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The  
Season  
of  
Lent



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The just concluded Diocesan Convention and sesquicentennial celebration was the most unique one ever celebrated on the Eastern shores of Maryland. The workshops facilitated by Rev. Canon Stephanie Speller, Jerusalem Greer, and Rev. Jay Sidebotham were very transformative and inspiring. For many, this was a golden opportunity to hear the presiding bishop teach and preach about the most emphasized movement, “The Jesus Movement, or The Way of Jesus.” The movement is defined as “the ongoing community of people who center their lives on Jesus and who follow him into a loving, liberating, and life -giving relationship with God, each other, and creation.”

Those who center their lives on Jesus and follow him have a dream because God had a dream say his grace. God’s dream is “Love.” Because God’s dream is Love, the dream has been spread in all creation and hence this has become the mission of the Church. Love is liberating and life giving. Without love we are like ringing gongs.... (1 Corinthians 13:2).

In his sermon Bishop Curry said, “As has never been before, we need folks who are to be witnesses of the way of Jesus of Nazareth, witnesses of the way of love, and witness of a kind of Christianity that looks something like Jesus.” (Acts 1:8) Without love we will have hatred. Hatred and love are two opposite poles.

To be witnesses of God’s Love, we have to focus on the work of renewal. In his ten year project, our diocesan bishop has come up with a conversation document in which he has a vision for our diocese. In order to continue being instruments of God’s dream we have to embark on the spiritual journey that focuses on the “goodness and loving kindness of God. This spiritual journey invites us to a desire for interior spiritual growth that seeks to deepen our intimate relationship with Jesus Christ”, said Bishop San.

Let us therefore begin this journey of seeking God’s dream, purpose, and plan for our lives by committing ourselves to a discipline of meditation and prayer in this Lenten Season.

May God’s redeeming grace be upon you.

*Father Nicholas*

### *Senior Warden's Message*

Even though it feels as though we're still in the middle of winter, the calendar tells us that spring is not far off. I think we'll all welcome the renewal that spring brings to us.

Helping that along for me was attending the 150th Celebration at the Diocesan Convention. Hearing the Presiding Bishop speak about "witnessing" was both inspirational and a call to action. Bishop Curry's words rang true and gave me pause to think about where we are in terms of bringing growth to Trinity. I would like to hear from you as members of this Parish on ways to get our mission out to people in the community.

One of the ways that we can reach people is through events where we invite the community to join us for a fundraiser meal or other fellowship opportunities. We are in need of parishioners who would be willing to brainstorm and come up with ideas for fundraising and for getting people in the doors so that we can Invite, Welcome and Connect with them. Please consider this important ministry and let me know if you're willing to help in any way.

My hope is that we'll be able to show Bishop Curry's sermon to everyone at some point. It's certainly inspirational and entertaining at the same time. Look for that happening!

Have a wonderful end of winter and beginning of spring.

Blessings,  
Gayle

*Sunday, March 10- M. P 8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service*

*Tuesday, March 12- Food Pantry 10:00 am– 11:30 am*

*NA Meeting 7:30 pm*

*Wednesday, March 13 -AA Meeting 6:30 pm*

*Saturday, March 16- Daughters of the King 10:00 am*

*Sunday, March 17- M. P 8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service*

*Tuesday, March 19- Food Pantry 10:00 am– 11:30 am*

*NA Meeting 7:30 pm*

*Wednesday, March 20-AA Meeting 6:30 pm*

*Thursday, March 21-Trinity Fun Day 11:30 to 2:30 pm*

*Saturday, March 23– Daughters of the King 10:00 am*

*Sunday, March 24- M. P 8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service*

*Monday, March 25-Women of Trinity meeting, 11:30 am*

*Tuesday, March 26- Food Pantry 10:00 am– 11:30 am*

*NA Meeting 7:30 pm*

*Wednesday, March 27-AA Meeting 6:30 pm*

*Saturday, March 30– Daughters of the King 10:00 am*

*Sunday, March 31-M. P 8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service*

## *Happy Birthday*

*3 Hans Nafzinger*

*7 Judy Caffey*

*9 Aaron Derby*

*16 Andy Lee*

*16 Janice Potts*

*25 Louise McLean*

*27 Vickie Koslak*

*29 Rodney Long*





## Episcopal Relief & Development

Healing a hurting world

1st Sunday in Lent, March 10, we will have a special

collection taken to benefit the work of Episcopal Relief and Development. Please place cash, or a check made out to ERD, in the ERD Sunday collection envelopes. As ERD reminds us, help the impoverished - Pray, Learn, Give, and Act. Thanks in advance for your prayers and generous giving.

### Women of Trinity Fun Thursday

March 21, 2019 from 11:30 am- 2:30 pm  
Soup, Sweets & Drinks \$5.00. Join us for lunch, stay for a fun day of cards, games & fellowship!



### Lenten Program

Our Lenten Program this

season is "Getting Started on The Way of Love - A Quiet Day Curriculum." The program was developed by the communication group of The Episcopal Church and endorsed by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. His comments can be viewed on the website

[www.episcopalchurch.org/wavoflove](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/wavoflove)

The program begins on Wednesday, March 20, at noon - 2 PM in the Parish Hall. It will continue for each Wednesday, on March 27, April 3, and conclude on April 10 at same time mentioned above.

A simple pot luck lunch consisting of vegetarian soup, bread, and a beverage will be offered at the start of each Wednesday meeting. Each participant is asked to bring a can of vegetarian soup which will be combined in a single pot, heated, and served to the group at noon.

A sign up sheet for this program has been placed in the Parish Hall on the Vestry bulletin board. Please sign this sheet if you are interested in participating in this program.

~Bill Smith

### Vigil Candle Sponsorship

You can sponsor the Vigil candle for a week for a donation of \$10.00. This sponsorship is to the Glory of God, and can be in memory of, or in thanksgiving for people or events in your life. Simply fill out the form in the pews and drop it in the plate or mail it to the church office, along with your donation of \$10.00.



The Altar Guild would like to thank the Caffey family for their generous memorial donation. The

funds have been used for the cleaning and lacquering of the altar candlesticks, the missal stand, the processional cross, and the brass vases. They look beautiful!



On April 5th Trinity is scheduled to serve lunch for the Community Kitchen. I will be needing several pots of vegetable soup and sandwiches. Dessert will

be donated by the help center. I will put up a signup sheet for food and helpers.

Thank you all.

~Mary Helen



Spring Ingathering will be on

Sunday, March 24



# Shrove Tuesday



## *Holy Week Services*

### *Palm Sunday, April 14*

*Bishop Santosh Marray visits  
10:30 am-Holy Eucharist with  
Liturgy of the Palms.*

### *Maundy Thursday, April 18*

*7:00 pm – Special Liturgy &  
Eucharist with organ*

### *Good Friday, April 19*

*Noon-Community Crosswalk  
7:00 pm- Liturgy for Good Friday*

### *Easter Sunday, April 21*

*10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with music*

**Prayers are  
asked for**

Elizabeth  
Hamid Basil  
Bob Boulden  
Pam Boulden  
Susan Burkholder  
Marion Conner  
Goldie Cook  
Tim Coudon  
Ronnie Davis  
Alan Fenson  
Shawnda Fenson  
George Gibson  
Bill Gilbert  
Ruth Gilbert  
Dan Graham  
Margaret Graham  
Bill Jackson  
Kathy Koslak  
Regina Lane  
Margaret Long  
Victoria Marsh  
John McLean  
Mary Morrison  
Rose Perrone  
Christopher Porteus  
Janice Potts  
Jane Sichangi  
Betsy Spina  
Lara Tozer

Those who have  
passed  
Jesse Cugini  
George Miller



## ***Trinity Archives***

At our Annual Meeting in January, Larry Parker discussed his review of Trinity's historical documents. During the meeting there appeared to be a lot of interest by those in attendance to see the pictures and documents.

Larry Parker, Bill Smith, Sharon Arbour, Susan Burkholder and myself have had several meetings as an Ad Hoc Archive Committee. Sharon Arbour is an experienced Archivist.

The past several weeks Sharon and Susan have been working for hours upon hours, going through all of Trinity's historical records. They are categorizing all the records, and sending copies to the Maryland State Archives, and the Diocese of Easton. Sharon is also in the process of setting up all the historical documents so that they will be preserved for posterity. As this is being done, the committee will discuss ways to copy, catalogue, and have all the documents and pictures available for Trinity's Congregation along with the Cecil County Historical Society.

Below is one of the many pictures found in these documents. More to come!!

*~ Dick Lemen*

