

# TRINITY TIDINGS

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## 25th Annual House Tour - October 17

Jacqui Griffith, Rick Lansill, Roger Stikeleather  
2015 Chairs - Trinity Autumn House Tour

Helen Montgomery & Sandy Ryon  
Serve as Honorary Chairs



Five beautiful and diverse homes and gardens, and our own Trinity Pipe Organ and Sanctuary, are featured in this milestone Parish and community event and celebration. We are excited to have Helen Montgomery and Sandy Ryon, founders of our tour, serve as our Honorary Chairs. Sandy and Helen organized and volunteered during our many house tours along with many Parishioners over the 25 years and we are thankful for their dedication and hard work. Trinity Church has been blessed with a keen spirit of leadership and commitment and we celebrate and honor that tradition and those individuals.



Please reserve your calendars for Friday evening October 16th for our Sponsor and Volunteer Thank You Party and, of course, Saturday, October 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for our 25th Annual Trinity Autumn House Tour. There are many volunteer opportunities (advance and day of) to support this important event. Please contact Jacqui Griffith, Rick Lansill or Roger Stikeleather if you would like to be involved in any way.

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The Rt. Rev.  
Rodney R. Michel  
Assisting Bishop

Many thanks to the many that have already been working to make this a memorable occasion. It takes the entire Parish to make this day happen, so please plan on being a part of it.

**2nd Annual Trinity Outreach Day &  
Fill-the-Bus Giving Tree**

by Ardith Talbott



On Sunday, September 13, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., everyone is invited to McArthur Hall for fellowship and to take part in our Outreach mission. Pizza lunch to follow! The Outreach Committee hopes you all will come!

Choose from one of the following activities. Most are onsite and one is offsite...something for all ages! Members and friends...all are welcome! With many hands to help, each mission activity will take about an hour (2-3 hours if offsite).

- Assemble meals for Aid for Friends.
- Fill backpacks with personal products for the homeless people seeking help from Fisherman's Mark.
- Assemble baggies of school supplies for children of families served by the DVIC Lambertville Food Pantry.
- Help make cozy fringed blankets for the Parents as Teachers program of Family Service Agency of Bucks Co. This is an in-home program where families with children ages 5 and under have weekly or bi-weekly visits from a Parent Educator/Case Manager. The certified parent educators help promote positive parenting, prevent child abuse, and enhance child health and development.
- Offsite: Grab your shovel and gloves and come to the offices of A Woman's Place in Doylestown to help do much needed, light grounds beautification.  
(Estimate 2 -2.5 hours)



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### Vestry Minutes & Reports

Please visit [www.trinitysolebury.org](http://www.trinitysolebury.org)  
for July's Vestry Minutes and  
Financial Reports.

### Trinity Autumn House Tour Volunteers Needed! Saturday, October 17, 2015



It takes the support of the entire Parish to make this important event the success we all hope for. Please contact Jacqui Griffith, Rick Lansill or Roger Stikeleather to volunteer for that day and/or advance preparation. There are still numerous opportunities to volunteer, small and large, and we need you. Thank you to the many who have already volunteered and are working!



### September Worship

**Sunday, September 6**  
8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayers

**Sunday, September 13**  
8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, September 20**  
8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist

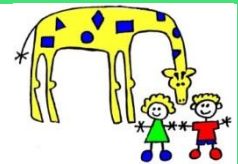


Fill-The-Bus Giving Tree - This is a new project sponsored by Episcopal Community Services (ECS) of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, whose mission is to provide high quality educational and other services to vulnerable individuals and families. Fill the Bus is a drive for school supplies to support the after-school program that ECS sponsors in three West Philadelphia elementary and middle schools. There is a Giving Tree in McArthur Hall with a yellow bus parked to the side. Pick an ornament and bring the selected supplies to "fill the bus". Bring the supplies before or on Outreach Day, September 13.

Contact Ardith Talbott (215.862.1487) or Kristen Steuber (215.828.3950) with any questions.

### Welcome Back Trinity Day School!

by Cindy Bove



Trinity Day School opened its door on August 31st for its 57th year of service to our surrounding communities. We welcomed 40 young pre schoolers and their families to another year of growth and nurturing within our Trinity Church family. Best wishes for a wonderful school year!

### Aid for Friends

by Debbie Hische



169 meals were delivered to our local Aid for Friends freezer in August. It was a tremendous effort! Thus far in 2015 Trinity has contributed 687 meals to local individuals struggling to provide their own meals, primarily due to frailty or illness.

All are welcome to join in this ministry - chefs and packers alike. Mark your calendar for the following upcoming Aid for Friends Events and join us for one day, or come along for all of them.

Outreach Day - September 13, October 26 at 9:00 a.m., December 8 at 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday, September 27**  
8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist

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

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



### **Church School**

Church School resumes on  
Sunday, September 13 at 9:30 a.m.  
Registration forms are available at  
[www.trinitysolebury.org](http://www.trinitysolebury.org) under  
the Church School tab.

### **TYG Kick-Off Dinner**

Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m.  
Trinity Youth Group begins its fall  
schedule and welcomes all to attend.  
Youth, parents, families, parishioners;  
all are welcome. A main dish will be  
provided, please bring a side dish, salad  
or dessert. We will welcome Josh Kelly,  
the new Assistant for Youth & Family  
Ministries.



### **Parish Calendar**

**Sunday, September 6**  
11:00 a.m. Spiritual Life Meeting

**Tuesday, September 8**  
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

**Wednesday, September 9**  
6:30 p.m. TYG/Dinner

**Sunday, September 13**  
9:30 a.m. Church School Begins  
11:00 a.m. Outreach Day

## **"Living the Questions" Series Returns in the Fall**

by Spiritual Life Ministry



Returning this Fall is the "Living the Questions" series, which was so popular when we first gave it three years ago as a DVD series. This is a group study exploring beyond traditions and rote theologies. It is ideal for Christian invitation, initiation and spiritual formation and creates a safe environment for asking questions you have always wanted to ask. It helps seekers and those who have attended church for some time to discover the significance of Christianity in the 21st century.

Each session includes a 20 minute video, given by prominent theological minds in the Church, and allows time for questions and conversation among those attending. The overall theme is that of faith as a journey, not a destination.

The "Living the Questions" series will be our fall Sunday DVD Series\*, in the Chapel at 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. We will be showing the first 4 parts of the series this Fall and will continue with the other parts at a later date.

September 27th - An Invitation to Journey  
October 4th - Taking the Bible Seriously  
October 11th - Thinking Theologically  
October 18th - Stories of Creation

All are welcome. Please plan on attending this interesting series. Child care will be provided.

\*Please note that there will be other offerings in the fall, which will be announced separately.



**Tuesday, September 15**  
October Trinity Tidings  
Newsletter Submissions Due

**Saturday, September 19**  
10:00 a.m. Outreach Meeting

**Sunday, September 20**  
11:00 a.m. Parish Family Gathering  
4:00 p.m. Peacemeal

**Monday, September 21**  
Mindfulness Meditation

**Sunday, September 27**  
11:00 a.m. Adult Education  
Living the Questions: An Invitation  
to the Journey

### September Birthdays

1st Sarah Jagoe  
2nd Gladys Wood  
3rd Deborah Albuquer  
Alex Dwornikowski  
5th Jillian Roberts  
6th Jane Otto  
Charles Sundquist  
7th Hadley Harbert  
Fiona Logan  
8th Jill Macauley  
Alyse Slack  
9th Reid McCarthy  
Michael Schmidt  
10th Phillip Steuber  
11th Mackenzie Lynch  
Tim Otto  
12th Pattie Stikeleather  
Richard Vinson  
13th Alexandra Wright  
14th Sophia Ball  
Janet Gill  
Robert Landley  
15th Alexandra Kothe  
Robert Marcino  
16th Katelynn Connolly  
Ava Marcino  
17th PJ Angotti  
Henry Lowe  
Catherine Mumford  
Andrew Zalescik  
18th Andrew Bove  
Shirlee Prescott  
Rosemary Reshetar  
19th Kay Rock  
Cheryl Whinney  
20th Anna Schmidt

## Assistant for Youth & Family Ministries

by Josh Kelly



Hello and Greetings! I wanted to take an opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Josh Kelly and I am the newest member of the Trinity team focusing on Youth and Family ministries.

In a bio a lot of labels get used, so let me offer a few about myself. I am a husband to Beth Kelly, my wonderful wife and partner for the past five years. I am a son to Bernie and Karen Kelly, Bernie a ELCA Lutheran Pastor in New Jersey, and Karen a hospice chaplain. Both are alums of the Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia. I am also a son (in-law) to Scott and Jane Ellen Nugent, a former employee at Trinity. I am a second year student at Princeton Theological Seminary, and this is also where Beth and I currently make our home with our cat Vienna. I technically consider myself an ELCA Lutheran, but I am very comfortable in most Protestant/Mainline denominations (working at an Episcopal church and studying at a Presbyterian Seminary!). I am a teacher and have taught either middle school or senior high Sunday School for more than the past 10 years. I am passionate about ministry with youth and families. I enjoy my family, friends, Mustang, skiing, reading, the beach, films (especially fantasy/sci-fi, a.k.a. nerd), nature and the environment, and Chinese and Italian foods (not at the same time). I am passionate about my faith and sharing the faith journey with sisters and brothers like you. Finally the most important label I can apply to myself? Precious Child of God, and brother in Christ.

Looking forward to meeting you all, walking with you, laughing with, and growing with you.

P.S. I am not very good with names, so please be patient with me. I want to learn yours but it will take me some time!

Peace & Blessings+ Josh

- 22nd Randy Apgar  
Sydney Fox
- 23rd Aidan Greer  
Caroline Whinney  
Bonnie Wilbur
- 24th Chloe Reshetar-Jost
- 25th Drew Zalescik
- 26th Paula Sayre
- 28th Donald Eavenson
- 29th John Glancey
- 30th Bruce Harris  
Stephanie Sager

**September Anniversaries**

- 1st Mr. & Mrs. Richard  
Hargreaves
- 7th Mrs. Christina Ferguson & Mr.  
Russ Boughner
- 9th Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Hayward
- 14th Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Bove  
Mrs. Barbara Corey  
Mr. & Mrs. David Wright
- 20th Mr. & Mrs. William Tucker  
Mr. & Mrs. Warren Wilbur
- 21st Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Sager
- 22nd The Rev. & Mr. Virginia Sheay
- 23rd Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Harrison
- 29th Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Mumford

**The St. Thomas Gospel Choir Pre-Release  
4th CD Recording**

The St. Thomas Gospel Choir 4th CD Recording will feature international recording artist Kefia Rollerson, a Sunday Best Finalist and Philadelphia native, and Charlene Holloway, featured background vocalist for: Patti Labelle, Micki Howard, Anita Baker, The Gabriel Hardeman Delegation and many more.

This CD will feature traditional and contemporary Gospel Music to reach the hearts of every listener. Full EP CD Will Be Released

Friday, September 4, 2015.

Single Now Available.

**Trinity Financial Snapshot**

by Gary Wilmore

It's hard to believe that we're already midway through another bucolic Solebury summer! The following financial summary, through the end of July, is a combination of some good news and some not so good.

	July YTD	Budget YTD	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Pledge	\$260,358	\$265,723	\$432,000
Plate	\$17,508	\$26,483	\$50,000
Fundraising	\$31,788	\$39,500	\$75,000
Other	\$26,897	\$28,835	\$44,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$336,440</b>	<b>\$360,541</b>	<b>\$601,900</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Personnel	\$155,638	\$164,692	\$291,166
Operations	\$145,024	\$128,649	\$196,858
Fundraising	\$20,111	\$18,500	\$27,500
Programs	\$46,845	\$50,920	\$75,200
Other	\$9,749	\$6,442	\$11,172
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$377,367</b>	<b>\$369,203</b>	<b>\$601,896</b>

The good news is that, relative to our budget outlook, our expenses are only \$8,662 over forecast, most of which can be attributed to the recently completed, and long overdue painting of the church exterior and some unanticipated but unavoidable electrical work.

The not so good news is that the actual income from plate contributions is running well below expectations and is unlikely to meet our annual goal. In addition, while Lobsterfest was another glorious and enjoyable event for the parish and community, total income was less than budgeted. Also contributions to support Mission Philadelphia were down this year. This is an issue affecting all our fundraising events and has prompted us to look at the sustainability of our fundraisers and our over reliance on them to fund ministry.

Looking forward to the remainder of the year, the finance committee appraisal anticipates a budget shortfall of +/- \$20,000-\$25,000. While not catastrophic, this is disappointing considering our optimism at the beginning of the year. Critical to our outlook is the assumption that pledge commitments



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To submit a notice for inclusion in the weekly bulletin and emailed weekly notices, visit [www.trinitysolebury.org/submitnotices](http://www.trinitysolebury.org/submitnotices). Deadline for new weekly notices is Tuesday prior to the Sunday you wish it to appear.

will be met, our remaining fundraising efforts will be successful, and appropriate expense controls will avoid the possibility of unpleasant surprises. For my sanity, I'm reminded of Douglas Adam's catch phrase in "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" which says simply: Don't Panic! While we won't panic we will need to make some adjustments in spending for the remainder of the year and hopefully have some pleasant surprises on the income side of the ledger. Your Vestry is working on those details as well as looking forward to our 2016 budget and better understanding our upcoming needs and potential income. We also appreciate your continued financial support during the historically lean summer months. As always, we will keep you updated as we learn more and move forward.

## You're Invited to a Birthday Party!

by Lori Daukas

This year Cookie Bake turns 70! Plan on being a part of this wonderful Trinity tradition. Dreary days feel warmer and brighter when spent in the cookie kitchen. We will be gathering the first two weeks of November to bake, decorate and pack the beloved Trinity cookies. Many hands are needed for this joyful work, and you are invited to dive in and be a part of the fun. More details to follow -- stay tuned! Questions? Contact Lori Daukas, 215.512.4984 or [ldaukaus@comcast.net](mailto:ldaukaus@comcast.net).



## Friends of Music Presents Organist Eric Plutz, Sunday, October 11th, 5:00 p.m.

by Tim Harrell

Friends of Music begins the 2015-16 season with guest organist Eric Plutz. Eric begins his second decade as University Organist at Princeton University where he plays weekly services at the Chapel special Academic Ceremonies, and solo concerts. He is also rehearsal accompanist for

the Westminster Symphonic Choir at Westminster



Choir College and for Princeton Pro Musica. Mr. Plutz is also Dean of the Central New Jersey Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Originally from Rock Island, Illinois, he earned a Bachelor of Music degree from Westminster Choir College and a Master of Music degree from Eastman School of Music. He has made four solo recordings on the Pro Organo label.

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