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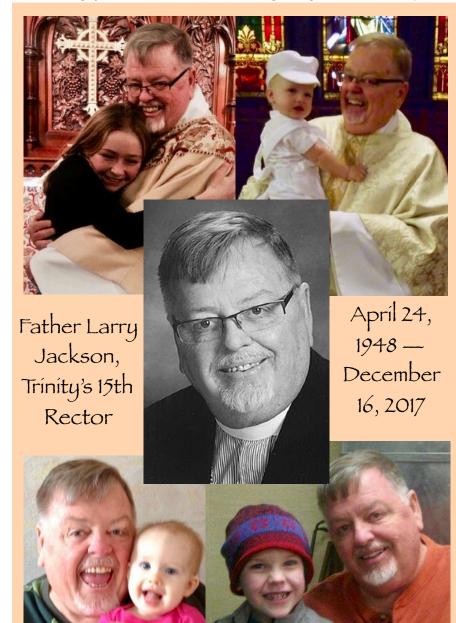
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The Mission of Trinity Episcopal Church is to seek and share the love of God made known through lesus Christ with all people through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



A Word from Your Priest

Ok, you have heard me talk about Intentional Worship from the pulpit, in the Times, and several other venues. By now you have seen in the Sunday bulletin the following explanation:

What do we mean by the term "Intentional Worship"? "Intentional" simply means "characterized by conscious design or purpose". "Worship" is about how, or more importantly why, we show our devotion to God. It is about our personal relationship with God. We develop this relationship through our prayer, our study of scripture, and our corporate worship. As our relationship with God increases, we can't help but be filled with the Holy Spirit and to want to offer ourselves to God in everything we do. God gives us everything we have and all He asks in return is for us to love Him with all our heart, our soul, and our mind, and to love our neighbor as our self.

It is time to start focusing on the "how." The first step is to focus on God. We do this by prayers of Adoration. These prayers recognize the awesomeness of God and that we owe Him everything. We turn our at-

tention to God and away from ourselves. This leads to living a life in the spirit of Adoration of God.



T h e next step is a

prayer of self-offering. This prayer has the purpose of giving ourselves unconditionally to God. Once we realize that we owe everything to God, it is easy for us then to offer back to God our lives and all that we do as an offering to God.

But why is this important? Funny you should ask that. I invite your attention to a YouTube video that talks about "What is your Why." https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u4ZoJK-FVuA&app=desktop. This video explores the importance of knowing and sharing why you do something. In other words, it is not enough to say we want to have good outreach programs, it is more important to know that our outreach programs are intended to share the Gospel with others. And then ask ourselves if they clearly do

that. In essence why do Trinity and its parishioners do the things that they do? Why do we worship here in our Church?

I realize this is a brief explanation of the important principal involved. To find out more about Intentional Worship and how we go about it, please come to either Adult Education or Bible Study as we explore this in more detail. You can also ask me to attend your group meetings and I will be happy to share this vision in more detail.

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



Monday Feeding Program

Program chairman Connie Warren reports that for the entire year of 2017, we served 5,959 meals, with the cost per plate ranging from \$1.05 — \$1.60 per plate. The December totals were 319 meals for the month at an average cost of \$1.05 per plate. Connie says, "We have a wonderful crew of volunteers and this program couldn't work without them! Thank

you to Barbara and Charlie Allman for the placemats each week, to Madison Brown for the plastic soup spoons, and to Beverly Hicks for the delicious desserts. I'd also like to thank Rob Parrish and Bill Bailey, and to everyone who supports us financially —we so appreciate your help! And a big thank you to Chuck Guyer for many things, especially for the inventory —what a job! The people we serve are very grateful for our help and for the delicious meals. Thank you, one and all!"













Trinity Fellowship Ministry



With colder weather here, it seems a great time to introduce a new ministry which will help promote some extra warmth and fellowship here at Trinity. Father Paul, Lynn Prather, and Tiffany have been working collaboratively on a project, "Trinity Fellowship Ministry."

The goal of this group is to bridge the gap amongst age groups, as well as families and singles while bringing a sense of freshness to our events here at Trinity. With these changes come the hope of creating a family like atmosphere that will strengthen and enrich bonds of friendships already formed and also encourage new friendships.

We are in the process of rethinking some of the existing events we have in place, as well as looking at ways to appeal to and include all Trinitarians. This may include things like making Supper Club look more family friendly every other month, being more intentional about planning things like game nights, tailgate themed parties, and possibly taking a trip once per quarter.

Some of you have already expressed an interest in helping with this, so plan on Tiffany being in touch soon and others are encouraged to come forward with thoughts and ideas to help facilitate and get Trinity Fellowship Ministry off to a strong start in this new year.

Ienten Dinner Series

February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21

"Why" Matters

I enjoy hearing little children ask the question, "Why?" Some may suggest I only enjoy it because I'm not a parent, and there may be some truth to that, as I've never had a child ask "Why?" about every thing, every day, for an extended period of time. But I think there's another reason I enjoy those moments—it's because that question recognizes there's always more to a moment or an explanation than is immediately shared, and the query draws out the rest of the story. During our Lenten Series we are going to explore our "Why" by sharing what we know and believe about God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) and what we choose (and are compelled) to do individually and collectively because of Him.

Rebekah Mathis-Stump is COO and Co-Owner of Ethos Leadership Group, a consulting firm that specializes in leadership coaching and training, strategic planning, and organizational analyses. She is also a lawyer.

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Tuesday, February 13, 5:00 pm — 7:00 pm Come out and enjoy the cooking of the men of Trinity!

Movie Night

February 18, 5:45, Popcorn, pizza, drinks provided



Lent at Trinity



Ash Wednesday Services, February 14

All of the services will be in the Church 7:30 am —in choir area of the Chancel 12:15 pm — in choir are of the Chancel 6:00 pm — in the Nave

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 5:30 in the Nave

Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23

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



LENTEN DINNER SERIES

Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21 6:00 pm Evening Prayer, Covered Dish Dinner 6:45 - 7:45 Lenten Program by Becky Mathis-Stump "Why" Matters

OUTREACH

February — Habitat for Humanity

March — Trinity Feeding Ministry

April — CASA

May — Peterkin Scholarship Fund

June — Parkersburg Reading Camp

July — Faithlink

August — Parkersburg Day Nursery September — Trinity Food Closet October — Feeding Ministry & Thanksgiving Dinner for Families November — Christmas Outreach

Look for envelopes in each Sunday's bulletin as well as in this issue of The Trinity Times.



Habitat for Humanity is a Christian Ministry that believes that all people deserve a simple, decent, affordable place to live. Habitat for Humanity of the Mid-Ohio Valley works towards the elimination of inadequate housing here in Wood County, West Virginia and Washington County, Ohio and has been an active affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International since 1990. Since then, we have completed 97 homes and have provided housing for over 350 individuals.

OUTREACH 2017

January — Habitat for Humanity: \$500; February — Scholar Singers: \$4,792

March — Trinity Feeding Ministry: \$6,356; April — CASA: \$1,037

May — Peterkin Scholarship Fund: \$1,559; June — Parkersburg Reading Camp: \$452;

July — Faithlink: \$763; August — Highland Ed. Project: \$332;

September — Trinity Food Closet: \$2,050; October — Feeding Ministry & Thanks-

giving Dinner for Families: \$1,274; November — Christmas Outreach: \$1,024;

Adopted Families — \$250; Church Periodical Club — \$88;

Crisis Intervention — \$3,250; Christmas Giveaway — \$2,415; Flood Relief — \$486; Rector's Discretionary Fund — \$5,744

Total Outreach for 2017 — \$32, 372.00

2018

Vestry



Row 1 (1 to r): Fr. Paul L. Hicks, Barbara Full, Kim Couch, Dennis Ramsay, Row 2: Katie Perrine, Becky Mathis Stump (Sr. Warden), Justin Warren (Jr. Warden)

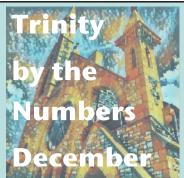
Row 3: Margaret Burdette, John Brownfield, Bob Harris

Our sincere thanks for all the prayers, cards, calls, visits, food, and flowers during Larry's recent illness and passing.

We feel so supported by our Trinity family and are grateful for each one of you.

The Jackson Family





Sunday worship attendance: 8:00, 10:30

Dec. 3: 36, 90 (total 126)

Dec. 10: 22, 87 (total 109) Dec. 17: 28, 80 (total 108)

Dec. 25 (9:30) 65

Dec. 31: 15, 55

Average Dec. 2017 —97

Average Dec. 2016 — 81

Christmas Eve: 5:30 - 90 (last yr. 80) 11:00 pm - 150 (last yr. 166) Christmas Day - 10 Wednesday 12:15 service: 12, 8, 7 Prayer Bead: 10, 8, 7 Clothes Closet — 13 families Food Closet — 9 adults, 2 children Crisis Intervention — help with: electric-5, water-4, gas-2, prescriptions-2



Marjorie Hamperian, former organist at Trinity, died December 7 at the age of 88.

Peter Quackenbush died January 15, a week before his 80th birth-day. He is survived by two sons, two grandsons, and his beloved parrot Eric.

Katharine Northrup Levin, who died December 24 in Parkersburg, was the daughter of the late Ellsmore and Don Northrup and the sister of Tom, Frank, Tim, and Chris. A memorial service is planned for the spring.

Dorothy Hess Wolfe, grandmother of B.J. Hess, died January 8. She is survived by three children, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Rest eternal grant to Marjorie, Peter, Katharine, and Dorothy, 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.

Congratulations to Lauren LeMasters, granddaughter of Dr. Robert and Shirley Lawrence-Berry, on her graduation as a Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine.

The Grinity Times

Contact editor Barbara Full at fullhouse@suddenlink.net if you would like to:

- submit items (usually by the 20th of each month)
- receive an electronic copy



Dear Father Paul Hicks,

On behalf of the entire cast, crew, and staff of Sister Act at The Actors Guild of Parkersburg, I would like to thank you for the use of your acolyte robes in our production of Sister Act this November. The Actors Guild of Parkersburg relies on the generosity of other organi-

zations in our community and is grateful for your support.

Thank you once again.

Sincerely, Mary Lucas, Production Assistant, Sister Act

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to care for some of the vulnerable members of our community. We know that feeding the hungry is a big undertaking and we truly appreciate all that you do.

Merry Christmas from your United Way team - Stacy, Delaney, and Michelle

Thanks so much for your offering of \$294.94 for the UTO. That represents a nice increase over last year.

Becky Szabo, united Thank Offering

To all the generous folks at Trinity,

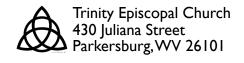
Thank you very much for your ongoing and generous support of CPC. You are helping in spreading the word of our Lord, one book at a time. Faithfully,

Debbie Ventura,

Church Periodical Club

Pictorial Directories are available in the church office or in the Memorial Library.

St. Anne's Guild will meet for its first meeting in 2018 on Tuesday, February 20 at 1:30 in Trinity Hall.



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Flowers for Worship

The Flower Chart for 2018 has been posted on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall with many Sundays available. 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. If you wish a particular date to continue each year, please call Susie in the office so she can save that for you. Thank you for making our service more beautiful!