CHURCH OF THE TRINITY 323 East Lincoln Highway Coatesville, PA 19320



March 2021

Trinity Topics

From the Rector's Desk . . .

By the Reverend Sherry Deets

Let's talk Annual Meeting! **Trinity's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 21**st at **11** a.m. via Zoom.

The last time we were able to meet together as a congregation was our Annual Meeting on Sunday, March 8, 2020 as we welcomed Diocesan Canon Betsy Ivey. The following weekend we experienced the beginning of the pandemic related 'shutdown'. Needless to say, this year's annual meeting with be a little different. We (Vestry and Clergy) discussed best ways to conduct and organize this year's meeting and we are holding it via Zoom. I encourage you to join in via Zoom (a link will be sent closer to the date) if for no other reason than to "see" your Trinity siblings and have a chance to chat with those you have not had contact with over the last year!

After short introductory comments and organizational overview, we will vote on our Vestry members and Diocesan/Deanery delegates via texting (a google phone number will be provided). Then, you will be automatically transferred into small 'breakout rooms' where a member of Vestry will be with you for small group conversation around two questions. These questions are:

1. What should Trinity look like post-COVID?

- a. What is it about the church that is meaningful to you?
- b. What will physical church attendance look like?
- c. How do you personally feel about coming back to church when vaccines are more prevalent and cases are lower?
- d. Any other thoughts on this topic?

2. What ministries are more critical at this time than others?

- a. Should we enhance/continue/end our pre-COVID ministries?
 (some examples of core ministries: Veterans Brunch, Stone Hall Rentals, Community Garden, Laundry Love, Art on the Walls, Breakfast with Santa)
- b. Are there additional opportunities for ministry beyond our pre-COVID list to support our community?
- c. Should we be sharing guest speakers/information via technology?
- d. Any other thoughts on this topic?

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The role of the Vestry member in each breakout room is to facilitate the discussion and to capture the heart of the various conversations; the answers to the larger questions. We recognize this past year as a great 'pause' in life as we knew it and an opportunity to be intentional about the Trinity of the future. We do hope you will join us and share your hopes and dreams about Trinity's mission and ministry.

The goal is that the meeting will be ended by 12 Noon and that this will have been a wonderful opportunity for all to see and chat with church family. I miss you and look forward to the days when we can come back together safely. Perhaps we can begin planning what that might look like?

The plan is to send all materials for the Annual meeting out via our Constant Contact email software ahead of time. If you would prefer to receive hard copies via US mail, please contact the church office 610-384-4771 and let us know.

Listen to a New Idea

From *Find Your Way: 20 Practices That Tie Us Together by Survivors, Advocates & Becca Stevens.*This is taken from Chapter 11 – Listen to a New Idea

Sometimes we have to be willing to stand on new ground. Sometimes we have to be willing to walk behind someone who knows the path better than we do. When we listen to new ideas, sometimes it feels like we are lost, but it's just the wonder of discovering something new. When we open our hearts along with our ears, sometimes in a new idea we find sacred ground. We walk this ground and trust that Love will lead us to a new place. This means we need to be open to other perspectives about new ways of acting and thinking. We need to be open to the small changes in how we think, small changes that can make a huge difference in our lives.

Check In

Is there a Trinity member that you used to sit near at church that you haven't communicated with a while? Let's use March as the month when we make that phone call, send that card, hit send on an email, etc. for one or two Trinity members that come to mind.

Holy Week begins with Palm and Passion Sunday, March 28th

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday 9:30 AM

The Liturgy of the Palms; Dramatic reading of the

Passion and the Holy Eucharist

New!

Contemporary Service at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 7

Trinity is taking advantage of technology and trying some a little different. We have a small live-stream crew that is willing to experiment with a different style of worship, which is primarily about experiencing a different style of music. We are going live for the first time on Sunday, March 7th at 4:30 p.m. Like our regular Sunday worship service, the videos will find a home on our Trinity Facebook page and YouTube channel for you to check out later. This is one way we are seeking to reach new people who may prefer a different style of music. The current plan is to offer this worship experience on the first Sunday of each month at 4:30 p.m.

Thistle Farms Products for Sale at Trinity!

We have some amazing, high quality products created at Thistle Farms for sale through Trinity. Thistle Hills and Trinity have partnered to provide this opportunity and when you purchase a product through Trinity, you are helping both Thistle Farms and Thistle Hills whose mission involves transforming the lives of women who have been trafficked and addicted. The profits from the sales will go directly to the Coatesville based Thistle Hills ministry. A product list is available through our website https://www.trinitycoatesville.org/ and click on the appropriate box for the ability to download a document listing the products available. Check with Pastor Sherry on the product listing as we have had a good response and some products need to be re-ordered as they are sold out at Trinity. Thank you!

Healing Service via Zoom Thursdays at Noon

We are offering a Healing Service via Zoom on Thursdays at Noon. The Zoom link is emailed via our Constant Contact email service on Wednesdays along with a copy of the order of service for the week. The order of service is also shared on the screen during the service itself. We commemorate a "saint" from the Episcopal Church utilizing the resource 'A Great Cloud of Witnesses' and share a little healing music from a variety of sources.



Happy Anniversary

Caroline Puma 3-Mar

Antonio Wilson 6-Mar

Chris Haak 7-Mar

Mildred Coveleski 9-Mar

Esther Harvey 14-Mar

Michelle Butler 20-Mar

Meg Devereux 26-Mar

Joe Kirkner 29-Mar

Robin McWilliams 29-Mar

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | | | | Noon Healing Service Via Zoom | | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Contemporary Service Live Stream 4:30 PM | | | | Noon Healing Service Via Zoom | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | | | | Noon Healing Service Via Zoom | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Annual Meeting 11am via Zoom | | | | Noon Healing Service Via Zoom | | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |
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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.

Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist

Sundays 9:30 AM

Thursdays 12:00 PM

Jamoca Harkins,
Parish Administrator
Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Friday: 530-730pm

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Church School

Sundays: 9:15 AM