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# Trinity Tribune January 2019

# A new journey begins

As I write this, we are in the middle of the Christmas season, preparing for the New Year, and the season of Epiphany. It is a time of transition. It is a time of remembering the past year, a time to let go and a time to look forward. It is an exciting time and I look forward to doing those things together with you all.

For me, in these past months, I came to visit this church and met with the vestry and search committee and was amazed at the connection I felt with them almost immediately. Within a few days, I received a phone call from Benda Goings offering me the opportunity to serve this congregation. I was stunned at first at the speed of the decision, but I also felt the Holy Spirit was at work. Last week, I walked out of the high school where I have taught and coached for the last 7 years and said goodbye to my students and the wonderful faculty there. The hardest goodbye was congregation of Christ Episcopal Church in Pearisburg, Virginia, a tiny church at the foot of a mountain called

Angel's Rest. It is a congregation that raised me from deacon to priest. I fell in love with them and it was very hard to say goodbye. I also know that love is not finite, and I know that Trinity will be a place where my love will grow to encompass all of you. Your hospitality when my mother, my husband, and I came to visit on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> was so warm and open that it made me want to hurry to be with you, even as I savored the last moments with my old church. It is indeed a season of transition.

The first Sunday that we are together will be Epiphany and that seems fitting, it is the day that we celebrate the arrival of the Wisemen seeking Jesus. Ιt seems appropriate for this to be beginning, the day that we begin our journey together, as we are reminded of how three astrologers went in search of the Messiah. They weren't sure what they would find or how, but they trusted, and they had faith that if they followed the star together, they would find their savior.

That is the journey of faith and trust that we are on, and that I am looking forward to traveling with you.



The Rev. Sarah Carper Morris





**Stewardship Update:** We are truly grateful to all of you who continue to support Trinity's mission and ministry through your work, prayers and

offerings of time, talent and treasure. If you plan to pledge, but haven't filled out a card yet, we encourage you to do so. So far we have 40 households who have pledged for 2019 totaling \$141,228.00.



#### Knit One, Pray Too

Our Trinity prayer shawl ministry now has a new name. *Knit One, Pray, Too* captures the mission of this ministry, since that is what we do. The dedicated members of this group

knit, crochet, and pray over each lovely shawl or lap robe that they create. Each stitch is a prayer. Those prayers then go with the garment to someone who needs to feel God's love and our prayers surround them. We have teamed with this ministry at Holy Trinity Church in Greensboro to share ideas, patterns, and prayers. What a great way to send God's love out into the world! We welcome folks to join us in this ministry. If you don't know how to knit or crochet, we will teach you. Another way you can help is to take a shawl to anyone you add to our prayer list. Contact the church office or Denny Jennings (336.465.0112) for shawls or more information.



#### **Coffee Hour**

The new sign-up sheets have been posted for 2019. Let us all reach out to one another by participating in this act of hospitality.



**ECW** is collecting food items for North Surry High School's backpack program. The program assists in providing food to ensure that children have enough to eat when they're not in school. We send a bag of easy to prepare foods home with the kids on the weekends or school breaks. A list of

suggested items can be found in the Parish Hall. For more information please contact Tobi in the church office.



#### Altar Guild

The new booklet inserts for 2019 are in the sacristy. Be sure to pick up your copy if you are currently serving.



#### **Godly Play**

During the months of January through May Godly Play will focus on parables; the mysteries of Epiphany, Easter and Pentecost; and some famous people in the Bible. We invite all children ages 4-11 to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:20 for these exciting adventures.



#### Altar Flowers

The new sign up sheet is has been posted for 2019. Sign up to give flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one.



From information in the Parish Register of Trinity Episcopal Parish:

The design of the original church building of Trinity Mission was copied from a chapel in Oxford, England. Measuring approximately 20' x 50', the church was built from drawings prepared by Frank Woodruffe, youngest son of Thomas Woodruffe, Sr. Ivy was started on the outside walls from cuttings brought from England by Mr. Owen D. Boycott, an employee of the Woodruffes.

In November, 1896 The Rev. Horace W. Jones held his last services and on Sunday Night, December 21, The Rev. J. H. Williams held his first service. During the years 1897 and 1898 Rev. Williams continued to officiate on alternate Sunday nights and on Monday or Tuesday evenings. During 1899 he gave all of one Sunday each month to Trinity, and at the first of January 1900, the congregation called him for two entire Sundays of each month. On October 21, 1900 Bishop Joseph Blount Chesire consecrated the church building of Trinity Mission.

Denny Jennings is doing her good work on our Parish Registry. She pulled out these recollections which were recorded by Robert Merritt.

# 2019

Saturday	5	12	19	26		
Friday	4	11	13	25		
Thursday	3 8:30 am Staples Program	3.30 am Staples Program	17 8:30 am Staples Program	24. 8:30 am Staples Program	31 8:30 am Staples Program	
Wednesday	5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	9 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	16 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	23 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	30 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	
Tuesday	Н	9 am Medical Loan Closet	9 am Medical Loan Closet	9 am Medical Loan Closet	29 9 am Medical Loan Closet	
Monday		2	14	21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-Office Closed	28	
Sunday		6 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Godly Play 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	13. 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Godly Play 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	20 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Godly Play 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Godly Play 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	

# **January 2019 Schedule**

Date	Coffee Hour	Usher	Lector	Chalice Bearer	Flowers	Altar Guild	Godly Play
January 6 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sunday Brunch	Ted Ashby	Ann Cochrane Linda Light	Mike Wilson Wendy Tatman	Tatmans	Kate Appler	Brenda Goings
January 13 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Needed	Jill Borders	Vicky Town Gloria Lawrence	Mike Wilson Janet Herman	Volunteer Needed	Pam & Polly	Denny Jennings
January 20 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Needed	Lucinda Fallin	Vicky Town James Derrick	Mike Wilson Janet Sosnowski	Malmo Family	Pam & Polly	Janet Sosnowski
January 27 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Needed	Mary Fawcett	Ann Cochrane Sue Hidley	Mike Wilson Wendy Tatman	Volunteer Needed	Brooke Springthorpe	Wendy Tatman

#### MISSION TRIP REPEATED

#### **BACK TO BELIZE**

Last year I was blessed to be able to join the St. Luke's, Durham, group who sponsor an annual mission trip to San Pedro, Belize, in Central America. They are returning at the end of January and the first week in February and I am delighted to say I will again be joining them. Our primary goal is to help at the Holy Cross Anglican School which opened there in 2006 under the inspiration and direction of Frances and Vernon Wright, two missionaries from Virginia.



We are inviting your help to make this trip as meaningful as possible.

Please pray for our team as we travel and work with this community. Please pray for the students and teachers and their families as they struggle to learn and live in this very needy area.

My plan is to focus on tutoring students in reading, and also to help in the library.

#### Wendy Tatman

If you are interested in learning more—feel free to call me at 336-374-6828, or visit the school's website to see pictures and to read about what they are doing. <a href="http://holycrossbelize.org">http://holycrossbelize.org</a>

# Snapshots of Trinity





















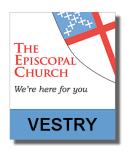


Many thanks to our Trinity Vestry for everything they do! We recently voted in 3 new members: Lucinda Fallin, Mary Fawcett and Macon Sammons. We have included a short bio and picture of each new member.



Hello! My name is Lucinda Wilmoth Fallin. I'm married to a supportive, loving husband, Gray Fallin. I have a step-daughter. Emma, and two sons, Wyatt & Xander. I am a baccalaureate registered nurse. I am currently a nurse educator with Mountain Valley Hospice & Palliative Care. I have been with Mountain Valley Hospice for 8.5 years. Before my current role, I worked as a

triage nurse for Mountain Valley Hospice and as a staff nurse at Northern Hospital of Surry County. I am beginning my second term of graduate school with Western Governors University focusing on Leadership & Management in Nursing. I have been a member of Trinity since the early 90s. As a child, I participated in the choir and served as an acolyte. Trinity has always been home to me. Many cherished memories have been made here throughout the years including my marriage and the baptism of my sons. I am honored to serve our church and congregation through my role as a vestry member. Thank you for this opportunity.





Mary Fawcett-I am not a cradle Episcopalian, but a "marriage" Episcopalian. I became an Episcopalian and a member of Trinity when I married my husband, Tom, 45 years ago. Our two daughters grew up, were married and their children ( our grandchildren) were baptized at Trinity. A few of my responsibilities over the years have included keeping the nursery, teaching Sunday School, serving as president of ECW, supervising the renovation of the kitchen and serving as chairman of the cookbook

committee for the 1st edition of Trinity Cooks. I presently serve on the Altar Guild, volunteer at the Staples program and co-chair Trinity Cooks. I am looking forward to serving on the Vestry. I am a retired educator having taught over 30 years in the Mount Airy City School System. Tom and I enjoy traveling, playing with our grandchildren and cheering for the UNC Tar Heels.



Macon Sammons-Candace and I have been members of Trinity Church since coming to Mt Airy in 2005. Past roles in the church have included vestry service, Junior Warden, investments committee and audit committee. My career

has been as a county and city manager, mostly in VA and NC. We have 3 children and 6 grandchildren in VA, TN and CA.

#### What is a Vestry?

The vestry is the legal representative of the parish with regard to all matters pertaining to its corporate property. The number of vestry members and the term of office varies from parish to parish. Vestry members are usually elected at the annual parish meeting. The presiding officer of the vestry is the rector. There are usually two wardens. The senior warden leads the parish between rectors and is a support person for the rector. The junior warden often has responsibility for church property and buildings. A treasurer and a secretary or clerk may be chosen. These officers may or may not be vestry members. The basic responsibilities of the vestry are to help define and articulate the mission of the congregation; to support the church's mission by word and deed, to select the rector, to ensure effective organization and planning, and to manage resources and finances.



#### The Work of Christmas

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To heal the broken,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among others,
To make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman

### **Trinity Prayer Concerns**

#### **Immediate Needs:**

Laura Jean Edwards
Mildred Edwards
Betty Hooven
Rob Jackson
Leroy Johnson
Kristin Leathers
Lyn Lewellyn
Clara MacGruder
Renee Morgan
Dick Olchak
Candace Sammons
Stan Smith
Bill Stinson
Vicky Town
Jerry Varn

**Long Term Needs:** 

Melissa Belcher Kristi Calton Joe Caravello Theresa Caravello Ron Doerschug Linda Doerschug Donna Fargo John Foltz Gatewood Family Chandra Harmon

James Hayes

Adam Hewko Linda Hicks Melva Houston **Kelly Jarvis** Allen Johnson James Johnson James Kemp Kale King David Kroupa **Butch Lancaster** Angelia Lawrence Wade Nichols Susan Olchak Rocks-Anne Paul Theresa Rizzo **Dave Robbins** Sheila Robbins Haley Selby Sid Spencer, Jr. Barbara Summerlin Lyn Stabler-Tippett Ellie Strohl Marie Taylor Malik Torrence **Betty Town** Tom Wilmoth Wayne Wilmouth

Jack Woltz Hope Zimmerman

#### **Healing Rites Offered**

Laying on of hands and anointing will be offered at the altar at each service. To participate please remain at the altar rail after receiving Holy Communion.

#### Please pray for our Trinity family in the Armed Services of our country:

Kyle Crump, Kevin Hill, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, John Nichols, Robert Poole, Terry Stone

If you have placed a name on the prayer list and feel it is time to take it off, please call Tobi in the church office.



#### How to let us know of your prayer concerns:

Call the church office at 336-786-6067 or email us at info@trinitymtairy.com



## January Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### **Birthdays**

1<sup>st</sup> Margie Martin

5<sup>th</sup> Jay Vaughn

6<sup>th</sup> Richard Stiefel

7<sup>th</sup> Tom Fawcett

7<sup>th</sup> John Springthorpe, Jr.

10<sup>th</sup> Karen Springthorpe

12th Wyatt Fallin

14th Jim Wuenscher

19<sup>th</sup> Gary Cook

21st Brett Rogers

22<sup>nd</sup> Jake Mayer

23<sup>rd</sup> Ellie Strohl

27th Page Woltz

28th Mary Fawcett

29th Polly Gross

#### **Anniversaries**

1st Tom & Pam Dickenson



#### **Birthday Blessings**

You may come forward for a birthday blessing during any of our services. It is our custom to put one penny (-or dollar!) in the birthday bank for each year of your life.

The funds go to support our Staples Food Ministry.

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