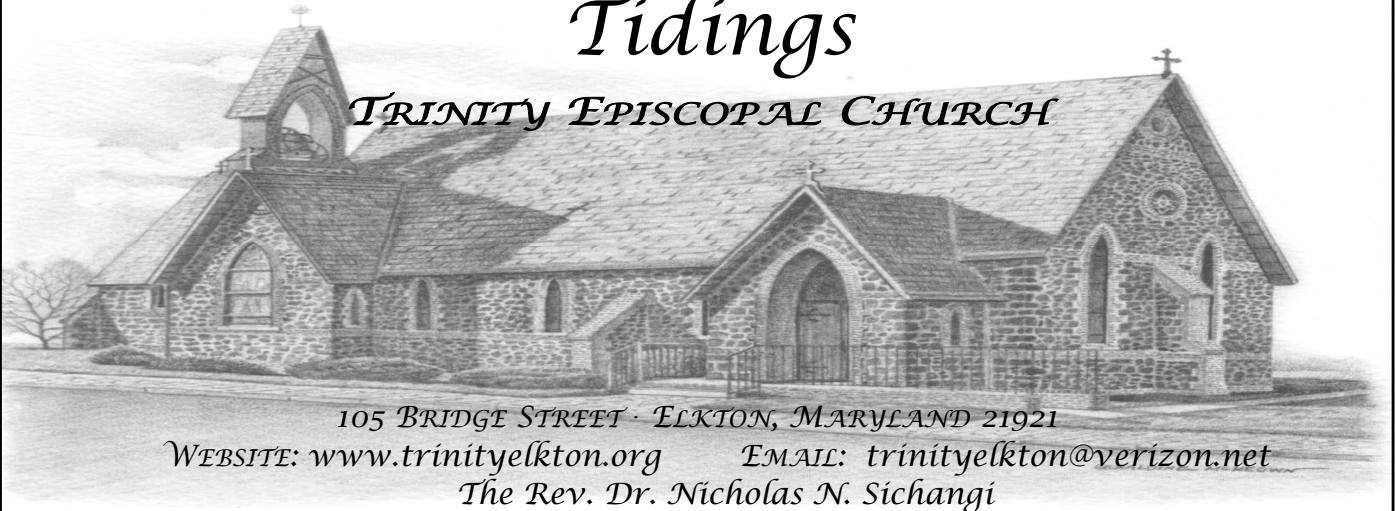


Tidings

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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The Rev. Dr. Nicholas N. Sichangi

What is a Journey?

When my grandmother would prepare for a journey, she would bathe the night before, don her best dress, and go to sleep fully clothed. In the morning she would have arranged for one of her precious grandchildren to awaken her. The child's smiling face would make her happy. Then she would wash her face and set off on her journey.

Mzee Safari is a legend, but true nonetheless. In Swahili, Mzee means old man and Safari means journey. Mzee Safari would take only a blanket and walking stick with him. He would wrap himself in his blanket by the fire in a welcoming home. Then set off anew the next day with his blanket tied to his walking stick to continue his endless journey.

The celebration of our new ministry together is like the smiles of the grandmother and her grandchild. It has created a pleasant beginning. But unlike my grandmother and Mzee Safari, our journey is not a solo venture. It includes all of us.

Our journey has begun with a joyous celebration, just as my grandmother's journeys began with the hugs and kisses of her grandchildren to warm her heart. In his journeys, Mzee Safari was welcomed into homes along the way, but he always carried his staff for stability and protection. God is with us. His staff will shield and guide us as we travel together.

In every endeavor there are obstacles to overcome. Our path as a church family will have steep inclines that will leave us breathless, but when we reach the top, our feelings of triumph will reward our trials. We will descend into meadows of success, only to face more challenges.

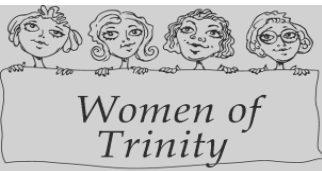
When I finished high school, my father turned his attention and resources to the education of my younger brothers, so I set out alone on a rickety bicycle on a journey to continue my education. The journey has been long. There have been many obstacles, but now I am not alone. I have been welcomed into Trinity, my church family. Our journey will take us to heights we cannot yet perceive.

Let the Lord be our Shepherd in this journey, and we will find green pastures. Let righteousness be our shield, let his rod and staff comfort us when we feel discouraged and let our lives be filled with springs of rivers that will overflow and may we dwell in the house of the Lord the rest of our lives.

~The Rev. Dr. Nicholas N. Sichangi

Your Prayers are asked for

<i>Adam</i>	<i>Walter Jermyn</i>	<i>Vince Rinella</i>
<i>Jan Ackerman</i>	<i>Libby Keefer</i>	<i>Brooke Rollins</i>
<i>Jacob Asroff</i>	<i>Kathy Koslak</i>	<i>Antonette Rosato</i>
<i>William Atwood</i>	<i>Regina Lane</i>	<i>David Russ</i>
<i>Dustin Bartow</i>	<i>Rosemarie Scott Murphy</i>	<i>Carroll Smith</i>
<i>Melissa Collins</i>	<i>Richard Palmer</i>	<i>Ira Smith</i>
<i>Goldie Cook</i>	<i>Justin Pearce</i>	<i>Tricia Smith</i>
<i>Helen Cornacchia</i>	<i>Rose Perrone</i>	<i>Christine Stanley</i>
<i>Tiffany Cox</i>	<i>Christopher Porteus</i>	<i>Bunny Sturgill-Martin</i>
<i>Jesse Cugini</i>	<i>John Potts</i>	<i>Lisa Wiegand</i>
<i>Nancy Draper</i>	<i>Vaughn Potts</i>	<i>All our Graduates</i>
<i>Joe Heimberger</i>	<i>Linda Rawlings</i>	



will meet at the Parish House at 11:30 AM on Monday, May 26. Bring a bag lunch. Drinks/desserts will be provided.



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

are needed to provide light refreshments (cookies, donuts). We supply the coffee, cream and sugar. Coffee hour is a critical ministry, not only for the fellowship of our regular members but also for the meeting and greeting of newcomers. Sign up sheet is in the Parish House.

WOMEN OF TRINITY FIRST FRIDAY FARE June 6 at 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM, Parish House.
Soup and desserts \$5.00 per person
Chili and desserts \$7.00 per person



FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for only one Tuesday a month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. The Pantry is located in the Parish Office building.

We will train interested parties so they can learn as they go. Please contact Jesse Cugini or Susan Weed.

ALTAR FLOWERS WELCOME
 Please consider taking part in adorning God's altar. Sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.



Kenyan Dinner on June 22, 5:00-6:30 PM in the Parish House
 Details to follow.

SUMMER SERVICE CHANGE
Beginning June 8th we will switch to one service on Sundays, at 9:00 AM.
 Sunday June 8th is Pentecost Sunday. Bring a family member or friend. Wear red and join us for this wonderful celebration!!



Ministry Schedule

8:00 AM

Date	CBR	P of P	Usher
4/18	Mary Helen Atwood	Gordon Tozer	Paul Arbour Jr, Sam Smith
4/25	Gordon Tozer	Mitzie Snyder	Mitzie Snyder, Mary Helen Atwood
June 1	Mary Helen Atwood	Gordon Tozer	Paul Arbour Jr, Susan Weed

10:00 AM

Date	Acolytes	Lector	CBR	Ushers	P o P	Greeter
4/18	Carri Birdsall Hunter Taylor	Marina White	Heidi White	Charlie Davidson M.K. Hitchcock	Janice Potts	Kathy Davidson
4/25	TJ Taylor JP Fossler	Mary Morrison	Margaret Russ	Wendy and Rich Gilbert	Debbie McKeown	Jane Ayers
June 1	Jack Fossler Aaron Derby	Ross Lee	Kathy Davidson	Diane and Dwight Hair	Orville Potts	Libby Keefer

Pentecost 2014

On Sunday, June 8, 2014 we will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost – 50 days after Easter Sunday. This is the day when we remember the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles in Jerusalem. This gift empowered them to leave their locked rooms, and go out into the streets of Jerusalem, telling people about Jesus. Their outreach to Jerusalem, Judea, and eventually the known Roman world, formed the Church.

Pentecost is the Church’s birthday! At coffee hour, after the 9:00 am service in the Parish House we will have cake for everyone. Plan to join us for this celebration of the Church’s formation, our acolytes’ ministry, Holy Baptism – and the continuing mission of Trinity Church.

How does our church grow

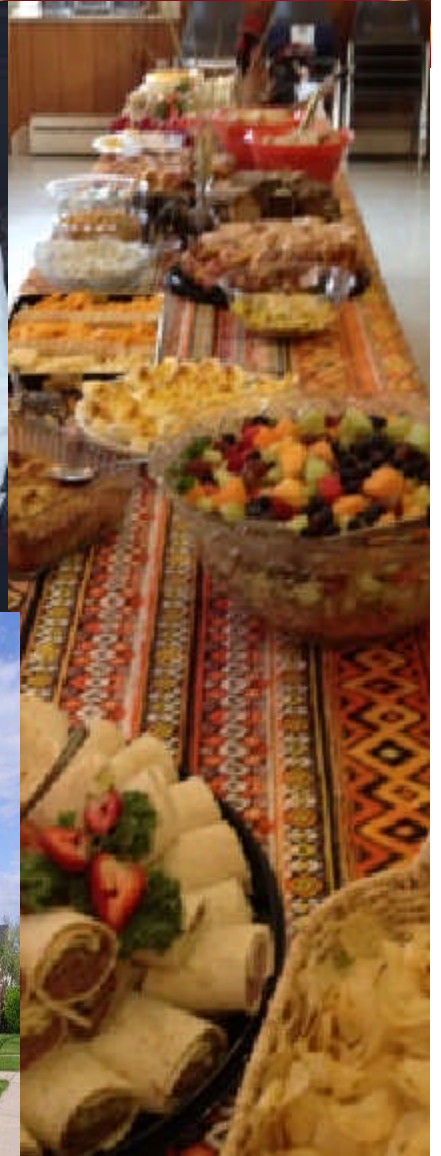
Think for a moment about how you became a participant in Trinity Church. Did someone invite you? Did a friend, co-worker, or family member ask you to join them at Trinity? Nationwide, about 80% of the people who become active in a congregation do so because someone in their network of relationships invited them to participate. Do you know someone who is not active in a congregation?

As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost – think about the first disciples, the ones Jesus chose. They built the Church one person at a time, inviting people into the Christian community. By our baptism, we too have been chosen by Jesus as his disciples. Prayerfully consider the way (s) Jesus is calling you to serve him. Make the Feast of Pentecost a time of renewed commitment to building our Church.



BIBLE STUDY & Mid-Week Eucharist
Wednesdays at 9:00 am in Trinity House.

Celebration of our new Ministry - May 4, 2014





Donation for Pentecost Flowers
Celebration of the Holy Spirit.

If you would like to make a donation to the decoration of
the altar and church nave for the Day of Pentecost
June 8th at 9:00 AM

Please complete this form and return it to the church office by June 1.

Enclosed is a check/cash in the
amount of \$ _____ for Pentecost flowers.

- in loving memory of _____
- a thank offering for _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

ANNUAL CHURCH SALE

{Benefit Camp Scholarship Fund}
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
105 N. Bridge Street, Elkton, MD

Saturday, Sept. 20, 2014

8:00 am to 1:00 pm (Rain or Shine)

Spaces \$10 for parishioners -Spaces \$15 for non-parishioners



Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Payment and registration forms due Sept. 6th to

Trinity Episcopal Church
105 North Bridge Street
Elkton, MD 21921.

For additional information call 410-398-5350



Congratulations & Blessings
to all our Graduates!!

