



The Trumpeter

May 2011

The Newsletter of Trinity Long Green

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Annual Country Fair Saturday, May 21—8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Volunteers are needed to help in all areas. As always, if you can't attend you may want to think about a cash donation to offset expenditure. Please mark your check "Country Fair donation." See the following chairpersons to volunteer your time and talent for one of our biggest fundraisers. Not only will you be supporting Trinity Church but your community as well. So bring you family and friends and pray for good weather!

Edie Wood is in charge of the Flea Market and is now receiving "treasures" for resale. Donations should be in working order. **Please no large furniture items.** You may place items in the marked areas of the parish hall or make arrangements for pick up by calling Edie at 443-299-7914.

Flea Market spaces are available for \$15.00. Crafters and vendors may purchase spaces for \$15.00. Call Edie Wood at the above number for a contract.

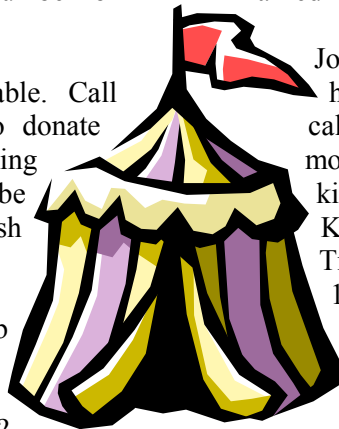
Bobbie Nelson will direct the Bake Table. Call her at 410-628-2107 if you wish to donate either your time or your talented baking abilities. A sign up sheet may also be found on the bulletin board in the parish hall.

Carol House, Diane Pierce and Barb Newton are in charge of our plant table. Are you dividing some of your plants or need to thin out an area? Donations from your garden will expand our offering. Call Carol at 410-592-2596 for more details.

We will be using the skills of Bob Newton and Ross Jones as parking czars. Tanya Ruppert will be in charge of the kitchen, while Susan Wiley will coordinate food ordering and service, so give her a call at (410-371-7591) if you can donate a few hours taking orders.

Deford and Company will take charge of the grills, if you can help "man" a grill, give Jonathan a call at 410-592-7180. Bill Wiley will cook the pig on Thursday, May 19; stop by for a few minutes to chew the fat.

Sandra Barnes 410-668-9111 takes her place as Trinity's Bookworm-in-Chief. Donations of "already read," "never-will-read," and new books are welcomed as are CDs, LPs, DVDs, tapes, puzzles and games. Please bring your donations to the parish hall and place in the area marked "Books" or call Sandra to arrange a pick up.



Joanne Maits 410-592-8860 would appreciate help in the children's area. Please give her a call to help with the games. We have secured a moon bounce for the children, and there will be kids games. We will also welcome Pam the Kindersinger (see more information inside the Trumpeter) who will perform two shows at 11:00am and 12:30pm.

Finally, Anne Brandt and Becky Frazer-Hand will do advertizing and publicity, Andrew Lowery will be organizing cleanup, and Bill Troy and Carol Knight are in charge of the money!\$!

Come and enjoy a great day. Bring your friends and neighbors. Help us demonstrate what a great place Trinity is!

- Co-chairs Bill Litsinger and Mitzi Brandon -



FRANFARE

Dear Friends,

What if God were one of us? This intriguing question begins the theme song for the series **Joan of Arcadia**.

I confess that I missed **Joan of Arcadia** during its two-year run as a TV drama. I discovered it on Netflix. While the series is far from great, its premise captured my attention. Joan is a teenage girl in the town of Arcadia who, like her namesake Joan of Arc, hears God. More accurately, God appears to Joan and talks to her.

In the series God takes a variety of human forms, some that stretch the viewers' credibility. God might be a good looking teen, an elderly woman, a precocious little girl, a janitor or a dog walker – none of these incarnations fell entirely outside my comfort zone. But when God appeared in Gothic black with multiple piercings – **that** definitely made me squirm.

If God were to appear to us today, what form would God take?

How did the saints of old – Joan of Arc, St. Paul, St. Theresa of Avila, the saints who had special visions or encounters with God, as well as the patriarchs Abraham and Moses – how did these saints see God, how did they hear God?

Did God appear to them in a human incarnation like God appears to Joan of Arcadia? O did they “hear” God underneath or behind the words spoken to them by the ordinary people in their lives? Did God speak to them in a voice in their minds, a voice that only they heard but that was some way different from their usual inner conversation?

Maybe the song takes the wrong perspective on the question of divine incarnation, on the communication of God with humankind. Instead of asking “*What if God were one of us?*” we might be better served by wondering how God **IS** one of us, how God is among us. In our baptismal covenant we do just that, in the fourth question we are asked, “Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?” and we answer, “I will, with God’s help.”

We can find God, we can encounter God, we can hear God when we look closely at the people we encounter every day of our lives. We can find Christ in our mother, our son, our next door neighbor, our boss, the woman who cleans our house, the doctor who cares for us when we are sick, the hungry man in line for a hot meal at Paul’s Place, the child in Japan or Alabama orphaned and homeless due to tsunami or tornado.

I believe that God often speaks to us through the most unlikely people, and we will only hear the divine message if we are listening for it.

Fran+



LET'S GO OUT TO THE BALL GAME (HON)!

The Diocese has a block of tickets for an Orioles game on **Friday, June 10th at 7:05 PM**. Tickets are only \$6. Put the date on your calendar and your name on the sign-up sheet in the parish hall. Reservations must be made and money received by **May 29** in order to get our seats together. Don't miss out on the fun!

- Bill Litsinger -

FROM YOUR SENIOR WARDEN

Well, spring is supposed to be here by now, but I guess we will go straight to summer. There has been some spring clean-up around the church, with more to come. There always seems to be so much to do, but somehow all the hard workers get the place neat and clean.

The fire tank is in and working. The tank holds 30,000 gallons so, if need be, there is a large supply of water for us and the local area. ***We have learned that this will lower our insurance by \$1,579!*** Once the grass is reestablished, we can use the area for parking cars again.



We are still in need of someone to take over as Registrar for the Vestry. The Registrar is appointed by the Vestry and has all the rights of an elected Vestry member. You keep the notes of the monthly meetings and publish them for the Vestry. Wendy has the format down to a simple form and is willing to work with you while you get started (*YES I AM!!). Even I have taken the notes before (*AND DONE A GOOD JOB!!), so it can't be all that bad (*IT'S VERY EASY!!). If you are interested, please contact Fran or me.

Now that Easter is over, we still need to keep up with our pledges as always. The Fair is our next big event and hopefully we will have good weather and a strong turnout. I will be cooking the burgers and dogs as always so please come and enjoy my fine cooking talents.

See you there!!

- Jonathan Deford -

(*with editorial notes by the Trumpeter Editor and current Registrar)

COMING TO COMMUNION GRADUATION

On May 1, at the 10 a.m. service, three young people were recognized for completing the Coming to Communion Program where they learned about the meaning of the Eucharist and how to properly receive communion. These fine young people are: Katherine Meyer, Gabrielle Meyer and Rose Luba.



-Fran Stanford-

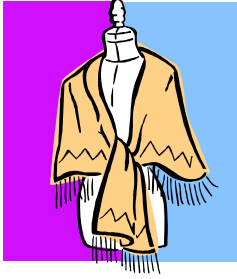
FLOWER DONATIONS FOR THE COUNTRY FAIR



Spring has arrived and as you prepare your gardens, keep our Flower Booth in mind. If your perennials need dividing or you have extras of other special plants, dig them up and pot them for us to sell at the Country Fair. Many folks throughout the community come to the Country Fair just to see what special items we might have for sale from our gardens. It is a wonderful way to make new friends and share God's blessings through His creation with others. **Also....remember we will have beautiful annuals and hanging baskets at good prices for sale. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 21st.** Any questions call or speak with Diane Pierce, Carol House, or Barbara Newton.

- Diane Pierce -

PASTORAL CARE



This month, Pastoral Care has sent 6 birthday, 2 Anniversary, 1 Sympathy, 3 Get Well cards and 20 Easter cards. 5 phone calls were made and one Pastoral Care Home visit delivering 2 Prayer Shawls to Jean Hasty and her daughter Karen Wilkerson. (Karen's husband died 3 years

ago and she has just completed a course of Chemo for Cancer.) Also delivered Prayer Shawls to Sandy Lancraft whose mom died last week and to Martha Wheeler, Secretary of TCDS and Sue's beloved sister. It is always such a privilege to share with those who receive a Prayer Shawl. Please keep Dick Di Stefano in your prayers as he had a toe amputated last week. He is recovering nicely and Nancy brought a card for the Parish to sign on Sunday.

Diane met with Dr. Fran and the daughters of Elizabeth Weakley Murn on Monday, April 11th to go over arrangements for their funeral reception in our Parish Hall on May 26th.

- Sherri Rast -

OUTREACH



Heading into summer we are going to refocus our buying for the patrons of Paul's Place from sweatshirts and jeans to the always needed socks, underwear deodorant and shampoo. The bathing facilities are in near constant demand

and it's hard to keep up with the "necessaries" which are given to those who use them. Please support this aspect of our Paul's Place ministry either by directly donating the above items or you can give money, earmarked for Paul's Place supplies, and we will do the buying for you. Also on the "most wanted" list are bed linens and towels. If you are cleaning our your closets, please keep the people of Paul's Place in mind. Thanks for your consideration.

- Carol Knight -

MEMBERSHIP



The numbers are up. Average Sunday attendance for the last 4 months has been 83 compared to 70 for the same period last year. It is all starting to work. The new Sunday School teachers and curriculum, the most excellent children's choir, certainly the

adult choir too, the post cards, movies, breakfasts, the Candy Cane Christmas, Country Fair, Lenten events and programs, the cathedral trip, plus a lot more I'm not thinking of right now. The numbers are up. But there's a spirit here, an energy, that's up much, much higher.

More post cards are on the way. These will promote the Country Fair and are similar to last year's design. The order is again for 6,000 cards that we'll deliver to the communities surrounding Trinity around mid-May, send home with the TCDS kids, and make available to the parish.

The monthly movie nights continued with *Mary Poppins* on Friday, April 8. This was the last movie we'll host until the fall. Movie nights have been very well received, attended, and supported. Attendance this year has averaged around 55 kids and adults.

The tentative 2011-2012 movie schedule will be September through April again, but generally on the third Friday of each month instead of the second Friday. *The plan is to have at least the speakers and a pull-down screen acquired and permanently installed, and ideally the DVD player, amp, and projector equipment as well.* The movie equipment fund is up to \$988.00 as of April 27.

On April 10 we sponsored the Family and Friends monthly breakfast from 8:45 to 9:45. This coincided nicely with the children's Mystery Walk that morning. Attendance was about 60. Feedback remains positive and supportive. This was the last one this spring, and these too will resume in September on the second Sunday of each month through April.

- Mike Berry -



PAM THE KINDERSINGER AT THE COUNTRY FAIR



Pam the Kindersinger performs programs for young audiences, Pre-K through 3rd grades, Infant/Toddler, and Special Needs. These fun and exciting programs are ideal bookings for schools, festivals, malls, libraries, and special events.

Each forty minute program begins with a greeting/ shake-hands song, and continues with interactive action and listening songs, humorous routines, puppetry and ventriloquism. Pam the Kindersinger programs reinforce primary education curriculum concepts such as listening, manners, sharing, numbers, letters, holidays, and live audience behavior.

Pam will do two shows during the Country Fair, at 11:00am and 12:30pm.

For more information visit her website at: <http://www.pamthekindersinger.com>

HEALING SERVICE



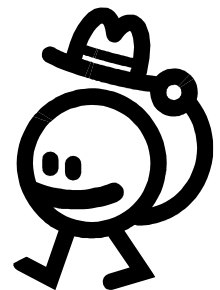
Healing Services continue on the second Monday of each month, this month on May 9th. This service will include scripture readings, prayers for the sick naming all those on Trinity's Prayer List, confession of sin, anointing with oil and individual prayer for those who desire it. We conclude with Eucharist. For further explanation or to answer questions you might have, talk with Dr. Fran.

- Fran Stanford -

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- To Katie Curran, Tom Talbot, Pat Pandolfini, Joanne Maits, Bob Newton, Ernie Brandt, Anne Brandt and Gloria Rollins (an 'import' from a Moravian church in Frederick) - the Parish Hall "paint" team - who provided dinner to the workers, scouted stores for matching sheers, used muscle to move and remove equipment, cleaned and sanded radiator covers, took down and installed window treatments, picked up paint supplies and, finally, painted.
- For everyone who is pulling together to make our Country Fair the best ever
- To those who helped with the spring clean-up
- To all those who made our Holy Week and Easter services the best ever, especially altar guild, lectors, chalicists, acolytes and **both** fantastic choirs!

- Wendy Walker -



TCDS VESTRY REPORT



Spring is always a bustling time at the day school. In April, the first Grandparents' Day was hosted by TCDS. Many delighted grandparents came, toured the school and participated in events with their grandchildren. Thank you grandparents! You are treasures.

May begins with Trinity Church Day School Sunday on the 1st. Please join us for 10:00 services. This month there will be several day trips taking place for the children. The 3 year olds will go to Ladew Gardens and the 4 year olds will be travelling to Cromwell Valley Park. The last day of school will be May 27th. This was the first full year in the newly renovated school. Thanks to everyone who made it possible.

There are still spaces available for TCDS summer camp for dates between June 6th and July 29th. Call 410-592-7423 for more information.

- Joanne Maits -

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There are only a few weeks of Sunday school left this year. It's hard to believe that the school year is just about over. The last week of Sunday school will be May 22nd. I would like to thank all the teachers, the volunteers that helped in the nursery and Dr. Fran. We've had a great year and laid a good foundation to continue next year.

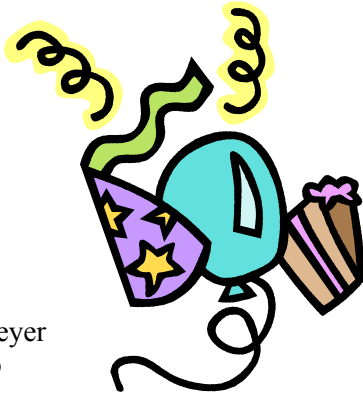
We continue to need volunteers for the nursery. One person is good, but two is much easier, especially if there are a number of small children.

I hope everyone has a safe, healthy and fun summer. We look forward to seeing all the same faces and hopefully some new ones next September 11th, when we kick off a brand new year.

- Carol House -

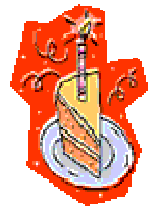
HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY TO:

- 1 Carol House
Tanya Ruppert
- 2 Nancy Jones
Bill Kommalan
- 3 Matthew Lowman
- 4 David Sutphen
- 5 Gabrielle Meyer
Linda Smith
- 10 Ruth Arenas
- 11 Carolyn Evans
Edward McGee
- 14 Anne Brandt
- 15 Molly Jacobs
Kevin Rast
- 18 Sally Loercher
- 19 Mike Berry
Jennifer Linsenmeyer
- 21 Gregory DiGalbo
- 23 Pat Kincaide
- 28 Tom Talbot
- 29 Jeff Abplanalp
Scott Saunders



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 3 Patrick & Gretchen Ward
- 11 Dennis & Priscilla DiGalbo
- 15 Andrew & Carolyn Lowery
- 18 Leonard & Carol House
- 19 Richard & Judy Neumyer
- 20 Michael & Missy Bishoff
- 24 Bob and Bev Demmler
Ray & Gayle Harting
- 30 Charlie & Betty Elder




JUNE'S TRUMPETER

A reminder that June's Trumpeter will be our summer issue and will cover both June and July. The deadline for this issue is Wednesday, May 25th. Please be sure to mark your calendars and send your submissions to me by this date. Thank you! It's going to be a great summer!!

- Wendy Walker -

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 TCDS Sunday 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Worship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	2 6:30pm Vestry Mtg.	3 11am TAT	4	5 7:15pm Choir	6	7
8 Mother's Day 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Worship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am - Coffee Hour hosted by Men's Breakfast Club	9 6pm Healing Service 7:00 pm TCDS Board meeting	10 11am TAT	11	12 Diocesan Convention 7:15pm - Choir	13 Diocesan Convention	14
15 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Worship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	16	17 11am TAT	18	19 7:15pm - Choir	20	21 8am - 2 pm - Country Fair 
22 8am Holy Eucharist 9:45am Children's Worship 10am Holy Eucharist/ Sunday School 11am Coffee Hour	23	24 11am TAT	25	26 7:15pm - Choir	27 TCDS last day	28
29 8am Holy Eucharist 10am Holy Eucharist 11am Coffee Hour	30 Memorial Day Office closed	31 11am TAT				Cemetery Monitor: Anne Brandt



**Crafts, flea market,
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