

# TRINITY TIDINGS

October 2015

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**Trinity Autumn House Tour Volunteers Needed**

It takes the support of the entire Parish to make this important event the success we all hope for. Please contact Betty Stagg (215.262.1478), sign up on the narthex bulletin board, or call the church office to volunteer for Saturday, October 17 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!

**Blessing of the Animals  
October 4, 4:00 p.m.**



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. The service will be held in the Mason Brower Garden.

## Worship Through Giving

by The Rev. Rick Vinson



The duty of all Christians is to follow Christ; to come together week by week for corporate worship; and to work, pray, and give for the spread of the kingdom of God. (The Catechism, The Book of Common Prayer, p. 856)

Some might say, "What an order, who could possibly do that?". Given the lifestyle of so many in this day and time it may seem impossible, particularly the coming together week by week for worship. It is just not realistic in this day and time. I suggest that just the opposite is true. This in fact sets the bar pretty low. It is the bare minimum that is expected, even demanded of Christian folk. The problem is that we look at it the wrong way. We see such statements as a goal to reach, rather than a starting block. We are to follow Christ. If not Christ then who, ourselves? That is sure to lead us nowhere. To work, pray and give for the spread of God's kingdom; if not God's, then who's kingdom shall we work for, our own? And to come together for worship every week. Is that all? Only once? There are 168 hours in every week. Worship takes 1 or 2 including travel time. We spend more time eating, showering and playing with the cat than we do coming together for worship. But does it have to be that way?

Let's look at it differently. Consider what it means to worship through giving. That could mean that anytime we give of ourselves to the work of God we are engaging in a form of worship. Every time we choose to commit of our time, our abilities, our resources to the doing of God's will for our lives we are participating in worship. That means that every act, every day, every year of our lives is lived in acknowledging

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**25th Anniversary Trinity  
Autumn House Tour  
Celebration**



All Volunteers, Sponsors, Home Owners and Community Partners are invited to a Thank You Party on Friday, October 16 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the beautiful Carousel Farm Lavender. Please bring an appetizer and/or beverage of choice.

Carousel Farm Lavender  
5966 Mechanicsville Road  
Mechanicsville, PA 18934  
(use Sheffield Drive entrance on side of farm to enter)

**Trinity Staff**



**The Rev. Richard Vinson**  
Rector

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Director, Trinity Day School

**Christine Angulo**  
Church School Coordinator

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Church School Coordinator

**Anne Shields**  
Assistant Director,  
Primary & Junior Choirs

the holiness of God, in other words, WORSHIP.

Now I am not suggesting there is no need to gather in church and in homes and in places public and private to pray and to hear God's Word and to celebrate the sacraments. We certainly need no encouragement to skip church. What I am saying is that the life of worship is an every day, every hour proposition. We worship through our giving. We worship through everything that we do, as long as it is for the spread of the kingdom of God.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING is the theme for this year's stewardship emphasis. There will be many opportunities to consider how to worship through giving in the weeks and months to come. This year there will be 4 cottage dinners in which people can gather, there will be testimonies given in church during the 6 week emphasis, there will be weekly communications which focus on what our given means and why people give, and there will be the opportunity to make a commitment to the mission and ministry of Trinity Church. Many thanks to the Stewardship Committee and its Chairperson, Whitney Chandor.

We are a people called to Worship. May our Worship through Giving inspire and delight.

*Rick +*

Mark your calendars - Cottage Dinners will be held October 30, November 1, 6 & 8.

**The Ornament of a House is the Friends Who  
Frequent It**

Ralph Waldo Emerson



Trinity Autumn House Tour is all about friends. For 25 years old friends and new have enjoyed the experience of touring many of the most beautiful homes in Bucks County. Stone and brick, historic and contemporary, church and barn, all with unique vision and loving labor become homes. Trinity Church is grateful to those who have opened their hearts and homes to share with us and the greater community. For many, lifelong friendships have begun with this event. Others  
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## The Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania

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The Rt. Rev.  
Rodney R. Michel  
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### Vestry Minutes & Reports

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

look forward to returning year after year to the familiar faces of over 150 volunteers who work tirelessly to make this day possible. Touring a home is different than a museum or park. People live and work and play and struggle and love in these houses. They reflect the unique witness of those who call them their homes.

We hope you will join us at this year's Trinity Autumn House Tour. We count you among our many friends whose participation over the years has supported our mission and ministry in this community and beyond. From its inception, House Tour has been a gift to this community. Our dear friends Sandy Ryon and Helen Montgomery, two of the original organizers of the event, serve as Honorary Co-Chairs for this 25 year anniversary.

### Living the Questions Begins Sept. 27th!

Back by popular demand, this nationally and Trinity parish acclaimed series returns to Sundays, 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Many of our parish have found this personally rewarding, sometimes challenging, and always interesting. In an era of swift changes on all levels of our lives, this is an "an open-minded study where participants explore the best of today's theological thought and strive to explore what's next for Christianity" and, importantly, for us as individuals. The format is welcoming with "20 minute video segments which include conversations with leading interdenominational voices of faith, clips of sermons and lectures, and digital stories." This is followed by time for your personal ideas and opinions, facilitated by members of the parish. The 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon hour will be respected. Come and join the conversation, bring your coffee and explore some interesting ideas! Trinity will also happily provide childcare.

Sept. 27: An Invitation to the Journey

Oct. 4: Taking the Bible Seriously

Oct. 11: Thinking Theologically

Oct. 18: Stories of Creation





### October Worship

#### Sunday, October 4

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

#### Sunday, October 11

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

#### Sunday, October 18

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
9:30 a.m. Youth Eucharist

#### Sunday, October 25

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

Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for  
ages 4 - 18, grades Pre-K - 12th.  
Reminder: Church School will not be  
held on the third Sunday of every  
month, unless otherwise noted.

### Church School Kick Off!



Church School meets  
every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.  
Great news - Cameron Stark, husband  
of Jennifer and father of Lilly and  
Emily, has agreed to take the  
harvested grapes from our vines and  
create something amazing.

## "Free the Girls"

by Earlene Austin



"Free The Girls" is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that provides job opportunities to survivors of sex trafficking in developing countries by helping them establish their own businesses selling bras in the second-hand clothing markets. Through the collection of bras in Western countries, "Free The Girls" inspires people and organizations to get involved in the fight against modern day slavery. There are a number of amazing organizations that are helping to rescue these women out of a life of prostitution in Mozambique, Uganda and El Salvador, but what happens after they are rescued? "Free The Girls" currently partners with established aftercare facilities in Mozambique, Uganda and El Salvador to help provide job opportunities to survivors of sex trafficking selling bras.

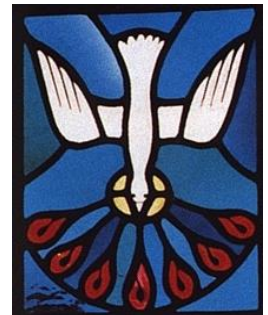
The organization has a national presence and has been covered by CNN.

Bras? Yes! We are holding a bra drive to collect bras lingering in the back of your lingerie drawer to "Free The Girls". Please bring your used bras to McArthur Hall beginning Sunday, October 4 and every Sunday during October (or during the month) and place them in the box provided. At the end of October they will be shipped to "Free the Girls" Headquarters.

For further information visit their website:  
[www.freethegirls.org](http://www.freethegirls.org) or if you have any questions, email  
Earlene Austin: Earlene1211@comcast.net.

## Adult Forum: "Spiritual Life Resources on the Web"

On October 25th, at 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon in the Chapel, there will be a one hour forum on using the web for your personal exploration of spiritual practices. Led by Caroline Oakes-McCarthy, the forum will include web resources and recommendations, handouts and some "how to" advice.



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## Parish Calendar

### Sunday, October 4

11:00 a.m. Adult Education  
Living the Questions: Taking  
the Bible Seriously  
4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

### Monday, October 5

7:00 p.m. Trinity School  
Board Meeting

### Wednesday, October 7

6:30 p.m. TYG

### Sunday, October 11

11:00 a.m. Adult Education  
Living the Questions:  
Thinking Theologically  
5:00 p.m. Friends of Music Concert

### Wednesday, October 14

6:30 p.m. TYG/Dinner

### Thursday, October 15

November Trinity Tidings  
Newsletter Submissions Due

### Saturday, October 17

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
25th Anniversary Trinity  
Autumn House Tour

### Sunday, October 18

11:00 a.m. Adult Education  
Living the Questions:  
Stories of Creation  
4:00 p.m. PeaceMeal

### Monday, October 19

Mindfulness Meditation

### Wednesday, October 21

6:30 p.m. TYG

### Sunday, October 25

11:00 a.m. Adult Forum: Spiritual Life  
Resources on the Web  
3:00 p.m. La Fiocco

### Monday, October 26

9:00 a.m. Aid for Friends

### Wednesday, October 28

6:30 p.m. TYG

## Men's Breakfast - Saturday, October 31 at 8:00 a.m.



What does GOD look like?  
Portraits by Raphael, Rembrandt,  
Rubens, Leonardo, Giotto, Titian,  
Michelangelo, and others  
Presentation by  
Will Rivinus X Food from Heaven

You may be very surprised by the variety of expressions and resources available! There will be time for questions and answers as well as for sharing additional resources. This is user-friendly for smart phones, tablets and laptops: plan to bring one (or paper). Most of the material will be fine for a desk-top too, but we'll be working on our laps. Trinity will happily provide childcare.

## Outreach at Trinity 2015 - Update

by Roger Stikeleather

### Outreach Committee Needs Leadership Volunteers



Mission



Lambertville Food Pantry



A Woman's Place  
ON THE ROAD TO FLOURISHING

1 John 3:18 - My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. We are thankful to witness Parish knowledge and support of our many good works solidify and grow. Our actions, which have impact internationally, regionally, and locally cover the gamut of time, talent and treasure and are both ongoing (monthly for the most part) and intermittent. We are making a positive difference in the lives of others. Some of these activities include:

- Provision of grocery donations and made-to-eat meals to ease hunger locally
- Cooked meals and fellowship, provided in our parish hall, and which serve to alleviate the loneliness and isolation which some of the guest attendees may experience in their daily lives
- Donations of clothing and blankets to those less fortunate

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### October Birthdays

1st	Doug Kale
4th	Matt Jopling Paul Lanzetta
5th	Susan Wells
6th	Harry Ferguson
7th	Gina Davio
8th	Gavin Balog James Wells
10th	Nancy Frith Charlotte Van Ingen
12th	Toshi Amagasu Eric Evans
13th	Norman Bing
15th	Nancy Harrison Jennifer Summers
16th	Patrick Houston Sarah Shields Iain Trimmer
18th	Alexa Angotti Stephen Broadbent Tom Hische Nicholas Young
19th	Peg Clark Earl Glazier
20th	Richard Dafrico
21st	Samuel Griffiths
22nd	Trenton Koberna
23rd	Miles Gombosi Richard Wallace
24th	Samuel Tucker
26th	Scott Clark David Griffith
27th	People Sayre
29th	Abigail Glascott Sarah MacLean

- Donations of gifts, administrative support, and money in support of local, regional, and international efforts
- Sweat equity to help beautify the properties and neighborhoods of those less fortunate than us
- Participation in local days of service, like MLK day

The Outreach Committee wishes to thank those who have supported one or more of our efforts, as we could not have achieved what we have without you. But a successful body of work needs more than doers; it needs thinkers and planners. If you would like to join us in the thinking and planning, please feel free to join us at our next meeting. We get together from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Rectory, generally on the 3rd Saturday of every month. Check the weekly bulletin for upcoming meeting schedules.

### Cookie Bake Needs You!

by Lori Daukas

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 almost 70 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. Event chairs, Lori Daukas and Priscilla Forbus, need to hear from you and are available to answer any questions. So, please mark your calendars, and join us as we the holiday season.

Cookie Bake needs YOU!

Lori Daukas (ldaukas@comcast.net / 215-512-4984)

Priscilla Forbus (paforbus@gmail.com / 859-420-2845)



### October Anniversaries

- 7th Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Connolly
- 9th Mr. & Ms. John Shields
- 13th Mr. & Ms. Mark Glidden
- 14th Mr. & Mrs. William Yandle
- 15th Mr. & Mrs. David Christman
- 16th Mr. & Mrs. Michael Wheelan
- 26th Mr. & Mrs. David Burd
- 29th Mrs. Jeanne Plebani
- 30th Mr. & Mrs. James Kennedy

### Day School Staff Supports Solebury Community Day

by Cindy Bove

Trinity Day School Director and staff manned a face painting booth at the recent Solebury Community Day on September 19. It was a wonderful day of opportunity to showcase to the community the outstanding work performed by the Day School in its 57 year tradition!

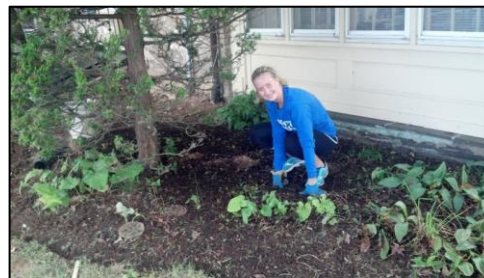


## 2nd Annual Outreach Day is a Successful Fall Kickoff

by Ardith Talbott

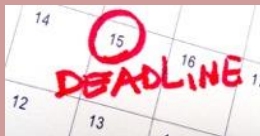


On Sunday, September 13, over 50 parishioners of all ages came together to help meet the needs of less fortunate individuals and families in the area from Lambertville to Bucks County to West Philadelphia. Meals were packed for Aid for Friends, cozy fleece blankets were made for Bucks County Family Services, backpacks with personal products were packed for homeless clients of Fisherman's Mark, school supplies were packed for families who come to the Lambertville Food Pantry, and the grounds of A Woman's Place were beautified. In addition, the Fill the Bus drive was an overflowing success in collecting school supplies for the Episcopal Community Services after school program in Philadelphia. Thanks to everyone who supported Outreach Day, including the many adult and children volunteers and the donors!



**TRINITY EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH  
P.O. BOX 377  
Solebury, PA 18963**

**FIRST CLASS**



To submit an article for the monthly "Trinity Tidings" newsletter, email [communications@trinitysolebury.org](mailto:communications@trinitysolebury.org).  
Deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of each month.

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.

**New Look in Church Office**

by Betty Stagg

The Rectory/Church Office is trying a new orientation of the space to enhance the effectiveness of the staff, while giving visitors a welcoming place to gather, converse and carry out meetings and individual church business. The Rectory/Office, having been built as a cozy home for the Rector's family, presents challenges as a work space and has been re-configured many times. The Rector's Office has returned to its original spot on the left side of the building. The most recent conference room is now the primary greeting area with Receptionist Desk, drop off mail boxes, Parish information bulletin board and credenza. There is seating there and a small waiting area in the hallway. The Conference Room is now in what was Rick's Office. Both doors will be open, but many find it easier to via the back parking lot, thus avoiding steps. New signage will come in due time.

The new arrangement is hoped to minimize noise and distraction for the staff as they concentrate on the details of their work day. Please respect that but know that the Staff and Volunteers Welcome You!