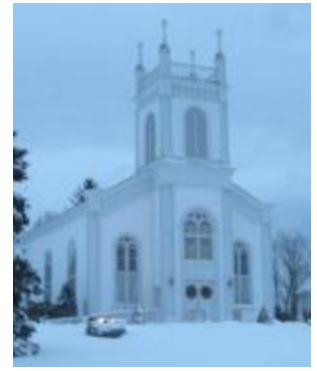


# *Trinity Times*

## *January 2026*

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As the old year draws to a close, I offer you and your family a recipe. This one will not result in culinary delight, but will, I hope, give you something even better that will last long after the holiday season ends: A Recipe for a Happy New Year (author unknown).

Take twelve whole months.

Clean them thoroughly of all bitterness, hate, and jealousy.  
Make them just as fresh and clean as possible.

Now cut each month into twenty-eight, thirty, or thirty-one different parts,  
but don't make up the whole batch at once.  
Prepare it one day at a time out of these ingredients.

Mix well into each day one part of faith, one part of patience, one part of courage, and one part of work.

Add to each day one part of hope, faithfulness, generosity, and kindness.

Blend with one part prayer, one part meditation, and one good deed.

Season with a dash of good spirits, a sprinkle of fun, a pinch of play, and a cup full of good humor.

Pour all of this into a vessel of love.

Cook thoroughly over radiant joy.

Garnish with a smile, and serve with quietness, unselfishness, and cheerfulness.

Yield: One Happy New Year.

May your New Year be truly blessed!

Pastor Eileen

### **A THANK YOU NOTE**

I left the church on Christmas Eve with a spirit filled with joy from celebrating Christ's birth with all of you and a heart full of gratitude for your cards, good wishes, and extremely generous Christmas gift. Thank you for all of this, and for the multitude of ways that you demonstrate your love, support, and appreciation all throughout the year. May God's richest blessings be yours in the New Year!

Pastor Eileen

# JANUARY WORSHIP

\*=sermon text



January 4	Epiphany Sunday <i>Holy Communion</i>
Scriptures	Isaiah 60:1-6 *Matthew 2:1-12
Sermon	Home by Another Way



January 11	Baptism of the Lord <i>Renewal of Baptismal Vows</i>
Scriptures	Isaiah 42:1-9 *Matthew 3:13-19
Sermon	A Chosen and Marked People



January 18                      Laity Sunday  
*A Celebration of Team Trinity*  
Join us in worship as we  
thank all those who served in leadership positions in  
the past year,  
welcome new leaders,  
and celebrate all the lay members of our church.

Our District Superintendent, the Reverend Inkoo Chung,  
will be present!



January 25	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany
Scriptures	Isaiah 9:1-4 *Matthew 4:12-23
Sermon	Simply Irresistible

## Christmas Shoeboxes for 2025

This year we collected 32 Christmas Shoeboxes to be distributed locally by Dutchess County's Acts of Kindness.

Thank you to all who donated.

THANK YOU.

Karin Riley



## An Archive for Trinity UMC!

The first steps are being taken! I want to invite, even encourage help with this important effort. Currently, I am working on the worship bulletins and next will be the Church newsletters. There's lots to do.

Weather permitting, please join me between 1 pm and 3:30 pm on Wednesday afternoons in the backroom of the church office.

It has been fun discovering Trinity UMC (my new church) as I process bulletins since 2010. For example, the Charlie Brown Christmas play in 2011.

I invite you to join in this wonderful project. If you have questions, my email is [mfmcornell@gmail.com](mailto:mfmcornell@gmail.com).

Margaret Cornell

## Trustee Corner

Members: Mike Tucci, Royal Ricci, Ralph La Casio, Chris Freeman, Ann Sherer, Bob & Patsy Boisvert, Mike Bangert, Ron Lemar

Fellowship Hall stove: The Trustees are working to understand our needs in regards to a new stove.

A/V System: Options are being discussed for moving the A/V System from the Chancel.



# Mid-Hudson

The staff and board of directors of Mid-Hudson Love In the Name of Christ are grateful for your partnership in serving our neighbors. Together, we have accomplished much, but we can't become complacent.

***As of October 2025, our partnership in the Love INC mission .....***

- united 200 volunteers in service across denominational lines, partnering with 45 churches.
- answered 824 calls for help and made 790 deliveries of needed goods.
- hosted a newly launched *Single Moms* workshop.
- extended the *Children's Ministry* by enhancing the class for children of neighbors attending adult classes and providing community focused events for the children and their families.
- presented 9 multi-week class series in person at three churches with a total enrollment of 45.
- explored with selected *Spanish-speaking churches* their inclusion within Love INC.

***We will continue to respond to increasing needs!  
Are you able to help by investing in our neighbors?***

The needs of our neighbors continue to increase year-to-year. In 2026, we aim to build more transformative relationships as we offer more classes in our Relational Ministry program, offer services to address the needs of our Spanish-speaking community, build capacity for taking more neighbor 'calls for help' for delivery of goods, grow our Children's & Youth Ministries, and continue to train individuals in Redemptive Compassion, *Thank you for your 2025 donation!* It would be appreciated if you would include us in your 2026 budget. Your investment will help us begin 2026 with the continued resources needed to expand ministry to people in need In the Name of Christ. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or ideas of how we can better partner in this transformation. Thank you.

In Christ,

Bill Hanchett  
Interim Executive Director





## Some January Facts:

January is historically significant as the month of new beginnings, named for the Roman god Janus (looking forward/back).

## Key Historical Events:

- **Emancipation Proclamation:** Signed by Lincoln on Jan 1, 1863, freeing enslaved people in Confederate states.
- **Ellis Island:** Opened Jan 1, 1892, the federal immigration station for the US.
- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:** Celebrated on the third Monday, honoring the civil rights leader.
- **International Holocaust Remembrance Day:** Observed on January 27th, commemorating Holocaust victims.

## Observances & Themes:

- **Poverty in America Awareness Month:** Highlights issues of hunger, lack of access to services, and social exclusion.
- **Disability Awareness:** Includes awareness days for conditions like Braille, Glaucoma, and CTE.
- **Muslim Heritage Month:** Recognizing the contributions of Muslim Americans.
- **Braille Literacy Month:** Promoting literacy for the visually impaired, honoring Louis Braille

### Adult Bible Study

Join us via Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm for this weekly adult Bible study with a time of prayer and praise.  
Contact Clay Beattie at (845) 223-5584 for reading materials.

### Trinity United Methodist Church

Webpage: <https://trinityumclagrange.org>

Worship Recordings

Use this link to see the worship recordings on the Trinity YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeNePmj0UUjXh3c0aXixbVQ>

# The Food Pantry

We are back to our normal schedule for bagging and distribution.

We don't need any bags at this time.

Bagging – January 27<sup>th</sup>

Distribution – January 29<sup>th</sup>

Thanks to all the volunteers.

Craig & Marcia Grant

## Round Table Discussions

12/23/2025 Discuss vitamins, immunizations and other health aids.  
Shirley & Marion

1/6/2026 How do you find the strength to do what you know in your  
heart is right? - Patsy

1/20/2026 Guilt - Karen

2/3/2026 Have you made plans for your death? Burial plot, service  
etc? – Leslie

Please email Patsy Boisvert at [pmboisvert22@gmail.com](mailto:pmboisvert22@gmail.com) to join the group

## Yoga

Beginner/All Levels "Align & Refine"  
RajaHatha Yoga

**Trinity United Methodist Church**

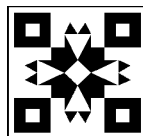
Tuesday Class 5:30 - 6:45 pm

Thursday Class 6:00 - 7:15 pm

Saturday Class 9:00 - 10:15 am

Please arrive 10 minutes prior to start of  
class.

Class cost: \$5 (20% donated to church)



Trinity  
Piecemakers

The Trinity Piecemakers will meet in  
the Fellowship Hall on the first  
Thursday of each month at 7:15 pm.  
Meeting dates will be posted during  
church. Please contact Debbie  
Beattie at: 845-223-5584 for more  
information.

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# Happy New Year



## DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>Jan 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>New Year's Day</b>
<b>Jan 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Epiphany Sunday</b> <b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>Jan 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b> <i>Renewal of Baptismal Vows</i>
<b>Jan 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Laity Sunday</b> <i>A Celebration of Team Trinity</i> Administrative Council meets
<b>Jan 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b>
<b>Jan 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany</b>
<b>Jan 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Food Pantry Bagging</b>
<b>Jan 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Food Pantry Distribution</b>

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