



The Trumpeter

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The Newsletter of Trinity Long Green

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LENT OPPORTUNITES FOR WORSHIP AND STUDY

Stations of the Cross

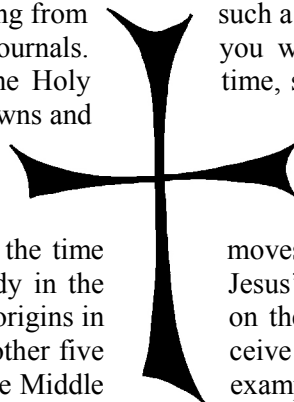
Since the early first centuries, Christians have marked the events of Holy Week and Easter by following in the footsteps of Jesus through the streets of Jerusalem. As early as the third century, pilgrims returning from the Holy Land reported this practice in their journals. In time, those unable to make the trip to the Holy Land recreated the experience in their own towns and cities. This practice gradually evolved into a devotional practice referred to as *Stations of the Cross*, or *The Way of the Cross*. There are fourteen stations marking episodes from the time of Jesus' arrest, to the placement of his body in the stone tomb. Nine of these stations have their origins in the scriptural account of Jesus' passion, the other five come from pious legends that arose during the Middle Ages. *Stations* can involve walking from one location to the next, sometimes marked by plaques on the wall of a church or a simple cross set into the ground along a path, or the service can be read in place in a church. At each station, a short scripture is read, a reflection given, and a prayer response made. The service typically ends with the Lord's prayer. Trinity will hold a service of Stations of the Cross on the Monday of Holy Week, **April 18, at 6 pm**. Come and walk the way of the cross with us.

-Fran Stanford -

Mystery Walk

One way to ensure our children understand that Easter is NOT about chicks, bunnies and candy is to attend a **Mystery Walk**. Trinity will host such a walk this year on **April 11 at 4:30 pm**. (If you wish to participate but can't make it this time, see Dr. Fran or Kathy Talbot to determine an alternate time). A Mystery Walk is a child-friendly Stations of the Cross (sometimes called Way of the Cross), that is, a devotional practice where one moves from location to location recounting Jesus' journey from his crucifixion to his death on the cross. At each station, the child will receive a token to help remember that event. For example, at the station where Jesus takes up his cross, the children will receive a pocket cross, and at the station where Jesus is laid in the tomb, they will receive a stone. Unlike the traditional Stations of the Cross, we end the Mystery Walk with a Resurrection Station. This helps the children complete the story, and remember the reason we celebrate Easter. While geared for children, adults often find the Mystery Walk to be a valuable part of their own preparation for Easter. Plan on attending, and inform Dr. Fran if you can help.

- Fran Stanford -



LENTEN SPECIAL OFFERING



This year's Lenten Special Offering will purchase goats for needy families in third world countries through ER-D (Episcopal Relief and Development).

- Fran Stanford -



FRANFARE

Dear friends,

Way back in the dark ages when I was a girl, the children in my church would decorate a hollow wooden cross with flowers from the garden on Easter morning and fill the cross with Mite boxes. As this was in Memphis, TN, the flowers ranged from daffodils and tulips when Easter was early to azaleas when Easter was late, as it is this year. The term “Mite Box” comes from the gospel story where Jesus observed the widow put her two mites (tiny coins) into the poor box at the temple, and commented that she had given more than the rich man as she had given all she had. We received the Mite Boxes on the first Sunday of Lent and were supposed to fill them with coins throughout the season. The collection would be given to the charity that helped poor people somewhere else in the world. I have to confess that, although I might have put some change into my box during Lent, my father always supplemented my meager offering with rolls of coins the evening before Easter Day.

Some churches still practice this tradition, but for the most part, it seems to have passed its prime. Alms-giving, the practice of giving to help the less fortunate, remains part of our Lenten practice. At Trinity, we designate some particular cause to help focus giving by both Day School and Trinity Church. One year, we purchased mosquito nets for children in malaria-ridden areas; another year we saved our pennies for playgrounds where the merry-go-round doubled as a water pump; last year we provided Hope for Haiti. This year we will purchase goats (one goat for each \$80 received) through Episcopal Relief and Development Fund. These goats, and instruction regarding their care, are given to needy families throughout the world. Goats are extremely hardy animals which provide much needed protein through milk and meat, as well as wool for clothing, and so make a very practical gift.

Mite boxes were provided to the Sunday School children (and are available on request for adults) and labeled plastic jugs are scattered throughout the Day School, Parish House and Church. The plastic jugs, appropriately, are the containers in which our communion wafers arrive. Special Lenten Offering envelopes and checks provide additional ways to contribute to this project.

While I no longer use mite boxes to collect my Lenten alms, I continue to make such alms-giving part of my Lenten discipline. I challenge you to join me this year and see how many goats Trinity can purchase.

This Lent, get a goat!

Fran+





Please Join Us During Holy Week

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, April 17
8 & 10 a.m. The Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist

Monday in Holy Week, April 18
6 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Tuesday in Holy Week, April 19
12:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 20
6 p.m. Quiet Prayer

Maundy Thursday, April 21
7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Liturgy with Eucharist
Stripping of the altar

Good Friday, April 22
7:30 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy with communion
from Reserved Sacrament

Easter Day, April 24
8 a.m. First Eucharist of Easter
10 a.m. Festival Holy Eucharist
11:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt



EXPERIENCE HOLY WEEK AT TRINITY

The liturgies of Holy Week and Easter are not dramas meant to stimulate our imaginations. They are more than signs pointing us to events of the past, helping us remember the life and work of Jesus of Nazareth. They are sacraments - outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace, grace-bearing signs which are able to effect, to bring into being what they signify.

Since the fourth century, Christians in Jerusalem have celebrated the great events of the last week of Jesus' earthly ministry. As centuries separated Christians from the events of the gospels, interest in Christian history grew. Churches were built on the sacred sites mentioned in the gospels. The faithful began to make pilgrimages to Jerusalem to walk where Jesus walked. To handle the influx of pilgrims at Easter time, the churches of Jerusalem developed liturgies focused on the specific events which occurred at each location. The pilgrims took reports of these liturgies home with them. Holy Week services were gradually incorporated into the liturgical cycle as it became apparent that they allowed people separated from the life of Jesus both by miles and years to experience these mysteries for themselves. In the mid-twentieth century, Anglicans rediscovered the power of the Holy Week liturgies. They were included in the most recent revision of the Book of Common Prayer, although they were in common use long before this.

*That we may enter
with joy upon the
contemplation of
those mighty acts,
whereby God has
given us life and
immortality*

Book of Common Prayer p. 270

Holy Week, from Palm Sunday to Easter Morning, helps us trace the steps of Jesus during the last days of his life. We join the crowd on Palm Sunday shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" as we wave branches of palm. We sit with the disciples in the upper room as Jesus gives them his one commandment, to love one another, as he washes their feet. We join the crowd demanding that Pilate, "Crucify him!" And we stand at the foot of the cross as Jesus breathes his last. We leave him in the cold stone tomb, and return Easter morning to find the tomb empty! We shout our Alleluias, for Christ is truly risen!

To the extent that we live the liturgies of Holy Week, we allow ourselves to be changed by the power of the mystery they celebrate.

- Fran Stanford -

WALK THE LABYRINTH



On April 13, a group from Trinity will travel to St. James, Monkton, to walk the labyrinth. We will gather at Trinity at 2:30 pm and carpool. Once there, Dr. Fran will provide brief instruction and then each of us will walk the labyrinth. Afterwards, those who wish can discuss the experience.

The word "labyrinth" is frequently used interchangeably with "maze." When used as a spiritual practice, labyrinths differ from mazes in that a labyrinth has no dead end. The entire labyrinth is a single path which one walks to the center and then walks again to exit.

Walking the labyrinth is a very ancient spiritual practice that experienced a revival in the late twentieth century. Labyrinths have been found around the world, and some date to the Bronze Age. Many European cathedrals built in the Middle Ages had labyrinths laid into the floor – Chartres Cathedral near Paris, one of the best known, was built around 1200. In Medieval times the labyrinth served as a "virtual pilgrimage" for those who could not travel to Jerusalem or another pilgrimage destination. Walking was encouraged during Advent and Lent as an act of penitence. One may walk the labyrinth as a way to center, or quiet the spirit so as to better listen to God. Many walk the labyrinth to let go of stress, or reach a decision about something.

Please contact Dr. Fran if you want to participate in our pilgrimage to the St. James Labyrinth.

- Fran Stanford -

NOTES FROM YOUR VESTRY



TRINITY DAY SCHOOL

The First TCDS Grandparent's Day will be Wednesday, April 27th and Thursday April 28th. It is open to grandparents and special friends.

Trinity Summer Camp is open to children 3 to 6. Check out the Summer Camp discount coupon on our website. The coupon is for 10% of the first week and 15% off your 2nd week. It expires on May 1.

Coming Soon! A dedication ceremony is being planned to introduce the Capitol Campaign Donation Wall at the school.

- Joanne Maits -

VESTRY MEETING NOTES

At its regular meeting on March 21, 2011, the vestry:

- ♪ Went over Trinity's finances and approved the Treasurer's Report
- ♪ Reported that the utility shed was up and in use
- ♪ Discussed church growth
- ♪ Celebrated the installation of the Donor Wall
- ♪ Started thinking about the Country Fair
- ♪ Thought about new gutters for the church
- ♪ Planned the vestry retreat in April
- ♪ Looked at new committee structure
- ♪ Discussed ways to spend donations in honor of Sue's Tirocchi

- Wendy Walker -



BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS



Outdoor Utility Shed

On the afternoon of Ash Wednesday past, the Outdoor Utility Shed was delivered and installed. It is a beautiful addition to our church grounds and will serve us well. A hearty thanks to all who contributed to its purchase. And a well done to Bruce Nelson, Bob Newton and Andrew Lowery for their assistance in its installation.

Recent heavy rains in March have caused flooding in the church's small basement in the amount of several inches of water. This has occurred on numerous occasions in the past. The major contributing factor is that the present church gutters cannot handle the amount of rainfall when blocked with debris (leaves, seeds, etc.). A better gutter system is planned and the removal of two large cedars and one large magnolia tree too close to the church are also being considered.

A new electrical service line was installed underground on Saturday, March 26. This replaced an overhead line between the church and parish hall. Church parishioners performed this project and an outside contractor made the proper connections.

We are still waiting for the county to install a fire water suppression tank after which the painting of parking lines will follow.

- Russ Tagg -



MEMBERSHIP

By Friday, March 4, 6,000 postcards were delivered to the communities surrounding Trinity, sent home with the TCDS kids, and made available to the parish. The theme is the children's choir with the March/April Lenten and Easter schedule on the other side. Postage was \$392.00 or about 6.5 cents each. We get this price because Bruce Nelson sorts them out by zip code and route, hand delivers them to the local post offices, and the address is simply "Dear Neighbor". The postcard itself is just 2.5 cents.

The committee is working up a theme and layout for the Country Fair postcard now. Suggestions welcome. The monthly movie nights continued on March 11 with *Despicable Me*. There was a very good turnout with about 55 - 60 adults and kids. The next (and last movie this spring) is *Mary Poppins*, on Friday, April 8. This is a schedule change from the original date of April 15. We will resume this in September.

The three new "movie rugs" are a hit. They are plush, quite comfortable, and reasonably easy to handle. They will be stored behind the Parlor room couch when not in use. Cost was \$580.00, a very significant discount because the dealer had discontinued the carpet.

On March 13, we sponsored the third Family and Friends monthly breakfast from 8:45 to 9:45. Attendance was about 25, likely down due to the "spring forward" clock change that morning. Donations totaled about \$20.00. Feedback remains positive and supportive. The next (and last one this spring) will be April 10. We will resume these in September.

IMPORTANT: I believe the breakfasts are worth the effort. While the attendance currently is not great, first year attendance for movie nights averaged about 20, and sometimes there were less than 10. It's up to over 55 now.

AND, I think it very important that as many of us as possible attend these breakfasts. It is a relaxed and low-key time to socialize and talk with others, get to know them better, and, ideally, welcome new comers.

The next Membership Committee meeting will be after the Vestry retreat. Its purpose will be to plan activities and efforts for the coming year. Current members are Bill Litsinger, Joanne Maits, and Tresa Grasser. Your ideas and participation are most welcome.

- Mike Berry -

- T**
- To Russ Tagg and his Kabota for clearing and leveling the site for the shed
- I**
- To Jonathan Deford, Bill Kincaide, Andrew Lowery and Bruce Nelson for trenching the electrical supply line to the Church.
- P**
- To Kathy Calvert for being the motivator for Grandparent's Day at TCDS
- O**
- To off-going Sunday School teachers (Sue Berry, Ruth Jacobs and Jenn Rommel, and new teachers (Jeanine Bausman, Jenn Rommel, and Becky Fraser-Hand)
- F**
- To the shed donors
- T**
- To the choir and Edward for their hard work and wonderful music
- H**
- To the ushers and Altar Guild for their weekly contribution to our services
- E**
- A**
- T**
- Wendy Walker -

OUTREACH



Thanks to all who participated in "Sock it to Paul's Place". We sold them all in the first weekend of the drive and now have enough socks to see us through May. Please keep the patrons of Paul's Place in mind when cleaning your linen closets, they are always in need of all sizes of sheets and towels.

- Carol Knight -

**HEALING SERVICE CONTINUES ON
THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 6 P.M.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



We started our last session of Sunday school on March 20th, with a transition day for the new teachers. Attendance has dropped off slightly, but this was expected as many of our older children are involved in sports, with either practice or games on Sundays. We still have between 10 and 15 children each Sunday.

We would like to welcome Jeanine Bausman and Becky Fraser-Hand who have offered to help with teaching. Jen Rommel has generously offered to teach another session.

This Lent the children have been given boxes to collect money that will go toward buying goats for families in third world countries. If you have missed a Sunday, be sure your child gets a box on the next Sunday they are there.

We are planning an Easter egg hunt for Easter morning at 11:30, mark your calendars.

April 10th is our last Family and Friends breakfast. Why not bring yours kids for a yummy breakfast, leave the mess at home and that way they're here bright and early to start **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP AT 9:45.**

Last, but not least, why not sign up to help in the nursery. I believe there are still a few blank weeks that are desperately calling to someone.

- Carol House -

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast will be Saturday April 2 at 8am. Messrs. Jones and Kinkaide will be our chefs du jour. It has been suggested by Bruce that we donate some of our account to the childrens' choir robe fund - while enough has been collected and robes ordered for our current group All of them will grow fast (remember??) and new robes will be needed - our donation will help in the future

See you on the 2nd and if you can't make it and want to make a contribution just see me or mark your check accordingly - Men's Breakfast Fund. Need cooks/chefs/deliverers for May 7th.

- Bill Litsinger -

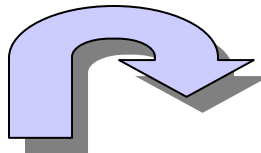
PASTORAL CARE

This past month Pastoral Care has sent out birthday, anniversary and get well cards. Phone calls have been made to those at home or recovering from operations. Five more Prayer Shawls were blessed and will be distributed. Many of those participating in the Prayer Shawl Ministry attended a Retreat organized by St. James and held at St. John's, Glyndon. We enjoyed a fun day meeting new people and sharing ideas about Knitting Ministry.

Along with TAT we helped with a Special Coffee Hour Reception for Betty and Mac MacDonald. The MacDonalds are moving to a new home in Winchester, Va and their presence at Trinity will be greatly missed. We will look forward to their home visits to Baltimore.

Lynn Hempey returned home and a home-visit was made. She has been able to attend church several Sundays. We will continue to keep Lynn in our prayers that she will daily gain more strength in her recovery. Additionally, we have updated the birthday and anniversary lists, as well as the phone tree.

- Sherry Rast -



SPRING CLEAN UP

Spring Clean-Up: Our Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, April 2nd, at 9:00 AM. Please contact Russ Tagg at 410-361-1923 or Bob Newton robert.newton14@verizon.net for more information.

- Bob Newton -



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DONOR WALL INSTALLED

A donor wall has been installed at the entrance to the Day school to honor all those who donated to the Trinity Church Day School Growth Fund. We will hold a blessing celebration later this spring, but don't wait to check it out. As the sign says, thanks to all those who helped us Grow a Bright Tomorrow.



Financial update: Trinity Church and the TCDS Growth Fund need a bit less than \$20,000 to pay off the \$80,000 worth of Promissory Notes that made it possible to pay construction costs before all pledges were received. The Day School pays the Middendorf Revolving Fund note (\$250,000 at 4% amortized over 20 years with balance due at 10 years) through monthly payments with fundraising efforts by the Parents Club going towards the principle at the end of each fiscal year.

- Fran Stanford -

THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE

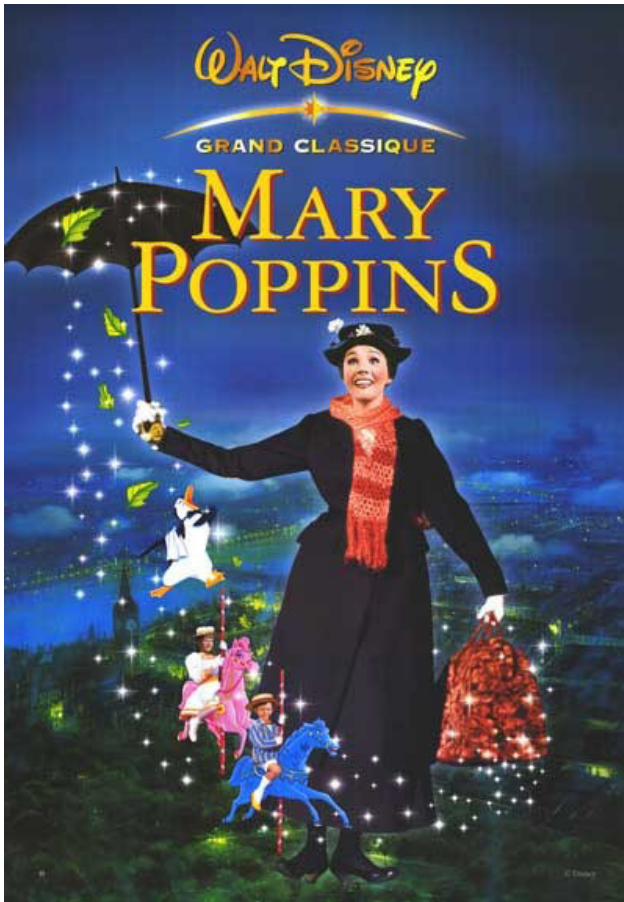


The Cemetery Committee will be holding a meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. Every month, one of the committee members monitors the condition of the cemetery by removing spent flowers, clean up of small fallen twigs, and notify the committee of any damages (such as larger fallen limbs, broken fence rails). During committee meetings, policies and procedures are reviewed and maintenance issues are discussed. Since our cemetery does not provide perpetual care, it is maintained largely by the good will of the committee and church members. Twice a year we schedule a Saturday morning for major clean up. As with the Buildings & Grounds Committee Clean Up Days, all church members are invited to spend a few hours helping to clean up the many limbs that have fallen over the winter. A lot can be achieved in just a few short hours when we have many hands. We benefit from the help of smaller hands picking up sticks, medium sized hands with rakes and wheel barrows, and graduate to larger hands with chain saws. Once the date is determined, the Cemetery Clean Up Day will be noted in the Sunday Bulletins, Bugle Blast, and/or Trumpeter. Please watch for this opportunity to participate.

- Anne Brandt -

*Hey! Last movie until
September!*

*Friday, April 8,
6:30 pm*



*Free will donation requested. Includes popcorn and drinks. Bring your
parents and pillows. Wear your jammies if you'd like!*

Trinity Long Green Parish Hall

For more information please call the church office.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| 5 Sue Berry | 23 Caroline Bausman |
| Sally Filling | 24 Jeremy Knight |
| 7 George Tucker | 25 Donna Lytton |
| James Henschel | Kathy Talbot |
| Tom Seegar | 28 Katie House |
| Daniel Kropf | Feignebaum |
| 8 Joyce Jennings | Kate Newton |
| Salvatore | 29 Lucy Donofrio |
| SchianodiCola | 30 Ida SchianodiCola |
| Rosemary Schmidt | |
| 10 Beverly Demmler | |
| 11 Lynn Hempey | |
| Sharon Watts | |
| 12 Jeffrey Christ | |
| Bob Newton | |
| Fran Stanford | |
| 15 Jennifer Rommel | |
| Sasha Ruppert | |
| 16 Julia Rommel | |
| 17 Anne Eve | |
| Drew Rommel | |
| 17 Nancy Hoffman | |
| 20 Don MacDonald | |
| 22 Jeanine Bausman | |
| Dick DiStefano | |



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 25 Jeff & Elaine Christ
 Clay & Carolyn Evans
 Craig and Tresa Grasser
- 28 Henry and Doris Schmidt
- 29 Chuck and Deb Donofrio
 George and Eleanor Tucker



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Each year, lovely Easter flowers are provided through gifts from the congregation in memory of their loved ones. If you wish to make a donation, please send your check, payable to Trinity Church and marked "Easter Flowers" and the names **printed clearly** of those to be remembered, to the church office **no later than Sunday, April 17th**.

Given by:

In memory of:

Amount \$ _____



April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Cemetery Monitor: Bill Kincaide Please remove birthday memorials 15 days after the holiday. Thank you.						
3 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Worship 10am Holy Eucharist Sunday School/ 11am Coffee Hour	4 8am Holy Eucharist 8:45am Family and Friends Breakfast 9:45am Children's Wor- ship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	5 11-3 - TAT 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist	6 6pm Lenten Soup and Study	7 7:15pm Choir	8 6:30pm Movie Night: "Mary Poppins"	9 8am Bus Trip 9am Vestry Retreat
10 8am Holy Eucharist 8:45am Family and Friends Breakfast 9:45am Children's Wor- ship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	11 4:30 pm Mystery Walk 6pm Healing Service 7pm Cemetery Committee Meeting (in Parlor)	12 11-3 - TAT 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist	13 6pm Lenten Soup and Study	14 7:15pm Choir	15	16
17 Palm Sunday 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Wor- ship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	18 6pm Stations of the Cross	19 11-3 - TAT 12:30 pm Holy Eucharist	20 6pm Lenten Soup and Study 8 pm Holy Eucharist	21 Maundy Thursday 7:30pm Liturgy with Eucharist and Stripping of the altar	22 Good Friday 7:30pm Liturgy with Communion from Reserved Sacrament	23
24 Easter 8am Holy Eucharist 10am Festival Holy Eucharist 11:15am Easter Egg Hunt	25	26 11-3 - TAT	27 TCDS Grand- parents 's Day	28 TCDS Grand- parent's Day 7:15pm Choir	29	30



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS!



Trinity Church is looking for someone to take over as Registrar, because our present Registrar is stepping down to focus on editing the Trumpeter. If you think you can spare a few hours a month to serve on the Vestry, call Dr. Fran for more details.

Thank you!

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