

Trinity Times // January 2018

Guided by Christ, we will serve the Lord and all people with open arms, minds, and hearts.
Come share with us the pathway of faith.

From Your Priest-in-Charge:

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! On Christmas Eve, I read a poem by Madeleine L'Engle in my sermon. I include it here because it expresses the truth of Jesus' Incarnation so well.

Faithfully, your friend,

+Bill

"First Coming"
by Madeleine L' Engle

He did not wait till the world was ready,
till men and nations were at peace.
He came when the Heavens were
unsteady,
and prisoners cried out for release.

He did not wait for the perfect time.
He came when the need was deep and
great.
He dined with sinners in all their grime,
turned water into wine.

He did not wait till hearts were pure.
In joy he came to a tarnished world of sin
and doubt.
To a world like ours, of anguished shame
he came, and his Light would not go out.

He came to a world which did not mesh,
to heal its tangles, shield its scorn.
In the mystery of the Word made Flesh
the Maker of the stars was born.

We cannot wait till the world is sane
to raise our songs with joyful voice,
For to share our grief, to touch our pain,
He came with Love: Rejoice! Rejoice!

from *A Cry Like a Bell*

Sunday Morning Forums

On January 7, our Forum will continue to focus on the book of readings for Advent and Christmas, *I Witness*. After that we will return to a study of the Scripture for the following Sunday. The forums are held in the Parish Hall from 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.



- 1/3 No Wednesday lunch
- 1/9 5:30 OPUS @ Applebee's
- 1/22 6:30 Vestry
- 1/25 5:30 Women's Alternatives meal
- 1/28 10:00 Annual Meeting following service

Service Schedule

- * Sunday Eucharist 10:00 a.m.
- * Wednesday Eucharist 12 Noon,
followed by Community lunch

Sunday Morning Forum

Our Forums for December will focus on the book of readings for Advent and Christmas, *I Witness*. These Forums will be held in the Parish Hall from 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.

For the Sunday readings and a commentary, go to our website, www.trinityepiscopalanderson.com, and click on "Preparing for Sunday" in the right hand column.

*** Sunday School ***

Sunday School meets from 9:00-10:00.



Choir rehearsals are Thursdays at 6:30! Join us!

Epiphany Tea

The Annual Epiphany Tea will follow the 10:00 service on January 7. Who will get the bean, the dime, the thimble, or the ring?

ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 28, following the Eucharist. Copies of the reports, nominations for elections, and the agenda for the meeting will be available in January.

Elections at the meeting will be for vestry members and delegates to the Diocesan Convention. Speak to any Vestry Member if you are interested in either of these positions, or if you wish to nominate.

Reports are due in the parish office by **Monday, January 8, 2018**. It would be helpful if reports are submitted in Microsoft Word. These can be sent by email attachment to trinity1030@trinityanderson.net



Souper Bowl Sunday!

There will be the annual soup lunch following the service on February 4th. A variety of soups will be available for lunch to eat here or for carry-out. This is a nationwide program for food banks and feeding the hungry. Donations will be collected for the East Central Indiana 2nd Harvest Food Bank. Please sign up if you can bring a crock pot of soup for this.

Lenten Study

Lent begins on February 14, 2018. During Lent we will study a book, "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John." This program was developed by the Center for the Teaching of Ministry at the Virginia Theological Seminary and the monks of the Society of St. John the Evangelist.

Study booklets are available in pocket size or large print, and will cost under \$5.00 for either size. A sign up sheet is available in the Parish Hall.

Bookkeeper hired

We welcome Sara Thompson who has been recently hired to fill the bookkeeping position formerly filled by Jack Norris, Jr. We thank Jack for his service in this position. He will now have the new position of Grandpa! Congratulations to him and the great grandparents, Jack and Phyllis Norris.



Financial Report - November 30

Pledges to date: \$76,901.81

Investment income to date: \$31,106.52

Expenses to date: \$129,563.43

Funds for Bishop Smalley's discretionary acct: \$1004.66 (from loose offering) \$1081.09 (donations)

Thank you for your continued support of time, money, and toilet paper! Ask about food donations!

Stewardship 2018: 33 of our current 55 pledge givers have turned in their pledge cards for next year for a total of \$61,488. Thank you for your continued support! If you need a card mailed to you, please call the office. (Projected expenses for 2018 are \$161,603.)



Let's Be Safe

During this upcoming winter, there are steps you can take to be safe and to protect the safety of others at Trinity.

- * Icy Hazard - As the temperatures plummet, the chance for ice on the front and kitchen stairs increases. During the winter, please consider entering and leaving through the large glass doors. The steps at the red doors may be blocked off if unsafe from snow or ice.
- * Locking Doors - Please help us maintain a safe environment by making sure the doors are locked when you are the last one leaving after a meeting or event. Note that we are locking the back door by the kitchen after the Sunday forum and before the service begins.



OPUS

OPUS (Old People Up to Something) will gather for dinner on January 9 at 5:30 at Applebee's. There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall. Please call Bev Badgley if you need transportation. All are welcome!

Game Night Fellowship

We would like to launch a monthly game night starting in January. We envision individuals playing euchre or other card games, trivia or backgammon. It will be a fun, inexpensive time for fellowship. It would be a perfect event to invite family and friends to see what Trinity Church is all about. Let us know suggested days and times.



1/3	Larry Dietzer
1/4	Phyllis Norris
1/6	Diane Bantz
1/25	Dottie Graves
1/28	Bob Knick
1/30	Michael Whitsell-Sherman

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Future Events

2/4	Souper Bowl Sunday following service.
2/13	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
2/14	Ash Wednesday

Rest of the Soul: Joe Clark, former parishioner



Servicemen & Women

Audrey McMillan-Cole, Corey & Tyler Greenlee, Jessica Halladay, Brandon Hallowell, Greg, Chaz Hulett, Chris Kahl, Brian Kasper, Melissa Payne, Kaitlyn Woodruff

Convalescent Centers

Mavorine Bitner, Florence Caylor, Teddy Fatta, Anna Mae Gillette, Dotti Graves, Sonja Hurley, Betsy Hyde, Barbara Moffitt, Carol Titus.

Others in need of God's strength

Our Nation and its leadership, children of the world, the people serving our country overseas, especially in war zones; Adrianna & Kyle, Linda & Jim Anderson, Andy, Angela, Marcia Ash, Ashley, Nancy & Bill Ashley, Steve Ashley, Austin, Judith Austin, Marilyn Austin, Tammy Barrett, Danny Beever, Todd Berryman, Beth, Betty, Kecia Blankenship, Kay Brewster, Deacon Jim Carter, Carter Castor, Stacy Castor, Judy Coale, Larry Coates, Patrick Cole, Louis Cote, China and Oliver D., Deloris, Larry Dietzer, Roselyn Dowling, Tim Duncan, Dustin, Janice Earving, Irene and Greg Eichhorn, Patricia Ellsworth, Evelyn, Jerry Farr, Tim Fields, Dan Foust, Jan & Dallas Foster, Michael G., Elaine Gibson, Sandy Guerin, Barbara Haas, Coral Hamlin, Sam Hanna, Victor Hasstedt, Karen Heacock, Heather and Toby, Brenda Henderson, Genon Hensley, Lyn Hileman, Fran Hogue, Steve Holtzleiter, Amy Hornbeck, Veronica, Mark Huff, Don Hunt, Jan, Jason, Jordan, Doug LaGarde, Jane Loose, Samantha M., John MacGilvray, Mary Ann, Dennis Maxey, Diane McAvoy-Kelley, Diana McGuire, Kandy McPhearson, Karen Melendez, Meredith, Michael, Jim, Rev. Norm Morford, Elva Mullen, Nancy, Phyllis Norris, Deb O'Brien, John Onken, Teia Parker, Pat, Carla Petrzika, Kenny Pettigrew, Scott, Tony Quinones, Joan Randolph, John Ratzlaff, Reba, Hailey Richman, Bud Riley, Amy Foster-Robertson, Ron, Eric Rushton, Aubrey Scharnowske, Pat Schroeder, Earl Scott, Mica Simone, Bishop and Carole Smalley, Michele Smalley, Robert Stark, Beth Tabor, Cindy Teague, Jeanne Tessier, Rebecca Thresher, Frank Tuckerman, Wayne Tuckerman, Becky Wages, Ebony Walker and donor family, Gerald Wallace and family, Jane Warfel, Jack and Betty Weist, Elizabeth Wepler, Rachel Whetsel-O'Dell and family, Trace White, Sue Williams.



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