



TRINITY TALK

February 2024

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A MESSAGE FOR FR. STEVE Peace Fellow Trinitarians:

I've come to understand that regarding the "Peace" people are of two minds. In other words they either (quite literally) embrace it or it's their least favorite part of the liturgy.

Just before what I might call the Liturgical intermission, I say, "The Peace of the Lord be always with you" and the people respond, "And also with you."

I've worshiped in parishes where the "Peace" takes so long, that I could have gone out for a cup of coffee, drank it, returned, and not missed a thing. But turning it into a parish-wide love-in is surely not the point. It shouldn't be a liturgical cocktail party where everyone mingles and greets everyone else in the entire church.

On the other hand, I have attended a service where the priest offered the "Peace" and the people responded, and the liturgy just went right on without anyone moving a muscle or even glancing around at those around them. That can't be the intention either. There must, in true Anglican fashion, be a middle way.

I think it's helpful to reflect on what it actually means to offer "Peace" to someone. Jesus offers us peace at the very core of our souls. So when we offer one another peace in his name it's a reminder that whatever burdens we're carrying around, whatever pain we're holding onto, whatever hurts we bear in our hearts; that Jesus' presence abides. And that he will never forsake us even in our darkest moments.

But the question remains, why do we still do this? At its worst it can feel awkward, and a bit forced to look a stranger in the eye and wish them the peace of the Lord. But the "Peace" is not merely a foretaste of the coffee hour that is to come or a holy "Hey, how're you doing?" Rather it's a tangible reminder that we're not alone.

We worship using the Book of Common Prayer, so named not because it's ordinary but because it's a communal expression of our life and worship together. We don't hear God's Word in isolation, and we don't receive Communion in isolation. By exchanging the "Peace" with one another we are forced to confront the reality that we worship in community, not because it happens to be convenient or always easy, but because Christ gathered disciples around himself and calls us into community as well.

So the next time you offer someone "Peace" remember that it's not just any peace but the peace of the Lord. That's the peace that abides, that's the peace that surpasses all understanding, that's the peace that unburdens the soul and allows you to rest in God's abounding love.

And please don't worry, you'll see everyone else while enjoying donuts and coffee in the parish hall after the service.

GOSPEL OF JOHN

Join us for the Study of the Gospel according to St. John.
First meeting Friday, February 2, 2024 @ 10am in the Library.

Among the twelve apostles, John was one of the three apostles
(along with Peter and James) who were the closest to Jesus.

The Gospel of John, also called the "Book of John,"
is an eyewitness account written by someone very close to Jesus.
John was written that "you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God,
and that believing you may have life in His name."

The thesis itself is sufficient to show us that this is a great place to start.

The perspective in the book of John is a bit different from the other synoptic gospels,
as the content is largely unique to this book.

That means you get a lot of teachings and stories from Jesus' life not recorded
elsewhere. And all of these are compiled to show us that Jesus is indeed the Son of God.
What can be more worthy of study than that!

The study of the Gospel according to St. John will continue each Friday.



Trinity Players are back. February 9th & 10th.

Avast ye, me hearties! Best note that the "Trinity Love Boat,"
presented by your very own Trinity Players
is setting sail so save the date.
Ye'll not want to miss this sailing!

Last chance to purchase tickets this Sunday.
Ticket Prices Are as follows:

Friday, February 9th and Saturday, February 10th: - SHOW ONLY - Starts at 7:30 p.m.
Adults \$10; Children 6 to 11 - \$3; Children 5 and under - free

Saturday, February 10th: DINNER AND SHOW - Dinner @ 6pm, show @ 7:30 p.m.
Adults, \$20; with preferred show seating, \$25; Children 6 to 11, all seats \$8;
Children 5 and under - free.

Bon voyage!



Save the Date

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Serving Pancakes between
5:00 and 7:00 p.m.
In Armstrong Hall
\$5.00 for Adults - Children under 10 free

Shrove Tuesday

Join us for Pancakes and Sausage on February 13th.

Served up by our amazing Kitchen Guild and the Brotherhood of the BBQ/Pancakes.
Pancakes will be served until approximately 6:30
in the Armstrong Hall.

Tickets are on sale after the services.
\$5 per person.

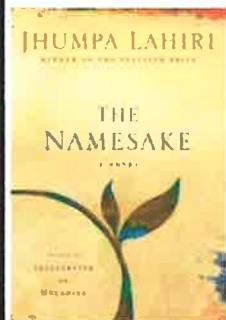
You may also pay at the door but please sign up so we know how much food to prepare.



Ash Wednesday

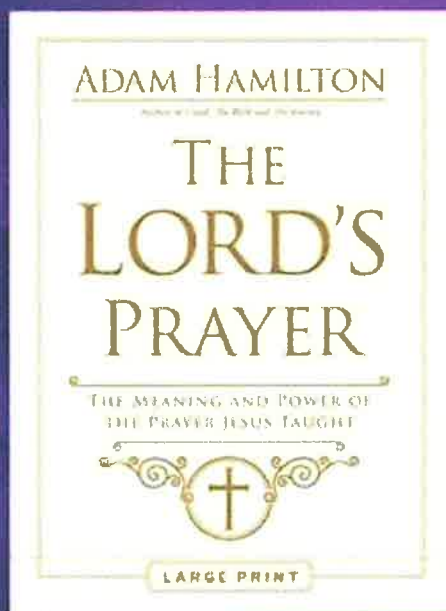
February 14, 2024
Services at Noon and 7:00 p.m.

The Book Club will meet on **Saturday February 10th**. The club meets in the Library from 9:30am - 11:00am the second Saturday of each month. Come join everyone for a truly enjoyable morning and some lively literary discussions. Interested? Please contact Laurie McKinnell at mckinnell4@aol.com.



The February featured book is:
"NAMESAKE" by Jhumpa Lihiri

Meet the Ganguli family, new arrivals from Calcutta, trying their best to become Americans even as they pine for home. The name they bestow on their firstborn, Gogol, betrays all the conflicts of honoring tradition in a new world — conflicts that will haunt Gogol on his own winding path through divided loyalties, comic detours, and wrenching love affairs.



Lenten Book Study

Wednesday Nights
Save the Date: starting February 21

All are welcome! Join us in Armstron Hall



SUNDAY SUPPER

SUNDAY SUPPER IS COMING
FEBRUARY 25

Mark your calendars and plan to join us as we host
Sunday Supper on February 25.

Please note that this is not the 1st Sunday of the month which is our typical day to serve.

Sign up sheets are at the back of the church. Sign up early to get your preferred task!
Questions?

Contact Donna Watson (714.745.1015 – dwatson@designer-mouse.com)
or Elizabeth Blush (714.319.1452 – buzzyblush@gmail.com).

PARISH DINE OUT THURSDAY FEBRUARY 15th.



**This months Dine Out will be a little different.
It will be at Panda Express but you will be able to
order food from ANY of their locations.**

1. Go to pandaexpress.com
2. In the upper right corner type in the address of the Panda Express you wish to pick up the order.
The closest store is at 2318 North Tustin Ave, Orange (714)685-0476.
You can use any store (Nationwide): Yorba Linda, Placentia, Tustin, etc.
3. Click on order
4. Decide what you want
5. Go back to order and in the spot called **"Fundraiser code" type 918560** and the time you want to pick it up.
6. Pay for your meal and checkout
7. Pickup your meal.
8. Receive thanks from Trinity Episcopal Church's Outreach Commission

Note: All orders will need to be placed on line and picked up.

Panda Express will give 28% of your order will go to the Trinity Outreach Fund

Information will also be available in your Sunday Trinity Times.

THE NURSERY IS OPEN...SOON!

Are you or someone you know looking
for some extra money to earn on Sunday Mornings?

Well, Trinity is looking for a new nursery attendant.
The hours are every Sunday for 8:00am to 11:30am.

Please contact The Parish Administrator at
Parish_Admin@trintyorange.org
for more information.





Have you thought about Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry offers a proven and effective way to organize, equip, and supervise a team of congregation members to provide one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties.

If you are interested in joining the team of Stephen Ministry, please see Fr. Steve

How do we say "Welcome?" Find out on February 10, 2024

The diocesan Archdeacon Laura Siriani will offer a one-day training for parishes, based on the book "Invite, Welcome, Connect".

The day will be an opportunity to talk about and evaluate best practices in your context to help people find their way to your church, to welcome them when they come, and to incorporate them fully into your church's community and ministry.

Saturday, February 10
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
1221 Wass Street, Tustin 92780
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



"Invite Welcome Connect is something we as Episcopalians can do. It's a way of evangelism that reflects who we are, that doesn't have us trying to be somebody we aren't, but actually calls us to be exactly who we are in Jesus Christ, and to invite, welcome, and connect others to that life-giving reality."

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry,

Guided by the gospel imperative to "Go and make disciples of all nations," the ministry of Invite Welcome Connect equips and empowers individuals and congregations to practice evangelism, hospitality, and connectedness.

Invite Welcome Connect's founder, Mary Parmer, shares the deep truths of this ministry as well as practical steps to assess your faith community and begin implementation.

Please see Fr. Steve for additional information.



All middle school and high school students are invited to join in the fun every Sunday afternoon from 4 to 5:30PM.

Bring your friends.

Come and hang out, play games, have snacks, and put your faith into practice as we build friendships.

We focus on Jesus's example of how to live and love God, ourselves and our neighbors.

Keep a look out for back lawn camping event . Date TBA!

If you have any questions, please contact Alex Long @ (714)944-8095

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE NEWS!

In January Rev. Steve lead a beautiful and emotional church service for 64 Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers. David Ripley provided the music for the service, and his hymn selections sparked vivid recollections to many of the attendees. Following the service a luncheon was provided by your Faith Community Nurses in collaboration with Alzheimer's OC. The disease of Alzheimer's has personally touched many of our loved ones and we always look forward to bringing joy to this very special group.



AED TRAINING

February 25th after the 10:00am service.

There will be a VERY short training on how to use the Church AED's.

This is mostly for ushers but all are welcome to attend.

This will just be an overview and not a certification.





SimpleChurch CRM

Do you need the email address or phone number of your "Pew" mates?
Would you like to know how much you have given this year?
Do you need to update your address or birthdate?
You can do all of that and more on Simple Church.

What is Simple Church?
It is the Church's Database that holds all the information above.

Want to get Logged on?
Contact the Parrish Administrator by calling the Church Office
@ (714)637-1390 or email parish_admin@trinityorange.org.



SENIORS ARE SPECIAL

Do you remember this group?
Did you love it?
Would you like to see it come back?

We would love to know and have your input.
Lunch, Presentations, Outings....Conga Lines?
Please contact Priscilla Selman at (714)745-0902.

Worship Attendance



THE COUNT
IS IN!
"Ah ah ah"

1-4: Healing Service	9 in person
1-7: Sunday Service	107 in person, 5 Zoom, 5 Home Communion
1-11: Healing Service	8 in person
1-14: Sunday Service	101 In person, 13 Zoom, 2 Home Communion
1-17: Alzheimer's Service	65 in person
1-18: Healing Service	9 in person
1-21: Sunday Service	93 in person, 11 Zoom, 2 Home Communion
1-25: Healing Service	9 in person
1-28: Sunday Service	100 in person, 12 Zoom

TRINITY MINISTRY OF THE MONTH



The Altar Guild

What does the Alter Guild do anyway?

Well.....

They make sure that the priests has everything they need to celebrate the Eucharist each Sunday.

They change the sanctuary to the appropriate color and hangings for each liturgical season.

They keep the altar linens clean and pressed.

They assist with grieving families by helping with funeral services so that they run smoothly.

Same goes for Brides and Grooms on their wedding day.

They improve their vocabularies with word such as: aumbry, ciborium and lavabo (impressive, right?)

They pray and enjoy the fellowship with each other as they carry out the Lord's work.

The commitment is only once a month.

One prep day and one Sunday morning either at the 8:00am or the 10:00am service.

Of course there will also be a commitment to help on special liturgical feast days and celebrations.

Is this a ministry that you feel called to join?

Please contact Carol Reynolds if you would like to discuss joining the Altar Guild at
(714)671-4077 or reynolds2506@sbcglobal.net

Time to

Celebrate!



Steve Swartzell and Bob Supermeau - 28th

Thomas Hughes - 1st

Jeff Kenan - 1st

Trent Kibby - 3rd

Gail Metzger - 5th

Chris Laub - 6th

Cindy Kimura - 7th

Judy Lehman - 7th

Fran Fischle - 10th

Cheryl Sosa - 12th

John Luce - 13th

Mary Robinson - 14th

Pat Walker - 24th

Dreena-Lee Stephens - 25th

Bob Superneau - 27th



TRINITY ANNUAL MEETING 2024

Thank you so much to everyone who made the Annual Meeting such a great success. It takes a lot of hands to make this very important event happen and as always our Trinity Team came through. Thank you to Laurie, Yvonne, Lynne and the Kitchen Guild (and everyone who donated food) for the great breakfast, Jacob for the delicious coffee, Betsy for the beautiful patriotic center pieces and decorations, Doug, Don and The Property Commission for setting up the hall, John for making sure we could hear the presenters and Janette for making the booklet to help us stay on track. We truly appreciate all of your efforts.



OUTREACH PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Thank you so much to the Outreach Commission for the amazing dinner on Saturday night. We won this dinner at the Outreach Fall Bingo Event and have been eagerly awaiting this night for months. Thank you to Karoline, Pat and Ann, Carl and Donna, and Kathy for delicious food. Also thanks to Alex for chauffeuring us to each home. It was well worth the money and extra special that 100% of the funds raised by Outreach goes directly back out to the Greater OC Community. We will defiantly attempt to win it again this year and hope to have some friendly competition in the bidding. This could be you next year. Thanks, Mike and Kim, Rich and Dawn, Tim and Janette, and Bruce and Susie.



Trinity Episcopal Church of
Orange

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>28</p> <p>7:00am Altar Guild Team 4</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite II</p> <p>11:00am ANNUAL MEETING</p> <p>4:00pm Youth Group</p>	<p>29</p> <p>10:00am Stage Production</p> <p>6:30pm Trinity Players Rehearsal</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9:00am Stage Production</p> <p>5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous</p> <p>6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p> <p>9:00am Stage Production</p> <p>10:00am Eucharist Healing Service</p> <p>7:00pm AA Meeting</p> <p>7:00pm Contemplative Prayer</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00am Property Commission</p> <p>10:00am Bible Study</p> <p>10:00am Stage Production</p> <p>12:00pm Al anon meeting- Youth Center</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00am Stage Production</p>
<p>4</p> <p>7:00am Altar Guild Team 1</p> <p>8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I</p> <p>10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II</p> <p>1:00pm Trinity Players Set up</p> <p>4:00pm Youth Group</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00am Stage Production in Church</p> <p>6:30pm Outreach Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Trinity Players Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00pm Railroad Society</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00am Stage Production in Church</p> <p>5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous</p> <p>6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p> <p>6:30pm Trinity Players Rehearsal</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:30pm Bell Choir Practice</p> <p>6:30pm Trinity Players Rehearsal</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00am Eucharist Healing Service</p> <p>6:30pm Orange Historical Society</p> <p>6:30pm Trinity Players Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00am Property Commission</p> <p>10:00am Bible Study</p> <p>12:00pm Al anon meeting- Youth Center</p> <p>7:00pm OC Recorder Society - in Armstrong Hall</p> <p>7:30pm THE LOVE BOAT</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:30am Book Study - Library</p> <p>10:00am Hoarders Anonymous- SYC</p> <p>6:30pm THE LOVE BOAT - Dinner and Show</p>
<p>11</p> <p>7:00am Altar Guild Team 2</p> <p>8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I</p> <p>10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II</p> <p>4:00pm Youth Group</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>4:00pm Dinner Set-Up</p> <p>5:00pm Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Dinner</p> <p>5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous</p> <p>6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Ash Wednesday Service</p> <p>6:30pm Bell Choir Practice</p>	<p>15</p> <p>10:00am Eucharist Healing Service</p> <p>6:00pm VP Women's Group Meeting</p> <p>7:00pm AA Meeting</p> <p>7:00pm Contemplative Prayer</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00am Property Commission</p> <p>10:00am Bible Study</p> <p>12:00pm Al anon meeting- Youth Center</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>7:00am Altar Guild Team 3</p> <p>8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I</p> <p>10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II</p> <p>4:00pm Youth Group</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous</p> <p>6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous</p> <p>7:00pm Vestry Meeting - Zoom</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6:00pm Al-anon Intergroup Meeting</p> <p>6:30pm Bell Choir Practice</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00am Eucharist Healing Service</p> <p>7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>23</p> <p>9:00am Property Commission</p> <p>10:00am Bible Study</p> <p>12:00pm Al anon meeting- Youth Center</p>	<p>24</p>
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