



# Episcopal Church of the Trinity

323 East Lincoln Highway  
Coatesville, PA 19320

Community Service Notes: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2016



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*"Celebrating 150 Years of Faith in Coatesville"*

## Hurricane Matthew Relief

Trinity members contributed \$620.00 to Episcopal Relief & Development's Hurricane Matthew Response Fund, which provided aid and assistance to our neighbors in Haiti, Florida, and the Carolinas who were clobbered by Hurricane Matthew.

## Single Parents' Night Out

Our "What's Cookin' in Coatesville" program returned on Thursday September 1. At these events we serve a healthy meal that is open to everyone in Coatesville, but we are also specifically inviting single parents who would like a night out with a free child-sitting service, utilizing our new nursery service.

This program is held on the first Thursday of each month, and is provided free of charge courtesy of many generous donations from Trinity members, friends of Trinity and St. Andrews Episcopal Church in West Vincent.

## Christmas Gifting Tree

Now in its eleventh year, our annual Christmas Gifting Tree program provided gifts for 129 under-privileged children in Coatesville this year! Volunteers delivered the gifts to the recipients' homes in the week before Christmas. Our partners were St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in West Vincent, and Timet (Titanium Metals) located in Exton.

## Breakfast with Santa!

Trinity Women held their fun-filled Breakfast with Santa on Saturday Dec. 10. This annual event, held the Saturday after the Coatesville Christmas Parade, provides an affordable family event in the heart of downtown Coatesville. In addition to a good breakfast, there is a crafting center for the children, and of course SANTA CLAUS! Children can talk with Santa while parents snap keepsake pictures.

## Coatesville Christmas Parade

In conjunction with the Coatesville Christmas Parade on Saturday Dec. 3, Trinity Women operated our famous hot dog stand on the front lawn of Trinity. Serving up "the best hot dogs between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues", as well as hot drinks, it gave parade spectators some inexpensive hot victuals to chase the December chills.

## 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 sixteen years now, providing their healing ministry to many Coatesville residents.

## 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.

## Coatesville Community Garden

The Garden has wrapped up its sixth year of providing a source of fresh produce for Coatesville residents. Trinity maintained two beds in the Garden; we harvested a large amount of produce that we delivered to the Coatesville Food Coop and the Salvation Army. Many other groups and families had beds in the Garden and enjoyed fresh produce during the growing season.

## 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.



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## Advent Chamber Music Festival

Our annual Advent Chamber Music Festival featured music of the season by the woodwind quintet *Quintessence* and piano duets by *Gail X2*. There was also choral music by a combined choir. This was a fabulous musical experience providing an opportunity for Coatesville residents to take some time out from a hectic December to enjoy relaxing music in a sacred space. A reception followed this free concert on Sunday December 18 in our social hall.



The woodwind quintet *Quintessence* at our Advent Chamber Music Festival

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