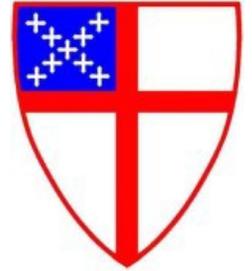


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GARTH MYERS' REFLECTION

Two weeks ago, I attended mass at a Catholic church in Dortmund, Germany. It was a very contemporary church inside a reconstructed building that, like 90% of Dortmund, had been demolished by Allied bombing in WWII. They had a lot of modern touches, even in the service itself. Sal and Patrick and the choir would be glad to know that the four-woman choir was accompanied by a guitar duo, as well as a flute. All the songs were modern, the icons, the windows, the lighting. The church hall was more like a café, and it even had a bar – they served champagne instead of coffee at the coffee hour. Some things were quite familiar to me: church attendance in Germany is down, and the German Catholics don't have enough priests, so this church has had two Franciscan brothers running the service for a year instead of a priest from their diocese; still, it was a big church packed with families. My host told me that his daughter will take her first Holy Communion this Spring with 50 other child members. The basic service, though, was just the same as our service, only in German, of course. I understood about 25% of it, maybe more simply because, well, it is all the Christian Mass, the liturgy is pretty much what we do every Sunday, and I can get it when the hymn is Ich Glaube in Den Vater, I believe in the Father, a contemporary, sung version of the Apostle's Creed. The priest's homily, as I gathered it, and as my host Johannes explained it, was really good, but also shocking. The shock came at the beginning. Apparently, one of their sleek contemporary icons, a Christ icon, had fallen and broken. The priest picked it up to show the congregation. It looked whole, but then he popped off the head of Jesus. There was a large gasp from the congregation. The priest shrugged. "It's broken," he said, "that's life, that's us, that's our church. Broken." Then he explained what he had heard about Japanese culture – and I have no idea if he is correct here, in part because my understanding of German is as broken as that icon. He said when a fine pottery piece is broken in Japan, the custom is to glue it together, but with flakes of gold dust. That way you know it has been broken, but you've made the pottery more valuable. The inference is clear, I get it. Our faith in the Christ story is the gold dust. I think of my own life, our congregation, our town, our state, our country, our world. It all seems broken. All I see sometimes are loss and chaos. Death. Destruction. Karl Ove Knausgaard, my favorite brooding Norwegian writer, spends the last half of book one of his 6-volume autobiography dealing with the death of his father. Having lost my father on December 1st, I of course went back to Knausgaard to re-read what he wrote.

REFLECTION - CONTINUED

It wasn't that helpful: he ends the book with a long brutal passage on looking at his father's lifeless body in the funeral home, where there was no longer any difference, to Karl Ove, between his father "and the table he was lying on, "for humans are only one form among many, which the world produces over and over again, not only in everything that lives, but also in everything that does not live, drawn in sand, stone and water." In other words, we are all just matter. Well, sorry, Karl Ove, but, gorgeous writing aside, I'm not that bleak. So I needed to go to book 3 of the tome, My Struggle, because the subtitle of book 3 is A Man in Love, and it is about his love for his wife and children. Here, Knausgaard makes amends for his miserable accounting of his dad's death. The whole book is wrapped around the thought that, as he puts it near the end, "Indifference is one of the seven deadly sins, actually the greatest of them all, because it... sins against life." The struggle in My Struggle, as I've said before, is to live, to be alive in his life. "I want to live. But why don't I live then?" Now, I turn down corners for something on every other page in reading these books, to go back to and reflect on – and I've only made it halfway! But at the halfway point, when I look at the pages, what I see is that he already has an answer. It is THIS answer. Knausgaard prides himself on being a severe critic of the church and claims to be fervently anti-Christian, and yet he takes communion, and a good half of his book to my mind could be considered Christian theology. His closest friend Geir spends twenty pages complaining about how Karl Ove tries to live like a Saint, and the misery he causes to everyone through his moral expectations. So his answer is certainly complicated, especially by his grumpy, glum outlook. Everything is definitely broken in Knausgaard's world. But as his friend Geir puts it, "everyone's life is as great as they make it." And even if "death makes life meaningless," Karl Ove argues, "it makes life meaningful, too, because its presence makes the little we have of it indispensable, every moment precious." His wife and his children meant for him that "the sun rose in [his] life... and it hung in the sky of [his] life and shone and shone and shone." In the everyday reality of our short lives, our love and faith really are the gold dust in the glue for the broken pottery of the world.

SPRING TRAINING AND GATHERING DAY

Each spring the Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) holds its annual Spring training and Gathering Day at which information, lectures and workshops on a wide variety of topics are made available to the members of Connecticut parishes.

This event, which is on April 7th from 9AM to 4PM (lunch included) will take place at Lincoln Middle School, 164 Centennial Avenue, Meriden, CT 06450.

The following link: <https://www.episcopalct.org/FileRepository/DownloadFile.aspx?FileID=1657> provides much information on the exciting array of classes offered on a variety of topics. Please read through it and see if you would like to attend. We will take care of registering you and there will be carpools leaving from Trinity. This is an exciting opportunity for our parish members to be together for a day and for us from Trinity to get to know other Episcopalians from around the state. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Please let Kathy Cole (operations@trinityepiscopalweth.org or 860-529-6825) know if you wish to attend.

GATHERING OUR THOUGHTS

On March 11th, 30 Trinity parish members met to discuss Trinity's change to a single service. This well-attended meeting proved fruitful with much feedback about the change to a single service and many good ideas for going forward.

This report provides a summary of the comments of those who attended. A few copies of the table reports detail will be available on the Information Table in the Parish Hall for those who would like to see all of the comments.

Just a couple of words on the process used at the meeting. There were two questions asked. What do you like about the single Sunday service? and How can the single Sunday service better fit our needs as a congregation? There was also a note that All ideas relating to Trinity's worship are welcome! The attendees broke into small groups to discuss these questions. One person at each table took notes. At the end of the discussion a representative from each table presented the findings of those who were at that table. The table reports were collected and Michael Kucka very kindly transcribed them. (These are the Table Reports which will be available in the parish hall.)

Here is a summary of "Thoughts" from the meeting:

The single service has served to bring us together as a parish community. There is a greater sense of fellowship, we are growing to know each other and we feel that the larger congregation and the higher energy level will be far more attractive to visitors.

Music: There were lots of suggestions about rebuilding our music program. Much interest was voiced in more contemporary hymns, Christian music and gospel music. There was also a great deal of support for using Trinity Parish member's musical talents and for occasionally bringing in musicians from outside of Trinity.

Time of services: There was a great deal of discussion about changing the time of the service to make it easier for some of our members to attend. There was a suggestion that we experiment with a 9:30 service particularly during the winter months. There was also much interest in services at times other than Sunday morning – the most commonly discussed being a Saturday afternoon service.

The Peace: There was discussion about ways to shorten the time it takes to share the Peace but no consensus was reached. We will probably revisit this issue the next time we meet as a parish to talk about worship.

Some of the ideas put forth would need a fair amount of work to implement. Instituting a Saturday afternoon service is an excellent example – that would be a major undertaking for Trinity. But there were many ideas put forth that can be readily implemented:

Announcements: The practice of having announcements at the end of the service was well received but the suggestion was made to shorten them and not to announce items that are already in the bulletin insert. The wardens are trying to do this and strike a good balance between keeping announcements short and communicating affectively.

Hand sanitizers: It was suggested that we make hand sanitizers (such as Purell) available. We've put them out at the back of the sanctuary and near the chancel steps and could have more available if desired.

More contemporary music: We put a flip chart at the back of the church to collect ideas for contemporary music favorites. We'll introduce these - one or two new pieces a month - beginning in April. Generally we'll use both old and new hymns in our services but perhaps one Sunday in the summer will have learned enough new contemporary pieces to have a service with just contemporary music. We're also planning a Gospel Sunday where we sing spiritual and gospel music that many of us have sung since childhood. They'll also be some Sundays coming up with special musical offerings provided by parish members or by musicians from outside the parish.

The Worship committee and Music committees are the teams primarily responsible for making these changes happen. If you would like to help out – contact Rose Riley (rosekriley@sbcglobal.net or 860-721-0547).

Perhaps the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve in one of these ministries!

MINISTRY CORNER

There are so many ministries at Trinity and so many wonderful parish members tending to them that it seems appropriate each month to highlight a ministry and the very special people who serve in them.

Coffee and Hospitality Hour: Many of us look forward to coffee and hospitality hour after church Sunday morning. Ensuring that there's coffee and tasty treats is a ministry. Coffee Hour hosts are responsible for brewing the coffee and setting out coffee cups, cream/sugar and whatever tasty treats are available. Coffee hosts don't have to prepare wonderful offerings - store-bought items are fine and there are always plenty of extra treats in the refrigerator or freezer.



So...Please sign up to do coffee hour. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board immediately to the right of the kitchen door. If you'd like to do coffee and you have never done it before, write your name down and next to it write **NEW** and we'll make sure we get an experienced coffee hour host to work with you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR APRIL 14TH WORK PARTY (RAIN DATE APRIL 21ST) SATURDAY 9:00-1:00

The Property Committee is planning to have a morning of doing chores around the parish. We have developed a list of things that need to be done, there are both indoor and outdoor items.

Items include - Painting Handicap Ramp, Painting Iron Rails, Lounge Room cleaning, Two Vestibules need cleaning, Back doors need paint, A/C Compressor Covers need Stain, Kitchen cabinets, Children's Chapel Closet need organization, items being moved to garage for disposal and more.

There will be something for everyone, I will distribute list via email to everyone who volunteers so they can pick one, if not, then meet me at the assignment table at 9:00.

I would appreciate it if you'd drop me a note or sign the sheet in the back of the Church. I will speak with you or email before you arrive as to what you might be doing.



TRINITY TURNS 150 YEARS OLD IN 2019



Trinity will turn 150 years old next year and it's none too soon to begin planning! We will start in late April or early May with a meeting for all interested parties to present and discuss their ideas.

After that a small "Trinity 150" planning group will be formed. This will be a wonderful opportunity for celebration, rededication and just plain fun.

PLEDGE STATUS AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2018 - ROB HEATH

Total Annual Pledge	\$80,845
Pledge Budget 2/1 - 2/28	\$13,474
Received Through 2/28	\$17,927
Difference	+\$ 4,453



Income/Expense as of February 28, 2018

	Actual	Budget
Income	\$25,465	\$18,556
Expenses	\$25,506	\$22,625

NOTE

Nothing transferred from investments to cover 2018 expenses as of 2/28/18

TUESDAYS WITH TOM

Father Tom Furrer is at Trinity Episcopal Church on Tuesdays. If you would like to meet with him, please contact the office to at 860-529-6825 or email: operations@trinityepiscopalweth.org.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the Seabury Room. Please come early if you wish to socialize and re-connect. Door will be open by 10:00 a.m. Please contact Rebecca Scruton at 860-436-4288 with any questions. *Hope to see you there!*



SUNDAY COUNTERS

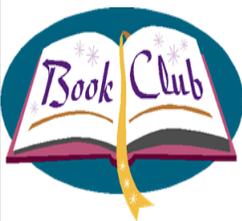
April 1st - Rose Riley & Connie Harasymiw
 April 8th - Nancy Knapp & Denise Paternostro
 April 15th - Diane Zarillo & Clark Tomlinson
 April 22nd - Don Knapp & Garth Myers
 April 29th - Jan Rouse & Leslie Jones

MORNING PRAYER

Wednesdays in the Chapel from 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. A gentle time of reflection, prayer and scripture readings. All are welcomed.



BOOK CLUBS



The **Evening Book Club** will meet on April 9, 2018 at 5:45 p.m. at the home of Carol Jones. We are reading **The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World** by Dali Lama and Desmond Tutu. Please join us for a light supper and a great discussion.

The **Morning Book Club** will meet on May 14th at 10:30 am and will be held at the home of Jan Rouse, 502 Briarwood Court, Rocky Hill (860-529-5139). The book is **Almost French** by Sarah Turnbull. All are welcome. Call Sue Ellen DeCesare (860-214-2498) if in need of a ride.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The **Ladies Luncheon** will meet on April 3rd at the Wood-n-Tap on the Silas Deane Highway at 12 noon. All are welcome. If in need of a ride please call Sue Ellen DeCesare at 860-214-2498.



APRIL 2018 MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	April 1, 2018 Easter 1	April 8, 2018 Easter 2	April 15, 2018 Easter 3	April 22, 2018 Easter 4	April 29, 2018 Easter 5
Opener	Denise Paternostro	Joan Joseph	Denise Paternostro	Denise Paternostro	Sal Basile
Celebrant	Rev. Tom Furrer	Rev. Julie Mudge	Rev. Valerie Miller	Rev. Judith Alexis	Rt. Rev. Gordon Scruton
Eucharistic Minister	Denise Paternostro	Joan Joseph	Ann Marie Stavola	Ray Colburn	Sal Basile
Lector	Rose Riley	Carol Jones	Garth Myers	Paul Milne	Ginger Smith
Intercessor	Kathy Cole	Cheryl Chadsey	Judy Shaw	Denise Paternostro	Kathy Cole
Ushers	Volunteers	Dave & Mary Chellstorp	Jerry Stavola Michael Kucka	Denise Carson Denise Paternostro	Denise Paternostro
Closer	Rose Riley	Denise Paternostro	Kathy Cole	Rose Riley	Denise Paternostro

SUPPLY CLERGY ROTATION - MAY & JUNE 2018

MAY 2018		JUNE 2018
6th Easter 6 - Julie Mudge 13th Easter 7 - Tom Furrer 20th Pentecost - Gordon Scruton 27th Trinity (Mem Day) - Valerie Miller		2nd 2 Pentecost (Prop 4) - Julie Mudge 10th 3 Pentecost - Tom Furrer 17th 4 Pentecost - Valerie Miller 24th 5 Pentecost - Gordon Scruton

	<p>JESUS LOVES</p> <p>The writings of the apostle John, “the disciple whom Jesus loved” (JOHN 21:7,20). He tells us about God’s love in one of the best-known verses of the Bible: John 3:16, “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”</p> <p>John reinforces that message of love in 1 John 4:10: “This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” Just as John knew Jesus loved him, we too can have that same assurance: Jesus does love us. The Bible tells us so”. – <i>Alyson Kieda; Our Daily Bread</i></p>
<p>BELFRY DEADLINES</p> <p>MAY Friday, April 20th JUN Tuesday, May 22nd JUL Thursday, June 21st</p>	

CONTINUE TO RECHARGE YOUR FAITH

Join us for friendship, fellowship and food with your Trinity family. We start each evening with a light meal. After the meal, we have a talk about some aspect of Jesus and our relationship with Him. Then we have a time for small group discussion and a time of closing prayer.

April 3rd **How do we hear the Voice of Jesus, The Good Shepherd, speaking to us?**

April 10th **Why and How Should I Share My Faith with Others?**

(Aspects of our life that are the same as, and different from, other Christian communities)

Wherever you are in your faith journey, we invite you to join us. If you are seeking, we want to help you answer some of your questions. If you have doubts, we offer a safe place to talk about them. If you have been an active Christian for a long time, we invite you to renew and rediscover your faith.

And we invite you to invite a friend to join you. The Church grows when friends invite their friends to “come and see” Jesus in our community of faith.

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION OR REAFFIRMATION - WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

There are a number of people at Trinity - both high school aged parish members and older members - who are interested in being confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Others who have been confirmed in another faith tradition might wish to be received into the Episcopal tradition and still others might find themselves called to reaffirm their faith. For anyone who would like to be confirmed, reaffirmed or received, there will be an informational meeting at a date and time to be announced after Easter.

Watch for announcements but meanwhile here are some definitions that may be helpful:

CONFIRMATION is the rite in which we, as baptized Christians make “a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop.” (The Book of Common Prayer, p. 860) It completes the initiation rite that began at baptism by transferring responsibility for the promises made from the sponsors at baptism to the one being confirmed. One can be confirmed whenever he or she is ready to accept the responsibility; usually this happens during adolescence if one is raised in a church. Confirmation expresses not only a desire to live as an adult Christian; it also indicates a desire to do so in the Episcopal Church.

RECEPTION into the Episcopal Church is a sacramental rite for baptized Christians who have been confirmed in other denominations by a bishop in apostolic succession and wish to be received into the Episcopal Church by the Bishop.

REAFFIRMATION provides an opportunity for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal Church but for some reason wish to re-commit themselves to the life of faith and to reaffirm their baptismal covenant with the Bishop.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT – LOCAL/REGIONAL/WORLDWIDE - MARILYN FORD

LENT – THE SEASON OF GIVING. Thanks to all who contributed to our Lenten Giving Program. The collection each week of first household supplies, then clothes, personal hygiene items, baby supplies and toys, and finally food is much appreciated. The appropriate items are being delivered to South Park Inn by Rose and Ray Riley and to Wethersfield Social Services by Ann Tranberg. A big thank you to them for their faithfulness.

FAMILY SUPPORT. Our next Outreach Committee project is to support a Syrian Refugee Family living in Wethersfield in the Charles Wright School District. The family came to the United States about two and a half years ago – father, mother, two girls (ages 7 and 3), and a boy, age 4. We are partnering with Kim Bobbin, who is the director of the Family Literacy Center currently downstairs in our church, to help the family. Kim is also the Early Childhood Coordinator for the Town of Wethersfield. The Town is providing services to this family with the two younger children involved in Head Start, and the 7 year old receiving ESL services through her elementary school. The father is getting training through CREC ESL; the mother has completed ESL training, speaks English quite well, has passed a course at Manchester Community College, and is employed in the medical field in Wethersfield. They need help with personal care and household items. Starting the week of April 8, we will be collecting the following: tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, toothpaste, shampoo, No Tears Shampoo for children, conditioner, hand soap (bar and/or liquid), Windex, Mister Clean, bleach laundry detergent. The Outreach Committee has enthusiastically approved this opportunity to help this family in our community.

WITHERSFIELD FOOD BANK. The Wethersfield Food Bank is currently in need of the following items: canned pasta, rice, cans of chunk chicken, jelly (plastic cans or bottles), peanut butter, tuna in water, cans of fruit (100% juice or water), unsweetened applesauce, low sodium soups (480mg or less sodium), canned tomatoes (no salt added), tomato sauce (low sodium), spaghetti sauce (low sodium), canned vegetables (no salt added), granola bars, fresh produce, cereal. Thanks to Ann Tranberg for delivering these items to Wethersfield Social Services.

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 19 – “GOLDEN OLDIES” CONCERT – 7:00 p.m. presented by our own Sal Basile playing guitar and singing favorite songs in the Parish Hall. Bistro-Style seating, hot and cold appetizers, fruit and punch will be provided. If you have a favorite appetizer recipe please bring it to share, as many of you do each time. Sal generously provides an evening of wonderful music and a fun time! \$10.00 at the door with proceeds to benefit Trinity's Outreach Committee Programs.

SOUTH PARK INN. Please continue to place donations for this Hartford shelter in the box in the Parish Hall. Rose and Ray Riley will periodically deliver them to South Park Inn. Always needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotions, spray deodorant, feminine hygiene products, diapers, laundry soap, cleaning supplies, towels, pillow cases, twin flat and fitted sheets.

KATERI MEDICAL SERVICES. Fr. Tom Furrer has sent a letter to the Outreach Committee thanking us and Trinity Parish for our support. Here are excerpts from the letter:
“Your generous contribution helps us to serve thousands of rural poor people with simple, decent, affordable basic medical care. With your help we are reaching and helping more people than ever. In 2016, we brought medical care to 22,000 people through Kateri Clinic (5,000), the mobile clinic outreach (7,000), and the FaithCare summer intensive medical outreach (10,000). Since 2002, we have helped about 232,000 through these three initiatives. While the totals from 2017 are not yet in, we expect to have served more people than ever. With your help, we have built a new clinic in Iburu, and it is up and running since July 2016. We are building two new clinics, one in Gusau and the other in Kafanchan.

In July, I led our annual summer mission team to Kateri and Iburu. During two weeks, we provided medical care to more than 3,500 people. In October, I led our first medical mission at the site of our newest clinic in Gidan Waya (Diocese of Kafanchan). During that week, we helped 1,600 people with medical care. I encourage you to visit our website (www.katericlinic.org). We will be posting pictures and stories there. Your help makes all of this possible. Please remember that 98% of your donated dollar goes to buy medicine, pay medical staff, or build medical buildings. We have very low overhead and are working hard to keep it that way.”

WELCOME TO TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH WETHERSFIELD - JOAN JOSEPH

Trinity is proud and excited to announce the launch of our new website and the beginning of a larger online presence. Explore our new site (if you haven't already done so) and, more importantly, use the site as your direct access to Trinity's GOD community. If you have Trinity's old site bookmarked on your computer, delete that URL and replace it with the current address: <https://www.trinityepiscopalweth.org>.

Why do we need a website?

"You are the light of the world. A city on top of a hill can't be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they put it on top of a lampstand, and it shines on all who are in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your Father who is in Heaven." Matthew 5:14-16

Communication is evangelism. According to statistics, 80% of potential members and those seeking a church check a church's website first. In the 21st century, a church's physical front door has been replaced by a website's "home" page, which is now the primary portal inviting potential, as well as current members to come into our "GOD community" – the term Bishop Ian Douglas uses to describe what a good church website should represent.

How do we do that?

We let our light shine! We share our authentic selves with the world as accurately as possible by revealing who we are and how we deepen our relationship with God. We invite the world to join us as we evolve in worship, in service to others - both locally and globally, and in fellowship. In other words, we tell it like it is: *We are becoming a God guided, lay-led community, eagerly learning from life and resourced by Scripture, inspiring Sunday supply clergy, and each other on how to grow in joyful love and service of God and all our neighbors in need, locally and globally. We are imperfect and the Holy Trinity is reforming us in surprising ways to live as part of the Jesus Movement in this generation. We pray daily for each other and ask God to send us the people we need to become the church God wants us to be; and to send us the people who need us to become the people God wants them to be. Is God inviting you to explore this unfolding adventure with us? (The Rt. Rev. Gordon P. Scruton)*

What about privacy?

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America best captures the importance of the use of photography on church websites while maintaining the privacy of the congregation: *Photos of congregation members bring your congregation Web site to life, providing a window in to the vitality and friendliness of the community that gathers on Sunday morning and all through the week. A common question is how to respect the privacy rights and concerns of members and protect the safety of children pictured.... In most general terms: images of adults engaged in congregation activities and used to report on congregational events can be used without seeking permission. In these cases, it is always prudent to let the people being photographed know that these shots may be used by the congregation. With images of children (the relevant age is under 18 years old)permission should be sought.*

We will continue to follow Trinity's past practice of posting church-related activities of group (more than 1 individual) photos. Media permission forms will be required for individual photos, photos involving names and for all children under the age of 18 who might be part of a group photo and who will never be identified. Therefore, we are contacting all families with children under the age of 18 to request permission to include them (unidentified) in photos when applicable.

Media release forms for children, for photos of individuals, and for photos of identified individuals are available in the office. Trinity's formal privacy policy (and media release forms) will be posted in the parish hall in the upcoming weeks.

Any tips when submitting information to be posted outside of email blasts?

We recommend using a phone number or email address when needed. We recommend that you do not include your address. Please do not use Trinity's office phone number or email address without prior permission from the wardens or Kathy Cole.

What's next?

On Sunday April 15th there will be an informal "unveiling" of our newly designed website during coffee hour in the Parish Hall. Bring your questions and suggestions because, like Trinity, our website is constantly evolving and ever-changing.

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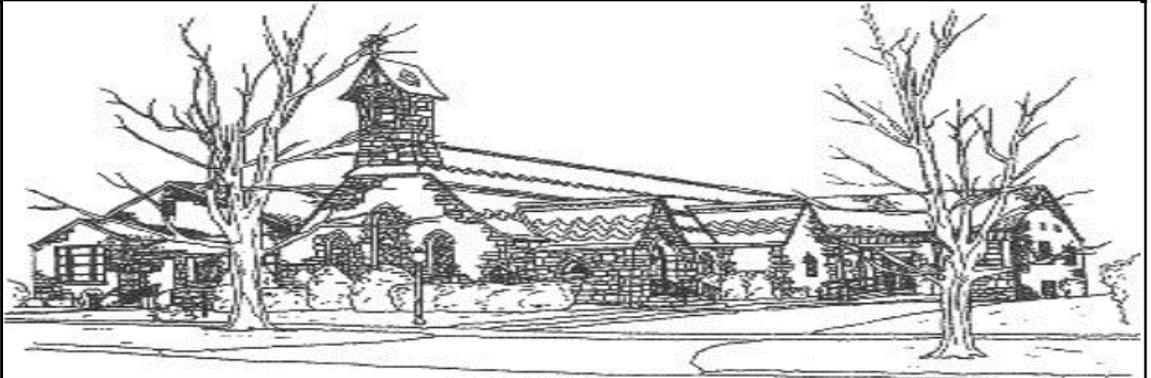
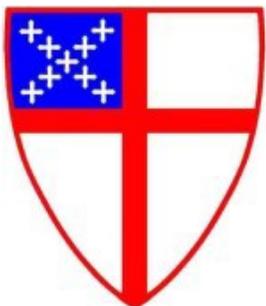
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MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Episcopal Church is an ever-evolving Christian Community committed to deepening our relationship with God by:

Offering worship and education for all ages.

Caring for and servicing one another and those beyond our community

Being open and welcoming

THE PRAYER FOR PARISH MISSION

Dear and Gracious God, Please send us the people we need in order to become the church You want us to be, and please send us the people who need us in order to become the people You want them to be. Help us to respond with love to those You send, making room for them at our table and in our hearts. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who met people where they were, loved and cared for them, and invited them into a real relationship with You. Amen