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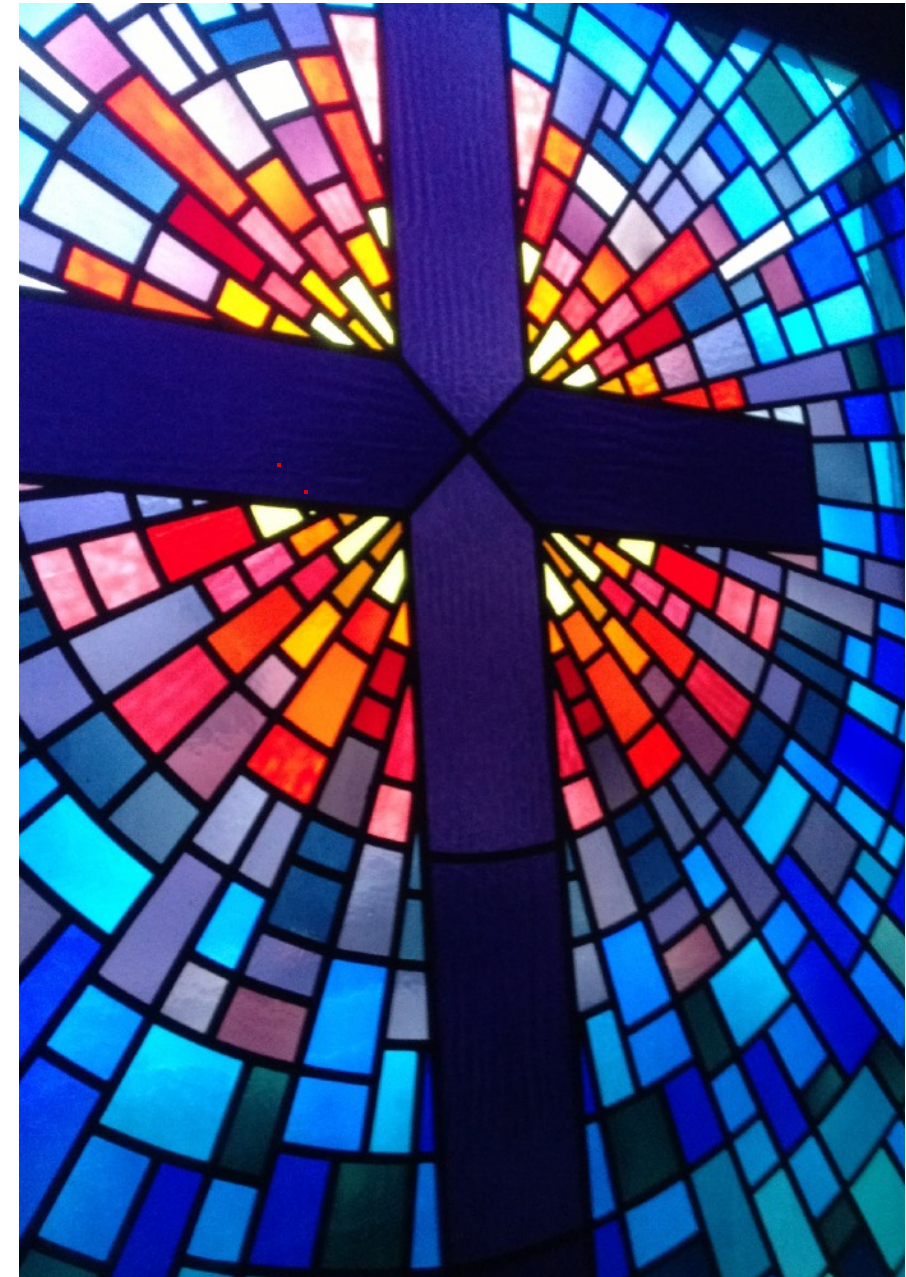
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*The Mission of Trinity Episcopal Church is to seek and share the love of God made known through Jesus Christ with all people through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.*



# A Word from Your Priest

By the time you read this article we will be in Lent. So I invite you to a Blessed Lent. Lent is a time of preparation. Part of that preparation is about how we improve our relationship with God. The most popular practice is giving up something for Lent; and that is fine. But often what we really need to work on is our spiritual practices such as spending time with scripture and in prayer. It is also a good time to think about our corporate worship.

You will recall, I asked your cooperation on an aspect of our worship. In order to accommodate those who look forward to a quiet time of preparation before worship and those who look forward to catching up with people they have not seen since last week, we will light the candles for the service about five to ten minutes before the service starts. Also, at the 10:30 service the organ prelude usually starts about that same time. The lighting of the candles will be the signal for individual conversations to end and a period of silent reflection to begin. If we all re-

spect each other's feelings, then this should provide a good solution to allow both activities to take place before the service.

We have also recently introduced a change with the ushers and the way we approach the altar for communion. The ushers pass back through the congregation releasing each pew in order to control the flow to the altar. The goal is to have the rail full and enough people waiting in the chancel area (between the choir pews) to fill the rail again. The purpose of this change is twofold. One is similar to the above rationale of keeping this time of our Eucharist prayerful and the other is to encourage those still in the pews, before and after they have received communion to sing with the choir.



Another Lenten practice you might consider and that I hope will continue past Easter is the use of the Adams Chapel in the Rectory as a quiet space for prayer. Even though we have outgrown this Chapel for our Wednesday service it is still a beautiful and spiritual space in our Church. So I encourage you to take advantage of this chapel, any time you are near the church, for prayer and quiet reflection. Feel free to close the door if you desire more privacy.

Finally, we are preparing to participate in what is commonly referred to as an "Instructed Eucharist" as one of our Sunday Services in Lent. An Instructed Eucharist is basically a Holy Eucharist Service with a Narrator who explains

the service as it is celebrated. Typically it has been a Rite II service, but Paul Miller is assisting me by converting the script to a Rite I service so it can be used at an 8:00 am service or both services during Lent. This type of service can be a little distracting to some but its value to new parishioners, visitors, and as an educational reminder to all of us outweighs the distraction.

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*

Daylight Saving  
Time  
begins  
March 12



Don't forget to  
"Spring Forward"



Highlights for  
February 2017

- The Vestry voted to authorize Fr. Hicks to sign the contract to purchase the parking lot across the street. The purchase price was donated anonymously.
- The Vestry approved a revised Wedding Rental Policy.
- A marketing committee has been formed, with Becky Mathis-Stump as chair. The other members are Becky Roberts, Barbara Full, Tiffany Deem, and Paul Miller.

submitted by Carol Payne, Registrar

# Lasagna Dinner



# February 15



# MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>BIRTHDAYS</b></p> <p>4. Whitney Justice 5. Connie Bookman 6. Paula Oliphant 11. Kerry Hensley</p> <p>12. Jim Dauphin Mary Jane Zivkovich 15. Randy Francis Terry Handlan 16. Megan Gyongyosi Joe Handlan</p> <p>19. Sarah Patrick 20. Henry Dailey Frank Northrup Becky Mathis-Stump 21. Midge Simperts Gage Oliphant</p> <p>22. Mary Schisler 24. Erica Parrish 26. Kim Couch 31. Harper Cameron Samantha McGee Denny Prather Dan Thomas</p>			<p><b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>1 7:30 am —HE with ashes 11:00 am — Food Closet 12:15 pm — HE w/ ashes 7:00 pm - HE with ashes 7:30 pm —Choir Rhrsl.</p>	<p>2 10:00 am — Bible Study 11:00 am —Food Closet, Knitters</p>	<p>3 5:30 pm —Stations of the Cross (Nave)</p>	<p>4 9:00 am — 1st Saturday Breakfast @ Redwood, Belpre</p> <p>8:00 pm — AA</p>
<p>5 <b>LENT 1</b></p> <p>8:00 am — Eucharist 10:30 am — Eucharist 9:15 am — Choir Rhrsl, Adult Ed., Sunday School 5:00-7:00 pm — Youth</p>	<p>6 11:00 am — Feeding Program, Clothes Closet</p>	<p>7 8:00 am — Men of Trinity breakfast @Corner Cafe 6:00 pm - Blenn. Stamp Soc.</p>	<p>8 11:00 am — Food Closet 12:15 pm — HE &amp; Healing 5:30 pm — Actors Guild (Conf. rm.) 6:00 pm - Lenten Dinner</p>	<p>9 10:00 am — Bible Study 11:00 am —Food Closet 1:00 pm — Worship Committee mtg.</p>	<p>10 5:30 pm —Stations of the Cross (Nave)</p>	<p>11 9:00 am — Men's Group Breakfast, Trinity Hall</p> <p>8:00 pm — AA</p>
<p>12 <b>LENT 2</b></p> <p>8:00 am — Eucharist 10:30 am — Eucharist 9:15 am — Choir Rhrsl, Adult Ed., Sunday School</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time begins</p>	<p>13 11:00 am — Feeding Program, Clothes Closet 5:45 pm — Finance 6:30 pm — Vestry</p>	<p>14 8:00 am — Men of Trinity breakfast @Corner Cafe</p>	<p>15 11:00 am — Food Closet 12:15 pm — HE &amp; Healing 6:00 pm - Lenten Dinner</p>	<p>16 10:00 am — Bible Study 11:00 am —Food Closet 6:00 pm — Blenn. Stamp Soc.</p>	<p>17 5:30 pm —Stations of the Cross (Nave)</p>	<p>18 9:00 am — DOK Quiet Morning @ Good Shep.</p> <p>8:00 pm — AA</p>
<p>19 <b>LENT 3</b></p> <p>8:00 am — Eucharist 10:30 am — Eucharist 9:15 am — Choir Rhrsl, Adult Ed., Sunday School 5:00 pm — Youth 5:45 pm — Movie Night</p> <p>Discretionary Sunday</p>	<p>20 11:00 am — Feeding Program, Clothes Closet</p> <p>Trinity Times deadline</p>	<p>21 8:00 am — Men of Trinity breakfast @Corner Cafe 1:30 pm —St. Anne's Guild @ Trinity</p>	<p>22 11:00 am — Food Closet 12:15 pm — HE &amp; Healing 6:00 pm - Lenten Dinner 7:30 pm —Choir Rhrsl.</p>	<p>23 10:00 am — Bible Study 11:00 am —Food Closet</p>	<p>24 5:30 pm —Stations of the Cross (Nave)</p>	<p>25 8:30 am — DOK book study, Panera</p> <p>8:00 pm — AA</p>
<p>26 <b>LENT 4</b></p> <p>8:00 am — Eucharist 10:30 am — Eucharist 9:15 am — Choir Rhrsl, Adult Ed., Sunday School</p>	<p>27 11:00 am — Feeding Program, Clothes Closet</p>	<p>28 8:00 am — Men of Trinity breakfast @Corner Cafe</p>	<p>29 11:00 am — Food Closet 12:15 pm — HE &amp; Healing 6:00 pm - Lenten Dinner</p>	<p>30 10:00 am — Bible Study 11:00 am —Food Closet</p>	<p>31 5:30 pm —Stations of the Cross (Nave)</p>	<p><b>ANNIVERSARIES</b></p> <p>12. Paula &amp; Kevin Oliphant 18. Julie &amp; Tom Gyongyosi 20. Stephanie &amp; Charles Yates</p>

## TRINITY'S HALL OF FAME

By Paul Miller

We all know that Trinitarians are smart and good looking (in addition to being spiritual, of course). But did you know that many of us are also famous? All right, perhaps none of us is famous exactly, but some of us have done unusual things that few of the rest of us even know about. For example, do you know which Trinitarian received his first and only speeding ticket while going to the grocery store to buy a pound of butter for the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper? (Let me tell you, at \$18 a stick, it had better have been some good butter!)

How many of the following “famous” Trinitarians can you identify?

1. Who was a professional skater?
2. Who taught college ROTC?
3. Whose grandfather died in Trinity's pulpit?
4. Whose first job after college was managing a Hardee's restaurant? (Hint: this person can't seem to keep a steady job.)
5. Who played Ben Franklin on stage?
6. Who shot hundreds of U. S. soldiers?
7. Whose father taught her how to box?
8. Whose prom date was a future Supreme Court Justice?
9. Whose great-great-great-grandfather was a pallbearer at George Washington's funeral?
10. Who got into a fist fight with George W. Bush (43)?

Have fun trying to discover the answers before they are revealed next month. Then, once you uncover our “famous” Trinitarians, you will have an instant ice-breaker for coffee hour or Supper Club. Didn't see your own famous specialty in the list above? Just let me know, and we may include it in a future *Times*.

## Trinity by the Numbers January



Monday Feeding Program

Sunday worship attendance:  
8:00, 10:30  
Jan. 1: 35  
Jan. 8: 19, 59 (total 78)  
Jan. 15: 23, 63 (total 86)  
Jan. 22: 17, 70 (total 87)  
Jan. 29: 24, 71 (total 95)  
Average Jan. 2017: —76  
Average Jan. 2016: —75

Wednesday 12:15 service:  
11, 16, 13, 13  
Crisis Intervention, assistance  
with: 9 electric bills, 2 water  
bills, 3 gas bills (\$30 ea.)  
Outreach envelopes:  
Habitat for Humanity \$500  
Clothes Closet: 61 indi-  
viduals; Food Closet: 45  
individuals

Program chairman Connie Warren reports that in the month of January 630 meals were served at an average cost of \$1.40 per meal and an average of 11 volunteers per week. Connie says, “We can't ask for a better group of volunteers than we have. They are the greatest! Thank you one and all for a wonderful job well done! Bev Hicks, your desserts are the best. We are so lucky you love to cook. Thank you!”

Connie adds, “*On a personal note, a big thank you for the lovely cards I received while sick with pneumonia after Christmas. The cards were a great pick-me-up. Thank you!*”

From Terry Cauthorn:

**There will be a St. Anne's meeting on Tuesday, March 21st at the Church at 1:30 pm.**

**This month it will happen!**



## Fyne Junque Sale - April 28, 29

### Time for Spring Cleaning!

The Fyne Junque Sale is just around the corner and we need your fine junk! Start bringing it in as soon as possible and store it in the left side of the stage.

# Lent at Trinity



## Ash Wednesday Services, March 1

All of the services will be in the Church  
7:30 am — in choir area of the Chancel  
12:15 pm — in choir area of the Chancel  
7:00 pm — in the Nave

## Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 5:30 in the Nave  
March 3, 10, 17, 24, April 7

We adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee,  
Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world.



## Lenten Dinner Series

March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5

6:00 pm Evening Prayer  
6:30 Covered Dish Dinner  
7:00 Lenten Program  
Becky Mathis-Stump

*"Discovering & Using Our Gifts"*  
(activities for Youth also scheduled)



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner hosted by  
Men of Trinity  
March 8 hosted by ECW  
March 15 hosted by DOK  
March 22 hosted by St. Anne's Guild  
March 29 hosted by ECW and Trinity's Youth  
April 5 hosted by M.O.T. -Baked Potato Bar

## Quiet Morning March 18




The Daughters of the King at Good Shepherd will be hosting a Quiet Day on March 18 from 9:00 to 12:00. This will be followed by a box lunch of your choice (approximately \$9.00) from Honey Baked Ham. The Rev. Gene Sheppard will be the leader for the morning. Contact person is Linda Bennett: 304-295-9073 (home) or 304-834-2772 (cell). Please let her know if you plan to attend and your food choice - turkey, ham, ham salad, chicken salad, or turkey salad. Mark March 18th on your calendar.

## MINISTRY OUTREACH

March — Trinity Feeding Ministry  
April — CASA  
May — Peterkin Scholarship Fund  
June — Parkersburg Reading Camp  
July — Faithlink

August — Highland Educational Project  
September — Trinity Food Closet  
October — Feeding Ministry &  
Thanksgiving Dinner for Families  
November — Christmas Outreach

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*Lori and Maya enjoying the  
special Valentine's Day coffee  
hour after the 10:30 service  
February 12.*

*Thanks to Lori and her crew  
(Linda, Larry, and James)  
for this special treat.*

*It was delicious!!*