

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Christmas - Epiphany - January 2022

January Highlights

Worship each Sunday at 10 a.m. is Holy Eucharist Rite II with guitar and/or clarinet the first and third Sundays, and organ the second and fourth. **Sunday, January 16 - Vestry meets.** Everyone welcome.

Sunday, January 31 - The 180th Meeting of the Members of Trinity. That's a long history - the congregation that first met in 1842 at the Athens Academy built two churches - the first, wooden structure, burned - the current building dates from 1860. Through wars, the Depression, and changes in culture and population, Trinitarians have kept the faith and continued to be the Church in Athens. **We need vestry members.** The current five members have served long beyond their official terms. Will you consider serving? Meetings are once a month following worship, are usually about an hour, and all business is done by consensus and mutual

support. If you have questions, talk to a vestry member - Dan, Marny, Nate, Laura, Marie.



Christmas at Trinity was wonderful! Our musicians offered a variety of solos and Paula played one piece on the restored Melodeon. Fr. Ben preached an

amazing sermon, as usual, and, though masked, everyone sang. It was so good to celebrate Jesus' birth in person for the first time in two years. This was in the bulletin:

About the pump organ: *The Melodeon was produced in the early to middle 19th century, and was the forerunner to the late 19th century Parlor Organ. Melodeons were usually simple instruments with one set of reeds, and often looked like a miniature square grand piano. They had large iron pumping pedals to move the air across*

the reeds. Melodeons were built by the thousands prior to the Civil War, but they are very rare today. (ITHACA ORGAN COMPANY). Jack Strange gave it to our Junior Warden, Nate Schwartzberg, in the hope he could restore it after Jack's late brother used it as a base for his chicken incubator, which pretty much destroyed the veneer. Nate restored the instrument from the inside out, replacing the metal reeds, applying new veneer, and just recently, purchasing an electric motor to spare the organist from constant pumping to fill its air chambers. We are pleased to have it on loan to Trinity and for Paula's skill in playing it to-night.

Safely worshiping - an update:

The Omicron variant of Covid-19 is here - Bradford County, with just a 40% vaccination rate, is very high risk. Most of you are fully vaccinated (boosted), but Omicron is highly contagious and break-through infections can happen. The vestry asks that you **wear a mask and social distance** at worship.

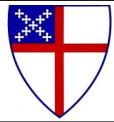


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To seek and serve Christ in all people



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<p><i>Trinity Cycle of Prayer:</i> 1/32 Dan and Marny Gerhart. 1/9 Patricia Gurney; Paul Kelley. 1/16 Trula Hollywood and Karen Nichols. 1/23 Chris, Heather, Adam, Brandon and Caleb Hunsinger. 1/30 Hazel and Ron Hunt.</p>		<p><i>Bethlehem:</i> 1/2 St. Andrew's, Alden, The Rev. Charles Warwick. Clergy of the Diocese of Bethlehem. 1/9 Church of the Mediator, Allentown, The Rev. Canon Maria Tjeltveit, Rector. Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations 1/16 Grace Church. Grace Montessori School. 1/23 St. Andrew's, Allentown/Bethlehem: The Rev. T. Scott Allen, Rector. Diocesan Council. 1/30 North Parish, St. Clair & Ashland.</p>			<p>Join us for the 180th Annual Meeting of the Members and friends of Trinity on January 31 after worship as we review the past year and plan for the future.</p>		<p>1 Holy Name</p> <p>The 8th Day of Christmas</p>
<p>2 Christmas II 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour</p> <p>The 9th Day of Christmas</p>	<p>3 AA 7 and 8 pm</p> <p>The 10th Day of Christmas</p>	<p>4</p> <p><i>Marie Bubniak</i></p> <p>The 11th Day of Christmas</p>	<p>5 AA Intergroup, 5 pm AA 7:30 pm</p> <p>The 12th Day of Christmas</p>	<p>6 The Epiphany AA 5:30 pm</p> 	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	
<p>9 The First Sunday After the Epiphany - Baptism of Christ 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour</p>	<p>10 AA 7 and 8 pm</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>13 AA 5:30 pm</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	
<p>16 Epiphany II 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour **Vestry Meets**</p> <p><i>Janet Gurney</i></p>	<p>17 AA 7 and 8 pm</p>	<p>18 St. Peter</p>	<p>19 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>20 AA 5:30 pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p><i>Andrea Lentz</i></p>	<p>22</p>	
<p>23 Epiphany III 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Coffee Hour **Ministry Reports are Due**</p> <p><i>Paul Kelley</i></p>	<p>24 AA 7 and 8 pm</p> <p><i>Paul Kelley</i></p>	<p>25 St. Paul</p> <p><i>Catherine Page Gurney</i></p>	<p>26 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>27 AA 5:30 pm</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	
<p>30 Epiphany IV 10 - Holy Eucharist II 11 - Potluck Brunch and Trinity's 180th Annual Meeting</p> <p><i>Joe Cama</i></p>	<p>31 AA 7 and 8 pm</p>	<p><i>Anglicans Around the World:</i> 1/2 The Episcopal/ Anglican Province of The Congo, Archbishop Zacharie Masimango Katanda. 1/9 The Anglican Church Chile, Bishop Hector Zavala. 1/16 The Church of England, Archbishop Justin Welby. 1/23 The Anglican Church of Hong Kong, Archbishop Andrew Chan. 1/30 The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean, Archbishop James Richard Wong Yin Song.</p>		<p><i>Kajo Kaji:</i> 1/2 Peace in Sudan and South Sudan. 1/9 Emmanuel Cathedral, Romigi. 1/16 St. Peter Tipere Parish. 1/23 St. John Kim and St. John Kendiri Parishes. 1/30 St. Paul Beliak Parish.</p>		<p>Souper Bowl of Caring is Sunday, February 13</p> 	