# TRINITY TIDINGS FEBRUARY, 2019

Dear Friends,

Epiphany is the season when we focus on the shining of the light of Christ upon the world. The Sunday Gospels for February are especially appropriate for Holy Trinity in light of the fact that we are in transition between rectors.

The Gospel for February 3, Luke 4:21-30, presents Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth where he enlightens the people on the scriptures. They are amazed at, and very receptive to, his teaching until he pivots to criticize their past lack of fidelity to God's ways. His honest assessment of them is not welcomed. This Gospel reminds us that it is important to pay attention to our shortcomings as well as our strengths so that we can grow into our full potential. At Holy Trinity some aspects of our mission and ministry require attention and renewal, even as we celebrate our strengths.

The following Sunday, Luke 5:1-11 describes the miraculous catch of fish by the disciples. Following this abundant catch Jesus tells them that, from then on, they will be catching people. Considering the great number of fish they have caught, it seems likely that the catch of people will be astonishing also. Is this what is in Holy Trinity's future? And, if so, how is it going to happen? This Gospel might stimulate our creative thinking and planning as to what must begin to happen here, beginning now and moving forward.

On February 17th, Luke 6:17-26 has Jesus speaking to the crowds and healing many people. They feel his power. Then Jesus reveals something about the grace involved in touching and healing other people. He says, in a series of beatitudes and warnings, that true power comes through a humble spirit. The magnitude of God's grace visible in our Church will be in direct proportion to the depth of our humility.

Luke 6:27-38, read on the last Sunday of February, amplifies the previous Sunday's teaching by urging us to be unreserved in our love and forgiveness. Jesus here says that we should not judge others. We should always try to be kind to each other. If we hope to attract loving, kind, non-judging people to come into this community, we must first be loving, kind and non-judgmental. Jesus closes this Gospel by saying, "For the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

These are four Epiphany Gospels for us to consider during this time of our transition, this season of our becoming. In a sense, they are the light of Christ showing us the way.

In God's love,

Robert S. Taylor

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Holy Trinity is called to be a witness of God's love to the people of our community and to the world through our open minds and our open hearts. All persons are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. We are a community on a spiritual journey, seeking to grow in faith and service through our worship, education, and outreach programs.



# **FEBRUARY**

If your name has inadvertently been omitted from this list, please call the Church Office and accept our apologies.

# **BIRTHDAY LIST**

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Elizabeth Donn

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**Courtney Lambert** 

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Kirsten Tenore

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Eileen Brown

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**Diane Simmons** 

**Cindy Nehemias** 

**Kelly Vives** 

Mei Lin O'Malley

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Tim Hulett

10

John Deese

11

George Mackey

**Tim Prescott** 

Craig Evans

12

Deidre McGurk

Joe Heilner

13

Barb Alker

**Julian Davies** 

14

Chaunce Wallace

**Berkley Forbes** 

14

Fran Coopersmith

15

Connie Matuszak

21

John Proctor

Sammy Luttier

23

**Rose Walton** 

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**Arnold Merriam** 

Ed Mallen

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Janet Blackford

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Steve Warner







On Sunday, February 3rd, we will observe "Souper Bowl Sunday." This day will be dedicated to the memory of Canon Hap Lewis, We will be collecting loose change, bills or checks. Please place your donation in the "Souper Bowl" as you come to communion. All proceeds will benefit the St. George's Feeding Program.

Please make checks payable to St. George's Center, INC

# **FEBRUARY DUTY ROSTER**

#### If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute

SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 3	FEBRUARY 10	FEBRUARY 17	FEBRUARY 24
LECTORS	8:00am-SJones*  10:00am-JRichards*  BJeffers, PLong	8:00am-MMcCampbell* 10:00am-LWarner, ELee*, SHammell	8:00am-JLansing* 10:00am-NLordi, BForbes, BWeaver*	8:00am-CWilson* 10:00am-MRovinelli, NKjos, BHadsell*
CHALISTS	8:00am-SJones, ADean 10:00am-BJeffers, KDrew, JKjos	8:00-MMcCampbell, CDorsey 10:00am-LWarner, ELee, SAdams	8:00am-JLansing, DVarella 10:00am-BWeaver, NLordi, TBrown	8:00am-MMcCampbell CDorsey 10:00am-LNahom, PO'Brien, MRovinelli
ACOLYTES	NKjos, CeJette, CDickens, KJette, CaJette Parent Helper:Jette	Kadams, LAdams, LNahom, GCannon, LCannon Parent Helper:Cannnon	TO'Malley, ABonaccorsi, THadsell, ABurnett, EHeilner Parent Helper: Burnett	MaNahom, MeNahom, TDickens, NVives, LVives Parent Helper:Vives
GREETERS	8:00am-BGuthrie,PFiore 10:00am-KCarrol, BCramer, TDickens	8:00am-RBuck,ADean 10:00am-JSturgis, KDrew	8:00am-MJohnston, BWalton 10:00am-JSlater	8:00am-CWilson, EKinsella 10:00am-MBell ,EBrown, JMaddaford, LWarner
TELLERS	TEAM I	TEAM II	TEAM III	TEAM IV
COFFEE HOUR	8:00am-CMacon, JBeach	8:00am-RWalton	8:00am-CWilson	8:00AM
USHERS	TEAM I	TEAM II	TEAM III	TEAM IV

## **NEWCOMER SCHEDULE**

Newcomer Brunch Feb. 3, 2019 9:00 AM Parish Hall

Parish Newcomer Reception (To be Announced))



### **Lost Sheep Word Search**

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be right to left, up and down, or diagonally.

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#### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

A word of explanation from Bob Taylor:

People who attended Holy Trinity's Christmas Eve celebration of the Holy Eucharist will recall spectacular music and uplifting liturgy! Attendees may also remember a somewhat confusing presentation of the story of the book of Jesus Christ, chanted by Imam Zaher of the Muslim community at Masjid Al Tawad. Though we had been told that Imam Zahir wished to give a two minute greeting from his community to ours on this most holy occasion, his presentation turned out to be lengthy and not well received by people in attendance. Recognizing this good intention gone awry, Ted Brownstein, a leader in our local interfaith community who arranged the intended greeting with us, sent us the following letter:

#### Dear Friends:

Please accept my apologies. The Christmas Eve Service at Holy Trinity was spiritually rich, the music, the celebration were spectacular and I always enjoy attending.

After hearing feedback from several attendees regarding the Muslim participation in the program, I wanted to share my deep disappointment at the way things worked out on several levels. While Imam Zaher's intent was to enrich the Christmas spirit and celebration, by sharing about the Virgin Mary and Birth of Christ from his faith tradition, the message was not well conveyed and the impact on those in attendance whom I have spoken with was quite the opposite of the intent to express Good Will to All. I'm imagining that you have also heard similar feedback. Even the saving of seats in the front was quite awkward for me and something I would not feel comfortable doing again. Also interfaith sharing is probably best left for defined interfaith spaces. Certainly this was a learning experience for me. Please feel free to email me back and to share your thoughts! I hope to be fully in listening and learning mode. Interfaith / intercultural work can be quite the challenge at times. Again please accept my apologies.

Deepest thanks for your welcome, the spirit of love shown and the beautiful gift of a memorable Christmas Eve.

Peace and Joy in 2019,

Ted Brownstein



#### FEBRUARY ADULT FORUMS

February 3rd The Good Samaritan

February 10th The Prodigal Son

February 17th The Two Debtors

February 24th The Search Committee Update

#### FEBRUARY OUTREACH PROJECT

The hunger statistics in Palm Beach County are hard to believe. Nearly 190,000 residents —including 53,630 children—live in households that struggle with hunger. A filling dinner...a healthy lunch...a good breakfast to start the day—these should all be commonplace for all kids, but unfortunately they're not.

While it might seem like there's not much you can do on your own, as a group we can do some pretty powerful work when we all come together for a food drive. For instance, according to United States Department of Agriculture stats, every 300 pounds of food makes 250 meals possible! Since an average can of food weighs one pound, we can quickly make a big impact.

For the month of February we will be collecting food for **Highland Elementary School** in Lake Worth. Highland is a Title 1 School, and 94% of the students qualify for free or reduced lunch. The total school population is 1,086 so that means that 1,021 kids qualify for the program.

The Free Lunch Program has been providing nutritionally balanced lunches to children at no cost since 1946. Families who meet the income eligibility requirements can apply through their children's school to receive free meals. The program ensures that students who may otherwise not have access to a nutritious meal are fed during the school day. This helps students remain focused and productive in school. Moreover, the lunches help students meet their basic nutritional requirements when their families may not be able to consistently provide a balanced and varied diet.

Food collected in our drive will be a supplement to the school food pantry so families will have access to food on the weekends.



We did it once before so let's do it again.

#### **LET'S STUFF THE BUS!**

#### NONPERISHABLE FOODS TO BE DONATED

Cereal rice and beans

Pasta and pasta sauce soup

Canned fruit and vegetable peanut butter and jelly

Canned meat and tuna honey

Shelf stable milk canned beef stew

The Bus is located in the Outreach area of the Gift shop hallway.

Questions? Call Jim or Barbara Richardson @ 493-2923

#### The Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach

There will be a performance at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Thursday, February 7th.

Piano Trio: Michael Brown, Nicholas Canellakis and Elena Uriast 6:00pm Reception / 7:00pm Concert

Tickets - \$75 / \$50. Concert only

Call: 561-379-6773

**Get Tickets Now** 



# CHURCH SCHOOL GODLY PLAY TOPICS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February 3rd ----- Parable of the Leaven

February 10th----- Parable of the Mustard Seed

February 17th----- Parable of the Deep Well

February 24th----- Making Silence



#### **NONAGENARIAN NOOK**

#### **ROSE WALTON**

LaRosa 'Rose' Walton turns 90 on the 23rd of this month. Born in Georgia, she came to live in Florida at age 4. She attended what is now the School of the Arts from grade 1-12. She attended Queens College for two years and then graduated from Florida State with a degree in Business. During those years she was a member of Wagg Memorial Methodist Church. When she married Bill Walton, after he returned from serving in the Navy, she transferred to Holy Trinity. She has been a member here for 62 years. Her three sons grew up

attending HT. She has four grandchildren and four and 8/9 great grandchildren. Her son, Jim Walton and wife Beth Walton, are also members of Holy Trinity.

In her years at Holy Trinity, she and her sister in law, JoJo Walton, were in charge of the Time and Talent outreach program for the elderly. It met every Monday from October through May. They provided a program and dessert and coffee for the attendees each week. These programs were well attended and provided a meaningful service.

She was president of the ECW and served on the board of the Bishop Gray Inn at Davenport. She has also served as an usher, taught second grade in the Church School, served on the Altar Guild and takes care of the Coffee Hour once a month after the Sunday 8:00 service.

She was an avid tennis player for 59 years and now plays bridge every week.

She has been married to the love of her life, Bill Walton, for 62 years.

Her niece, Becky Walton, describes her as a woman of great charm, with a great sense of humor. "She's fun!"

### **Music Ministry**



Thank you to all who helped to make this year's Christmas Pageant and Christmas Eve celebration so beautiful. The

enthusiasm and energy that the children brought to "Prophecies Foretold and Fulfilled", was absolutely magical! The script tells of the Old Testament prophets who foretold the birth of the Messiah, later to be fulfilled in New Testament scripture. The children had great fun wearing costumes representative of traditional pageant characters. They were truly awesome! The pageant opened with the traditional English tune Glouchestershire, "Prepare the Way of the King", and continued with a medley comprised of "Arise and Shine", sung to the tune of "I Saw Three Ships"; "On December Five and Twenty", sung both in English and Spanish; A Czech hymn tune, "Rocking", with lyrics, "Unto Us a Child is Born"; and a Bohemian carol, "Shepherds, O Hark Ye". The children also sang a Hebrew folktune, "Unto Us a Son is Given"; a West Indies carol, "The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy"; an East African worship song, "Sing Glory to God in the Highest"; a Finnish folk melody, "Tiki, Tiki, Pum"; an American spiritual, "Mary's Boy Child"; and a Brazilian carol, "Hear the Wondrous News". We concluded with "Joy to the World" and "Children, Go Where I Send Thee". We had so much fun! Totaling children and parents we had more than 20 involved in the pageant this year! The children enjoy working together and have become very comfortable singing as part of our worship. Once again, we could see the children's faces this year, thanks to Evan Schultz renting us lights, poles and dimmers. Thank you, parents for all of your efforts in making things go so smoothly. Your dedication is essential to the success of our children's programs.

Thank you, Parish Choir and Partington Bell Choir for your gift of time and talent. Your commitment to Music Ministry made this Christmas Eve spectacular. We sang many of our favorite Joseph Martin arrangements, orchestrated by Brant Adams, including, a Finnish folk melody, "Tiki, Tiki, Pum", and a Brazilian carol, "Hear the Wondrous News". The service was magnificent with 40 singers, 11 handbell ringers and our fabulous 20 piece orchestra made possible by the contributions of many parishioners. We were



blessed to have singing with us: Aryn Eldridge,

Make a Joufful unto the noise oval

home from Armenia, and Emily and Blake Hammell, home from college. Three of my students also joined our bass section for Christmas Eve: Christian Michaelis, Tristan Butler and Ben Myers. Thank you to the parishioners who sponsored our orchestra. Your generosity afforded the caliber of talent needed to create an evening of glorious, worship-filled splendor! This was the 15<sup>th</sup> year of playing at Holy Trinity for some of the orchestra members! Again, the orchestra, parish choir and bell choir were glorious! Members and visitors alike have commented on the beauty of the evening. Thank you to Brian Nehemias for stepping in

to ring handbells. He, as always, is a lifesaver!

On Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, around 11 pm I received a text from one of our clarinetists telling me he had a 103 degree fever, was very ill and would not be able to play Christmas Eve. I told him to stay home and take care of himself. I immediately called the second clarinetist to see if she had a friend who might like to play Christmas Eve, only to find out that she too was very sick and would not be able to play. PANIC! All night long I wondered, "What am I going to do?" Orchestras are very much like ball teams! You need the right players in the right places to make it work! Having two clarinets missing would be like having no pitcher and first baseman! Early on Christmas Eve morning, I called Glen Rovinelli and asked if he knew of any clarinetists who might be available. He sent out a media blast and within minutes I received phone calls from two exceptional players, Dan Salmasian and Chris Murray who were willing and available. They sight read the music and did a fantastic job! Thank you Dan and Chris for saving the day!!!

Music cont.

Our Service of Lessons and Carols was a delightful, relaxing, worship-filled service as well. It allowed us the opportunity to "be still and know"!

Epiphany featured the procession of the three kings, including Lizz Wilt, Fr. Bob Taylor and Fr. Tim Cogan. They were all quite regal! At the end of communion the choir sang an anthem titled, "Adore Him", which tells of kings on a long journey searching for a palace with a royal birth, instead finding in a humble home a lowly peasant girl holding her child. The original music was greatly enhanced by the recurring theme of "O come let us adore Him". Many parishioners commented on how hauntingly beautiful and moving it was.

We were also blessed to have our magnificent, totally rebuilt Steinway piano returned in late November. Thanks to the memorial fund established by Joe and Daphne Shearouse, the piano will serve Holy Trinity for many years to come.



We were also given a set of hand chimes in memory of Carl and Neon Glady, parents of chorister and bell ringer Shellie Keit. Bishop Peter blessed them while here for confirmation on the Third Sunday in Advent. Thank you Shellie for your generosity.

If you would like to know more about the Pageant and Christmas Eve Orchestra and details of this year's Music Ministry activities, see the Music Ministry Annual Report 2018.

#### SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The search committee is pleased to announce that our rector job search has been posted on the Episcopal News Service (ENS) and will remain open until March 15, 2019. If you know anyone interested in applying, please direct him/her to the ENS posting.

The parish profile may be viewed on our web-site (https://www.holytrinitywpb.org/rector-search)

#### **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

Monday, February 17 at 7:00pm Monday, March 17th at 7:00pm

Selection: The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper Selection: Next Year in Havana

Author: Phaedra Patrick Author: Chanel Cleeton

Hostess: Joyce Mears Hostess: Andrea Thomas

RSVP: 561-833-5760 RSVP: 561-236-6456



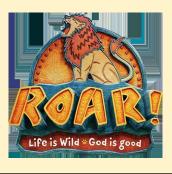
#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019**

The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School is:

"Life is Wild ,God is Good."

It will be held the week of June 10-14

This is our 25th year!!



#### **HOLY TRINITY YOUTH GROUP**

Holy Trinity's Youth Program and Youth Group is transitioning. As with all transitions come changes. I want to thank Sarah Lidinsky Turner for all her love, hard work and support these past months. Your commitment to the church, the program and the youth families is immensely appreciated. You are a true representative of how God's grace and love are so important for our youth. Sarah, you will be missed here at Holy Trinity. We wish Sarah and her family many blessings as she takes on a new chapter in her life.

With all change come curiosity, chance and fear. My name is Julie Bird Winchester and I am an old face at Holy Trinity and also a new face to Holy Trinity for many of you. I am not new to youth ministry and I am currently the NPB Deanery Youth Coordinator. Here is a fun fact! Sarah was one of my youth members here at Holy Trinity back in the late 90's and she helped me launch a new youth program at Good Shepherd Episcopal church in Tequesta where I have worked for the past 17 years and from where I retired in 2017.

#### CHANGE!

#### YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

(ALL youth in grades 6-12) MEET IN THE YOUTH HOUSE 9:00 - 9:45 AM

#### **CURIOSITY**

#### YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 3, 10, 17, & 24

(ALL youth in grades 6 - 12)
MEET IN THE YOUTH HOUSE
11:30 - 1:00 PM

**YES!** I will feed you ... bring your curiosity!

#### **CHANCE**

#### TAKE A CHANCE ON ME

Please come join us and learn what we can do together!

#### <u>FEAR</u>

#### ... FEAR the Lord our God ...

When we talk about FEAR in the Bible we are not referring to being "SCARED" Or being "FRIGHTFUL"

We are talking about being in "AWE"

My goal is to bring Jesus Christ, the Lord our God, "AWE" to our youth here at Holy Trinity! To bring "AWE" the parish of Holy Trinity on how amazing the young people are today!

Whenever we have change there comes fear, like being scared. This is a normal feeling because we don't know what the change brings ... the fear of the unknown! So I say FEAR not, bring your curiosity and embrace change.

Look forward to meeting everybody this Sunday promptly at 9:00 and again at 11:30 for youth group!

YES YOU WILL BE FED SO BE ON TIME!

#### **PARISH WORK DAY**

There will be a Parish Work Day on Saturday, March 16th 8:00am to 3:00.

Details of the work tasks for the day will be published later.

To sign up or for call Brian Nehemias



further information, at the Church Office.

#### THE FIRST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN AMERICA

#### Notes and Pictures from Parishioner Robin Buck

Between Christmas and New Year's Day, I traveled to Philadelphia for a wedding. While there, I visited many historical places, which included the first Episcopal Church in America.

The church is called Christ's Church, and it was established in 1695. George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and Betsy Ross all worshiped here along with 15 signers of the Declaration of Independence. Among the noted persons buried here is Bishop William White, Chaplain to the Continental Congress and the first Episcopal Bishop of Pennsylvania.







#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

HTEC Financial Update Through December 30, 2018

2018 Year to date revenue: \$741,142.21

2018 Year to date expense: \$730,693.35

2018 year end net: \$10,448.86

\*If we had had a Rector in place for the last six months, expenses would have been approximately \$68,000.00 higher.



The Church office will be closed Monday, February 21st in honor of Presidents' Day.

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