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From the Rector

Some reflections on my trip to Swaziland

Many people have asked me over the past week “How was your trip? Was it a good one?” I’m not sure how to answer that question.

I can’t call it a “good” experience. Much of what I saw and experienced was cut from the fabric of human suffering in its most basic form. There are people slowly dying from disease who do not have access to the basic treatments we take for granted in USA. There are children who, having lost both parents, are now struggling to raise their younger brothers and sisters and to provide food and means to educate a large family. I saw an economy in slow collapse with no realistic hope of a rebound. I saw hungry children, people sleeping on the floor and under beds while dying in crowded hospital rooms and people with little or no hope in their eyes.

And yet... In the same breath that I begin to respond by saying how “un-good” my trip was, I’m reminded of how much else I saw that left me speechless with admiration.

I saw example after example of heroic faith. I saw a woman who in addition to raising her own family, is trying to provide food, clothing and shelter to all of the orphan children in a small town – and is doing this because she understands that this is what the Gospel requires. I met a woman who is single handedly caring for twenty people in the end stages of AIDS in her community. I met two people who have dropped everything, including their careers and possibly their futures because they recognize that God is calling them to respond in radically committed way to the increasing HIV infection in their homeland. I heard the voices of fellow Anglicans lifted in songs of praise. I heard a faith flowing like a deep and mighty river in the hymns of the Church sung not just on Sunday, but anytime that people gathered for worship. I saw a school that in the face of overwhelming destitution has managed to have 100 percent of its students pass the national exams. I spoke with clergy who have given up any expectation of a normal life as they spend themselves ministering to their people and their community in this time of national crisis.

I think that the word I have settled on to describe my experience in Swaziland is “overwhelming”. Many people – especially clergy – warned me that they had been changed in fundamental way by their visits to Africa. They told me that I should expect the same thing. But knowing what might happen, and having it actually happen are two different things. I know I’ve been changed as a result of this trip. I’m not clear yet exactly how. I do know (to borrow a phrase from our Bishop) we can not continue to do things the same old way. The human tragedy that is beginning to unfold in southern Africa is going to require a response from us as human beings – to say nothing of our moral obligation as Christians.

This does not mean that we can be released from the important and necessary ministry that happens locally. That must continue and perhaps even increase since the needs are growing here as well, though thankfully more slowly. But this local ministry must happen against the backdrop of a recognition that what we see here is a mere shadow of what is happening right now in other places around the world.

I do not know what God is going to call us to do. I do know that we are going to be called, or are already being called, to take action. There are many pitfalls that we will face in whatever we try to do. There are many things that break our hearts when we hear of them – and yet some of them might be made even worse if we act incorrectly or rashly in response. I am grateful for the commitment that our Vestry has made to begin a reorganization of our Outreach Commission. I think that the conversations we have as a parish around this topic are both important and timely. Whatever we decide, as long as it grows from our life of common prayer and worship, it will be what God wants us to do.

And doing what God wants us to do is the greatest good that any of us can imagine.

—Nick+

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The Prayer List

Here are the names of Trinity people who have health problems or personal problems and who wish to be remembered in our prayers. If you or a loved one has health problems or other problems, and if you would like the prayerful help of Trinity friends, you are invited to add your name to the list. Please contact the office, 610-867-4741.

- Dora Avila
- Meg Bachman
- Bud Barr
- Al Barr
- Marjorie Miller Bergey
- Robert Bleier
- Jane Breininger
- The Bryan Brozoski family
- Rob Caskey
- Edna Chase
- Edna Cieply
- Dorothy Comegys
- The Cressman Family
- Carolyn Duranko

- Helen Emery
- Harold Fitch
- Eleanor Graber
- Kelly Gregory
- Mark Guerra
- Mary Harris
- Nancy Hofmann
- Dolores Jones
- Steve Jones, Jr.
- Jeanne Kipp
- Bernice Knechel
- Robert Lukens
- Susan McKinney
- Norma Myers
- Angeline Pappas
- Matthew Post
- Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril
- Sean Romeril
- Bill Ruane
- Carolyn Snellman
- Charlotte Stawhacker

- Sally Tappan
- Linda Toggert
- Bill VanVelsor
- Carol Vickrey
- Edith Wilson
- Alexander Zabriskie
- Richard Zimmerman
- Heather



Trinity is a praying church. We love to pray for people...and we keep on praying for them. But sometimes, people get "parked" on the parish prayer list. The policy is to put people on the Prayers of the People list and to read their names for two weeks in a row, UNLESS you ask us to keep them on. They will also be put on the prayer list in the Bulletin. We keep them on the Bulletin list for two months, UNLESS you ask us to keep them on. We are very happy to keep people on either or both lists, but please do tell us. Call the office or give a note to one of the clergy.

KEEP ON PRAYING!



Birthdays

- 1 Jenna Heffner
- 2 Jane Frey
- 3 Allison Vail
- 5 Leah Ferriby
- Mark Heimbach
- 6 Blaise McArdle
- 7 William Harding
- 9 Heather Lawrence
- 10 Linda Cortis
- 11 Kathy Butler
- Cathi Pickel
- 12 Patricia Hauze
- Robert Hornyak

- Alexandria Smith
- 14 Robert Lawrence, Sr.
- Logan Vitalos
- 15 Carole Gorney Bryant
- Linda Norman
- 16 James Caskey
- 17 Nicholas Smith
- 18 Caroline Vail
- 19 Foster Leonhardt
- 20 Susan Ditterline
- Allison Gee
- Wendy Gulya
- 24 Eugene Propsner
- Jack Norman
- 25 John Miller
- 26 Betty Kauffuss
- 27 Joanna Majczan
- Charles Quigg

- Patti Smith Fanning
- 28 Jeff Coke
- 29 Freddie Washco

Anniversaries

- 5 Hattye & Kenneth Magee
- 7 Jan & Flex Illick
- Angeline & Robert Ruch

Sunday Readings During February

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Feb 6—Last Sunday after the Epiphany

- First Reading—Exodus 24:12-18
- Second Reading—2 Peter 1:16-21
- Gospel—Matthew 17:1-9

Feb 13—1st Sunday in Lent

- First Reading—Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
- Second Reading—Romans 5:12-19
- Gospel—Matthew 4:1-11

Feb. 20—2nd Sunday in Lent

- First Reading—Genesis 12:1-4a
- Second Reading—Romans 4:1-5, 13-18
- Gospel—John 3:1-17

Feb. 27—3rd Sunday in Lent

- First Reading—Exodus 17:1-7
- Second Reading—Romans 5:1-11
- Gospel—John 4:5-42

Celebration of Saints During February

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

- 1 Brigid, 532
- 3 Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary to Denmark and Sweden, 865
- 4 Cornelius the Centurion
- 5 The Martyrs of Japan, 1597
- 14 Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869, 885
- 15 Thomas Bray, Priest and Missionary, 1730
- 17 Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda and Martyr, 1977
- 18 Martin Luther, 1546
- 23 Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr of Smyrna, 156



From Mother Laura.....

Sermon for 2nd Epiphany:

“Jesus wants me to be apathetic...”

Isaiah 49:1-7
 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
 John 1:29-42
 Psalm 40:1-12

In the name of the Father (+) and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

If I were going to give a title to this sermon, it would be “Jesus wants me to be apathetic.” We usually use the word “apathetic” to mean something like mental or emotional laziness, or not caring enough to have of feeling. But I mean something different. The early church had the concept of apatheia, but that did not refer to people who had no feelings. It meant that people were using their willpower to keep their focus on what was important. They made a decision to cultivate an indifference to extraneous distractions. Keep that in your mind, while I tell you a story that originated with theologian Belden Lane.

Once upon a time... in a mountain far away, there lived a beautiful stream, that trickled down rock faces, and gathered itself together to rush over rounded pebbles. The lovely chuckling stream streamed down the mountain, through green forests and lush valleys, and splashed over rapids. Finally, it flowed to the edge of a great wilderness. The stream expected that it would splash right through the desert on its way, but as fast as it ran into the desert, its waters disappeared into the barren sandy soil. Before long, the frustrated stream heard the voice of the desert whispering, “The wind crosses the desert, so can the stream.”

“Yes, but the wind can fly!” argued the stream, and it kept dashing itself into the desert sand.

“You’ll never get across that way,” the desert whispered once again. “You’ll have to let the wind carry you.”

“But how?” cried out the stream.

“You have to let the wind absorb you.”

Well, the stream wasn’t about to accept that. After all, it had never been ab-

sorbed before. It didn’t want to lose its individuality, or give up control of its own identity. And besides, if once it gave itself to the winds, what guarantee could it have that it would ever become a stream again?

The desert replied that the stream could continue to flow into the sand, and that one day it might even produce a swamp there on the desert’s edge. But it would never cross the desert so long as it remained a stream.

“Why can’t I remain the same stream that I am, and get to the other side the way I want to?” cried out the water.

And the desert answered, ever so wisely, “You never can remain what you are, and still accomplish your purpose. Either you become a swamp or you give yourself to the winds. Otherwise you will never cross the desert.”

The stream was silent for a long time, thinking—streams think very slowly. And then, the stream raised its vapors into the welcoming arms of the wind and was borne upward and over the desert in great white clouds.

Soon, the white clouds reached the mountains on the desert’s far side. And when they did, a gentle rain began to fall. At first it was hushed and quiet, trickling down the granite slopes. But gradually it increased in strength, as rivulets ran over the rocks and down the gnarled and twisted trees that grew there. And soon it was pouring, as swift currents of dark water flowed once again into the beginning of a stream.

And thus the stream crossed the desert, by allowing itself to be transformed, and yielding itself to the greater purpose.

If John the Baptist hadn’t been passionately committed to the work of the kingdom of heaven, people wouldn’t have flocked to hear him. But if he had focused his energy on accumulating loads of followers for himself, he would never have pointed out Jesus to Andrew and the other disciple. And Andrew might never have brought his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus.

John gave his all to accomplishing the task that God gave him, but once he had done his part, he handed the outcome over for God to worry about, and John stepped into the background. He recognized that it wasn’t his concern how God was going to get things accomplished. John knew that his efforts were simply the means to God’s ends. Remember John’s saying, “He must increase and I must decrease.” Like the stream in our story which gave itself over to the wind so it could achieve its higher goals, John was obedient to God, without wasting a lot of time worrying about how God was going to make things come out.

This Scripture presents us with a huge challenge. We are asked to become totally involved in the work of bringing others to Christ, but at the same time, to leave the fruits of our efforts to God. We are asked to live the life Christ calls us to, without trying to project and manipulate and manage the results. That’s really hard! We are asked to set aside our own ego, because truthfully, our work on behalf of the church is not about how good we are, or how many people we bring into the congregation, or how many mouths we feed. Our work is about how we serve God. It’s up to God to take our offerings and turn them into something profitable.

Every teacher knows that you must be passionately apathetic. You give your students your best, but it is up to them to do the work. Every parent knows the same thing. Certainly every preacher knows. So why do we get caught up in the fantasy that after we have done our very best and released our work into the world, we can do something about it? That’s attention and energy that is simply wasted. We get attached to making the outcome be what we think it should be, instead of getting on with the next thing that God wants us to do. If we clutch at our hopes, little can come from them, because nothing can grow and expand. And we get stuck—and sometimes turn into a swamp.

Jesus calls us to apatheia. Jesus calls us, like he called John, to serve. But then, gently, he takes the project out of our hands and whispers, “I can take it from here. Back to your workbench. Let me transform your work into what I need it to be.” And if we’re very wise, we won’t try to snatch it back from him. AMEN.



Trinity, Bethlehem, cited for Exemplary Recycling

The City of Bethlehem rewarded four "businesses" [including Trinity Episcopal Church] for exemplary recycling records in the past year. In so doing, the Express-Times named Deacon Liz Miller as Trinity's pastor. Congratulations to Trinity and to Liz. The award was presented to Trinity at a ceremony at City Hall on Tuesday, January 25th. Liz and Dennis were there to accept it on our behalf.

The story in the Express-Times on Wednesday, January 26th, notes that with the award comes a write-up in the bureau's quarterly newsletter, *One Person's Trash*, and a television advertisement for each award winner. "You can say anything you want to say as long as you mention recycling," said the city's recycling director. The advertisements are slated to be filmed in spring and will be broadcast throughout the year on several stations. The bureau is paying for the spots with its \$155,000 radio and television advertising budget for 2005.

In a related story in *The Morning Call*, the recycling director is quoted: "Trinity Church is 'truly a steward of the environment' because the church recycles all 12 items accepted at the recycling center, unlike many city businesses.

To my family at Trinity Church, Bethlehem:

As some of you are aware, I have been on a God-gifted journey the past five and a half years. I have come to be aware of the gift of being called to a religious life. While I am still learning what that might mean exactly, in my journey I have traveled a path that has taken me to a place in my life I never dreamed of. I have learned what it is like to live and work in a monastic community. I have learned to hear the workings of the Holy Spirit in writing prayers. I have learned to recognize the works that have begun in my life and in the community in which I work.

For the past two years as I have worked at Trinity Church, Easton, I have been leading a noonday office as well as leading evening prayer on occasion. I have become aware of the need for a trained ear when being trusted by the souls that bring their spiritual concerns to me and I have begun taking a course in spiritual direction and am moving forward as a director.

In continuing in the exploration of an explanation to this journey, there is the possibility that I may be living at Trinity, Easton in the future. As I write this, however I have been offered and plan to move into the now empty parish house at St. Luke's in Phillipsburg. I have tested and tried and prayed very hard to get to this point and I've explored my doubts as well. Now, the time is drawing nearer—you could say that this is my advent—I feel the need to explain to my family at Trinity, Bethlehem what this means. As a religious, I am somewhat like clergy in that I no longer belong to a particular parish, but to the Diocese of Bethlehem. Because I work at Trinity, Easton, I am going to be spending more time there. Because my work also includes spiritual direction, I may be spending time at Trinity, Bethlehem as well.

I believe that I am being called to serve this diocese in prayer and work and continued support of it. I am thankful that I will not (at least at this point in time) be going off to live a secluded life in a convent, but that I will still be a part of this community as a whole. I rejoice that my family is now an extended one.

Trinity Bethlehem has been my home for the past 19 years. It is more than a "parish home" as it is the place in my heart that is home. From the moment I stepped onto the sidewalk and met the smiling face of Gaby Whittier, I knew I had found my way home. I had never before known that feeling and it remains with me always. The beautiful souls that surround me each Sunday morning have shared with me in highest highs and lowest lows and I thank you all.

Now as I say "See you around the Diocese", please know that I am not saying, "Goodbye." My ministry of spiritual direction reaches into both Bethlehem and Easton and perhaps further into this diocese as time and prayer continue.

As the sign on the front lawn says, "The Episcopal Church Welcomes You", please know that you have served Him well. Continue in your good works and pray for me in mine.

You will remain in my heart and in my prayers daily.

Peace!

Patty Hauze

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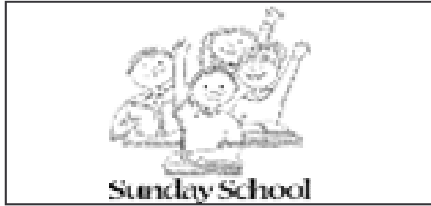


**LENTEN
MEDITATIONS**

Beginning with the Sunday bulletin on February 6, look for inserts with Lenten meditations written by our own lay members and clergy. Ash Wednesday comes on February 9 this year. Cathy Walter coordinated the project and is its Editor. Her husband, Roger, served as her assistant. The meditations were produced over the last six months by lay members of the parish and by several of our clergy.

Each piece is the product of the personal experience and faith of those who have written them and is intended for our own individual study and reflection as we live through the weeks of Lent. An Easter Sunday meditation concludes the series. They will appear as an insert in each of the six consecutive Sunday bulletins. The inserts are intended to be lifted out and taken home for your use during the subsequent week.

These meditations are also available on Trinity's website at <http://www.trinitybeth.org/reflections/lent2005>.



Our Sunday School is off to a wonderful new year. We've been discussing with the children the importance of coming to Sunday School to learn more about God and behave as God would want us all to behave. The children have such a wonderful time together that sometimes they need a gentle reminder about the importance of being a part of the group: quiet, gentle hands, listening ears and genuine, kind words. Please help us in reminding our children about these expectations.

On Sunday, February 20th we will be having a Children's Sunday. The children will be up in the service with their families for the entire service. Following the service we'll continue our celebration with a Parish Luncheon. Please bring a dish to share.

**PLAYGROUP
NEWS**

Trinity's Playgroup will be meeting on Friday, February 11th and 25th from 9:30-10:30am downstairs in the nursery. Parents with little ones are invited to join in on the conversation and fun!

**TRINITY GROUP
INVOLVING FAMILIES**

Trinity's Playgroup will be meeting on Friday, February 11th and 25th from 9:30-10:30am downstairs in the nursery. Parents with little ones are invited to join in on the conversation and fun!

Shrove Tuesday: Once again, TGIF invites you to our annual Parish Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 8th in the Parish Hall. Pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice will be served beginning at 5:30pm until 6:30pm. Come bring your family and join in on the pancake races led by our very own Fr. Nick.

Ash Wednesday Evening Children Service: As is our tradition, a 6:30pm Ash Wednesday service will be held in our Chapel on February 9th. This service is geared to the children in our parish and their families- yet children of all ages are invited to join us.

TGIF will meet again on the 23rd of February at 6:00pm for a potluck dinner and activity that focuses on St. Valentine's message of sharing our love and our gifts with one another. If you have young children, please join us. TGIF has grown into a strong committed group of families here at Trinity.

Questions:
Claire at 610-861-9336 or claire@trinitybeth.org



From the Music Office



Dear Members and Friends of Trinity Church,

Our "Music and the Arts at Trinity Church" concert series is about to resume with two very exciting programs. You will not want to miss these, so get out your calendars and mark them today!

**Sunday, February 20th
3:00 p.m.**

**Susan Charlton, flutist
Charles Callahan, organist
In recital**

This concert marks the first recital celebrating the 50th anniversary of Trinity's magnificent 1955 Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ. Aeolian-Skinner, located in Boston, was the finest organ builder of its day, and many consider it the finest this country has had (it is often referred to as "the Rolls-Royce of organs"). Charles Callahan, a Trinity favorite, has written two important books on the history and development of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, and has made a career in playing, recording, and researching these organs. It is fitting that he play the first recital celebrating the Trinity organ's 50th anniversary.

Charles is a native of Cambridge, Mass., and received his early training there with Theodore Marier and George Faxon. He was the last organ student of Dr. Alexander McCurdy at the Curtis Institute of Music, and received his doctorate from Catholic University, where he was a student of William Watkins and Daniel Roth. Charles has performed with The Philadelphia Orchestra under Eugene Ormandy at the Academy of Music and at Philharmonic Hall, Lincoln Center, and has performed the complete works of Cesar Franck at the Kennedy Center. He has played solo recitals throughout the world, and is in con-

stant demand as a recitalist, lecturer, and teacher. He is also a well-known composer, and has had world premieres in such places as St. Patrick's Cathedral, the St. Louis Cathedral, and Westminster Abbey. He has guest conducted the Trinity choir on several occasions, and performed the first annual Beinema Concert in 2002.

Susan Charlton is originally from Wisconsin, and has lived in Easton since the early 1990s. She is director of wind ensembles and teaches flute at Lafayette College, and performs frequently with the Allentown Symphony, the Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra, and the Bach Choir of Bethlehem, and plays solo recitals with pianist Alexis Fisher. Susan has played for us at Trinity on two occasions, and her graceful musicianship and beautiful tone are always a pleasure and inspiration to the ear. She and Charles met during his organ master class at Lafayette College last year, and their impromptu organ and flute duet was inspired – they played as if they had been working together for years!

For their program, Charles and Susan will be performing solo works, as well as works for organ and flute. Composers featured included Bach, Callahan, Dupre, Handel, Titcomb, and Weaver. This will be a lovely way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors.

**Saturday, March 5
7:30 p.m.**

**The Princeton Singers
Steven Sametz, conductor**

We are excited to be presenting this wonderful choir on our series. Noted for their precision and variety in programming, this group is sought after by major concert series along the East Coast. They will be performing a number of early choral works, in addition to music by their own conductor/composer, Steven Sametz. Please look for more about this concert in our March newsletter, but put the date in your calendar and

put a reminder on your refrigerator door now!

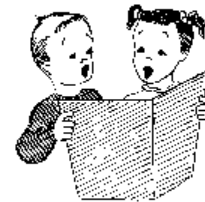
We are grateful to the many donors to the concert series. Many of these concerts are costly, and could not be presented without your generous gifts. The entire series is paid for by these donations, and without you there would be no concert series.

If you would like to contribute to the concert series, please send your check to: Music Office, Trinity Church, 44 E. Market St., Bethlehem, PA 18018. Be sure to write "concert series" in the memo.

For additional music and concert series information, please consult the church's website at www.trinitybeth.org.

Sincerely,

Lorenz Maycher,
organist-choirmaster



Children's Choir News

At least 10 members of Trinity's Children's Choir will be participating in the Children's Choir Festival on Saturday, February 12th at The Cathedral Church of the Nativity. The day's activities will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a lunch followed by two rehearsal sessions, and an Evensong service, during which the choir will perform two anthems. The service (also at Nativity) will begin at 5:00p.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

Our Children's Choir will sing for the 10:30 a.m. service at Trinity on February 27th.

New members are welcome to join our choir. Please contact Mary Schatkowski if interested. (610-868-8203)



RESOLUTIONS OF COURTESY for the year 2004

as presented at
The Annual Meeting
January 30, 2005

WHEREAS, this is the final day that the members of Trinity Parish meet in unity at the annual meeting to celebrate the successes of the past year, be it resolved that we as a parish show our APPRECIATION of the dedication to Trinity of the following persons:

Whereas the staff and clergy have served us as spiritual leaders with unlimited energy and dedication in all their work and ministries, be it worship, counseling teaching, youth ministries, the health ministry, the soup kitchen, preaching, maintenance and secretarial support, they have promoted the vision of Christ's love both within our parish and the community at large, let us give thanks for the many blessings we have because of their presence among us.

WHEREAS, many individuals have dedicated themselves to the musical life of this parish, especially Lorenz Maycher, Director of Music, who has enriched our spiritual lives with the quality of musicianship and the breadth of musical offerings (both within and beyond the liturgical context) that he brings to Trinity; Mary Schatkowski, in her dedication to the younger musicians and the parish as Children's Choir Director, and thanks to Gavin Ferriby for his guidance and assistance with the children's Choir. We are thankful for Laura Johnson for directing Amahl and the Night Visitors. We give thanks always for the faithful ministry of music offered by the members of the Trinity parish choir.

WHEREAS, the currently retiring Vestry members have served this parish faithfully, and the continuing members faithfully move forward with the vestry's work drawing on their various gifts and talents to make wise and timely decisions, let them be remembered.

WHEREAS, Gaby Whittier and Patty Hauze have given of their time and energy to promote the Prayer Beaders group. we thank them for their tireless work, along with those who volunteer in the prayer bead ministry, and for

providing helping prayers for many all over the country.

WHEREAS, Roger Walter, Trinity's Archivist has worked to chronicle the past so that we can honor it through the future.

The Congregation gives its sincere thanks to the following members who have contributed to the life of the parish:

- Richard Matthews for organizing Adult Forums.
- Howard Fegan for organizing and conducting our Hot Water discussions.
- To Gaby Whittier, who so ably took over being Communications Secretary.
- Donna Lawrence and Bob Lawrence – for scheduling Ushers, Chalice bearers, readers, crucifers and acolytes, and to Donna for organizing coffee hour.
- Sara Klingner, stewardship chair and all who delivered messages in support of the stewardship campaign.
- Volunteers at soup kitchen: Suzanne Boundy, Dolores Caskey, Irene Harding, Shirley Ann Quigg, Doris Eshbach, Ginny Gress, Sue Ditterline, Jim Caskey, Mary Ann Swiatek Mary Billets, Sally Hampsen and others who occasionally serve those in need.
- For volunteers who prep the newsletter for mailing: Pam Giordano, Lois Howell, Carolyn Duranko, Suzanne Boundy and for Gaby Whittier, who edits it.
- For George Hurchalla's leadership on Buildings and Grounds, to all who help with gardening especially Marius Bressoud and Serena Smith. Tom Bradley for starting to put safety windows in the Sunday School Classrooms.
- Karen Ernst Treasurer and counters, and finance committee including Bill Vitalos, Bill Harding, and Sue Ferry, Ken Tarby, Ken Robertson. Bill Harding and Susan Ferry, for Musikfest parking Fundraiser and all those who participated. Karen Ernst and Bruce Reinert for organizing the Wine Tasting Fundraiser. And for Marcie Lightwood and Dave Myers for conducting the basket auction. To choir members, vestry members and Carol and Jack Vickrey for making the Rummage Sale possible.
- Marius Bressoud for chairing the Pastoral Care committee.

- For Sara Klingner, Sandy Mesics, Mother Laura Howell, Tom Brandt, Pat Sissin and Karen Knisely who have formed and shepherded the Trinity Health Ministry.

- Families involved in TGIF.

- For Clare Hornung and Heather Myers, Trinity wedding coordinators.

- Claire Hornung and all of the Sunday School teachers: Matt Tax, Dee Palmeri, Brad Jarocki, Suzanne Irvine, Steve Filko, Karen Vitalos and Jessica Connors, Blaise McArdle, Lisa Heffner, Amy Mann and Karen Brion in the nursery.

- Barbara Subber, Chair of Altar Guild and all who assist her.

- ABC Quilters headed by Edith Wilson and all who work with her.

- Outreach Committee and its chair Dixie White, we give thanks as they turn over the work to a new Outreach committee starting in February 2005.

- Mother Gwendolyn Jane and Marius Bressoud for leading confirmation classes and the mentors who supported the process.

- Father Cliff for writing Prayers of the People.

- Bob Lukens and Marius Bressoud for leading midweek Morning Prayer in the Chapel.

- Mary Billets and Sally Hampsen for doing Altar Guild duties on Wednesdays.

- Len McLaughlin for fixing things as needed.

- Peter Leta for networking and technology help with Trinity's computers, who also built a computer for Clair Hornung and for the library.

- Delegates to National Convention – Father Nick and Hillary Dowling.

And thanks to those many Christians from Trinity who carry flowers to shut-ins, visit the sick, comfort the grieving, tend to the suffering, witness about injustice, who seek peace, visit prisoners, protect the environment, work to better the larger community, and toil in many ways, some unnoticed but all appreciated, who share of their time, talent and treasure in countless ways both here at church and in the larger world.

These are Christ's hands and feet here today to bear witness to His love.



Newsletter Calendar

February 1 – February 28, 2005

Date of Print: January 31, 2005

Tuesday 2/1

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Clergy Bible Study
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 2/2

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday 2/3

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 2/4

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday 2/5

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM AA Meeting (Parish Hall)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Healing & Sermon (Church)

Sunday 2/6

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon, no music) - Bishop's Visitation (Church)
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Forum - A discussion of First Corinthians, led by Professor Virginia Wiles (Parish Hall)
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM J2A-Rite13
 9:15 AM - 10:00 AM Children's Choir Practice
 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer in the Chapel (Sunday School)
 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Confirmation and Holy Eucharist (sermon; choir) - Bishop's Visitation Sunday
 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Reception for Bishop and newly Baptized, Confirmed and Received
 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Taize (Chapel)

Monday 2/7

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Library)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting

Tuesday 2/8

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Pancake Supper (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 2/9

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM Ash Wednesday Service (Chapel)
 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Ash Wednesday Services (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service (Church)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM TGIF Group - Parish Hall, Chapel, SS Rooms
 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service for Children (Chapel)
 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service (Church)

Thursday 2/10

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 2/11

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Pre-school Playgroup
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday 2/12

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM AA Meeting (Parish Hall)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist & Sermon (Chapel)

Sunday 2/13

2/13 - 2/15 Clergy Retreat
 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon, no music) (Church)
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM J2A-Rite13
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Forum - A discussion of First Corinthians, led by Professor Virginia Wiles (Parish Hall)
 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School
 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer in the Chapel (Sunday School)
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon; choir)

Monday 2/14

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Library)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday 2/15

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM Pastoral Care Committee (Library)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 2/16

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Advent Breakfast Committee - Bob Romeril (Library)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday 2/17

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 2/18

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday 2/19

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM AA Meeting (Parish Hall)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist & Sermon (Chapel)

Sunday 2/20

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon, no music) (Church)
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Forum - A discussion of First Corinthians, led by Professor Virginia Wiles (Parish Hall)
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM J2A-Rite13
 9:15 AM - 10:00 AM Children's Choir Practice
 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer in the Chapel (Sunday School)
 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Holy Eucharist - Children's Sunday (sermon; choir)
 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Parish Luncheon - Bring a side dish or dessert to share
 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Concert Series - Susan Charlton (flute), and Charles Callahan (organ) in recital (Church)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Taize (Chapel)

Monday 2/21

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Library)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Soup and... "Recognizing the Prophets", led by Fr. Nick and Fr. Hemchand Gossai (Parish Hall)

Tuesday 2/22

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 2/23

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM TGIF Group - Parish Hall, Chapel, SS Rooms

Thursday 2/24

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 2/25

Vestry Retreat (Moravian Academy)
 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Pre-School Play Group
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday 2/26

Vestry Retreat (Moravian Academy)
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM AA Meeting (Parish Hall)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist & Sermon (Chapel)

Sunday 2/27

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon, no music) (Church)
 9:15 AM - 10:00 AM Children's Choir Practice
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM J2A-Rite13
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Forum - A discussion of First Corinthians, led by Professor Virginia Wiles (Parish Hall)
 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School
 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer in the Chapel (Sunday School)
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Holy Eucharist (sermon; choir)

Monday 2/28

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel)
 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting (Library)
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Trinity Soup Kitchen (Parish Hall)
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Soup and... "Recognizing the Prophets", led by Fr. Nick and Fr. Hemchand Gossai (Parish Hall)



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Important Dates to Remember

February

- 06—Bishop Marshall visits Trinity. Baptism & Confirmation at 10:30. Reception follows.
- 08—Shrove Tuesday—Pancake Supper at 5:00 pm.
- 09—Ash Wednesday. Services at 7:30 am, 9:30 am, Noon, 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm.
- 20—Children's Sunday and Parish Luncheon.
- 20—Concert Series: Susan Charlton and Charles Callahan in Recital at 3:00 pm.
- 21—"Recognizing the Prophets" Soup and.... Series, led by Fr. Nick and Fr. Hemcha Gossai begins at 6:00 pm.
- 25 & 26—Vestry Retreat
- Sunday Forums during February—A discussion of First Corinthians, led by Professor Virginia Wiles. You won't want to miss these!

March Newsletter Deadline

Monday, February 21, 2005