



Trinity Tidings

November 19, 2021

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Sundays at Trinity

- Eucharist (7:30am, 9am, 11:15am, 7pm)
 - Children's Chapel (9am & 11:15am)
 - Sunday School for children and adults ~ August - June
 - Nursery 9am-12:30pm
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Ongoing Events

Thrift Shop: Monday 10am-Noon, Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-1pm

Wednesday 11am: Bible Study is meeting on Zoom and would love for you to join us [here](#).

Wednesday 6pm: Trinity Wednesday [5pm Zoom](#) and 6pm in person

Wednesday 7pm: 11:15am Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 7:30pm: 9am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday 10:30am: Sunday School for Adults in person and on Zoom. Click [here](#) for Zoom.

Prayer List - to submit a prayer request click [here](#).

Altar Flowers - if you would like to dedicate Altar Flowers click [here](#).



Pledge Cards

Many thanks to those of you who have turned in pledges for 2022; We take pledges up until December 31st, but the sooner we get them, the better the vestry can adjust the draft budget and plan for next year. Pop your pledge card in the mail, put it in the offering boxes at the church on Sunday, hand it to me or Barbara, or [e-mail](#) your pledge to us. The sooner we get pledges in, the sooner the vestry can finalize the 2022 budget. We appreciate your support! ~ Fr. Todd+

Sunday School for Adults

Sunday School for Adults meets on Sunday mornings at 10:30am in the Parish Hall. Masks are required, and we'll be spacing out the chairs a bit. This week, we're working our way through the night of Maundy Thursday and into Good Friday.

For the recording of last week's class, click [here](#).

If you're not quite ready to join us in person, we will be broadcasting live on Zoom; the link is [here](#).

Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve service will be on Wednesday, November 24th, at 7pm in the church; we'll also broadcast it online. The choir will be singing at this service, and they've prepared some exquisite music. Bring an item of food, a pot or pan, or a dish you'll be using to prepare your Thanksgiving feast and have them blessed at the service.

Also, because of this service, we won't have Trinity Wednesdays or Compline on the 24th. They'll be back the next week!

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Our Wednesday Morning Bible Study is taking next week, November 24th, off in order to have more time to prepare for the holiday. The Wednesday Morning Bible Study, facilitated by Adriana Findlay, meets every Wednesday at 11am; currently, it's still on Zoom. The Bible Study looks at one of the lessons for the upcoming Sunday. If you'd like more info, e-mail [Adriana](#).

Advent Activity Kits



To help celebrate the season of Advent, our Director of Children's Ministries Karen Van Winkle has created take-home kits of Advent activities. The kits will be available for pickup this Sunday, November 21st, in the Parish Hall so families can have them before Advent begins the following Sunday. There is still time to [sign up](#) if you would like one. The kits include the four candles you need to make an Advent wreath, a short devotional for the Sundays in Advent, and crafts and activities for the young and young at heart. You don't have to be under 18 to enjoy these, and families without children are welcome to sign up for one as well. Each kit will contain one set of candles per household, but you may want multiple copies of the activities for each member of the household or to share with friends or grandchildren

Graham Breck Retires from Vestry

Graham Breck has regretfully decided to retire from the vestry, for health reasons (don't worry, he's ok!); the vestry has with great regret accepted his resignation. Many thanks to Graham, who has served on the vestry here three times, two of them since Fr. Todd started nine years ago; give him a high five when you see him on Sunday. At its December meeting, the vestry will appoint someone to complete the remaining year of Graham's term.

Christmas Around Town

Our annual Christmas Around Town outreach project is starting up! We will again be supplying and staffing the Women's Shop, full of gifts for our neighbors in need. The event itself is on Saturday, December 11th, and we'll need volunteers to staff our store; we'll have a sign-up for that soon. We also need folks to help sort and price items in storage at the Freebergs' barn in the weeks leading up to the event. You can sign-up to volunteer by clicking [here](#).

If you aren't able to volunteer time, you can still help out by helping us stock the store with gifts. We've been tracking over the years the most popular gifts in our store; you can find a shopping list [here](#) or on the table under the tree in the Parish Hall on Sunday mornings. You can drop items off at the church office, in the Parish Hall on Sundays, or, if you order online, have them shipped directly to the church. If, like Fr. Todd, you don't enjoy shopping, you can make a donation to the church – mark it Christmas Around Town – and we will do the shopping for you. Please get the gifts in by December 5th. If you have any questions or would like more info, [e-mail Janice](#) or give her a call (916.768.5100).

Music Notes ~ A Magisterial Work Based on Handel

The week's postlude is "Toccatà" by Georgi Mushel (1909-1989). Mushel taught composition at the Conservatory of Tashkent in Uzbekistan (Central Asia). In addition to being a musician, Mushel was an avid painter who took inspiration from his surroundings. He explored recreating picturesque scenes in his music, such as "Samarkand Suite." "Toccatà" is the final movement taken from Mushel's "Uzbekistan Suite." Not counting the break before the final repetition of the opening material, Mushel's piece could be considered a kind of piece with *perpetuum mobile* (perpetual motion) throughout. Perpetual motion works often feature a specific note value repeated from beginning to end, for example, repeated eighth notes. While there isn't specifically one note value that is repeated in every measure, Mushel's piece has an insistent and relentless rhythmic drive at a rapid tempo from beginning to end. ~ Dr. Brett Judson, Director of Music

Old Hymnals & Prayer Books Available for You

We recently replaced some old hymnals and prayer books that had seen quite a bit of use over the years and were looking pretty beat up. While they might not be looking their Sunday best to serve in the pews any longer, if you need or want a hymnal or prayer book at home, you are welcome to the ones we took out of the church. They're in the Parish Hall on the table by the glass doors, and you can get one on Sunday mornings.

New Altar Guild Officers

At the fall Altar Guild meeting, members approved a reorganization of the Guild that included the single leadership position being split into four positions, reflecting the increasing complexity of the Altar Guild's work as the parish continues to grow. At our pre-Advent meeting last Saturday, Fr. Todd appointed the new officers, to serve three-year terms beginning in January of 2022. Carol Perek is the Altar Guild Director; Judy Utter is the Assistant Director; Deb Hickey is the Secretary; and Louise Carlsen-Curtis is the Treasurer. Thank you for your willingness to serve, and we are especially thankful for the service of Louise Carlsen-Curtis, who has served faithfully as the Director of the Altar Guild for many years.

Flower Dedications for Christmas

It's never too early to put in your flower dedications! Christmas is fast approaching, and the Flower Guild will be going all out after we go through Advent without any altar flowers. The suggested donation to make a dedication is \$75 (due to the pandemic, the price of flowers increased dramatically), but if that's out of your range, give what you can

and it's fine. If you would like to make a dedication for the Christmas altar flowers, e-mail [Barbara](#).

Spotlight on Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers maintain strict standards of confidentiality. They are not permitted to share their care receivers' names or other information, or what happens during caring visits. They can neither confirm nor deny that they are someone's Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministers always seek their care receivers' permission to share any information needed to provide additional caregiving resources. When Stephen Ministers meet for mutual support in their confidential small groups, they avoid identifying details and provide only enough information to describe the context in which they are providing care. If someone's safety is at risk, a Stephen Minister may widen the circle of confidentiality to appropriate additional helpers, but normally, even if information is public knowledge, Stephen Ministers treat it confidentially. Stephen Ministers know that they must be trustworthy so that their care receivers can share what they need to for healing. If you would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry, contact [Mtr. Anne](#) or [Dr. Brett Judson](#).

Burials in the Churchyard

On the western side of the churchyard, in front of the short wall that says "I am Resurrection and I am Life," is an area in which we bury cremains. You do not need to be a member of the parish to be buried there, and there is no charge other than the cost of the memorial name plaque mounted inside of the church (whatever the foundry charges us to cast it, usually around \$125). Junior Warden Judy Pinney and our resident design guru Paula Davis are in the process of giving the area an overhaul to freshen it up and to expand the area in which cremains can be buried as it has become a more popular option. If you're interested in being buried at the church, make sure you include those instructions in your will/estate planning and tell your next of kin what you want. If you have any questions about being buried in the churchyard or would like some more information, e-mail [Fr. Todd](#).

Organ Fund

Our organ is very old and its maintenance (repair and replacement) needs are increasing rapidly, to the point of it not making much sense for us to pour so much money into it when we really need to buy a new one. We haven't started shopping yet, but we know from other churches' recent purchases that we're probably looking at \$150,000, give or take. Our organ isn't dead yet, but we are beginning to plan to replace it. As part of that planning, we've created a savings fund so that we'll have the money to replace it in the very near future. The vestry has designated the loose plate offering (donations that aren't

part of pledges) on Christmas Eve to go to the Organ Fund, and if you find yourself with a little extra as you consider your end-of-year charitable giving, the Organ Fund is already open and receiving gifts. If you have questions or want more information, contact [Fr. Todd](#).

Trinity Wednesdays

No Trinity Wednesdays next week – you have the night off to prepare for the holiday and to attend the Thanksgiving Ever Eucharist at 7pm!

Word of the Week

Our word of the week is [paten](#). While, as the glossary definition says, it is ideal for the paten to be large enough to hold all the wafers that will be distributed, this is not practical for larger parishes like ours, so we consecrate as many as we can on the paten, and then move them to the corporal and return to the altar to refill the paten as needed during Communion.

Online Offerings

We broadcast the 9am and 11:15am Sunday morning services [here](#).

You can find the 9am Sunday bulletin [here](#).

You can find the 11:15am Sunday bulletin [here](#).

There's a coloring sheet for children (or adults!) based on the Sunday lessons that you can print out at home [here](#). If you can't print at home, e-mail [Karen Van Winkle](#) and she will print a few weeks' worth and mail them to you.

We say Compline on Wednesdays at 8pm [here](#).

You can find the Compline bulletin [here](#).

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