

TEC Redlands Executive Summary of Parish Profile September 2024

Mission

Trinity Episcopal Redlands strives to bear witness to God's reconciling love, to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ, and to seek and serve Christ in all persons.

Goals

Expand Sunday and Youth Programs, Inclusive Community Outreach, Enhanced Fellowship, Strengthen Adult Faith Formation, Healing Ministries, Outreach to new members.

History

Trinity dates to the 1880s with a small congregation meeting in area schoolhouses. Our first building began in 1887, with several moves before our present building in 1903. The parish grew steadily and enjoyed its strongest years in the latter half of the 20th Century. We lost members over the national church (and our) move to greater inclusivity in 2003, the movement away from organized religions nationally and finally the Covid Pandemic. We are at present in the midst of a revitalization led by Priest-in-Charge Very Rev. Bill Dunn and our strong loyal lay nucleus.

Programs and Organizations

We have a strong musical and liturgical tradition, but also many other worship offerings for special occasions, recently adding a trial period of Messy Church. Youth ministry has a strong tradition, with our Annual residential Summer Camp being the centerpiece. We are currently rebuilding other youth programs that waned during the pandemic. Fellowship also waned during the pandemic and is now rebounding. We have strong community outreach, pastoral care with both priestly and lay visiting. Adult education programs are being rebuilt. Communications with the membership are strong with several offerings.

Financial

We are strong financially, with a reasonable endowment, regular stewardship, and broad support for special projects when needed.

Hopes and Dreams

Continue growth and diversity, expand fellowship, expand Sunday School and Adult Faith Formation, continue interfaith, ecumenical and community outreach, an outstanding new rector to guide us to the other dreams, continue and expand our worship opportunities, model Christ's love to others, remain faithful to our baptismal vows and to strive for justice and peace among all people.

Qualities Sought in a New Priest

We Seek an energetic new rector who will help us grow, particularly with children and young families, and to achieve the hopes and dreams as listed. The new rector needs to support and attend camp, have administrative skills, have theological flexibility and be committed to pastoral care.

Community Information

Please see: <https://datahub-coredlands.hub.arcgis.com>