

The Call

The printed voice of Trinity Episcopal Church
Weaving God's Unfinished Tapestry

From Rev. Haydie

“Shhhhh... it’s Advent.” A church poster reminds us of this each year, but I often struggle to take it seriously. Here at Trinity, our season starts out **busy!** On Dec. 2-3 alone, we’ll make Advent wreaths, visit with St. Nick, and enjoy an Advent Tea.

Yet that tea, Susanne Forrest tells us, will include songs and a reading “to put us into a festive and reflective mood for the Advent season.” Let’s try to hold on to that mood. The state of the world can make it hard to feel festive; the busyness of the season can make it hard to find time for reflection. But Advent **is** a season of quiet and hope, and I pray that we find both in the weeks ahead.

Haydie+

Christmas Worship at Trinity

Sunday, December 24

10:00 am Family Eucharist: *An Angel Comes to Mary*

8:30 pm Vocal and Instrumental Prelude

9:00 Candlelight Eucharist: *Jesus is Born*

No Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 31

10:00 am Lessons and Carols

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*Behold, I bring you
good news of a great
joy which will come to
all the people!*

2023 Vestry

Miffy Lane

Senior Warden

Christopher Elston

Junior Warden

Susan Goslee

Clerk

Diane Bilyeu

Timothy Cole

Susanne Forrest

Diane Nelson

Angela Young

Members

Miffy's Message

It's Advent or Christmastime, whichever you prefer. There is shopping, wrapping, and mailing to be done. Holiday greeting cards to be written and mailed. The house and church need to be decorated. Crafts and small gifts to be found for ECW and cookies to be baked for the Trinity Holiday Fair. Oh my!!!

One beautiful tradition at Trinity Episcopal Church this time of year is the flowers. Flowers on the altar! Flowers on the window sills! Flowers in the parish hall! From where do all these flowers come? From you, of course. Did you know the altar flowers are often given in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event in someone's life? Each special event is noted in the church bulletin each week. "How do I do this too?" you ask. Just give \$30-\$50 to the flower fund. Then sign up on a form by the office to dedicate altar flowers.

Many people give to the flower fund during Advent to have a Poinsettia dedicated to a loved one who has passed or in celebration. A \$20 donation buys one poinsettia. The same thing happens at Easter with the lilies. Don't be shy! Jump right in and dedicate altar flowers or adopt a Poinsettia. Make it a new family tradition. Merry Christmas!

2024 Pledge Drive

We're almost two-thirds of the way there. As of November 30, we've received \$69,900 in pledges for the 2024 budget year. Our goal is \$97,000, so we still have a ways to go—but we do have every reason to trust the God who's brought us this far. Yes, you can still turn in your pledge if you haven't already: we're grateful for every dollar!

Greening the Church

Mark your calendars now: **On Sunday, December 19**, we'll put up the church's Christmas greens right after the 10:00 service. Plan on grabbing something at coffee hour and heading back into the sanctuary to help out! It can take a while to get our lights and greens up, so we're grateful for all the help we can get. And we're grateful to Tom and Monica Eckert for making it all happen!



Trinity Holiday Fair

The **Craft Fair** will be Sunday, December 10th during Coffee Hour. Bring cash or your checkbook and help ECW raise money for various projects. Pick up that little gift for someone without braving the crowded stores.

The following week, December 17th is our **Baked Foods and Goodie Sale**. Holiday cookie assortments will be available during coffee hour. What better time to pick up a goodie plate for someone—or for yourself?

Think Goats!

Each Advent, Trinity congregants come together to buy goats for those in need. The goats are purchased through Heifer International and provide a source of income to families in the USA and internationally. Each goat costs \$120, and a share costs \$10.

This is one of our largest outreach projects, one way for us to be the “hands and heart of Jesus” in our world. To donate a goat or a share, you’ll make your donation to Trinity and mark it “Goats.” The Goat Drive will end at Christmas, and we’ll send all the donations in to Heifer International together.

PWCC Update

We just completed our third faith-based class, Courage for My Life, at the Pocatello Women’s Correctional Center (PWCC). It is truly a blessing to witness the transformation in the residents who complete this nine week class. Please pray for them that the new way of thinking about themselves and God’s unconditional love holds fast as they complete their time at their temporary mountain top home and return to their home communities. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Trinity Church community for the continuous generous support of this outreach in both prayers and donations. Couldn’t do it without your support!

God’s Peace,

Rev. Diane

DECEMBER

Birthdays

- 3 Sam Barker-Elston
- 4 Judy Brutz
- 9 Sue Frasure
- 11 Bunky Perez
- 14 Robert Guyon
- 15 Joe Crupper
- 19 Camille Venemon
- 21 Amy Christensen
Billie Johnson
- 22 Abygail McKenna
- 24 Miffy Lane

Anniversaries

- 21 John & Kay Specht

Blanket Drive

The 30th Annual Portneuf Valley Interfaith Blanket Drive runs through December 17th! Bring your new or gently used blankets to church on Sunday, to the church office during office hours, or call Kristen Johnson (208-237-2515) for pick up. The blankets will be distributed to programs serving people in need through the Pocatello-Chubbuck area. If you'd rather send a check to buy blankets through Church World Services—a good deal!—you can make it out to Trinity and we'll forward the amount to PVIF.

Episcopal Church Women

Episcopal Church Women (ECW) met November 18th in the parish hall. Miffy reported that the work on the church electrical boxes has been completed and our pledged amount has been paid. Rev. Diane will let us know if she gets information from PWCC on a Christmas Angel Tree project in December. There is always a need for black and white notebooks with no spiral bindings and greeting cards for the women of PWCC to use. No glitter or pop-ups please. Activity bags for children attending church were refreshed and ready for young holiday visitors.

Our annual Trinity Christmas Fair will be held December 10th and 17th at coffee hour with gift items being available the 10th and cookie plates being added to the sale on December 17th. We will set out the craft/gift items to sell and get them priced before church on December 10th at 9:00. If you are available please come help.

ECW will meet on December 16th to make cookie plates for the sale. **WE NEED BAKERS.** The cookies may be brought to the church on Friday, December 15th during office hours or by 11:00 on the 16th when ECW meets. Vegan and Gluten free cookies need to be labeled and are very welcome. Plates will be sold the 17th. Any remaining plates/gifts will be sold on the 24th. This is a fundraiser that gives us money to help with church ministries and projects as needed.

The next meeting of ECW will be December 16th at 11:00 in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to come assemble cookie plates. Many hands make light work!

Stewardship Update

As part of our 2023 budget year, by November 28 Trinity had received

- \$80,104.35 (91%) of its 2023 pledge income.
- \$10,823.96 (over 200%!) of its anticipated 2023 open plate income.

Trinity is greatly blessed by your support. Thank you!

Last month at Trinity

At All Saints', we worshipped with the Alleluia Choir — with a special appearance by violinist Grace Friedley! Days later, several friends from St. Paul's, Blackfoot joined us for our Parish Potluck. Guitarist Matt Murdoch played a set of his own music and then led us in beloved church songs, joined by Trinity choristers Joe Crupper and Geoff Friedley. Mid-month, Trinity participated in PVIF's Interfaith Thanksgiving service and co-sponsored the Trans Day of Remembrance observation held at the Unitarian Universalist church. And November ended with a holiday party for the Alleluians at ISU's Bowling Alley!










Looking ahead...

- On **January 6**, we'll again join First United Methodist and Good Shepherd Lutheran for an interdenominational Epiphany Eucharist.
- On **January 28**, Trinity will hold our Annual Meeting after the 10am service.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
<p>Church Office Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday 10:00 am to 2:00pm</p> <p>Remote Office Hours: Wednesday 9:15 a.m. to 2:00 .m.</p>						1	2	
 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 1:30 My Brothers' Table	3 2:00 OGP 8:00 AA	4 3:00 OGP	5 5:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Alleluia Choir 8:00 AA	6 3:00 OGP	7 3:00 OGP 7:00 Choir Practice	8 3:00 OGP 8:00 AA	9 4:00 Astronomy Club	
 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> 10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing 1:30 My Brothers' Table	10 2:00 OGP 8:00 AA	11 3:00 OGP	12 5:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Alleluia Choir 8:00 AA	13 3:00 OGP 5:30 Zonta 7:00 Vestry	14 3:00 OGP 7:00 Choir Practice	15 3:00 OGP	16 11:00 ECW	
 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> 10:00 Morning Prayer 1:30 My Brothers' Table	17 8:00 AA	18 8:00 AA	19 8:00 AA	20	21  8:00 AA	22	23	
 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 1:30 My Brothers' Table 9:00 Christmas Eve Service	24 8:00 AA	 <i>Christmas Day</i> Office Closed	25 8:00 AA	26 8:00 AA	27	28	29	30
 <i>Lessons & Carols</i> 10:00 Lessons & Carols 1:30 My Brothers' Table	31							

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Participant Schedule

December 2023 - 10 a.m. Service

	December 3 The 1 st Sunday of Advent Morning Prayer	December 10 The 2 nd Sunday of Advent Holy Eucharist	December 17 The 3 rd Sunday of Advent Morning Prayer	December 24 The 4 th Sunday of Advent Holy Eucharist	December 24 Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist 9:00 p.m.	December 31 The 1 st Sunday after Christmas Lessons & Carols
Officiant	Elise Barker	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Joe Crupper	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Trent Clegg
Homilist	Elise Barker	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Joe Crupper	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Trent Clegg
Eucharistic Minister	--	Elise Barker Terrie Wallace	--	John Scott Angela Young	Angela Young Anne LoPiccalo	--
Lector 1	Trent Clegg	Arthur Dolsen	Kathy Venemon	Terrie Wallace	Joe Marley	Tom Eckert Terrie Wallace
Lector 2	Catherine Buttrick	Miffy Lane	John Scott	Trent Clegg	Tom Eckert	Miffy Lane John Scott
Lector 3 (Gospel)	Terrie Wallace	--	Miffy Lane	--	--	--
Prayers of the People	--	Catherine Buttrick	--	Miffy Lane	--	--
Ushers	Judy Aung Sue Frasure	Rita Haggardt John Scott	Jeffre Miller Kathy Venemon	Susanne Forrest Rita Haggardt	Monica Eckert Tom Eckert	Judy Aung Susanne Forrest
Altar Guild	Judy Aung	Angela Young	Judy Aung	Angela Young	Angela Young	Judy Aung
Flower Arranger	McKenna Grace	McKenna Grace	McKenna Grace	McKenna Grace	McKenna Grace	McKenna Grace
Audiovisual Team	Joe Crupper	Geoffrey Friedley	Geoffrey Friedley	Kevin Scott	Kevin Scott	
Coffee Hour	Sue Frasure Judy Stewart	Angela Young	Rita Haggardt	The Scott Family	--	Catherine Buttrick
Vestry On Duty	Miffy Lane	Timothy Cole	Diane Nelson	Angela Young	--	Susanne Forrest
My Brothers' Table	Communications Committee	Pocatello Stake	Knights of Columbus	Elves	--	Highland Stake

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays at 10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday (virtual), Thursday, and Friday 10:00am-2:00 pm

CHURCH STAFF

Bishop:	The Rt. Rev. Jos Tharakan	Parish Secretary:	Marky Essinger
Priest-in-Charge:	The Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Music Director:	Trent Clegg
Priests:	The Rev. Donald Paulson	Alleluia Choir Director:	Geoffrey Friedley
	The Rev. Diane Paulson	Keyboardist:	Gabriel Lowman