TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

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PARISH PROFILE

8275 Mozley Street, Douglasville, GA 30134

PARISH DETAILS:

Bishop:	Archbishop Foley Beach; Assisting Bishop Frank Lyons
Canon to the Ordinary:	Canon Sean George, sean@adots.org
Sunday Worship Services:	Holy Eucharist: Rite I 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Renewed Ancient Text 10:30 a.m.
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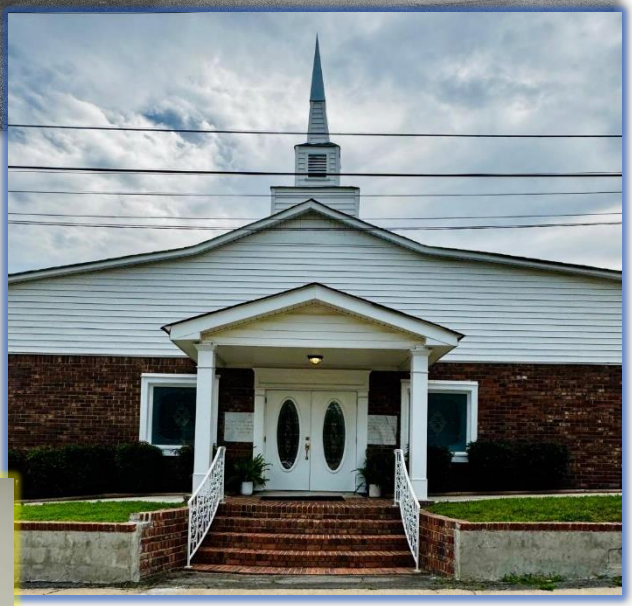
Founding Date:	February 2004

Ministry and Mission

History

In the Winter of 2004, the West Georgia Anglican Church, celebrated their first worship in the family room of a private home. In April, the new church voted to rename their new church Trinity Anglican Church (TAC). In September, TAC became affiliated with the Anglican Mission in America (AMiA).

Trinity Anglican Church was established when forty-two persons from the local Episcopal Church, St. Julian's, elected seven members to lead them in forming a new parish with the intention to join an orthodox Anglican communion not affiliated with the Episcopal Church. The fellowship was seeking healing. The divisions caused by the loss of property, friendships, and sacred items had caused great hurt. With the guidance of consultant, Conrad Lowe, and AMiA Bishop Chuck Murphy, TAC was planted in Douglas County.



The new church drew families from the surrounding communities of Bremen, Temple, Acworth, Lithia Springs, Powder Springs, and Newnan. A steering committee was formed, and in the Spring of 2005, Fr. Steven Saul was called to be the new rector. Fr. Steven relocated from Little Rock, AK and the new parish began in earnest.

Trintiy Anglican Church found worship space when the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Bright Star Road opened their doors and facility. On the first Sunday of August 2005, Trinity Anglican Church held their first worship service in the new facility.

During the first month of services, Hurricane Katrina struck, and many people came to settle along I-20 corridor providing Trinity a springboard for incredible outreach ministry. The parish ministry provided food, clothing, furniture, and pastoral care to hundreds of people.

Several years later Trinity moved to worship services to new location on Fairburn Road adjacent to a U-Haul Storage facility. Parishioners re-carpeted, built a cross and kneelers, redecorated, and donated chairs, tables, and numerous items to furnish the worship facility. In September 2009 a 100-Year Flood, causing damage to bridges and roads, challenged many members to continue coming to an already difficult location to reach. Trinity was prompted to purchase property on Pool Road with hope of constructing a worship facility.

In June of 2010, the Anglican Diocese of the South was established in the ACNA, and Trinity became one of the original founding parishes under Bishop Foley Beach. In 2012, Fr. Steven was called to serve as Canon to the Ordinary to the Bishop of the Western Gulf Coast, Bishop Clark Lowenfield. Shortly after that a search was initiated for a new rector. The search committee called Fr. Jim Cheetham and the church relocated to a rental space on Bowden Street in downtown Douglasville. Fr. Jim continued working at the Atlanta Community Food Bank until his retirement. Upon retirement he and his wife Kay relocated to Douglasville.

A significant event prompted Trinity's leadership to seek divine guidance and wisdom. After discovering that TAC's treasurer had embezzled thousands of dollars, the leadership was uncertain if the church could continue. The church had been operating in-the-red for some time. The Vestry earnestly sought Heavenly guidance and wisdom in a season of prayer. Giving increased and Trinity immediately began operating in the black.

In 2024, the church received notice that the Bowden Street rental property was to be sold, and the search was on for a new worship facility. In the interim, Trinity began meeting in an event center. Many of the church belongings had to be moved to a member's home and into storage. Two offices were obtained in the same shopping center as the event center. This necessitated the combining of services and setting up, breaking down, and storing and storing after each service.

After much prayer and perseverance, the Lord provided a church building for rent near downtown Douglasville. The owner totally renovated the structure and offered the facility to Trinity at a rental cost well within our means. This can only be described as a miracle. Trinity now has a well-appointed worship space, fellowship hall, full kitchen, handicapped access, church office, sacristy and vesting room, and children's room.

ANGLICAN ETHOS

Trinity Anglican worship services are grounded in a balance of the three streams of Anglicanism – Evangelical (Word), Sacrament (Table), and Charismatic (Spirit), seeking to balance Biblical authority, liturgical worship, and the active power of the Holy Spirit. Trinity

has been greatly blessed by having a rector who is faithful to biblical literacy and provides strong biblical teaching and preaching. We highly value reverence in our worship, but enjoy having a relaxed, natural flow through the liturgy during worship. Trinity's worship style is best described as occupying the middle ground between low church and high church. Music is mostly traditional hymns with some contemporary music.

Trinity embraces two Worship services each Sunday: Rite 1 in the Book of Common Prayer 1979 at 8:30 and the Renewed Ancient Text from the Book of Common Prayer 2019 at 10:30.

Prayer is heavily emphasized at Trinity with prayer offered to individuals during communion and after the service. A strong group of intercessory prayer warriors are available 24/7. There are regularly scheduled prayer meetings in addition to special healing prayer services and a remembrance service for those grieving. We also have healing prayer teams available to travel to individuals at home for prayer and for house blessings.

Trinity has a very diverse, multi-cultural congregation with members from seven different nationalities. Our congregation is eager to embrace every nation, tribe, and culture into our church family, just as Jesus envisioned in the Great Commission. The TAC family has a strong commitment to each other for building a loving church.

Hospitality and fellowship are priorities for the Trinity parish. Following each Holy Eucharist, we gather for fellowship and snacks. Every First Sunday of the month we enjoy theme lunches. Pastoral care and supporting each other in times of need have always been a priority in Trinity Anglican.

Trinity works for the furtherance of Anglican tradition and Christian education by offering Confirmation classes (not limited to youth members). Our commitment to discipling our youth is demonstrated by our youth ministry.

TRINITY ANGLICAN YOUTH MINISTRY

FOUNDATION AND CORE BELIEFS

Our youth ministry is founded on the conviction that 'You are the Church now – not just the Church of tomorrow'. Guided by this principle, our programming educates children in the Anglican Church's doctrine, Ethics and Daily Christian Living, the rationale behind our worship practices, the meaning of sacraments, and the essential roles of scripture, tradition and reason.

Our goal is to nurture young people, preparing them to serve as exemplary role models within the Church community and as devoted workers in the Lord's vineyard. We challenge them to "Live as an authentic Christian every day, everywhere."

The Sunday Youth Service is based on the Anglican Children Chapel Curriculum, and is carefully designed with flexibility in mind, ensuring full engagement for participants, facilitators, and leaders. Trinity Youth are also involved in outreach to a Personal Care Home.

CHALLENGES

1) ***Church Growth*** *– Our church attendance has increased slightly over the last decade. However, as families with children have joined the congregation, aging church members have become homebound or have gone home to the Lord, resulting in our numbers remaining static.*

2) ***Limited Financial Resources*** *– Our finances are limited. However, when preparing our budget for the year, we have faith that God will provide. Our income steadily increases each year and has always exceeded our expenses.*

3) ***Human Resources / Manpower*** *- We have a strong group of lay and clergy volunteers. Trinity will require a bi-vocational priest with an additional source of income to augment the Church's salary constraints.*

4) ***Outreach to the Community*** *– Our community outreach has been limited. It includes a Pet Blessing Service, Operation Christmas, Kairos Prison Ministry, and support of the local Pregnancy Resource Center.*

Gifts and Opportunities

- **Our new Rector will have the opportunity to forge a vision/ strategic plan. Trinity developed plans over a decade ago and welcomes revising and reworking our vision, under the guidance of a new Rector.**
- **Trinity is a multi-cultural parish in a multi-cultural community. Demographics of the community offer an opportunity to attract more members of the community with a family tradition of Anglicanism (possibly from African or Caribbean roots)**
- **To elevate music and worship, especially worship that reflects our diversity.**
- **Continued Bible study and Bible study groups.**
- **Trinity is gifted with a strong online presence, offering reliable livestreaming of worship services on YouTube and an interactive Facebook page and website.**

COMMUNITY

Located 18 miles west of Atlanta, Douglas County, Georgia, has a population of approximately 146,000–148,000, characterized by a diverse, largely suburban community with a continuing change/shift in the demographics over past 30~ years.

Demographic Breakdown (Douglas County, GA)

POPULATION

~ 146,141 to 147,888

RACE & ETHNITY

Black or African American: 49–50%
White (non-Hispanic): 29 – 33%
Two or more races: 13%
Asian: 2%
Native American: 2%

MEDIAN AGE

36.3 years

EDUCATION

A significant portion of residents are families and young professionals

MEDIAN HOME VALUE

~ $296,900
Home Ownership: 66.4%

AVG HOUSEHOLD INCOME

~ $81,339–$82,984

COMMUTE

Average commute time is 33.2 minutes

Key Trends

Growth: The county has experienced suburban growth, offering a mix of residential areas and proximity to Atlanta.

Diversity: The population is diverse, with increasing numbers of minority and international residents.

Age Distribution: The share of the population aged 65 and older increased from 8.6% in 2010 to 12.4% in 2022.
Attractions: Home to Sweetwater Creek State Park.

Douglasville (County Seat) Demographics

- **Population**: 36,284.
- **Racial Breakdown**: 67% Black or African American (Non-Hispanic), 21% White (Non-Hispanic), and roughly 7.5% Hispanic.
- **Foreign-Born Population**: 8.99%.

CLERGY AND LEADERSHIP

Trinity Anglican Church (TAC) is governed by parish bylaws that establish a Vestry comprising of, at least five members, elected for three-year terms and the Rector. The Vestry is presided over by a Senior Warden and a Junior Warden. Additionally, the Vestry typically includes one non-vestry secretary and one non-vestry treasurer.

Currently, Trinity Anglican Church (TAC) employs a part-time Rector and a part-time Music Minister. Additionally, the church has five volunteer clergy members, including two deacons, one retired bishop, and two priests.

Volunteer Ministry Positions encompass the following roles:
Altar Guild, Assistant Music Minister, Prayer Ministry, Youth Education, Hospitality, and Communications/IT & Media.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Total General Fund Giving, Last 12 Months	**-**	**$108,977**
Total General Fund Expenses, Last 12 Months	**-**	**$91,331**

STRATEGIC GROWTH

Attendance and Community Engagement Growth

Our reach extends beyond the physical walls of the sanctuary, showing significant growth through our digital (online) presence.

Metric	Growth/Impact
In-Person Attendance	Base average of 37 weekly
Digital Expansion	+21.6% increase in reach via live stream connection
Total Engagement	45 average weekly connections

Operational Sustainability

Our members' generous support is evident in our general giving operating activity over the past year. Our financial health remains robust, with giving consistently exceeding our operational costs. This enables us to maintain a healthy financial reserve for future missions.

- **Funding Surplus:** Total Giving exceeded expenses by 19.3% over the last 12 months (2025).
- **Budget Efficiency:** We successfully operated within 83.3% of our total received contributions, leaving a significant margin for savings.

Strategic Reserves & Dedicated Funds

We are actively building toward long-term goals to ensure long-term stability and mission readiness. The following percentages reflect our commitment to the future leadership and maintenance of our parish.

- **Future Rector Fund Growth:** This fund is projected to grow by 36.8% by July 2026.
- **Capital Reserves:** Our Building Fund remains our largest asset, representing approximately 64% of our total restricted and general cash reserves.
- **Mission Flexibility:** The Rector's Discretionary Fund provides a flexible buffer for immediate community needs.

The Big Picture: For every $1.00 spent on church operations, our church community contributed approximately $1.19. This demonstrates our commitment to not only meeting our immediate needs but also actively investing in the future of our church.

Steps in Search Process

Prospective Candidates can find a separate **Rector Position Description** and a guide to our search process online via this **link**.
For further information or any questions, please contact **Ty Bragg**, the Search Committee Chair, at **rectorsearch@trinityanglicanchurch.com** or by phone at **+1 404-864-7232**.