



Episcopal Church of the Trinity

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Coatesville, PA 19320

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Trinity Nursery

During the first quarter, we finished renovations of our space for our **new Sunday Nursery Service!** The rooms were cleaned, patched and completely re-painted, and all new flooring installed. All new furniture and equipment for the Nursery was donated by our members via a "Baby Shower" for our Nursery. Member Donna Puma (a licensed elementary school teacher) is managing the nursery operation, and all staff members will be cleared by the State for working with children. Opened on Easter Sunday, our Nursery is now ready to care for children 5 years old and younger, while their parents attend church services with us (at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday). Now single parents can attend Church on Sunday, and rest assured that their "little angels" are in safe, competent care.

Book Kiosk



The Community Garden "pull station" (*Pull Together Coatesville*) was created by *Coatesville Kids to College* and they keep the books stocked. The concept was organized by AHHAH (*Arts Holding Hearts and Hands*) to have the Pull Stations all over Coatesville. We are happy that they chose the Community Garden as a good location for one of their book kiosks!

Social Hall Rentals

Our renovated social hall is a popular place for showers, parties, repasts, etc.: 6 events in January, 4 in February, and 4 in March. We are pleased to offer an affordable space to Coatesville residents to mark their life events!

What's Cookin' in Coatesville

The "What's Cookin' in Coatesville" program is a free healthy meal, served at the Church on the first Monday of every month, and is open to the Coatesville community. All work is done by volunteers. These meals are attended by an average of 45-50 people each month.

Veterans' Brunch

On the last Sunday of each month, our dedicated volunteers provide food, time and money to serve up a varied and plentiful buffet to our local veterans, including many from the Coatesville VA Hospital. This meal is provided free to the veterans. Average attendance is 60 veterans per month.

Narcotics Anonymous

Trinity is pleased to host the weekly meetings of the Coatesville chapter of Narcotics Anonymous (NA). NA meets in our social hall on Saturday mornings. This program has been meeting at Trinity for over fifteen years now, and has provided their healing ministry to many Coatesville residents.

Free Food Distribution

On the 2nd and 3rd Thursdays of each month, our friends from Towerville Christian Church use our social hall to distribute food to Coatesville residents. Each family receives a box with enough food to feed a family for four to five days; seventy-five boxes are given out each week. This food is provided free of charge by a Christian food bank in Ephrata. Our social hall was chosen as the distribution point because of our central location in downtown Coatesville.



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A Visit from the Candidates for Bishop!



On February 17th the five candidates for Bishop for our Diocese stopped by Trinity for a visit. We are tickled that we were included on their walk-about through the Diocese. Present to represent Trinity were Pastor Sherry, Deacon Joan, Vestry Member Tom Swett (as our city revitalization liaison) and Linda Lavender-Norris who is the President of Coatesville City Council. We understand that we made a favorable impression on the Candidates!

On Saturday March 12, our representatives travelled to the special Diocesan Convention called to elect the new Bishop for our Diocese. We were pleased to participate in choosing the Reverend Canon Daniel G. P. Gutierrez, Canon to the Ordinary, The Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande.

On July 16, Reverend Gutierrez will be ordained and consecrated as the new Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. Welcome Bishop Gutierrez! We look forward to growing together with you in ministry to the community!

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