

# TRINITY TIDINGS

October 2014

## TRINITY AUTUMN HOUSE TOUR

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### From the Desk of the Rector



I invite you to take part in the 24th Annual Trinity Autumn House Tour. This is one of the highlights of the year at Trinity. The joining with the greater community in celebration of the glory of God's people and the beauty of house and home results in a magical event.

A house of prayer that welcomes all people, Trinity is proud of its century and a half of service to this community. We are committed to our work with young people, for quality music, and for local and global mission. Our Cookie Bake and Lobsterfest, like House Tour brings together hundreds of people within the immediate vicinity and beyond.

Many people were introduced to Trinity Church as a result of House Tour. The hospitality of the more than 100 volunteers continues to bear witness to a Faith Community that is both appealing and very rewarding.

When you take part in this year's tour, I invite you to pause throughout the day in gratitude for the opportunity to be enriched by what you see and feel this day. Thank you for joining with us and making this a magical day in the country.

*Rev. Rick +*

### To Purchase House Tour Tickets:

Cost: \$33.00 per person

(orders received after October 9th \$39 per person)

Box lunches available for an extra \$12.00 per person

Visit [www.trinitysolebury.org/housetour](http://www.trinitysolebury.org/housetour) - Tickets will be held at the church on the day of the tour starting at 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Purchase tickets in the church office starting October 9th Monday - Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m..

Purchase tickets the day of the tour from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Credit cards are accepted on line and on the day of the tour.

**We cannot take orders over the phone or provide refunds.**

Orders received after October 9th will be held at Trinity Church on tour day.



### Adult Education -

The 5-part DVD series by Richard Rohr is entitled, "Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy continues in October.

October 12 - Orthodoxy vs. Orthodoxy - facilitated by Susan Wells

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

Come join the conversation in the Chapel at 11 a.m. after the 9.30 service. This will allow us a full hour from 11 a.m. to 12 noon 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.

October 26 - Pastoral Care will present "Pastoral Care, What is it, Who is it?"



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### Adult Education in November -November 9

Prayers I Have Known and Loved, Part II

Andrew D. Scrimgeour

"Prayers can be eloquent and tidy. They can also be messy and offensive," says Andy Scrimgeour. He will continue to explore a broad range of prayers and stories about prayer that have burrowed into his soul over the years, some from his own pen.

**November 16**

**To Pray  
Is to Enter  
God's Silence**

John G. McEllhenney. Our guest is a retired minister, author of several books on Methodist history, adjunct instructor at Drew Theological School, the author of *A Masterwork of Doubting-Belief: R. S. Thomas and His Poetry* (Wipf & Stock, 2013), and a good friend of Andy and Dot Scrimgeour. This session deals with prayer-poems of the Welsh poet-priest R. S. Thomas (1913-2000), who believed that when we are silent "we live best, within listening distance of the silence we call God." So while he was steeped in the written and spoken prayers of the Anglican tradition, he thought that prayer at its best is "the deep calling to deep of the psalm-writer" (Psalm 42:7).

### La Fiocco Concert - October 26, 2014 3:00 p.m.

Birds of a Feather: Virtuoso Music for Recorders and Friends.

Featuring La Fiocco young artists: Martin Bernstein, a 17-year old virtuoso and national and international prize winner; Aik Shin Tan, a 24-year old recording artist; Andrew Broadwater, recorder player & film score composer. With Lewis R. Baratz, artistic director; Lynn Fergusson, viola da gamba; Benjamin T. Berman, harpsichord; and John Orluk, baroque guitar. Guest artists Ann Bies, recorder and John Armato, lute, theorbo & cittern. Renaissance, Baroque, and Contemporary works. \$25 general audience, \$20 seniors, \$10 students.

### Cookie Bake Needs You!



It's a funny thing about Trinity folks-as the weather gets cooler, our thoughts turn to cookies....thousands of cookies. Yes, Cookie Bake is right around the corner and we need YOU to be a part of it.

A Trinity tradition for over 60 years, Cookie Bake is an experience like no other, filled with laughter, fellowship and, of course, our famous Trinity cookies. Those who have participated in the past look forward to this event every year. If you are new to Trinity or just haven't been a part of Cookie Bake before, now is your chance to see what it's all about. No experience is necessary. We are happy to teach any of the skills needed to roll, bake and decorate. This is a wonderful chance to connect with other Trinity members. We start out baking cookies, and always seem to create great memories as well.

The fun begins on November 3 and continues every day until November 12. There will be evening and weekend opportunities, in addition to the weekday 9-5 schedule. Volunteers are needed to serve as day chairs, and training will be provided. We also need help splitting almonds, rolling, baking, decorating and packing cookies. The event chairs, Lori Daukas, Megg King and Ardith Talbott need to hear from you and are available to answer any questions. So, please mark your calendars and join us as we kick start the holiday season. Cookie Bake needs YOU!

Lori Daukas (ldaukas@comcast.net)

Megg King (meggking@hotmail.com)



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**2014 Pledge Update**

The following synopsis is compiled by reviewing the details of our 2014 pledge results January through the end of August. Typical of most financial reports, there is good news and not so good news.

Our budget goal for pledge income in 2014 was \$428,812. When the dust settled our actual pledge commitment amounted to \$408,006 from 141 pledge "units" (individuals or families). The expense budget was adjusted accordingly per Vestry directive.

Through the end of August we have received \$274,932 from 125 pledge units (67% of the committed total). This amount includes \$70,970 from 21 units who either pre-paid their annual pledge or have now satisfied their commitment. That's the good news.

The not so good news is that 14 pledge units have not, as of yet, made any contribution.

If you have made your pledge and are "current", my sincere thanks. If your pledge has slipped through the cracks, there is still time to catch up. If you're unable to fulfill this year's pledge I would appreciate some indication so that additional timely adjustments to the expense budget can be made before the end of the year.

Looking forward, the Stewardship Education Working Group is currently redesigning our whole approach to stewardship and you will hear more about that and our 2015 Pledge Campaign very soon. The improvements include ongoing emphasis throughout the year to educate us and highlight all of the good works that Trinity offers to our parishioners, the community at large, and our missions around the world.

Now here's a sneak peek at the 2015 budget.....just kidding!!

**TYG News**

Trinity Youth Group is off and running for a new year. This is a time of transition in leadership and will both bring challenging and exciting opportunities. Of most importance are the ongoing weekly gatherings of TYG on Wednesday evenings at 6:30. A team of experienced youth workers will guide the youth of our church and community.

A few highlights of upcoming weeks at TYG



Scarecrow's at Peddlers Village on Wednesday, October 22

Hayride on Friday Night, October 24

TYG Retreat Weekend, November 7, 8 & 9

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Youth Forum every First Sunday at 9:30

Family Dinners every Second Wednesday at 6:30

Your prayers and support is much appreciated for the youth of Trinity Church.

**Thank You Mr. Wilson**

## Worship in September

**October 5**

**Pentecost 17**

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist,

Healing Prayers

4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals,  
Mason Brower Garden



Blessing of  
the Animals

Join in the fun for this traditional observance which is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's great love for all creatures. All creatures great and small are welcome, except snakes. The Rector does not do snakes.

**October 12**

**Pentecost 18**

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

11:00 a.m. Adult Education

**October 19**

**Pentecost 19**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Church

9:30 a.m. Youth Eucharist, Chapel

11:00 a.m. Adult Education

Potluck Brunch following

**October 26**

**Pentecost 20**

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

11:00 a.m. Adult Education

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**Morning Prayer**

**Thursday Mornings**

7:30 a.m. in the Chapel

**Centering Prayer**

**Tuesday Mornings**

8:00 a.m. in the Chapel

**Church School at 9:30 a.m. Every  
Sunday for ages 4 - 18 - Grades  
Pre-K - 12th Grade**

Last month nearly 100 people, youth, parents, TYG alumni and others gathered to "roast" Steve Wilson on the occasion of his stepping down as Director of Youth Ministries. An evening of food, fun and frivolity with moving tributes and humorous stories of Steve's time at Trinity. Many thanks to all those who came out to show their appreciation. If you were not able to attend, there will be a Parish wide pot luck brunch on Sunday, October 19 following worship.



## Welcome to Melanie Woods - Interim Assistant for Youth Ministry

The Rector has appointed Melanie Woods as his Assistant for Youth Ministry during the time of transition in youth leadership. Melanie has been an active part of Trinity for several years and has worked with TYG on a volunteer basis. Spending 10 - 15 hours a week she will work with the Youth Leadership Team in programming and support for this ministry.

## Youth Eucharist

The first Youth Eucharist of the fall will be observed on Sunday, October 19 at 9:30 in the Chapel. This contemporary liturgy focuses on the ministry of children and youth in the parish with young people providing leadership in worship. Youth Eucharist is held on the 3rd Sunday of each month, October - May. The Daily Office of Morning Prayer is observed at the same time (9:30 on the 3rd Sunday of the month) in the main sanctuary. This traditional form of worship has been part of the Anglican Tradition for over 400 years drawing from the monastic offices.

## A Word about Coffee Hour.....

Coffee Hour is an opportunity to wish fellow parishioners and newcomers'/visitors a "good morning" in McArthur Hall after the 9:30 service. We have always had the reputation of being a very hospitable parish and this is just another way of expressing that. Hosting Coffee Hour is very easy. Our wonderful sextons, Glenn and Mary do the hard work. They make the tea and coffee, set up the tables, put on table clothes and clean up! All you have to do is come with a couple of quarts of Half and Half or milk, some sort of snack, a friendly smile and a "Good Morning" to share. A freshly baked item is always welcomed. You will get a call from the office three weeks before it's your turn to host. You can always switch if the date is not convenient. Please keep in mind how you might be the first "Welcome to Trinity" that a newcomer will hear. Lets' continue to be the Trinity Church known for its' hospitality!

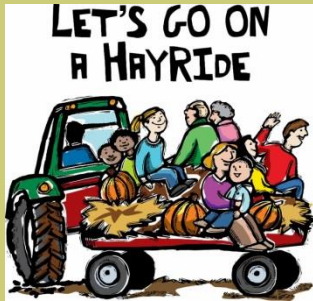


## Trinity Outreach

### *FAITH in ACTION CALENDAR*

Your Outreach Team is building on the wonderful energy of Outreach Day by creating an Outreach calendar with something for everyone!

Trinity volunteers have, for years, donated their time to Peacemeal, Aid For Friends, and Lambertville Food Pantry (as well as volunteering through agencies



## TYG Hosts the First Annual Trinity Hayride and Bonfire

Friday, October 24 at 6:30  
cost is \$15.00 a person

RSVP to [tyg@trinitysolebury.org](mailto:tyg@trinitysolebury.org)



## Church School Grape Juice Making



other than Trinity), and we will continue to celebrate those outreach efforts every month. In addition, there will be some new opportunities to experience the joy of serving the needs of others, locally, regionally and internationally, and to build Trinity fellowship.

The events on the calendar below are meant to be as inclusive as possible ...things for children, teens and adults, onsite and offsite, daytime and evening. If each event has 2 coordinators, it won't take much time to set up. Most will just take a couple of hours.

We still need a few more volunteers to work with members of the Outreach Committee to help establish our calendar of events. Please pick an activity from the list below and pledge a little time - and talent - by contacting the coordinator indicated.

**Sunday, Oct. 12 - Fisherman's Mark Annual Fundraiser, "Friends Farm Fete" at Hortulus Farm in Wrightstown.** Able bodies needed to help with setup (12-2 pm) and/or break down (4:45-6:00 p.m.) Event runs from 2-5 p.m. and volunteers are welcome to stay for the festivities. (Teens: Please call Rick Vinson. Adults: call Ardith, 215-862-1487, or call Candice at Fisherman's Mark, 609.397.0194) (Fisherman's Mark is a wonderful agency in Lambertville that serves low income families.)

**October, All month...Spread the Warmth** - Collection of mittens, hats and gloves to be donated to Fisherman's Mark. Call Jean Evans (215-862-1918)

**November 30 - 5th Sunday Work DAY** - A Woman's Place shelter in Doylestown. Depart Trinity after 8 o'clock service. Call Deb Faust - 215.901.1400

**December** --Christmas gifts for Mission Philly/Pearl Street children - Coordinators needed.

**January MLK Day**- In honor of Martin Luther King Day, we'll help St. Barnabas Mission residents on their "Move-Up Day"...the day they leave the mission and move into their own place. Collect donated household items to help them get started. Ardith Talbott or Jean Evans.

**February** (date tbd) "Mwen renmen ou!" ("I love you" in Haitian) Collect art supplies for next summer's Bible school in Haiti. This might be an early evening, family gathering with Haitian food, art and music. Contact Kristen Steuber, 215.766.1335, or Trey Wilson, 917.714.8134

**March 29 (tentative)- 5th Sunday Work Day** - A Woman's Place shelter in Doylestown. Contact Deb Faust.

**April** - Earth Day event with Delaware Valley Interfaith Council (DVIC). Contact Ribbons Zinda, 609.460.4371

**May** - Aid For Friends will be an evening gathering. Contact Jerry Hische, 267-544-0117

**If you would like to join the Outreach Committee, please call Deb Faust. The committee meets on the third Saturday of each month at 10 am.**

## Church School Update

Making grape juice from the grapes from our church vineyard was great fun. So was our singing session from our new song Books!. 22 Children participated.

A special thank you to all the Adult helpers!



We continue to offer a weekly program each Sunday at 9:30 am until the Passing of the Peace.

**Prayer Partners .....Question?**

Does your child have a "prayer partner" (someone in the congregation that your child has been paired with to offer their prayers and support)? If not please let us know if you would like your child to be in the program. We would simply take their photo for a formal card and pair them with a member of the parish. Church School Directors Ashley Christie or Christine Angulo



**Outreach Day**

**Trinity Church Partners with 5 Area Agencies on Outreach Day**

By Ardith Talbott

On the first Sunday of the program year, 57 parishioners ages 6 and up, gathered to by participate in hands-on community service in support of 5 local agencies.



Our Parish members produced 50 meals for Bucks County Aid for Friends, 10 Linus blankets for St. Barnabas Mission of Episcopal Community Services in Philadelphia, 200 bags of school supplies to be distributed by Lambertville Food Pantry, 30 backpacks of toiletries and food items for homeless clients of Fisherman's Mark in Lambertville. In addition, a team cleaned-up the property and completed some repairs at a local woman's shelter.

Also in attendance were representatives of two of the agencies we supported. Roni Todd-Marino, Social Services Coordinator for Fisherman's Mark spoke of the role Fisherman's Mark plays in the community; and Victoria Sicks, Development Director for Episcopal Community Services spoke of the services of St. Barnabas Mission.

Inspired by a celebration of Martin Luther King Day last January, the Outreach Committee saw the need for similar sharing of our gifts and time more than once a year. Trinity has a strong and dynamic tradition of community service including a monthly Peacemeal for people whose lives are impacted by AIDS, Tabasamu an annual dental mission trip to Haiti, and Mission Philadelphia, in which members of TYG, in conjunction with St Thomas Episcopal church, build community gardens and do other service work in Philadelphia.

Please join us to learn the various ways Trinity seeks to serve the needs of the community. The Outreach Committee meets on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 10:00 AM.



**Parish Calendar**

**Sunday, October 19**  
11:00 a.m. Pot Luck Brunch  
Bring Items to Share



4:00 p.m. Peacemeal, McArthur Hall

**Tuesday, October 21**  
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

**Sunday, October 26**  
3:00 p.m. LaFiocco Concert

**"A Christmass Mystery Play," by the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell - December 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m. - Linda Kenyon**

The characters are vivid, the language is dignified and moving, the setting is holy and "A Christmass Mystery Play" by the Reverend Bernard Iddings Bell is full of mystery, awe and wonder. It's a wonderful play! It is a truly meaningful way to celebrate Christmas. Christine Angulo, Bruce Harris and I are stepping out in faith, but without older children, it cannot happen. We need older children to take the major parts: Joseph who is trying his best

to take care of Mary, the money --loving innkeeper, the Roman soldier who can't say anything without swearing, a sanctimonious Pharisee, an old woman, the angel Gabriel, the dignified wise men. Michael Daukas, who has made costumes at Sesame Place is willing to make armor for the Roman soldier, and we could have some more soldiers guarding Herod, but wouldn't it be great if someone had some Roman sandals! We need curtains and carpentry to make moveable screens. We need adults to help with memorization and with costumes. It will be a project worth working on, and a blessing besides!



### **Haiti News - Coming Home!** By Kyle Evans

Greetings from Cap Haitien, Haiti! As many of you know, I originally committed to a three-year appointment with the Episcopal Church in Haiti, March 2013-March 2016. However, some exciting family news has affected that commitment-my second son (and Eric's!), Christopher, and his wife, Mistin, are expecting a baby at the end of October! We know it is a little girl and her name is going to be Macie. I have decided to complete my Missionary residency in North Haiti on October 9. I will join the Tabasamu team for their program October 9-15 and then fly home with them. I am really looking forward to being a grandmother. Having raised three boys, a baby girl will certainly bring a new and exciting culture change to the Evans family! Once I knew of Macie's arrival, the decision to foreshorten my appointment was immediate. Though my youngest son, Peter, is now 25, the memories of my boys' early life, especially the first year, remains fresh. I do not want to miss a minute of watching and participating in Macie's daily discoveries and growth into the unique human being that she is going to be.

Amidst the joy of Macie's imminent birth, it is going to be difficult to say goodbye to the role I have played as an Episcopal Missioner in North Haiti. My 20 months in the Region Nord have allowed me to be a part of ministry established and advanced for women, youth and young adults, important first steps in the revitalization of a farming school, deepened relationships with existing partnerships and the blossoming of new ones, important alliances with organizations such as Food For The Poor and much, much more. It has been a privilege to be a part of the mission and vision of the Episcopal Church Region Nord as developed by Suffragan Bishop Oge Beauvoir.

While I say goodbye to my position as long term Missioner, I am certain that I will remain connected and involved in the ministry of North Haiti, albeit from a distance. Though much has been started and developed here, much remains to be done. I ask that Trinity continue to pray for the important work being done for, by and with the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti Region Nord.

In truth, this unexpected shift in my life should come as no surprise. While well advanced in my mid-life years, I still think I am in control! God continually teaches me otherwise! I look forward to sitting in the Trinity pews again and reconnecting with the Trinity family, both those I know well and those who are new to me. I also look forward to discerning ways that I feel called to serve the needs of Trinity, the surrounding community and the world at large. I ask for your continued prayers in my final weeks in Haiti. Your prayers have been a constant source of strength and comfort. See you on October 19!



### **'All Things Bright and Beautiful'**

Trinity Episcopal Church Chapel - Storyteller Anna P. Wyman- Sunday, November 9, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Cecil Frances Alexander 1848 writes a genuine classic filled with musical lines! Carol Heyer's artworks are vibrant and imaginative! My heart embraces Olivia Anne with and "e" 17 in November and Leah Ripley, 17 in December.

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**FIRST CLASS**



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**DEADLINE!**

**Tidings Article  
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for the Tidings please have your  
article emailed to  
[jenugent@trinitysolebury.org](mailto:jenugent@trinitysolebury.org)

by the 15th of the month

To submit a notice for our weekly  
email go to:

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submitnotices](http://www.trinitysolebury.org/submitnotices)

*All things bright and beautiful  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*

In appreciation of God's creations and children.

B E N V E N U T O!

Anna P. Wyman  
Stockton Boro Storyteller  
Prallsville Mill Head Docent

**Parish Family Gathering and Update  
Sunday, October 5th**

On Sunday October 5th we will hold a 'Parish Family Gathering' after the 9:30 church service. The gathering will be an informal meeting on 'all things' Trinity. There will be a brief update, and comments and questions will be invited from the audience. The gathering is expected to take approximately 45-60 minutes. Please plan to join us. Child Care will be available.





Welcome to the  
2014

**T**RINITY  
AUTUMN  
HOUSE TOUR

*24th Annual House Tour*

Saturday, October 18, 2014  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

