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Trinit-E News



Our Mission

*In and through Christ, to
restore people to unity
with God and each other
(2 Cor. 5:14-21)*

Dear friends of St. John's and Trinity,

It is a great honor and a humbling joy that I have been called to serve as the rector for both St. John's, Thibodaux, and Trinity, Morgan City. My family and I are both excited to begin this new journey with you, to place new roots in your communities, and to grow both in faith and family with you.

My wife Jennifer is a Texan and a graduate of LSU, and a talented civil engineer. She will begin work at a local engineering firm this Fall. A tremendous support and dedicated caretaker of her family, Jennifer has been a consistent supply of love for both the children and me through our seminary experience.

Abigail, our daughter who just recently turned four years old, is full of imagination. Somewhat shy in nature, you might often find her pretend playing with her toys and animals. Particularly her favorites, Paw Patrol and PJ Masks.

James, our son who will turn two years old in July, on the other hand, is full of energy. At a young age, he has developed "super-speed," and often mom and dad are playing catch up. Guaranteed, at some point, you will hear him sing loud praises on a Sunday morning.

Prior to seminary, I worked as a construction manager in the commercial building industry. I did so after graduating from LSU. Spending time with my family is my greatest of joys. I also find photography and woodworking to be a great form of mediation.

Before heading to Virginia for seminary, Jennifer and I were members of Trinity Church in Baton Rouge. We are thankful and grateful to return back to Louisiana and close to our previous home. Trinity is the parish where both Jennifer and I were married, Jennifer was received into the Episcopal Church, and our daughter Abigail was baptized. Jennifer and me giving raving reviews.

Since March, I have often thought of the wonderful experience our family had visiting St. John's and Trinity. Just before visiting our family discovered a new children's story which has become a family favorite. *Epossumondas* by Coleen Salley. One perhaps both vestries remember.

Epossumondas is an endearing character. Perhaps sometimes too endearing. Yet, what I find most interesting about him are three distinct qualities he possesses. First, he is equipped with a pure imagination that allows him to move beyond his comfort. Second, no matter the trouble that arises for him, he relies on his instincts. Finally, He shows great trust and respect from his family (his mother.) It struck me that this loveable little character from a children's story did, in fact, hold qualities that I hope not only to give to you, but that we together as a body can grow into. I pray that our imagination and Christian curiosity is not only able to bind us together, but also to bind ourselves more fully to our communities. I too pray that our instinct as believers of God's Word, followers of Christ, and believers of the promise of the Holy Spirit, that we remind each other of the love and faith God has in each of us, and in all of us. Most of all, I pray that together, with great respect and trust in one another, grow as a family of believers in love and in honor of one another.

I look forward to meeting everyone and learning who you are, both in your Christian, and life experiences. I faithfully believe God has great things in store for us. Because we are Church.

God's Peace,
Rev. Stephen Shortess



Please Pray For: Ellen, Nancy, Astrid, Cathy and Barry, Jeanette, Kay and Mike, Jane and David, Bridgette, Robi and Doug, Cameron, Chips, Roy, Norma, Elizabeth and Irving, Lonnie, George, L.J., for all Christians who are persecuted around the world, for all First Responders in our area, those serving in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, our partners in mission at the Deaneries of Copan and Maya in Honduras and our sister parish Cristo Salvador; and our prayer partners in the Anglican Diocese of Tohoku, Japan; and the Anglican Diocese of Lango, Uganda.

Ministry Schedule June 2018					
	June 3	June 10	June 17	June 24	July 1
CELEBRANT/ Officiant	Fr. Travers	Fr. Lindsay	Fr. Lindsay	Fr. Shortess	Fr. Travers
PREACHER	"	"	"	"	"
SERVER(S)	Tim C	Tim C	Sean D	Austin B	Joshua J
CHALICE	Judy W	Tim C	Mary H	Lisa P	Judy W
LECTOR	Elizabeth B	Judy W	Tammy C	Charles P	Elizabeth B
INTERCESSOR	Elizabeth B	Judy W	Tammy C	Dez K	Elizabeth B
GREETERS	Drew M Ben M	Peggy C Drew M	Clare C Peggy C	Drew M Peggy C	Clare C Peggy C
ALTAR GUILD	Mary H	Cathy B	Judy W Jennie R	Jane W	Mary H
VOD	Drew M	Mary H	Doyle D	Sam J	Judy W

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	2
3 9:30 Holy Eucharist Fr. Travers NO POT LUCK	4	5 5 pm Choir Practice	6 8 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	7	8 6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	9
10 9:30 Holy Eucharist Fr. Lindsay Vestry meeting	11	12 5 pm Choir Practice	13 8 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	14	15 6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	16
17 9:30 Holy Eucharist Fr. Lindsay	18	19 5 pm Choir Practice	20 8 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	21	22 6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	23 Fr. Shortess, 10:00 am Ordination, St. John's
24 9:30 Holy Eucharist, Fr. Shortess Pot Luck Luncheon	25	26 5 pm Choir Practice	27 8 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	28	29 6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous	30

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

02 Jaclyn Garber
03 Charlotte Ann Bell
08 Alanna Rink
10 Jason Webster
11 Patrice Rogers
24 Hallie Rogers
30 Ed Bell



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1 Peggy and Paul Coats
1 Katherine and Chad Ross
3 Ed and Veeder Bell



**First Sunday at Trinity for Fr. Stephen Shortess is
June 24 with a Pot Luck Luncheon following.
Ordination is June 23 at St. John's at 10 am.**

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Sunday Services
9:30 AM

Rev. Stephen Shortess

Our Vision

Recognizing that we are all one in Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church is an embracing family, growing spiritually, and joyfully serving the community; a home that comforts the spirit; a place where people's gifts for ministry are identified, nourished, and shared; and place of learning where disciples are formed.

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