



trinity topics

From the Rector's Desk . . .

By the Reverend Sherry Deets

This month I will share again from Becca Stevens' book *Sanctuary: Unexpected Places Where God Found Me*

The Holy Plastic Cup

About a hundred members of the Magdalene Community and St. Augustine's Chapel went on a retreat to Camp Nakanawa, in the hills of East Tennessee. On Saturday night we held a dance in the tiki hut, which was billed as the largest traditional tiki hut in all of America. I wondered how they actually knew that. But it did have thirteen sides and was big enough for us to string lights and dance for several hours to music from the eighties.

I really didn't think about how wonderful the dance had been until we gathered again the next morning for formal prayer and communion. The night before we had all been jumping around and drinking punch and laughing; but this morning, as we began to pray, I felt as if we were all stuck in our usual roles again, and I ached for the freedom I hadn't even known I had felt the night before. Dancing in the tiki hut, I had forgotten that I was white and forty and a mother. I didn't remember categorizing anyone else. I was learning dance moves and spinning with friends in the haloed light of Chinese lanterns. Just for a couple of hours I was lost in something bigger than me, and it was so much fun.

So, just as communion was beginning, I picked up one of the plastic cups that had held punch the night before and silently toasted our loving, dancing host and gave thanks for every time I have ever forgotten who I am. What a benevolent and loving God, who lets us forget and believe that every now and then we are truly free.

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Our Church Buildings

Our church building is used a great deal and that is a very good thing. As the church is a mainly volunteer church, we are asking for your assistance and understanding when it comes to the ongoing, routine maintenance of our buildings. For example, when leaving the kitchen or hall with crumbs and spills after a meeting, you are actually leaving it for the next person(s) who comes after you to clean up. When you leave the building with lights on and faucets dripping, it adds to the church's expenses. Perhaps the old Robert Baden-Powell quote "Leave the world a little better than you found it" could be manifested in leaving the church building a little better than you found it, every time you are in it. This would be a very good thing.

Building Use Requests

1. The agreement with the Health Department is that the church food items are stored on the left side of the refrigerator. The right side should be left clear for rental events and special events.
2. When trash cans are **full**, there are two trash receptacles for placement of full trash bags and two recycling bins to place the recyclables in, along our back wall on Diamond Street. Do NOT place trash in the bins marked recycling, recycling is for paper, cardboard and cans (no plastic bags in recycling).
3. Ensure that there are trash bags in all trash cans in the hall and kitchen at all times.
4. Please ensure that lights are out the restrooms, hallways, hall, etc. before leaving the building.
5. Please ensure that the faucets in the kitchen and restrooms are fully turned off and not dripping before you leave the building.
6. No grease is ever to be poured down the sinks.
7. Please ensure that the gas to the stove and ovens is OFF before you leave the building.
8. Clean up crumbs and spills.
9. The hall standard is 3 round tables with chairs. All others are properly stored in the storage closet.
10. Please ensure that all exterior doors are properly closed and locked when you leave the building.

Yoga comes to Trinity!

Nancy Murphy will be coming to Trinity to offer us Gentle Yoga practice for one hour, 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month following the noon service 12:45 – 1:45 p.m. It will be a time of meditation, gentle stretches, mindful movement, strength building, breath exercises, and Christian spirituality. No prior yoga experience or flexibility required. Mats are available.

What's Cookin' in Coatesville November 16th - Third Thursday of each month

What's Cookin' in Coatesville served 51 guests in October! We continue offering this healthy meal on Thursday, November 16th with Turkey Breast of Wonder as our featured entree. We serve dinner at 6 pm. and ministry servants are needed for serving the meal and cleaning up – simply arrive at 5:45 to take part in this ministry opportunity. Join us! All are welcome in this place!

Diocesan Convention

The opening date of the 234th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania has been set for the evening of Friday, November 3rd and continues on Saturday, November 4, 2017. The Convention will be held at the Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral, 38th Street between Market and Chestnut. Eucharist will begin on Friday, November 3rd at 6:30 p.m., followed by a reception serving heavy Hors D' Oeuvres. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, November 4th, gathering music at 8:15 a.m. with Morning Prayer beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The theme of this year's Convention is:

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are."-1 John 3:1a (NRSV)

Thanksgiving Day Morning Prayer 9 a.m.

Start your Thanksgiving Day with morning prayer in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. on Thursday, November 23rd.

All Saints Sunday

The Feast of All Saints will be celebrated at Trinity on Sunday, November 5th.

Advent Music Festival – December 17th

What has become a beautiful, annual event at Trinity will be happening again on the afternoon of Sunday, December 17th: the Advent Music Festival. Quintessence will be with us to share their beautiful music as well as other special offerings. Stay tuned.



Remembrance Sunday

Remembrance Day in the United Kingdom (UK) honors the heroic efforts, achievements and sacrifices that were made in past wars. The main observance is on the second Sunday in November, but 2 minutes of silence is also made on November 11.

People stop work to observe a moment of silence at 11am on November 11, which is the time and date when hostilities formally ended after more than four years of battle during World War I. Poppies are worn as a symbol of respect and tribute on Remembrance Sunday and/or November 11.

The day is also marked by events such as memorial services, church services and parades. A national commemoration takes place at Whitehall, a road in the City of Westminster in central London.

Also referred to as Poppy Day or Armistice Day, Remembrance Day is observed in Commonwealth countries, including Australia and Canada. Other countries such as the U.S. have similar observances like Veterans Day. November 11 is the anniversary of the signing of the armistice, which ended World War I hostilities between Allied nations and Germany in 1918.

For the past several years we at Trinity have been observing the day with a short ceremony at our flag pole at 11 AM. All veterans and retired military are invited to come in uniform, or in whatever parts of your uniforms that still fit, and join us on Sunday, November 12.



Veterans Brunch – October 29, 2017

(This report was required BEFORE the actual day of the October brunch; so the experience and numbers will be in the December Trinity Topics.)

With the summer season over and Fall taking center stage, what better theme could be used this month but “October Fest”. We did the same theme in October 2013 & 2014, and it was a big hit. (53 vets in 2013; 40 in 2014.) So October, 2017, will be no exception.

Our menu selections will be bacon, scrambled eggs, applesauce pancakes, pork in a cream sauce, German potato salad, roasted chicken, German noodles, sweet and sour red cabbage, string beans with bacon, cream corn, coleslaw, regular potato salad, breads, desserts, fresh fruit, water, juice and coffee.

Since July, we have been implementing a missing man table. This table allows us to extend our respect to all those who are MIA, POW or for reasons known or unknown, are not coming home. We ceremoniously recognize this table at the beginning of each brunch. Try to witness this at our next brunch.

The headcount of veterans and volunteers will be announced during Sunday, Nov. 5 service.

God Bless our Veterans; members of Trinity and God Bless America.

A reminder that November 11th is Veteran’s Day – if you see a Vet – thank him for his service.

-Brunch Bunch



150th Anniversary – Monthly Meeting, October 1, 2017

At the October 1, 2017 meeting, we discussed key topics for the upcoming 2018 celebration.

Marshall Evans highlighted change in venue to Coatesville Moose. He will compile anticipated costs and will contact any other prospective locations; for more reporting at November meeting.

Vic Shanley covered the Marketing phase of the celebration. List of contacts to be generated and an introduction letter, notifying others of our 2018 anniversary, will be mailed during October, 2017.

As of this writing, progress has been made covering a number of key areas and will be discussed at our next monthly meeting, scheduled for November 12, 2017:

- Marketing: a total of 600 names/businesses have been submitted to Nicole McGovern for October mailing to introduce to the public, our celebration, and Trinity's historical contributions to the city of Coatesville.
- A follow [up letter in early spring, 2018, will be sent out explaining how the public can participate in our celebration.
- Venue: Since our last meeting, Marshall Evans has met with Jim Ziegler of historic Graystone Manor in Coatesville, to discuss the use of their facility. Meeting was positive, and costs and general information will be discussed at Nov. 12, 2017 meeting.
- Anniversary Banner was ordered and received from the manufacturer. It will be displayed at upcoming meeting.
- Congregation is needed to attend this meeting, as we begin securing numbers of people who plan to attend our Oct 6, 2018 celebration. And numbers of memorial afghans that will be ordered.

See everyone at the meeting, after church on Nov. 19, 2017. –Joe Kirkner, Chairman



Women's Group

Clear your Calendars, Ladies! The following dates are very important, and invite your participation:

- ❖ November 17th, 6:00-9:00 PM. Potluck, Paint and Pinot Party. A fun-raising, fundraiser. Bring your husbands, child, neighbor, friend – it's a great opportunity be relax, laugh AND create a masterpiece.
- ❖ December 2nd, 8AM – 12:00 Noon. Christmas Parade. We sell hotdogs, drinks and hot chocolate on our lawn while watching the parade and waiting for Santa Claus. Joan Wiley, along with 3 or 4 other hearty marchers, will be carrying our Anniversary Banner in the parade, so we must be there to cheer them on. Plan on offering your help!
- ❖ December 9th, 7:00AM – 12:00 Noon. Breakfast with Santa! This is traditionally our biggest fundraiser of the year and requires the work and help of all members. See Pat on Sunday's in November to sign-up for your task. And remember to tell your children and grandchildren about this fun breakfast.

If time, and other committees allow, I will try to have a meeting after church on Nov. 5th.

Regards, Pat Kirkner, President

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A fun-raising Fundraiser

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Sarah Heston	1-Nov
Nya Lewis	3-Nov
Donna Fleck	4-Nov
John S Price	5-Nov
Eugene Mulholland	8-Nov
Dennis Dantzler	10-Nov
Pat Kirkner	15-Nov
Stuart Deets	18-Nov
Michael Lemoditis	19-Nov
Sarina Baynard	22-Nov
Nora Bush	29-Nov
Caroline Kirwin	29-Nov

Kenneth & Caitlyn Hanna	5-Nov
Bill & Robin McWilliams	17-Nov
Al & Evelyn Carey	25-Nov

NOVEMBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			CHESTER COUNTY ANTI-TRAFFICKING COMMITTEE 9-11AM	HE Chapel- 12Noon		SH Rented
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
SH RENTED	Yoga 1245-145	CHOIR		HE Chapel- 12Noon Yoga 1245-145		SH Rented
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
SH RENTED Vestry Meeting 1115AM		CHOIR		HE Chapel- 12Noon Whats Cookin' in Coatesville 6PM PASTORAL CARE MTG 1230PM	PAINT PARTY 6-9PM	SH RENTED
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
SH RENTED		CHOIR		THANKSGIVING MORNING PRAYER 9AM SH & Kitchen Rented		SH & KITCHEN RENTED
26	27	28	29	30		
Vet Brunch 1230PM	CLERGY CONFERENCE	CHOIR CLERGY CONFERENCE	CLERGY CONFERENCE	HE Chapel- 12Noon		



Readers, Servers and Greeters for November 2017



Date	Readers	Psalter/P-O-P	Chalists	Servers	Torches	Greeters
11/5	Vic Shanley	N/A	Jim Anderson	Seth Haak	N/A N/A	TBA
	Kent Nation	Lon Cross	Bill Terry	Bill Terry		
11/12	Jim Anderson	N/A	Pat Kirkner	Zoey McGovern	N/A N/A	TBA
	Caroline Bentley	Craig McGovern	Bill Terry	Bill Terry		
11/19	Violet Armstead	N/A	Lon Cross	Jack McGovern	N/A N/A	TBA
	Seth Haak	Bill Terry	Bill Terry	Bill Terry		
10/22	Ebbie Carey	N/A	Jim Anderson	Jim Anderson	N/A N/A	TBA
	Chris Haak	Pam Smyth	Al Carey	Jim Anderson		

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Jamoca Harkins, Parish Administrator

Parish Office Hours
Monday – Friday
330PM—530PM
1 Full Day a Week-TBD

Mission Statement

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.

**THE EPISCOPAL
CHURCH OF THE TRINITY**
323 East Lincoln Highway
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Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist

Sundays 9:30 AM

Thursdays 12:00 PM

Church School

Sundays 9:15 AM

Bible Study

Mondays 7:00 PM