

<u>Tidings</u>

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Rector: The Rev. Beverly Porteus June 2010

My Dear Friends in Christ...

Before I was a priest, I lived on Manhattan's Upper East Side for twenty years. For the most part, I loved living there. Once I got used to the pace and intensity of city life, I learned to love the variety of people, the cultural events, museums, ballet, and opera. I loved the movie houses in which I could find almost any movie recently released. There were world-class restaurants within walking distance, and untold numbers of ethnic and charm-filled bistros. Fifth Avenue shopping beckoned. Broadway was just a cab ride away. And Yankee Stadium was only a subway ride away. I had a great job in television, and just enough money to enjoy living in that remarkable city. And I had made friends there. The downside was that the only way I could really tell what season it was was by taking a cab through Central Park on my way to work. But, still, I was a bit of a snob about living in New York.

Fast-forward four years...I was just graduating from seminary (in New York, natch), and I had just gotten married to the love of my life. I got a job as an Assistant at Church of the Advent, Kennett Square, PA. I was excited, nervous, and happy, all at the same time.

From this commenced what my husband remembers as the "summer of canned gravy." I was miserable. I complained about the lack of restaurants, especially "fine" Italian and "authentic" Chinese. Chris took me to a lovely inn for dinner, and I mumbled, horrified, about the canned gravy on my entree. "There's no place to shop—we have to drive forever," I cried. He took me for a weekend away at a lovely place on the Eastern Shore, and I complained bitterly about our room, ants on the window sill, and a shrimp kabob that was "pathetically" meager.

My head rang with the phrase, "You Can't Always Get What You Want," courtesy of the Rolling Stones.

And then, something happened. We took off for Hershey Park—I loved amusement parks. I was quietly happy to be with Chris and on this little trip. I watched the scenery go by. And suddenly I felt a big and unfamiliar emotion rising in me. And it was utter surprise and joy. There were green trees everywhere, beautiful rolling hills, farms right out of a Lionel train set. Wildflowers filled the median on the highway. And on back roads, cardinals darted around our car. The air was heavy with scents, rather than city "smells." And I was with the man I loved and who loved me. And I had a job as an Episcopal priest in a great parish.

The tune changed, in a way, to "You Don't Always Know What You Have," courtesy of God.

I write this because, if we are fortunate enough to be able to enjoy it, summer offers us a way out of our snits and moods and bad attitudes—whether we are 6 or 86. Make time to be outside, to see nature, people, beaches, gardens, to breathe in the creation and the beauty. Be aware of the rich life, the wonderful world you are part of. Be where you are, and give thanks to God.

Faithfully,

Beverly+

<u>SUMMER SERVICE CHANGE</u> Beginning June 20th, we will switch to one service on Sunday, at 9:00 A.M. The service will have 2 lessons and a psalm, opening and closing hymns, and music at the offertory. This service will be an opportunity for the 8:00 and 10:00 o'clockers to mingle, and for our worship ministries to have a gentler schedule. We'll resume our regular schedule September 12th

Our Prayer List

Sharon Ashlock Jackie Bollinger Pat Breza Karen Bunnell Judy Burkley Helen Cornacchia Donna Cottle Jesse Cugini Dan Edwards Sue Fossler Jason Gaffney Irene Graff Frank Grieten Rosemary Hurley **Connie Keares** Libby Keefer Robert Kirk Jeanne Licht **Barry Lumley** Steve Mayo Hilda McAndrews Martha Nichols Orlando Otey Thomas Paoletti Linda Rawlings Mary Riordan Patsy Rouke **David Russ** Robert Schick Mark Stein Russell Stobaugh Lisa Wiegand Men & Women

Men & Women Serving Overseas:

Timothy Hickman Matt Karras Scott Morgan Brandon Reasin Kevin Savage Sara Wells-Savage Michael Shrout Michael Wells

May 10,2010

Vestry Highlights

A. Finance/Stewardship (David, Mary Helen)— April Budget- errors were corrected (\$8,100 pledges, \$15,243 receipts). Utilities are dropping.

Motion: Treasurer's Report accepted as presented with corrections.

- **B.** Leadership /Pastoral Care/Warden Report (Beverly, Charlie) —Work day went well- A lot was accomplished.
- **C. Building/Grounds (Allen)** Air conditioner was installed. Allen will use bucket truck to fix the back of Trinity House. Will apply for energy efficient funds from Delmarva (for A/C).

Motion: fundraising project for A/C and roof in the amount of \$8,200. \$4,100.00 has already been raised.

- D. Worship/Music/Adult Ed. & Spiritual Life (Beverly/Judy/Margaret)
 - 1. New music sources are being investigated.
 - 2. Worship Committee meeting to be held soon.
 - 3. Pentecost is May 23rd.

Motion: Have 1 service at 9:00 a.m. in the summer. Will begin June 20th. Two services will resume Sept. 12th.

- **E. Youth/Sunday School (Robanne)** June 13th is Sunday School Recognition Youth Sunday.
- **F. Outreach (Susan)** Food Pantry received a \$4,000 grant.
- G. National/ Global Mission (Wendy) —No report.
- **H. Church Growth (Wendy)** Will have a meeting on June 6th. Will discuss plans for the summer.
- **I. Fellowship (Mary Helen)** Spring Fling has been cancelled for now. Women's dinner is May 22nd.
- **J. Brotherhood Report (David Calladine)** —Mothers Day breakfast went well.

New Business:

Christmas in April- Mary Helen to contact Dwight Hair (see new business from April).

Motion made to move Vestry meeting from 2nd Tuesday to 2nd Monday of each Month. To begin on June 14th. Unanimously approved.

CALLING ALL

TRINITY GARDENERS

Starting Monday, June 14th @ 9:30 A.M. Anyone who has 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours to help us. This would be of GREAT help to the Gardeners.



Sunday School

The 2009-2010 Sunday School year is fast approaching the end! We

have only a few more weeks of class, then our Youth Sunday program on June 13th, where we will thank our teachers and students for a fulfilling year! Please have your child attend the next few weeks as we are planning our day and want to have students participate in the service.

It is our projection that we will continue to have one classroom next year and are still seeking teacher volunteers. During the summer months we will schedule a planning meeting (TBA) where any interested volunteers are welcome to join, bring ideas and help map out our next school year. As always, we thank the entire congregation for your support and weekly prayers. Sherri Calladine, Cheryl Lee & Robanne Palmer



On Sunday, May 9 it was once again the

Brotherhood of St. Andrew's pleasure to host the ladies of the parish to breakfast on the occasion of Mother's Day. The between-service buffet was well enjoyed, including scratch made breakfast casseroles and fresh flowers for all. And our gratitude for all you have done, and do, for all of us. We love you, Moms!

To the

Brotherhood of

Grazie St. Andrew's

for a Lovely

Mother's Day breakfast



The next planning and fellowship breakfast meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be Sat, June 12, 8 a.m., at Denny's Restaurant in Elkton (Rt. 40, across from Big Elk Mall). It's a little work but a lot of fun! And please remember – all

men are welcome. Please call me to learn more.

~ Rich Gilbert – 410-287-3580



News and notes regarding the volunteer mowing of the church lawn: We have a new mower! Due to Marilyn Wardle's generosity we now have an excellent condition, gently used Craftsman riding mower. We will keep the Cub Cadet in reserve and greatly enjoy this "new" rider. Thanks Marilyn!

Thank you to our dedicated mowing crew – Dave Calladine, Gene Clay, Charlie Davidson, Bill Gilbert, Rich Gilbert, Matt Koenings and Hans Nafzinger. Your commitment of time and sweat is greatly appreciated! Since we work in teams of two, an eighth person on the mowing squad for the balance of the season would be greatly appreciated. If you can spare an hour a month to help us out it would be a wonderful service to the church. Please contact Rich Gilbert, richgilbert2003@yahoo.com, 410-287-3580 if you are interested.



Trinity Street Sign Renovations Update

Although there has been no action lately on the corner of Bridge and Main with our church sign

renovation, there has been action behind the scenes. A local sign company is underway with producing a panel indicating our web site which will replace the current void in the bottom of the sign. We will also be making a new top panel to more accurately represent the Episcopal crest. The best paints available have come in from New York and are awaiting those panels, with spraying and hand-lettering to commence immediately thereafter (thank you hand-lettering volunteers! I will be calling you soon to set up a painting party.) And we will be adding a "shingle" under the sign to advertise our new summer service time. It's been a big job for a side job, but please know that the progress has been noticed. An Episcopal friend from St. Anne's Middletown was so impressed with the painting of our sign frame that he wants to model our sign for the new one they need to build! We're getting there. Thanks for your patience.

~Rich Gilbert

8 a.m. Service

C-B/R

6/6 Karli Secor

6/13 Marilyn Wardle

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6/6 Mary Helen Atwood

6/13 Gordon Tozer

Usher

6/6 Mitzie Snyder, Frank Brown, 6/13 Mary Graff, Paul Arbour, Jr.

Nursery

6/6 Joan Gaffey

6/13 Tammy Cox

6/20 Sherri Calladine

6/27 Libby Keefer

Altar Guild

Susan Burkholder Susan Weed

9 a.m. Service

Acolytes

6/20 Andrew Koenings, Christy Mahoney

6/27 Erin Clay, Christina Bello

Lector

6/20 Regina Caffey

6/27 Ross Lee

C-B/R

6/20 Orville Potts, Karli Secor

6/27 Kathy Davidson, Allen Clay

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6/20 Beth & Matt Koenings

6/27 Ed Evans

Usher

6/20 Frank Brown, Paul Arbour Jr.

6/27 Mitzie Snyder, Sam Smith

Greeters

6/20 Susan Weed, Libby Keefer

6/27 M.K. Hitchcock, Wendy Gilbert

10 a.m. Service

Acolytes

6/6 Carri Birdsall, Andrew Koenings

6/13 Joe Calladine, Jonathon Wood

Lector

6/6 Hans Nafzinger

6/13 Bill Gorak

C-B/R

6/6 Ross Lee, Margaret Russ

6/13 Heidi White, Orville Potts

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6/6 Ed Evans

6/13 Debbie McKeown

Usher

6/6 Barbara Anzilotti, M.K. Hitchcock

6/13 Sherri & David Calladine

Greeters

6/6 Sherri & David Calladine

6/13 Barbara Anzilotti, Wendy Gilbert

Due to our summer service change please make sure you check the Ministry Schedule.



Bíble Study ís back

on a new day Wednesday at 9:00 AM in Trinity House We will study the lessons for

the following Sunday
Join Us!

June 2010

Monthly Planner

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