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Life Together at Trinity

Extraordinary Lives

In verse 27 of Chapter 5 of the Book of Genesis, it is written that “The days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty-nine years; and he died.” That is all. We are not told what he did in all those 969 years, other than beget Lamech and some other sons and daughters who were so unremarkable that they are not even referred to by name.



This month I want to reflect on the lives of three extraordinary people who have been a part of the fabric of the Parish of Trinity Church longer than any of us can remember and sadly, about whom we can say in the words of the Book of Common Prayer, we love but see no longer.

In the last four months, we have bid farewell in this earthly life to our brother and sisters Keith Hook, Margaret “Peg” Buck and Lillian Sandford. At the time of their crossing over into eternal life their ages were, respectively, 98, 102 and 103 – 303 combined years of walking the Christian journey and, in the process, enriching our lives beyond measure. Each of them, in their distinctive ways, brought their own God-given gifts to make the world a better place and provide us with extraordinary examples of the Christian life well-lived.

Keith brought a commitment to social justice, a deep spiritual life and education with him. A decorated World War II veteran, he was a life Corporator of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, helping to create a foundation that perpetuates that organization’s mission. He was a member of the Hartford Board of Education during the tumultuous 1960s, and was one of the early organizers of what is now the Capitol Region Education Council that has created most of the magnet schools in the Hartford area. He was committed to life-long learning, pursuing graduate work in music composition even as he served as a legal counsel for The Hartford. When able to attend, he was a faithful participant in the Wednesday morning Brotherhood of St. Andrew services of Holy Eucharist and the weekly breakfast that followed – always with butter overflowing on the English muffins! Until the time of his death he served as a loyal member of Trinity’s Prayer Tree. And, faithful even in death, he left a generous bequest to Trinity in his Last Will and Testament.

Peg brought her own unique gifts to God both at the church and in the wider community. Over the years, she was active in the West Hartford Garden Club, the Monday Club, the Town and County Club, the Connecticut River Valley Chapter of the Embroiderer’s Guild of America, the Woman’s Exchange, the Salvation Army Women’s Auxiliary, and the Junior League. In 1984, she became one of the original

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Mayor Bronin To Visit Adult Forum

Adult Forum sessions for the months of April and May will be highlighted by a visit from the Mayor of Hartford, Luke Bronin, who will be our Forum speaker on April 10. The full schedule is as follows:

April 3: Religion and Politics

When is it good and when is it bad to mix religion with politics? Our own Frank Kirkpatrick will walk us through these thorny questions.

April 10: Conversation with the Mayor

Luke Bronin, recently elected mayor of Hartford, will be our guest. He will share some of his thoughts with us after a few months on the job and there will be time for questions and answers.

April 17: Town Hall Meeting

In place of an adult forum on this date, there will be a special meeting of the congregation after a single service at 9:30. *See article on Page 3.*

April 24: Earth Day Work Day

In place of an adult forum on this date, there will be a special parish activity after the 10 a.m. service. In honor of Earth Day (which is actually the Friday before, April 22). We're all invited to wear work clothes to church and spend some time after the service working outdoors to make the church's grounds healthier and more beautiful. *See article on Page 6.*

May 1: Bible Discussion with Roy McAlpine

Roy McAlpine will lead an exploration of the day's lectionary readings.

May 8: Mother's Day – No Adult Forum

May 15: Outreach Ministry Fair

In place of an Adult Forum session on this date, the Outreach Team is sponsoring a special event where congregation members will be able to interact with volunteers representing various opportunities for involvement in mission. *See article on Page 8.*

May 22: Annual Meeting - No Adult Forum

A single service at 9:30 a.m. on this day will conclude with the Annual Meeting of the Parish of Trinity Church. *See article on Page 3.*

May 29: Memorial Day weekend – No Adult Forum

Forum sessions will resume in September.

The Adult Forum meets in the Library following the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service.

CVSO To Present Next Concert on April 10

Trombonist Matthew Russo will join the Connecticut Valley Symphony Orchestra for the next concert in its 2015-2016 series, when he will be the soloist for Romantic composer Ferdinand David's *Concertino for Trombone and Orchestra, Op. 4*. The 3:00 p.m. concert on April 10, which will take place at Trinity, will also include performances of Franz von Suppé's Overture to *The Beautiful Galathea* and contemporary composer Jennifer Higdon's "Blue Cathedral," as well as Schubert's Symphony No 8 ("Unfinished"). Joseph Hodge, Music Director for the CVSO, will conduct.

Tickets will be available at the door on the afternoon of the concert for \$15.00 (\$12.00 for students and seniors). As is usual with CVSO concerts, children under 12 will be admitted free of charge. A reception will follow the performance.

Compline Series Continues in April and May

The Trinity Compline Schola will be offering sung Prayer at the Close of Day (Compline) on Sunday, April 17, and Sunday, May 15, at 8:00 p.m. The Sigourney Street doors will open at 7:50 p.m. You may choose to sit in the darkened nave or join the Schola in the candlelit chancel. Compline is a quiet, prayerful service which is mostly sung and is a perfect way to prepare for a busy week. We encourage you to come and to invite others who may wish for or need a time of peace and contemplation.



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One Service Only on April 17 and May 22 – All-Parish Meeting, Annual Meeting Set

In an effort to assure that the entire congregation remains involved in planning for our future, we hope that everyone will mark two important dates on their calendars. On both of these Sundays, there will be **ONLY ONE SERVICE**, at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 17, 9:30 a.m.

We will follow the same format that we followed on January 31. Fr. Don will preach at this single service. Immediately following the service those present will be invited to pick up some refreshments in Goodwin Hall and return to the church for a Town Hall Meeting. The gathering will be facilitated by the Rt. Rev. James E. Curry, retired Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Connecticut. At the beginning of the meeting Vestry leadership will report on recent meetings with leaders from The Episcopal Church in Connecticut. Following that, Vestry leadership will provide an update on current considerations about how to improve income and reduce expenditures in a balanced way that brings our draw on the endowment to a sustainable level. **WE HOPE THAT EVERYONE WILL BRING THEIR OWN IDEAS TO THIS MEETING.**

Sunday, May 22, 9:30 a.m.

TRINITY SUNDAY – ANNUAL MEETING

Our tradition is to hold our Annual Meeting as a part of the worship service, exemplifying the reality that our life as a worshipping community and our corporate life in the world are inextricably intertwined. Fr. Don will present his annual report to the parish. Following the Postcommunion Prayer, everyone is invited to pick up some refreshments in Goodwin Hall and immediately return to the church where we will honor those Vestry persons whose terms are coming to a close and elect a new incoming class to the Vestry. We will also receive reports from our various ministries and take up any other business set to come before the congregation.

Goodwin Legacy Circle Announced

The Goodwin Legacy Circle is the new name for what was formerly known as the Heritage Society. It's made up of the people who have included Trinity Church in their wills or estate planning. Linda and Mark MacGougan have agreed to serve as the initial co-chairs of the Goodwin Legacy Circle. There are currently about a dozen people or couples who are members. The MacGougans say this is a great start, but it should be many more.

"Everyone who pledges or gives regularly to Trinity Church should also consider making a gift to the church in their will," says Linda.

If you'd like to join the Goodwin Legacy Circle, the first step is to update your will or estate planning to include Trinity Church. You should do this with the help of an attorney. The second step is to fill out a brief Legacy Circle form. You can get a form from the church office or from the MacGougans.

As an added incentive, there will be a party in June for Goodwin Legacy Circle members. Says Mark: "We want people to leave bequests to Trinity Church because they love God and love the church – but if it helps to be invited to a party, that's OK, too!"

Linda sums up: "At Trinity, we've enjoyed the benefits of very generous gifts made to the church by former parishioners. We think it's only fair that we do our share for those who will come after us."

If you have any questions, contact the MacGougans (860-561-1588 or macgougans@gmail.com) or Father Don.

NOW YOU'VE DONE IT!!!!!!

★ Trinity parishioner **Dianne Bowens-Waller** was one of those honored at the 8th annual "Honoring Our Own" celebration held on February 11 at Hartford City Hall in honor of Black History Month. Dianne was also honored with an official citation from the State of Connecticut General Assembly congratulating her on this honor, and received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Court of Common Council.

Hospitality Hosts for April and May

Here's the schedule of hosts for the fellowship hour that follows the Sunday 10 a.m. service:

April 3

Don Cook

April 10

Toni Fatone

Benjamin & Walton Foster

April 17

(One service at 9:30 a.m.)

Louisa Cummings

Ray and Mima Esponda

April 24

Althea Francis

Steve Zhitnik & Ann Rapkin

May 1

Fred & Pam Garcia

Pam Williams

May 8 - Mother's Day

Peter & Anne Green

John Robinson

May 15 - Pentecost

Carla Griffith

Deborah Williams

May 22 - Trinity Sunday

(Annual Meeting; one service at 9:30 a.m.)

Gavin Cheyney

Lisa Koester

May 29

Emeka and Esther Igboanugo

Choir School To Perform With CitySingers

The Choir School of Hartford will join CitySingers of Hartford for "Turning the Key: Songs of Heart & Home," a program celebrating CitySingers' 30th anniversary, on Saturday, April 23, and Sunday, April 24. Choristers from St. John's Church, West Hartford, will also be singing. The performance on April 23, a benefit for Habitat for Humanity, will take place at St. John's Episcopal Church, 679 Farmington Avenue in West Hartford. The second performance will take place at the Trinity College Chapel, 300 Summit Street in Hartford; a voluntary offering will be accepted at this event. Both concerts will begin at 4:00 p.m.

"Turning the Key" will have a homecoming theme, featuring traditional and classical music, including spirituals and settings of texts that express the importance of home. Everyone is invited to come enjoy another of CitySingers' beautifully programmed concerts and the wonderful singing of the CitySingers' ensemble and the young choristers from Trinity and St. John's. CitySingers is directed by Trinity parishioner Suzanne Gates.

Looking for Vestry Notes?

We will no longer be publishing notes from recent Vestry meetings in *The Voice*. Soon, you will be able to read the minutes of each Vestry meeting online at our parish website, trinityhartford.org. The plan is to publish the minutes on the website as soon as they become available following each Vestry meeting.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

One service at 9:30 a.m. on April 17 and May 22

Evensong: May 1 at 4:00 p.m.

Compline: 3rd Sunday of the month at 8:00 p.m.

The Reverend Donald L. Hamer, Rector
The Reverend Bonnie S. Matthews, Deacon
Mr. Ebert W. Landman, Precentor
Assisting Clergy: The Rt. Rev. Andrew D. Smith,
The Rev. Dr. Frank G. Kirkpatrick, The Rev. George A. Chien,
The Rev. Dr. Dennis Winkleblack
The Reverend William J. Eakins, Rector Emeritus

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Outreach News: Scholarships Support Two Students in Tabora

Trinity Church is currently supporting two scholarship students, Emelda Janson and Grace Birusha, at St. Peter's School in Tabora, Tanzania. Bp. Elias Chakupewa of the Diocese of Tabora has recently sent word that the Vestry of our partner church, Mbugani Trinity Parish in Tabora, selected the two girls to receive these scholarship funds. Grace and Emelda will attend St. Peter's, a diocesan school which is one of the best secondary schools in the region, for four years.

Two New Ways To Support The Choir School

You are invited to participate in two new initiatives supporting The Choir School of Hartford. The first is an ongoing collection of returnable



bottles and cans. Bring in your returnables on Sunday morning; Vinnie Pacileo, our Sunday security guard, can show you where to leave them. The Choir School can then turn

them in and get the benefit of the deposit.

The Choir School is also now registered as a charity with Amazon Smile. If you choose "Friends of Trinity Choristers Inc" as your designated charity, a small portion of the cost of purchases you make through the Amazon Smile page will benefit the Choir School. To sign up, go to amazon.smile.com.

The Choir School of Hartford thanks you for the many ways you support its activities.

Cuatro Puntos and Avery Ensemble To Offer String Ensemble Workshops, Concert

Thanks to a generous grant from the Greater Hartford Arts Council, two Hartford-based ensembles, Cuatro Puntos and the Avery Ensemble, will collaborate for the second year in a row in offering a chamber music workshop for young string players on the mornings of April 2, 16 and 23 at Trinity Church. The workshop sessions will conclude with two performances on April 23, an hour-long student concert at 1:00 p.m. and a faculty concert performed by members of both ensembles at 7:30 p.m. Both the student and faculty concerts are free of charge (though free will offerings will be gratefully accepted at the door).

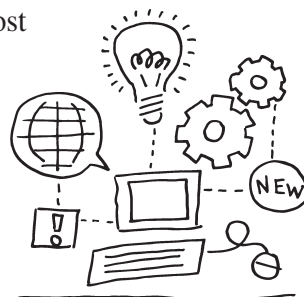
The evening faculty concert is entitled *Beyond Borders* and will showcase works that transcend the world of music itself by finding sources of inspiration in non-musical concepts. *Beyond Borders* will open with two works for string quartet, "A Muse" by Hartford's own David Macbride, and "Cosmogonia" by Mexican composer Aldo Lombera. While "A Muse" conveys the vicissitudes and changes of mood of a day in the life of the composer's young daughter, "Cosmogonia" takes its inspiration from a quote about chaos and order by Portuguese writer José Saramago, winner of the 1998 Nobel Prize in Literature. The concert will end with one of the best loved works of chamber music, Johannes Brahms' String Sextet No. 2 in G major, Op. 36, whose sweeping and intricate slow movement is believed to evoke the composer's changing feelings of unrequited love.

Reservations for the 7:30 p.m. concert are appreciated and can be made by emailing Annie Trépanier at atrepanier@gmail.com. Anyone willing to volunteer to help out with publicity, stage management, ushering, etc., can also get in touch using the same contact info. A reception will follow the performance.

For more information on the workshops and concerts, please visit www.averyensemble.org and www.cuatropuntos.org.

Dante Tavolaro Takes On Oversight of Digital Ministry

Trinity's inaugural Associate for Digital Ministry, Marie Alford-Harkey, who has served in that post since it was created several years ago, was recently promoted to the position of Executive



Director of the Religious Institute. Sadly for us, this means that Marie will no longer be able to serve as our Associate for Digital Ministry. Fortunately, our similarly talented Seminarian, Dante Tavolaro, has been happy to take on this important ministry in our parish.

We offer Marie our congratulations on her new ministry and our thanks for her faithful service and leadership in leading Trinity Church into the Digital Age. We also welcome Dante as he begins his new ministry in our common life together.

News from Trinity Academy

Students Rehearse for 101 Dalmatians; Annual Excellence Dinner Planned

With only a couple of months left of school, Trinity Academy has a lot going on! Rehearsals have started



for the Junior Broadway version of Disney's *101 Dalmatians*. The

Bushnell has generously provided a director for the show, Andre Keitt, who is already hard at work, coming in three times per week for two hours to prepare our students. The show has also just added a highly talented musical producer, Steve Mitchell, who will be coming in weekly to work with students on the musical portion of our play. We are all looking forward to a great show! The performance will take place at Trinity Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at the door or through the school (email development@trinityday.org or call 860-251-8337).

Six of our fourth grade students have been working hard on an international education program called Odyssey of the Mind. Team members apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. On April 2, these students, along with staff members and volunteers from Trinity Academy, will travel to Bristol Eastern High School to compete against students from other schools.

Knox Inc. has graciously provided two teachers to teach gardening

weekly to our students. Recently, both grades have made use of their indoor greenhouses and planted beans and peas, which they will eat once they are ready.

The 2nd Annual Trinity Academy Excellence Dinner will take place beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, at The Bond Ballroom in Hartford. This gala event will include a cocktail reception, dinner, auctions and a preview of *101 Dalmatians* preformed by Trinity Academy students. Tickets are \$125; a table for 10 is \$1,100. Tickets can be purchased from the school or through the Academy website, trinityday.org; click on the "Get Involved" tab, select "Excellence Dinner" from the dropdown list, and then click on "Tickets." Sponsorships and auction items are still needed; please contact the school office at 860-251-8337 or through the website if you can help.

Our fourth grade students will be taking entrance exams and finishing up their applications for Grace Academy and Covenant Preparatory School in the upcoming weeks.

Trinity Academy is now accepting students for fall 2016 for 2nd and 3rd grade and some spots in 4th grade. Open House for future students will take place on three Wednesday evenings, March 30, April 20, and May 18 from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer, please call the school or visit our website.

– Karen Connal, Head of School

Property Team Schedules Spring Workdays

Winter is over, spring is here, and the Trinity Church grounds need your help! The Property Team has schedule two grounds workdays in April. The first of these will take place on Sunday, April 24, following the 10:00 a.m. service. You are invited to where your gardening clothes to church, and then join fellow parishioners in sprucing up the church's plantings and gardens when the service is over. A second workday has been set for the following weekend on Saturday, April 30, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Bring your work gloves and a rake if you've got one, and come join the work crew on either or both of these spring workdays! Peter Green from the Property Team will be on hand to direct activities and show you what to do. Questions? Call Peter at 860-236-1457. Please come help; our plants really need you!

Your Parish Event Belongs In *The Voice*!

Is your parish group planning an event that Trinity's members should know about? If it's taking place this June, July or August, let everyone at Trinity know all about it by sending in an article for the next issue of *The Voice*!

The deadline for this next issue is May 13 at 5:00 p.m. for articles submitted via email to voice@trinityhartford.org. If you need to deliver your article in paper hard copy form, please turn it in to the parish office by 3:00 p.m. on May 12, when the office closes for the weekend. Let everyone at Trinity read all about it!

residents of Duncaster, where she made her home. Here at Trinity, Peg was the decades-long directress of the Trinity Altar Guild, where she was the inspiration and model for those serving in that ministry. In addition, she was an absolute magician as a seamstress, keeping all of Trinity's vestments in good repair, as well as an accomplished quilter.

While many of you reading this may not actually have known Keith and Peg, as they have not been able to attend Sunday services in recent years, Lillian Sandford has been a virtual fixture of our Sunday worshipping community up until the last several months when her health suddenly took a turn for the worse. The Dean of Trinity's Centenarians, Lillian was always ahead of her time. After attending public schools in Providence and Cranston, she graduated in 1934 from the University of Rhode Island (then Rhode Island State College), where she was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She then taught in the Cranston school system until her marriage in 1939, returning to the classroom to teach math during World War II, leaving at the end of the war when her daughter, Kathie, was born. She resumed her teaching career in 1954 at the newly opened Park View Junior High School in Cranston, where she taught until retiring in 1977 after serving for ten years as chair of the math department. She earned her Master's degree from the University of Connecticut in 1966. Following the death of her husband, Bill, she pursued new adventures with her friends at the Arbors retirement community in Manchester, attended virtually every concert and performance by family members and enjoyed other excursions. She devoted a great deal of time and energy to her role as chair of the Arbors Hospitality Committee, at the age of 100 encouraging new residents to join her in enjoying all the facility had to offer.

Keith, Peg and Lillian, while very different people, shared a number of common traits that made them the extraordinary people they are. Each of them knew that life doesn't "begin" at any chronological age but that it really begins when we enter into partnership with the living Lord, with whom we can accept the realities of a changing world and deal with them, one by one, with courage and hope. They were forward-looking people who understood that our Lord is a living God who is always leading us into new and renewed life! Each of them perceived themselves as a young person, and lived their lives that way. They also understood that deterioration of the body is not what makes a person old.

So let us celebrate the lives of these three extraordinary people who, through their length of years, remained young in mind and young at heart because they were in love with life – not just life on this earth, but the full joy of life in the spirit that Jesus meant when he said in John 10:10, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Your brother in Christ,

Don+

The Rev. Donald L. Hamer, Rector

Cystic Fibrosis Walk May 7; Bake Sale May 1

May is fast approaching, and Team Strolling for Sarah will be heading out to Wickham Park in Manchester on **May 7**. Kate and Drew Smith's granddaughter, Sarah, was born with Cystic Fibrosis; she is now 6 years old and doing well. We do our annual walk (about 2 ½ miles) to support the Great Strides program, which raises awareness of and research dollars for this genetic lung disease. Great Strides is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's largest national fundraising event; each year, 125,000 people participate in hundreds of walks across the country.

We want Sarah's future to be a brighter one, as there is no cure for CF. However, new therapies and drugs are being discovered all the time. We invite you to walk in this beautiful park with us and enjoy a picnic lunch afterwards. You'll get a free team T-shirt!

In addition, we will hold our CF Bake Sale at Trinity following the services on the Sunday before, **May 1**, in Goodwin Hall. All proceeds go to our CF team efforts, so if you can't join the walk, come and buy some goodies – there will be cakes, cookies, pies, muffins, brownies, and more. Gluten free items, too. We can always use more bakers!

All of May is CF month, so you can also support our efforts on Kate's website: <http://fightcf.cff.org/goto/KateSmith>.

Need more info? Email
Kate48smith@comcast.net or call
860-519-1591.

Kate and Drew Smith thank you!

Outreach at Trinity



Help Welcome Refugees to a Place of Safety and Caring

Trinity Episcopal Church, in coalition with other Hartford churches and non-profits, is preparing to resettle a refugee family, most likely from Syria or Central or Eastern Africa, in the Hartford area. We are being assisted by the New Haven-based Episcopal organization, Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services (IRIS). Over the next few months we hope to receive in-depth training and identify local resources to assist with our immigrant family's housing, medical, and employment needs.

Over half the population of Syria has been uprooted by a savage civil war, and over two million refugees have fled conflict in Democratic Republic of the Congo alone. These displaced and traumatized people are desperately in need of shelter, health care, employment, and an opportunity to give their children an education.

If you would like to learn more and potentially participate in Trinity's resettlement project, contact Anne Rapkin at a.rapkin@snet.net or 860-521-5992.

Ministry Fair on May 15

The Outreach Team is planning a Ministry Fair, which will take place in Goodwin Hall on May 15 after the 10:00 a.m. service. Come learn more about the various Outreach opportunities at Trinity. The Outreach Team needs your input!

Church by the Pond April 16

Trinity's next opportunity to prepare and distribute bag lunches in Bushnell Park for those in need is **Saturday, April 16**. Beginning at 12:30 p.m., we will prepare the lunches in the Trinity kitchen and Library, then bring them to the park at 1:45. Following the 2:00 p.m. Eucharist led by Father Don and Deacon Bonnie, we will distribute the lunches; we should finish by 3:15. Come for as much of this time as you can – families are welcome!

Lend a Hand to a Child in Need

Trinity's 2016 Placement Pack project begins Sunday, May 1. Each year, Trinity's members fill sturdy cloth bags to be given to children taken into emergency foster care on very short notice. We pack the bags with items these children need most: toilet articles, underwear, and a book or soft toy.

Empty bags will be available in the Baptistery beginning on the 1st, along with lists of items needed to fill them for boys and girls in various age groups. Please pick up a bag and a list for the gender and age group of your choice, purchase the listed items, pack them into the bag, then return the bag (*with the list attached*) to the Baptistery by Sunday, May 22, when the bags will be blessed before being turned over to our Covenant to Care social worker, Lakesha Ruth.

Join the May 1 Foodshare Walk Against Hunger

Trinity is organizing a team for the 33rd Annual Foodshare Walk Against Hunger to raise awareness and funds to help hungry people in Greater Hartford. Many Trinity parishioners and friends have participated in the Walk in the past, and we are looking to adding many more to our team! Information packets will be available after the services on Sunday, April 10, along with instructions for signing up as walkers or donors on the Foodshare website.

The Walk Against Hunger is the largest event of its kind in Connecticut. Proceeds benefit local families, children and seniors in need of food. Foodshare partners with 300 local programs – food pantries, community kitchens and shelters – to meet the needs of our hungry neighbors.

The Walk itself is less than two miles long, and is family friendly and lots of fun!

Here are the details:

Date: Sunday, May 1

Time: 12:30 p.m. check-in; walk begins at 2:00 p.m.

Place: The Hartford's *Liam E. McGee Memorial Park*, 140 Garden Street, Hartford (former Connecticut Mutual site)

Parking: Free parking is available at 690 Asylum Avenue (the grounds of The Hartford). You can also park in Trinity's lot and walk over.

Dust off your walking shoes and add this date to your calendar – help make a difference in our community!

Annual Appeal Team Thanks YOU!

The Annual Appeal Team wishes to thank everyone who has submitted an estimate of giving for 2016. As of press time for this issue of *The Voice*, 128 estimates of giving for 2016 had been turned in. If you have not yet submitted an estimate of giving, it's not too late – you can pick up an envelope on either of the information tables at the entrances to the church. In the meantime, we want to thank the following individuals whose estimates of giving were received by the time *The Voice* went to press:

Marie and April Alford-Harkey	Helen Hart	Suresh and Anju Rajendram
Gus and Peggy Andrian	Cindi Harvey	Elizabeth Randall
Phyllis Appadu	Jorja and Doug Henderson	Jim and Mary Register
David and Jill Barrett	Marion Henderson	Jon and Jane Reik
Carmen Belgrave	Olda James	Phil and Katie Reynolds
Basil and Joy Bennett	Clyde and JoEllen Jansing	Alan Rice and Elena Zhidkova Rice
Mavis Bennett	Elizabeth Johnson	John Robinson
John and Nancy Berger	Jacqueline Johnson	Carolyn Rogers
Claire and Jerry Blissett	Frank and Liz Kirkpatrick	Ruth and Winston Rose
Emily Bohlen	Ann Knapp	Casey and Kate Rousseau
Fred Bohlen	Lisa Koester	Jo-Ann Sadosky
Dianne Bowens-Waller	Bill Kofalk	Lillian Sandford
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Louisa Cummings	Raymond McFarland	Joe Troiano
Robin D'Oyen	Rich McMenamy	Irwin and Olive Tronchin
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Janet Donston	Margaret Moore	Peter Vreeland
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Marlene Dunkley-Edwards	Boo Morton	David Weaver
Linda Eckert	Tom and Enid Oberholtzer	Ernestine Weaver
Bret and Laurie Eckhardt	Agatha Okeke	George and Erica Weinstock
James and Isabelle English	Israel and Lawretta Onoh	Bruce and Nancy Whitcomb
Toni Fatone	Jack and Penny Pearson	Trudi White
Walton Foster	Jean Peelle	Marc Wiest
Althea Francis	Al and Marion Pereira	Janet Wilkinson
Martha Freimuth	Karin Peterson	Carl Williams
Suzanne Gates	Kitty Peterson	Bruce and Percy Williamson
Peter and Anne Green	Kristina Peterson	Ray and Kathie Wilson
Ronald Gripp	Valerie Pogue	Dennis and Jeanne Winkleblack
Don and Debbie Hamer	David Pontrelli	Steve Zhitnick and Anne Rapkin
Jane Harris	Karl Profe	

Choral Evensong Set for May 1

Our final Evensong of the program year will be offered on Sunday, May 1, beginning at 4:00 p.m. by the Trinity Choir and The Choir School of Hartford. The choirs will be singing George Dyson's exciting settings of the Evening Canticles in D, Herbert Sumsion's Preces and Responses and Malcolm Archer's "Rejoice! The Lord is King." We hope that you will join the choirs for this most uniquely Anglican service and invite others to come with you.

Ascension Day Service

To honor this special feast day of the Church, Trinity will offer a celebration of Holy Eucharist at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, in the Chapel. Those wishing to attend during their lunch break will be able to depart back to work before 1 p.m. Please consider joining us for worship.

Choirs To Travel to NYC

The Trinity Choir and The Choir School of Hartford will be journeying to New York City to sing in a Choir Festival at St. Bartholomew's Church on Saturday, May 7. The choirs will be singing the same settings of the service as they will offer at Evensong at Trinity on the preceding Sunday. This is a great opportunity for our choirs to sing with Gordon Appleton, who has conducted two of our Choir Festivals in the past, and to sing with choirs from the New York/New Jersey area. Our friend and colleague, Jason Roberts, who was at St. James's in West Hartford, is on staff at St. Bart's and is coordinating the Festival.

Trinity and Grace Lutheran To Celebrate the Spirit Together on Pentecost

Fr. Don and Pastor Rick Kremer from Grace Lutheran Church have agreed that our two congregations



will celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday, May 15. The service will take place at 10:00 a.m. at Trinity, and will feature combined choirs, an opening procession led by liturgical fire, origami doves and flame-colored streamers. The lesson from the Book of Acts will be read in various languages to symbolize the universality of the Triune God working in and through us. Please plan to join us for this festival celebration of the Gift of the Holy Spirit with our friends from Grace Lutheran. (The 8:00 a.m. service at Trinity will be held as usual on May 15.)

Partners for Sacred Places Update

A number of parishioners have been asking about when the Partners for Sacred Places workshops on "Preparing for a capital campaign" and "Creative Use of Your Buildings" will be rescheduled. In consultation with the Partners staff, these workshops will be rescheduled either later this spring or early in the fall, with the added benefit of the information gathered and discussed at our special congregational gatherings on April 17 and May 22. Look for additional details in future issues of *The Voice* and in the weekly e-news.

Trinity To Launch Model Building Workshop for Young People

A group of Trinity's young people will be participating in a model building workshop is designed to help them explore the science behind many of the everyday creations we cherish. The workshops will offer practical explanations for the science behind each part created to build the cars we drive, and the airplanes and bridges we use for travel.

Religion and engineering are often considered to be conflicting opposites. A quote from Dr. King provides a better understanding of the relationship: "Science investigates; religion interprets. Science gives man knowledge which is power; religion gives man wisdom which is control. Science deals mainly with facts; religion deals mainly with values. The two are not rivals. They are complementary."

The workshops at Trinity will take place on Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., and will run from April 10 through May 15. For more information, contact Carla Griffith at 860-471-7360 or David Johnson at 860-966-4860.

Memorial DAY

The buildings will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

News from AHNA (Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association)

Police Report: New cameras have been installed on South Marshall Street to track activity. There has been a concentrated effort to “clean up” the area around #256 South Marshall Street.

Hartford Decides: Votes are being taken during March on possible projects. All Hartford’s residents 13 or older may vote. Money has been earmarked for local community projects.

Modification to Asylum Hill Zoning Map: An effort is being made to change the area to reduce housing density and increase home ownership. This idea will be presented to Planning and Zoning for consideration

Hartford Public High School Athletic Field Lights: The high school would like lights and a turf field installed. As Dillon Field is no longer available, games are being played at the school. The expected cost is \$1 million.

Yard Goat Stadium: Councilman Larry Deutsch urged residents to get involved in stadium budget issues.

Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services: Trinity Church hosted an informational meeting with IRIS representatives from New Haven on February 21.

West Middle School Brand Initiative: An explanation was given of what branding will mean to West Middle School when it reopens in fall 2016. The school will be a community resource with services for all members of the neighborhood. The concern is with getting the word out to potential users.

TPG Gas Pipeline: Kate Ahmed presented info on the pipeline, and stated that the city is objecting to it.

MDC/Niagara Water: Kate Ahmed urged residents to inform themselves on this issue.

Roland Harris: A presentation was given by family members on the life of Roland Harris, the first black principal in Hartford, who was for many years principal of West Middle School. The family would like to see West Middle renamed to honor Mr. Harris.

– Boo Morton

Cycle of Prayer for April and May

April 3

John Doyle
Richard Duggan
Marlene Dunkley-Edwards

April 10

Nick, Robin, Benjamin, Jason, Annabelle, Quinn &
Maxine Duva
Susan Eaccarino & Joe Bierbaum

April 17

Linda Eckert
Bret, Lori, Max & Tess Eckhardt
Bill & Hope Eakins

April 24

Brittney Bennett & Omar and Carter Ellis
Ron Kolanowski & Art, Joshua, Anna
and Benjamin Engler
Jim & Isabelle English

May 1

Ray, Mima, Bella, Sasha & Sophiya Esponda
Fleetie Floyd

May 1, continued

Jeanne Foldvary

May 8

Muriel Forbes
Benjamin, Walton & Suliman Foster
Amy Arlin & Dan, Robin and Meg Foster

May 15

Bertram, Althea & Nigel Francis
Martha Freimuth
Fred, Pam and Jonathan Garcia &
Kristen and Lexi Williams-Garcia

May 22

Beverly Gardner
Suzanne Gates
Stephen, Christina, Brian & Michael Gellman

May 29

Jane & Jade Gentles
Maureen Granato
D. B. Grant

ECCT Sets Regional Convocations To Discuss Reorganization

It's coming soon – your chance to have a strong voice in how the Episcopal Church in Connecticut reorganizes itself, and to participate in our local Region's dreaming about how ECCT might better engage God's mission. A series of regional convocations will take place around the diocese this spring and early summer; our region will have its convocation on June 10-11. Here's your chance to let your voice be heard on the future of the ECCT. More details will be forthcoming . . .

Choir School of Hartford: Singing for the Community

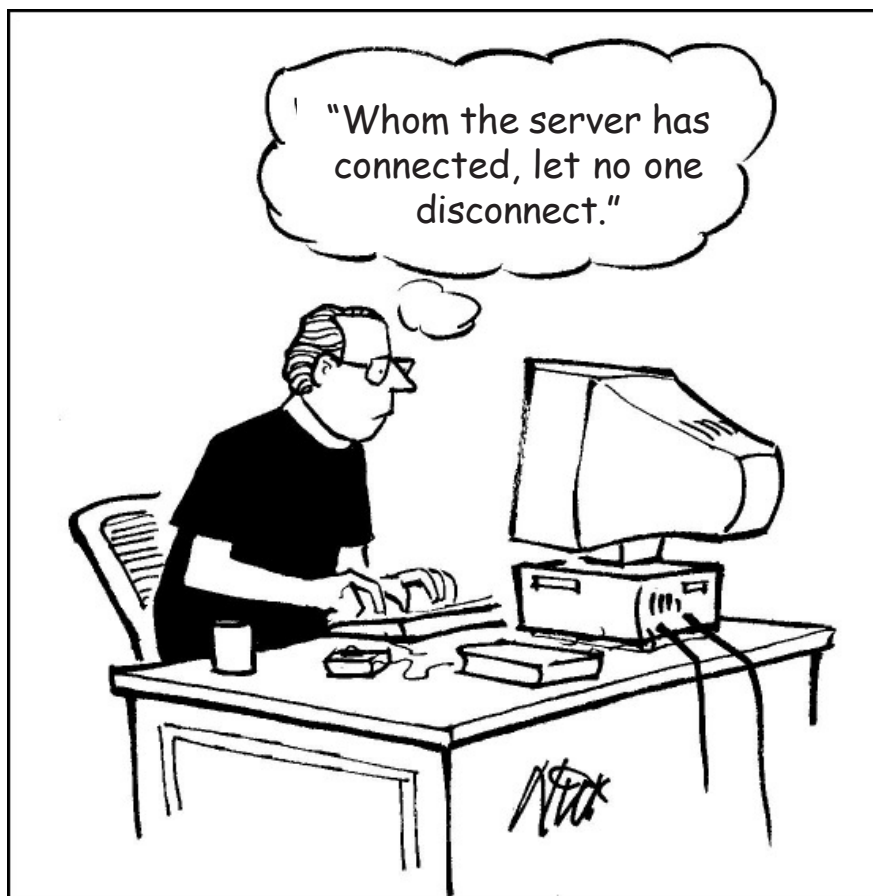
Most Sundays of the school year, we are blessed to have The Choir School of Hartford assisting in the leadership of our services and raising their beautiful voices in praise of God. You may not be aware, however, of their work outside the Sunday services. This past fall our young choristers sang for a Hartford Foundation for Public Giving dinner, for the Choir School's own Emerald Ball, and for the Christmas Tree Sale at the Chrysalis Center. In April, The Choir School of Hartford will be singing with CitySingers and the Choristers of St. John's Episcopal Church in two concerts centered around the theme of "Home" (see article on Page 4); the proceeds from one of these concerts will go to support the work of Habitat for Humanity. We are proud of the ways The Choir School gives back to the community. We hope that you will be able to attend one of the concerts on April 23 or 24.

A note from Lillian Sandford's Family



Just a note to thank everyone who came to Lillian Sandford's memorial service on March 19, and those who have expressed their sympathy to us at her death. We have been so touched by the truly astounding number of personal notes we have received, many of them from our friends (and hers) at Trinity, with wonderful recollections of Lillian's life and very kind expressions of sympathy. Even after all 103 years of a life lived fully and nearly all that time happily, it is hard not to have her present here in our everyday world; as one of the notes we received said, "no matter how old someone grows and what a wonderful life, loss is loss and it hurts." It has been a great comfort to know that others cared about her, too, and have taken the time to tell us that. Lillian valued and treasured her friends at Trinity, and would have been so pleased to be remembered so fondly by so many. Thank you all for your love and concern.

– Kathie and Ray Wilson





If you have an April or May birthday not listed below, call Pam Haddad in the parish office at 860-527-8133, Ext. 204, so she can add your special day to our parish records. Please note we publish only the month and day – not the year!

April

Frederick Bohlen, Sr.	2
Frederick Bohlen, Jr.	2
Jenesis Ortiz	2
Esther Igboanugo	4
Suliman Foster	6
Dan Foster	8
Casey Rousseau	8
Fay Johnson	10
Ler K Pow	10
Sonia Watson	13
Linda MacGougan	14
Robin Duva	18
Al Pereira	18
Sara Carson	19
Lily Miller	20
Bob Rutstein	22
Angelo Troiano	24
Kamille Bernard	25
Sarah Paw Doh	25
Sofia Sepulveda	25
Enid Oberholtzer	26
Norah White	28
Donald Cook	29
Benjamin Foster	30
Pam Williams	30

May

Pat Bunker	1
Nancy Berger	2
Barbara Briggs	2
Kenneth Okeke	10
Horace Johnson	11
Toni Fatone	11
Carl Williams	12
Sekai Tengtenga	14
Advetus Bohlen	14
Tristan Changoo	15
Worth Loomis	18
Cecil Tengtenga	18
Lah Ku Paw	18
Bertram Francis	20
April Alford-Harkey	23
Jeanne Foldvary	25
John Aye Oo	26
Bette Blackwood	27
Natalie Thomas	29
Jeanne Winkleblack	30
Hope Eakins	30

Heads Up! Hartford Sets 2016 Dates

Attention, Trinity youth! Heads Up! Hartford (HUH) has announced the dates for its 2016 summer camp: Thursday, June 23 through Thursday, June 30. HUH is a faith-based group of urban and suburban youths – along with adult advisors – who get together for a week in the summer to build community by promoting diversity, developing leadership, and providing community service. Students currently in grades 8 - 12 are invited to attend. Students stay at the St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield and go out each day to a number of places in Greater Hartford to participate in various projects. Later in the afternoons and evenings, campers spend time together in fun activities.

Registration forms are available now at the HUH website (headsuphartford.org) and must be turned in by May 1. Registration is limited, and it's first-come, first-served. The cost is \$375, but scholarships are available. (Campers are asked to contribute at least \$75.00.)

Adult volunteers are also needed, whether for an afternoon or for the full week. Please consider whether you might be called to this ministry.

To find out more, talk to one of Trinity's HUH youth: Shakeem Williams, Justin Ude, Jonathan Ude, Zech Stevens, Kachi Onoh, Kim Okeke, Kendall Okeke, Shquia Moore-Thomas, Davonté Griffith, Maxine Duva, or Annabelle Duva, or get in touch with Linda MacGougan, Trinity's adult liaison with HUH (860-561-1588 or macgougans@gmail.com).



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EVENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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April 10
3:00 p.m. Connecticut Valley Symphony Orchestra concert

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April 16
12:30 p.m. Feeding in the Park/Church by the Pond

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April 17
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Meeting (*one service only this day*)

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8:00 p.m. Compline

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April 23
4:00 p.m. CitySingers concert at St. John's Church, West Hartford

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7:30 p.m. Cuatro Puntos/Avery Ensemble concert

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April 24
11:30 a.m. Grounds Workday (following 10:00 a.m. service)

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4:00 p.m. CitySingers concert at Trinity College Chapel

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April 28
6:00 p.m. Trinity Academy Excellence Dinner at The Bond Ballroom

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April 30
9:00 a.m. Grounds Workday

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May 1
9:00 a.m. & 11:15 Bake Sale to benefit Cystic Fibrosis research

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2:00 p.m. Walk Against Hunger

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4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

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May 5 - *Ascension Day*
12:10 p.m. Holy Eucharist

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May 7
10:00 a.m. Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides walk in Wickham Park, Manchester

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May 15 - *Pentecost*
10:00 a.m. Pentecost service with Grace Lutheran (at Trinity)

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11:30 a.m. Outreach Team Ministry Fair

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8:00 p.m. Compline

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May 22 - *Trinity Sunday*
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Annual Meeting (*one service only this day*)

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May 25
7:00 p.m. Trinity Academy production of *101 Dalmatians*

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17 9:30 Holy Eucharist & meeting 9:30 Godly Play 11:00 Church School, JTA 8:00 Compline	18	19 2:00 Loaves & Fishes food Preparation 6:00 Choir School parents meeting 7:15 Vestry meeting	20 11:00 Loaves & Fishes serving crew at Immanuel Church 5:00 Trinity Academy open house	21	22 <i>Office closed</i>	23 8:30 Strings workshop 1:00 String Workshop student concert 4:00 CitySingers concert at St. John's 7:30 Cuatro Puntos/ Avery Ensemble Concert
24 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Godly Play 11:30 Church School, JTA 11:30 Grounds workday 4:00 CitySingers concert at Trinity College	25	26 5:30 Trinity Academy Development Committee 6:30 Stephen Ministry continuing education	27	28 6:00 Trinity Academy Excellence Dinner at Bond Hotel	29 <i>Office closed</i>	30 9:00 Grounds workday

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