year after a long illness. In 2011, I retired, mostly to be able to spend time with my mom, but also because I was over getting up at 6:00a.m. I still loved my job, so I volunteered to teach art to 1st graders at Farr for a few years. I had some health issues that slowed me down a bit and I cut back with volunteering.

I am so blessed with a loving family. Although my mom is no longer with us, I have my sisters, a niece and nephew, and a great niece and nephew. I am also blessed with so many friends, whose children call me Aunt Pat. I love this title!

I love traveling. My current favorite country is Morocco. I love going to New York to see Broadway shows. I have a dog, Frankie the Frenchie, and a cat, Daphne or Daffy. I love them both.

I am continuing my advocacy for teachers and public education as president of Division 63 of California Retired Teachers Association. We recently won our battle for California teachers to receive full Social Security benefits that they have earned. They also will qualify for full Social Security spousal death benefits. This will make a big difference to some teachers.

I first became interested in Trinity when I attended a funeral and Meg Decker officiated. She talked about my friend joining Trinity when she heard Meg talk about love. Also, Delta Kappa Gamma (I am a member) met in the Parish Hall. During the pandemic, Leila Sackfield shared a link to the service on Facebook. I started to attend online regularly. I liked going to church in my pajamas with my cup of coffee.



Do You Know Pat Bavender (cont'd)

In the Fall of 2023, my friend Suzan Reiner, needed a ride to Church. Everyone was so welcoming that I felt at home, so I started to attend regularly. Suzan got me involved with the African Team Ministries. I volunteered to help with Vacation Bible School. I became an official member in the Fall of 2024. Suddenly, I'm elected to the Vestry. I will be involved again this summer in Vacation Bible School. I love being involved so will continue to look for ways to serve.

Thank you to all who have made me feel a part of the Trinity Family!

Pat Bavender

Vacation Bible School is Coming to Trinity



Mark your calendar! In June, Trinity will be offering Vacation Bible School on our campus. Vacation Bible School is an opportunity for us to reach out

into our community and make some new friends. The activities will include daily lessons, singing, skits, arts, and crafts. We will meet from 9:00 am to noon from June 16 to June 20. Children entering Grades 1 – 5 are welcome. A donation of \$20 is requested. Scholarships are available. We are looking for volun-

Greetings and Peace

It has been a busy, yet fulfilling, few months since I started here in February. We have seen Jesus presented at the Temple, we have walked with Peter, James and John up the mountain with Jesus, we've been told to love our enemies, and we have traveled that contemplative road through Lent together. I am bursting with gratitude and so thankful for your support for this phase of my seminary work.

I've been helping to develop a ministry that we are calling Pastoral Visitors. **Pastoral Visitors make a difference.** Pastoral visitation changes people's lives. These visits have changed *my* life. When I visit those who cannot regularly attend church with us, I learn something new about myself as I hear the rich stories of others. Over the course of the next few weeks, I will be offering invitations to, and speaking with, many of you about this opportunity to bring flowers or to sit and visit with those who have been unable to

attend with us for any reason. Please pray about this and, if you feel called, please contact me or Father Tom. **Pastoral Visitors make a difference.**

I will continue to be your seminarian, to preach, to pray for you and to learn from you through much of the balance of this year. I continue, also, to be excited and joy filled as we take this journey of faith together.

Peace to all,

Cindy





Samaritan Ministry

Welcome to the merry month of May! Here are some of our highlights for this month:

- **Our “Sock It To Me Sunday” drive** concluded on March 30. But we took all the socks donated by Trinity folks to Interfaith in April. **The great news is that we had about 250 pairs of socks, thanks to the generosity of all of you! Thank you, Trinity!** This was a drive to collect *new socks* for adults, teens, and kids on behalf of Interfaith Community services. Socks are one of the biggest clothing needs ICS has for clients, especially during the colder, wetter months. **Andrea Evering** of the Samaritan Team headed up this drive. We plan to repeat the “Sock It To Me” sock drive this coming Fall, probably in October. So, watch for us to “Sock It To You Again” next fall!
- **The Turk Center Dinner Ministry** (formerly **Haven House**) continues twice a month, **on the second and last Thursday of each month**. In May, our “dinner and dessert” dates are **May 8 and May 29**. If you are interested in this Ministry, or think you might want to volunteer, get on our email list! Getting our sign-up email doesn’t obligate you to volunteer, but you can’t even think about it if you don’t get the email! So, contact Jan McDaniel at jan.mcdaniel@gmail.com or call 760-670-7455, and we’ll get you connected!
- **“Sack Lunch Sunday”** happens every month, typically on the first Sunday of each month. For May, the date is **Sunday, May 4**. Our sandwich-and-sack-lunch-making is such a well-organized process, that it is a sight to behold! But even more rewarding to see is that everyone is *laughing and having a really fun time while doing all this very*

efficient and wonderful work! And at the end, we typically end up with more than 100 to 150 sack lunches to provide to Interfaith Community Services for distribution. Many thanks to all who participate in this great monthly ministry. So, stick around **at Coffee Hour on May 4**, and get involved in making sack lunches – you’ll be glad you did. If you have any questions, see one of our organizers: **Faith Much, Cindy Kratz, and Sandra Robinson** from our Samaritan Team.

- And as for **the Samaritan Team** itself, we are always open to folks who would like to join us in initiating new ways for Trinity to do Service and Outreach. The Samaritan Team usually meets on the **third Sunday of every month right after church, in the Dove Library (starts at about 11:30, ends in one hour)**. Come learn more about the on-going Ministries and projects at Trinity that serve our community and our neighbors in need. Just grab your coffee and bring your curiosity and your IDEAS on SERVICE and OUTREACH. Everyone is welcome, because we are ALL Samaritans!

Jan McDaniel and Helen Joline
Coordinators for The Samaritan Team Ministry

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ICS Food of the Month - Please bring any non-perishable food to Trinity. The need is especially urgent.
This month’s highlighted item: **tuna**



Garden Ministry

May 10th @ noon – Mother’s Day tea – benefiting your garden ministry - \$40.00 per person – 40 seats available. Join us for a wonderful afternoon to celebrate motherhood. Make reservations at the church office, make checks payable to Trinity Episcopal Church – Garden Ministry. (Deadline 5-1-25)

June 8th right after church – church picnic, celebration of 10 years of our garden ministry and dedication of our “Witman Foundation Gazebo”.

Food, music, fun. Please join us for this wonderful event.

For more information about any of these events contact the Garden Manager at 858-602-7639 (Sandra Scott).

Wish list for our garden

- * Paper towels
- * Hand soap
- * Seeds for our seed library
- * Gardening books for our library
- * Rodent traps
- * \$60.00 donation for new garden hoses
- * \$225.00 donation for one month of diamond porta-potty rental
- * \$100.00 donation for one month of trash pick-up
- * Donation for decomposed granite to level area to gazebo steps
- * Donation of bags of potting soil or gift card for purchase
- * Donation for new railings for gazebo steps



“Witman Foundation Gazebo”

Financial Report

Annual Budget: -\$24,984.09

March 2025:

Income (YTD)	\$106,284
Expenses (YTD)	\$74,897
YTD Net Income	\$31,387



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MILESTONES

Birthdays

3 Nathaniel Carroll, John Haley
 5 Kate Swauger
 7 Keith Reiner, Lynn Meurs
 11 Kari Witman
 14 Mike Lucent, Jr.
 16 Jefferson Callard
 17 Emily Rowlen Martinez
 19 Victoria Pines, Ricky Sackfield, Sessy Cruz
 20 Nick Lucent
 21 Frances Hook, Dianne Olander
 22 Lucie Stein-Cartford
 23 Marilyn Cloyd
 25 Gary Casselman
 27 Mary Gaines
 28 Freddie Parrott
 29 Julia Martinet

Anniversaries

4 Jason & Pattie Doering
 13 George & Carolyn Casselman
 19 William & Cathie Miller
 24 Joe & Dana Stanford,
 Patrick & Terrilynn Lamke
 29 John & Jeannette Monsegur



If you don't see your special date listed here, please contact the office at 760.743.1629 or office@trinityescondido.org to give us the details.

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VESTRY

Senior Warden
 Leila Sackfield ('25)

Junior Warden
 Ron Smith ('26)

Pat Bavender ('28)
 Kimberly Billman ('27)
 Jonathan Cartford ('26)
 Beatrice Gadzekpo ('28)
 Helen Joline ('27)
 Joe Stanford ('26)
 Tim Thomas ('28)
 Tasha Thompson ('27)
 Mel Waterhouse ('27)

Molly Smith
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Treasurer
 Ange Dee

Morning Service 10:00am
In Person and Live Stream
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 or go to the website:
www.trinityescondido.org

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SUNDAY SERVICE