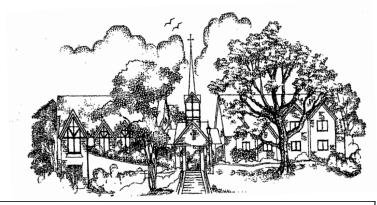
The Tempo

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

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.



TEMBER 2019

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday, September 1

8:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, St. Paul's

Monday, September 2

LABOR DAY Church Office, EDS closed

Sunday, September 8

FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:00 am Breakfast

9:15 am Bazaar planning session

9:20 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

11:45 am Parish-wide luncheon

Saturday, September 14

11 am-1 pm Holy Hike

Sunday, September 15

8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Breakfast

9:20 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

11:45 pm EM training in church

2:30-4:30 pm WL training, St. Paul's 5:00 pm Evening Prayer, St. Paul's 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Sunday, September 22

8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Breakfast

9:20 am Sunday School

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

Sunday, September 29

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:00 am Breakfast, Daughters of the

King organizational meet

9:20 am Sunday School

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

ONGOING EVENTS

Sundays

11:45 am Coffee Hour

Mondays

9:00 am Facebook online prayer 11:15-11:45 am Contemplative Prayer

6:00 pm EfM

Tuesdays

11:00 am Reflectionary Bible Study

Wednesdays

6:00 pm Canterbury

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

10:30 am HE at Corley Center, Downs (First Thursday only)

5:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Healing

KEEPING THE FAITH: SUZ'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Parish life here at Holy Trinity is rich and full now that summer is over! We are starting up our normal school and program year activities: choir practice for adult and children's choirs, Education for Ministry, Canterbury, and the Episcopal Day School are all underway. On Sunday, September 8, breakfast and Sunday School will return to feed body and mind, and we will have our "First Sunday Service" at 10:30 am.* The First Sunday Service is designed for our youngest members to be comfortable worshiping in the Nave for the whole service, and it is hoped that the rest of us will also get comfortable with the wiggles and squiggles and giggles (and sometimes fretting) that comes with having the littles with us.

One of the ways in which this service is different is that we have young lectors who read the first reading (either Old Testament or New Testament). Up to this point, we have been using a lectionary developed especially for children, God's Word, My Voice, which is recommended for children's reading in the liturgy. I have not been particularly pleased with this version of our scripture readings, so we are going to use *The Interna*tional Children's Bible instead. It is also written for children, but with a more reverent tone.

Beginning in October, the Children's Choir provides leadership in our congregational singing and provides musical offerings at various times during the liturgy. The children and Mrs. Leah work very hard on the music they offer to God's glory, and I encourage you to acknowledge their efforts personally when you get a chance. Their music brings such joy to all of us and is such a blessing to our parish family!

*This month we've moved the "First Sunday" to September 8, even though it's technically the second Sunday of the month, in order to take advantage of the fact that Breakfast and Sunday School are resuming that day. This is the opportunity for parish families of all sorts to worship together, and we will have lunch following for the whole parish to enjoy together. I hope you will all join us in the Parish Hall for food, fun, and fellowship on that day!

Grace and peace to all of you, Suz+



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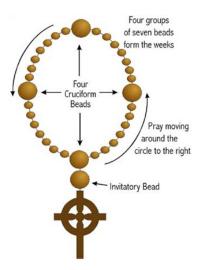
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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

What is an "Anglican Rosary"?

Anglican Prayer Beads are a relatively new form of prayer, blending the Orthodox Jesus Prayer Rope and the Roman Catholic Rosary. The use of the rosary or prayer beads helps to bring us into mindful prayer, with the intention of being in the presence of God using mind, body, and spirit. The touching of the fingers on each successive bead is an aid in keeping our minds from wandering, and the rhythm of the prayers leads us more readily into stillness.



Praying with the beads

Find a quiet spot and allow your body and mind to become restful and still. After a time of silence, begin praying the prayer beads at an unhurried, intentional pace. To begin, hold the Cross and say the prayer you have assigned to it, then move to the Invitatory Bead. Then enter the circle of the prayer with the first Cruciform Bead, moving to the right, go through the first set of seven beads to the next Cruciform bead, continuing around the circle, saying the prayers for each bead. When you have completed the circle, you can pray through again, or exit to the Invitatory Bead, which is a prompt for the Lord's Prayer or a closing sentence. When you have completed the round of the prayer beads, end with a period of silence. This silence invites reflection and listening after you have invoked the Name and Presence of God.

A Simple Rosary Prayer

Cross: Lord, open our lips, and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Invitatory Bead: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Amen. (except in Lent) Alleluia.

Cruciform Bead: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us.

Week Beads: Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Invitatory Bead at exit: Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God

Cross: Glory to God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. Amen.

Anglican rosaries are easy to make, or you can find them online. A quick Google search will yield instructions for making your own set of beads or will lead you to Etsy pages for crafters who make beautiful rosaries. However you get your hands on them, I hope that your prayer life will be richly blessed by this prayer practice.

Suz+

LIMINAL SPACE: NOTES FROM THE IN-BETWEEN

Father Christopher's Monthly Message

Hello, Friends!

A good friend of mine recently shared the image* below on social media, and I think it's well-worth re-sharing here:

HOW TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE EUCHARIST

Written by the Rev'd Samuel J. Wylie, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston, and printed in their monthly Message, these suggestions should commend themselves to our prayerful consideration.

- 1) Arrive at the church prepared by self-examination, a token or actual fast (three hours or overnight), and confession if need be.
- 2) Arrive early enough to study the Epistle and Gospel and to meditate on them.
 - 3) Take your seat as close to the Altar as you can get.
- 4) Pray the service and listen for God's specific Word to you as an individual and to us as a people.
- 5) Pray for the preacher and listen hopefully. Good "hearers" can create good preachers.
- 6) Make all responses in a voice loud enough to be heard by your neighbours. Some people mumble and some bellow. Neither custom is helpful. You need not answer loud enough to have the celebrant hear you, but the people in your pew and the pew in front of you should be able to hear and understand your responses.
- 7) Use all the communion time for intercession (which means prayer for others) and for adoration. Since most people are shy at that level of prayer, you may want to use the Hymnal for help. Read the Communion hymns (189-213). Note also the very personal hymns from 443-466. Some of them may say exactly what you want to say yourself.
- 8) Let your thanksgiving be genuine. Ask for grace to be a witness for Christ, an extension of his sacramental Presence.
- Be sure that your fellowship with your brothers (your concern and conversation) at Coffee Hour is consistent with the fellowship of the Lord's Table.

And I think it's probably worth unpacking a little bit. It may seem like these suggestions are rather dated, but I'm going to argue instead that they are timeless, and I'd like to explore some of the theology behind them in this month's column. So let's take a closer look and these ideas. (Please refer back to the image—I'm labeling each suggestion with a shorthand title that summarizes the concept of each entry, but I will also refer to the descriptions in the image as I go.)

1) Preparation

For those of us whose goal it is to be at the church an hour before the 8 o'clock service begins, a fast may be something that happens as a result of needing to get out of the house in a timely manner, rather than as the result of a proper discipline of devotion. For others, a literal fast may not be the best idea, for health reasons. But I think the point of this

^{*}Reprinted from AVE: A Monthly Bulletin of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York - December 1965.

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suggestion (and of all the subsequent guidelines) is not so much the strict, literal observance of the behavior as it is the inward state of mind and heart that the physical discipline seeks to encourage and create.

So, if refraining from eating before the service is not advisable, find some other way to observe some kind of fasting in preparation for the Holy Eucharist. If you normally crank up the music whenever you hop in the car to go someplace, maybe keep things silent for the ride to church on Sunday (if you're driving). If you normally fire up your smart phone as soon as your eyes open in the morning, perhaps on Sunday morning you could wait to check your social media notifications until after the service.

The idea is to create some kind of significant break in your normal routine, to abstain from the busy-ness of the other six days of daily grind, and thus to mark out this day of worship as being different, distinct, special ... yes, even holy. By refraining from indulging in normal patterns of eating or consuming entertainment, we can establish a proper sense of reverence for the day, right from the start. And that reverence is key to a full and deep experience of the sacrament.

2) Meditation

It is rarely enough simply to let the abstract words of the Scriptures wash over us once during the worship service. The vast majority of the biblical texts are rich, layered, rife with meanings both literal and symbolic and allegorical. Even when the language of a passage is simple and straightforward, what's going on in that passage is often complex and nuanced in ways that are not immediately apparent on a first reading. Such nuances tend only to emerge upon repeated viewing.

But beyond the level of mere language, the Bible is a sacred text, a gift from God for the purpose of helping us to discover and to grow ever more deeply into a meaningful relationship with God, through Jesus Christ, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is hard for that to happen if we don't spend much time immersing ourselves in the Scriptures. By "immersing," I mean something more than intellectual, academic study. I'm not talking about delving into ancient Hebrew, Aramaic, or Greek, here. I'm talking, rather, about making time before the service to be *still*, both in body and in mind, and in that stillness to *listen* to the lines of Scripture appointed for that morning, before hearing them in the service.

Pay attention not only to the words, as you read, but to yourself, as well. Notice any random thoughts, memories, or feelings that bubble up as you go through the texts. This practice will "prime the pump" for hearing the passages read aloud and also get you ready to engage with the sermon afterwards. Assume that the Holy Spirit will be speaking to you in the service; meditating on the appointed Scriptures helps to open our ears, our minds, and our hearts to listen for her voice.

3) Position

Okay. I know. This one is typically a "tough sell" in Episcopal congregations. But if we really believe what we claim to believe—namely, that we encounter the Living God in the Person of Jesus Christ in the sacrament of Holy Communion—why on earth would we *not* want a front row seat to that?

On a more practical level, the more you can see of the "action," of what's going on throughout the whole service, the more engaged you'll be able to be, and the more likely you'll be to get caught up in enthusiastic participation.

Right, so, that may be why we tend to gravitate towards the back, I suppose. But we would do well to work on shifting our way of thinking about this matter, I do believe. One of the attitudes (or disciplines, or states of mind—whichever term works for you) we want to foster in ourselves is a deep *yearning* after God. That's what we as followers of Jesus Christ ought to bring to the table. We proclaim that we believe we meet God at the altar. We should be eager to get there, and we should place ourselves as close to it as we can get for worship.

4) Attention

I've already touched on this idea, but to reiterate: assume that the Holy Spirit will be speaking to you and to the congregation during worship. *Know* that that's the case before the service starts, and try to remember it throughout

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the liturgy. Remember also the dual nature of God's interaction with us: God speaks to each of us individually, *and* God speaks to us, collectively, as a community of worshippers, as the Body of Christ. We need to listen on both levels. Bring your own needs, always, to the foot of the Cross; open your heart, at the same time, to perceive the needs of the brothers and sisters around you. God's got us all, as we are God's. If we listen carefully, we'll be reminded of that as we worship.

5) Intention

By "pray for the preacher," we don't mean to suggest saying to yourself: "God help this preacher if the sermon doesn't end in the next three minutes!" or "Jesus, please let this sermon wrap up in time for kickoff!"

On a more serious note, one of my favorite aspects of our Anglican tradition of worship is that every piece of the service points towards the altar. And that includes the sermon. The sermon is not meant to be the centerpiece of our worship.

And yet, the rubrics in the BCP stipulate that whenever the Eucharist is celebrated, a sermon is to be preached. We are meant to break open the Scriptures and encounter Jesus there, just as we break the bread and encounter Jesus there. That is the hope to which this suggestion refers in the image above. Seek and ye shall find; go into the sermon looking for Jesus, and remember that we're *all* trying to get there, to Jesus—preacher and congregation together.

As preachers, we're trained to pray for God to show us "what your people, in this place, need to hear from these Scriptures on this day" as we prepare our sermons. If we all come to this part of the service seeking that same thing, then we are much more likely to have a much deeper experience of worship together.

6) Enunciation

It's crucially important that we all remember that liturgy is not a performance put on by the altar party for the edification of the congregation. The congregation, by the same token, is not an *audience*. When we gather to worship on Sunday morning, we—all of us, whether priest or parishioner, Eucharistic minister or choir member, usher or acolyte—are celebrating this holy sacrament *together*. In order for worship to be as powerful and as meaningful as it is intended to be, we all need to offer our individual contributions to the best of our abilities.

We've all got important roles to play, and one of the congregation's roles is to speak as one voice at the appointed moments in the liturgy. That the people are every bit as vital to this sacramental worship as are the clergy is a fundamental concept in our Anglican theology of worship.

It's worth noting that the Great AMEN! at the end of the Eucharistic prayer is the only word in the BCP that is set in all-capitals. It's also worth noting that when the Great AMEN! was first introduced to the service, it was considered by some folks to be absolutely scandalous! A more hierarchical view of liturgy, one that believes the clergy to be a little higher up on the spiritual ladder that leads to God than are the masses of lay people, took offense at having the people play such an active role in worship. But that's not how we in our tradition understand either the clergy, the laity, or the liturgy. We do this thing *together*, y'all! So let's make those AMENS truly great!

7) Intercession & Adoration

I put intercession first here because that's the way the original description, above, arranged things, but personally I would suggest beginning with adoration as soon as you get back to your seat after receiving Communion. There really is no better time to focus intently on our deep, deep gratitude to God for the unfathomable gift God gives us in Jesus Christ, and for the fact that we continue to receive this priceless gift, time and time again.

Here, we look inward in prayer and experience what it means, what it really means to each of us, personally, to be so thoroughly and utterly *loved* by God Almighty. Spend some time in that holy place. Then it is so very natural, coming from such a place, to move into intercessory prayer, lifting up the needs of others and giving those needs over to God. Gratitude is such a powerful source of prayer that this shift to intercession will happen almost automatically, if we let it.

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8. Appreciation

Still within that space of holy gratitude, we should remember that, by virtue of our baptism and also by virtue of having just received the Holy Communion, we are not only beloved of God but also are witnesses—first-hand witnesses—to the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As witnesses, we are called (and hopefully inspired!) to go and tell the world what we have seen and experienced. As one of my favorite bands sang on their most recent album, "If you like what you hear, go tell somebody!"

At this point in the liturgy, we have just received the living Christ into ourselves. That is the *good news!* The more deeply we experience that reality, the truth of this sacrament, the more profoundly our lives will be changed, renewed, restored, transformed. The heart of that transformation is an unspeakable joy—something that goes way beyond merely having a pleasant Sunday morning with family and friends. Something that, through God's grace, we will want to share with everyone we meet.

9) Conversation.

Our Lord prayed to the Father that we all might be made one, even as he and the Father are One. We should meditate and reflect on what that prayer means and implies for each of us as we leave the sanctuary and move into the more social space of breakfast or coffee hour. Fellowship is a key aspect of our shared life in this parish. But the kind of fellowship we share in the moments immediately after the Eucharist perhaps ought to be of a slightly different nature than the kind of fellowship we share at a ball game or a tailgate or a pool party or cook out.

Fellowship immediately following worship is a prime opportunity for us to discover and live into what it means for us to be *one*, as Jesus Christ and the Father are One. We shouldn't abandon all sense of reverence the moment we pass under the transom into the breezeway. A face-to-face encounter with the Living God should not fade from our awareness so quickly or so easily, after all. Cultivate the habit of remaining in that sacred space, in your mind and your heart, even after your body has left the Nave and gone in search of coffee and friends.

I hope you've found these reflections on the above suggestions helpful, perhaps even enlightening, or at least somewhat intriguing. We as a parish community do worship very well here at Holy Trinity—something I have been deeply grateful for as long as I've been here. Hopefully, some of the ideas presented here may spark your imaginations or stir your souls to ponder more deeply the Mysteries we share each week and the ways in which our shared experience of these holy Mysteries works to conform us ever more nearly to Christ.

Christopher+





Love with the Heart of Christ

A Positive Approach to Aging and Dementia Care

Want to learn more about normal aging and what will help when caring for loved ones living with dementia? Check out the DVDs from the bookshelf in the Parish Office through Kara Hollandsworth. This 2-DVD series offers timely information by a leading expert in the field of dementia care, Teepa Snow. Watch all of the segments on the DVDs or just some. Either way, you are guaranteed to learn.

And this is not just for seniors! No fooling, we all get old. Let's prepare, and be prepared, to be helpful to all whom our lives touch, and with whom we share Christ's love every day.

Pastoral Care Team

Please return DVDs within 2 weeks, so the next parishioner can borrow. Thanks!

COMMISSION OF FORMATION TEACHERS

At the 10:30 am service on August 25, the Sunday School teachers, EFM leaders, and other formation teachers were commissioned.









5:25pm Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5:45pm Bel Canto Choir Rehearsal 6:15pm Altar Choir Rehearsal

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Children's Choirs recommence on Wednesday, September 4. Children from 3 years old through 5th grade are welcome to join us in our HT Children's Choirs! Choristers receive faith-based choral music education on Wednesday evenings and are divided into 3 groups by age.

We assist in leading worship by singing during the First Sunday services during the school year as well as other special occasions. This ministry is open to the general public (not just our church), so invite your friends to join us, too! Contact Leah Durham, Director of Children's Choirs, at ldurham@holytrinityclemson.org if you want more information,



Holy Hike September

When? September 14, 2019 @ 11 am to 1 pm Where? Waldrop Stone Falls/CLEMSON EXPERIMENTAL FOREST

Waldrop Stone Falls is a 1 mile lightly trafficked loop trail located near Central, South Carolina that features a waterfall and is good for all skill levels. The trail is primarily used for hiking and nature trips and is best used from

April until October. Distance: 1 Mile, Elevation Gain: 177 feet Route Type: Loop Check it out on AllTrails.com at

https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/south-carolina/waldropstone-falls

Directions:

- 1. In Clemson at the intersection of SC 133, US 76, US 123, and SC 28, turn right onto Hwy 133 and continue for 3.3 miles until you reach Madden Bridge Road.
- 2. After turning right on Madden Bridge Road, drive 0.2 mile to Waldrop Stone Road on your LEFT. Immediately there is a pull-off and trail to the right. We will meet at the second entrance, approximately 0.2 miles further up Waldrop Stone Road. There is parking along both sides of the street just past the second entrance.

For more details and to **register** for this hike, contact Kara Hollandsworth khollandsworth@holytrinityclemson.org /telephone: 864-654-5071 or Laura Snow Hawkins at **mrshawkinsft@gmail.com**. Text/cell 864-608-7453.



You can follow Holy Hikes Upper South Carolina at: https://www.facebook.com/HolyHikesUpperSouthCarolina/ to RSVP and check for updates or cancellations. PLEASE: RSVP so that we have enough bulletins and wafers for all. Come join us for a hike with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in nature.



CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICE IN THE CHAPEL

Take a break with God on Monday mornings. The chapel at Holy Trinity is always open, and all are welcome to stop by and pray at any time. On Monday mornings, any who wish to gather for quiet, contemplative time with God can come together for reflective reading of Scripture and short periods of prayer and meditation.

The leadership of this practice will be shared by clergy and lay participants. We will gather at 11:15 am and conclude by 11:45. The first Contemplative Prayer Practice will take place on **September 9**. All are welcome.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

Daughters of the King is an order of women who have made a life-time commitment to prayer, service, and evangelism. From the DoK website: "Daughters of the King are women and ... who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life, and supported through the companionship of our sisters. We are all at different stages of our Christian journey – some have just begun and some have been on this path for a long time. But no matter where we are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same – to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others." More information can be found at https://www.doknational.org/.



Once upon a time, there was an active chapter of the Daughters of the King at Holy Trinity. The Mary Emily Moxley Laib Chapter was formed in 2003, but later languished. As an avowed Daughter of the King myself, I am hoping to recharter the Mary Emily Moxley Laib Chapter at Holy Trinity. All interested women, former members or potential members, are invited to join me **at breakfast on Sunday**, **September 29**, to determine the level of interest in this endeavor. I will be at the table in the corner by the Pastoral Care Information Center.

For His Sake, Suz+

A PRAYER AGAINST ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION

Lord, when all is darkness and we feel our weakness and helplessness, give us the sense of your presence, your love, and your strength. Help us to have perfect trust in your protecting love. Bless us with your strengthening power so nothing may frighten or worry us. We trust that in living close to you, we shall see your hand, your purpose, your will through all things.

St. Ignatius of Loyola



EUCHARISTIC MINISTER & WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING

Thanks to all who serve our parish as Eucharistic Ministers and/or Worship Leaders. It's time to renew your certifications so that you can carry on in this important ministry. Mother Suz will offer several training dates in the coming months to accomplish this purpose, so with hope one of these times below will work for your schedule.

If you have any questions or you're interested in joining this ministry team, please contact Terri Mayberry at (864) 710-3330 or terri.mayberry@charter.net. Newcomers are always welcome!



Sunday, September 15 @ 11:45am in the church for EMs

This session will last about 30-45 minutes

Sunday, September 15 @ 2:30-4:30 pm at St. Paul's for Worship Leaders This will be lead by a Diocesan trainer.

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. Most of these services feature music led by a team of gifted musicians who lead us in simple hymns and songs of praise using acoustic instruments. All are welcome to celebrate the Eucharist together.

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





Think with the Mind of Christ

ADULT FORMATION

We'll begin our program year of adult Sunday School with a several-weeks-long series on prayer: what it is, how to do it, and why it's important. The plan at present is to follow that series with a Sunday or two (or maybe three) of examining the Eucharist, delving into that liturgy, and explaining what exactly is going on at each step of the way and why we do what we do.

Look for announcements over the next couple of months, as details get finalized, regarding additional offerings.



HOLY TRINITY SEEKS A PART-TIME FAMILY MINISTER & A YOUTH LEADER

...and we could use your help

Do you know someone who would be a great Family Minister or Youth Leader for our church? Someone who wants to help our young people and all of us grow in love? If so, share the *Family Minister* job description at

(http://www.holytrinityclemson.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Family-Minister-Job-Description.pdf)

or Youth Leader job description with them:

(http://www.holytrinityclemson.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Youth-Worker-Job-Description.pdf)

DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? ARE YOU WILLING TO GO THE EXTRA MILE TO PICK UP A NEIGHBOR?

Contact Kara Hollandsworth at khollandsworth@holytrinityclemson.org to get – or give someone – a ride to church.





SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BREAKFAST

Sunday School and breakfast resume on Sunday, September 8. (And, we'll even let these guys sit at a big table on larger chairs!)



THURSDAY THEOLOGIANS

I'm hoping to start up a new thing: Thursday Theologians, a "conversation group" (not as formal as a discussion group) for anyone interested in exploring the breadth and depth of our theological tradition.

The group would meet either before or after the 5:30 pm healing Eucharist on Thursday evenings. Please contact me at cwilkerson@holytrinityclemson.org if you're interested.

Father Christopher





Kitchen Hospitality

Our kitchen hospitality ministries move into active mode in late August; we love to provide food, beverage and generosity to our parish community!

Holy Trinity has enough reusable service ware for meal services up to 150 people. If you are not sure how to access them or to use the dishwashing machine, please email

kitchen@holytrinityclemson.org.

While we prefer that events use our sustainable serviceware, we provide all needed disposables. We have napkins, cups, plates, flatware, to-go containers, etc. in our regular inventory. You may find all but the to-go boxes in the cupboards in the hallways. As we work through our excess, I will find space for to-go boxes.

PLEASE DO NOT PURCHASE/BRING/LEAVE ANY DISPOSABLE SERVICEWARE, ESPECIALLY STYROFOAM AND EATING UTENSILS. WE ARE OVERWHELMED WITH IT RIGHT NOW. Our goals this year are to compost most or all of our kitchen waste and also to be a Styrofoam-free kitchen. Please help us with that.

Thanks. Beth



Rally Day

Sunday, August 25 from 8:45 am - 10:15 am was Holy Trinity's Rally Day. This fun-filled day featured a Sunday School Teacher Meet & Greet, Continental Breakfast, Ministry Fair, Campaign Luncheon, and even a late afternoon Pool Party. It was a great day to discover more about our parish and one another.















RALLY DAY PICTURES CONTINUED



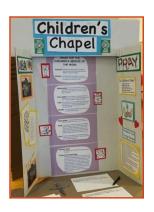


















COOK FOR CANTERBURY



Our Canterbury students are back - and they came hungry! If you'd be willing to cook a Wednesday night meal for this college ministry, please contact Sue Smink at 864.557.4500 or ssmink55@gmail.com or sign up at the address below to find out more.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ba8ae2ea0f94-canterbury4





Family Promise volunteers had a very successful week hosting our Family Promise guests last week. We thank all of the wonderful volunteers from Holy Trinity and University Lutheran who shared their time and talent with our family. We thank everyone for their prayers. Volunteers are the heart and soul of Family Promise.

SUICIDE PREVENTION

Help end the second leading cause of death of people 15-34 years old in our state by attending a free one-day Suicide Prevention/Intervention Workshop on Friday, Sep 13 from 9am-3pm at the United Methodist Church in Clemson. All participants are welcome, five hours of Professional Learning Credit is accredited for this course. Email suicidehalt@gmail.com or call Tom von Kaenel at 864-643-9197 to register or for more information.



LOOK OUT FOR FRAUDULENT E-MAILS



The diocese has notified us of an e-mail scam that has been targeting clergy and lay leaders. For all the details, go to

https://mailchi.mp/215abf5339c0/edusc-news-744763?e=4762bc8e5b



HELP RESTOCK CLEMSON COMMUNITY CARE'S PANTRY

Clemson Community Care has several food items that are in very short supply. We have given out large amounts of food this summer and we need to restock our pantry. We would greatly appreciate donations of cereal, crackers, pork and beans, flour, spaghetti sauce, pasta, cans of vegetables. Of course, we always need donations of toiletries, diapers, wipes, laundry detergent. Thank you for your continued support.

Linda at CCC



Items can be placed in the basket in the Narthex on Sunday mornings.

COME FILL THE BASKET

Please consider helping the homeless in our area and give them a hand up through your donation. Our Daily Rest, family shelter in Seneca, is in short supply of the following items that are so quickly used: coffee, sugar, trash bags (all sizes, especially 13 and 50 gallon), paper towels and paper products, toilet paper, Pine Sol, and bleach.

A basket will be in the Holy Trinity Narthex for the next four Sundays. Let's fill the basket and share God's love. Questions? Please contact Kevin Hughes (864-903-5706) or Judy Surak (864-933-5205) Thanks one and all.

Judy Surak

EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Day School is looking for caring and nurturing Substitute Teachers for the 2019-2020 school year! Applications for Employment are available on the website and in the church office. This is an excellent way to get involved at the Day School, with much flexibility! Substitutes are called on, as-needed, to assist in the classrooms or in Extended Care when a normal teacher/caregiver is absent at http://www.holytrinityclemson.org/episcopal-day-school/ School hours are from 8:30a.m.-12:30p.m., early morning care is from 7:30-8:30a.m., and after school care is from 12:30-5:30p.m.

Please send a resume, completed Application for Employment, and/or questions to Suzanne Watkins at **swatkins@holytrinityclemson.org** or 864-654-0298. Resumes with applications can also be delivered to the church office of Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish.

OPENINGS FOR NEW STUDENTS AT THE EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

The Day School has a few openings remaining for the 2019-2020 School Year in the 2-year old and 3-year old classes. Please tell your friends that spaces are available!



Visit the school website for additional information and to print an application. Feel free to contact Suzanne Watkins if you have questions, or would like to schedule a tour, at (864) 654-0298 or **swatkins@holytrinityclemson.org.**



CHURCH AND THE WORLD



SPOTLIGHT

WILL CAPTED



Will Carter was born in Greenville, SC on October 20, 1929. He grew up there and attended Greenville High School, graduating in 1947. He then went to Clemson and graduated with a BS degree in Education. After that, Will was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Regular Army in June, 1951. Will served in the Armor Branch (tanks) for 24 years. (The *Armor Branch* of the United States Army is an active combat arms branch. It was created provisionally in 1940 as *Armored Force* under Chief of the *Armored Force*, Brigadier General Adna R. Chaffee, Jr. and took control of all tank units in infantry and cavalry units.) Will retired in July, 1975 with the rank of Full Colonel.

Will and Betty Harris were married in July, 1956. They have three children: Mary Elizabeth (Beth), Ellen and Joanne. Will and Betty joined Holy Trinity in August, 1975. Will served as head usher from 2000 through 2014.

He built his Minimax ultralight airplane in his basement in 1993 and learned to fly it that fall. He still flies the plane and his nearer goal is to fly it on his 90th birthday (in October of this year). The plane has a 53 hp Rotax snowmobile engine that pulls it along very well.

Will says "I have wanted to fly since I was 4 years old. Though I spent several thousand hours in various aircraft and helicopters while on active duty, I had never been the pilot.



Since the Minimax has only one seat, the learning to fly without an on board instructor was interesting. Fun. I also have flown radio-controlled models for over forty years so that made learning to fly the Minimax quite easy. The only trick is to learn to steer the plane on the ground using your feet."





CHURCH AND THE WORLD



This is a new date for this year's bazaar—Please mark it on your calendars!!

ECW BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING

All are welcome to join us for a bazaar planning session on **Sunday, September 8**, at 9:15 am in the Parish Hall. Come help us brainstorm. to make this year's bazaar the best ever!



If you can't make it September 8, make a note that we'll have a planning session every first Sunday of the month until the bazaar.

Silent Auction—We are asking for donations. They can be given now or before November 17. Donations can be given to Sue Williams at **williams6118@bellsouth.net** or Lynn Luszcz at **llusczc@clemson.edu**. Suggested items include: Clemson memorabilia, artwork, services, jewelry, and new or gently used items.

Stockings—Please contact Amy Agosti (akagosti@att.net) if you would like to place your order for stockings. These must be ordered in advance, so don't wait!



Banners—Remember that banners need to be ordered in advance. To order a banner, contact Sally Morrell at Sallym29631@gmail.com.





Save your empty quart jars. Please leave them in the office for Bill Purkerson from now until the bazaar. Thanks!

It is not too late to get involved with the Annual Bazaar. We are still in need of someone to be the marketing contact. Please see Cheryl DeSellier at or Amy Agosti if you are interested.



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS NEEDED IN HAITI

The children and young people in our villages in Haiti love music and are in great need of a variety of musical instruments.

If you have any instruments that you would like to contribute, please get in touch with Earl Burch at **eburch@innova.net** or (864) 356-9804.



HELP NEEDED FOR FOOTBALL PARKING!



The work associated with football parking is being done by only a few people and they need our help. This effort generates a significant amount of income for the church, the majority of which is used to pay the debt on the Trinity Place. Without the funds generated by these volunteers the budget of the church would be challenged.

You can work one game and choose from duties that are before, during or after parking. As an added bonus, you get to spend time with the friendliest Clemson fans on the planet—Go Tigers!

To find out more please contact Beth Kunkel at bkunkel@clemson.edu.



Notes From the Senior Warden

Beloved Parishioners:

As most of you are now aware, the capital campaign for work on the property next to the parish hall is officially underway. All of you should have received a letter and pledge card in the mail, and in this *Tempo* and in *HT Notes* you will see an artist's rendition of the plans that were approved for a campaign at a special meeting of the Vestry on August 4th. Realizing that we have had several campaigns in the not too distant past, the Vestry did not take the decision to go ahead with this campaign lightly. Also, we do have residual debt from the purchase of the property and the removal of the old Methodist church building. The good news is we are significantly ahead of schedule on our payments for that loan, which will dip below \$500K this month. This balance is remarkable considering the total costs for purchase and demolition were approximately \$2.7M. Your generosity in past campaigns, along with special gifts to reduce our debt, has a lot to do with our favorable situation. As I have said in the past, the current debt service is effectively covered by parking revenue generated from weekday leases to the University and local merchants and football game day parking, and these will continue with the plan that is being presented to you.

Also, we have been very deliberate in our approach to planning for this parcel. We purchased this property in 2008, which included the old Methodist church building. After a period of rental, it was decided the building was a liability and expensive to renovate, so we tore it down and established the gravel lot. Our current lot does not meet city ordinances, but we were given a 4-year waiver. We negotiated for a 1-year extension of that waiver that ends this December, which effectively sets the approximate start date for some kind of construction.

We have used the intervening time to create a vision and then a plan for the parcel. Many of you were part of that process during our Vision 2020 study, which took place in 2015. This included input from Clemson's architecture students. A key part of that study was a parishioner questionnaire about the management and use of the parcel. From that survey we learned that virtually no one wanted to sell the property and the majority of respondents wanted to maintain complete control of the space. There was some interest in working with a developer so long as we maintained control. I will add that developers have approached us on multiple occasions, but not surprisingly, they have not met our criteria to serve our missions and our control of the property. Priorities for the use of the property expressed in that survey included parking, greenspace and expanded facilities for various missions.

Given the mandate not to sell the property and to develop our own plans for the parcel, in July of 2017 the Vestry adopted as one of its goals to "Decide on the Long-Term Use of Trinity Place", and you have seen the progress toward this goal highlighted in many of my previous reports. The achievement of this goal has been led by Tommye Hurst and an ad hoc Trinity Place (as the property had been dubbed) Committee.

In the fall of 2017, the Trinity Place committee conducted another survey, which had a larger participation than the previous one (150 vs 67). Priorities similar to those in the earlier survey appeared in the written comments. Perhaps more importantly, parishioners were asked to react to a specific proposal that involved changing the grade and gaining access to the parish hall. Eighty percent said they were supportive or very supportive of this idea. I should point out that all the detailed elements in the current plan came directly from the comments and ideas in both of these surveys. That is, this is effectively your plan!

One impact of following the plan is the face of Holy Trinity that is now the most visible to the community will be greatly enhanced aesthetically. As Darren Linvill pointed out in his presentation on Sunday, August 25, at the Capital Campaign Luncheon, the side of our parish hall facing our gravel lot was never meant to be featured because for most of its history the Methodist church blocked that view. When you look at the artist's rendition. I think you will agree that the view from Clemson's campus or coming down Walter Cox Blvd. will be most pleasantly transformed.

As was explained in our letter to you, if we do nothing but bring the lot to code, as we are required to do, the cost would be about \$460K, with no advantages gained. That is, there would be no green space for a play area and for overflow and football parking, no access to the lower level of the parish hall for Canterbury or other programs, no reorientation of the



(Senior Warden Notes continued)

entrance to the lot for ease of passage and for safety, no location for a pavilion for special events, including revenue-generating ones, among others.

The hard decisions about exactly what we end up doing with this parcel lie ahead for the vestry. How much residual debt we need to manage through the Statement of Mission depends on the results of the capital campaign. We are hopeful that a manageable balance will be the result of your prayerful generosity.

In other vestry news, we had a second special meeting this month on August 18th to discuss the results of our Mutual Ministry Review, which involved input from the current and last year's retired vestry and wardens along with that of the rector. This year we used the results of the review from last year as a base in order to see if we are making progress on issues identified therein. We also evaluated new initiatives. The evaluation tool we used is a survey created largely by Kathy Crouse working with Sarah Maiberger, Lori Graham and me. The meeting to discuss the results was facilitated by Shari Jung, a parishioner who has a great deal of experience as a mediator. During the meeting, we gathered comments and suggestions for action from breakout groups who were using the results of the survey as a guide. Those comments have been transcribed and are being edited. Once this is done, they will be shared with the entire parish. Overall, the process was productive and there was a great deal of consensus about issues the vestry and clergy need to address.

The vestry met for a third time this past Sunday to conduct routine business and to catch up on some committee activities. Bill Hurst reported on the formation of a house committee, the goal of which is to divide our buildings and grounds into sectors, each with a team to evaluate needs and to file requests to the Building and Grounds committee. The teams will also prepare a list of items that can be used to develop the B+G committee's budget for the Statement of Mission. By dividing our facilities in this way, we will have more eyes assessing them and thus reduce the effort for any one individual. Bill Purkerson, as chair of the Personnel Committee, reported that we are in the process of interviewing candidates for the Family Ministry position, which was funded for this year. We are quite hopeful that we will fill this soon. We are also still looking for a Youth Minister to replace Caroline Daw who has taken on duties elsewhere. She was most successful and we are making every effort to duplicate that success. The Family Ministry Committee, in conjunction with the Engagement Team, is preparing a brochure of activities for the parish. Look for this soon. The Pastoral Care Committee is also creating a brochure that will outline the contacts and opportunities for care. This will be mailed out soon along with a refrigerator magnet featuring our contact information. Earl Burch gave a detailed update from the Outreach Committee. They are making a concerted year-long effort to identify the needs of those outside our parish, how those needs are being addressed by different groups, and where there are gaps that we at Holy Trinity may have the opportunity to help address. Members of the committee are assigned a specific need area to research. He also reported on the status of our Haiti missions. Our university students are starting to graduate, thus lowering the cost of the program. We will need about \$12K in addition to budgeted funds for the rest of this year. Sufficient funds for the Bois Joli teachers we help support are in hand from Holy Trinity and our partner churches as well as from individuals. Finally, I have to note the number of potential Canterbury students who came to church on Sunday, some of whom participated in our Rally Day activity, including the swim party. I am hopeful that we can sustain their enthusiasm and attendance.

Our finances are in excellent shape at this time. While pledges are running somewhat behind, plate offerings and income from investments are ahead of those anticipated. The slight overall deficit in budgeted income has been more than offset, primarily by the unused salary for the Family Minister position. This is good news coming out of the traditionally sluggish summer pledge period.

In looking over this report and noting the activity of so many people who are not even mentioned herein, I can only conclude that I am surrounded by hard-working and talented parishioners who are committed to: loving with the heart of Christ, thinking with the mind of Christ and acting in the world as the Body of Christ.

OUR DOORS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

A luncheon was held on Sunday, August 25, after the 10:30am service, and Darren Linvill gave a talk for the congregation to learn more about Our Doors Capital Campaign. The funds for this campaign are to complete what we began several years ago with the purchase of the property adjacent to our Parish Hall. This is an exciting time for our parish, as we open new doors to our community and campus. There were activities for the younger members of our parish, while the rest of saw the plans, asked questions and learned all about what's in store for our parish's future. If you missed the presentation or want more information, please go to the website: www.holytrinityclemson.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Capital-campaign-letter-PDF.pdf or attend one of the gatherings noted below.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Join us for one of these informal parish gatherings to learn more about the plans to bring to life your vision for Trinity Place:

Friday, Sept 13, 6pm-8pm at Hap and Carolyn Wheeler's - 201 Augusta Road, Clemson Saturday, Sept 14, 5pm-7pm at Bill and Carmen Purkerson's - 111 Dogwood Terrace Lane, Clemson

Cocktails and heavy appetizers will be served. Please RSVP so our hosts can better plan: Hap and Carolyn - wheeler@clemson.edu or Bill and Carmen - bill.purkerson@ameco.com

If you haven't yet done so, please return your pledge card of commitment for Our Doors Campaign by: mailing it in, dropping it off at the church office, returning it at either of the parish gatherings, or pledging online at http://www.holytrinityclemson.org/our-doors-capital-campaign-for-property-improvements/.



Photos of our vision appear to the left and below.

In these artist renditions of the proposed renovations to Holy Trinity Church property, please note:

- 1. Landscaped hard surface parking
- 2. Green space play area and overflow/football parking
- 3. Areas for garden development
- 4. Pavilion for special events and revenue generation
- Access to the lower level of parish hall for HT missions, such as Canterbury
- 6. Realignment of entrance to 90 degrees for easier and safer access.

This generally provides an appealing view of the campus from the perspective that is seen the most.



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. Remember that 70% of the proceeds from each sale go directly back to Haiti. 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 8:00 am or 10:30 am service in the Parish Hall. \$10 per bag for coffee; \$3 per bar for Gourmet Chocolate.

- Please make checks payable to Holy Trinity Outreach.



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 email htchurch@holytrinityclemson.org to sign up.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2	Kaleb Ellison
9/2	John Warner
9/7	Mason Johnstone
9/8	Lori Graham
9/8	Beth Kunkel
9/9	Stephen Evans
9/9	Stephen Lewis
9/10	Drew McCabe
9/12	Wendy Longo



September Birth Flower

Aster



Jim Reed

Hap Wheeler

Laura Henry

9/15

9/16

9/17



September Birthstone ${\it Opal}$

Crawford Robb's birthday was August 16. Please wish him a belated happy birthday.

Operating Fund

Financial Update as of August 31,2019

	Monthly Budget	Monthly Actual	Budget YTD	Actual YTD
Income	\$47,841.00	\$49,476.52	\$382,728.00	\$381,751.06
Expenses	\$48,969.00	\$42,041.22	\$378,228.00	\$367,355.20
Income +/-Expense (\$ 1,128.00)		\$ 7,435.30	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 14,395.86

Trinity Place

Balance on First Citizens Bank Notes as of August 31, 2019 \$496,531.79