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Celebrate Good Times-Come on!!!



Some of you will recognize the title from the Kool and the Gang song in 1980. But that is how it feels as we get ready to start another year.

I love this back to school time of year even though I'm no longer teaching. When I was teaching, I could feel the excitement in the air of new freshmen beginning high school and those students who would now be seniors. Everyone was thinking about what outfit they would wear on the first day of school, who their teachers would be, and what would lie ahead for the year. At church, I feel the same way as the "program" year which begins in the fall. We have a group of dedicated teachers for our children and if you're interested in being a part of that, we will be happy to train you. If you have ideas for an adult class, please let me know that as well.

This year, we will have the Blessing of the Backpacks on August 11 when we will ask God's blessing on our children as they begin a new school year. On September 8th, the Sunday after Labor Day, we will have a "Kick Off Day" with a lunch and games after church. The following Sunday, September 15th we will begin both Godly Play for our children and I will teach a class for adults at 9:30.

This is a time of excitement and new beginnings at Trinity as we continue to learn, worship, and serve our Lord. So please join us and bring your friends as we Celebrate Good Times – Come On!!!





Hosts Needed

Coffee Hour hosts are needed. We provide the coffee if you'll provide a light snack. Sign-up sheets are located in the Parish Hall.



Book Group

Our book study group will resume in September on Wednesday the 11th from 10:30-12 in the parish hall.

The book we have chosen for this next series is **The Book of Joy**, by the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, with Douglas Abrams. Quoting from the book jacket, "In April 2015, Archbishop Tutu traveled to the Dalai Lama's home in Dharamsala, India, to celebrate His Holiness's 80th birthday and to create what they hoped would be a gift for others. They looked back on their long lives to answer a single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering?"

If you have questions or comments, please email Wendy Tatman at wbtatman@yahoo.com. Please do not leave any phone messages, as I won't get them. May your summer be joyful!



We are continuing a Bible Study that will meet with a potluck supper at someone's home. For the month of

August we will meet at Ginny Gilbert's home on August 6th and at Ann Vaughn's home on August 27th. For more information contact the church office.

Walk to End Alzheimer's Sept. 7, 2019 at Riverside Park



Join Team Trinity in the Mount Airy Walk to End Alzheimer's! See Margie Martin for info. on registering for the walk and/or donating. Team Trinity's goal is \$500; we can surely exceed that with your help!

Contact Margie Martin at 336-755-3242 or cmartin119@triad.rr.com.



Keep In Touch! Ward & Ana Hooker are moving to Tennessee. Their new address is 401 S. Gallagher View Unit # 123 Knoxville, TN 37917.



Knit One, Pray Too

On the third Thursday of each month, several crafters get together to share their progress on prayers shawls, lap afghans, and prayer squares. While we meet once a month, this ministry carries on as the knitters and crocheters work on their gifts. Please join us as we share patterns, prayers, and processes for making these blessed items. The August meeting will be Thursday, August 15 at 2:00 in the parish hall. Contact Denny Jennings (drdjennings5952@gmail.com) for further information.



We will have a Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 11th during the Sunday morning worship services. Kids bring your backpacks for a special blessing for the upcoming school year.



Godly Play Needs You

Godly Play is a time to share sacred stories, parables, and church liturgy with children ages 4-5th grade. We meet at 9:15 on Sunday mornings, between the two church services, to have some time to help our children know God and our church better. It is more than Sunday School; it is a Christian formation opportunity.

Godly Play will resume on September 1, and we need more leaders. You can help by volunteering to teach Godly Play lessons. The materials and script are already prepared for you, and you can choose which Sundays you want to teach. Contact Denny Jennings (drdjennings5952@gmail.com) for more information and to volunteer. Make a difference by leading our children.



Please mark your calendars now for the 2019 Autumn Leaves Festival on October 11-13. It is an amazing opportunity to get to know other parishioners as you work with them, to open Trinity's doors to local musicians and all our neighbors so they can get to know us as a church, and to raise some money for Trinity's various outreach programs as we solicit donations for parking spots, baked goods, cookbooks, water, etc. As you can see, we will need bakers, greeters, parking lot monitors, musicians, and lots of help setting up and then cleaning up. Please put this on your calendar now! Thank you!!



What's That?

Narthex

An entry space, foyer, or anteroom of a church between the door and the nave. The term is from the Greek for a "small case." Historically, the narthex was an enclosed vestibule or porch of a basilica. Catechumens and penitents stood in the narthex during the service. It also may serve as a place for the gathering and formation of processions and a place for people to wait before services begin. At Trinity, our narthex is the area just inside the red doors and before you enter the sanctuary or nave.



You are a member of a Trinity Flock!

It has been a while since our church has updated our roll and our directory. Since we are now in the process of getting everyone's information up to date, we want to explain about your "flock". Every Trinity Vestry member has a short list of members and families with whom he/she will keep up. Whether it is a "Happy Birthday", a family need or Parish news, everyone will soon here from a Vestry person who will keep in touch with you. Also, you may call on this person with questions or requests.

Some of you already know your Vestry representative, but if you don't, be on the lookout for a word!



The Journey of a Prayer Shawl

It all begins with a skein of yarn – those prayer shawls, lap afghans, and prayer squares that you hear so much about. The color, texture, and pattern are chosen carefully as they speak to the crafter and say, "Make me a blessing." Most of the time, there is no particular recipient in the mind of the crafter, only someone who needs prayers and a physical sign that someone loves them. Thus begins the piece.

As the crafter begins the shawl, s/he prays. "Guide my hands, O Lord, that this shawl may be a blessing to someone who needs you close beside them." Prayers continue as the yarn craft grows, weaving into every stitch the hope that God will remain close to the recipient and grant them comfort and peace.

The finished piece is shared at a Knit One, Pray, Too meeting. Often other crafters "oh" and "ah" over the beauty of the piece, but the real beauty is in its making, in the prayers entwined in each thread and stitch. This is the blessing of a gift, both to the giver and to the recipient. We may not know to whom our creation will go, but we know that God's blessing goes with it and that we are blessed for having created it.

When you see the Blessing Basket on the front pew of the church, give thanks that God's love can go to others who are so in need. As you go up to Communion, place your hand on the basket and add your prayers for comfort and peace to those of the crafter. With this you help to send God's love and our prayers out into the world to those in need. With this you praise God and further his work in our world.



News from The Closet*

The *Closet is going into warp speed! Our 6 month total for this year is 165 clients; that's a 60% increase over last year!



We are getting ready to expand our storage capabilities by installing a storage building on the Jones School property. Thanks to Bruce Strohl, working with Leonard's, we have purchased a 12x24 unit. Students from Mount Airy High School are going to help move equipment into the new unit.

Bill Noble spoke to the congregation at Grace Moravian Church recently. The result was more volunteers to help at The Closet. We now have volunteers from two Mount Airy churches: Don and Donna Eash from St. Andrew's Lutheran Church and Ellen Adkinson and Allison Hemrick from Grace Moravian Church. Nancy McBride and B.J. Elmore are two more new volunteers; Nancy is going to update The Closet's Facebook page and B.J. comes in to clean equipment as her schedule permits. With additional volunteers we could open The Closet a second day each week.

*Lyn♥s Medical Loan Closet needs you not 24/7 but 2/730!! That's only 2 hours out of a month's worth of hours! Any volunteers?

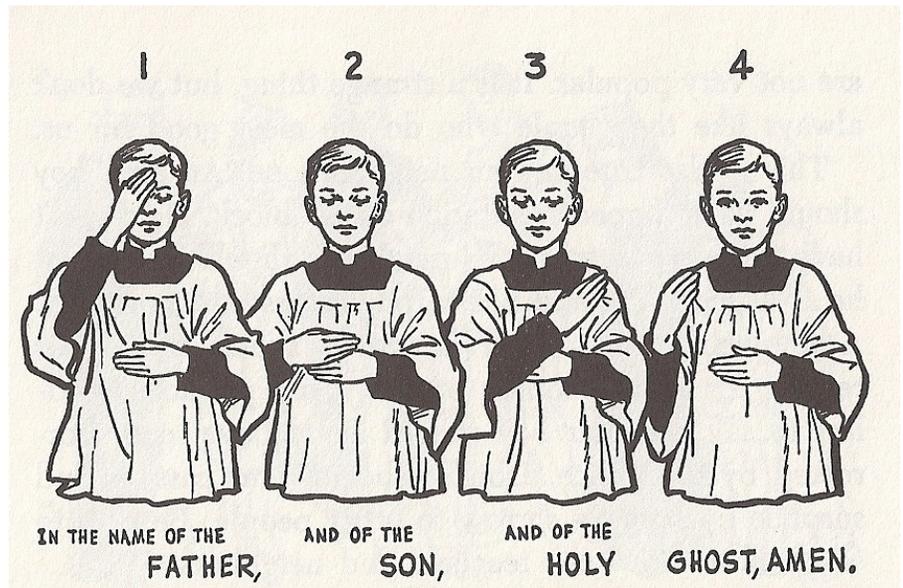
The Closet is open every Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. with Trinity volunteers: Pam Dickenson, Martha Marcum, Margie Martin, Gloria Lawrence, Marilyn Lamm, Linda Michaels, Bill and Janet Noble. It would be ideal to have three volunteers for each two hour shift.

Why do we do that?

Making the Sign of the Cross

Making the sign of the cross is a common practice, yet optional within the Episcopal Church.

The sign of the cross is an ancient Christian gesture was originally used as a mark of identification as Christians. It was probably first used at baptism on the foreheads of those being baptized to mark them as "Christ's own forever" ([Book of Common Prayer](#), "Holy Baptism," p. 308). It still has that significance today, and in the baptismal service, the Prayer Book directs the priest to mark



the baptized one with the sign of the cross. However, over the centuries other meanings have been attached to the sign.

Making the sign of the cross is a physical way of expressing the love of Jesus on the Cross for us. It's done in the Western Christian tradition by taking the fingers of the right hand and touching, in order, forehead, chest, left shoulder, right shoulder, and (optional) chest again.

You can cross yourself whenever the priest crosses himself or herself, and when he or she blesses you after the Confession (BCP 360) signifying the forgiveness of your sins by making the sign of the cross over you, or at the Blessing at the end of the service. This is a physical way to acknowledge the blessing.

In the Eucharist, you may see people making the sign of the cross at the Benedictus ("Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."); at the mention of the resurrection of the dead in the Creed; and at the conclusion of the Gloria in Excelsis.

When the Gospel is proclaimed, it is also the custom to make a little cross gesture with just your right thumb over your forehead, your lips, and your heart (signifying that you believe the gospel in your mind, will proclaim it with your mouth, and love it with your whole heart).

There are a few places where you might want to make the sign of the cross when the priest doesn't; notably when you receive Communion, after a silent prayer, as an acknowledgement of the Holy Trinity, or as a reminder of one's baptism, thereby reminding the person that he/she is indeed a Christian.

August Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Cookies/Lemonade Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Usher</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Chalice Bearer</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Godly Play</i>
August 4 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Nancy Taylor Ginny Gilbert	Margie Martin	Ann Cochran Sue Hidley	Mike Wilson Janet Sos.	Nancy Taylor	Mary Fawcett	Summer Break
August 11 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Marilyn Lamm Margie, Martha & Pam	Bruce Strohl	Ann Cochran Gloria Lawrence	Mike Wilson Linda Light	Polly Gross	Martha Marcum	Summer Break
August 18 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Theresa Gray Volunteer Needed	Lucinda Fallin	Vicky Town Bill Pendleton	Mike Wilson Janet Sos.	Theresa Gray	Vicky Town	Summer Break
August 25 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Ann Cochran Volunteer Needed	Mary Fawcett	Ann Cochran Ann Vaughn	Vicky Town Linda Light	Brenda Goings	Margie Martin	Summer Break



History Tidbits – Our Church in 1952

By 1952 Trinity Mission was a vibrant church. The Mission Committee and a newly-formed Altar Guild met monthly. The Women's Auxiliary continued its regular meetings, the Sunday School expanded, and there was a small choir. The church basement was waterproofed and plumbing, new overhead lights, new Sunday School equipment, and a curtain dividing the space into Sunday School rooms were installed. A bulletin board was provided for the front of the church. Regular eleven o'clock services were held, preceded by an opening family service and Sunday School classes for adults (led by Mrs. Frank Sydnor) and children (Mrs. H. C. Jackson, superintendent). Holy Communion was celebrated the first Sunday of each month.

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Matthew 5:16

¹⁶ ... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	5	6 9 am Medical Loan Closet 6 pm Backyard Bible Study-Ginny Gilbert	7 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	8 8:30 am Staples	9	10
11 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	12	13 9 am Medical Loan Closet	14 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	15 8:30 am Staples	16	17
18 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	19	20 9 am Medical Loan Closet	21 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	22 8:30 am Staples	23	24
25 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	26	27 9 am Medical Loan Closet 6 pm Backyard Bible Study-Ann Vaughn	28 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	29 8:30 am Staples	30	31

Trinity Prayer Concerns

Immediate Needs:

Annie Tayloe
Richard Allen
Shayne Bell
Wayne Burton
Mazie Chilton
Gary Cook
Kat Cook
Jim Couture
Richard Croom
Anthony Dalessio
Gerry Dickenson
Mildred Edwards
Xander Fallin
Roger Follett
Marcus Ford
Whitney Hall
Raydan Hawks
Janet Herman
John Hidley
Betty Hooven
Charlotte Jackson
Leroy Johnson
Larry Keesler
Carrie Krahn
Kristin Leathers
Susannah Lewis Marais
Renee Morgan
Donna Nichols
Dick Olchak
Darryl Quesenberry
Richard Raffo
Bobby Scales
Bill Stinson
Bruce Strohl
Tana Sturgeon
Vicky Town
Jerry Varn
Edna Wirick
Betty Wright

Long Term Needs:

Melissa Belcher
Kristi Calton
Theresa Caravello
Richard Dalessio
Ron Doerschug
Linda Doerschug
Donna Fargo
John Foltz
Gatewood Family
Charles Gunter
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
Will Merritt
Wade Nichols
Susan Olchak
Rocks-Anne Paul
Theresa Rizzo
Candace Sammons
Haley Selby
Stan Smith
Sid Spencer, Jr.
Barbara Summerlin
Lyn Stabler-Tippett
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



How to let us know of your prayer concerns:

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





Congratulations!

PFC Wesley Frye graduated from Parris Island bootcamp on August 2.

He will attend SOI (School of Infantry) at Camp Geiger for 9 weeks before returning to UNCW in January 2020 as a Junior.

Wesley is the son of James & Rebecca Derrick.

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

3rd Mark Appler
4th Sue Hidley
8th Nancy Taylor
9th Jennifer Green
9th Jim Tatman
12th Ginny Gilbert
12th Ruth Marion
14th Harrison Appler
19th Sam Mason
19th Ned Michaels
20th Ted Ashby
23rd Pam Harrill
24th Ann Griggs
27th Callan Frye
29th Anna Goings Furr



Anniversaries

4th Sid & Miki Spencer

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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