



Trinity Tidings

November 26, 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](#). The lesson for next Wednesday is Malachi 3:1-4.

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](#).

Sunday School

No Sunday School for children or for adults this Sunday. We'll be back next Sunday, December 5th!

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

Sensory Kits Are Back!

The sensory kits for children and others with special needs are back in the narthex and available to pick up for use during worship. They contain a variety of items that can help calm someone in overstimulating situations. You can find them in the narthex, and if you don't see them, just ask an usher and they will get one for you.

Sunday Handicrafts

The Sunday evening handicrafts group will gather to knit, crochet, and chat at 5:30pm on Sunday, November 28th, in the Annex (802 Mormon St). All are welcome!

Trinity Trekkers

Trinity Trekkers will walk on Friday, December 3rd, at 9am. We'll be walking the Miners Ravine Trail in Roseville; parking is available at East Roseville Pkwy and Orvietto Drive; heading north on East Roseville, turn right onto Orvietto and the trail parking area is on the left. Everyone is welcome, including kids in strollers and dogs on leashes. For more info, e-mail [Mtr. Anne](#).

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).

Notes from the Vestry

Your vestry met last week, and I'm pleased to report to you that our finances continue to be favorable; we are comfortably "in the black" for fiscal 2021, and we eagerly anticipate the final pledge totals so we can finalize the 2022 budget. We are so grateful for your support of Trinity Folsom; your sharing of your time, talents, and let's face it - your pledges - have helped Trinity Folsom to serve this community, not just on Sundays but on all days, during a time when so many have needed a way to connect.

In our meeting we heard from Jr. Warden Judy Pinney, who has worked tirelessly to keep our refreshed campus beautiful; we also heard reports from Trinity Thrift Shop, which reawakened after the pandemic with a roar. We also heard a report from the Finance Committee, which recently reviewed Trinity's budget and capital financing, and has recommended the formation of a compensation committee to ensure that we do what we can to carefully and properly compensate Fr. Todd and the Trinity team.

We're on the cusp of the frenzy of Advent, and things are likely to get pretty hectic around here. I pray you and your families are safe and healthy this holiday season, and you will continue to keep your Trinity family safe and healthy as well: wear a mask, respect folks' personal space, and if you're under the weather, consider participating in Sunday services online. I dislike wearing a mask as much as the next person (I don't like it when my glasses fog up!), but I know there are many in our parish family for whom coming to church on Sunday is their single calculated risk of the week - those battling cancer, the not-yet-vaccinated, and others otherwise immunocompromised - and they depend on us and trust us to help keep them safe. Thank you for your compassion. ~ Tovi Abello, Sr. Warden

Trinity Wednesdays

Trinity Wednesdays is reading Anne Lamott's *Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith*. For the 1st, read chapter four, "Kids, Some Sick." Questions to guide your reading and reflecting are [here](#).

We'll meet on Zoom at 5pm, and in person in the Parish Hall at 6pm. For the Zoom link, click [here](#).

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](#).

Flu Shots & Covid Boosters

I've found David Leonhardt's "The Morning" newsletter from the New York Times to be a very calm, reasonable voice to guide me in understanding the pandemic. On Monday, Leonhardt reminded us that the vaccines are "remarkably effective at turning Covid into a manageable illness that's less dangerous than some everyday activities," at least for people under 65 with no underlying conditions. But, he counseled, people over the age of 65, and particularly people over 80, and folks of any age with "specific vulnerabilities" (like immune disorders and transplant recipients) need to take special precautions. He wrote that "the most effective way to protect vulnerable people is through vaccination – not only of them but also of others who might infect them." The example he gave was children, for whom "Covid remains overwhelmingly mild," can infect adults for whom it can be severe and even fatal, and an unvaccinated child is more likely than a vaccinated child to infect others. He made a similar argument for booster shots for all adults, about which he previously has been a self-described skeptic. Younger adults "remain highly protected from severe illness" despite receiving two shots months ago, but their mild case can infect an older and more vulnerable adult who might become severely ill.

I encourage you, especially if you are older or medically vulnerable, to consider getting your Covid vaccine booster, and if you can, a flu shot, too. Several staff members have already gotten theirs, and others are scheduling theirs, and from our experiences, we recommend you make an appointment instead of showing up for your shot as a walk-in. If you aren't sure about what you need or what to expect or have any questions, talk to your doctor. If you don't have a doctor, e-mail me and I will help you answer your questions and connect you to a medical professional. If you need help finding a place to get a shot or navigating the technology to sign up, talk to me or to any of the parish staff and we'll be happy to help you. ~ Fr. Todd+

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.

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](#).

Word of the Week

Our word of the week is [pyx](#). We have pyxes for the communion kits we take with us when we go to celebrate the Eucharist in the hospital or in someone's home, and we also have some extra pyxes if we are taking the Reserved Sacrament from Sunday out to someone. However, none of ours are gold or silver like the glossary entry mentions!

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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