

# THE TRINITY TIMES

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*The Mission of Trinity Episcopal Church is to seek and share the love of God made known through Jesus Christ with all people through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.*

## JAN 2015

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# Padre's Ponderings



*"The next day, John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.*

*When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them.  
"What are you looking for?"*

*John 1:35-38*

## *Meditate on this scripture and the following:*

"The eye of the cormorant is emerald. The eye of the eagle is amber. The eye of the grebe is ruby. The eye of the ibis is sapphire. Four gemstones mirror the minds of birds, birds who meditate between heaven and earth. We miss the eyes of the birds, focusing on their feathers.

Terry Tempest Williams

*What are we looking for? Where have we failed to look?*

Jesus, you are light of the world:

May your light open our eyes to see those in need.

Jesus, you are the light of the world:

May the works of our lives demonstrate your love.

Jesus, you are the light of the world:

May your wisdom enlighten our decisions.

Jesus, you are light of the world,

Hear the prayers of our hearts.

As you enlighten our lives,

May we be a light for others.

Amen.



As we begin this Epiphany Season, may it be our goal that we let Christ be manifested in and through us to those about us. May we always be challenged by the question, "What are you looking for when it comes to a relationship with God and His Church?"

*The Rev. Larry D. Jackson  
Rector*

## In Appreciation:

~ Thank you to all the volunteers who helped "Green" the Church for the Christmas holidays

~ Thank you to Dan, Marjorie and Betsy Thomas for the "Greening" of the outside doors and the Columbarium

~ Thank you to those who created the Christmas Eve Choir and for the arrangements to have Brass as part of the service

~ Thank you to those who gave the beautiful Christmas Flowers

~ Thank you to LaVerne Marshall for giving us the beautiful angels for the church for Christmas

~ Thank you to the Sunday School for their creative presentation of the Christmas story



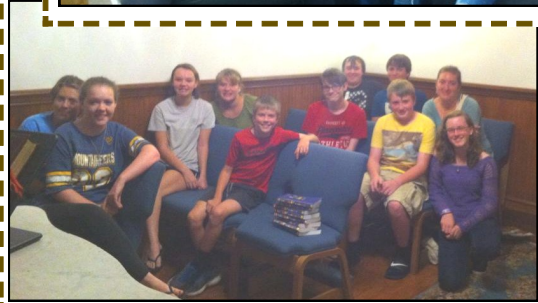
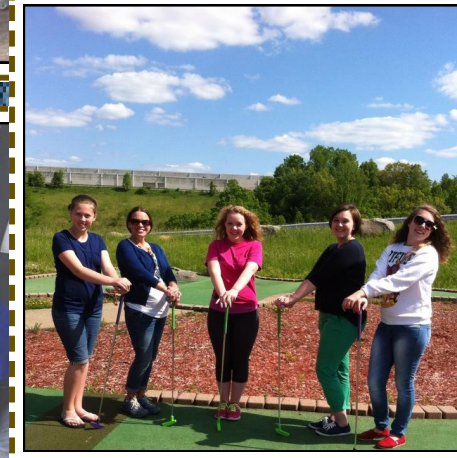
## From the Parish Records

**Henry Michael Daily**, son of Lanae Daily, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Christmas Eve at the 5 o'clock Family Service.

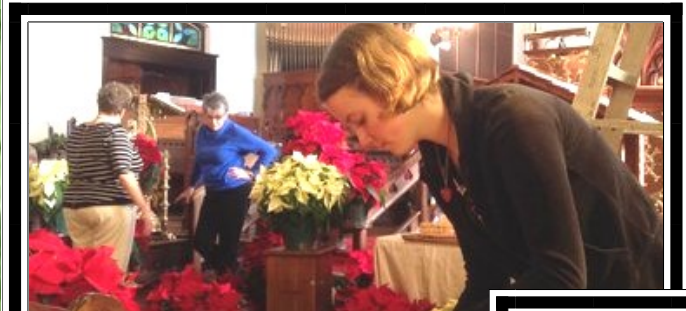
# EYF News

By Paul Bennett

As the transition in the EYF program at Trinity begins, I would like to this opportunity to thank you as the congregation of Trinity for your support. I have worked with youth for almost 10 years now in various ways: Peterkin, coaching, acolyte director and now as a youth group leader. At some point I have always found myself asking for support, either financially or in other ways. While here at Trinity I never had to ask for anything. EVERY time I mentioned an idea or a new activity, I was immediately approached by a member of the congregation, or several members, asking what they could do to help, if we needed any donations and several times I was simply notified that a donation had already been made. The outpouring of support for the youth of Trinity by the congregation was often overwhelming. It is easy to want to help when your children are part of what is going on, but to see so many, so willing to help, with nothing at stake but the desire to support the youth, it is very impressive. Again, I have worked with youth for 10 years and have never witnessed such an outpouring of support. It is my hope and desire that this level of support will continue throughout this transition and beyond. It has been my honor to serve as a youth leader; I truly love Trinity, the congregation and the youth. Sarah and I are blessed to have had you all in our lives and as members of our extended family.



# The Greening of the Church December 21



# JANUARY 2015

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Office closed No Food Closet</i>	2 <i>Office closed</i>	3  8:00pm-AA
4 <b>CHRISTMAS 2</b> 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed. 10:15-Sunday School	5 11:00am - Feeding Program	6 7:30am-Men of Trin. Breakfast 6:00pm-Epiphany Dinner 6:00- Blenn. Stamp Soc.	7 7:30/12:10p-Eucharist 11:00am-Food Closet	8 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Knitters, Food Closet	9	10  8:00pm-AA
11 <b>EPIPHANY 1</b> <b>DIFFERENT SCHEDULE</b> 9:30 am—Holy Eucharist (and Sunday School) followed by Annual Meeting	12 11:00am - Feeding Program	13 7:30am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	14 7:30/12:10p-Eucharist 10:00am-Calendar mtg. 11:00am-Food Closet 7:30pm-Choir rehearsal	15 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Blenn. Stamp Soc.	16	17  8:00pm-AA
18 <b>EPIPHANY 2</b> 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School <b>Discretionary Sunday</b>	19 11:00am - Feeding Program <b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday</b>	20 7:30am-Men of Trin. Breakfast <b>"Times" deadline</b>	21 7:30/12:10p-Eucharist 11:00am-Food Closet	22 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet	23	24  8:00pm-AA
25 <b>EPIPHANY 3</b> 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School <b>Birthday Sunday</b>	26 11:00am - Feeding Program	27 7:30am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	28 7:30/12:10p-Eucharist 11:00am-Food Closet	29 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet	30	31  10:00-3:00-Vestry Day  8:00pm-AA

### BIRTHDAYS

2. Gloria Thacker  
3. Charlotte Bee

7. Fr. Josh Saxe  
Mickenzie Westfall  
14. David Westfall

16. Katie Stanley  
18. Dr. John N. Ralsten  
21. Peter Quackenbush

27. Barbara Bailey  
31. Monique Cameron

### ANNIVERSARIES

1. Robin & Sheldon Hinkley  
14. Catherine & Fr. Josh Saxe

22. Susan & Butch Shock  
24. Linda & Bob Brantner

## Adopt-a-Family



# The Generosity of Trinitarians

by Barbara Full

After volunteering to lead the effort to help a needy family at Christmas, Jim and I wondered what in the world we had gotten ourselves into and whether the congregation would be supportive. We had discussed it with Father Larry and Jean, who had been in charge of it last year, but still approached the project with a bit of trepidation.

Well, as it turns out, we had absolutely nothing to worry about! The donations from the Outreach envelopes in the Sunday bulletins quickly added up, as well as a major donation from a parishioner. Father Larry had given us the folder from the Salvation Army which gave us details of our 'Angels', three children from one family. When I called the Salvation Army to ask precisely how to proceed, I was told there were at that time almost 200 names still on their Angel Tree, 200 children whose Christmas wishes might not be fulfilled. I was really hoping we could adopt a few more, but some shopping needed to be done before we could estimate how much we had left. Rob Parrish had volunteered to help, so he proceeded to shop (apparently doing some bargaining in the process!) and we still had money left over to adopt three more children from one family. Jim and I did the shopping for that family, buying toys and clothing and then found out that we had almost \$600 still in the account! Since it was then the day that everything was to be taken to the Salvation Army, we were concerned that we had run out of time. When I spoke to the representative at the SA, the look on her face was priceless!! She and her staff were going to go shopping the next day for those 'Angels' still on the tree and she had been concerned that they would run out of money!



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## Thank you, thank you

to all who donated to this wonderful project!!

A few of the items purchased for the Trinity Adopt-a-Family program.

## BOOK SALE FINAL UPDATE



Many thanks to the community that donates their chosen books to the Trinity ECW Book Sale. The life of the book sale begins in late winter when a group of dedicated Trinitarians begin the process of marking and categorizing those books. This required a team of men who transported the recycling each week. As the books arrive the marking days move from once a week to twice a week through July. Newspaper publicity brings more books in August through October which requires three days per week of marking. Scheduling of Trinitarians for the week of the book sale begins in October and everyone generously offering sharing their time. Set-up brings more volunteers, the PHS baseball team, who bring out all of the boxes of books to the tables so Trinitarians can fill the tables for the week of the sale. And the sale begins with the help of more than fifty Trinitarians working to bringing **over thirteen thousand dollars** to be shared in community outreach and in reach from this ECW sale. The books that are not sold are given to the Salvation Army. As you have realized many individuals work to make this event a success. Thanks to each of you who gave your time and energy to support the ECW Book Sale.

The Book Sale Committee: Cara Bowen, Barbara Craft, Pam Parsons, and Sue Ellen Johnson

## Trinity by the numbers November



### Sunday worship attendance:

8:00-10:30

Nov. 2: 24~94 (total 118)

Nov. 9: 21~75 (total 96)

Nov. 16: 16~72 (total 88)

Nov. 23: 14~70 (total 84)

Nov. 30: 14~60 (total 74)

Average Nov. 2014-92

Average Nov. 2013- 109

### Rector 's Discretionary:

Assistance w/pharmacy-4;

auto repair-1;gasoline-1;

miscellaneous-2; income-\$112.00

Food closet: 15 families, for a total of 25 people



## Vestry Highlights for December

- 2015 budget approved
- Special thanks for the service to Trinity of Vestry members Rob Parrish, Kim Couch, Ann Bailey and Sarah Bennett
- Parishioners who have agreed to serve on Vestry if elected at the Annual Meeting: Diana Quick, Dan Thomas, Lynn Fury-Prather for 3 year terms and Tiffany Deem to fulfill Sarah's unexpired term.

- Father Larry is planning a Vestry Day on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at Trinity. Our vestry members will use the day to seek God's direction for our Parish and set our goals for 2015.
- A thought for the New Year: "Let's remember to exchange whispers with God before shouts with the world this morning. Let's take a moment to pause. Get into God's Word and let it get into us. Before the craziness of another day begins, before checking our phone for text messages, before logging onto our computer... let's soak in the life-giving truth of God's Word." - Lysa TerKeurst

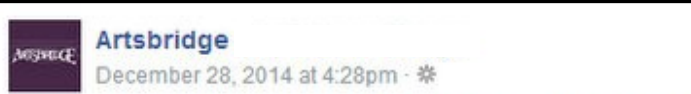
# CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT



# CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS



From the Artsbridge facebook page, a report of this year's Walk a Christmas Mile:



What a wonderful afternoon with the Walk a Christmas Mile!



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The weather didn't scare off over 125 people at the Walk a Christmas Mile! The final church is Trinity Episcopal



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To St. Anne's Guild members  
for refurbishing our beautiful and historic gold kneeling  
cushions at the altar rail!!

Directory Correction

Terry Cauthorn's address is **Third Avenue** in Vienna, not Second Avenue.



## SUPPER CLUB

Thank you to John and Becky Alkire for hosting the beautiful and delicious supper club in December. This month's get together will be Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 at the home of Tom and Julie Gyongyosi. 120

Brentwood Heights, Parkersburg. Call Julie or Tom @ 304-422-4121 and let them know what you're bringing. Hope to see you there!



Thank you to the members of the PHS T-Club  
who helped with our Monday Feeding Program in  
November



The Flower Chart for 2015 has been posted on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall. The two vases of altar flowers cost \$50 total, which can be shared with another person, if desired. Please fill out the form and indicate whether you are giving the flowers in memorial or thanksgiving. Thank you for making our service more beautiful!



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Return Service Requested  
Dated Material Please Deliver Promptly

Change in regular Sunday schedule:

9:30am-Holy Eucharist

## ANNUAL MEETING

### SUNDAY, JAN. 11

In order to encourage all parishioners to attend this important meeting, there will only be one service that day, at 9:30, followed by the Annual Meeting. All parishioners are invited, so come to Trinity Hall for coffee hour after the service and stay to support and be involved in the policies and procedures of our church.

Vote to elect new Vestry members, hear reports of 2014, discuss our 2015 budget, bring any thoughts, questions, comments, concerns and praise to this important yearly assembly.

