

Apostles Striving to Follow the Life and Teachings of Jesus Christ

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Sunday, December 2 First Sunday of Advent

TWO Giving Trees; Trinity Academy Holiday Store Donations

Accepted in Goodwin Hall Following Both Services

- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist – Church
- 9:00 A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist – Church
- 11:30 A.M. Christian Formation for All Ages
- 11:30 A.M. Acolyte Leader Meeting – Conference Room
- 11:30 A.M. Coffee Hour Conversations – Library
- 6:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal for Compline, Includes Dinner
- 6:00 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous – Huntington Hall
- 8:00 P.M. Advent Compline – Church (Use Sigourney St. Entrance)

Monday, December 3

- 10:30 A.M. Trinity Academy Morning Meeting – Library

Tuesday, December 4

- 2:00 P.M. “Women Together” Meeting – Offsite (St. John’s EC)
- 5:30 P.M. Choir School Novice Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 6:00 P.M. Choir School Chorister Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 6:45 P.M. Choral Evensong – Church

Wednesday, December 5

- 11:00 A.M. Hughes Health & Rehab Eucharist – Offsite
- 7:30 P.M. Alcoholics Anonymous – Huntington Hall

Thursday, December 6

- 11:00 A.M. Al-Anon – Outreach Meeting Room
- 12:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist – Chapel
- 2:00 P.M. Staff Meeting – Rector’s Office
- 6:00 P.M. Choir School Chorister Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 7:00 P.M. Trinity Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 8:00 P.M. Alcoholics Anonymous – Huntington Hall

Friday, December 7

- 2:00 P.M. Caleb Hitchcock Health Center Eucharist – Offsite
- 5:00 P.M. St. Lucia Festival w/ Choir School – (See separate article)
- 7:00 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous – Huntington Hall
- 8:00 P.M. St. Lucia Festival w/ Choir School – (Repeat Performance)

Saturday, December 8

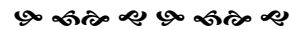
- 8:30 A.M. Deacon Bonnie’s “Boot Party” – (See separate article)
- 9:00 A.M. Sanctuary Stitchers – Library
- 9:30 A.M. Women’s Quiet Day – St. James EC (West Hartford)
- 10:00 A.M. Alcoholics Anonymous – Huntington Hall
- 7:30 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous Group – Huntington Hall

Sunday, December 9 Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist – Church
- 9:00 A.M. Brotherhood of St. Andrew Meeting – Library
- 9:00 A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist – Church
- 11:30 A.M. Christian Formation for All Ages
- 6:00 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous – Huntington Hall
- 7:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal for Compline
- 8:00 P.M. Advent Compline – Church (Use Sigourney St. Entrance)

Today’s Schedule of Christian Formation Programs

CHILDCARE for children under age 3 is offered
childcare in the nursery (Tower Room, rear of Church)
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.



CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

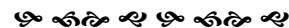
Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Godly Play (Ages 3 years – Grade 3)
– Classroom 3, 2nd floor

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Arts & Crafts (Ages 3 years – Grade 3)
– Classroom 2, 2nd floor

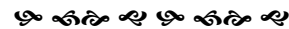
Sunday School (Grades 4 & 5)
– Classroom 4, 2nd floor



JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD SESSIONS

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Rite-13 (Grades 6 & 7) – Youth Room, 2nd fl.
J2A (Grades 8 & 9) – Classroom 5, 2nd floor



COFFEE HOUR CONVERSATIONS

Following the 10:00 a.m. Service

TODAY: “Trinity Academy Update”

Glenn Winfree (Interim Head of School) and **Jen Scanzano** (Assistant Head of School) were scheduled to be our featured speakers. Glenn has been called out of state unexpectedly, and so this presentation has been rescheduled. In its stead, we will enjoy conversation in the library under the rubric of “Getting to Know One Another,” led by Mark MacGougan.

Compline In Advent Tonight – 8 PM

Compline is a simple office, which includes a confession of sins, one or more psalms, a short reading from Scripture, versicles and responses, the Lord’s Prayer, Collects which ask for God’s protection during the night to come, and the canticle “Nunc Dimittis.” A hymn for the evening follows the short passage from Scripture.

Compline will be sung in the church at **8:00 p.m. all four Sundays of Advent (December 2, 9, 16, and 23)**. Please join us for this prayerful and reflective devotion. All are welcome. **Please enter through the Sigourney Street doors, which will be opened at 7:50 p.m.**

LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Art & Jolanda Sribanpot; Kathy Steinwedell; Jennifer Stephens & Zech Stephens-Walker; and our Covenant to Care ministry. In our Diocesan Cycle we pray for Christ Church, Ansonia and St. Paul's, Bantam. We pray for Postulants and candidates for Holy Orders; and the Commission on Ministry and its members. In the Anglican Cycle, we pray for The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.

We pray for Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry; Peg Andrian; Georges Annan-Kingsley; Mavis Bennett; Justice Black; Dianne Bowens-Waller; Walton Brown Foster and family; Edie Brunelle; Ginny Catanzaro; Gloria Cheyney and family; Sandi Cone; Margaret Daniel; Robin D'Oyen; John Doyle; Lori Eckhardt; Althea Francis; Nigel Francis; Kristin Garcia-Williams; Tori Henry; Clyde and JoEllen Jansing; Louise Krippenstapel; Dwight Lee; Carlene Lewis; Fred Margeson; Owen Margeson; Antoinette McCrary; Judy Miller; Margaret Moore; Valentina Moore; Boo Morton; Al Pereira; Jim and Mary Register; Jon Reik; John E. Robinson; Carolyn Rogers; Ruth Rose; Jo-Ann Sadosky; Al Shuckra; Frances Sloan; Hellen Strassner; Lindsey Tengtanga; Joe Troiano; Alice Turcotte; Peter Vreeland; Marshall Weaver; Chris Weber; Trudi White-Campbell; Amy Williams; Deborah Williams; Shakeem Williams; Pam Williams; Xavion Williams; those affected by mental and physical ailments, violence, natural disasters, and immigration and refugee policies, and their families; Bassam Al Bunni (grandson of Huda Gabri); Donald L. BNowens, Tanie Smith (Dianne Bowens-Waller); Richard Green (brother of Peter Green); Diane Bodine (Al Shuckra); Johnny, Lena Lee and family (Kitty Peterson); Colleen Kral (friend of Don and Debbie Hamer); Karen Newman; Don Ghostlaw (friends of Jonathan Reik); Jennifer, Dan and Shaylee Sadosky (daughter of Jo-Ann Sadosky and her daughter's family); Joseph Dellapuca (friend of Percy Williamson); Margaret Packe, Charlie Diamond (friends of Gloria Cheyney); David and James Register (son and grandson of Jim & Mary Register); Patricia Patton, John, Debi, and Ben Irby (brother sister in-law and nephew of Mary Register); Jon Larson, the Jean-Babets family, Tony Rivera, Anna Vreeland, Kenneth Vreeland, Shirley Gibson, Tanya Kopec, Doris Jean (family of Peter Vreeland); Albert, Tracy, Ramona, and Adrienne (friends of Fr. Don), and for those who mourn for loved ones.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray for the repose of the souls of Hartford's homicide victims. We pray for Paul Cooper, Grace Rajendram, Kurt Nelson, and Paul Nelson and for those who will die this week, that they may meet their Lord in faith and hope.

On the third anniversary of his death, we pray for David Scott in whose loving memory the flowers in the church are offered. We pray for ourselves and for our departed loved ones, that rejoicing with them in God's kingdom where every tear is wiped away, we may as one family sing praise forever and ever.

First Tuesday Evensong With The Choir School December 4 – 6:45 p.m.

The choristers of the Choir School of Hartford will offer a monthly choral evensong this **Tuesday, December 4, at 6:45 p.m.** Come enjoy this ancient and beautiful choral service. The service will take place in the Rear Gallery of Trinity Church. Please join us for this treasured Anglican tradition.

Choir School To Join Emmanuel Lutheran in St. Lucia Festival, Friday, December 7 – 5:00 & 8:00 P.M.

The Choir School of Hartford will join the young people of Emanuel Lutheran Church (311 Capitol Ave., Hartford) for the church's **105th St. Lucia Festival on Friday, December 7.** Saint Lucia's Day, also called the **Feast of Saint Lucia**, is a Christian feast day celebrated in Advent, commemorating Saint Lucia, a third-century martyr, who according to legend brought food and aid to Christians hiding in the catacombs using a candle-lit wreath on her head to light her way, thus leaving her hands free to carry as much food as possible.

Performances will take place at 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. Tickets are available at the door for **\$5** (\$3 for children). **In the spirit of Lucia – attendees are encouraged to bring items for the local food pantry.** Parking is available in the State of CT lot on Capitol Ave. The church is handicapped accessible.

Deacon Bonnie's "Boot Party" Saturday, December 8 – 8:30 A.M.

The Winter foot clinic, started by Deacon Bonnie several years ago, returns this **Saturday, December 8, 8:30 a.m. at Christ Church Cathedral.** The entire ECCT North Central Region now sponsors this popular ministry. The Region is hosting this year's Boot Party in collaboration with several Greater Hartford organizations. **Four hundred guests are expected** and will receive new winter boots, socks, gloves, toiletries, lunch, and snacks, AND a foot exam by medical staff. **Trinity's Outreach ministry will be providing 20 bundles of requested items.** Deacon Bonnie is seeking volunteers to serve at the Boot Party in a variety of ways. Free parking in the MAT garage is available for all volunteers. **To volunteer, contact Deacon Bonnie at bmattews228@comcast.net.**

Three Holiday Giving Opportunities

Including Two Giving Trees

(1)

“Trinity Christmas Giving Tree”

Our 2018 Giving Tree will make its debut in the Baptistry on **today, the First Sunday of Advent**. You are invited to be a part of this annual holiday project and help make this a merry Christmas for one of Hartford’s children – some from **Trinity Academy** and others whose names we receive from a **Covenant to Care Social Worker** – whose Christmas wishes will be listed on the tags hanging on the tree.

To fulfill a wish, take a tag off the tree, and follow the directions posted near the tree. **Wrapped gifts should be brought to the Baptistry with the tags attached by Sunday, December 16**, so they may be blessed and distributed in time for Christmas.

If the cost of providing a gift is more than you can afford, consider joining with another Trinity member to share costs.

Note: Your help is also needed on two Sundays, December 9 and 16 after worship services to assist in “inventorying” the gifts to insure that all gifts are received and tagged for the appropriate child. If you can help with the inventorying, please see or call Debbie Hamer (860-216-3881).

(2)

“Holy Land Giving Tree” AFEDJ (Diocese of Jerusalem)

Outreach will again provide a holiday opportunity during the Advent season with tags from our **AFEDJ (American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem) “Holy Land Giving Tree” on December 2, 9, and 16**. As last year, donations can be made to the Ahli Arab Hospital in any amount, and you will get to **choose a picture ornament to take home**. Consider making this gift in honor of or in memory of a loved one.

All donations will go to the Ahli Hospital in Gaza. Remembering our sisters and brothers of the Holy Land is so important during the Advent and Christmas season. **Checks should be made out to AFEDJ, with Ahli Hospital on the memo line.**

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Trinity Academy “Holiday Store”

Once again this year, the students of **Trinity Academy (ages 6-9, 1st - 4th grade)** will be doing their Christmas *shopping* at their own *holiday store* in the Trinity Church Library, choosing gifts for parents, grandparents, caregivers, and brothers/sisters. Our help is needed to *stock* the holiday store with **gifts for all ages**. Please note new guidelines for gifts: **Donations of new or gently used small gift items in the \$10 or under range are preferred** (games, DVDs, jewelry, scarves, *smelly stuff* etc.) Donations will be collected in Goodwin Hall after each worship service on **Sundays, Dec. 2, 9, and 16**. Empty gift boxes, gift bags, and wrapping paper are also needed.

Note: Two or three volunteers are needed to arrange and *stock* the store on Wednesday, December 19, between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. Five or six volunteers are needed to *staff* the store to help the students make their selections on Thursday, December 20, from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Come for as long as you are able on either (or both) of these days. Please email Richard Syracuse at rgs1028@gmail.com to volunteer.

Share Your Nativity Set

Continuing an annual Trinity Church tradition, we are again asking you to share one of your Nativity sets for display in the window ledges of the church during Advent and on through Christmastide. If you are interested in sharing your crèche, please contact Fr. Don or Pam Haddad in the church office (860-527-8133, or dhamer@trinityhartford.org). Please provide any information as to cultural origins, materials used to create it, and other information of interest.

“Women Together” Meetings

“Women Together” continue to focus on the stories of Jesus's birth, found in Matthew and Luke. The group will meet **Tuesdays, November 27, December 4, & 11, and January 8, from 2:00 - 3:15 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church at 679 Farmington Avenue in West Hartford.**

Women from Trinity and St. John's currently participate in Women Together, and women from any church are welcome to come and share in this time of study, reflection and fellowship.

For more information, contact Linda MacGougan (macgougans@gmail.com; 860-561-1588).

Quiet Day December 8th

The Companions of the Holy Cross invite all women of the parish to an Advent Quiet Day: "Opening Ourselves to the Gift of God's Love" to be held on Saturday, December 8th, at **St. James's Church, West Hartford from 9:30-1:30**. Charlotte LaForest, assistant to the rector, will be our leader for the morning. We follow up the meditations and reflection time with a Eucharist and optional brown bag lunch. Come join us!

Questions: Kate Smith at Kate48smith@comcast.net.

Curate Ben Wyatt To Be Ordained To The Priesthood Thursday, December 13 Here At Trinity Church

You are invited to attend the ordination of Trinity's curate, the **Reverend Ben Wyatt**, to the Sacred Order of Priests. The service of ordination will be held at Trinity Church on **Thursday, December 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m.** Ben's bishop, the Right Reverend John Bauerschmidt, will be traveling from Tennessee to ordain Ben. Retired Bishop Drew Smith will be the preacher. Don Cook is organizing the reception to follow – please contact Don at yobskreb@gmail.com if you are able to contribute something or help out. Come be a part of this very special evening in Ben's life, in the life of our parish and that of the wider Church.

Church by the Pond Set For December 15

Trinity's next opportunity to participate in this ministry is **Saturday, December 15**. This is part of Trinity's ongoing commitment to community service, and is one of the "Church Street Eats" programs coordinated by Christ Church Cathedral.

December is a special time for this ministry, as in addition to lunches, we provide holiday gift bags with hats, gloves and toiletries. Volunteers are needed both for the preparation time at Trinity, and to come to Bushnell Park to be present with our guests.

Beginning at 12:30 p.m., we will assemble gift bags in **Goodwin Hall**, while we also prepare bag lunches in the Trinity kitchen and the library. At 1:45 p.m. we will bring the lunches and gifts to Bushnell Park, where we will participate in the Eucharist by the Pond at 2:00 p.m. We will distribute our lunches and gifts following the Eucharist, and should finish by 3:15 p.m.

Please plan to come for as much of this time as you can - friends and families are welcome!

-Penny Pearson for the Outreach Ministry

2018 & 2019 Aumbry Candle Requests

The Aumbry candle which burns continuously in the Trinity Church chapel can be donated as a memorial to a loved one or as a thank offering for an anniversary, birthday, or other milestone event for a nominal donation of \$5 per week. If you would like to offer the candle as a thank offering or memorial, please contact Pam Haddad at 860-527-8133 Ext. 204 or send her an email to phaddad@trinityhartford.org.



2019 Calendars Needed

Please donate in your extra 2019 calendars of all sizes. Wall calendars, purse or pocket size: one of Helen Hart's clients will be glad to have it. Helen works with her 80 plus clients to have them record their appointments. You can help by donating your unused calendars. Bring them with you the next time you come to Trinity and place them on the name tag table in Goodwin Hall.

2018 Christmas Memorials For Trinity's Flowers/Music

If you would like to contribute to the 2018 Christmas flowers and/or music in memory of a friend or family member, please fill out the form below and send it to the parish office, or drop it in the Sunday collection plate along with your check, by **December 17**. **Checks, which may be for any amount, should be made payable to Trinity Church and earmarked "Christmas Memorials."** Names of those in whose memory contributions have been made will be listed in the Christmas bulletins.

Please print clearly.

Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____
for the Trinity Church Christmas flowers and music.

Designate my contribution for (check one):

___ Flowers; ___ Music; ___ 50/50 Flowers & Music

In memory of _____

contributed by _____

Address/Phone: _____
