

Trinity Topics

From the Rector's Desk . . .

By the Reverend Sherry Deets

Happy New Year! It's a new calendar year and the days are now getting longer and longer. I look forward to what 2023 brings for the Trinity community.

I was looking through some books and found, "*Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing*" by Sally Lloyd-Jones and Jago. It's a beautiful collection of simple, yet profound thoughts on faith. I share two of them with you to start off your new year:

Foolish Fish:

What if a fish one day decided, "I've had enough of being told what I can and can't do and only being allowed in water. I want to be FREE! I'm going to find my fortune on land!" and then jumped out of the water and onto the riverbank?

How far do you think that foolish fish would get?

It would wriggle and flap its fins, but of course fins don't work on land. It would lie there gasping for air and pretty soon it would die.

How free is that fish on land?

Not very.

The fish is not built for land.

And we are not built to be away from our Heavenly Father.

"So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free." - John 8:36 (NLT)

Whales, Oceans, and You

The deep, dark, rolling oceans are vast and mighty! So deep even sunlight can't reach down to the bottom of the ocean floor.

So immense that they cover nearly three quarters of the earth's surface!

And the Bible says God holds them in the palm of his hand.

If he can hold the oceans in the hollow of his hand, he can hold you.

"In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him." Psalm 95:4 (NIV)

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Healing Service via Zoom Thursdays at Noon

We continue to offer 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.

Lessons and Carols with Communion Sunday, January 1, 2023

As is customary, Trinity will be holding Lessons and Carols on the first Sunday after Christmas. This falls on January 1, 2023 this year! Join us for a special service where we get to sing those old favorites during the Christmas season (which doesn’t end until Epiphany!).

Vestry Epiphany Gathering Sunday, January 8th at Noon

Vestry will be gathering at **Beaver Creek Tavern** for our special Epiphany celebration on Sunday, January 8th at Noon.

Retirement Celebration for Deacon Joan Wylie Rescheduled to Sunday, January 22

Deacon Joan is doing much better as of this writing and is appreciative of your prayers. We have rescheduled her Retirement Send-off to Sunday, January 22nd after the church service. Deacon Joan arrived at Trinity in 2014 and has been a part of the Trinity family for these many years.

Pledge Reminder

As I try to compile a balanced budget for 2023, I would love to hear from anyone who intends to pledge but has not done so yet. We are well short of what we need to cover costs at this point, but I have yet to hear from a number of you who regularly pledge.

Thanks so much! -Minnie Kirwin, Treasurer



Kristina Rosa Cole	1-Jan
Diane Izzo	2-Jan
Elizabeth Hulse	3-Jan
Robert Baynard Jr	7-Jan
Donna Anderson	10-Jan
Mildred Bruce	10-Jan
Mary Fleck	12-Jan
David Thompson	14-Jan
Jennifer Grubb	15-Jan
Sabrina Lewis	25-Jan
Ariel Abbott	25-Jan
Paul Shidlowski	30-Jan
Kevin Evans	31-Jan

John & Mildred Coveleski	16-Jan
Wayne & Elizabeth Hanley	17-Jan

January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Lessons & Carols 9:30AM				Noon Healing Service Via Zoom		SH Rented
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Vestry Gathering at BCT 12noon SH Rented				Noon Healing Service Via Zoom		SH Rented
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	MLK Day Office Closed			Noon Healing Service Via Zoom		SH Rented
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Deacon Joan's Retirement Party				Noon Healing Service Via Zoom		
29	30	31				



Readers, Servers and Greeters for January 2023

Date	Readers	Psalm	Prayers
1/1	TBD	TBD	TBD
1/8	Ariel Abbott	Paula Jennings	Deborah Murray
1/15	Erika Haak	Tom Swett	Chris Haak
1/22	Betty Sullivan	Minnie Kirwin	Bill Terry
1/29	Vic Shanley	Greg Bentley	Seth Haak

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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: 5:30-7:30pm

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Church School

Sundays: 9:15 AM