



VOICE OF TRINITY

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Life Together

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

What a joy it was for me to say those words to you all for the very first time in my ordained life! A priest's first Holy Week is a special time, and it was my immense privilege to celebrate an Easter Eucharist for the very first time with all of you. I want to offer my special gratitude to the many members of the church who worked overtime to make our Holy Week beautiful and uplifting. The choir, acolytes, altar guild, and vergers all put in long hours preparing for and leading worship. Steve Zhitnik took the lead in planning our beautiful and moving Maundy Thursday agape meal service. Drew Smith, Fred Faulkner, and George Chien offered us powerful and thought-provoking sermons. I want to offer a special word of thanks to members of the Flower Guild, who searched far and wide for flowers after a last-minute cancellation from our florist. 2019's Holy Week would not have been possible without the dedication and support of every one of these people, and I am deeply grateful for the efforts and love of everyone at Trinity.

*from the
Assistant Rector*



So, with a powerful Holy Week behind us, the more welcoming climate of spring in front of us, life at Trinity continuing at its usual fast but joyous clip, and (most importantly of all) the good news that Jesus Christ is risen in our hearts, we have many reasons to say, "Alleluia!"

We also, of course, have many reasons not to say "Alleluia." I will spare you the customary list of the world's ills; I'm sure you can supply a list of your own reasons for sadness without me piling on any extra ones. This is the work of the Easter season: finding ways that we can reconcile our reasons for shouting "Alleluia!" with the reasons for mourning that are part of our human existence.

As I've been wrestling with this paradox, I've been struck by the fact that we're reading through the Book of Revelation this Eastertide. At first glance, you might think that Revelation is an odd match for the Easter season. Even if you take out the parts of Revelation that are graphic and disturbing (and the Lectionary has made sure we aren't reading *those* parts on Sunday morning!), you might wonder why we're reading about the vision of a cosmic triumph at the end of time instead of celebrating the triumph of the resurrection that happened two thousand years ago.

The best answer I can give to that paradox is a wry line often attributed to Mark Twain: history doesn't repeat itself, but it often rhymes. We read Revelation in Easter because we believe that, by looking at the history of God's hidden triumph over sin and death in history, we come to know what God's final, public triumph over death and suffering will be like. More than that, we come to find that God's triumph

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Annual Meeting June 16 at 9:30 a.m.

Trinity's Annual Meeting will take place on Sunday, June 16, as part of the 9:30 a.m. service, the only service that will be held at Trinity that day. The sermon time will feature the Assistant Rector's Annual Report to the Congregation.

As has become our custom, following the Prayer after

Communion, we will take a short break for worshippers to pick up refreshments in

Goodwin Hall before returning to the church for the business portion of our meeting – remembering that the “business” part of church operations is also part of the sacred work we are all called to share.

At the business meeting, we will thank those whose Vestry terms are coming to a close, elect new at-large members, representatives to Diocesan Convention and a new treasurer, and re-elect other current officers. See the accompanying article on Page 4 for the Nominating Committee slate.

We will also consider a by-law change which would make our Ministry Quadrant system part of our codified way of operating. The Vestry already approved this change at its March meeting.

Please be sure to attend this important gathering in the life of our congregation.

The Nursery will be open to care for babies and toddlers during the Annual Meeting.



Ministry in Transition – The Next Steps

Change just isn't what it used to be. Gone are the days of the parish brochure and the search committee. Now, there is a team of four committees: discernment, recruitment, prayer, and hospitality, and the hard-copy brochure has been replaced by the parish web site. Gone, too, are the days when dozens of prospective rectors would be making inquiries. As Canon for Mission Leadership Lee Ann Tolzmann explained to the parish on April 7, there is a serious shortage of full-time clergy in Connecticut.

However, as Canon Tolzmann also explained at the Town Hall meeting last month, Trinity is in much better shape than most of the many Connecticut parishes currently in transition. We have an excellent sense of ourselves and how we go about God's mission. We are – at long last – on a solid financial footing. We are blessed with outstanding lay leadership, which has been able to “keep the plates spinning” (to use Fr. Don's expression). And Fr. Ben Wyatt and our associate priests have been able to ensure continuity in our worship and pastoral care.

The first task going forward is to secure an Interim Priest in Charge while the transition team goes about its work. We would like to have someone in place by the time Fr. Ben leaves in mid-June, but again, there is a dearth of available clergy. However, Canon Tolzmann and her staff have been working diligently to find an appropriate candidate, and there is reason to hope that someone will be found who can come shortly after Fr. Ben's

departure. The Vestry has final approval of the suggested interim.

The next step would ordinarily be for the Discernment Committee to put together a presentation for prospective rectors using parish-wide and community interviews. In the old days, this would be put into a pamphlet, but now the information is made available on the web site. Much of this work has already been done as part of the Campaign for Trinity, and a task force is at work now revamping the web site to make it comprehensive, attractive, and more user-friendly.

A Transition Consultant with vast experience and expertise in the discernment process (including screening candidates and drafting interview questions) will work with the recruitment committee throughout the entire transition period.

The Wardens have been in close contact with Canon Tolzmann and with the Right Reverend Laura Ahrens, our Bishop of Record. They, or any member of the Vestry, welcome your questions, and promise to keep everyone informed as the process moves forward.

Ascension Day Observance

Trinity will observe the Ascension Day holiday on Thursday, May 30, with a celebration of Holy Eucharist at 12:00 p.m. in the Chapel. The celebrant and homilist for this service will be the Rt. Rev. Andrew D. Smith.



May 31 Concert Marks Chorale's 15th Anniversary

A new arrangement of Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria" will be one of the highlights of the West Hartford Women's Chorale Spring Concert, which will take place at Trinity Church on Friday, May 31, beginning at 7:30 p.m.. The program, "A Night of Shining Stars," will mark the Chorale's 15th anniversary.

Although most often now performed by a mixed choir of men and women, the "Gloria" is believed to have been written originally for a girls' choir. Dr. Ethen Nash, the chorale's conductor, has rearranged the piece for this concert to highlight the chorale's strengths as an all-female group. Other pieces on the program will include excerpts from Bernstein's *West Side Story*, a medley from Pasek and Paul's *The Greatest Showman*, settings of poems by James Agee and Emily Bronte, and a piece by modern composer Kathleen Allan.

A reception will follow the performance. There is a \$10.00 admission fee, which will help support the Chorale's annual scholarship, awarded to a Greater Hartford Public School graduating senior who plans to pursue further music education.

Choir School Evensong Series Ends June 4

The Choir School of Hartford will sing its final Choral Evensong of the 2018-2019 program year on Tuesday, June 4, beginning at 6:45 p.m. Don't miss the chance to enjoy this beautiful service and the wonderful voices of our young singers. Everyone is welcome!

Capital Campaign Launched Again!

Last October, the Campaign for Trinity was launched within the church. On Tuesday, April 30, the campaign had its public launch. Community neighbors from Asylum Hill; our CT State Representative, Joshua Hall; and parishioners gathered to hear remarks by Mayor Luke Bronin and by us. The program closed with a lovely piece by The Choir School of Hartford. The Campaign is raising \$750,000 to support much-needed campus repairs and improvements. It was announced at the event that the campaign is approaching 60% of goal.

In addition to the Choir School, we had helpers providing hospitality, volunteers acting as docents, and other Trinity members who stopped by to greet our visitors. Thanks to everyone who made the event a big success!

Reaching 60% of our goal is a significant milestone, and there are still many parishioners we haven't been able to visit yet.

There's one more thing we'd like to add in this update. There's an inherent tension involved in having a capital campaign at a church. Pretty much by definition, money needs to be the focus and the measure of the campaign. But money can never be the focus or the measure of a church or its people. It takes money to keep a church going, but it also takes a whole lot more than money.

So, as we keep updating numbers, we want to affirm that we're grateful to everyone who makes Trinity Church all that it is. We're grateful to the big donors, of

course, but we're also grateful for the faithful gifts of the smaller donors, which really do add up, and we're grateful for all the ways beyond money that our fellow church members enrich our life together in this wonderful place. Thank you!

Mark MacGougan and Drew Smith
Capital Campaign Co-Chairs

Grounds Upkeep Summer Opportunities

Trinity Church's grounds need your help to keep them looking at their best over the summer.

Many people use our buildings or just pass by on the sidewalk or drive by in their cars



(maybe even including our next rector?), and it is important that the grounds make a good impression in order to complement our beautiful buildings. Our Memorial Garden also needs some help so that it can serve its intended purpose as a place of rest and tranquility for both our parish and our community.

Again this summer a list of jobs that need doing will be posted in Goodwin Hall, with a variety of tasks on the list. Different types of jobs will be posted so parishioners can pick a task that needs doing in the next week or month, as their time permits. If you have questions, please speak to Peter Green. Thank you for your consideration and participation.

Nominating Committee Slate for 2019 Annual Meeting

Wardens: J. Alan Rice (5th term) and Martha Freimuth (3rd term)

Clerk: Kathleen “Kitty” Peterson (5th term)

Treasurer: Kenneth “Casey” Rousseau (1st term as Treasurer)

Assistant Treasurer: Jacob Troiano (1st term)

At-Large Vestry Members (3-year terms):

Leslyn Clark, Thomas Oberholtzer, TBA

At-Large Vestry Member (to fill one year of an unexpired term):

Althea Francis

At-Large Vestry Member (to fill two years of an unexpired term):

Kevin Rennie

Delegates to Convention: Kenneth “Casey” Rousseau, TBA

Alternate Delegate to Convention: Jacob Troiano

Nominating Committee for 2020 Annual Meeting:

2nd Term: Claire Blissett, Marcus Clark, Jacob Troiano, Timothy Watt

1st Term: Georges Annan-Kingsley, Ruth Rose, Jannel Thomas

Nomination of additional persons, for any office, may be made by written petition, signed by at least four parishioners, and received at the church office at least 21 days prior to the date of election. Since the Annual Meeting is on June 16, petitions must be received by May 26.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:
Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Evensong 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:45 p.m. October - June

The Reverend Benjamin K. Wyatt, Assistant Rector
Mr. Jackson Merrill, Director of Music Ministries

Assisting Clergy:

The Reverend George A. Chien
The Reverend Dr. Frank G. Kirkpatrick
The Right Reverend Andrew D. Smith
The Reverend C. Jon Widing

The Reverend William J. Eakins, Rector Emeritus

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Cystic Fibrosis Walk June 1: Bake Sale and Plant Sale on June 9

Spring is finally here and we are looking forward to June! Team Strolling for Sarah will be heading out at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 1, at Pine Grove School, located at 151 Scoville Road in Avon. (Note the date and location change, as Kate and Drew will be away in May on a hiking trip.)

Kate and Drew Smith's granddaughter, Sarah, was born with cystic fibrosis; she is now 9 years old and doing well. Kate and Drew do an annual walk (3 miles) to support the Great Strides program, which raises research dollars for this genetic lung disease. They invite you to walk with them this year and enjoy a picnic lunch afterwards. Let them know you're coming and you get a free team T-shirt!

Can't make the date? You can join the team as a virtual walker by visiting Kate's website: <http://fightcf.cff.org/goto/KateSmith>.

The annual bake sale held at Trinity to support cystic fibrosis research will take place the weekend after the walk on Sunday, June 9, following the services. This year there will be some plants available; the sale will offer cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, breads, muffins, as well as indoor plants, perennials and annuals. Donations for either of these sales are very welcome. Please contact Kate with any questions; her email is Kate48smith@comcast.net, or you can give her a call at 860-519-1591.

Kate and Drew thank you!



SUMMER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SERVICES: We will continue to offer two services of Holy Eucharist each Sunday throughout the summer. However, beginning in June and continuing through Labor Day weekend, we will make some changes to our services in keeping with the warm weather and relaxed days of summer:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Beginning on June 23, this service will be held in the Memorial Garden, weather permitting. Enter from the door opposite the rest rooms in the narthex, or through the Sigourney Street garden gate.

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with summer music and hymns

Our worship space will be reconfigured for the summer, with the altar moved down to the nave, beginning on June 30.

Please note: There will be no 10:00 a.m. service at Trinity on June 23, when we will be joining the congregation at St. Monica's for worship at 10:00 a.m., or on July 21, when we will be joining the congregation at Christ Church Cathedral for a 10:30 a.m. Jazz Mass. The 8:00 a.m. service in the Memorial Garden will be held at Trinity as usual on both dates.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES: The final day for Church School classes is May 26, with our observance of Youth Sunday set for June 2. Adult Christian Education sessions will end on June 2; along with Church School classes for children of all ages, they will resume in September. A full schedule of classes will be available in August.

NURSERY CARE: Infants and toddlers will be cared for in the Nursery off the Narthex during the 10:00 a.m. service each Sunday during the summer.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ACTIVITIES: Activity sheets will continue to be available at the doors to the church each week for children to take with them into the service. A children's work table will also be available in the Nursery/Parents' Room, located in the Bell Tower off the Narthex.

OFFICE HOURS: During the summer, the office will normally be open as usual, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Alterations to these hours may become necessary because of staff vacations, and will be announced in the weekly bulletin.

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES: As always, to reach the clergy person on call in a pastoral emergency, dial the main office number (860-527-8133) and then select option "1".

Notes from the March and April Meetings of the Vestry

Anne Rapkin, Liaison for Parish Care, opened **the March Vestry meeting** with devotions from *Verses for Renewal*. Vestry members shared personal Lenten practices.

The primary focus of the March meeting was the Rector transition process. The Rev. Lee Ann Tolzmann, ECCT Canon for Mission Leadership, and Louis Fuertes, ECCT Canon for Mission Finance and Operations, were present and led the discussion of Trinity's next steps toward calling a new rector. Canon Tolzmann spoke of the severe shortage of clergy in Connecticut, and let us know that it may take several months to find an appropriate person to serve as Trinity's Interim Priest in Charge. She also explained that we cannot begin forming our Transition Team (formerly known as a search committee) until an Interim Priest in Charge is in place. Canon Fuertes discussed his analysis of Trinity's finances and expressed concern about Trinity's ability to support a full time Rector. He agreed to work with our treasurers to better understand our income sources. Canon Tolzmann was already scheduled to meet with the entire congregation on April 7, at which time she hoped to have assurance as to what our next steps would be. (See article on Page 2 on the Transition.)

Following this discussion, there were brief reports from Ministry Liaisons: Lily Miller, Outreach, is hoping for a good Trinity turnout (in Trinity T-Shirts) for the Foodshare Walk Against Hunger. Anne

Rapkin (Parish Care) continues looking for more people to help out with the ministries in her quadrant, such as Casserole Ministry and Eucharistic Lay Visitors. The Property Team announced that all repairs on external doors are complete and preparations are underway for the doors to be painted. The Capital Works Committee and the Property Team are working on better communications so that their work does not overlap.

It was reported by the Wardens that Richard Syracuse has resigned from Vestry. The Nominating Committee is looking at possible nominees to replace him.

Vestry voted to accept a sample of cremains from the Memorial Garden at St. Mark's Church in New Britain, to be interred in Trinity's Memorial Garden. St. Mark's has moved out of its building and it has been sold. There is no place for cremains in the church's new location, so the Rector and Wardens of St. Mark's had asked if Trinity would accept a 12-inch square representative soil sample from their former Memorial Garden, along with a plaque listing names of those interred.

After a discussion of our history of designating our Easter Sunday offering to a ministry outside Trinity, the Vestry voted to designate this year's Easter offering to the Kateri Medical Mission, based in Kaduna, Nigeria, and supported by Father Tom Furrer.

The April Vestry meeting opened with devotions by Walton Brown Foster, on the topic of our anxiety

in times of uncertainty and the hope and reassurance found in scripture.

There was a discussion of options for updating and upgrading Trinity's website, which is almost 10 years old, relies on outdated technology, and lacks flexibility. One major shortcoming is that it is not compatible with today's mobile technology such as smart phones, which is the way most people access the internet. Kevin Chick, on behalf of the task force working on this issue, presented several possibilities for replacement, including contracting with our current website provider to upgrade to a new platform, or replacing it with something built in-house. The task force will research costs and return to Vestry with a more concrete proposal and recommendation.

It was reported by warden Alan Rice that Trinity has agreed to explore options for lowering our energy costs by joining Community Purchasing Alliance energy co-op. This group has already lowered energy costs in several ECCT parishes.

Warden Martha Freimuth reminded Vestry Members of the importance of coming to the Campaign for Trinity Public Launch on Tuesday, April 30, an important milestone for the Campaign. She also announced that Trinity's Vestry Retreat is scheduled for October 4-6 at the Trinity Retreat Center in Cornwall, CT. The retreat will include an orientation for Vestry members, as well as a program to be led by a visiting retreat leader.

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Youth Sunday Set for June 2



On Sunday, June 2, Trinity will follow a time-honored tradition of celebrating the children and young adults of our congregation. As usual, our graduating high school seniors will be invited to address the congregation during the sermon time at the 8:00 and 10:00 services on the 2nd. We congratulate this year's seniors:

Leroy Bohlen, one of our acolyte leaders, will graduate from Pathways Academy of Technology and Design on June 11. In the fall, he will attend the University of Connecticut; he is interested in studying psychology. He is also interested in football, soccer and music (sound production).

Davonté Griffith, another of our acolyte leaders, will graduate from the University High School of Science and Engineering on June 11. This fall, he will begin studies at Manchester Community College. He is interested in studying psychology, and has a special interest in basketball.

Kaylee Troiano, who has been an usher and an acolyte, will graduate from South Windsor High School on June 17. She is still considering her plans for next year. Her interests are fashion, early childhood education, singing, and Girl Scouts.

Jonathan Ude, another acolyte leader, will also graduate from South Windsor High School on June 17. He will begin his studies at Manchester Community College next fall. Jonathan is interested in film making.

End-of-Year News from Trinity Academy

This school year has been an amazing one for all our 48 students! We will be sending off all 19 of our fourth graders to middle school this upcoming fall! They will be attending area middle schools such as Grace Academy, Covenant Preparatory Academy, and various other area middle schools. We will surely miss this wonderful group of highly motivated, positive, and engaging rising fifth graders!

Our school year ends on June 7, and a number of our students will be attending Sphere Camp at Watkinson School for several weeks this summer. This camp offers a unique camp experience for our students who are residents of Hartford.

As we look forward to the 2019-2020 school year, we are still accepting student applications for first grade, and for grades two through four, on a case by case basis. If you or someone you know of is interested in applying to Trinity Academy, applications and other related information can be found on our website, www.TrinityDay.org, or call our school office at 860-251-8337.

On April 26, Trinity Academy held its annual signature fundraiser at ON20 in Hartford. A great night was had by all! With more than 180 attendees, this year's event was the most financially rewarding – with all the proceeds from the Excellence Gala going directly to the school's operating funds. We would like to send out a big "Thank You" to our generous and dedicated donors and sponsors for helping make this event a big success!

Cultural Enrichment is one of the integral parts of our school's mission. Our talented students produce such amazing pieces of art on a daily basis. Hats off to our Art teacher, Margaret Freedman, for inspiring such creativity!



Trinity Academy's main mission is to reach children from Hartford's lowest income areas and help them achieve lifelong success through education, mentorship and a sense of community. By becoming a Student Sponsor for one of our students, you will be able to greatly impact the life and future of your sponsored student! Sponsors can be individuals, families, or social groups interested in providing a positive influence on a student's future. If you would like to learn more about this program, contact Trinity Academy's Development Office at 860-251-8337 or email dcolliton@trinityday.org.

– Donna Colliton
Trinity Academy
Director of Development

Adult Forum To End Year With June 2 Campus Tour

Our Adult Christian Formation program closes out the 2018-2019 program year with a tour of the Trinity campus following the 10:00 a.m. service on June 2. The Trinity Church buildings are beautiful, but also sprawling and quirky. Chances are that there are parts of the campus that you've never been to and history that you've never heard. Come with a team of Trinity "docents" and learn more about our church home!

And the Work Begins . . .

The Capital Works Committee has begun its work of planning and implementing improvements to our campus. A new stove is expected to have been delivered and installed in the main kitchen by the time you read this. The existing stove needed to be replaced because it had an unsafe open-flame gas pilot light. The new stove has an electric ignition, far safer (and less smelly) than the old one.

The committee has now turned its attention to improving the lighting in the sanctuary. Clerk of the Works Dave Desmarais has been working with a lighting contractor who has done similar work in many area churches. The contractor has several ideas for ways to improve the illumination of our worship spaces, and, working with our existing chandeliers, will make some adjustments on a trial basis in a small part of the nave. The committee will give the contractor feedback, and from that a plan will be made to improve the lighting throughout the sanctuary. You may give your feedback to any member of Vestry (listed on the back of the Service Leaflet each week).

Dave is also talking with some contractors to get more detailed specifications for work that must be done to secure the exterior of the Parish House. The front porch needs repair or replacement of boards and supports. In addition, some of the trim, especially on the north side, has fallen off because of rot. These problems will continue to worsen until we remedy them.

The list of projects the committee is working from also has a few large

and expensive projects included on it, most notably the replacement of our fire alarm system (architects' estimated cost: \$295,000). We don't have that much money on hand yet (although more than that has already been pledged). Even though we can't start that project for a while, Dave Desmarais is planning to invite the fire marshal to do a "walk through" of the Trinity campus with him and members of the committee to see if there are any simple things we can do right away that will make our building safer.

Memorial Garden To Open Monday-Thursday This Summer

Our beautiful Trinity Memorial Garden will be open to the public during the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday during the warm weather days of late spring, summer and early fall.

The Memorial Garden is a wonderful oasis of quiet and peace, offering a welcoming destination for a lunchtime walk, a chance to walk the labyrinth during meditation, or just a place to relax and unwind. The garden will be opened each weekday by our office volunteers so visitors (and parishioners!) can have free access to the space.

We will not be staffing the garden with volunteer hosts this year. However, if you find yourself in the Asylum Hill neighborhood midday Monday through Thursday, do plan to stop by and greet any garden guests, as well as taking some time to enjoy the garden yourself.

Choir School Students To Offer Piano Recital

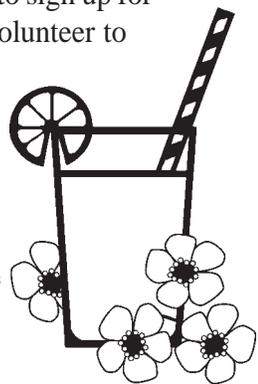
Jack Merrill, our Director of Music Ministries, and the students of The Choir School of Hartford invite you to join them for the Choir School's end-of-term piano recital in the nave of the church on Sunday, June 9, at 11:30 a.m. (following the 10:00 a.m. service). Members of our Choir School will perform pieces from a variety of repertoire and musical styles. Come see and hear the progress they have made over the course of this past year and meet their piano teacher!

Sunday Morning Hospitality, Summer Style

As our post-10 a.m.-service Sunday morning hospitality hour moves outdoors for the summer months, you're invited to sign up for a Sunday or two as a volunteer to set up the lemonade/iced tea/water table in the Sigourney Street garden.

Vinnie Pacileo will provide the actual table in the garden and will also set up the drink dispensers in the kitchen. Light snacks like cookies are optional, but much appreciated. (The Fruit Ministry will restart in September.)

A summer hospitality signup sheet will be posted in Goodwin Hall; choose a convenient Sunday and add your name to the list. If you notice that no one has signed up for a particular Sunday, feel free to jump in and make the lemonade. Instructions are taped to the cabinet over the sink in the large kitchen. Thanks!



Outreach at Trinity



Two Saturdays in Summer: Church by the Pond

Trinity's 2019 summer opportunities to prepare and distribute bag lunches in Bushnell Park for those in need are **Saturday, June 15**, and **Saturday, August 17**. Part of Trinity's ongoing commitment to community service, Church by the Pond is one of the "Church Street Eats" feeding programs coordinated by Christ Church Cathedral. Trinity is one of a number of area churches who participate in this ministry.

Here's the schedule for both June 15 and August 17:

- 12:30 p.m. – Prepare lunches in the Trinity kitchen
- 1:45 p.m. – Transport the lunches and other items to Bushnell Park
- 2:00 p.m. – Participate in the Eucharist by the Pond, led by Trinity's clergy
- 2:30-3:00 p.m. – Distribute the lunches

You are invited to help with this Outreach project for as much of the day as you can. We prepare more lunches in the warmer months, so, whether or not you've joined us in the past, please consider doing so this summer!

Unable to help in person? Donations to help offset the cost of this ministry are also welcome.

Make your check payable to Trinity Church with "Outreach: Feeding in the Park" in the memo space, or include a note with your donation to indicate that it is meant for this feeding program.

Fill a Backpack for a Hartford Child

Trinity's annual back-to-school backpack project, which helps Hartford area children whose families cannot afford basic school supplies, begins on July 28.

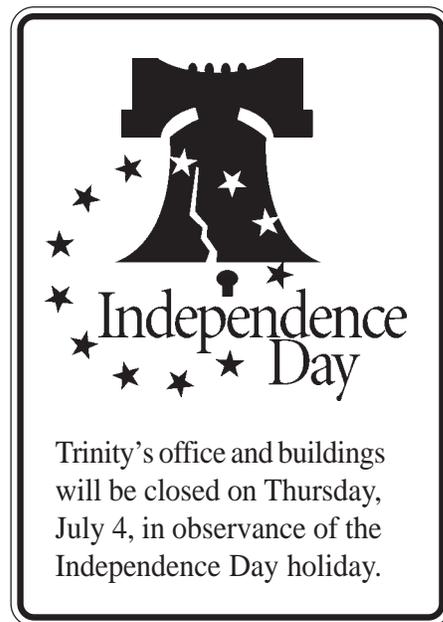
To participate, pick up a list of supplies for the age group of your choice from the display in the Baptistery. Buy the supplies on the list, pack them all into the backpack, and then return the completed kit to the parish office during the week, or leave it in the Baptistery on Sunday morning. (If you find the cost of filling a backpack is too high, you are welcome to team up with another Trinity member to split the cost.) Be sure to mark your backpack with the age group for which it's intended, and whether it's meant for a boy or a girl.

Hartford schools open on August 27 this year. All kits need to be turned in by August 18 so our Covenant to Care social worker will have time to get the backpacks to the children who need them before classes start.

June 22 Grounds Workday

Come celebrate the first full day of summer by participating in a very season-appropriate activity – a grounds workday! The Property Team has set its next outdoor work session for Saturday, June 22, from 9:00 a.m. till noon. After the super-rainy spring we've had, all our plantings should be growing enthusiastically as summer begins, and will need some careful tending to bring them under control for the long, sunny (if we're lucky) days ahead. Bring your work gloves and any tools that might prove useful and join our other Trinity volunteers on the 22nd to do your part to keep our grounds bright and beautiful. Peter Green from the Property Team will be on hand to direct activities and show everyone what to do.

Not available on the 22nd? Volunteer to help tend Trinity's great outdoors at whatever time is convenient for you. A list of tasks and the signup sheet will be posted in Goodwin Hall; see the article on Page 3.



Cycle of Prayer for June - August

June 2

Alan Cheyney
Gavin, Emma & Fiona Cheyney
Gloria Cheyney

June 9

Kevin Chick
George Chien, Julio Flores,
Michael Morel &
Ismael Rubio
Marcus, Leslyn & Sam Clark

June 16

Sandi Cone
Don Cook & Timothy Swingle
Betty Anne Cox

June 23

Nancy Crandall &
Bruce Wazorko
Grace Crooks
Louisa Cummings

June 30

Robin & Kara D'Oyen
Margaret Daniel
Neill & Carol Derick

July 7

Odile, Adrian & Aaron Dione,
and Arianny Lora
Mary Dixon
Valerie Dixon

July 14

Janet Donston
Asker Downer
John Doyle

July 21

Richard Duggan
Marlene Dunkley-Edwards
Robin, Nick, Benjamin, Jason,
Annabelle, Quinn &
Maxine Duva

July 28

Pamela Duval
Bill & Hope Eakins
Paul Easton

August 4

Linda Eckert
Bret, Loretta, Max &
Tess Eckhardt
Jim & Isabelle English

August 11

Ray, Mima, Bella, Sasha &
Sophiya Esponda
Emily Estes & Roy McAlpine
Jonelle Eugene & Joseph,
Janaya and Josiah Texidor

August 18

Toni Fatone & Bob, Catie and
Callie Rutstein
Fred & Janet Faulkner
Walton, Benjamin &
Suliman Foster

August 25

Dan, Robin & Meg Foster, and
Amy Arlin
Althea, Bert & Nigel Francis
Martha Freimuth

You're Invited to a Jazz Mass at the Cathedral

**No 10:00 a.m. service
at Trinity on July 21**

Dean Lina Howell and the members of Christ Church Cathedral in Hartford have announced a fourth annual joint jazz mass worship service, set for 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 21. This special service is part of the Cathedral's year-long 100th anniversary celebration, as well



as one of the events of the 2019 annual Greater Hartford Festival of Jazz. Music for the service will feature Ross Tucker and the Hot Cat Jazz Band. The Reverend Susan Pinkerton, Rector of St. John's Church in West Hartford will preach; the Reverend Tracy Johnson Russell, Rector of St. Monica's in Hartford, will be the celebrant.

Note that on July 21 there will be no service at Trinity at 10:00 a.m. The customary 8:00 a.m. service will be celebrated in the Trinity Memorial Garden on the 21st.

Christ Church Cathedral is located at 45 Church Street in Hartford, across from the Hartford Stage Co. Free parking for Sunday services at the Cathedral is available in the Talcott Street parking lot, but you must pick up a Cathedral Card from the narthex and leave it on your dashboard. Parking for those with disabilities is available in the alleyway between the Cathedral and the Cathedral House (enter from Church Street).



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

- ★ **Samuel Clark** will receive his Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Morehouse College on May 19. Sam plans to work for two years before returning to school for graduate studies.
- ★ **Allison Merrill** will receive a Master of Arts in Religion (with a concentration in music and religion) from Yale University on May 19.
- ★ **Sarah Fox**, a section leader in the Trinity Choir, will also receive a Master of Arts in Religion from Yale on May 19, also with a concentration in both music and religion.
- ★ **The Reverend Benjamin Wyatt**, our Assistant Rector, will receive his Master of Sacred Theology degree from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale on May 19.

Congratulations to Sam, Allison, Sarah and Ben! If you have a newly-minted college degree and your information is not included above, send it to voice@trinityhartford.org, and we'll put it in the next issue.

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Trinity's Annual Meeting will take place Sunday, June 16. There will be only one service that day, at 9:30. Annual Reports to be included in the booklet are due May 19.

Representing the Outreach Quadrant, Lily Miller reported a need for a new liaison to the South Marshall Street Interfaith Coalition, a group of local churches which provides outreach/recreational events about three times a year to residents of South Marshall Street, just a few blocks west of Trinity. The Coalition meets at 8:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Immanuel Congregational Church on the corner of Farmington Avenue and Woodland Street. Anyone interested in this ministry should contact Lily Miller (millbabins@aol.com).

Choirs To Say Good-Bye For the Summer

Following another great year under the direction of Jack Merrill, our Director of Music Ministries, the Trinity Choir and The Choir School of Hartford will shortly hang up their robes for the final time this program year and begin their annual summer break. The choirs will sing on June 16, the day of our Annual Meeting, before beginning their annual hiatus; they will return to the choir loft on September 8.

Have you thought about helping to enrich worship at Trinity by becoming a part of our wonderful music program? If you would like to consider joining the adult Trinity Choir in September, or know of a child who loves to sing and would enjoy becoming a member of the Choir School, please speak to Jack, or send him an email at jmerrill@trinityhartford.org.

Next Issue of *The Voice* To Be Published in August; Deadline is August 16

This is the last issue of *The Voice* until late August. The deadline for the next issue, which will cover all events scheduled to take place in September, will be August 16. There will be another issue of *The Voice* published in September; after that, we will resume our every-other-month publishing schedule for the remainder of the 2019-2020 program year.

Please send all material to voice@trinityhartford.org. If you need to deliver your article to the parish office in paper form, turn it in by 3:00 p.m. on August 15.

Please have all materials for the August issue in on time so events at the start of our next program year can be properly publicized. Thank you!

Book Group Ideas for Summer Reading

Putting together a summer reading list? Here are two suggestions: *The Left Hand of Darkness* by Ursula LeGuin and *The Death of Ivan Ilych* by Leo Tolstoy. Those are the books to be discussed when Trinity's Book Group resumes meeting in the fall. Why those two books? Come and find out! The meeting will take place Friday, September 20, from 7-9 p.m. at the home of Martha Freimuth. Everyone is welcome at Book Group, whether for just one session or on a regular basis.



Summer Birthdays



If you have a summer birthday not listed below, please call Barbara Roos in the parish office at 860-527-8133, Ext. 204, and ask her to add your special day to our parish lists.

Mavis Bennett	June 1	Corlet Ude	June 29	Frank Kirkpatrick	August 4
Jo-Ann Sadosky	June 1	Nigel Francis	June 30	Stephanie Thomas	August 4
Walton Foster	June 1	Bella Esponda	June 30	Ismael Rubio	August 4
Brian Faille	June 2	Gloria Cheyney	July 2	Kodi-Jane Mogor	August 7
Abby Rajendram	June 2	Aaron Dilone	July 2	Don Hamer	August 9
Kristen Williams-Garcia	June 3	Cecelia Timothy	July 5	Anthony Miller	August 10
Adair Lummis	June 4	Jean Peelle	July 8	Peter Vreeland	August 10
David Pontrelli	June 4	Leslyn Clark	July 10	Sasha Esponda	August 11
Mark MacGougan	June 5	Peter Green	July 10	Christina Gellman	August 12
Joy Bennett	June 5	Bill Kofalk	July 10	Amy Arlin	August 13
Richard McMenamy	June 5	Kendall Okeke	July 10	Suzanne Gates	August 14
Trocari Griffith-McCalop	June 6	Kimberly Okeke	July 10	Gary Holmes	August 15
Riley Sutton	June 6	John Robinson	July 12	Loretta Eckhardt	August 16
JoEllen Jansing	June 8	Ann Knapp	July 13	Jason Duva	August 16
Bonnie Matthews	June 8	Carolyn Rogers	July 14	Joseph Annan-Kingsley	August 16
Tom Oberholtzer	June 10	Fiona Cheyney	July 15	Fred Margeson	August 16
Gavin Cheyney	June 10	Maung Oo	July 15	Janaya Texidor	August 16
Robin Foster	June 10	Celine Stephens	July 15	Hunter Troiano	August 17
Sam Clark	June 10	Trudi Campbell	July 16	Pamela Garcia	August 18
Madison Ross	June 10	David Barrett	July 17	Cathy Rowe	August 18
Suzanne Blancaflor	June 11	Kate Smith	July 17	Agatha Okeke	August 18
Marion Catanzaro	June 13	Olive Tronchin	July 17	Bert Landman	August 19
Kate Steven	June 14	Susan Eaccarino	July 18	Penny Pearson	August 19
Sophiya Esponda	June 16	Mima Esponda	July 19	Davonté Griffith	August 20
Bruce Whitcomb	June 17	Helen Hart	July 19	Julian Rose	August 21
Jacqui Johnson	June 17	Ellen Richardson	July 19	Karl Profe	August 21
Meg Foster	June 17	Jonathan Reik	July 20	Kevin Chick	August 22
Tro Moo	June 18	Allison Merrill	July 22	Beverly Bygrave	August 23
Marc Wiest	June 19	Donald Romanik	July 22	Eugenia Weaver	August 24
Franklin Ude	June 20	Benneth Ude	July 22	Susanne Mantel	August 24
Russ Hunter	June 20	Merle Melhado	July 23	Carol Derick	August 24
Basil Bennett	June 21	Philip Green	July 23	Kevin Brookman	August 26
Jack Merrill	June 21	Marianna Drunnamanio	July 23	Michael Thomas	August 26
Guillermo Irizarry	June 22	Lair Besel	July 24	Amy Williams	August 26
Leroy Bohlen	June 23	Al Shuckra	July 25	Michelle Faille	August 27
Karl Pearson	June 23	Pollyann Thomas	July 25	Kevin Rennie	August 28
Alexia Williams-Garcia	June 23	Sue Hart	July 25	Malik Thomas	August 30
Boo Morton	June 24	Krista Mogor	July 26	Carmen Belgrave	August 30
Levi Bohlen	June 26	Ray Wilson	July 28	Edgar Garcia	August 30
Justin Ude	June 28	Marthe Annan-Kingsley	July 30	Nome Morgan	August 30
Phil Reynolds	June 28	David Carson	August 2	Freya Watt	August 30
Margery Samuels	June 29	Josepha Schrijn	August 2	James White	August 31

Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association News – Spring 2019

Police Report: Quality of life issues remain a major concern. These include loitering, panhandling and public drinking/intoxication.

Auto thefts have risen; there have been two arrests that cover 13 thefts. There is a concerted effort to curb the riding of illegal ATVs on city streets; ATV sightings should be reported to the police. There have been three arrests for illegal dumping on Asylum Hill. There is going to be an effort to clean up the area around Green Apple and A-1 Pizza; AHNA may be able to assist with that.

Lt. Cunningham reported that no tickets had been issued for late removal of snow. Information was given on the city regulations.

Fire Department: Lt. Jesus Lopez reviewed statistics for the City of Hartford, highlighting the Asylum Hill neighborhood. He reiterated that the department has free smoke detectors for people in the neighborhood. He also emphasized the importance of renter's insurance.

City Update: Andrene Bent-Jarvis reminds us that there are tours available of City Hall. A representative of the Sustainability Office spoke about the Bright Green Hartford program, which includes free rain barrels and energy audits. Events are listed at www.hartfordclimateorg/brightgreenhartford.

Hartford Parking Authority: Residents had the time to ask questions, make comments and request information. HPA indicated that there might be changes coming to the street parking regulations. Residents asked the rep to consider Asylum Hill for a pilot neighborhood.

Department of Public Works: The new director is Walter Veselka. He responded to questions about street conditions. Call 311 to report potholes or uncollected bulk trash.

Donate Life Celebration: The event was sponsored by AHNA and the New England Donor Service. It highlighted neighborhood and board member Georges Annan-Kingsley (who is also a member of Trinity!) This event took place on April 5 at the Mark Twain House.

Announcement of Officers: The Board presented the following list of Officers: Chair, Jackie McKinney; Vice Chair, Edward Edgardo; Secretary, Nancy Rion; and Treasurer, Susan Tebolt. The Rev. Mia Douglas was approved as a new director to replace Dean Amadon as a representative from Asylum Hill Congregational Church. Jennifer Cassidy and Mervin Mathurin were approved to become directors.

Comet Restaurant restoration: Hazardous materials are being removed, and roof repairs are being readied.

Pear tree planting: Pear trees will be planted in the Niles Street garden on May 18. Money is still being raised to assist this effort.

Hartford Grocery Store Proposal: Rex Fowler explained the evolving proposal. The area being considered is down the hill behind the Keney Clock Tower. The store will increase city residents' access to quality, fair-priced food, and aims to provide health services as well. There will be free parking and bus access.

Executive Director David MacDonald cited two exciting events from the springtime. The first was the National Organ Donor Event and the second was the 1st Annual Community Partner Breakfast. He believes in the community building power of a strong AHNA.

Care of the garden at the corner of Hawthorn Street and Sigourney Street is being undertaken by KNOX Foundation. The work is ongoing.

As always, Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association meetings are open to interested residents and stakeholders. The meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 6:15 at Eco-Space, 224 Farmington Avenue.

– Boo Morton

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at the end of time is also present with us now, in the middle of history.

In seminary, we have a ten-dollar phrase to describe this phenomenon: “realized eschatology.” It’s called “eschatology” because it’s the study of the *eschaton*, the Greek word for the final end of all created things. It’s called “realized” because, even though we are waiting for the final end, we believe that in some sense the blessings of that end are already available now.

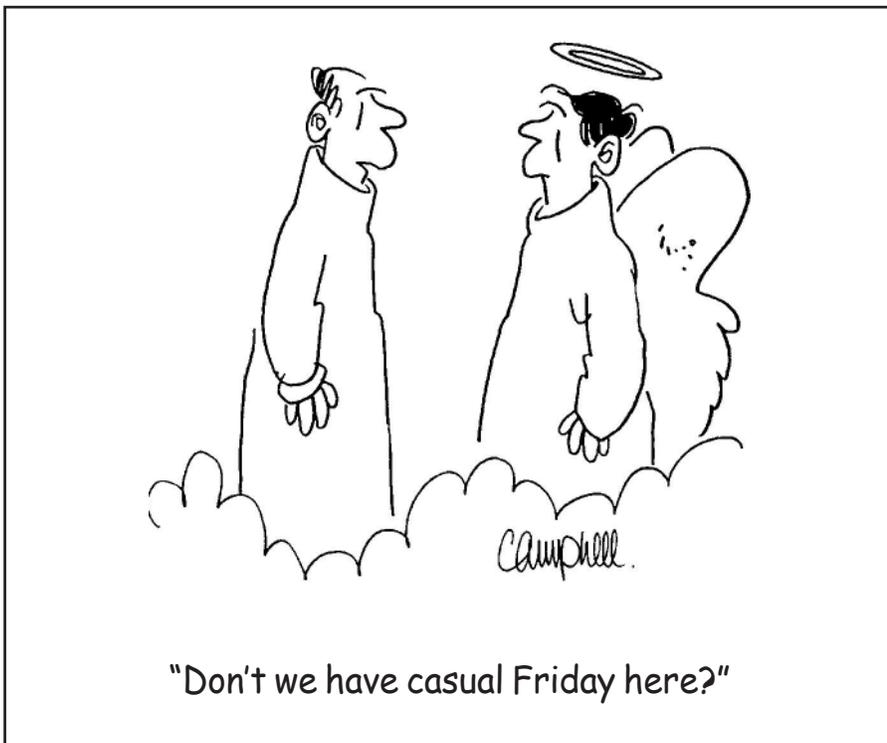
When John hears the redeemed singing in heaven, he’s not hearing something that *will* happen, but something that *is* happening:

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” (Rev. 5:12)

The Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, *is* receiving all of these things right now. And through him, the Church does too. We receive God’s power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing when we help addicts find recovery, when we provide food and shelter to those who have none, when we welcome strangers, when we teach those who have no teacher. We also receive it, in a hidden and mysterious way, through worship, and above all through the Eucharist – when God, in some mysterious way, becomes present in the bread and wine and unites with us in the act of eating.

That is the mystery of Easter – a mystery which makes the end of time present for all times, and which infuses our lives with the hope that we are always in deep need of.

In Christ,
Ben+



Heads Up! Hartford 2019

Trinity’s young people in grades 8-12 are invited to participate in Heads Up! Hartford, a week-long summer camp uniting urban and suburban youth to improve our communities and help participants develop as leaders. The camp will take place from June 21-28 at the Ethel Walker School in Simsbury. Each day, campers participate in community service, worship, fellowship and recreational activities.

The registration deadline for HUH is June 1, so now’s the time to act! Registration can be done online or by mail; forms are available at headsuphartford.org or by contacting Linda MacGougan, Trinity’s HUH liaison, at macgougans@gmail.com or 860-561-1588 (home).

Families are asked to contribute \$75 toward the cost of attending camp; the Trinity Outreach budget covers the rest of the expenses. To find out more, talk with Trinity youth who’ve attended; they include Davonté Griffith, Jordan Thomas, Dinaka Onoh, and Jonathan Ude.

Aumbry Candle Available

The candle which burns continuously in front of the Aumbry in the Trinity chapel can be donated as a memorial to a loved one or as a thank offering for an anniversary, birthday, or other special milestone. The requested donation is \$5.00 per week. If you would like to offer the candle as a thank offering or memorial, please contact Barbara Roos in the church office at 860-527-8133, Ext. 204.



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EVENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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<i>Page 3</i>	June 4 6:45 p.m. Evensong with The Choir School of Hartford
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<i>Page 9</i>	June 15 12:30 p.m. Church by the Pond meal preparation
<i>Page 2</i>	June 16 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Annual Meeting – <i>One service at Trinity this day</i>
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<i>Page 11</i>	September 20 7:00 p.m. Book Group at Martha Freimuth's home

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Normal type = P.M. <i>Italics</i> = A.M.						1 10:00 Great Strides walk at Pine Grove School
<i>Youth Sunday</i> 2 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Holy Eucharist 11:30 Tour of Trinity campus	3	4 6:45 Evensong with the Choir School	5	6 12:00 Holy Eucharist	7 <i>Office closed</i>	8
<i>Pentecost</i> 9 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:00 Brotherhood of St. Andrew 9:00 Bake sale 10:00 Holy Eucharist 11:30 Bake sale 11:30 Choir School piano recital	10	11 7:00 Outreach Team	12 7:00 Property Team	13 12:00 Holy Eucharist	14 <i>Office closed</i>	15 12:30 Church by the Pond meal Preparation
<i>Trinity Sunday</i> 16 9:30 Holy Eucharist & Annual Meeting	17	18 1:30 Loaves & Fishes food preparation 4:30 Capital Campaign Executive Committee 7:15 Vestry meeting	19 11:00 Loaves & Fishes serving crew at Immanuel Church	20 12:00 Holy Eucharist	21 <i>Office closed</i>	22 9:00 Grounds workday
23 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Holy Eucharist at St. Monica's	24	25 7:30 Intercessory Prayer Team meeting	26	27 12:00 Holy Eucharist	28 <i>Office closed</i>	29
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June 2019

Upcoming events:

July 16/17: Loaves & Fishes food preparation/serving

July 21: Jazz Mass at Christ Church Cathedral (10:30 a.m.)
(8:00 a.m. service only at Trinity on this day)

August 17: Church by the Pond food preparation (12:30 p.m.)

August 20/21: Loaves & Fishes food preparation/serving

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