

From Rev. Haydie

There were three kings. Well, maybe they were astrologers, or Zoroastrian priests. Maybe there were two, or four, or seven of them. Maybe they travelled alone, as we see in the pictures. Maybe they travelled with a whole retinue of cooks and camel-tenders. They brought gold, and myrrh, and frankincense: we do know that. When they found little Jesus they knelt down, and they worshipped him, and they gave him those gifts.

There are other details in Matthew's story, to be sure—King Herod, the star—but really, we don't have a lot to go with. It was tradition that decided the number of the travelers (one for each gift) and their names: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. It was tradition that gave their visit a name, "Epiphany," and a date, January 6. Over time, the feast of the Epiphany became the official end of the Christmas season. It took on a ritual of its own: **the chalking of the doors**. A blessing of our churches, and a blessing of our homes.

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Shared Epiphany Celebration

Saturday January 6, 2024, 11am

Holy Communion and the Chalking of the Doors

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

215 N. 18th Avenue, Pocatello

TRINITY EPISCOPAL * FIRST UNITED METHODIST * GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come, let us adore him.

2023 Vestry

Miffy Lane

Senior Warden

Christopher Elston

Junior Warden

Susan Goslee

Clerk

Diane Bilyeu

Timothy Cole

Susanne Forrest

Diane Nelson

Angela Young

Members

From Rev. Haydie, cont.

We'll be celebrating that visit and all its blessings this January 6, together with friends from the Methodist and ELCA Lutheran churches. I hope you can join us! I'll be preaching, and Pastor Wayne Shipman will pass out blessed chalk that we can take home for our own doors. Afterwards, I'll go back to Trinity and chalk the traditional blessing on our doors:

$$20 + C + M + B + 24$$

In it, the beginning and end (20...24) represent the year that's beginning. The middle (C+M+B) represent both Jesus's visitors (Caspar + Melchior + Balthasar) and a prayer: *Christus Mansionem Benedictat*, "God bless this house." Whether you can worship with us that day or not, I hope your homes and your lives are indeed blessed by Christ's presence in this Epiphany season.

Haydie+

Miffy's Message

Here we are, 2024! I started to reflect on what we did at Trinity Church during 2023 but ended up focusing on the joy of December alone. We began the beautiful season of Advent with an Advent Tea, Advent wreath and purple paraments in the church. Then the two charities which we await every year began - Goats! Blankets! Our parament colors changed from purple to pink, back to purple then white. We ran the Trinity Holiday Fair with crafts and cookie plates on two Sundays, and people "greened" the church one Sunday. It took many hands and numerous color changes with matching Advent candles before we could light the white candle on Christmas Eve. What a gorgeous night! The pews were full as the choir filled our little church with music to celebrate the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

I would like to thank everyone who gave their time, talent and treasure this Advent season. In addition, we have met our pledge drive goal! I am confident the Vestry will be able to begin 2024 by building a balanced budget.

I wish you all a Happy New Year.

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January

Annual Meeting

After church on Sunday, January 28, we'll meet in the Parish Hall to celebrate the year we've just shared and reflect on our hopes for 2024. We'll enjoy coffee and treats as we elect officers for the congregation and delegates for next fall's Diocesan Convention. See you there!

PWCC Update

Early in December we completed our 5th nine-week class, Courage for My Life, Bible based study and are looking forward to starting a new group mid-January. We also attended a Christmas choir presentation by the residents which included a new version of the 12 Days of Christmas called the 12 Days of Commissary. Very clever! Traditional carols and hymns also filled the program. A generous donation from ECW allowed the purchasing of chap sticks, hair clips, elastic hair ties and mini composition books for the residents which are greatly appreciated by the women. Please keep this ministry of Trinity's in your prayers.

God's Peace,

Rev. Díane

Remembering Dr. King

On Sunday, January 14, at 6:00 pm, the Portneuf Valley Interfaith Fellowship will honor Dr. King's life and legacy. It will also present its annual Joy Morrison award to a Person or group who has supported interfaith, peace, and/or justice activities in our community. Please join us at First United Methodist Church (200 N. 15 Ave.) for this service of music, reflection and prayer.

Birthdays

- 6 Suzanne Standley
- 7 Monica Eckert
- 8 Rosemary Myers
- 11 Beth Stamm
- 16 Lawson Smith
- 17 Judy Aung
- 23 Claudia Mecham
- 25 Haydie LeCorbeiller
- 28 Ruth Johnson
- 29 Diane Nelson

2023 Stewardship Update

As part of our 2023 budget year, by December 27 Trinity had received

- \$84,982.35 (96%)
 of its 2023 pledge
 income.
- \$13921.11 (over 200%!) of its anticipated 2023 open plate income.

Trinity is greatly blessed by your support. Thank you!







Episcopal Church Women

Episcopal Church Women (ECW) held another successful Trinity Holiday Fair December 10th and 17th after church at coffee hour. We would like to thank everyone who helped by baking, donating items to sell, making cookie plates, and setting up the items for sale. We also want to thank those who bought things at the Fair. We made about \$2,000 that will be used to support the ministries and needs of the church. During 2023 we paid half the cost of the new refrigerator in the kitchen and half the cost of the electrical project on the outside of the church. For 2024 we have chosen to pledge "3 leaves" on our pledge drive tree which comes to \$3,910 using our carry-over from the last several years. It will help balance the church budget and go directly to the needs of the church.

The refreshed activity bags for children attending church were well received by young holiday visitors. They seem to especially like the coloring pages. The ushers will be glad to loan an activity bag to any child. At the end of the service they keep their writing, drawing, coloring and return the bag to the usher for the next child who comes in need of activities during the church service. The next meeting of ECW will be January 20th at 11:00 in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome.

2024 Pledge Drive

If you look at the pledge progress tree in the parish hall, you'll see that all of the leaves are filled in. Some of the most recently colored leaves represent a generous donation from ECW (above), and some represent earnings from our midterm gift bag fundraisers. Most of the leaves, however, represent your pledges—and the vestry is deeply grateful for them. For 2024, Trinity has met our goal of \$97,000.00, a 10% increase over last year's pledge total. That's abundance, indeed! And it's a blessing to all of us as we begin planning for the year ahead.

Goats!

In this holiday season, Trinity has also raised enough money to send eight goats (and a few shares) to those in need, through Heifer International. These goats will provide a source of income for families in the USA and internationally. Thank you!

Last month at Trinity

A visit from St. Nicholas (not pictured, but thank you, Tom Eckert). A joyful "Advent Tea" (thank you, Susanne Forrest),

starting our season off with a reading from Diane Bilyeu and songs accompanied by Geoff Friedley. A holiday sale with yummy baked goods—and Catherine Buttrick's fabric art. And a glorious Christmas Eve! Truly, our cup runneth over.









Looking ahead...

- On **February 13,** we'll celebrate Mardi Gras with a traditional Shrove Tuesday pancake supper.
- That means that
 February 14 is Ash
 Wednesday (among
 other things!), so
 Trinity will offer
 communion and the
 imposition of ashes
 that evening.

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	Нарру	3:00 OGP 5:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Alleluia	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	11:00 Epiphany Service— Good Shepherd
	year!	Choir 8:00 AA		7:00 Choir Practice	8:00 AA	Lutheran Church
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:00 Morning Prayer	2:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	
1:30 My Brothers' Table		5:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Alleluia Choir	,	7:00 Choir Practice	8:00 AA	
	8:00 AA	8:00 AA				
14	Office Closed 15	16	17	18	19	20
10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing	Martin Luther	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	3:00 OGP	11:00 ECW
1:30 My Brothers' Table 2:00 Worship Committee	DAY	5:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Alleluia Choir		7:00 Choir	8:00 AA	
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1:30 My Brothers' Table	8:00 AA	Choir 8:00 AA		Wedneso	day 9:15 am to	o ∠:∪∪ pm

Trinity Episcopal Church Participant Schedule January 2024 10 a.m. Service

	January 7 The 1st Sunday after the Epiphany Morning Prayer	January 14 The 2 nd Sunday after the Epiphany Holy Eucharist	January 21 The 3 rd Sunday after the Epiphany Morning Prayer	January 28 The 4 th Sunday After the Epiphany Holy Eucharist
Presider	Geoffrey Friedley	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Trent Clegg	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller
Homilist	Geoffrey Friedley	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller	Trent Clegg	Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller
Eucharistic Ministers	-	Geoffrey Friedley Angela Young	1	Joe Crupper TBD
Lector 1	TBD	Terrie Wallace	Miffy Lane	Arthur Dolsen
Lector 2	Arthur Dolsen	Diane Bilyeu	Catherine Buttrick	Terrie Wallace
Lector 3 (Gospel)	Catherine Buttrick	1	Trent Clegg	1
Prayers of the People	-	Miffy Lane	-	Anne LoPiccalo
Ushers	Angela Young	Susanne Forrest Jeffre Miller	Sue Frasure Rita Haggardt	Judy Aung Jeffre Miller
Altar Guild	Angela Young	Angela Young	Judy Aung	Judy Aung
Flower Arranger	Angela Young	Angela Young	Judy Aung	Judy Aung
Coffee Hour	Susanne Forrest	Kathleen Kangas Robert Guyon	Miffy Lane	Sue Frasure
Audiovisual	Geoffrey Friedley	Geoffrey Friedley	ТВD	Joe Crupper
Vestry on Duty	Miffy Lane	Diane Bilyeu	Susan Goslee	Timothy Cole
My Brothers' Table	Civitans	TBD	TBD	TBD

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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 TharakanParish Secretary:Marky EssingerPriest-in-Charge:The Rev. Haydie LeCorbeillerMusic Director:Trent Clegg

Priests: The Rev. Donald Paulson Alleluia Choir Director: Geoffrey Friedley

The Rev. Diane Paulson **Keyboardist:** Gabriel Lowman