

# The Trumpeter

September 2018

The Newsletter of Trinity Long Green

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### **Back to Sunday School!!**

Sunday School at Trinity will begin on Sunday, September 9, starting with registration beginning at 9:45 am. Sunday School will be available each week for children ages 3 through 6th grade.

In addition, there will be sign up available for older children and teenagers for a variety of worship oriented roles, including Sunday School Ambassador (helper), readers, acolyte training and more!

As always, Trinity has a dedicated and enthusiastic group of teachers preparing to work with the children. Many thanks in advance to Sue Berry, Sue Luba, Jeannie and Justin Milio for your commitment!

There will be a 'kid friendly" coffee hour after worship to celebrate the start of the Sunday School year. Please plan on coming early to sign your children up and staying for some food and fellowship afterward."

-Joyce Lynagh-



### BLESSING OF BACKPACKS



Because we want everyone to get a good start on the new school year, we are once again "Blessing the Backpacks." If you are in school this fall, whether as a

student or teacher, in pre-K through graduate school, bring your book bag, backpack, laptop or whatever you use to be blessed on Sunday, September 9 at the offertory during the 10 a.m. service. We will bless the students and teachers as well, of course.

### **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION**

In the Episcopal Church, every adult is expected to be confirmed or received by the bishop; those confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church or the Lutheran Church are received, all others should be confirmed. Confirmation is considered the adult profession of faith and therefore should not be sought before a person is mature enough to make such a profession, usually around 15 years of age. In order to be confirmed or received, a period of preparation is required. I am excited that there are four young people who have committed to Confirmation Preparation this year. We have decided that Sundays after Coffee Hour is the best time for us to meet. Mike Berry has agreed to assist me in leading the classes and we have identified a program that looks exciting. The starting date has not yet been set, so there is time to get on board if you are interested, but you need to contact Dr. Fran immediately. As no bishop's visit is scheduled for Trinity for the 2018-2019 year, these confirmations will take place at the Cathedral of the Incarnation either at the Easter Vigil (April 20, 7 p.m.) or Second Sunday of Easter (April 28, 4 p.m.).

Again, if you are interested in Confirmation this year, please contact Dr. Fran as soon as possible.







Dear Friends,

In church a few weeks ago (St. Barnabas, Falmouth, Massachusetts), I had the opportunity to join the congregation for a baptism. It was a blessing to be in the congregation, not responsible for the liturgy, but taking my place with the people in affirming my own baptismal covenant, and in promising to support this person in her life in Christ. As it was highly unlikely that I would ever even see her again, I considered what that promise meant for me, what it means for each of you when you make that promise as a person is baptized at Trinity.

There are times when we speak as a part of the church, a part of a great whole. When we say the words of the Nicene Creed each Sunday, we proclaim what WE believe, as a church, not as individuals. If I am struggling with one part of the creed, perhaps "Virgin Mary" or "one, holy, catholic church", then I don't have to cross my fingers behind my back; I can allow the rest of the church to carry that part of the creed for me. When we say we will support a couple in their marriage or an individual at their baptism, we are speaking as and for the larger church. We affirm that we will try to do what we can, in our own little piece of the kingdom of God, to nurture the faith of the baptized (adults as well as children) and strive to strengthen the bonds of marriage by our actions and by our prayers.

The political rhetoric of these days and times, rhetoric of division and racism and anger and hatred, calls for a Christian response in line with the promises we make as part of our baptismal covenant:

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

To each of these we reply: I will, with God's help.

At communion during that baptismal service at St. Barnabas, we sang Hymn 581 – *Where charity and love prevail*. The source for the words is the ancient Latin hymn, *Ubi caritas*, and two other hymns in Hymnal 1982 are drawn from his same Latin hymn, 606 and 576/77. While I prefer 576, hymn 581 includes a verse not in 576, one that especially caught my attention this summer:

Love can exclude no race or creed If honored be God's Name;
Our common life embraces all Whose Father is the same.



For love to be in the name of God, it can exclude no one on the basis of race or religion or country of origin. We are all, and I mean all people throughout the world, children of God. So long as we hate any of God's children, we cannot claim to fully know God or to live entirely according to God's purposes. As Archbishop Tutu of South Africa says, "God loves everyone, no exceptions."

Will you live your life in such a way that God's love is made known to all people? We will, with God's help.

Your companion on the Jesus Way,

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### LET THERE BE LIGHT

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How many Episcopalians does it take to replace a light bulb? In Trinity's case, a whole village!

For those wondering why it took so long to replace the burnt-out lights in the church:

- 1. Replacing the light bulbs requires someone to crawl into the space between the ceiling and the roof, and Ernie Brandt is the only one who can do that. So we usually wait until 2 lights are out to send him into this very uncomfortable space.
- 2. When Ernie was called and crawled into the space, he discovered that one of the fixtures would need to be replaced.
- 3. At that point the vestry determined that, rather than replace one (and perhaps more) of the old can fixtures with the same style, it was time to switch to energy and cost-efficient LED fixtures.
- 4. An electrical contractor was engaged.
- 5. Joann Maits obtained costs on new fixtures from her company, and Bill Wiley confirmed the electrical contractor could install them.
- 6. These fixtures were made to order and so required 4-6 weeks lead time.
- 7. Before the order was placed, Bob Knight checked to be certain he could not get a better price. He could not, and the order was placed.
- 8. To save paying taxes, the check had to be rewritten to the manufacturer adding to further delay.
- 9. Once the fixtures were in hand, the electrical contractor was notified.
- 10. The electrical contractor discovered the wrong size lights had been ordered.
- 11. Roy and Sandy Lancraft took the lights to the manufacturer in Pennsylvania and spoke directly to the engineer. They obtained the correct size lights that were also dimmable.
- 12. The electrician installed the lights and three of the four chandelier light bulbs were replaced with LED lights (the fourth had to be ordered).
- 13. The net result was VERY BRIGHT.

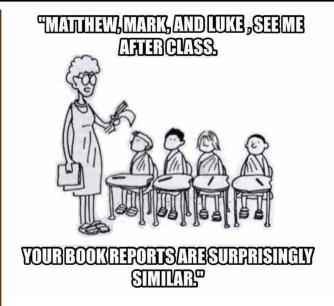
God may have been able to speak light into existence in the creation, but mere mortals take a bit longer.

Fran +

### **ALTAR GUILD**

Please call or email the church office if you would like to become an Altar Guild Volunteer at Trinity. You can work with a partner if you prefer and split the weekend setup and clean-up duties for the 8 am and 10 am services. Training will be provided and there are information sheets stored in the Sacristy to refer to if any back-up help is needed. Your obligation would be only one weekend per month. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve!





### **BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

Our bicentennial rapidly approaches and its time to start making plans. Trinity was authorized as a congregation in the fall of 1819 and the building consecrated in October 1820. We plan a year long celebration to begin the fall of 2019; Jonathan Deford and Chissy Cook will serve as Celebration Co-Chairs (Susan Wiley had to step down) and are interested in your ideas and offers of help.



The vestry anticipates a mini-capital campaign to do the work of fixing up the building, etc. This would or could include repairing and painting the stucco on the church building, painting the trim, further work to resolve the rising damp in the narthex, repair and protection of the stained glass window,s re-roofing the bell tower, replacing the lights in the church with LED fixtures (already done but needing to be funded) and \_\_\_\_\_\_. You need to fill in the blank by speaking with Bill Wiley (building and grounds), Randal Hand (senior warden), Joyce Lynagh (junior warden) or leaving a note in the church office. Preliminary estimates for the work listed above range between \$45,000 (excluding the windows,) plus an additional \$35,000 or more for the windows (estimate was obtained in 2010) for a total of \$80,000 - \$90,000. Note that the church has about \$15,000 in memorial funds or designated for stained glass windows that would serve as the seed money for this campaign.

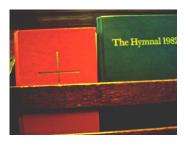
You will hear more about the Bicentennial Celebration and fund-raising in the fall. Begin thinking now how you might want to assist in presenting Trinity as the gem it is in the Long Green Valley.

-Dr. Fran-

### LITURGY AND MUSIC

The recent General Convention of the Episcopal Church

Resolved, That the 79th General Convention authorize *The Holy Eucharist: Rite II, including Eucharistic Prayers A, B, and D, (Expansive Language)* for trial use throughout this church as a proposed revision within pages 355-382 of the Book of Common Prayer pursuant to Article X(b) of the Constitution; ...



This means that parishes can begin modifying the Eucharistic Prayers along specified guidelines to use gender neutral language when referring to human beings and avoiding much of the masculine language traditionally used for God. This can be done by the celebrant (in which case you will immediately notice the changes if you are following the Eucharistic Prayer in the Book of Common Prayer), or printing the revised liturgy in a service booklet (in which case you may not notice the changes). I have not yet decided which approach to take but will do so soon.

Regarding music, I have received several requests for more "modern" music, with the clarification that this does not mean abandoning the hymnal, but merely adding a more modern hymn on a regular basis. You may have noticed that we sing from Hymnal 1982, which makes even the most recent music about 40 years old! If the entire Eucharist Prayer was printed out in the service bulletin, these hymns could be included in the text; if not, then we would use a bulletin insert. I plan to begin this in September most likely putting the newer music at the Offertory.

Give both of these changes time to settle in before deciding if you like them or not. I will be happy to discuss your responses with you.

-Dr. Fran-

### **Tuesdays at Trinity**



I really can't believe it is almost fall. Time to get ready for our weekly meetings on Tuesdays. We will meet in the Parish Hall at 11am

starting Tuesday, September 11. Bring your lunch and a beverage. Coffee & tea are always available. We will continue our mission work of Prayer Shawls and quilts for Paul's Place. Always open to new ideas. Join us in conversation on topics from A to Z and anything in between.

*-Nancy Bainbridge-410-668-6205* 

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**



Trinity Church will continue to support the Baltimore County Public Schools "Food for Thought" program for the

2018-2019 school year. We will provide weekend backpacks filled with nutritious food for 8 children attending Warren Elementary School. These children live in families that are "food insecure". Their access to nutritious food is chronically unstable.

In September we will have an initial fundraising campaign to jump-start this program. More information will follow in the "Bugle Blast". Thank you for your continued support!

-Sue Berry, Liz Deford, and Chris Sage-

### **FAMILY CORNER**



CONGRATULATIONS to PORTER RYAN BUNTING, grandson of KATHI CALVERT graduating May 2018 from Worcester Preparatory School in Berlin,

MD. In addition, Porter received his Boy Scout Eagle Award in September 2017. He will attend St. Mary's College in Leonardtown, MD, as well as playing on their lacrosse team. Our best wishes to Porter and his family. Porter will be majoring in Biology at St. Mary's.

-Bobbie Nelson-

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To our Trinity Family,



Thank you so much for your get well wishes and especially your prayers during a challenging time for both Dick and I. I'm

happy to say we are both recuperating well from surgery. Trinity and the Trinity Family hold a special place in our hearts.

-Judy Neumyer-

### MAKE A GIFT THAT LASTS

As noted elsewhere in this edition of the Trumpeter, George Tucker, long time member, previous Senior Warden, Vestry member, leader of Youth Confirmation Class (Decision for Christ) and otherwise valued participant in the life of Trinity Long Green died in June. Long before that, he decided to continue his support of Trinity after his death by providing in his will for a generous bequest to Trinity. A portion of that gift was specified to go for



Acolytes and Confirmation Class, but the bulk was left for the vestry to decide as how best to use the gift. At its last meeting, the vestry began to consider how best to use this gift and so honor George Tucker.

You too can provide for Trinity's future by including Trinity in your will. Contact Dr. Fran or the church office to obtain more information if you need to do so. Make a gift that lasts.

### HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY

- 4 Stephanie Torlina
- 6 Clay Evans
- 7 Douglas Collins
- 11 Randy Maits
- 12 Annette Beam
- 15 Andrea Rozics Katie Curran
- 17 Diane Pierce
- 19 Bradley Olver
- 23 Claire Frick
- 24 Adrienne Robinson
- 26 Bill Wiley
- 27 Abigail Eberman
- 29 Gabriel Meyer Justin Tagg
- 31 John Anderson

### HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY

- 2 Ruth Jacobs Marge Sandifer
- 5 Dane Angeles
- 6 William Wiseman III
- 9 Dawn Fitzgerald
- 10 Lillian Gray
- 12 Carolyn Collins
- 16 Elaine Christ
- 17 Cole Maits
- 19 Alexandra Hayden David Robinson
- 23 Jack Christ Hunter Thomas Rims
- 25 Ernie Brandt Asher Torlina
- 28 Nancy Bainbridge
- 30 Dennis DiGalbo

### HAPPY AUGUST ANNIVERSARY

18 Graham & Georgeann Burton 29 Bruce & Bobbie Nelson



### HAPPY SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY

- 10 Tom & Kathy Talbot
- 11 Roger & Anne Eve
- 20 Robert & Eva Hamilton
- 24 Bill & Debbie Kommalan

### In Memoriam



### George McKinley Tucker, Jr.

April 7, 1934 – June 13, 2018 Rest eternal grant to him.

### **CANDY CANE BAZAAR**

No, it's not too early. The church office has already received questions from past vendors and the St. John's Bell Choir! Our annual Candy Cane Christmas Bazaar will take place on the first Saturday of December, Dec. 1, from 9-2. We have said "Yes!" to the Bell Choir as they are a big hit. Other details will be settled at a later date, but we wanted to let you know now so you can Mark Your Calendar and plan to join the fun and festivities.

Fran+



# TIP OF THE HAT

Let the church office know if we have mistakenly omitted vour special day

- Garden
   volunteers organized by
   Susan Wiley for continued
   improvement and
   maintenance of the church
   landscaping.
- Altar guild, ushers, greeters, lectors and chalice ministers for their flexibility and commitment.
- ◆ TCDS teachers, parent club volunteers, and others who have been working this summer to make the playground and Day School Entrance so welcoming.

## TRUMPETER ARTICLE DEADLINE

Please submit your October articles to marthab28@verizon.net by September 24, 2018.

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sorry, because Dr. Fran will not be in town the Sundays closest to St. Francis Day (Oct. 4), there will be no Blessing of



the Animals at Trinity this year.

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Fri Sat	1	∞	ie Night	22	29	
		7	6:30 Movie Night	21	28	
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Wed		5 11:00 Paul's Place Lunch	12	19 11:00 Paul's Place Lunch	26	
Tue		4	11 11:00 TAT	18 11:00 TAT	25 11:00 TAT	11:00 TAT
Mon		3 LABOR DAY	10	17 6:30 Vestry	24	
Sun		2 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Holy Eucharist with music 11:00 Coffee Hour	8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:30 Sunday School Registration 10:00 Holy Eucharist with music 11:00 Coffee Hour	8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:45 Children's Worship & Sunday School 10:00 Holy Eucharist with music 11:00 Coffee Hour	8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:45 Children's Worship & Sunday School 10:00 Holy Eucharist with music 11:00 Coffee Hour	8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:45 Children's Worship & Sunday School 10:00 Holy Eucharist with

Hey!

The movies are back!

Sept 14, 6:30 pm



Bring your parents and pillows. Wear your jammies if you'd like! Includes popcorn and drinks. ...and it's still free.

# Trinity Long Green Parish Hall

For more information please call the church office.

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