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From the Rector-Transitions and New Beginnings



Fall is a time when our lives shift gears. Young people are headed back to school, summer vacations come to a close and we begin settling into a routine that will carry us toward year's end. It is also a time when church involvement and activity takes on new life, ironic given that in this hemisphere nature begins to show evidence to the contrary. Fall is a time of change.

Perhaps it is appropriate that we face transitions in our life and ministry as a community of faith. The staff changes that have been announced mean that we will be doing some things differently. Steve Wilson and Anne Yarnall have greatly contributed to the well-being of Trinity and they will be sorely missed. In the wake of their leaving there is already much being done to ensure the important ministries and tasks they performed are continued. The wardens and treasurer, along with our HR committee are diligently working to review the financial support that we need. Eight persons, including myself, are working to plan and provide leadership for our youth program. I will personally take part in the weekly TYG gatherings and with those on the vestry who provide support for this ministry will form Youth Council, whose work will include the preparation for the hiring of the next Youth Director.

Our Church School Team is prepared to offer an engaging program for our young people on Sunday mornings, including a component for teenagers. There is a renewed vision for ministry with the children and youth of our parish. We will kick off the fall schedule with an Outreach Day, emphasizing that the work of the church is always about mission. We have fine tuned and simplified our Sunday morning schedule. (Please check the calendar for details.) An inspiring Adult Education program is planned; House Tour is shaping up to be a spectacular event, and Cookie Bake lives. It looks to be a glorious fall. All that is missing is YOU! I call upon each and every person, young and not so young, to be a significant part of the life and ministry of Trinity. Everything that those in leadership have worked toward is for nothing unless you commit to the ongoing work. And make no mistake it is work. It is not easy to get to church every Sunday, particularly with children in tow, but that is what you need to do. It is not easy to devote yourself to working with young people, or giving of your time to the many activities and ministries of the parish but that is what you need to do.

It is not easy to discipline ourselves to the study of God's Word and to prayer, but that is what we need to do.

The Fall is about transition and new beginnings. May God guide us and bless us as we make these changes in our lives that will draw us closer to God and to one another.

Rev. Rick +



Trinity Staff

The Rev. Richard Vinson Rector

The Rev. Dr. Virginia Sheay Priest Associate

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The Rt. Rev. Rodney R. Michel Assisting Bishop

Welcome Back - Fall Schedule at Trinity



SEPTEMBER

Sunday Worship in September

Holy Eucharist each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Adult Education: Richard Rohr Series, September 14th, 21st, 28th (Childcare provided)

Wednesday, September 3rd

6:30 p.m. in McArthur Hall
Trinity Youth Group begins (continues every Wednesday)

Sunday, September 7th

9:30 a.m. Church School Begins

Registration Forms available on the Web site under the Church School Tab.

<u>Outreach Day</u>

Following the 9:30 service, everyone is invited to McArthur Hall to put their faith in action!

Wednesday, September 10th

6:30 p.m. TYG Family meal and roast of Mr. Wilson

Sunday, September 28th

Deanery Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Kindly bring finger foods to share

OCTOBER

Sunday, October 5

11:00 a.m. Family Gathering with Vestry4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 12

9:30 a.m. Church School Bread Baking and Singing (Children and Youth)

Adult Education: Richard Rohr Series (Childcare provided)

Sunday October 19

9:30 Youth Eucharist in Chapel
Morning Prayer in Church
Pot Luck Brunch in honor of Steve Wilson
following Worship

Adult Education: Richard Rohr Series (Childcare provided)



2014 **Vestry & Officers**

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Jon Hayward Roger Stikeleather

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Megg King

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2014 Trinity Autumn House Tour

- by Roger Stikeleather



Sponsors Needed: Our 24th annual House Tour will be held Saturday, October 18th. We have 5 wonderful houses and two bonus locations to present. We are also collaborating with local historic and land conservation organizations to feature their important work in our community. Once again, the house tour committee is reaching out for individual & family and/or business sponsors for the event. The proceeds from the House Tour help fund various charitable community, regional, and national programs which Trinity Church supports as well as help defray costs to maintain our buildings and grounds which are heavily used within our Parish and by many local organizations. All contributions at any level are greatly appreciated and there are various opportunities to participate: Friend @ any level of giving; Cottage @ \$150 (includes 1 tour ticket); Farm @ \$250 (includes 2 tour tickets); Manor @ \$500 (includes 4 tour tickets): Estate @ \$1.000 (includes 6 tour tickets).

Your sponsorship will be recognized in various House Tour print materials distributed in the community to include the House Tour Program Book (with your approval), and on our Tour Web Site. (To make various print & media deadlines your participation is appreciated as soon as possible)

To participate, please contact Barbara Yount at 215-968-6661 or any of our tour chairs (Jacqui Griffith, Rick Lansill, and Roger Stikeleather). Thank You



Worship in September

September 7

8:00 & 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Healing Prayers

September 14th, 21st & 28th

8:00 & 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Morning Prayer Thursday Mornings 7:30 a m. in the Changle

7:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Centering Prayer Tuesday Mornings 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Church School



Church School resumes at
Trinity on Sunday
September 7th at 9:30
a.m. Registration Forms
available on the Web site
www.trinitysolebury.org
under the Church School tab.

Adult Education with Richard Rohr Comes to Trinity

This new 5-part DVD series by Richard Rohr is entitled, "Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy: Richard Rohr on the Legacy of St Francis", emphasizes the importance of putting our faith into practice and into our lifestyle (orthopraxy), and that this is more important than correct belief and rituals (orthodoxy). Richard Rohr introduces us to an orthodoxy lost to much of contemporary Christianity, an orthodoxy rooted in Franciscan theology and practice, an orthodoxy biblically grounded, personally challenging, and ultimately liberating.

Through five engaging video segments, Richard Rohr calls us to explore a Christian faith informed by contemplation, mysticism, compassion, justice and centuries of rich Christian history. Together we will embark on a faith journey simultaneously ancient and modern.

The five sessions including facilitators are:

September 14 - Atonement Theology - facilitated by Inez, Laura H., & Patrick S. September 21 - Eco-Spirituality - facilitated by Cliff Nesbit September 28 - The Cosmic Christ - facilitated by Caroline McCarthy October 12 - Orthodoxy vs. Orthoproxy - facilitated by Susan Wells

October 19 - Mysticism over Moralism - facilitated by Rev. Ginny Sheay

Come join the conversation starting on Sunday September 14th, in the Chapel at 11am after the 9.30 service. This will allow us a full hour from 11am to 12noon to view the DVD and participate in the lively discussions that will follow. Each DVD lasts approximately 30 minutes, allowing us time for questions, comments and engaged conversation.

A Participant's Workbook is available, "Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy"

Pastoral Care Ministry

- by Elaine Crooks

Trinity has a long tradition of lay collaboration with the clergy in caring for and about each other. Members participate in countless acts of kindness and concern that need no prompting or specific recognition. We also come together around organized ministries that offer support in times of need. Earlier this year, a dedicated and growing group of parishioners began meeting to explore ways to strengthen the caring programs at Trinity. The result is an expanded and revitalized Pastoral Care Ministry with many opportunities for love and service - presented below.

What is Pastoral Care?

Pastoral Care is a group of volunteers that coordinates and facilitates congregational needs in collaboration with Trinity's clergy.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 7Outreach Day following 9:30
Worship

Sunday, September 14 8:30. a.m.

Newcomer's/Greeters
Ministry Meeting

Sunday, September 21

4:00 p.m. Peacemeal

Sunday, September 28 4:00 p.m. Deanery Meeting,

See Fall Welcome Back Schedule for a list of all Fall Parish Events



Tidings Article Submission Deadline

If you would like to submit an article for the Tidings please have your article emailed to jenugent@trinitysolebury.org

by the 15th of the month

To submit a notice for our weekly email go to

www.trinitysolebury.org/submitnotices

How does the Ministry work?

All requests for pastoral care needs should be directed to the Rev. Rick Vinson in the Church office at 215-297-5135 or email trinitycares@trinitysolebury.org.

A team of lay persons acting as Care Coordinators will assist the clergy with follow up, clarify needs and refer those needs to the appropriate Pastoral Care sub-ministry team.

How can I help?

Trinity's Pastoral Care teams offer many helping gifts to those in need. Following is a list of the current components of Pastoral Care. These ministries all need and welcome additional helping hands. Please offer your caring for our parish by contacting any of the point persons listed below.

Prayer List

The method for placing a person's name on the Prayer List is explained each Sunday in the Prayers section of the Sunday worship leaflet.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRIES

Care Coordinators -The Care Coordinators assist the clergy to ascertain which Pastoral Care services are needed and ensure that they are provided.

Earlene Austin	earlene1211@comcast.net	215-208-5128
Sue Eavenson	dseavenson@comcast.net	215-794-7640
Kim Laughlin	laughlins1@comcast.net	215-997-0873

Lay Eucharistic Visitors -Trained lay members go out with blessed sacraments bringing communion to those who are unable to attend church services.

Earlene Austin earlene1211@comcast.net 215-208-5128

Laying on of Hands -Intercessory prayers are offered on behalf of those who come forward to the Healing Stations after receiving communion at Sunday services.

Rev. Rick Vinson

trinitycares@trinitysolebury.org 215-297-5135

Bereavement Ministry -The Bereavement Ministry provides compassionate support to individuals in the congregation who are experiencing grief through the death of a loved one.

Inez Bing inezab@comcast.net 215-794-9699

Meals Ministry -A team of Pastoral Care members provides home made meals to those in times of illness, bereavement or transition.

Knitting Ministry -The Trinity Knitters make prayer shawls, afghans and blankets for those in need of a loving touch.

Janet Gill janetgill78@yahoo.com 215-343-5257

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Remember the Food Pantry



Our donations of food and money have dropped off somewhat over the last few months, so we would really appreciate it if you could provide any of the items below:

Cereal
Toilet paper
Toothpaste
Shampoo
Black beans - bag
Black beans - cans
Soup
Jell-O
Tuna
Chili - cans
Mayonnaise
Sugar

Card Ministry -This group obtains names from the Care Coordinators and sends cards and notes with caring thoughts for a variety of needs.

*Barbara Matybell barbaramat@msn.com 908-996-6224

Flower Ministry -Small bouquets are prepared from the altar flowers for delivery by parishioners to anyone with a pastoral care need. Pick up bouquets, as available, at coffee hour - or call the church office to reserve one. Ann Bamford albamford@comcast.net 215-794-8218
Lyn Fox carolynsolebury@verizon.net 215-297-5877

Ministry of Intercession -A group of Trinity members are devoted to the ministry of daily prayer of intercession on behalf of those who need strength, solace, or who celebrate a blessing.

Rev. Rick Vinson

trinitycares@trinitysolebury.org

215-297-5135

Transportation Ministry -Arranging transportation to appointments.

There are willing team members, but currently no point person(s)

Volunteers are needed for each of these ministries. Please contact the appropriate person and offer your caring help.

First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all. - 1 Timothy 2:1

Hear Ye Hear Ye!!!!

Our Cookie Bake lives and will take place in McArthur Hall in early November!

Please plan to come and share your favorite Cookie Bake stories while rolling and baking and painting and packing.



Everyone is welcome! More information will follow and we need YOU!

15 Minute Job Available

by Ann Bamford

15 Minute Job on an Occasional Sunday Morning after Church is available.

Trinity's pastoral care committee has several subministries. One is making sure that the Sunday morning flowers go to those that might find joy in receiving them, due to their current circumstances.



We need more people to help with this effort so that it's a very occasional job. You don't have to be an active part of pastoral care to help and you don't need

Try Trinity Yoga for Spiritual and Physical Energy



A better way to start your day than Wheaties!

Come Wednesday mornings, September, 7:30 -8:30 am. \$32 for 4 weeks, which is donated to Trinity. Cash or checks to Ardith Talbott. Bring a yoga mat, wear comfortable clothes. Call Ardith if you have questions or requests...215-862-1487. to know anything about arranging flowers. Hopefully we can rally enough volunteers to schedule each person once a quarter. The task does not involve delivery, just dismantling the large arrangement, quickly cutting down the stems, sticking the flowers in small vases that we have collected and carrying them out to coffee hour before most have left. This truly is a 15 minute job for two people to do together immediately after the service is over on Sunday morning.

Please contact Ann Bamford (215-794-8218) or Lyn Fox (215-297-58779) to say you will help occasionally.

Knitting Ministry

by Janet Gill

For those who have made prayer shawls, you may bring them to Janet Gill by September 21st to be blessed. She also welcomes squares at any time. The first meeting for sewing squares together into afghans will be on Sunday, October 5th from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The afghans were so needed last winter and will be again this year for sure. It's a good feeling helping those in need for warmth.



Deanery Meeting - Sunday September 28th 4:00 p.m. at Trinity

Trinity is hosting the meeting of the Bucks County Deanery of the Diocese of Pennsylvania on September 28 at 4:00pm. The Deanery is the regional body that coordinates and supports the shared ministry of the various parishes within its boundaries. All are invited to be a part of this meeting. Please share your favorite finger foods.

"A Christmass Mystery Play," by the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell

- By Linda Kenyon

(No I didn't make a spelling mistake; there are two ss in this "Christmass." And "Mystery is about awe and wonder, not about "Who done it?"

Ka-THUMP ka-THUMP ka-THUMP ka-THUMP. What is that: It's jambic pentameter, and I THINK it's coming to Trinity Church! What does it remind you of? What do you think? Iambic pentameter is a rhythmic pattern that is used and varied in classical speech and verse. Shakespeare used it a lot. Many years ago, right here at Trinity, the older children acted in "A Christmass Mystery Play," written by the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell in iambic pentameter, and it was WONDERFUL! I am hoping that we can do it again this year! There will be auditions, parts memorized, lots of rehearsals starting in September, but mostly these will be individual coaching sessions, or two person scenes, working around your schedule, and in December, five rehearsals of the whole play, which everyone working on the play will need to commit to. We'll need some scenery made; we can use the manger, but we need some moveable screens. We don't need sheep, but we do need shepherds and angels. Most of the costumes we have will probably work. Some special lighting would be good. What do you think? Can we do it? Do you want to? Do you want to help? Do you want to find out more? Please contact Linda Kenyon at <u>lindakenyon@verizon.net</u> or talk to her in person.

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FIRST CLASS

Trinity Outreach Day

On Sunday, September 7, just after the 9:30 service, everyone is invited to McArthur Hall to put our faith in action! There will be onsite and offsite activities to choose from something for all ages 6 and up! Each onsite activity will take about an hour, and the activities will be followed by a pizza lunch.



Aid for Friends-- Assemble meals for the elderly and shutins. - Call Barbara Wilson if interested, 609-577-3252

Backpacks for the homeless and school supplies for children--going to clients of Fisherman's Mark and Lambertville Food Pantry. Goal: 30 backpacks and 200 school supplies.

Linus fleece blankets -- for children at St. Barnabas Mission. (Bring good scissors. No sewing.)

A Woman's Place (Offsite) - Property clean-up in Doylestown. Estimate 2-2.5 hours. Call Deb Faust if interested. 215-901-1400

This is an opportunity to reconnect with friends and meet new people. Feel the love that comes from serving others! Maybe introduce a friend or neighbor to Trinity.

No need to sign up in advance, although we'd love to know you're coming! ALL are welcome.

Call Ardith Talbott (215-862-1487) or Jerry and Debbie Hisch (267-544-0117) with any questions.