

HOLY TRINITY BY THE LAKE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rockwall, TX

MINISTRIES/ ACTIVITIES

ACOLYTES – Parishioners (Youth & Adults) are trained to assist the clergy during the services.

ADULT LECTIONARY STUDY GROUP – Meets at 9:30 am Sunday mornings to read and discuss the scripture readings for the following Sunday.

AGAPE GATHERING – Small groups focusing on welcoming newcomers and visitors.

ALTAR GUILD – Parishioners trained to prepare the sanctuary for ALL services.

ANGEL TREE – Parishioners purchase and deliver Christmas wishes from children to Helping Hands for local distribution.

BIBLE STUDY (Women) – Meets weekly, September – May, on Mondays at 6 pm.

BIBLE STUDY (Women) – Monthly Christian Scholarship Study, 1st Tuesdays at noon; an intimate group that meets in the Parish Hall Conference Room and enjoys lively discussions.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW – Organized to “spread Christ’s kingdom among men and youth,” and are dedicated to prayer, study and service.

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL – Children are led in prayer and lessons during the 10:30 Sunday service.

CHOIR (ADULT) – Provide music at the Sunday 10:30 am service and special services throughout the year. Practice on Wednesdays at 6:45 pm in the church, September thru May.

CURSILLO – Fourth Day small groups for attendees of Cursillo, which is a renewal weekend that provides an opportunity to deepen our relationship with Christ.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING – Women gathered to “extend Christ’s kingdom through prayer, service, and evangelism.”

DINNERS FOR EIGHT – Parishioners sign up to rotate hosting dinner groups among longtime and newcomer parishioners. It is an outstanding means for newcomers to get to know others over meals in the environment of private homes. The groups are reformed and renewed with all new groupings about every 4 months.

FAMILIES/NEW BABIES – Welcome home baskets.

GIRLS' MONTHLY BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON – Third Thursday of each month at Olive Garden, celebrating those women who have birthdays that month.

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT – Meet at a local restaurant the 1st Thursday of each month at 6 pm.

GREETERS – Greet everyone at side door, handing out service bulletins, and offer Visitors coffee mugs filled with information about Holy Trinity.

HAND BELL CHOIR – Provide music 3rd Sunday of the month during the 10:30 service and other special events. Practice on Sundays at noon.

HOLY MEALS ON WHEELS – Supplies meals to parish families with special temporary needs.

HOLY TRINITY ARTISTS – Brings a bi-annual multi-media art show to the parish from local and community contributors.

HOLY TRINITY BOOK CLUBS – Three book groups meet monthly on a Sunday evening to enjoy fellowship and discuss the book choice for that month.

HOLY TRINITY PLAYERS – A musical-theatrics group that presents a variety of entertaining vignettes and productions throughout each year.

JUNIOR WARDEN HELPERS – Assist Junior Warden with maintenance of Holy Trinity's physical campus.

LABYRINTH GUILD – Parishioners share in the organization, preparation and learning of an ancient prayer tool – a *LABYRINTH*, and how experiencing its use can enhance a person's prayer life.

LIBRARY GUILD – Assist with the organization and maintenance of the Shirley Parks Memorial Library for parishioners' use, including children and Sunday school teachers.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES [LEM (Lay Eucharistic Ministers), Lectors, HEV (Home Eucharistic Ministers)] – Individuals who provide assistance to the priest during a service; HEM's take communion to parishioners who are unable to attend church.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – Dedicated to assisting married couples, husbands and wives, live fully intimate and responsible relationships. A weekend experience is provided as well as ongoing support and resources.

MUSIC (SATURDAY NIGHT) – Contemporary music provided by parishioners during the Saturday 5 pm service.

NURSERY/TODDLERS – Available at every service for children three years of age or younger.

OFFICE HELPERS – Assist with regular office work, such as service booklets, bulk mailings, and answering the telephone.

“OUTREACH: Prayer in Action” – Focused on improving the human condition and quality of life of those who are disadvantaged (socially, economically, physically) and those who are spiritually disconnected within the parish communities and beyond.

PARISH NURSES – Blood pressure checks and other preventive health care.

RECEPTIONS – Covers special occasions in the Parish Hall, such as funeral/memorial and special parish events.

SPIRITUALITY CLASS – Grow closer to God through prayer. Explore the use of “spiritual tools” such as art work, music, coloring mandalas, a labyrinth and books.

STEWARDSHIP – Helping People Live Generously.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Christian formation is held at 9:30 am Sunday mornings throughout the year. A yearly Christmas pageant is held during the 5 pm service on Christmas Eve.

UNITED THANK OFFERING – National offering to “expand the circle of thankful people.” The offering goes to mission work in the USA and abroad.

USHERS – Assist at all church services, distribute service bulletins at back door, take up the offering, and guide parishioners to the altar for communion. Tidy up pews after service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – One week during the summer, usually in the evenings.

VINE & BRANCHES – An intercessory prayer group which meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 10 am in the Parish Hall

WELCOME COMMITTEE – Activities to insure visitors return and newcomers become involved.

YAHWEH YARN – Prayer shawls & scarves, lap blankets, baby blankets, etc. Made for those whose lives have been altered/changed. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 9 am in the Parish Hall.

YOUTH MINISTRIES (EYC) – Sunday afternoons from 4 to 7 pm for 6th – 12th graders. Meet in the Church Undercroft for dinner and fellowship. Mission trips, service work projects, etc. are planned, as well as opportunities to attend the Bishop’s Ball in January and Spring retreats and summer camp.