

The Trinity Times

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2017

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A Word From Your Priest

By the time you are reading this you may already know the very exciting news that we have a new Director of Religious Education, Tiffany Deem! This is very exciting for several reasons. The first is that we all recognize how important an active youth program is for the life of our church. Having a new staff member who can dedicate a significant amount of time and effort to this goal is absolutely critical to what needs to be done. But also, with a little financial assistance from the Bishop, we were able to add some hours to this position so that Tiffany can also help with other Program Ministries here at Trinity. So, thank you to the Bishop for recognizing our growth and continued new plans for growth here at Trinity.

I do not want to close this topic without giving a very BIG shout out to Liz Ramsey who has practically single handedly kept the Sunday School alive until we could mount the initiative to pump additional efforts into its growth. We thank you Liz and look forward to working with her to build on the program that she held together for us.

On a different note, you all know that Marion Culbertson has served Trinity for the past several years as the Parish Nurse. Due to some family and health issues, Marion needs to step back from this ministry for a while and focus on her family. We give thanks to God for her past ministry and pray for her and her family.

We will also be exploring a broader health ministry and in-reach to our fellow parishioners. We are in the process of discerning how the Spirit is leading Trinity in this regard. We are thinking of using the name "Parish Health Ministries" so that it encompasses all that we are already doing, such as the Healing Services, Parish Nurse Ministry, Mustard Seeds, and individual efforts that often go unnoticed. So if you have any ideas or thoughts in this regard or are willing to participate, please let me know.

As we have mentioned this summer, our organ is in need of a major tune up and cleaning. It is just a fact with the age of the instrument and some effect of the plaster project, this work needs to be done. It has been rescheduled by the company doing the work to start on September 12, 2016. The estimated cost on this project is \$25,000. The finance committee and Vestry have approved the project and we are moving forward. As I said this is a project that must be done, but certainly was not in the budget. So, we have teamed up with an individual that is willing to match dollar for dollar contributions for this project up to one half of the project. This matching opportunity can be a real boost on raising the funds needed. The matching means that if you contribute \$25 it becomes \$50; \$100 become \$200; and \$500 becomes \$1,000 ... well, you get the picture. If you are willing to contribute to this endeavor, please let me know. I have asked our multi-talented Organist to create a Thermometer to track our goal. I am confident we can raise the money. We already have some contributions and are well on the way. With this matching, I believe you will be pleasantly surprised how every little bit helps and how quickly we can meet our goal.

Finally, I just wanted to remind to you all about the plans for a new, in house, pictorial church directory. You have updated the contact information and now it is time to start gathering pictures. If you have a picture you like, please provide us with a digital copy if possible. If not, give us the picture and we will try to scan it. Finally, we will be making arrangements to take pictures during coffee hour until we get all the pictures. Your assistance is appreciated. The benefit for doing this in house is that we don't have to start from scratch every time we need to update the directory. We can simply build on the last version.

We have a lot of exciting things happening. Please, come and be a part of what God is doing here at Trinity, and as always, bring a Friend.

God Bless you one and all,
Father Paul



GOSPEL SING

by Paul Miller

“...With the cross of Jesus going on before!” This familiar refrain from the great Arthur Sullivan hymn *Onward Christian Soldiers* could have been the theme for the Gospel Sing which was held in the nave on the evening of Sunday, June 12. Bravely led by Mr. Paul Miller and brilliantly accompanied by Mr. Everett Orem on piano, a total of 23 participants soaringly sang a dozen old-time hymns, most of which emphasized the cross in their lyrics.

The evening opened with encouraging words by the Rev. Paul Hicks, followed by an antiphonal rendering of *This is the Day*—an English translation of a Hebrew psalm sung to a melody from Fiji. This selection was followed by the joyous melody *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* from *The Hymnal 1982*. The members of the evening’s makeshift, but heavenly, choir were urged to “sing outside the box,” and be open to less familiar tunes. Borrowed mostly from *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, these more unfamiliar songs included *My Hope is Built*, *Love Lifted Me*, and *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*, the latter song being one of two sung during the evening’s proceedings that were written by Fanny J. Crosby, who, though blind at birth, accomplished the feat of writing over 8000 hymns.

Interspersed throughout the program was an informative lecture given by Mr. Miller who explained the difference between a hymn, which is directed to God through prayer or praise, and a Gospel song, which is aimed at instructing, uplifting, or persuading the audience. It was pointed out that such songs often have recognizable attributes including refrains, dotted rhythms, and bass and tenor *obbligato* parts.

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It's Trinity Church picnic time!!



Sunday
August 7
Jackson Park
(shelter near the community building and dog walk area)
10:30--Eucharist
11:30-Lunch Time

Please have your chairs set up and ready to begin the service by 10:30. You are asked to bring a dish to share. Hot dogs, hamburgers, condiments, table service, water and tea will be furnished. Chuck Guyer has agreed to be our head chef.

Service of Holy Eucharist will be held, as usual, at Trinity at 8:00am.



Sunday, August 7th during the church picnic, we would like to invite all students and teachers to bring your backpacks or school bags with you to the 10:30 service at Jackson Park to have them blessed!



Vestry Highlights from July:

- Organ repair rescheduled to start September 12th.
- John Brownfield presented a proposal to replace tables in Trinity Hall. Donations were received and tables were purchased.
- Approval made to pursue inquiry into purchase of parking lot across the street.
- An estimate will be obtained for adding drain in area between buildings where flooding occurred.

Submitted by Carol Payne, Registrar

AUGUST 2016

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 11:00am - Feeding Program, Clothes Closet	2 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast 6:00pm-Blenn. Stamp Soc.	3 10:00am-book marking 11:00am-Food Closet 12:15-Holy Eucharist & Healing	4 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Knitters, Food Closet.	5	6 9:00am-1st Saturday break- fast @ Redwood, Belpre 11:00am-book sorting 8:00pm-AA
7 8:00 am—Eucharist 10:30—Church Picnic, Jackson Park (Eucharist at 10:30 am, Lunch at 11:30)	8 11:00am - Feeding Program, Clothes Closet	9 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	10 10:00am-Book marking 11:00am-Food Closet 12:15-Holy Eucharist, Healing 5:30pm-Actors Guild-conf. rm.	11 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet.	12	13 8:30am-DOK book study (ch. 9,10) @Panera 8:00pm-AA
14 8:00 am—Eucharist 10:15-Sunday School 10:30-Eucharist	15 11:00am - Feeding Program, Clothes Closet 6:00pm-Finance 6:30pm-Vestry	16 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	17 10:00am-book marking 11:00am-Food Closet 12:15-Holy Eucharist & Healing	18 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Blenn. Stamp Soc.	19	20 "Times" deadline Parkersburg Homecoming (through Sunday) 8:00pm-AA
21 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15—Adult Ed. Discretionary Sunday	22 11:00am - Feeding Program, Clothes Closet	23 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	24 10:00am-book marking 11:00am-Food Closet 12:15-Holy Eucharist & Healing	25 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet.	26	27 9:00am-DOK book study (ch. 11,12) @Panera 8:00pm-AA
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BIRTHDAYS

1. Andrew Bennett
2. Dan Monek

3.Katherine Lowe Brown
Katie Perrine
8. Bill Bee
11.Stephanie Westfall

12.Sarah Bennett
Gwen Justice
13.Carter Currey
Barbara Craft

14.Van Simpers
15.Betty Earl
William Monek
Rob Parrish

16.Sharon Loucks
Edith Newman
Kevin Oliphant, Sr.
22.Michael McKibben

23.Scott Ramsay
25.Sean Curry
27.Bill Bailey
28.Connie Warren

Caroline Bullock
30.Casey Stanley
31.Everett Orem
Craig Curry

ANNIVERSARIES

1. Barbara & Bill Bailey
Linda & Larry Tucker
8. Charlotte & Bill Bee

10.Barbara & Charlie
Allman
14.Becky & John Roberts
17.Elaine & Jim Dauphin

18.Jennifer & Judd Currey
20.Becky & John Alkire
Linda & Fr. Art Bennett
30.Marjorie & Dan Thomas



Edith Newman's hand-made gift to Fr. Josh and Catherine's new daughter Willa Ruth, personalized with the names of Willa and Trinity. Beautiful and thoughtful, Edith!!



Congratulations!

Katie Stanley, daughter of Susan and Steve Stanley, graduated from Parkersburg High School and will be attending Marshall University this fall.



Family MOVIE NIGHT

**Sunday
August 21**

**Pizza served at 5:45
Movie will begin about
6:00 p.m.**

Popcorn and pizza will be furnished and you are encouraged to bring your favorite movie snack to share if you like.



Trinity Outreach Programs

Monthly Outreach Envelopes

August – Highland Education Project
September – Trinity Food Closet

October – Thanksgiving Outreach
November – Christmas Outreach

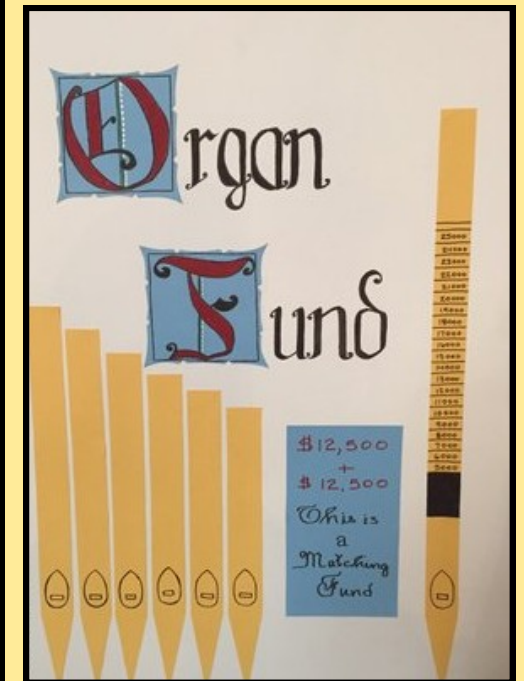
Meet Your Vestry, part III



Dianna Quick

I am a native West Virginian and grew up in Clarksburg. I used to be in the classroom but left public school teaching after my daughter was born. Carrie-Meghan resides in Huntington with her infant son and stepdaughter. My grandson is eight months old. I attended WV Wesleyan College, Marshall University, Ohio University, and Westminster Choir College. I received a BA and MA from Marshall and a second masters from Ohio University, which is in Counseling. I am a Licensed Professional Counselor in WV and a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor in Ohio. My first two degrees are in music. I enjoy the new relationships I have established worshipping at Trinity and find peace in the worship service. I feel called to the healing ministry and am truly grateful that I can serve in that capacity. I have been married to a bagpiper for thirty-seven years. We met on a blind date set up by an acquaintance. I work two days a week at the Counseling House on Emerson Avenue. I find it very rewarding.

Stay tuned for more information



Trinity by the numbers June

Sunday worship
attendance: 8:00~10:30
June 5: 19~61 (total 80)
June 12: 31~63 (total 94)
June 19: 23~59 (total 82)
June 26: 25~85 (total 110)
Average June 2016—92
Average June 2015—95

Food closet:
35 adults, 6 children
Clothes Closet: 44 people
Crisis Intervention :
Assistance with 10 electric ,
1 gas, 2 water bills, (\$30 ea.)
June Outreach
(Parkersburg Reading
Camp) \$323



A Triumph!

by Linda Bennett

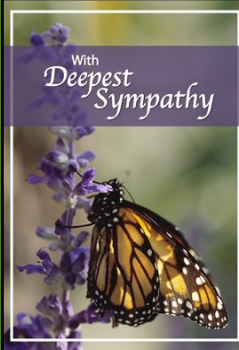
The pillow talk project was quite successful as 52 pillows and 52 pillow covers were ordered and delivered to Peterkin the first week in May. A huge thank you goes out to St. Anne's Guild and to the whole parish family for responding with such generosity. Believe me, the campers will be quite delighted with these new pillows. Remember that two of those camps are clergy conference and women's conference. You are amazing and I personally appreciate your support in this outreach ministry to Peterkin - a holy place in our diocese!



MONDAY FEEDING PROGRAM

Chairman Connie Warren reports we served 406 meals in June, with an average of 10 helpers. The average cost per meal was \$1.55 per plate. Connie said "I would really like to thank Barb and Charlie Allman, who keep us supplied with placemats. We really appreciate it! And I would especially like to thank Olivia and Carty Ramsay who have been helping serve meals on Mondays during the summer."

"And welcome back to Chuck and Pam! We've missed you and glad you're home again!"



The Parish Family of Trinity Church extends its deepest sympathy and prayers to:

~ Tom, Julie, Nick, and Megan Gyongyosi on the death of Tom's mother Eva Gyongyosi in Albuquerque, NM on July 13.

~ Skye and Quentin Oliphant on the July 8 death of their mother Nicole Nelson.

~ Rest eternal grant to Eva and Nicole, O Lord; And let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

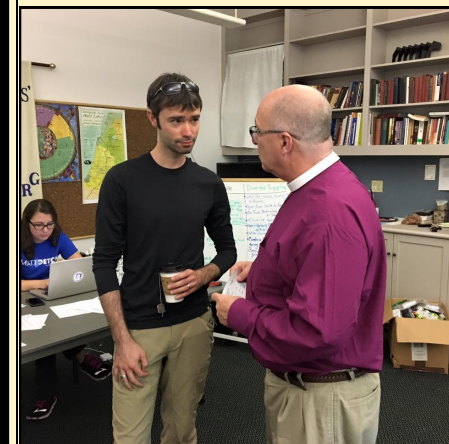
Flood Relief

Portions of southern West Virginia were devastated by a flash flood on June 23, gaining much national attention. Father Josh Saxe, our former curate, was right in the middle of the flooded area as Priest at St. James Episcopal Church in Lewisburg. They were even mentioned in an article from *The Huffington Post*:

What The Rest Of The Country Can Learn From West Virginia's Flood Response

".....Almost immediately, donations came pouring in from all parts of the country - from West Virginia transplants and fellow Americans alike. Places like St. James Episcopal Church in Greenbrier County - one of the counties that suffered the most - has been a major hub for relief efforts through coordinating donations and volunteers to help with clean-up.In a time and place where tragedy can strike every minute from any angle, West Virginia is the leading example of how to fight back."

Father Josh and Bishop Mike



Dear Trinity Episcopal Church,
This is to acknowledge and express appreciation for your donation of \$4023.00 for Flood Relief in Greenbrier County. Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, and assistance during this difficult time.

The Reverend Joshua Saxe
St. James' Episcopal Church
Lewisburg, WV

*Fr. Paul and all members at Trinity,
Thank you for your very generous donation to the Flood Relief victims and for the wonderful cookies for the relief center workers.*

God Bless you all

The Rev. Roy Gene Crist

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Oak Hill, WV

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On their way to Peterkin!!



Smiling
faces of
Hank,
Carty
and
Hannah
as they
travel to
camp!