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*April* 2013

As Dietrich Bonhoeffer once said, "Morning does not belong to the individual, it belongs to the Church of the triune God, to the Christian family." As a Trinity family, we gathered together on Easter morning to celebrate the joy of the risen Lord. I remember saying, "I wished that life together was like that each Sunday." I also reflected sorrowfully on those whose infirmities would not allow them to be present. But my heart was filled with joy seeing families sitting together, listening to all our choirs praising God with bells and trumpet, listening to the Word of God and the breaking of the bread together. And finally our dear little ones running all around the church compound and coming back with Easter eggs shouting, joyfully each time they found a golden one. They settled down and began opening their treasured eggs hopefully, to find out what was inside.

Easter gives us an opportunity to see what is inside each one of us. Together, as a church family we have faced adversity. We have experienced poor health, unemployment, and the pain of missing loved ones. The trials that each one of us faces, affects us all.

Then what comfort does Easter bring us? For some of us, Easter is a time of longing, longing for the past. For some of us it was the first Easter we sat in our pews without our loved ones. But we must remember that through Christ's death and resurrection, he has given us a new birth and a new vision. We must accept His gift and move on with His assurance that death is not an end. Evil can not overcome us, because in Christ we are more than conquerors (Romans 8:37).

The passage from Lent into Easter gives us hope and comfort. Inside our hearts, He will reveal a new earth and pathway to heaven where death will have no power over our lives.

Alleluia alleluia, let us joyfully proclaim the good news of our risen Lord.

~The Rev. Dr. Nicholas N. Sichangi Interim rector



Your Prayers are asked for:
Jan Ackerman
Jacob Asroff
Dustin Bartow
Angelo Brusnahan
Sherri Calladine
Helen Cornacchia
Charles Cox
Jesse Cugini

Rusann Foster Matthew Gaffney

Margaret Graham

Joe Heimberger

Mary Katharine Hitchcock

Madison Hoehn

Dorita Jermyn

Walter Jermyn

Libby Keefer

Holli Krebs

Louis Marion

Richard Palmer

Rose Perrone

Vaughn Potts

Linda Rawlings

Mark Reeves

David Russ

Robert Schick

Carroll Smith

Tricia Smith

Russell Stobaugh

**Bunny Sturgill-Martin** 

Brian Tozer

Jill Truitt

Lisa Wiegand

MEALS MINISTRY OF TRINITY is a program to provide meals to those in our church family who need help in providing food for themselves and/or their families for a limited period of time. This includes after surgery or hospitalization, during times of crisis, etc. Please call if you or someone you know has a need. If you would like to be part of this new and wonderful ministry please contact us to put your name on the list of providers. This is a win-win ministry Join us! 410-398-5350 or email-trinityelkton@verizon.net

### Food Pantry Volunteers needed.

The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to help with the distribution of food. The pantry is open on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:30. We always have two people staffing the pantry. This is not a difficult job but one that is extremely important in our efforts to reach out to those in the community who are in need. If you think that you might be interested in helping, please contact Ben or Goldie Cook at 410-620-0040.

refreshments (cookies, donuts, juice). We supply the coffee, cream and sugar) after the 10:00 a.m. service. Coffee hour is a critical ministry, not only for the fellowship of our regular members but also for the meeting and greeting of newcomers. PLEASE, if you can take even one Sunday a year, it would help a lot! *Sign-up sheet* is in the Parish House or call the office to be put on the schedule (410-398-5350).

**AIR CONDITIONER FOR OUR PARISH HOUSE:** Women of Trinity's Goal is to Air Condition the Parish House. Our First Friday Fare is our only source of money. *WE NEED YOUR HELP.* Please donated to this worthy cause in the "Little House" that is located in the back of the Church.

#### Upcoming events in April

1st Friday Fare

Friday, April 5th 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the Parish House.

\$5.00 per person

Work Day

Saturday, April 6th 8:00 am

Come join us as we work to make Trinity look GOOD!

Adult Christian Education

Sunday, April 14 at 11:15 am in the Parish House

Christmas in April

Saturday, April 27th

#### Upcoming events in May

1st Friday Fare

Friday, May 3rd 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm Parish House

\$5.00 per person

Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 12th at 8:45 am Parish House

As we move into spring, warmer weather and the end of my diaconal year, I want to highlight a few things that have happened or will happen in and among the 5 Cecil County Episcopal parishes.

Once again, on April 27, the last Saturday of April, Trinity Elkton will be sponsoring a *Christmas in April* project. Since 2000, the parish has come together to participate in this valuable and worthy project that provides funding and work crews to help qualified low income, elderly and disabled homeowners get needed repairs done to their homes.

According to the information on their website, *Christmas in April* is an annual one-day blitz that was begun in Texas in 1973 by Bobby Trimble who noticed some of the people in the area needed help to keep up with the repairs on their homes. He organized volunteer workers to do the repairs. From those early beginnings, *Christmas in April* has grown to a national event. Cecil County joined the project in 1997 and has completed more than 212 projects since then including 28 last year.

Every year, *Christmas in April Cecil County* receives applications from people who need assistance in maintaining their homes. The Selection Committee visits each proposed site and determines whether the project meets the criteria to be accepted. Local volunteer groups then sign up to work on a particular project either alone or working with other organizations.

This year, Trinity has volunteered to work on a home in Elkton. Hans Nafzinger, junior warden, wrote, "the work will include adding additional joists and new decking to the rear porch, replacing gable vents and cleaning the siding, replacing the front porch rails and improving a walkway. In addition, workers will provide lunch and run errands as needed. We intend to complete the work within a single day, requiring about twenty workers of both skilled trade and laborers." Hans has invited the other Episcopal parishes in Cecil County to join with Trinity and St. Mark's on April 27. Please leave a message for him at the office at Trinity Elkton 410-398-5350 if you are interested in helping.

On May 3 and 4, St. Mary Anne's will host their annual Spring Garden Market. This is a wonderful event with vendors from all over selling fresh fruits and vegetables, bedding plants, bushes, hanging baskets and almost anything else you might need for your garden. In addition, visitors can buy delicious baked goods to support the Outreach Ministry at the parish, buy fair trade items from the Missions table, bid on gift cards and collectibles at the silent auction table, enjoy food prepared by local restaurants or just get a hot dog and soda from the ECW table.

Just a week ago, on Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil was celebrated at St. Mary Anne's North East with both lay and clergy participation from the other parishes. Beginning near the riverbank in the churchyard, about 75 people joined together to hear the story of God's saving deeds in history from Genesis, Exodus, Ezekiel, Daniel and Zephaniah read by members of each of the parishes present. Then, in the darkness, the new fire of Easter was kindled, the Paschal candle was lit and we processed into the church to celebrate the Eucharist with music, lights and bells ringing! What a wonderful way to celebrate the risen Lord before heading home to our own parishes for Easter morning services! Many thanks to all who participated.

On Saturday, June 8 at 11 AM at Trinity Elkton, Bishop James J. "Bud" Shand will ordain me to the Sacred Order of Priests. I would love to have everyone join me and my family on this very special day. All are welcome but please RSVP to Carol at Trinity, 410-398-5350.

With my prayers for you and my thanks for your support.

~Darcy

### 8:00 a.m. service

### Ministry Schedule April

10:00 a.m. service

April 7

**CBR- Mary Helen Atwood** 

P of P- Gordon Tozer

Usher-Sam Smith and Paul Arbour Jr.

April 14

**CBR** -Gordon Tozer

P of P- Mary Helen Atwood

Usher-Gayle Mayo and Mitzie Snyder

April 21

CBR- Mary Helen Atwood

P of P- Gordon Tozer

Usher - Sam Smith and Frank D. Brown Jr.

April 28

**CBR** -Gordon Tozer

P of P- Mitzie Snyder

Ushers- Gayle Mayo and Paul Arbour Jr.

#### Nursery

4-7 Tammy Cox

4-14 Judy Caffey

4-21 Robanne Palmer

4-28 Tammy Cox

April 7

Acolytes- J.P. Fossler, Jack Fossler

Lector-Susan Burkholder

CBR- Ross Lee, Orville Potts

P of P- Judy Caffey

Usher- Eugene Caffey

Greeter- David Calladine

April 14

Acolytes- Aaron Derby, Marina White

Lector-Ross Lee

CBR- Allen Clay, Margaret Russ

P of P- Debbie McKeown

Ushers- Wendy Gilbert, Richard Gilbert

Greeter- Kathy Davidson

April 21

Acolytes- J.P. Fossler, Jack Fossler

Lector- Matthew Cugini

CBR-Debbie McKeown, Heidi White

P of P- Orville Potts

Ushers- Diane & Dwight Hair

Greeter-Libby Keefer

April 28

Acolytes- Hunter Taylor, Carri Birdsall

Lector- Bill Gorak

CBR-Kathy Davidson, Allen Clay

P of P-

Ushers- Rick Burkholder ,Susan Burkholder

**Greeter- David Calladine** 

## 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 Sunday service, please complete this form and return it to the church office by May 13.

Enclosed	is a checl	k/cash in	the a	amount (	of \$	for F	Pentecost f	lowers.

□ in memory of	
□ a thank offering for	
Name: ————	
Phone:	

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## Monthly Planner

	1	Food Pantry 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Holy Eucharist & Bible Study 9:00AM	4	First Friday Fare 5:00 to 6:30PM Parish House	6 Work Day 8:00 AM Parish House
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