

Trinity Times // September 2017

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,

Our Old Testament readings for September tell a story that became a model of the faith journey for the Israelites. Our readings shorten this model into 4 parts in September.

- When the Israelites were suffering in slavery under the Egyptians, God called Moses out of a burning bush to go and free them. (*Exodus 3:1-15*)
- God has Moses and Aaron bring the final plague upon the Egyptians after Pharaoh ignored earlier plagues. In this final plague the firstborn of both humans and animals would be struck down. The firstborn of the Israelites would be spared as they marked their doors and the plague of death passed over their homes. In Judaism this is observed as Passover. (*Exodus 12:1-14*)
- The Israelites are led safely through the Red Sea as it is divided. The pursuing Egyptians are drowned as the waters return. (*Exodus 14:19-31*)
- The Israelites begin to complain at the hardships of their journey to freedom. God responded by giving them both bread (manna) and meat (quail) to feed them. (*Exodus 16:2-15*) [On October 1 we will also hear of God bringing water out of a rock for the Israelites.]

This model was looked at throughout the Old Testament to show that God responded to the needs of His people, even when they complained against God and the leaders God chose. Later Old Testament events would be seen in light of God's actions in the Exodus.

Christians can also celebrate God's care in this model. We can see God carrying the model further in Jesus the Christ coming among us, and even suffering and dying for us. The resurrection of the Christ is the ultimate promise of God's loving care for us. Thanks be to our faithful and loving God!

Faithfully, your friend,

+Bill

SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR SEPTEMBER 10th only

On September 9 and 10, Trinity is participating in the Andersontown PowWow, selling Strawberry Shortcakes. Since the PowWow opens at 10:30 AM on Sunday, we will make the following Sunday schedule change for the 10th only: 9:00 AM—Holy Eucharist



- 9/9, 9/10 Anderson PowWow, Strawberry Booth
- 9/12 5:30 OPUS will be dining at Montana Mike's
- 9/17 Women of Trinity will meet after service.
- 9/25 6:30 Vestry
- 9/27 5:00 Meal served at Alternatives, Inc.
- 9/29 Baked Potato Bar dinner by Women of Trinity
- 9/29-10/1 Episcopal Women's Ministries Fall Retreat at Waycross
- 10/1 2:00 Blessing of the Animals

Service Schedule

Sunday Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

September 10 **only** Eucharist at **9:00** (no forum)

Wednesday Eucharist 12 Noon,
followed by Community lunch

Sunday Morning Forum

Forums will be held in the Parish Hall each Sunday beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will be discussing the readings for the next Sunday. **For these readings and a commentary, go to our website, www.trinityepiscopalanderson.com, and click on "Preparing for Sunday" in the right hand column.**

Sunday School update

There will be no regular Sunday School for children and youth until September 10.

Pray, Fast, Act "For a Time Such as This"

Our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, has asked us to pray, fast, and act on the 21st of each month for the purpose of food security for all people. Federal budget proposals being considered would likely cut programs that offer food security for the neediest people, especially children. This would continue until December 21, 2018, when the current Congressional session ends.

Materials are available in the Parish Hall to assist you with this.

Recommended reading:

In the Forum on August 13, Bishop Smalley recommended the following book about racism:

Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America by Michael Eric Dyson



Strawberry Shortcakes are coming!

We will be serving the Strawberry Shortcakes again at the Anderson PowWow on Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10. Tom Zickel is chairing the event. Volunteers will be needed for the baking day and for setting up and serving at the event. Let Tom or Randy know if you can help with this.



Pet Blessing

On Sunday, October 1st, we will once more hold a service celebrating the blessing that come to us through God's non-human creatures. The service will be held at Trinity at 2:00.

We will give thanks for and bless the pets that people bring.

Tell your friends and family – all are welcome!



Financial Report - July 31

Revenues to date: \$68,917

Expenses to date: \$80,133.92

Pledges to date: \$44,676

Parking lot donations: \$16,290
(purchase was for \$36,000 + expenses)

Outreach Report through August 23

Meals at Wednesday lunch: 3170

Meals to Stepping Stones: 528

Meals for Hopewell: 280

Meals at Alternatives, Inc. 151

Thank you for your continued support of time, money, and toilet paper!

From your Senior Warden:

Thank you to those who have made contributions to the parking lot purchase. Your response has been gratifying! Having unrestricted use of nearby parking is crucial to Trinity's outreach, ministry and fellowship. We are still accepting donations. Your gifts reduce the money we need to use from our Book of remembrance Fund and/or borrow. As an update, the Diocese has approved our request for a low-interest loan. We are scheduled to close on the purchase in mid-September.

UTO reminder:

Don't forget to use your little Blue Boxes this Summer. Drop in a coin each time you have a blessing. Family visits, vacation, cookouts, grandchildren, sunshine, rain, or any thank you. God is good, and so are you!

Blessings, Diane



OPUS

OPUS (Old People Up to Something) will gather for dinner at Montana Mike's on September 12 at 5:30. There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall. Please call Bev Badgley if you need transportation. All are welcome!

Baked Potato Bar

Women of Trinity will hold a Baked Potato Bar and soup dinner on Friday, September 29th from 5-7. Be sure to put this on your calendar! \$6 for adults, \$20 for family of 4, \$3 for child, age 6-10.

Episcopal Church Women's Fall Retreat

Informational flyers and reservation blanks may be found on the table in the parish hall. This retreat, "Savoring the Sacred Pauses" with retreat leader, Bishop Jennifer Baskerville Burrows, will take place at Waycross, Sept. 29– Oct. 1. Reservations are due no later than September 8.



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| 9/3 | Kelly Caudill |
| 9/12 | Kyle Holtzleiter |
| 9/13 | Beth Tabor |
| 9/14 | Kay McClain |
| 9/18 | Paul Crabtree |
| 9/23 | Sonja Hurley, Helen Nicholson |
| 9/25 | Jack Norris, Sr., Mary Jo Lee |

Future Events

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| 10/1 | Pet Blessing |
| 10/26-28 | Diocesan Convention |
| 10/27 | Harvestfest Luncheon and Bazaar |
| 12/1 | Winterfest |



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, Catherine Holtzleiter, 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, Mike Allen, Linda & Jim Anderson, Andy, Angela, Marcia Ash, Ashley, Austin, Judith Austin, Marilyn Austin, Tammy Barrett, Danny Beever, Beth, Betty, Kecia Blankenship, Kay Brewster, Ross Buckman, Carole, Deacon Jim Carter, Carter Castor, Stacy Castor, Joe Clark, Judy Coale, Larry Coates, Patrick Cole, Louis Cote, China and Oliver D., Deloris, Diana, Larry Dietzer, Roselyn Dowling, Tim Duncan, Dustin, Irene and Greg Eichhorn, Patricia Ellsworth, Evelyn, Jerry Farr, Dan Foust, Yakha Lyalya Flitt, 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, 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, Kay McClain, Diana McGuire, Kandy McPhearson, Karen Melendez, Meredith, Michael, Jim, Rev. Norm Morford, Elva Mullen, Nancy, Deb O'Brien, John Onken, Scott, Tony Quinones, Joan Randolph, John Ratzlaff, Reba, Hailey Richman, Bud Riley, Amy Foster-Robertson, Eric Rushton, Aubrey Scharnowske, Ron & Pat Schroeder, Jerry Shine, Mica Simone, Bishop and Carole Smalley, Michelle Smalley, Beth Tabor, Jeanne Tessier, Wayne Tuckerman, Becky Wages, Ebony Walker and donor family, Gerald Wallace and family, Jane Warfel, Jack and Betty Weist, Elizabeth Wepler, Trace White, Sherrill Wilcoxon, Pat.

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—Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

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