# 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.

#### FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 3 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 8:45 am Breakfast 9:30 am Sunday School FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE AT 10:30 AM 10:30 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am First Sunday lunch 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, St. Paul's

Thursday, February 7

10:30 am HE at Corley Center, Downs Sunday, February 10

8:00 amHoly Eucharist8:45 amBreakfast9:30 amSunday School10:30 amHoly Eucharist4:00 pmKanuga Tea

#### February 15, February 16 Vestry Retreat

Sunday, February 178:00 amHoly Eucharist8:45 amBreakfast9:30 amSunday School10:30 amHoly Eucharist5:00 pmEvening Prayer, St. Paul's

#### Sunday, February 24

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

<u>March 1 - 3</u>

Kanuga Parish Weekend

#### ONGOING EVENTS

#### Sundays

9:10 am (1st, 3rd Sundays) Solo Women 11:45 am Coffee Hour Mondays 9:00 am Facebook online prayer 6:00 pm EfM. 6:00 pm Discovery Class, Parish Hall Tuesdays 11:00 am Reflectionary Bible Study 3:00 pm Staff Meeting Wednesdays 12:15pm Contemplative Practice, Cooper Library, Room 108 12:30pm Women's Book Grp, Central Lib 6:00 pm Canterbury 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal Thursdays 9:30 am Davis Library Book Group 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Healing Service 7:30 pm (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs) Community Bible Study, Parish Hall

## FEBRUARY 2019

## Keeping the Faith: Suz's Monthly Message

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

When you read this letter, we will have just held our Annual Meeting. The Vestry, Wardens, and I are planning to meet later this month to welcome and orient our new members and to spend significant time together focused on our strategic goals for this year and the near future. We know that, even as we continue our primary work of worshiping God and forming disciples and serving our neighbors, we will have much work to do in preparing for the much needed improvements to Trinity Place. All of these activities must be aligned to our mission. Each of us, as we think and pray about the work before us must ask this simple question: How does this work enable and equip us to *love* with the heart of Christ, *think* with the mind of Christ, and *act* in the world as the Body of Christ?

I would like to offer a few thoughts about how we might approach that question. I would also like to hear your thoughts on the same subject. In my mind, *loving* with the heart of Christ begins with our worship of God, who is love and who teaches us how to love. *Loving* with the heart of Christ naturally moves us into spending time in prayer, not necessarily asking for anything, but the kind of prayer that spends time in the presence of a dear and trusted companion, becoming attuned to that Spirit of love and wisdom. True prayer leads us from that communion with God to awareness of the needs of others and prompts us to action. This movement from prayer to awareness to action indicates to me that our actions in undertaking the work before us must be surrounded by prayer and shot through with discernment all along the way. This will take time and attention that may seem like an impediment, but I am convinced that both the process and the end result will be much better for it.

*Thinking* with the mind of Christ begins with the Scriptures that formed and informed the imagination of Jesus in his earthly ministry. When we read the Gospels, we get a very clear picture of how the Hebrew Scriptures shaped the heart and mind of Jesus. Jesus turned to the prophet, Isaiah, for the descriptions of his ministry: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.' (Isaiah 61:1-2a)

The study of the Scriptures that formed the mind of Christ and that flowed from his life and ministry is an essential part of our fulfilling that second section of our mission. We offer Bible studies here at Holy Trinity—if you are interested in other times and places, we will work together to make that happen. There are also online communities of study that can be adapted to just about any schedule. I do believe that it is essential to study the Bible in community for its fullness to be available. The more I study the Bible, the more my heart is opened to the love of God, in support of the first part of our mission.

Acting in the world as the Body of Christ flows naturally from *loving* and *thinking* as Christ. As we move forward with our plans for Trinity Place and for making sure our ministry structures are robust, it behooves us to consider how each decision along the way supports *acting* in the world. It is clear to me that *loving*, *thinking*, *and acting* are interrelated activities that depend on one another for their fullness. Taking time to attend to each of those calls embedded in our mission provides a natural cycle of reflection and evaluation that is so necessary to sustained ministry. It is my hope that our leadership team and all leaders in the parish will continue to develop and adopt these habits as we approach the work we've been given to do in 2019. I'd love to hear your thoughts and hopes for this parish—please share!

Grace and peace to you all, Suz+

#### Saturdays

8:00 am Holy Trinity Book Group

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(Ministry Team Assignments will be listed in the March Tempo.)

## Why Do We Do That?

#### Why do we have a service of healing? What happens at that service?

(This article is a reprise from October of 2016. Our healing service is enhanced most weeks by the offering of a music team led by Anne Wilkerson, supported by Fr. Christopher and Brad Russell. You really should come and experience this wonderful and refreshing worship opportunity for yourselves.)

Many Episcopal churches offer a Service of Public Healing, which is based on the practices of Ministration with the Sick, as found in the <u>Book of Common</u> <u>Prayer</u>. There are Scripture readings, with a time of reflection. There is a Litany for Healing, in which we name those for whom we offer prayers. There is an opportunity for each individual to receive special prayers for healing and anointing with the Oil of Healing. This last practice is ancient and scriptural in origin.

"Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." *James 5:14-16* 

Holy Trinity offers a weekly Healing Service with Eucharist and Anointing. This is a quiet and simple service that provides a time for praying, for healing, and for the more deeply felt presence of God. The healing rite is a sacramental rite of the Church in which those gathered pray for the healing of those whose health has been compromised. While all healing happens in God's own due season, according to God's will, the Church still does pray for the wholeness of the entire person: body, mind, and spirit. All those who are in need of anointing and healing are encouraged to come, as well as those who are praying for the wholeness of others.

Most people who come to this service have found it to be a time of quiet refreshment and restoration. Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are troubled and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." If you are troubled by anxieties or regrets, come. If you are burdened by illness or brokenness of body, mind or spirit, come. This service of healing offers you the chance to be relieved of your distress and refreshed in your spirit. We'll be there for you at 5:30 pm on Thursday afternoons. Come.

Keep those questions coming! If you've ever wondered, "Why do we do that?" don't hesitate to ask.

Grace & peace to you in your wondering, Suz+



#### Liminal Space: Notes from the In-Between

#### Father Christopher's Monthly Message

Hello, Friends!

Have you ever found yourself in a situation in which you and another person both observed the same incident, yet you both came away from that experience of observation with entirely different, even contradictory, versions of the event? I don't know about y'all, but I, myself, have been there many times—enough to realize that it can take a lot of work, sometimes, to figure out the connection between "what I saw" and "what actually happened."

And there's some fairly compelling evidence that I'm not alone in that experience. A few minutes' searching the Internet—or better yet, a quick trip to a library—and it's easy enough to find an abundance of research which demonstrates the unreliability of eye-witness testimony. We human beings are, it seems, much closer to being filters that subjectively color the facts than we are to being cameras that simply record the facts objectively. We do not simply observe "reality" as it happens; on the contrary, we are constantly, moment to moment, interpreting what information comes in through our senses in order to *construct* "reality," or in other words to construct *meaning* out of the raw data we get through our eyes, ears, and other sense organs.

Hopefully, we're creating meaning that's based on some perception of some actual reality "out there" ... but either way, we're always making meaning in some way or another, consciously or (very often) unconsciously. Thing is, though, that we don't all make meaning in the same ways. Each of us has a complex mixture of beliefs, preconceptions, educational experiences, life experiences, assumptions, principles, blind spots, prejudices, fears, needs, and natural tendencies through which we *interpret* what we see, hear, taste, smell, and feel of the world around us. These ... let's call them "notions," for want of a better term ... form a framework for making sense out of our perceptions. And each such framework of notions is as unique to a person as are his or her fingerprints.

Understanding this basic fact of human nature is, I believe, essential to understanding how it is that two people can witness the same thing and yet come away describing two contradictory versions of "what really happened."

This whole organic, messy, quasi-rational, highly individual process of making meaning becomes even more ... interesting ... in our present, digital age, in which YouTube videos purport to capture "the truth" of any given event for all to see. In fact, I'd say that, at least in my personal experience, the YouTube phenomenon underscores, if not proves, my point about how our different frameworks of notions (which we have in place before we watch any given event or incident) channel us to interpret the events we see in different or even contradictory ways. Because even when we replay the video of an event over and over, many times we who view the video cannot even agree about what it is we're seeing on the screen, much less what it all *means*.

How can that be, if we're both looking at the same images and hearing the same sounds? I think at least part of the answer lies in the fact that the images and sounds are meaningless ... until each of us perceives them, takes them in, and makes some kind of meaning out of them. Because we all do that in slightly (or sometimes extremely) different ways, it is perhaps inevitable that the realities we construct in our minds and hearts will sometimes conflict with each other ... will sometimes be diametrically opposed to each other.

At the moment, our society seems to be in many ways more divided than it has been for decades. One reason for that shift is that our various frameworks for creating meaning—our individual sets of notions—have drifted (or been driven) further apart than they had been in previous decades. Working from increasingly different sets of beliefs, experiences, assumptions, principles, prejudices, fears, and needs, we find it increasingly difficult even just to talk to each other. Too often these days, we not only look at the same videos and see different things, but also read or hear the same *words on the page*, yet assign different, even opposite, meanings to them.

It's no small difficulty. Because how can we solve a problem if we cannot even agree about what the problem really is?

It's an even deeper challenge for us as Christians, trying to be people of good faith in uncertain and frightening times. When life becomes chaotic, uncertain, frightening, we turn to our Holy Scriptures—and it is indeed meet and right so to do. But even the Holy Scriptures, we discover, must be interpreted in order for them to have meaning. How can we ensure

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that the interpreting that we're doing is *exegesis*—drawing out the meaning(s) present in the text—and not *eisegesis*—using the text to "justify" whatever personal meaning or agendas we want to prop up?

It's a good thing there's nothing in our Baptismal Covenant that promises this life will be easy, huh?

Brothers and sisters in Christ, this month's column may seem a bit darker in tone than my previous writings. I apologize for that, and I assure that neither cynicism nor morbidity are my goals for this reflection. Rather, my purpose is to invite you to reflect upon the nature of witness and the ways in which we create (again, either consciously or unconsciously) meaning and construct our "realities" out of the raw material of our perceptions. And I make that invitation not only as an end in itself, but also as a foundational first step in what I hope will be a fruitful journey for all of us together.

Next month, I'll be writing to you about the Clemson Pledge to End Racism, and in the following months, I'll be exploring different aspects of that very challenge. Any work at all in the area of racial reconciliation requires introspection and self-examination. Asking ourselves about our basic assumptions, asking ourselves why we see things the way we see them, asking ourselves to name the specific beliefs, preconceptions, educational experiences, life experiences, assumptions, principles, blind spots, prejudices, fears, needs, and natural tendencies that shape our understanding of what's real ... that is a most excellent place to start.

I hope you'll join me!

Blessings, Christopher+

## Hymn Spotlight

For Ben and Betsy Skardon

Hymn 473

#### Lift High the Cross

"Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore his sacred Name. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine."

Author: George William Kitchin (1827-1912) Music: Crucifer by Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

This hymn seems to be gaining in popularity. It did not appear in previous Episcopal Hymnals, nor is it in the Baptist Hymnal. George Kitchin was born in Suffolk, England, son of an Anglican minister, and was educated at Christ Church College, Oxford. He later became Dean of Winchester College and Chancellor of the University of Durham. He is buried in the Durham Cathedral churchyard. This was his only hymn.

Sydney Nicholson was born in London and became one of England's most famous organists. He was educated at New College, Oxford, and the Royal College of Music. He served as organist at Eton College, Carlisle and Manchester Cathedrals, and Westminster Abbey. He founded the School of English Church Music in 1927 and was knighted in 1938. He is buried at Westminster Abbey.

George William Kitchin





Sydney Hugo Nicholson



## Love with the Heart of Christ

## Epiphany

On Sunday, January 6, at the 10:30 service, the three Kings appeared at Holy Trinity. There was lunch and an Epiphany celebration after the service.





Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after Christmas on January  $6^{th}$  and is the time when Christians remember the Wise Men (also sometimes called the Three Kings) who visited Jesus. The biblical Magi, also referred to as the (Three) Wise Men or (Three) Kings, were – in the Gospel of Matthew and Christian tradition – distinguished foreigners who visited Jesus after his birth, bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. They are regular figures in traditional accounts of the nativity celebrations of Christmas and are an important part of Christian tradition.

Matthew is the only of the four canonical gospels to mention the Magi. Matthew reports that they came "from the east" to worship the "king of the Jews". The gospel never mentions the number of Magi, but most western Christian denominations have traditionally assumed them to have been three in number, based on the statement that they brought three gifts.

#### **Online Prayer**

Grab a Prayer Book and head on over to the Holy Trinity Facebook page each Monday morning at 9:00 am to join Mtr. Suz and her husband, Will, in praying the Office. It takes about 18 minutes with two readings from Scripture, a good portion of Psalms, and the wonderful Canticles and Collects of Morning Prayer.

The videos can be viewed later if you can't make it right at 9:00 am. The link to our Facebook page is



https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityClemson



### Wanted: Prayer Shawl Knitters/Crocheters

Would you like to knit or crochet prayer shawls for parishioners in need of a little extra TLC? Please contact Kathy Hunter, Vestry Liaison to the Pastoral Care Ministry Team, at (803) 413-5536 or email kjh1980@aol.com for more details.

"Shawls ... made for centuries universal and embracing, symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving, God. They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace, mother, hug, shelter and beautify. Those who have received these shawls have been uplifted and affirmed, as if given wings to fly above their troubles\*..."

\*Written in 1998 by: Janet Severi Bristow, Copyright ©2018

Dear Parishioners,

Kathy Hunter Vestry Liaison, Pastoral Care Ministry Team



Thank you so much to everyone who took a tag(s) from the Family Promise giving trees in late December and early January. Your gifts were so appreciated!

There are multiple opportunities to help the next time we have Family promise visitors:

- You can help with the setup and take down of the rooms that will be "home" to each family for the week. Beds and bins containing personal belongings of guests are offloaded from the Family Promise trailer at the beginning of the week and loaded back on at the end of the week. Contact **Kathy and Jody Hunter** to help with setup at kjh1980@aol.com.
- You can help provide home-cooked meals, primarily supper. Contact **Sue Williams** to help with meals by emailing williams6118@bellsouth.net.
- You can be an overnight host, simply being present on-site to assist with any needs that may arise. Usually this involves an hour or so of "hangout" time with the families, sleeping onsite, and being helpful in the morning as the families leave for their daily activities in the program. Most of this time is spent sleeping—some of the easiest volunteer work going! Contact **Rachel and Chesley Rowe** to help as on overnight host by emailing rrowel2@bellsouth.net.
- You can come by and read a bed-time story one night, or play a game with the young ones on Saturday afternoon, or go for a walk with our guests. Contact Liz Halpin to help with activities at ehalpin@clemson.edu.



#### **Entry Change**

We received word today that our Highway 93 entrance to the church will be blocked by construction barriers this afternoon (Tuesday, January 29). That entrance will be inaccessible for the next few weeks at least, so please use the Addison Lane entrance off of College Avenue. We apologize for the inconvenience and will keep you posted when we receive updates.



#### Highlights of Health Research\*



**Nurses, Honesty, and Ethical Standards** — An annual Gallup poll reported that nurses rated the highest in honesty and ethical standards among professions in the U.S. for the 17<sup>th</sup> straight year.

**Loneliness and Dementia** — Loneliness was tied to a 40% increase in risk for dementia across all demographics, regardless of social contact with family and friends. Subjects (12,030) were followed for 10 years. Journal of <u>Gerontology: Series B</u>

Life Expectancy and Body Mass Index — Life expectancy was 4.2 and 4.3 years shorter for obese and underweight men, respectively. Obese and underweight women had a 3.5 and 4.5 years shorter life expectancy, compared with those with a healthy body mass index. Two million subjects were studied; researchers observed that the bigger the weight difference, the greater the association with mortality risk. <u>The Lancet and Diabetes and Endocrinology</u>

**E-Cigarettes** — Teens who used e-cigarettes were about 4 times more likely to start using cigarettes, compared with those who did not use e-cigarettes. <u>Pediatrics</u>

**Benefits of Eating Nuts** — Two studies were presented at the American Hospital Association Conference that showed the benefits of eating nuts. The first study showed that 1 ounce of nuts daily (to replace less nutritional food) led to decreased risk of weight gain and obesity over 4 years. The  $2^{nd}$  study revealed that eating Brazil nuts reduced the risk of diabetes mellitus and obesity.

**Benefits of Vitamin D** – 1) Healthy subjects older than 50 without a history of cancer or cardiovascular disease who took 5 milligrams of vitamin D daily had a similar risk of developing cancer and major cardiovascular events but had 25% lower odds of cancer death (compared with those who did not take vitamin D). <u>New England Journal of Medicine</u> 2) A study with 2,602 subjects conducted over 19 years found that infants born with vitamin D deficiency were 44% more likely to develop schizophrenia, compared with those without the deficiency. <u>Nature</u>

**Benefits of Exercise** — 1) Even 2 minutes of physical activity per day (taking out garbage, using stairs) can add up to significant health benefits (improved blood pressure, decreased risk of cancer and weight gain, as well as enhanced brain function). Guidelines recommend that children 3-5 get at least 3 hours of exercise daily; for those 6-17, at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous exercise daily. Adults should get a minimum of 150-300 minutes a week of moderate-intensity exercise as well as lifting weights 2 or more days a week. Pregnant and postpartum mothers need at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise per week. Journal of the American Medical Association 2) People with early-late stage cancer who exercised 3 or 4 times a week prior to and after diagnosis had a 40% decreased mortality risk compared with those who didn't exercise. Cancer Causes & Control

**Depression and Social Media Use** — A survey of almost 1,800 adults (ages 19-32) found the risk of depression was more common among the top 25% users of social media compared with the bottom 25%. <u>Healthy Day News</u>

Atherosclerosis and Lack of Sleep — People who got less than 6 hours of sleep a night had a 27% increased risk of developing atherosclerosis (plaque buildup) throughout the body, compared with those who slept 7-8 hours. Journal of the American College of Cardiology

**Opiod Drugs and Infant Head** Size —Infants regularly exposed to opiods during pregnancy were 3 times more likely to have a head size that was within the smallest 10% of all babies in the study. <u>Pediatrics</u>

\*As reported in *ANA SmartBrief* (A regular briefing from the American Nurses Association for members) from October 20, 2018 to January 20, 2019. Unless otherwise stated, the results below were reported by only one study during the time period given above; it is possible that similar findings may have been reported at other times. The source for each study is given following a brief report of results. Suggestions for this column are welcome at any time: marymartof@gmail.com





## 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.

## **Pastoral Care**

#### **Pastoral Care Resource Center**

Have you discovered it yet; in the corner of the parish hall? ... the bookshelf and bulletin board display. When you see it, please step over and peruse the information on health and fitness and the health education events in our area. You might find information you had always wanted to know! Put together by your Pastoral Care Committee, and we welcome your input.

## **Community Bible Study**



Join us for an ecumenical Bible study designed to help participants in en-

gaging 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.

Copies are available upon request. We meet in the Parish Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. This group is open to anyone in the community who wishes to participate.

## Worship in the Chapel Anytime\* Day or Night!

The chapel door is once again unlocked. Can't sleep at 4 am? Come pray. Heading home after dinner downtown? Stop by and make a joyful noise before the Lord. (The acoustics are great!) Pray the daily office, meditate, or praise God's name with dancing. All are welcome-just make sure you stay within the chapel (transept) so you don't trigger the alarm in the Nave. That noise may not sound very joyful to your ears.

\*Almost anytime: We do lock the door on football game days.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." -Thessalonians 5:16-18





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#### Adult Formation

The Adult Formation Ministry Team is now up and running, having met three times this semester. We have identified two parallel lines of work for this team:

- the discerning and articulating of a long-term, consistent model for adult formation based on identifying the characteristics of mature, well-formed adult disciples of Christ and reverse-engineering from those characteristics to derive methods of building up those traits in each other; and
- the planning and facilitating of short-term offerings (including Sunday morning classes as well as workshops, study groups, prayer meetings, and spiritual practices) to meet the immediate formation needs of the adults of the parish.

Of course, the longer the Ministry Team exists, the more closely intertwined those two lines of work will become. At least, that's the goal.

This fall, we have had great responses to our Sunday morning offerings. The first series—a continuation of the brief workshop I presented last spring on managing difficult conversations about divisive topics from the standpoint of Christian faith, witness, and community—was extremely well-attended (we had to squeeze extra chairs into the  $E_fM$  just about every Sunday.

Our second offering this fall was a bit of an experiment: from the end of October through the end of November, I invited folks to come participate in "a rolling, ongoing, informal conversation ... a gathering space for asking questions and exploring whatever aspects of our Christian faith and/or Episcopal/Anglican tradition" were on people's minds and hearts. Response to this experiment was very positive, as well; it was about as well-attended as the difficult conversations series, with intense levels of engagement and deep conversations happening during each session.

I closed out the fall semester with an Advent series on sacraments and sacramental theology, exploring the connections between our concept of sacrament, our theology of incarnation, and the core of our Anglican/Episcopal identity within the Christian family.

To kick off our spring Adult Sunday School curriculum, I hosted another open forum, *i.e.*, "stump the priest" session on January  $6^{\text{th}}$ . The Pastoral Care Ministry Team presented on January 13 and 20 a two-part presentation on dementia and the pastoral needs of those with dementia, as well as those of folks who care for people with dementia.

In February, for adult Sunday school, I will offer a month-long "Anglicanism 101" series, to parallel the Discovery classes Mother Suz will offer to newcomers on Monday evenings. These courses offer a review of the basics of the Episcopal Church, from the history of the Church to Anglican theology, from liturgical worship to spiritual practices.

Stay tuned for future announcement about additional adult formation and Christian education opportunities throughout the spring semester—2019 is going to be an exciting year for adult formation at Holy Trinity!

*Christopher+* 



## Discovery Class 2019 Monday Nights at 6 pm 1/14 - 2/25

In this class we use our hearts, minds, and imaginations to explore the various aspects of life as Anglican Christians at Holy Trinity and in The Episcopal Church. It designed to introduce newcomers to our tradition, but you don't have to be new to join us. All are welcome!

This year, we will follow the structure and teaching of an excellent book by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe, *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices*. Please contact Mtr. Suz if you want to order a copy of the book for you. It is also available on Amazon (\$18.65 or \$9.99 for Kindle.)

Week One: The Anglican Way of Christianity—an exploration of the Anglican or Episcopalian understanding of prayer.

Week Two: Sacraments and Sacramental Life—we will spend most of our time on Baptism and Holy Eucharist, because they are the primary sacraments, but we will make sure to introduce the other Rites: Confirmation or Reception, Marriage, Reconciliation of a Penitent, Unction, and Ordination.

Week Three: Marking Time—a look at the daily, seasonal, and yearly marking of time in our liturgical traditions, concluding with the end of our earthly pilgrimage: funerals and burial.

Week Four: Basic Beliefs—a discussion of Creeds, sin and grace, and how all of those big ideas are founded in our Holy Scriptures.

Week Five: The Church—beginning broadly, we will get to know the people who have followed Jesus since the first disciples were called in Galilee, then we'll spend some time with the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, and then we'll talk about how we are called to follow Jesus.

Week Six: A Trinitarian Life—our life together as followers of Jesus calls us out of ourselves to participate in God's work of care of creation and each other. Our tradition points to the various tools and resources we have for that work.

Week Seven: What's Next?— by this time, we'll be ready to talk about ethics, praxis, and evangelism (oh my!). These things aren't as scary as they sound, but they are frightfully important to engaging fully in the life of Holy Trinity.

## Brighten a Student's Day

#### **Canterbury Suppers, Spring 2019**

Thank you to all who were able to provide meals for Canterbury for Fall semester. It's time to sign up for Spring Semester!

Canterbury is our college ministry for students at Clemson 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 preparation). You should plan for about 12 people. The students are so appreciative of this time together for good food and fellowship.

Please sign up for this fun and rewarding ministry at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ba8ae2ea0f94-canterbury3. Available dates are 3/13, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, and 4/24. I encourage you to ask a friend or two to join you. Let me know if you have any questions or need more information. I can be reached at 864-557-4500 or ssmink55@gmail.com. Thank you!

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#### February 2019

**Holy Trinity** 







Mtr. Suz thanks and gives a gift from the Parish to retir-Vestry members Byron ing Harder, Meredith McTigue, and Jack Davis and retiring Junior Warden Kathy Crouse.



Mtr. Suz introduces and commissions new Vestry members, Junior Warden, and other leadership positions for Holy Trinity.

Bob Taylor gave the treasurer's report and said that the outlook for the coming year is very good.









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Hap Wheeler gave the Senior Warden's report,

port, and Tommye Hurst gave the Trinity Place report. Tommye announced that the Vestry chose the plan shown above for our space-giving green space, room in the basement for a Canterbury center, and an area for outreach, such as hosting Family Promise. This plan allows room for future construction, if and when it is needed.



## More Pictures from the Annual Meeting









## **Recycling in the Kitchen**

- 1. As we revitalize our recycling program, please place the following items directly in the recycle bin by the sink
  - Aluminum and metal cans (rinsed)
  - Aluminum trays (rinsed)
  - Aluminum foil (rinsed)
  - Glass (rinsed and caps removed)
  - Plastics number 1-5 (rinsed and caps removed)
  - Cereal boxes
  - Paper
- 2. Please take the bin outside to the trash collection area as you finish your work in the kitchen. Do not place recycling items in any type of bag. If possible, please consolidate recycling bins and return one to the kitchen.
- 3. Plastic bags, including zipper-top bags and bread wrappers, can be taken to a local supermarket and recycled there.
- 4. The City does not pick up cardboard for recycling without making a special request, however, boxes can be broken down and taken to Kite Hill Recycling Center or, for residents of Oconee County, to one of the sanitation stations in the county.

#### Contemplative Practice at Cooper Library: New Day, New Location!

If you're on campus and need a refreshing pause in the middle of the week, we've got just the thing for you! Beginning February 9, the Contemplative Practice at Cooper Library will meet on Wednesdays at 12:15 in Room 108 in the basement of Cooper Library on campus.

The format will remain the same: *lectio divina*, a quiet, repetitive, and reflective reading of the Gospel lesson appointed for the following Sunday. We will gather at 12:15 pm, check in, and begin the holy reading at about 12:20 pm. We finish by 1:00 pm. All are welcome to join.

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**Holy Trinity** 



## The History of the Episcopal Shield



The shield was adopted by the General Convention of 1940 and is rich in symbolism. The red cross on a white field is the St. George Cross, an indicator of our link to the Church of England, the mother church of the Anglican Communion. The miniature crosses in the blue quadrant symbolize the nine original American Dioceses that met in Philadelphia in 1789 to adopt the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. They are: Connecticut (established in 1783), Maryland (1783), Massachusetts (1784), Pennsylvania (1784), New Jersey (1785), New York (1785), South Carolina (1785), Virginia (1785), and Delaware (1786). The blue field in the upper left is the color traditionally associated with the Blessed Virgin Mary and is symbolic of Jesus' human nature, which he received from his mother.

The outline of the miniature crosses is in the form of St. Andrew's Cross in tribute to the Scottish church's role in ordaining the first American Bishop, Samuel Seabury, in 1784. The colors red, white and blue symbolize, respectively, (Red) the sacrifice of Christ and Christian martyrs,(White) the purity of the Christian faith, and (Blue) the humanity of Christ received from the Virgin Mary. In duplicating the colors of the American flag, they also represent the Episcopal Church's standing as the U.S. branch of the Anglican Communion.





Jim Reed made a metal replica of the Episcopal Shield for Canterbury. Jim also donated a framed copy of the history of the shield (see above) to the Canterbears.

Father Christopher gave the shield to the Canterbears at their meeting on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.





## Kanuga Parish Weekend 2019 Blessed Are the Peacemakers: Start Close In Friday, March 1—Sunday March 3, 2019



**You don't want to miss our weekend at Kanuga!** We return to that bit of heaven on earth March 1-3, 2019. Bring the family, join old friends and make new friends while we learn about finding inner peace and wholeness. Our time together will include worship, program, fellowship, singing, and plenty of refreshment for body, mind, and spirit. We'll leave plenty of time for you to relax in a rocking chair, go for a hike, or take a nap!

Kanuga is a conference, retreat and camp center affiliated with the Episcopal Church and is a beloved haven of spiritual refreshment for many Episcopalians. Nestled on 1,400 peaceful acres in the Blue Ridge Mountains near Hendersonville, NC, Kanuga's historic setting features a 30-acre lake, and 20 miles of hiking trails. The Kanuga Parish Weekend is a long-standing tradition of Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish.

PROGRAM

#### **Blessed Are The Peacemakers: Start Close In**

Inner peace and inner healing may seem like elusive topics. But before we can change our families, churches, or communities, we often need to change ourselves. For Christians, that might mean exploring our understanding of God and our understanding of our Selves, because knowing God and knowing Self are actually inseparable. Why is your image of God important and how did you get it? Why is inner peace important, and how can we participate in pursuing inner wholeness? What does it look like to finally get to a place of self-understanding, self-compassion, and self-acceptance? This session will take a look at these questions. Bring a journal, and open heart, and a curious mind.

#### Presenter

Amy Sander Montanez, D.Min, LPC, LMFT www.amysandermontanez.com

Amy is a therapist, spiritual director, coach, retreat leader and writer in private practice in Columbia, SC. She specializes in working with clergy and seminarians, and is also known for her compassionate work with couples. Her first book, *Mo*-

*ment to Moment: The Transformative Power of Everyday Life*, won Spirituality and Practice's top 100 books of the year in 2013, and she has won six National Polly Bond Awards for her work in spiritual writing. Her most recent blog, *Life is Messy, Life is Mar velous*, can be found at *messymarvelous.com* or on Facebook at messymarvelous.

Registration forms are available in the church office and in the Parish Hall. You may also register and pay online at this URL: http://holytrinityclemson.org/kanuga







## Act in the World as the Body of Christ

## Kanuga Tea Sunday, February 10 at 4 pm

Celebrate the English heritage of our church by joining us for a traditional afternoon tea on Sunday, February 10 at 4:00 pm. Enjoy scones with cream and jam, delicate sandwiches and a variety of sweet and savory items, plus freshly brewed English tea, all served on fine china.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-12, free for children under 5. Tickets can be purchased between the services and at coffee hour on February 3 and in the church office. Please buy tickets in advance so that sufficient food can be prepared. A limited number of tickets might be available for purchase on the day of the event.

Proceeds from the event will be used to provide scholarships for children to attend the Parish Weekend at Kanuga.

Below are some photos from last year's Kanuga Tea.







#### Women's Book Group

Please consider joining the Women's Book Group, which began its spring session on January 23 at 12:30 pm at the Central/Clemson Public Library. We will meet every Wednesday from 12:30 pm - 2:45 pm until April 10. This spring we are reading the book, <u>A Man Called Ove</u> by Fredrik Backman. A review of the book concludes with this statement: "Fredrik Backman's novel about the angry old man next door is a thoughtful exploration of the profound impact one life has on countless others."

Please join us as we discuss how our lives intersect and influence others. Please contact Anna McKenna at <u>amckenna@me.com</u> if you have any questions.



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## **Episcopal Day School**

Open Enrollment for the 2019-2020 School Year has begun, so please tell your friends that it is time to apply. Applications and information are available at: http://www.holytrinityclemson.org/eds\_/admissions/. Please call or email Suzanne Watkins if you have questions or would like to schedule a tour:

(864)654-0298; swatkins@holytrinityclemson.org

February at the Day School will be a month of friends, family, and love. The children will be busy making Valentine's Day cards and crafts. Some of the Valentine's will be sent to special members of Holy Trinity and to our local community.

Please help EDS collect Box Tops for Education. Clipping and collecting Box Tops earns money for EDS materials and supplies. There is a collection container for clipped labels/tops in the church office or they can be left at the Day School Office. Thank you for your support!



ATTENTION ALL EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL ALUMNI – All Day School Alumni are invited to the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual EDS Spaghetti Dinner on Monday, March 11, 2019, at 6:00PM in Holy Trinity's parish hall. Day School fami-

lies and staff will enjoy a night of fellowship and food, kindly provided by the Vestry and Day School Board Members. The Day School's Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will host a Silent Auction and Raffle during the dinner to raise money for school supplies and special school events. If you attended or worked at EDS and would like to attend, RSVP with the number attending to swat-kins@holytrintyclemson.org.

Suzanne Watkins Episcopal Day School Director www.holytrinityclemson.org https://www.facebook.com/EDSClemson



**Chapel Birthday Celebrations** 



**Creative Movement** 



At Work

At Play



### **Bazaar Update**

The 2018 Holy Trinity Bazaar and Artisan Market was held on Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 am - 3 pm in the Parish Hall. We would like to take this opportunity to personally thank everyone who supported the Bazaar! One treat was our band of Musicians lead by Elizabeth Adams. They certainly brought a festive atmosphere to the event and entertained our shoppers as well as those who just wanted a break from shopping

Despite several setbacks: a late start in advertising, Tigers fans going to the playoffs in Charlotte, the terrible rain and road closures in front of the church on the day of the bazaar, the Bazaar still raised \$10,609 after expenses!

There was an official Bazaar planning session January 21<sup>st</sup> to determine where those proceeds will be allocated and discuss planning for 2019. 24 members of the Parish attended the meeting and discussed how to allocate the profits from the bazaar. The following charities were awarded funds as follows:

Clemson Free Clinic and Our Daily Rest of Seneca	\$2,652.25 each
Ripple of One, Holy Trinity Episcopal Day School and United Way of Oconee Senior Care Program	\$1,591.35 each
Lakes and Bridges Charter School in Easley	\$530.45









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## 2019 Holy Trinity Bazaar Artisan Market

There is a NEW DATE for this year's bazaar—Please mark it on your calendars!!

#### The date of the 2019 Bazaar is set for Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup>

After considerable discussion, the ECW members at the planning session on January 21 decided to change the date of this year's bazaar and artisan market. November 23, 2019 is an open football date and will not conflict with the several other bazaars that have been scheduled for the first Saturday in December. We will evaluate the results of this year before scheduling the 2020 bazaar date.

We are seeking volunteers for this year's bazaar. Please consider volunteering—this is not a long-term commitment! We need you to help with your bazaar!!

- Co-chair (2 year commitment)
- Advertising & Marketing
- Secretary

Anyone interested leading these areas for the 2019 Bazaar, please contact Cheryl DeSellier, Bazaar Chairperson, at 864-650-7124 or email dcheryl@clemson.edu. Thank you.

## Brighten a Senior's Day: Volunteer at Clemson Downs



For the past 20+ years, many of your friends and neighbors have served as volunteers at Clemson Downs Retirement Center. You may choose the job most suitable for you and your schedule. Giving two hours a week, bi-weekly or month-ly will bring pleasure to others and to you. Please call Wendy Longo, Membership Chairperson, at 722-5477 to set up a time when you can find out more about this very worthy program.

## **Ornaments Still Available**

We have a few Healing and Teaching window ornaments left if anyone still wants one. They make great gifts for that special teacher or medical professional in your life.

The cost is \$25.00 each. Contact Sally Morrell at 654-5607 or Sallym29631@gmail.com.



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## SINGING ROOSTER COFFEE & CHOCOLATE

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 being harvested in our villages of Bois Joli and Morne Michel, high quality and exceptional taste are their hallmark. Remembering that 70% of the proceeds from each sale go directly back to Haiti. Of each \$10 purchase only \$3 goes toward shipping and handling and processing, while \$4 goes directly back to the farmers with \$3 going to support our University Students from Cange. Organic chocolate in four delicious flavors also available for \$3/bar.

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. \$10 PER BAG Coffee; \$3 PER BAR Gourmet Chocolate – payable to: Holy Trinity Outreach.

- FRENCH or VIENNA, CAF OR DECAF, ground or whole bean!!
- Cange Kupps for Keurig also available in Vienna & Decaf!
- Superb gourmet chocolate bars also available in Plain, orange, and Lemon-Ginger, & Cinnamon flavors!

CONTACT HARRY MORSE BY TEXT, PHONE, OR EMAIL. 864-314-9996 (phone or text), hgmorse@gmail.com (email)

NB—An increasing body of scientific data suggest that coffee consumption is linked to increased quantity and improved quality of life. Though data for chocolate consumption is less robust, some would hold this truth to be self-evident!! References available from Dr. Morse!





Allison Wells is a new author based in Clemson. She has a WWII-era Christian fiction book called <u>War-Torn Heart</u> being released on March  $20^{\text{th}}$ .

The book is set in the Clemson area, and Mrs. Wells used St. Paul's church as a filming location for the book trailer that will be used to promote the book. She felt that the important history and stunning beauty of the church lent itself as the perfect real life version of the church in her book (which is named Mount Olive).

Mrs. Wells is a 20-year resident of the area and a Clemson University graduate. She and her husband have 4 children. War-Torn Heart will be her first published novel, with plans to publish the sequel later this year. For more information about Mrs. Wells and how to purchase her book when it comes out, visit her website at <u>www.allisonwellswrites.com</u>.





#### **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 Kara Hollandsworth in the church office to get one.



# CHURCH AND THE WORLD



## The Light of the World

Jim Reed purchased the print (shown on the left) at St. Paul's in London this past September after viewing the original oil on canvas painting by William Holman-Hunt, which is part of a triptych behind the altar, located in the North Transept (Middlesex Chapel) of St. Paul's Cathedral. Jim had it framed and presented it to St. Paul's in Pendleton on January 20 of this year. Be sure to view the painting up close the next time you are in St. Paul's in Pendleton.

The inscription at the bottom of the print is magnified and shown below:



The painting<sup>1</sup> embodies a deeply symbolic and spiritual journey by the artist. "I am the Light of the World; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of life." St John's Gospel records Christ's proclamation which inspired Holman Hunt to paint this world famous image. This is the third version of the allegory painted by the artist. The first, of 1853, resides in Keeble College Oxford and the second, painted shortly afterwards, can be seen in the Manchester Art Gallery. The St Paul's (London) canvas was painted over fifty years later, with the assistance of Edward Robert Hughes, and it is thought to be the culmination of Holman-Hunt's vision.

This "sermon in a frame" became the most travelled art work in history. On completion in 1904 it toured the globe, visiting most of the major towns and cities in: Canada, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. It has been seen by millions of people and is one of the best known works of its period. Purchased from Holman-Hunt by the industrialist Charles Booth, it was donated to St Paul's in London and dedicated at a service in June 1908. The choir sang Psalm 119 which includes the verse : "*Thy word is a lantern unto my feet and a light unto my path*". Today the painting forms an altarpiece in the Cathedral's Middlesex Chapel, where it serves as an object of devotion and contemplation - conveying the message: The savior of the world is alive and will dwell in the hearts of those who admit him.

There are two lights shown in the picture. The lantern is the light of conscience and the light around the head of Christ is the light of salvation. The door represents the human soul, which cannot be opened from the outside. There is no handle on the door, and the rusty nails and hinges overgrown with ivy denote that the door has never been opened and that the figure of Christ is asking permission to enter. The morning star appears near Christ, the dawn of a new day, and the autumn weeds and fallen fruit represent the autumn of life. The writing beneath the picture, is taken from Revelation 3: *'Behold I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice and open the door I will come in to him and will sup with him and he with me.'* 

The orchard of apple trees evokes several biblical references. The tree of knowledge in the garden of Eden was, according to legend, an apple tree and in some Christian traditions the wood of that tree was miraculously saved to construct the cross on which Christ was crucified. The fallen apples could symbolize the fall of man, original sin, and sometimes in Italian art can refer to redemption. Neil McGregor, Director of the British Museum, has noted that in the painting Christ not only knocks at the door; he is himself the door.

<sup>1</sup>https://www.stpauls.co.uk/history-collections/the...highlights/the-light-of-the-world



#### From the Outgoing Junior Warden

The Junior Warden report that was printed for the Annual Meeting was mistakenly the 2017 Annual Report. The correct 2018 report is now listed with the other annual reports on the website and also is printed below.

#### JUNIOR WARDEN 2018 Annual Report

Mission Statement: The Buildings and Grounds Committee serves in conjunction with the Jr. Warden in assisting the Parish in the management of the physical properties of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity Place and St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Together, we ensure all spaces are welcoming and accessible to members of the church and local community while providing a worshipful and sacred space.

These past two years as your Junior Warden have been incredibly rewarding. In addition to "bats and a belfry," I had the humbling responsibility of being the care taker of these wonderful properties: the Nave, the Parish Hall, Trinity Place Grounds, St. Paul's, and the St. Paul's church yard. These buildings that we often take for granted are the pillar of our worshipping community. This past year we have hosted Sunday services, weekday services, baptisms, Canterbury events, funerals, receptions, meetings and many community events. Every weekday, these buildings serve as the cornerstone of education for many families. Our grounds serve as the garden that provides fresh produce for the Clemson Free Clinic. The beautiful flowers serve as a reminder of God's blessings to the community. Several times a year, the buildings host multiple families as they work to get back on their feet through the Family Promise program.

We began the year with completing repairs needed from storm damage in 2017, including replacement of the roof and boards around the bell tower. Building systems have been maintained and, when needed, they have been repaired. The Day School area of the parish hall got some much-needed upgrades including new floors, new cabinets, and upgrades in the bathrooms. Over the summer, the 20+ year old doors to the Nave and Parish Hall were finally replaced. And in response to needs expressed by the family ministry committee, baby changing stations were added to the main parish hall bathrooms.

Trinity Place has been able to provide us with income to help finance the debt on the property. I owe a huge gratitude of thanks to our parking committee (headed by **Kaleb Ellison** and **Bill Hurst**); this group has done an amazing job managing all the event parking – and being there EARLY in the morning each home football game. **Beth Kunkel** is there most every Saturday keeping everyone in line. **Bill Purkerson** and his team do a great job getting everything back in tip top shape Sunday morning.

St. Paul's had an exciting year with the completion of several major renovations funded by a grant from the Upper Diocese of South Carolina. The interior paint was stripped down to the original wood and then repainted. The St. Paul's committee made the wonderful decision to leave the back wall unpainted so that future generations could see the beautiful workmanship. Several trees were removed, and plans are in place to have them replanted. The main parking area has been paved; plans are in place for a second pavement layer to be completed. Thank you to everyone on the St. Paul's committee for your hard work and dedication to this holy space. I look forward to celebrating St. Paul's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2019.

As you know, buildings and ground projects never end. The communications committee is helping with signage in front of the church and (hopefully) around town. In 2019, the Nave Committee led by **Mickey Harder** will start a visioning process for the front of the Nave. You will also start to see new church signage due to the great work done by **Meredith McTigue** and the Communications Committee. Work needs to be done on developing procedures to ensure the safety and security of the building for everyone, including Day School students and teachers, Canterbury members, Sunday School classes, Parishioners, the Nursery and Family Promise. While this seems rather trivial, as a church, formal plans need to be in place for how we will handle medical emergencies, natural disasters, or security threats. We

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will utilize templates from the national church, the diocese and community plans. All in all, our facilities remain in good shape, thanks to routine maintenance, but also owing to the faithfully good working of several people – particularly **Jim Hylkena**, our hardworking sexton, and **Lynne Farmer**, our dedicated parish administrator. For the upkeep of St. Paul's, there is a wonderful team headed up by **Jack Davis** and **Eric Naeseth**. We have a dedicated Buildings and Grounds committee that are there to help prioritize the repair needs: **Bill Hurst** (chair), **Beth Kunkel, Eric Naeseth, Jack Davis**, **Henry Pate, Bryon Harder, Suzanne Watkins, Mtr. Suz Cate, Lynne Farmer and Jim Hylkena**. Our grounds are kept looking pristine – and the best in downtown Clemson – with the loving hands of **Bryon Harder. Will Mayo, Bill Purkerson, Phil Maiberger and Andrew Maiberger** are also there to help a lending hand when needed. We are all grateful for the work **Beth Kunkel, David Robb** and **Shannon Quattlebaum** do in the *So All May Eat* garden throughout the year. A wonderful new addition was getting the help of several of our young parishioners. I understand **Kathryn Cauley** is quite the gardener! There are volunteers too numerous to name who have done so many different things to keep our space sacred and beautiful. To all of you – I give my sincerest appreciation.

Respectively Submitted, **Kathy Crouse**, Junior Warden January 28, 2019

### A Message from the Communications Committee

Dear Parishioners,

At its December meeting, following several months of discussion, our Vestry voted in favor of officially changing both our legal name, and our public-facing identity, to "Holy Trinity Episcopal Church." The Communications Committee would like to anticipate these "frequently asked questions" with some answers... and if we did not answer your question, let us know, and we'll address it in a future issue of *Tempo*.

#### Q: Why are we doing this?

A: In order to make our parish community more approachable for people from all backgrounds and experiences, as well as to provide consistency within the larger body of churches in our geographical region, the Vestry voted to make this change as a standard for moving forward. We will continue, today and always, to be a parish of The Episcopal Church.

#### Q: When will this change happen:

A: The transition will take a bit of time, since there are numerous documents, website graphics, logo, etc. that will require updating. A forthcoming new printed *Church Directory* will be a part of this, as will new outside banner-style signs along the sidewalk. "We will begin the transition with Sunday *Bulletins* and other regular publications such as *HT Notes* and *Tempo*."

#### Q: Will our logo change as well?

A: Yes. Over the next few weeks this committee will be rolling out a new, transitional logotype using simple lettering and national Episcopal Church graphic guidelines.

If you have other questions, please don't hesitate to contact one of the committee members listed below.

Sincerely, The Holy Trinity Communications Committee Will Cate, Chairperson Rebecca Eidson Cara Robb Meredith McTigue, Vestry Liaison

## Coffee Hour

Do you enjoy coffee hour as much as I do? This fellowship time after the 10:30 am service is very popular, and we are in need of people willing to host each week.



There is no pressure to put out an elaborate spread – this is not lunch! If you have a friend you can team up with, even better. If you have never done it before but are willing, we will partner you with someone who will help you.

Please call, text or email me and I will arrange a coffee hour date for you: 864-280-0539 or cdipt@att.net.

Thank you!! Cindy Thackham



Flower List

The 2019 flower sign-up book is in the Narthex for people to designate flowers to the memory of, in honor of, and/or in thanksgiving for their loved ones or for a special occasion. Please sign up in the Narthex or contact Kara Hollandsworth in the church office (864-654-5071 ext 0 or htchurch@holytrinityclemson.org).

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 Carmen Purkerson
- 2/3 Anna McKenna
- 2/3 Katie Smith
- 2/4 Donna Davis
- 2/4 Stan Nicholas
- 2/5 Jacqui Dunn
- 2/5 Louise Kave
- 2/6 Frances Gorsuch
- 2/6 Anna Tollison
- 2/7 Rvan McMullan
- 2/8 Joan Egan
- 2/8 Mary Martof
- 2/9 Davy Hammatt
- 2/9 Lucy Rollin

- 2/9 Grayson Tindal 2/9
- Eunice Waddington
- Mellie Warner 2/9
- 2/11 Drake Bishop
- 2/14 Adelyn Corontzes
- 2/14 Claiborne Linvill
- 2/15 Brandon Evans
- 2/16 Greg Vaughn
- 2/18 Tina Robbins
- 2/23 Nell Hacker
- 2/24 Jeffery Ann Yang
- 2/26 Sylvia Titus
- Betty Carter 2/27
- 2/28 Amelia McMullan



February Birth Flower: Primrose



February Birthstone: Amethyst

Financial Update as of Ja	anuary 31, 2019		
	Financial Update as of January 31, 2019		
Monthly Budget Monthly Actual	l Budget YTD	Actual YTD	
Income \$47,841.00 \$35,734.84	\$47,841.00	\$35,734.84	
Expenses <u>\$47,842.00</u> \$48,461.66	\$47,842.00	\$48,461.66	
Income +/-Expense (\$1.00) (\$12,726.82)	(\$1.00)	(\$12,726.82)	

## **Trinity Place**

Balance on First Citizens Bank Notes as of January 31,2019 \$554,434.27