

The Tempo

Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish

A people passionately seeking to
love with the heart of Christ,
think with the mind of Christ, and
act in the world as the Body of Christ.



SEPTEMBER 2018

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday, September 2

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
(no breakfast and no Sunday School)
10:15 - 11:45 am Nursery
FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE AT 10:30 AM
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, St. Paul's

Thursday, September 6

10 am Thrift Shop Opens
10:30 am Holy Eucharist at Downs

Sunday, September 9

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:45 am Breakfast
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
Signup Deadline for Foyers Groups

Wednesday, September 12

5-7 pm Bazaar Planning & Craft Night

Sunday, September 16

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:45 am Breakfast
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
11:45 am - 1 pm Acolyte Training
5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Paul's
7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Friday, September 21

6-8 pm Stewardship Parish Party

Saturday, September 22

9:30 am EV Training, St. Peter's

Sunday, September 23

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:45 am Breakfast
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, September 26

7 pm Mom's Night Out (at Maibergers)

Sunday, September 30

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:45 am Breakfast
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist
2-5 pm Safeguarding God's Children

ONGOING EVENTS

Sundays

9:10 am (1st, 3rd Sundays) Solo Women
11:45 am Coffee Hour

Mondays

12 noon Women's Bk Group, Central Lib.
12:15 pm Contemplative Practice, Cooper Lib.
6:00 pm EfM

Tuesdays

11 am Reflectionary Bible Study

Wednesdays

12 noon Women's Book Group, Central Lib.
6:00 pm Canterbury
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Keeping the Faith: Suz's Monthly Message

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In August I spent a week on retreat at Mepkin Abbey, a Cistercian monastery located near Charleston. The abbey is a true haven from the cares and occupations of a busy life, and I entered into the silence with both joy and relief. Silence is observed most of the time, and the noise of the outside world rarely intrudes. Mepkin is a place of beauty and order, supported by the rhythm of monastic prayer. It did not take long to settle into the peace that permeates Mepkin Abbey.

God's peace, or *shalom*, is a gift that can often seem elusive outside the well-ordered and holy spaces of the world, like Mepkin Abbey. Returning home from such a place is both welcome and daunting after spending time immersed in that deep peace. I arrived back in Clemson resolved to create here a space for quiet contemplation of that wonderful gift of God's presence and peace. I find it nearly impossible to replicate the rhythm and atmosphere of tranquility of Mepkin Abbey either at home or at church. I have come to the conclusion that the closest approximation to that peace comes from within.

It is the practice contemplation that creates the space for peace, not the space that creates the contemplation. The peace of God that surpasses all understanding can be found in certain holy places because the holy places of the world resonate with the peace that is held in our hearts, where God dwells. We can access that peace more readily in such holy places, but we can also cultivate the pathways that lead us into the inner sanctuaries of our hearts.

Contemplative practices, such as *lectio divina* and centering prayer, are ancient, Christian pathways to the inner space where we can encounter God and experience the peace of God deeply. Those practices are ideally suited for individual pursuit, if supported by regular community participation.

On Mondays at 12:15 pm, a group gathers in Room 109 of the Cooper Library on Clemson University Campus for contemplative practice. We will resume our practice on September 10. [See page 13 of this Tempo.] I am also interested in starting a Centering Prayer group at Holy Trinity, beginning with a study of Cynthia Bourgeault's book, *The Heart of Centering Prayer*. Please contact me if you are interested in being part of such a group. The day and time of our common practice will be determined by the group.

Grace and peace to you all, Suz +

(September Calendar Ongoing Events continued)

Thursdays

9:30 am Davis Library Book Group
5:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Healing Service
7:30 pm (2nd, 4th Thursdays) Community Bible Study

Saturdays

8:00 am Holy Trinity Book Group

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(Ministry Team Assignments are in
italics following the name.)

Why Do We Do That?

Why do we exchange The Peace in the middle of our service?

At the end of the Liturgy of the Word, following the reading of Scripture, the homily, the Prayers of the People, and (except in Eastertide) the Confession and Absolution, the presiding priest invites the congregation to exchange The Peace. The biblical warrant for this portion of our Eucharistic celebration is found in Matthew 5:23-24: "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift." With these words, Jesus teaches that reconciliation is an essential part of our preparation to offer our gifts of money, bread, wine, and "ourselves, our souls and bodies" (BCP 336) and to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

The exchange of The Peace of Christ is offered with a handshake or with a light hug. This is a time for reconciliation and unity, and not for catching up with friends (plenty of time for that after the service!). The focus should be first to share the peace with those who are strangers to us, either by a break in relationship or by virtue of not being known to us. Only after we have greeted guests and those whom we barely know should we greet friends. Some people will move about the Nave freely at this point and move to greet as many as possible in the Name of Christ, and others will stay put in the pew to pass The Peace with those who are nearby. Both are normal expressions of individual personalities, and we can see these differences as signs of God's creativity in making us so diverse in our natures.

I invite you to take some time after reading this short essay to reflect on where and with whom you are in need of reconciliation. Pray about how to move toward bridging the gap that separates you from that person (or from those persons). Pause and listen in silence for God to speak a word of wisdom regarding your petition. May the Peace of the Lord be always with you.

Suz+



HYMNS SPOTLIGHT

Next to the *Holy Bible* and *Book of Common Prayer*, our Christian hymns contain some of the most inspirational words available to us for expressing, deepening, and renewing our faith. These words, set to music, and sung from the heart convey the very essence of our relationship to God, give Him thanks and praise, communicate our hopes and needs, and lead us to seek and do His will. But also, the history behind the hymns and music can be singularly inspiring and shows that our spiritual needs and feelings are not new but have been experienced by many Christians in the past.

Hymn 376**Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

“Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love
 hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
 giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.”

Author: Henry van Dyke (1852-1933), Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

When Henry van Dyke was a guest preacher at Williams College in Williamston, Mass., he wrote this hymn and gave the manuscript to President Garfield (President of the college, but son of U.S. President Garfield) saying, “Here is a hymn for you. Your mountains [the Berkshires] were my inspiration. It must be sung to the music of Beethoven’s *Hymn to Joy*.” Van Dyke, a Presbyterian minister, was an author, Professor of English Literature at Princeton, American Lecturer at the Sorbonne University in Paris, U.S. minister to the Netherlands and Luxembourg, and Lieutenant-Commander in the U.S. Navy Chaplain Corp during WWI. There are no better words to sum up Henry van Dyke’s thoughts regarding his many hymns when he wrote: “These verses are simple expressions of common Christian feelings and desires in this present time, – hymns of today that may be sung together by people who know the thought of the age, and are not afraid that any truth of science will destroy religion, or any revolution on earth overthrow the kingdom of heaven. Therefore these are hymns of trust and joy and hope.”

The tune *Hymn to Joy* comes from the final movement of Beethoven’s *Ninth Symphony*. Although Beethoven did not write any music expressly for hymns, he made this statement concerning his faith: “No friend have I. I must live by myself alone [Beethoven was deaf]; but I know well that God is nearer to me than others in my art, so I walk fearlessly with Him. I have always known Him and understood Him. I have no timidity about my music; it can have no ill fate...”

**Hymn 660****O Master Let Me****Walk With Thee**

“O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths

Tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.”

of service free

Author: Washington Gladden (1836-1918), Music: Henry Percy Smith (1825-1898)

This hymn was published (1879) during a period of religious history in this country when social implications of the Gospel were given much emphasis. Our country was in the throes of a great industrial revolution, and the individual was exploited for the cause of economic progress. Many of our country’s more liberal clergymen became enthusiastic champions for the cause of social justice. One of the recognized leaders of this social Gospel movement was Washington Gladden. Gladden, ordained to the Congregational Churches’ ministry, became known as one of the most powerful pulpit voices in America. It was always his conviction that it was the duty of the Christian Church to “elevate the masses not only spiritually and morally, but to be concerned about their social and economic welfare as well.” The tune to which Gladden’s words were set, “Maryton,” was composed by Anglican minister H. Percy Smith.



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Love with the Heart of Christ

September First Sunday

Our upcoming First Sunday service will be September 2. We will not have Children's Church that morning so that families can worship together. If your child would like to be a Lector or Intercessor, please let Mother Suz know.

Children enjoying the August First Sunday "sermon" are shown in the picture:

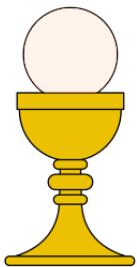


Important Trainings Coming Soon

On Sunday, September 16, from 11:45 am—1:00 pm, we will have our annual **Acolyte training** for those youth who will serve as torch-bearers and crucifers in our worship services. Children in grades 4 & 5 are welcome to serve as torch-bearers, and youth in middle and high school may serve either as torchbearers or crucifer/altar server. Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall prior to training, and the training will last approximately 45 minutes. Please let Carol Yardley know if your child will attend the training so that we can provide lunch—guaranteed to be kid friendly!



On Saturday, September 22, from 9:30 am—12:30 pm, St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Greenville will host a training for **Eucharistic Visitors**. All current Eucharistic Visitors are encouraged to attend. Eucharistic Visitors take Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound from our altar on Sundays. This is an important ministry of connecting those who cannot attend church to their parish family. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Mtr. Suz or Fr. Christopher for further discernment. Safeguarding God's Children training is also required for this ministry.



On Sunday, September 30, from 2:00—5:00 pm, Holy Trinity will host a training for **Safeguarding God's Children**, an important training for anyone in active ministry in The Episcopal Church. All staff, Vestry, and ministry leaders, as well as those who serve with vulnerable populations must be trained. Letters will go out soon to those who need this certification. If you receive this letter and are unable to attend this training session, please contact the church office, and we will help you find a training that fits your schedule.





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Come Sing With Us!!



HT Choir welcomes all voices to join us for the 2018-19 season. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30 upstairs in the Parish Hall. No auditions! Everyone is welcome!!

*"Therefore I will praise you, LORD, among the nations;
I will sing the praises of your name." Psalms 18:49*

Mid-Week Holy Eucharist

Join us at 5:30 pm on Thursday evenings for Holy Eucharist that will include Prayers of Healing and Anointing of the Sick. All are welcome to celebrate the Eucharist together.

Community Bible Study

Join us for an ecumenical Bible study designed to help participants in engaging with the Bible on topics from poverty, hunger, displacement, racial inequity, and the care of vulnerable populations. The group will begin by using The Social Justice Bible Challenge, a book that is part of *The Bible Challenge*, a global initiative to encourage daily engagement with scripture and an exploration of the Word of God.

We can purchase the book individually from Amazon (\$15) or we can place a large order through Holy Trinity to bring costs down to \$12/book. We meet in the Parish Hall on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. This group is open to anyone in the community who wishes to participate.

Senior Health

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team is in the process of providing a space in the Parish Hall to house reading materials pertaining to Senior Health Issues. The goal is to provide publications of Senior Solutions among other items of interest for our parishioners. The materials provided will be for the taking with a *{Please Return}* policy.

Please find The Pastoral Care Materials Resource Area at our Second Sunday Church Breakfast. Blessings+

Lynn Luszcz

New Vesting Space

Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Worship Leaders: Albs are now located in the closet of the room next to the former vesting room. There is much more space in that room and should be more comfortable for preparing for the 10:30 service. Thanks!

Mtr. Suz



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Holy Trinity Organ Fund

Several people have asked about memorial donations for Wanda Campbell, and it seems most appropriate that Wanda donations should be designated for some music enhancements at Holy Trinity. As most of you know, music and Holy Trinity were two loves of Wanda's great heart, surpassed only by her love of God and family. Wanda was the Holy Trinity Choir Director for several years, and in the words of one of her dear friends, "Wanda carried this church practically on her back through some very hard times." It is in memory of our love for Wanda and hers for us that the Holy Trinity Organ Fund is established.

The Holy Trinity Organ Fund was started for repairs and improvements to the present organ at Holy Trinity. Although the present instrument is servable for general music and hymns, it is not capable of gradually getting louder or softer. Consequently, it often is not suitable to accompany the choir on an expressive piece; nor is it capable of playing expressive organ pieces from the 18th century to the present.

The tentative plans for the organ work include changing from bulky wiring and cables to a more moderate fiber optic system; adding more ranks with a mix of pipes and electronic sounds to enhance the capabilities of the instrument; changing to a 3-manual-plus-pedal console which will include expression pedals and pistons to make quick changes in organ stops; and encasing the pipes with woodwork that will encase most, if not all, of the pipes to allow the organ to gradually crescendo and decrescendo. The woodwork would be built to enhance the wall around the Rose Window. The changes could possibly incorporate the ability to play the carillon from the organ console.

The estimated cost of our present instrument with this major re-build would be upwards from \$350,000. Thus, it would be very appropriate that donations in Wanda's name should be designated for the Holy Trinity Organ Fund.





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Signup for Fall 2018 Foyer Groups



Typically there are 6 to 8 foyer groups each with approximately 6 to 8 members. We will be establishing our Fall 2018 Holy Trinity groups to begin in September, 2018. Both former and new members are encouraged to participate.

Everyone who wishes to join needs to sign up whether you have previously participated or not. To sign up, or to request more information, contact Doug or Robbie Grider at rbgrider64@gmail.com or telephone 944-7092.

Signup deadline, September 10, 2018

Doug and Robbie Grider

Ministry Teams at Holy Trinity

Each month *Tempo* will highlight some of the ministry teams (formerly called committees) at Holy Trinity, giving their purpose statements and goals. If you would like more information about any of these ministry teams, feel free to contact either the Chair of the team or the Vestry representative to the team.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TEAM



Purpose Statement:

The purpose of the Pastoral Care Ministry Team is to identify Holy Trinity's pastoral care needs and to respond in a timely manner to those needs as able, in the spirit of God's love and to the best of our abilities. Pastoral Care may include telephone calls, visits, Communion, meals, transportation to church and medical appointments, cards, prayers, and other assistance as determined through careful listening & prayer.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Pastoral Care Ministry is to respond to the pastoral care needs of Holy Trinity parishioners and their families; to support these needs and helping share these burdens, thus lessening the load; and to connect these parishioners and families to their Holy Trinity family.

2018/2019 Goals for 2018/2019:

- Incorporate educational and health promotional care for our parish with parish education sessions.
- Ensure that parishioners are aware of resources available to help support aspects of pastoral care and communicate this information via all channels of parish communication (including, but not limited to, our parish web site, *Tempo*, *HT Notes*, Neighborhood Group meetings/socials.) We will create a "Pastoral Care Resource Center" in the Parish Hall.
- Define the role and job description of a Neighborhood Group Pastoral Care Leader.

Judy Surak, Chair

Kathy Hunter, Vestry Liaison



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(Ministry Teams at Holy Trinity continued)

WORSHIP SUPPORT MINISTRY TEAM

The Worship Support Ministry Team is made up of the various liturgical groups at Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish that are dedicated to working with the clergy to provide and implement services held not only on Sunday but anytime during the year.

Our Purpose Statement:

The Worship Support Ministry Team is a gathering of the various liturgical ministry team leaders in order to facilitate communication and collaboration amongst their teams in support of the regular and occasional worship services of Holy Trinity, St. Paul's, Canterbury, and the Episcopal Day School.

Our Mission Statement:

The mission of this ministry team is to provide support for worship services at Holy Trinity and St. Paul's. This support is designed to enable and inspire all parishioners to fully commune with God by confirming and expressing their faith through praise, prayer, sacraments, and the hearing of his Word.

Ministry Leaders, and their areas of responsibility, are:

Peter Sparks—Ushers
 Carol Yardley—Acolytes/Crucifers
 Becky Bowman—Music
 Jan Cribb—Altar Guild
 Kirby Colson—St. Paul's
 Judy Surak—8 am representative
 Terri Mayberry—Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers/ Worship Leaders/Intercessors
 Bill McDaniel—Vestry Liaison
 Fr. Christopher Wilkerson— Assistant Rector, Canterbury
 Mtr. Suz Cate—Rector and Chair



Goals for 2018-2019:

- Expanding recording ministry in numbers and scope: The recording ministry is currently carried out by one individual, who records the 10:30 am service, edits down to the sermon, and posts the resulting MP3 file to the website. When he is unavailable to record, this process does not occur. The WSMT [Worship Support Ministry Team] will endeavor to recruit at least two more persons with the requisite skills to assist in this ministry. Additionally, the WSMT would like to increase the scope of this ministry to include video streaming in the near future. The specific goals are to grow this ministry by at least two technicians and to prepare a SOM proposal for the necessary equipment to begin video streaming in 2019.
- Bulletin design project: The current format of the worship bulletins is generally deemed to be adequate, but not especially user-friendly. We would like to design a bulletin that reflects an ethic of stewardship of materials, cost, and time to produce while enhancing the user experience. The WSMT will undertake a review of bulletins from around the Convocation of the Foothills to assess the qualities that we might want to incorporate into our bulletins. The specific goal is to have a redesigned bulletin by the beginning of the year.
- Website content for each ministry represented on the team: The current presence of the WSMT does not reflect the primacy of worship in the mission of Holy Trinity. Each ministry leader will provide the webmaster with a description of his or her area of ministry, including a compelling visual image, if possible. The Rector will provide descriptions of each worship opportunity. The specific goal is to provide compelling content for the website regarding worship ministries at Holy Trinity by the end of 2018.



Think with the Mind of Christ

Sunday School Has Begun

On August 19th Holy Trinity Kids from ages 3 to high school seniors gathered in their respective classrooms to meet their Sunday School teachers for this new school year. This was a relaxed time of catching up with teachers and classmates after the summer break and getting to know newcomers. Regular Sunday School began on August 26th. The Godly Play Class now has their own room upstairs where they can keep the extensive materials for their stories and have space for their art projects. Because Godley Play no longer needs the St. Francis Chapel, the Pre-K class is using this space for their story and prayers. Here is a review of the classes and teachers:

Pre-K (ages 3-5) is being taught by Hap & Carolyn Wheeler.

“Believing that the best foundation for a life of faith is trusting that God loves us, we try to embody that love and to tell the Bible stories to the youngest listeners in a way that stresses that point of view.

Given the short attention span of this age group, we spend the first part of our time in play before settling into a special time together. We light the candles, look at the cross and share a Bible story, using stories from the Old Testament in the fall and stories about Jesus after Christmas. We hear the children’s thanksgivings (and sometimes concerns) and offer our simple prayer then end with a song and what seems to be their favorite part – extinguishing the candles, with each child having a turn with the snuffer. After this time, we usually have a small project to help the children remember the story they just heard.”

Godly Play (grades K-2) is being taught by Rachel Mayo, Mary Beth Johnstone, and Gabby Braband.

The Godly Play curriculum serves our Kindergarten through 1st grade. Godly Play is a unique way to present stories of the Bible in a simple, natural form.

Bible stories are told using simple hands-on figures made of natural materials. The storyteller, serves as a “guide” to the truth being told. Then, sits back and asks, “I wonder ...?” allowing the children to find their own way. The class is structured around an opening prayer, singing, and the telling of the Godly Play story of the week. The teacher and the children sit in a circle on the floor while the story is being told. Children are then encouraged to explore their thoughts, ideas and feelings about the story through expressive art following the presentation. After art, the children rejoin the circle for a simple “feast,” sharing blessings and prayers for others, followed by dismissal.

Faith Travelers (grades 3-5) is being taught by Cara Robb, Melissa Hawkins, and Sue Smink.

Like a pilgrimage, students in this class set out on a new, more independent path to explore their faith. Along the way, they enjoy being responsible for building their own community and looking after one another. They set up and care for a sacred space for prayer that nurtures their spiritual selves and sustains the group. They construct models for discovering the connections between the heart of ancient Biblical stories and our world now.

And, while following the way of Jesus, of “acting in the world as the body of Christ” with compassion and commitment, they grow more into all that they were created by God to be.

Feasting on the Word (grades 6-12) is being taught by Bill Purkerson and Jen Ellison, with assistance from Caroline Daw and Mtr. Suz

Youth are figuring out who they are as they search for whose they are. Feasting on the Word materials provide opportunities for this age group to explore their personal and communal identity in Jesus Christ through meaningful community-building experiences, engaging Bible study, and relevant learning activities. Biblical stories will come alive in new and creative ways. In response to God's amazing, unconditional love, youth will be challenged to put their faith into action as they grow to understand themselves as Christ's disciples.

 **FORMATION**

Eagle Scout Honors

Eagle Scout is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America. The designation "*Eagle Scout*" was founded over one hundred years ago. Only four percent of Boy Scouts are granted this rank after a lengthy review process.

Our own Riley Stokes recently received this award and was recognized during the 10:30 am service on August 5. Congratulations, Riley! Pictured are Mark, Thames, and Riley Stokes along with Riley's grandparents, Elouisa and Allen Stokes of Huntsville, Alabama.



Backpack Sunday

Book bags (back packs) and school supplies that were collected over the past few weeks were blessed at the 10:30 am service on August 12. Also blessed with special prayers were our students with their book bags and our teachers as they began the school year.





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Nursery on Sundays

Our normal nursery hours resume—the nursery will be open from 9:15 am—11:45 am.



Save the Date for Kanuga! Plan now to join parish friends and family at the Holy Trinity Parish retreat at Kanuga March 1, 2, and 3. Amy Sander Montanez, Doctor of Ministry, will be the guest facilitator helping us explore our understanding of God and ourselves in our search for peace and healing. Registration will begin in September, with early-bird rates in effect. Mark your calendar now so you don't miss this Holy Trinity weekend that includes fellowship, fun, and activities for all ages and interests.

Attention: Solo Women

Currently single women and women living alone are invited to a group for mutual support and to ease the frustration that sometimes it seems that everything at church is couples. Tentatively, we will meet first and third Sundays at 9:10 am starting September 2—bring your breakfast and/or coffee into the library.

We are starting at breakfast time rather than Sunday School time because some people need to leave early for choir or may want to go to a Sunday school class, but come late if that works better for you. If you have questions contact Pam Mack at pammack@clemsun.edu

Moms' Night Out

The Family Ministry Committee is hosting Moms' Night Out for mothers of school age children on Wednesday, September 26 at 7:00 pm at the home of Sarah Maiberger (416 Shorecrest Drive, Clemson). Come hungry and thirsty and ready for some relaxing fellowship!

An RSVP to pamstm@bellsouth.net or (864) 710-8935 would be nice, but come even if you forget or are able to at the last minute! The more, the merrier!!





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Commissioning of Christian Formation Leaders

Our Sunday School Teachers and other Christian Formation Leaders were commissioned on August 19th at the 10:30 am service. Sarah Maiberger, Vestry Liaison to the Family Ministry Team, introduced the Sunday School teachers and Bob Green, Vestry Liaison to the Adult Christian Formation Team introduced those called to the ministry of Teacher, Mentor, or Facilitator.



Canterbury
of CLEMSON

Hello Canterbury Cooks! Fall semester is here and our delightful (and hungry!) Canterbury students are back at Holy Trinity!

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Canterbury is our college ministry for students at Clemson, Tri County Tech, and other area colleges. Volunteers from Holy Trinity prepare and serve supper for this group every Wednesday at 6 pm in the parish hall (the kitchen is available for food preparation). The students are so appreciative of this time together for good food and fellowship.

Please sign up for this fun and rewarding ministry. I encourage you to ask a friend or two to join you. Plan for 15-20 students. If you have any questions, please contact me, Sue Smink, at 864-557-4500 or ssmink55@gmail.com.

Sign up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ba8ae2ea0f94-canterbury2> or contact me and I will sign you up.

Sue Smink



FORMATION

MY Holy Trinity

This is a new feature in *Tempo* in which you, the parishioners, are featured—either by name or anonymously. You are asked to submit comments, either brief or more lengthy, that

- Point out strengths of our ministry team
- Mention one or more good things you've gotten from Holy Trinity and why it is special to you
- Relate what the children's choir and/or children's church means to your child
- Discuss what you would like to see that will further complement our worship and fellowship, etc.

This column is not meant to be a complaint vehicle or a sounding board for things you don't like. There are other avenues for those types of things. Let's celebrate what we have and share what we find special!

Please send submissions to ibbrh@bellsouth.net by the 23rd of each month and indicate whether you wish your comment(s) to be anonymous or signed.

September Reflection

I'll start things off by expressing my appreciation for the ladies (and yes! men) of our Altar Guild. Most of what we do is invisible to the congregation, and it is meant to be that way. I've found in my 16 years of serving on the Altar Guild that it is a spiritual exercise and that caring for the Altar is a way to act out our relationship with God. It is quiet, prayerful, and rewarding work.

Basically, what we do is set the table for the Lord's feast and clean up afterwards. We care for the sanctuary and the various altar vessels, linens, and hangings we use in worship. Usually on Friday or Saturday of each week, we prepare the altar for Sunday services and also for all occasions (such as weddings, funerals, and baptisms), including polishing and maintaining the brass and silver, cleansing and ironing the linens, setting out the wine and the bread, and preparing the candles.

The wonderful members of our Altar Guild form 5 groups, one for each week of the month and one for St. Paul's. Many thanks to Nancy Pate who orders our supplies. Pat Geldard used to do all our altar linens—for many reasons, we all miss her so very much! Jan Cribb is our chair, and I and the other members of our guild do so appreciate her many hours of dedicated service. Thank you, Jan!

Iris Reed



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Altar Flowers



We have some blank spaces available for flower donations. If you have a special date coming up and would like to donate the altar flowers in celebration of an anniversary, thanksgiving for a friend, or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the notebook in the Narthex.

Lunchtime Contemplative Group at Clemson University

All are welcome to a contemplative group that meets at Cooper Library, room 109, at Clemson University on Mondays from 12:15 to 1 pm starting September 10. Depending on interest, we do *Lectio Divina*, *Contemplative Prayer*, or the *African Bible Study Method* found at <http://www.takomaparkpc.org/AfricanBibleStudy.html>.

Please address questions to Mtr. Suz Cate, email scate@holytrinityclemson.org or Pam Mack, email pammack@clemson.edu.

Join Us!

Please join us for a parish-wide celebration of thanksgiving for all the many gifts given to Holy Trinity this year.



The Stewardship Committee is pleased to invite you to a reception on Friday, September 21, from 6—8 pm in the Parish Hall to celebrate the launch of the 2018 Stewardship campaign.

There is no agenda and no program—just the opportunity for Holy Trinity to say, “Thank you!” to all of you. Everyone is welcome—come see all your Holy Trinity Friends!



FORMATION

Adult Education and Christian Formation

We have kicked off another program year at Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish, and it is thus far shaping up to be a great year, indeed! Our first Adult Christian Formation program this fall, a Sunday School class I'm calling "Christian Discourse: Difficult Conversations in the Context of Christian Faith and Practice," met for the first time on August 26th, and we very quickly managed to pick up where we'd left off back in the spring.

As I mentioned last month, this new course is an expansion of the all-too-brief three-session introduction to navigating difficult conversations (and doing so *faithfully*) that met with such an enthusiastic response last April. In the first session, we reviewed the foundational concepts of the spring course. In particular, explored the various obstacles to meaningful dialogue, contrasted them with those things which are absolutely essential to dialogue, and we began a conversation about why we might want to have such difficult conversations in the first place. That last subject will be an ongoing thread weaving throughout the next five weeks (not counting Labor Day weekend, of course). For our next session, we'll look at some of the very important differences between "debate" and "dialogue," and we'll explore what our faith tradition has to say about the contrast between those two approaches to communicating.

In other Adult Christian Formation news, Education for Ministry began its program year on Monday, August 27th. As many of you already know, EfM is a national program created and run out of my alma mater, The School of Theology at The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. The program incorporates in-depth study of the Old and New Testaments, Church history, and theology with a weekly practice of theological reflection that offers immense opportunities not only for education, as the name of the program indicates, but also for personal growth and spiritual development. I graduated from the program back in 2014, but this is my first time serving as an official co-mentor, after receiving mentor training up at Kanuga from August 23rd to the 25th.

But the big news in Adult Christian Formation is that we have formed an Adult Education and Christian Formation Ministry Team, which will coordinate the various education and formation offerings for adults at Holy Trinity. I will serve as clergy advisor, and Bob Greene will be our Vestry liaison. While our curriculum of adult offerings is already in place for the fall semester, I invite y'all to contact either Bob or me with any ideas or requests you might have for future programming, as we are just beginning to do some visioning work for 2019 and beyond.

Blessings,
Christopher+

Canterbury Corner

It has been a rather auspicious beginning of the academic & program year for our Canterbury ministry, y'all!

We began with dinner and Eucharist on August 22nd, followed on August 26th by a Welcome (Back) Boat Party at Bayshore Park that included tours of the campus and other points of interest by motor-boat, some spirited rounds of cornhole, a few ice-breakers for fellowship, and a veritable feast of artfully-grilled burgers and hot dogs. Very special thanks are due to Tommye and Bill Hurst and Kathy and Kevin Crouse for making the Boat Party a grand success.



On August 29th, we had our first dinner and program of the term, which included a standing tradition for our group: a game of "fishbowl," followed by an introduction to spiritual journeys in which we made maps of the "roads" that brought us all to Clemson. Attendance at these initial gatherings of Canterbury has ranged from 10 to 15 people, and this group seems to be generating a great deal of enthusiasm for our year together.

Upcoming Canterbury events include a fall retreat that's still in the planning stages and a walking tour of Clemson University's "hidden history," including educational and exploratory conversations about racial history and reconciliation. Looks like it's going to be an amazing semester for Holy Trinity's Canterbury ministry!

Father Christopher



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Act in the World as the Body of Christ

St. Paul's Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop Kick-Off Luncheon was held on Tuesday, August 14th beginning at 12 noon in the Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Director Diana Manly handed out schedules and discussed the rules.

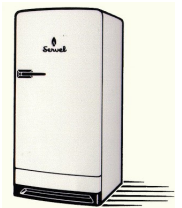
The Thrift Shop opens the 1st Thursday after Labor Day – Sept. 6th. If you would like to help in the Thrift Shop, please contact Diana Manly (722-5112).



Refrigerator Needed for Clemson Free Clinic Produce Rx Program

The New Produce Rx Program through the Clemson Free Clinic will begin the first week of September. We will be assisting with storing the produce from the time it is picked up on Tuesday afternoon until it is delivered to the clinic on Wednesday afternoon.

The refrigerator in the basement area is not large enough to store those items which will need refrigeration. If you have a small (12 to 18 cubic foot) basic refrigerator you would like to donate, please contact Beth Kunkel (bkunkel@clemson.edu).



Clemson Community Care Needs

Clemson Community Care has a shortage of the following food items: soup, canned vegetables (with the exception of green beans) canned or instant potatoes, crackers, jello, canned tomatoes, and spaghetti sauce.

Of course, we appreciate any other food items that you would like to donate. As usual, we always have a need for shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, etc. Thank you so much for your continued support!





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EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

Laughter and excitement is overflowing at the Day School! The 2018-2019 school year is off to a fabulous start.



2K Blue Birds



4K Red Birds



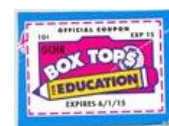
3-Day 3K Yellow Birds



5-Day 3K Yellow Birds

Here are three simple ways *YOU* can help the Day School:

1. **Ingles Tools for Schools Program, School ID#22875** – Go to <http://www.inglestoolsforschools.com/>, select the “Link Your Card” link, select “Episcopal Day School” as the school you want to support, and enter your name and Advantage Card number (**needs to be done at the beginning of EACH school year**). When you make purchases using your Ingles Advantage Card, Ingles will give back to the school a portion of those sales.
2. **Clip, collect and bring Box Tops for Education to the Day School.** Drop clipped box tops off at the Day School office (there is a grey deposit box beside the office door), in the canister in the church office, mail them, or send them to school with a Day School student.
3. **“Like” the Episcopal Day School Facebook page** at www.facebook.com/EDSClemson. Please consider leaving a positive rating/review of the Day School on the Facebook page, too. Ratings and reviews are powerful marketing tools for our wonderful preschool!



There is currently an opening in each of our 3K classes. If you or a friend are interested in having your 3-year old attend (3 year old birthday by September 1, 2018), please contact Suzanne Watkins, Director, Day School Office: 864-654-0298 or Email: swatkins@holyltrinityclmson.org

Suzanne Watkins
Episcopal Day School Director



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St. Paul's Lot Repaving

The parking lot for St. Paul's and the Thrift Shop in Pendleton was recently repaved. Funds for this project were made possible by a grant from the Diocese.



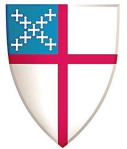
St. Paul's Ministry Team

The next scheduled meeting of the St Paul's Committee is Thursday, Sept 20th, at 1:00 pm in the Holy Trinity church office conference room.

Eric Naeseth
Chair

Did You Know?

Church members are required to have an Episcopal Church sticker on cars parked at Holy Trinity. They are free, but you need to contact Lynne Farmer in the office to get one.



Free Suicide Prevention/Intervention Training Workshop

Clemson United Methodist Church
Tuesday, September 11



A one-day suicide prevention/intervention workshop will be conducted in the Orange Peel room at Clemson United Methodist Church, 300 Frontage Road, in Clemson on Tuesday, September 11 from 9 am to 1:30 pm. The trainer is Kenneth Koon, one of the nation's foremost authorities on suicide prevention/intervention. Suggested participants include teachers, ministers, first responders, and other community workers who work with people at risk for suicide. This workshop has been licensed for LPC (Licensed Professional Credit). Training is free to registered participants. To register, email suicidehalt@gmail.com or call Patrick Elswick at 304-356-8273.

The documentary film *Suicide: The Ripple Effect* whose message and mission is to eradicate suicide will be shown on Monday, September 10 at 7:00 pm at the same location. Admission is free and open to the public.



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ECW News

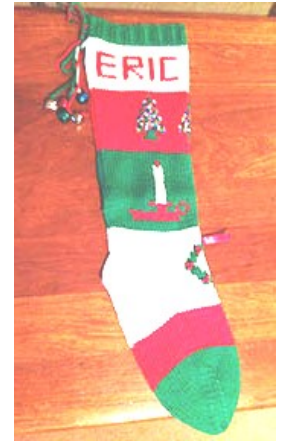
Hand-Made Christmas Stockings

A long standing tradition at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, these hand-knitted woolen Christmas stockings are made with love and will be treasured for many years to come! They are individually, painstakingly embellished and personalized with the name(s) of your choice by a dedicated group of parishioners.

Personalized Christmas stockings make wonderful gifts for new parents, families, and newlyweds! These beautiful heirloom quality, hand-made Christmas socks are priced at \$75.00 each. All proceeds to go support local charities.

Please contact Amy Agosti at 864-650-3145 or akagosti@att.net with your order or for your convenience, online ordering is now available! at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgEaGD36yDnj1ygsdam2b_TO-X5eVYGlyzut0JJvkdyXI0qQ/viewform



Stained Glass Ornaments

We have reordered and restocked all of the stained glass ornaments of our church windows. Anyone who has requested one to complete their set call Sally Morrell – 654-5607 or email Sallym29631@gmail.com and I will get one to you. They cost is \$25 each and the money goes to the ECW fund which is distributed to charities.

At the ECW church bazaar this December we will have the Healing window and the Teaching window ornaments available. We are almost finished with the beautiful windows of our church. It's not too late to get your set.

Sally Morrell

Holy Trinity Church Women (and any interested men) Unite!

Bazaar Craft Night – Wednesday September 12, 2018



Drop in anytime between 5-7 pm in the lower level (basement) of the Parish Hall. We will be having another gathering to work on Bazaar crafts on 9/12.

We will work on the felted trees & tiered serving platters.

Those involved with the HT Christmas stockings are encouraged to come and bring their supplies so we can do a quick inventory. Feel free to bring your own craft items and/or ideas for the Bazaar! We will also discuss the food booth and how we can make that even better!





CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Back to School Special

Perhaps the best quality and certainly best tasting fresh coffee available anywhere in the Upstate is Singing Rooster fair-trade Haitian Mountain Blue. Grown on the volcanic mountainsides in rural Haiti and currently under cultivation in our villages of Bois Joli and Morne Michel, high quality and exceptional taste are their hallmark. Drink up and enjoy this great coffee. Remember that 70% of the proceeds from each sale go directly back to Haiti. Of each \$10 purchase only \$3 goes toward processing, shipping, and handling while \$4 goes directly back to the farmers and \$3 goes to support our Education programs in Cange and surrounding villages. Available in whole bean or ground, French, Vienna, or decaf. Also available as Cange Kupps!! We have a back to school special fresh inventory of Singing Rooster Coffee and chocolate available after each service.



Visit our website: <http://www.singingrooster.org/cange/>.



In addition, new this year is gourmet Haitian chocolate in Pure Dark, Lemon Ginger, Orange Crunch, and Peanut Butter Maringa!! Look for a member of our Outreach Committee Singing Rooster sales force (Phil Maiberger, Glen Quattlebaum, Rachael Mayo, & Harry Morse) after the 8 am or 10:30 am service in the Parish Hall.

Music in the Air XVI: A Carillon Concert

Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 5 pm

Parishioners of all ages - Come join us on Bowman Field to listen to University Carillonneur Linda Dzuris perform on Clemson's own 47-bell instrument. Bring a blanket, chairs and picnic for your family and come join others in fellowship. We will have tailgating tents up and some fun lawn games for the young ones.

Kathy Crouse





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Notes from the Senior Warden

Beloved Parishioners:

I am pleased to offer the following notes as a way to reach out to the broader parish. Many of you are active in one or several areas or of church life but, in a parish with as many diverse interests and activities as ours, it is impossible for anyone (including me) to know what all is going on. This report is my effort to bridge from the vestry and its committees to all of you. As always, please feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions about parish life. I honestly continue to need your help to understand the needs and desires of our community. Also, I am always anxious to hear your ideas, as those are the engines of innovation at Holy Trinity.

Vestry Goals

As I have mentioned in previous *TEMPO* letters, the vestry has established three goals for the current year. My notes on those continue:

1. To increase engagement and participation in the life of the parish. As of the last vestry meeting, Shannon Quattlebaum has received 40 responses to her survey that was created to gauge the breadth of activities in which you are engaged, to develop fellowship activities, and to match potential volunteers to activities in the church. This is a good start, but we would like a more comprehensive view in order to reach the goals of the survey. She will be contacting those who have not responded. Please consider participating, as this will be a valuable database for us.
2. To decide on the long-term use of Trinity Place. At this point, Tommye Hurst and her committee are still waiting for Trehel Construction Co./Signature Architects to finish their evaluation of the use and development of our facilities. Please know that a key element in our planning is directed toward the effective use of our current space. Their efforts have been delayed in part by personal circumstances outside their control. As mentioned last time, when we have more information, we will communicate with you by our electronic media and probably through a forum in the parish hall. In the meantime, Tommye, the vestry and I remain interested in your thoughts on the facilities and the property.
3. To communicate the work of the ministry teams so parish members are aware of their programs and their accomplishments. Meredith McTigue, our vestry representative to the Communications Team, reports that the committee met in July and has made plans to inventory and evaluate all our current communications, of which there are many. I have heard many excellent ideas from parishioners on formatting and methods of delivery. In the end, our effectiveness requires we understand how you receive the various media. That is, we may think we are communicating, but, if what is coming out is not being read or understood, then we need to make appropriate corrections. Please let your thoughts be known to Meredith or our new parish secretary (see below), who will be an integral part of this team.

Mutual Review of Ministry/Strategic Planning

Approximately 30 current and former vestry and wardens as well as current parish committee leaders completed a survey for this review and many of them met this month with our facilitator, Gayle Baldwin, to discuss her summary and analysis of the results. Prior to meeting with the larger group, Gayle met with Suz individually, following which the wardens and Gayle met together with Suz to discuss her summary. To remind you, the purpose of the process was to elicit how well the vestry and the rector are doing in carrying out the vision and goals of Holy Trinity. It would not be appropriate or sufficient for me to summarize Gayle's report here, as I do not want to introduce unintentionally an editorial bias. However, if any of you would like to have her full report, please contact me. Suffice it to say there were many good points raised in this review about processes, behaviors, management styles and programs that need the attention of the rector and the leadership. On the other hand, while we necessarily focus on the problems we need to address and the things we can do better, it is clear in the report that we have a solid base for progress because of the efforts of so many of you who work indefatigably and who make Holy Trinity a welcoming place.

The process started with this review will continue when the vestry and our priests meet on September 23rd for a strategic planning session. The goal of that first session is to identify issues raised by the review and others that have come up, as well as potential initiatives. We will then move to prioritizing these for action and begin to decide who or what group should recommend solutions. Subsequent meetings of the vestry will begin to address reports from these designated

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groups. After that initial meeting I will seek your input on our prioritized list and on your suggestions for ways to address the items on the list.

New Positions

In the last report, I indicated that we were searching for three staff positions: a 20-hour per week Family Minister, to be salaried, a 30-hour per week Secretary to be paid hourly and a 10-hour per week, approximately 9-month Youth Minister. The process we have followed is for the chair of the Personnel Committee, Bill Purkerson, to do a preliminary interview and recommend those for committee interviews. The Personnel and Family Ministry Committee both created questions for the face-to-face interviews. So far we have had only one applicant for the Family Ministry position, and she would have been overcommitted given her other current activities. We had six applicants for the Secretary position, three of whom we interviewed face-to-face. All three were highly qualified based on both their experience and technical skills. We have hired Kara Gold Hollingsworth, who has experience with liturgical churches. Some of you probably remember her, as she attended Holy Trinity in the past and participated in leading adult Sunday School classes. She will start on September 4th. As of this writing, we are interviewing two candidates for the Youth Ministry position.

Financial Information

The Statement of Mission (SOM) for the church is in excellent shape. Our revenues are under budget due to low summer collections, but overall for the year our expenses are slightly under our revenue. Some of the revenue loss appears to have come from parishioners who have died or moved. The Finance Committee, under the leadership of our treasurer Bob Taylor, will need to consider this impact, as well as the impact of expanding staff expenses, as they develop the new SOM. Their plan is to develop a statement for two years because of projected changes in salaries that will occur mid-2019. In this light, I am happy to report that Bill McDaniel has agreed to be our Stewardship Committee Chair this year. He has effectively led this campaign in the past. This experience will be much needed as we anticipate an increase in the SOM for next year.

The Audit Committee, using the expertise of Haley Lamb-Nielubowitz and Robbie Grider to conduct the audit, has filed its report. Overall, the report shows that we are meeting the guidelines of the Diocese, thanks in large measure to the efforts of Lynne Farmer. A few recommendations include: (1) have the Treasurer receive the monthly bank statements for the clergy discretionary accounts as good practice (no inappropriate expenditures were identified); (2) establish cross-training for payroll preparation (the EDS is looking for someone to help with bookkeeping and this person may be able to function in this capacity); (3) list all fixed assets (perhaps Buildings and Grounds can undertake this); (4) document the need for assistance of the Haitian university students we support (this will be taken up by the Finance Committee, but is something we can do through our partners at Summits Education).

Other

Although we are starting the new Sunday School year without a Family Minister, we are in the good hands of Sarah Maiberger and the Family Ministry Team. We had a well-publicized and very well-attended "Meet the Teachers" event this past Sunday with many new faces. The Team has developed a list of priorities and goals for this year. They will be reporting them to you in *TEMPO* soon. One of these is to make the atmosphere in the parish hall more welcoming. Thanks to the organizing and implementing skills of Tommye Hurst and her helpers, in particular Bill Hurst, they have already made significant strides in that direction. Tommye and Carolyn Wheeler have also re-organized the resource room to make it less cluttered and more useful to teachers.

The Day School has started its new year with the renovations previously mentioned. The EDS Board with vestry approval allocated up to \$26,000 of their reserve funds for new classroom floors and counter tops and new tile and doors in the children's bathrooms. The next use of reserve funds will be to address security issues. Cary Kaye, Chairman of the Board and Suzanne Watkins, EDS director, are studying access control systems. Discernment of the best system and cost will need to be deferred until the new parish hall doors are installed.

Under the leadership of Diana Manley, the Thrift Shop has written a new Mission Statement. The principal change in this statement reflects their decision to recommend to the vestry on an annual basis the percent allocation of their net

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income would go to the St. Paul's fund. I felt that it was important that those who worked hard to earn the money should have a say in how it was allocated. In a related decision, the Thrift Shop committee has agreed to merge their accounts with those of the church. This is in keeping with best practices recommended by the National Church. That is, the vestry is the only body having the responsibility and accountability for funds in the church. One outcome of this new arrangement is that any funds for maintenance of the Thrift Shop will be allocated from the St. Paul's Fund account upon request by the Thrift Shop committee and approval through the usual processes. We should all be grateful to those who work at the Thrift Shop, as they provide clothes and other merchandise to the community at very affordable prices and in some cases share these items at no cost with those in dire need. Further, we owe them a debt of gratitude for providing much of the funds that support St. Paul's.

Love with the Heart of Christ, think with the mind of Christ and act in the world as the Body of Christ.

Hap

Holy Trinity is Seeking a Small Group of Volunteers



Interested in helping to record audio of regular Sunday morning services, edit and post content to the website? No experience required - will train. Young persons (high school/college) urged to participate! If interested contact Will Cate at this email address: cate.will@gmail.com

New Members of the Holy Trinity Staff

It is my great delight to announce to you two new members of the Holy Trinity Staff: Kara Gold Hollandsworth will be our new parish secretary, and Caroline Daw will join our staff as a part-time Youth Leader.

Kara is known to many of us, and I'm sure her presence in our office will be a blessing to us all. She brings not only a skill-set and range of experience well-suited to our needs, but she also knows the traditions of the Episcopal Church and of Holy Trinity. Kara also has a warm and welcoming personality that is grounded in a strong, Christian spirituality.

Caroline is a freshman at Clemson University and one of our new Canterbears. Caroline has been active in Episcopal youth group leadership in her parish, in the Diocese of Florida, and in Province IV, and consequently has a working knowledge of organizing and leading youth activities. Caroline also brings to our parish her natural enthusiasm and strong faith.

Please join me in welcoming these two wonderful additions to our staff.

Suz+

HT Notes, Sunday Bulletin, and Tempo Submissions

If you are interested in contributing content for the weekly *HT Notes* publication and the *Sunday Bulletin* announcements, please have submissions to the church by 5:00 pm each Wednesday. *HT Notes* submissions can be emailed to htchurch@holytrinityclemson.org.

If you wish to add to the monthly *TEMPO* newsletter, please have submission to Iris Reed by 8:00 pm on the 23rd of each month. For the next month, your items should be in by September 23rd. Submissions for *Tempo* should be emailed to ibbrh@bellsouth.net. Thank you.





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Notes From Your Junior Warden

*Love with the heart of Christ, think with the mind of Christ, and act in the world as the Body of Christ.
Making, Equipping and Sending Mature Disciples of Christ*

This past Sunday was the dream of every junior warden – a parish hall and church buildings alive with bustling parishioners anxious to get the school year underway. Everything looked beautiful and ready for a great program year. This is due to the fantastic efforts of the family ministry team led by Sarah Maiberger. They worked hard in making each Sunday School classroom a warm and inviting space for the children and youth. Tommye Hurst and Carolyn Wheeler spent hours this summer cleaning out craft closets, hanging pictures and making the children’s corner in the parish hall. Be sure to have the children and youth join us over there during breakfast as we make centerpieces for the tables. Beth Kunkel, Cindy Thackham and Jane Vaughn led a team in giving our kitchen a much-needed deep cleaning. Please let me know if you or your ministry group would like me to arrange for a “Kitchen 101” training session. Remember, attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory to be able to use this community space. Oh – and I promise. New doors are coming; unfortunately, they are on backorder.

The parking lot at St. Paul’s is complete and looks amazing. It is just in time for the fall opening of the Thrift Shop! I own my sincerest appreciation to the St. Paul’s committee who have spent countless hours leading the restoration efforts over the past year.

This fall we will begin to focus on the 2019 Statement of Mission and what will be required to upkeep our buildings. The buildings and ground committee will continue to discuss safety measures and creating better ways to utilize our current spaces. I am interested in forming a small group of individuals with an interest in creating better signage around our property. I also could use a few more parishioners to help serve on the buildings and grounds committee. Let me know if you would be willing to serve on either of these two teams.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions/concerns about buildings/grounds throughout all our magnificent properties! I continue to be blessed as I serve the parishioners of Holy Trinity as your Junior Warden! As always, please reach out to me with any questions or concerns!

In His Name,
Kathy Crouse

Trinity Place to Trinity Space

A few things are a changing! You may have noticed that some office spaces and some education spaces have changed around. The Trinity Place Committee has transitioned into the Trinity Space Committee in order to study and make recommendations on our current space in the Church/Office building and the Finlay Parish House Education Center for our Long Term Plan.

Please, if you feel you still need to share your wishes for the future, please don’t hesitate to contact Tommye Hurst at 864-508-2513 or tommyemommy@gmail.com. Please be assured all ideas are welcome. I often say “I have more ideas than sense or cents”, but ideas should always have honest consideration.

Tommye Hurst



Coffee Hour Resumes for Fall



Hello all!

Coffee hour returned to Holy Trinity August 26. I do need volunteers to host coffee hour in the Fall. Please contact me at cdjpt@att.net or call 864-280-0539 for details and signups!

I am seeking to fill September right now:

- Sept 9
- Sept 16
- Sept. 23
- Sept. 30

Please reply if you are willing to do any of the above imminent dates or any specific ones in the future.

Thank you!!
Cindy Thackham

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9/1 Ray Eisenbies
- 9/2 Kaleb Ellison
- 9/2 John Warner
- 9/7 Mason Johnstone
- 9/8 Beth Kunkel
- 9/8 Lori Graham
- 9/9 Stephen Evans
- 9/9 Stephen Lewis
- 9/10 Drew McCabe
- 9/12 Wendy Longo
- 9/15 Jim Reed
- 9/16 Crawford Robb
- 9/16 Hap Wheeler
- 9/17 Laura Henry
- 9/19 Mel Harriss
- 9/22 Chesley Rowe
- 9/22 Jim Fairey
- 9/22 Harold Woodell
- 9/23 Susan Farish
- 9/25 Henry Mayo
- 9/26 Cara Robb
- 9/26 Bob Green
- 9/29 Frankie Witmer
- 9/30 Jude Cox
- 9/30 Deborah Anthony



September Birth Flower:
Aster



September Birthstone:
Sapphire

Operating Fund

Financial Update as of August 31, 2018

	Monthly Budget	Monthly Actual	Budget YTD	Actual YTD
Income	\$43,883.00	\$38,719.13	\$351,064.00	\$334,808.86
Expenses	\$43,884.00	\$42,107.08	\$351,070.00	\$337,681.01
Income +/-Expense	(\$1.00)	(\$ 3,387.95)	(\$6.00)	(\$ 2,872.15)

Trinity Place

Balance on First Citizens Bank Notes as of August 31, 2018
\$589,819.61