

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Pentecost, July, 2024

July Highlights

Sunday worship is at 10 a.m. followed by coffee hour at 11. Please be silent after the bell rings before worship begins.

Holy Eucharist II, Sundays at 10; Morning Prayer the last two Sundays of this month while Fr. Ben is on vacation.

Every Wednesday - Bible Study - 1:00 to 2:30, Parish Hall, Gospel of Matthew. Note: No Bible Study the last two Wednesdays of this month.

Vestry is tentatively scheduled for July 21.



General Convention has come to a close. A new Presiding Bishop was elected on the first ballot in the House of Bishops and approved by the House of Deputies. We will be blessed to have **The Rt. Rev. Sean T. Rowe** as our next Presiding Bishop, November 1. He served as Bishop Provisional in the Diocese of Bethlehem from 2014 to 2018 and visited Trinity on October 1, 2017.

Parish News

As you may know, the inside foundation on the west end of the church was deteriorating - the mortar had turned to sand. The vestry has been seeking a crafts-

person to repair it for some time. The job has been completed by Sean Wilson, who also repointed the outside stone around the bottom of the church a number of years ago and rebuilt the rectory chimney. We are grateful for his good work and to Nate for arranging to have it done.

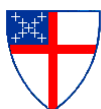
Small changes: When Covid hit, all churches in the diocese closed at the direction of the bishop and his advisors. When we were told we could reopen, we were masked, could not sing, and communion was spiritual, not physical. When we were allowed to resume Communion, the elements had to be prepared days in advance, and placed on the credence table. Fr. Ben was required to celebrate wearing a mask, and communion was in one kind only, the bread. The Peace was a bow or a wave so physical distancing was kept. As the danger waned and we were all vaccinated, many restrictions were lifted. We now sing, with vigor, and communion is of both elements, bread and wine. What we haven't reinstated is the People taking the bread and wine up at the Offertory or passing the Peace by shaking hands or with a quick hug. We will resume both starting July 7. Jack Strange is our expert on the Offertory; if you'd like to help, talk to him. And remember, The Peace is not social hour, it is a brief, but heartfelt, greeting in the name of our Lord.



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July at Trinity

The Season of Pentecost




The Episcopal Church
Welcomes You

To seek and serve Christ in all people



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Season of
Pentecost

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Trinity</i> 7/7 Trula Hollywood & Karen Nichols. 7/14 Chris, Heather, Adam, Brandon, Caleb Hunsinger. 7/21 Hazel & Ron Hunt. Paul Kelley. 7/28 Steve & Jill Kormanik.</p>				<p><i>Anglicans Around the World</i> 7/7 The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean, Archbishop James Richard Wong Yin Song. 7/14 The Church of Ireland, Archbishop John McDowell. 7/21 The Anglican Church of Japan, Bishop Luke Kenichi Muto. 7/28 The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, Archbishop Hosam Naoum.</p>		<p><i>Kajo-Keji (Our Sister Diocese)</i> 7/7 St. John Litaba Parish. 7/14 St. Paul Pamoju Parish. 7/21 Sera Jale Parish; Dwani-Star of Bethlehem Primary School. 7/28 Emmanuel Parish Kiri.</p>
<p>Visit reunificationdiocbethdiocpa.org. To learn more about the proposed joining of our dioceses and to register for the Zoom meetings.</p>	<p>1 AA 7 and 8:00 pm <i>Tim Cama, Paul Kelley Dan & Marny Gerhart</i></p>	<p>2 <i>Bruce Barton</i></p>	<p>3 Bible Study 1 - 2:30 AA Intergroup 5:30 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>4 Independence Day</p>	<p>5 <i>Alex Maneval</i></p>	<p>6 <i>Elise Barton</i></p>
<p>7 Pentecost 7 P-9 10:00 Holy Eucharist II 11:00 Coffee Hour <i>Dave Fish</i></p>	<p>8 AA 7 and 8:00 pm <i>Jon & Wendy Murray</i></p>	<p>9 7-9 Reunification Town Hall - Zoom Mtg.</p>	<p>10 Bible Study 1 - 2:30 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 Pentecost 8 P-10 10:00 Holy Eucharist II 11:00 Coffee Hour</p>	<p>15 AA 7 and 8:00 pm 7-9 Reunification Town Hall - Zoom Mtg.</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Bible Study 1 - 2:30 AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21 Pentecost 9 P-11 10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Coffee Hour Vestry - Tentative <i>Sean Bubniak</i></p>	<p>22 St. Mary Magdalene AA 7 and 8:00 pm</p>	<p>23 <i>Justin Bailey</i></p>	<p>24 (no Bible Study) AA 7:30 pm</p>	<p>25 St. James</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 Pentecost 10 P-12 10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Coffee Hour</p>	<p>29 AA 7 and 8:00 pm</p>	<p>30 <i>Ron Hunt</i></p>	<p>31 (No Bible Study) AA 7:30 pm <i>Andy Patterson</i></p>	<p><i>Bethlehem</i> 7/7 St. Luke's, Lebanon, The Rev. Dr. David Zwifka; Commission on Ministry. 7/14 All Saints, Leighton, Deacon Charlie Barebo. 7/21 Good Shepherd, Milford, The Rev. Van A. Bankston, Rector. 7/28 St. Paul's, Montrose, The Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski. St. Matthew's Chapel.</p>	<p>Flowers from your garden for the altar are always</p> 