

# Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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## Advent - Christmas - December, 2022

### December Highlights

**Holy Eucharist II, Sundays at 10 a.m.\***

**Saturday, December 10 - Ordination of Betsy Welliver Sentiagar** to the sacred order of priests, 11 a.m., Christ Church, Towanda. (rescheduled from November)

**Sunday, December 11 - Stewardship Sunday.**

**Sunday, December 18 - The Greening of the Church, Vestry Meets**

**Saturday, December 24 - 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Carol Sing, Musical Offerings, Festal Holy Eucharist.**  
(\*There will be no service on Sunday, December 25)



**The Carol Reed Memorial Mitten Tree**  
This year we will be decorating with donations for **Eldercare**, a cooperative venture of the Bridge of Penn-York Valley Churches. If you need a copy of the list, please let the church office know.

**United Thank Offering and the Church Periodical Club.** There are new UTO boxes to take home on the narthex table. The penny jar is looking good for the CPC - we'll count them at the end of the month and send a check and begin again. Remember - no pennies in your UTO box; those go in the jar.

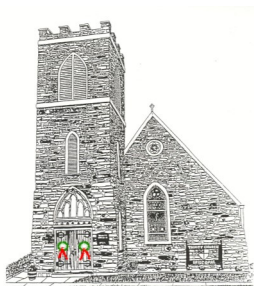
**Music for Christmas Eve** - We welcome all to take part. We'll all sing carols and musicians are invited to offer a special Christmas selection. We're just beginning the planning, so talk to Barbara if you have a musical idea.



**The Advent Wreath.** Given in loving memory of The Rev. Canon Edward L. Caum, aka Fr. Ned, in 2009, it is a beautiful reminder of this season of Advent, which often gets lost in the rush to Christmas. As Fr. Ben said last Sunday, *Advent reminds us to look always - throughout the entire year - for the end things, the kingdom of God in its fullness, the reign of Christ. ... we need to remain focused on the fact that Christmas isn't our goal, it is merely a step in God's goal, which is today, the reign of Christ.* So, as each candle is lit, ponder the big picture, God's goal.

**Stewardship Sunday** is nearly here. While we definitely need to make financial plans, we also need to share the gifts we have been given - our time and talents. We each have much to offer; pay special attention to the back of the pledge form to learn how you can help.

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**December at Trinity**  
**Advent - Christmas**

*To seek and serve Christ in all people*



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**Advent and  
Christmas**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Trinity Cycle of Prayer</i> 12/4 Ray Parker; Cathy Patton. 12/11 James, Mary, and Andy Patterson. 12/18 Martha Pierce; Fanna Proper. 12/25 Doug, Rosemary, and Sarah Plank.						
<i>The Diocese of Bethlehem - 12/4</i> Calvary, Tamaqua. 12/11 Christ Church, Towanda, Betsy Welliver Sentigar. 12/18 St. Anne's, Trexlertown, The Don Schauble. Deacon Bernice Reichard. Education For Ministry. 12/25 St. Paul's, Troy, The Rev. Hazel Hunt.			<b>STEWARDSHIP</b> Time * Talent * Treasure		<i>Anglicans around the world: 12/4</i> The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, Bishop Michael Augustine Owen Lewis. 12/11 The Anglican Church of Kenya, Bishop Jackson Ole Sapit. 12/18 The Anglican Church of Korea, Bishop Peter Kyongho Lee. 12/25 The Anglican Church of Melanesia, Bishop Leonard Dawea.	
<b>4 Advent II</b> 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour <i>Marry Gerhart</i>	<b>5</b> AA 7 and 8 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> AA Intergroup, 5 pm AA 7:30 pm	<b>8</b> AA 7 pm	<b>9</b> <i>Heather Hunsinger Mthr. Hazel Hunt Fr. Ben Lentz Ian Biotvins</i>	<b>10</b> <b>11 - Ordination</b> of Betsy Welliver Sentigar, Christ Church, Towanda
<b>11 Advent III</b> 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour <b>Stewardship Sunday</b> 	<b>12</b> AA 7 and 8 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> AA 7:30 pm <i>Nate Schwartzberg</i>	<b>15</b> AA 7 pm	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18 Advent IV</b> 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour **Vesty meets** <b>The Greening of the Church</b> 	<b>19</b> AA 7 and 8 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21 St. Thomas the Apostle</b> AA 7:30 pm	<b>22</b> AA 7 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24 Christmas Eve</b> 7 pm - Carol Sing and Musical Offerings 7:30 - Festal Holy Eucharist <i>Kay Horton Bennett</i>
<b>25 Christmas Day</b> 	<b>26 St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</b> AA 7 and 8 pm	<b>27 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist</b>	<b>28 The Holy Innocents</b> AA 7:30 pm	<b>29</b> AA 7 pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

