



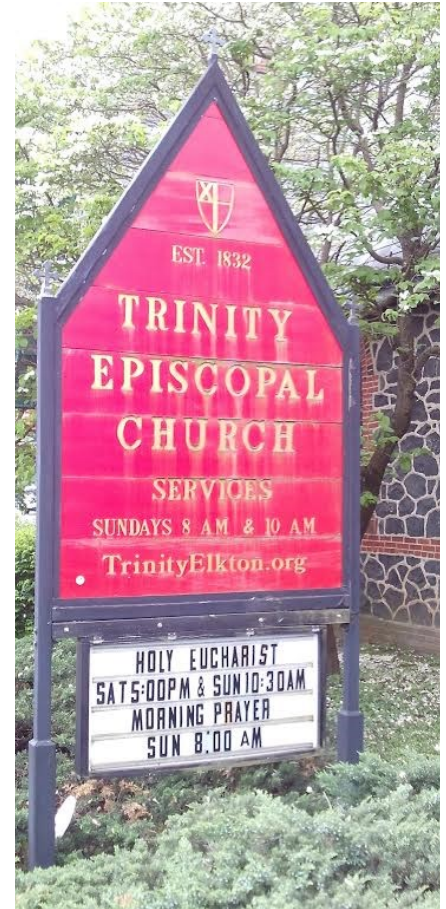
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June 2017

Tidings

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Peace be with you

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord (John 20:19-20).

Many commentators agree that these were the last words Jesus spoke on the night before his crucifixion and possibly in the same room he had the last supper. These same words he spoke on the night before his crucifixion and now after his resurrections are considered as shouts of victory and an outpouring of the blessings upon his disciples. These are words that dispels gloom and ushers in the victory over death and sin.

These same words of Jesus, we use them in our liturgies every Sunday as we gather to worship the Lord. But why are these words or greeting important? Harmon Smith, in his book, “*Where Two or Three Are Gathered: Liturgy and the Moral Life*,” says that “we are not naturally friends of God and people of peace.” Therefore these words invites us to “learn to be Lovers of God” or to be friends with God. He further says that, “A greeting, we think, ought truthfully to convey what is meant to be conveyed and not something else which is, in fact, false. “Say what you mean and mean what you say,” we say. A greeting is a promise that I am truly, in this or that way, as I present myself to you to be.”

Therefore from Pentecost, hopefully to advent, we will devote ourselves to a spiritual journey in which we will study the book of Acts with hope that we will “learn to be lovers of God” or to be friends with God because he calls us his friends.

Grace and Peace to you

Fr. Nicholas

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SENIOR WARDEN REPORT

This month brings several celebrations: June 4 – Pentecost, June 10 – Celebration of Shared Ministry, June 11 – Trinity Sunday, June 18 – Fathers’ Day, June 21 – first day of Summer. June typically brings graduations, weddings, and anniversaries. In addition to these, we may be welcoming Fr. Nicholas’s family – his wife Jane and their sons Christopher, Dennis, and Hudson. Sometimes we get in a rut of routine and the daily mundane tasks of our lives. Celebrations are a time to stop, give thanks for our blessings, and express our joy. Each weekend at Mass we celebrate God’s presence, but sometimes we get trapped in the routine of the recitation of prayers. Sometimes, we enhance the celebration of Mass with flowers, special prayers, and additional guests. While many of us enjoy our daily lives, we sometimes get overwhelmed by the tedium. It is fun to get away for a special event, like dinner at a favorite restaurant, a vacation, or other celebration. These events can be a time of

reconnection with friends and family. Special events help us feel revived and restored. As I have said so many times, so many people make Trinity Magic, but they often go without recognition or celebration. Thank you to every person who has contributed to making things happen at Trinity! I cannot list every one, but here are a few examples from May:

Rodney Long – for organizing the Organists’ Showcase, for sharing your time and talent each week, and for your guidance and patience with the choir over the course of the singing season.

Bob Wallace – for sharing your time and talent with Trinity every Saturday.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew – for hosting the Mothers’ Day breakfast.

Women of Trinity – for hosting the Organists’ Showcase reception.

Looking forward to celebrating with you!

~ Heidi

DIOCESAN NEWS

For the Bishop’s blog, news, and activities in the Diocese, please check <http://dioceseofeaston.org>

Hillsboro Retreat Center The ministry of the Retreat House in Hillsboro is focused on holding prayerful and quiet space for anyone who seeks time apart from the busy-ness of life. Come enjoy the quiet church, walk the Labyrinth and the peaceful grounds, or sit and be in comfortable indoor spaces.

For more information contact the Retreat House at (410) 364-7042 or check the website <http://retreathousehillsboro.org/>

Upcoming Events

Mondays: Meditation Class 5:45pm-6:15pm

Thursdays: Yoga 7:00pm

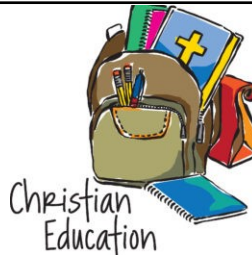
6/13: Movie/Discussion Series on Reconciliation

Safeguarding God’s Children: A new diocesan policy will go into effect Sept. 1. All church personnel, including all paid personnel, vestry members, Eucharistic ministers, and those working in ministries involving children, must be trained in Safeguarding God’s Children. A training session open to the northern convocation will be offered Aug. 12, 9am -12pm, at St. MaryAnn’s. Trinity will offer a training session for our parishioners and that date will be announced soon. Safeguarding God’s Children is a nationally recognized program for the prevention of child sexual abuse in the church and in the home. It was developed by Church Pension Group and Praesidium Religious Services. The program provides participants with the information they need to protect the children they know and care for in their personal lives and in the ministries in which they serve. The program is based on the philosophy that if every adult can protect just one child, they will forever change one life. If we can all change one life, together we will make a difference in this generation of children.

Sunday School for Children

(age 4 through 6th Grade)

We are excited to announce a plan for Children's Sunday School. It is flexible so that we will always have something to offer when we have families with children. If there are children attending the service, the ushers will signal Fr. Nicholas by moving little chairs from behind the choir stalls to center. After the Gospel, the children will be invited to move to the little seats and Fr. Nicholas will provide a brief sermonette for the children. They will then be dismissed for an activity in the Parish House (Sunday School room). (We will soon have laptops to be able to access an on-line, age-appropriate curriculum.) The acolyte will retrieve the children during the Prayers of the People and lead the youth back to Mass where they will help during the Presentation of the Gifts.



Coffee & Conversation- Sundays, June 11, June 18, and June 25 in the Parish House from 9:15 to 10:15 am. Acts of the Apostles: Paul's Three Missionary Journeys'.

Bible Study & Mid-Week Eucharist— Our last Bible Study is this Wednesday 6/7 at 9:00 am in the Parish House. We will then resume back in September.

Ministry Schedule

If you would like to be on the ministry schedule you can select which dates you would like to service, and you do not have a gmail account to access, please contact Heidi or Carol and they will gladly enter you in the schedule.

Celebration of Shared Ministry Mass

In honor of the success of this shared ministry and to promote a sense of community, St. Stephen's and Trinity parishioners will gather **Saturday, June 10 at 5:00 pm**, at Trinity Church for Worship. It will be similar to our usual Saturday contemporary service and will have participants from both congregations. Please plan to stay after our service for a potluck supper in the Parish House. Ham will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

George Miller Sr. is in White Chapel Assistant Living
200 E Village Rd, Newark, DE 19713

Your Prayers are asked for:

Michael
Randy
Jacob Asroff
Dustin Bartow
Hamid Basil
Bob Boulden
Pam Boulden
Robert Burchett
Goldie Cook
Jesse Cugini
Donna H. Dellinger
Deborah Edwards
Shawnda Fenson
Alan Fenson
Judy Fisher
Eve Glantz
Margaret Graham
Eric Hearn
Joe Heimberger
Bill Jackson
Libby Keefer
Kathy Koslak
Elizabeth Lane
Margaret Long
Victoria Marsh
Kate Miles
George Miller
Jean Mulford
Susan Orr
Richard Palmer
Lawrence Parker
Rose Perrone
Christopher Porteus
Janice Potts
Linda Rawlings
Jane Sichangi
Geri Simons
Carroll Smith
Betsy Spina
Marlene Thompson

LET US KNOW YOUR
BIRTHDAY &
ANNIVERSARY

Our new Sunshine
Committee Team at Trinity
Church would like to
acknowledge everyone's
birthday & wedding
anniversary.

Please give us your name
and the month and day of
these special occasions and
drop it in the offering plate,
call the office or
send us an email.
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HAPPY HAPPY HAPPY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 6/3 Lindsey (Koenings) Ray
- 6/6 Jane B. Ayers
- 6/9 Adelaide Wood
- 6/10 Virginia (Ginny) Collins
- 6/20 Heidi White
- 6/27 Elizabeth Rossi
- 6/30 Matt Koenings



HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 6/13 Matt & Beth Koenings
- 6/28 Heidi & Sandy White

A BIG THANK YOU

to the Brotherhood
of St. Andrew
for the delicious
Mother's Day
Breakfast.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN OUR TRINITY SOCIAL

On Thursday, June 15 from 11:00 to 2:00 pm in the
Parish House. We will have games to play, or you can bring
your own, and bring a friend. Bring a lunch and \$5.00 for our
outreach programs. We will have drinks and desserts!
Perhaps you have a hobby you could share, a story you can
tell, an art piece to color, we are open to suggestions. Please
help us make this a community fun and gathering time!
It will be held the third Wednesday of every month.

MANY THANKS to all who helped with the set up and clean up and refreshments
for the reception following the organ recital last Sunday.~ Thank you, Rodney Long

UNITED THANK OFFERING YOU CAN STILL MAKE A DONATION

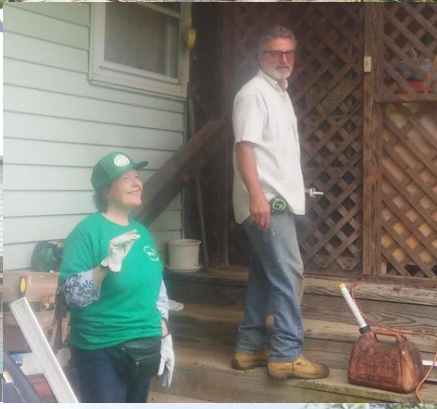
Please make checks payable to
United Thank Offering and
send to Trinity Church
105 North Bridge Street
Elkton, MD 21921

ORGANIST'S SHOWCASE II Thank you to
Rodney Long for organizing and presenting such a
wonderful concert on May 21. The four performers who
graciously donated their time and talent were: Troy
Lawson, Rodney Long, Brent Pertusio, and Robert
Wallace. One of the performers expressed how thankful
he was to have an opportunity to perform organ works
outside of a Mass. A special thank you to the Women of
Trinity and their helpers who presented and donated a
delicious reception! The purpose of this concert was two-
fold - to promote awareness of Trinity by offering a
community event and to raise some funds. There were
50 people in attendance who raised over \$250 for
Trinity. We look forward to presenting more concerts in
the future. We hope you will help spread the word.



Christmas
in
April
2017





ANNUAL YARD SALE

This is the only yard sale
we will have this year!!

Saturday, June 17, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Event will take place Rain or Shine!

Lunch will be sold!

You must provide your own tables



\$10.00
Space

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Make checks payable to **Women of Trinity**, mail form with payment to
Trinity Episcopal Church, 105 N Bridge Street, Elkton, MD 21921.

Return your form early so you can reserve your space.

Please return to the church office

by June 7, 2017

Please sign up to help in setting up, cleaning up, manning the bake/hot dog table or several other jobs that need to be done to have a successful day.

* Tell your friends, neighbors and co-workers about our yard sale and invite them to come.

* Donate any tools or hardware for the Brotherhood table. Drop them off at the Parish House.

* Pray for warm temperatures and blue skies on sale day.

* If you would like to rent a space in the sale, \$10.00 each and provide your own table.

* Please help with the bake sale and donate cookies, brownies, cupcakes, cakes.

* Drop baked goods off on Friday, June 16 or Saturday morning.

For more information on donating items, reserving a table, or helping out that day please contact Carol at [410-398-5350](tel:410-398-5350) or trinityelkton@gmail.com

How Are We Doing?

Sunday worship

For the month of May, 2017 we averaged 40 communicants for the 10:30 service.

Fellowship through First Friday Dinners

We had 10 people at our First Friday in May. Our next First Friday Fare will be on July 7, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm in our Parish House.

Outreach via the Food Pantry

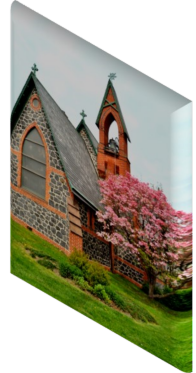
For the month of May, 2017 our Food Pantry served 18 families.

Worship Schedule

Saturday Evening Service: 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist with music

Sunday Morning Prayer: 8:00 a m

Sunday Morning Service: 10:30 am Holy Eucharist with music & choir



*Look for our Facebook page: Trinity Episcopal Church
New Instagram page: trinityelkton*



Those who want to join the Daughters of the King, please contact Louise McLean at 443-485-6920.

If you have news or info for the June newsletter, please provide the information to Carol before June 23, 2017



Every second Sunday of the month the loose offering will be given to Father Nicholas's discretionary fund.

This Sunday, June 11

July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10.

June 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 <i>1st Friday Fare</i> <i>5:00 pm to 6:30 pm</i>	3 <i>Holy Eucharist 5:00 pm</i> <i>Pizza @ Seasons</i>
4 PENTECOST <i>wear red</i> <i>Morning Prayer 8 am</i> <i>Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</i>	5	6 <i>Food Pantry</i> <i>NA Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	7 <i>6:30 pm</i> <i>AA Meeting</i>	8	9	10 <i>Shared Ministry Celebration</i> <i>Holy Eucharist 5:00 pm</i> <i>Pot Luck Dinner</i>
11 <i>Morning Prayer 8 am</i> <i>C & C & Adult Ed. 9:15- 10:15 am</i> <i>Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</i>	12 <i>Vestry Meeting</i> <i>7:00 pm</i>	13 <i>Food Pantry</i> <i>NA Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	14 <i>6:30 pm</i> <i>AA Meeting</i>	15	16	17 Yard Sale <i>Holy Eucharist 5:00 pm</i> <i>Pizza @ Seasons</i>
18 <i>Morning Prayer 8 am</i> <i>C & C & Adult Ed. 9:15- 10:15 am</i> <i>Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</i>	19	20 <i>Food Pantry</i> <i>NA Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	21 <i>6:30 pm</i> <i>AA Meeting</i>	22	23	24 <i>Holy Eucharist 5:00 pm</i> <i>Pizza @ Seasons</i>
25 <i>Morning Prayer 8 am</i> <i>C & C & Adult Ed. 9:15- 10:15 am</i> <i>Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</i>	26	27 <i>Food Pantry</i> <i>NA Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	28 <i>6:30 pm</i> <i>AA Meeting</i>	29	30	