

The *Trinitarian*

Our Mission: To know Jesus Christ and to make Him known through our good works.

Church of the Holy Trinity

December 2009 Newsletter

Brad's Ink

Greetings to God's people who are eagerly awaiting the Christ child. We started Advent yesterday and will continue in our preparations for the birth of Jesus through December 20, also known as Advent IV. The Western Christian Church has been observing Advent for about 1,500 years (since the 6th century). The Advent season prepares us for the coming of the Christ child and traditionally also prepares Christians for the Second Coming of Christ.

Christmas Services will be held: Christmas Eve at 5 PM and 10:30 PM, Christmas Day at 10 AM. If you are an Acolyte, Lay Eucharistic Minister, or Lector and wish to serve at one of the special services, please call or e-mail the office. The Christmas day service is for all who want a sacred time on a joyful day.

Holy Trinity will prepare for Christmas with a series of "Soup Suppers." The Soup Suppers will start on Tuesday, December 1, and run through Tuesday, December 22. We will eat a light dinner of soup at 6:30 and have a short teaching and discussion for about an hour (usually 7 – 8). This year we will be using the Meyers-Briggs personality indicator to discover which of the four types of prayer may work better for your personality type.

Breakfast with Santa is coming up on Saturday, December 5. Please volunteer to help with this great event of Holy Trinity. We are looking forward to welcoming the community into our church home and the more of us that welcome them, the better picture they will have of our congregation. We are in need of many more helpers than have come forward so far, so please volunteer, if at all possible. Last year, as in years past, we had a large and wonderful crowd. The food was good and watching the children having fun with Santa and each other was fantastic. Please come and participate!

November was an exciting month and I would like to thank all of the people that help Holy Trinity function as a Christian

family. Especially this month, I would like to thank all of those who helped clean up on our Parish Work Day. We had about a dozen or so volunteers ranging in age from 18 months to 77 years. In addition, I would like to thank Gene Fitzgerald, Junior Warden, and all of

those who helped put the new wire-stainless steel shelves into the pantry off the kitchen. We have been talking about those new shelves since before I was called as your Rector over three years ago. Thank you to Ross Hill for putting the "old" wooden shelves into the archives room in the basement (aka the old FISH closet.)

I would like to also personally thank Jean Bloyer and the Women of Holy Trinity for so generously helping with the Harford Regional Council meeting held at Holy Trinity on November 23. Thank you ladies for going out of your way to show hospitality to our neighbors in the Episcopal Churches of Harford County.

Thank you to Buddy Coffey and Paul Rogers and all of those who are helping with the stewardship campaign this year. As I write, we have received about 80% of the pledges expected - totaling a little over \$123,000. If you have not pledged, please do so by the afternoon of December 14. The Vestry will meet to finalize the 2010 budget for Holy Trinity the evening of December 14.

Bill & Carol Campbell would like to thank all of those who helped them on October 25 as they renewed their wedding vows and held a reception

Services
**Christmas Eve..... 5:00 PM
10:30 PM**
Christmas Day .. 10:00 AM

Advent
**Soup Suppers
Tuesdays..... 6:30 PM**



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Warden's Corner

Things are moving right along to meet many of our Mutual Ministry, Vestry, and Stewardship goals for this year; however, like with any house work, there is always more to do. This coming year I would like to pass on some of my chairmanships to others, so that with vestry and the rector, I can better focus on some other projects. I have spoken to many parishioners about their views for a third service and would like to work on this planning again. As well, I would like to work more on developing our youth program — expanding their Christian life beyond Sunday School with youth retreats, missions, and helping in a food kitchen. Lastly, I would like to work on developing an adult evening ministry discussion and fellowship of some kind. These are all ideas that have been presented to Fr. Bard or myself over the last year and beyond that have not been given enough time, thought and planning. Therefore I am looking for volunteers to take over some well established events at the church to allow me more time to focus on other matters to enhance our church life.

For the past year I have been making the schedules for LEMs, Altar Guild, Lectors, Nursery and Ushers and trying to coordinate it with Pat Pollard's acolyte schedule so that there is no overlap. I will continue to do this, however, I would love to give up the other parts of those jobs: training, calling for subs, and making sign-up sheets.

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Last year I gave up the head of Altar Guild to Dorian Robinson, and France Mason has agreed to help her. This year I would love to see a new head of Ushers, Coffee Hour and Nursery. None of these jobs take a great deal of work, but all need an overseer to be sure that people show up and the jobs are covered. Please consider your call to these Ministries.

— Joan

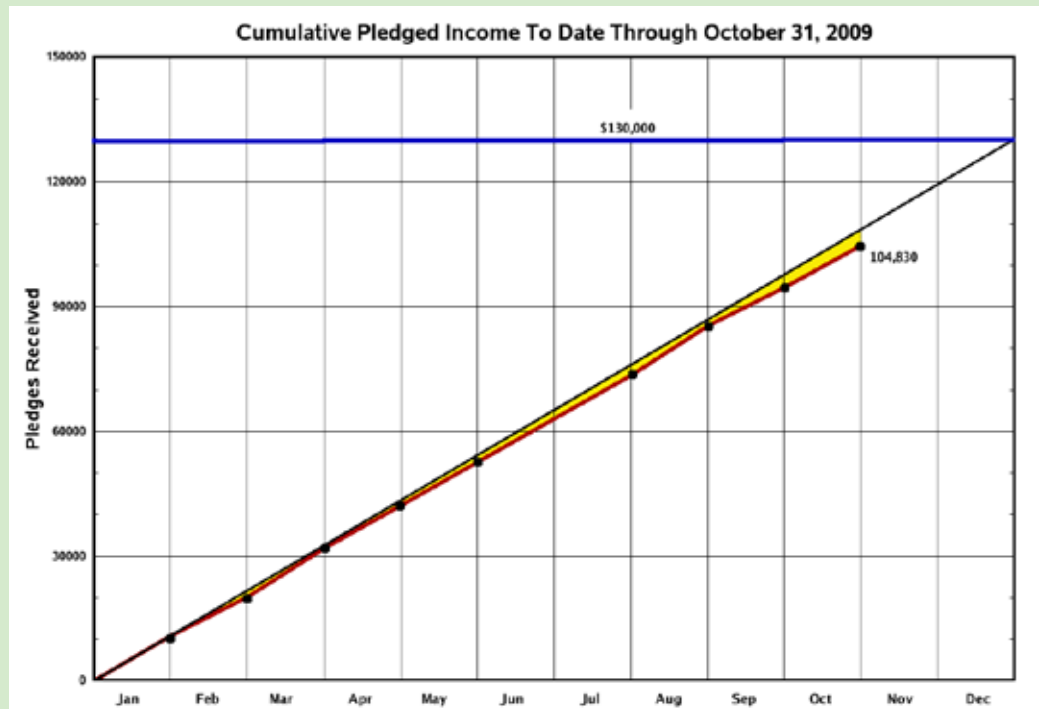
Breakfast with Santa
Join Us this Saturday!
Dec. 5 • 8:30 am



An Update

As shown by this graph, income received (through October) is tracking close to the amount pledged for 2009. This is good news given the current economic climate, and means Holy Trinity can continue to do the good work included in our budget. Please help us stay on course by fulfilling your 2009 pledge. It matters!

And help us make plans for next year by completing your 2010 pledge.



In Search of Scotland

The Highland Society of Harford County held a “Kirkin” at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday, November 8. If you were intrigued by the spectacle of grown men, in colorful pleated “skirts”, marching down the aisle of the church to the accompaniment of the exotic music of an ancient instrument, here are some books which will go a long way towards helping you understand the country from which the spectacle originates – Scotland.

All of the following books are available at Harford County Public Library. Discover all about the kilts and the bagpipes; but also learn that there is so much more to Scotland than this familiar image!

– Elizabeth Pratt

In Search of Scotland by Gordon Menzies

From the Stone Age to the present, this book charts the impact of the Celts, Picts, Romans, Irish, Vikings and English, of battles, wars and empire.

The Invention of Scotland: Myth and History

by H. R. Trevor-Roper

This book argues that myth has played a central role in the historical development of Scottish identity. Hugh Trevor-Roper explores three myths across 400 years of Scottish history: the political myth of the “ancient constitution” of Scotland; the literary myth, including Walter Scott as well as Ossian and ancient poetry; and the sartorial myth of tartan and the kilt, invented – ironically, by Englishmen – in quite modern times.

Scotland: The Story of a Nation

by Magnus Magnusson

Drawing on a great deal of modern scholarship that has redefined the nation’s story, Magnusson vividly re-creates the long and fascinating story of Scotland, offering an up-to-date and comprehensive history. Magnusson, who received an honorary knighthood for his contributions to the preservation

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for Holy Trinity parishoners and guests from out-of-town.

Next month, I will be writing more about our Sunday School. Our children are excited about attending and we have wonderful teachers to help make them disciples of Jesus Christ. We see the results of that excitement and exuberance on 2nd Sundays during their skirts and anthems. The teachers and children are talking of even more ways to work with and for Holy Trinity.

Prepare ye the way of the Lord. Wait expectantly. Join us in Advent as we anticipate the incarnation of Christ among us.

Yours in Christ,
– Brad +

of Scotland’s heritage, casts the nation’s historical trajectory as a long struggle toward nationhood.

Heritage of Scotland: A History of Scotland & Its People by Nathaniel Harris

This lively presentation of the history of Scotland shows readers that there is so much more to discover about this vibrant country than its familiar heather-and-kilts image.

The Scottish Kitchen by Christopher Trotter

Scotland has long maintained a rich tradition of regional cooking, including the breads and cakes of the Borders, the rustic cooking of the impoverished Highlands, and the more sophisticated cuisines of Edinburgh and Glasgow. In this fine cookbook, chef Christopher Trotter has collected the best of these dishes, offering not only classic Scots fare like Cullen Skink, Tweed Kettle, and Clooty Dumpling, but also lesser-known recipes, some from the archives of The National Trust for Scotland. Where necessary, traditional recipes have been newly interpreted for modern tastes and ingredients.

Bakers, Warm Your Ovens!



Our annual *Breakfast with Santa* festivity on Dec. 5 will soon be here. The Bake Sale, the big fund raising portion of this event, needs your assistance.

Kindly make a commitment to contribute baked goods to sell at our bake sale tables.

In addition to bakers, volunteers are needed the Friday morning before the *Breakfast* to package and label the contributed goodies. Drop by the Parish Hall at 9:00 am on the 4th. As many of you know, this is a fun gathering, with much cooperation, many suggestions offered and lots of laughter. It is always amazing how quickly this task is accomplished. Busy hands make for short work and we should be able to complete this effort in a couple of hours.

Your baked goods need to be dropped off at the Parish Hall in time to be included in this effort.

If you have any questions, call me at 410-939-3305 or via e-mail at amenzer@comcast.net.

I send along an early thank you to all who make the Bake Sale so very successful!

– Audrey Menzer

Holiday Stress

by Jean M. Wilson, MSN, RN, CCE



This time of the year is an exciting and happy time as we begin to prepare for Christmas. Our homes are filled with holiday decorations, the smell of fresh baked cookies, and presents brightly wrapped under the tree, but the stress of the holiday season can affect both the mind and body and often in a negative way.

Stress is any physical, physiologic, or psychological force that can disrupt or disturb the body's equilibrium. High levels of stress are associated with: high blood pressure, weight loss or gain, high cholesterol, insomnia, depression, skin conditions, headaches, colds, flu, and stress has been linked to certain cancers. In an emergency situation stress can help you cope or even save your life, as adrenaline is pumped into your bloodstream, which raises your blood pressure, heart rate, and blood sugar providing a person with strength, speed, and stamina. However ongoing stress may lower a person's immunity and cause physical and emotional turmoil. The good news is that there are a variety of ways that one can lower their stress levels and increase their coping mechanisms through stress management such as: breathing and relaxation, exercise, such as yoga (which we have at Holy Trinity on Wednesday nights), meditation, pet therapy, hobbies, lifestyle changes, positive attitudes, comfort foods, diversional activities, and prayer.

Families in Need

We have many requests for help this year. Please look for the cards detailing what each family needs (gifts and food), take a few, and bring those items to the Parish Hall. See Betty Coale for more information. Thank you!

To prevent holiday stress, here are a few tips:

- start planning meals and family visits now
- set a spending limit
- keep meals healthy and simple
- eat right, exercise, and sleep at least 8 hours per night
- learn to say no and ask for help when needed
- involve others in the holiday preparation

In addition, statistics have shown that people are at a greater risk of being victims of thefts and accidents during the holidays than at any other time of the year. Be aware of your surroundings at all times, travel/shop with family or friends, park in well lit areas, lock your car and store gifts and other items out of sight, don't drink and drive, keep your car filled with gas and in good working order to prevent breaking down or running out of gas, keep car windows and doors locked, have your keys out of your pocket or purse and be ready to go, and keep your cell phone charged and with you at all times.

It is my wish that you all have a safe, happy, and healthy holiday.

– Jean

Four Generations Celebrate Thanksgiving Day Baptism at Holy Trinity



In attendance for the ceremony were Father Brad, Mom-Cassandra holding sister Jayne, sister Danzig, Dad-Joshua holding Rowan, godfather uncle Jacob with wife and godmother aunt Christy (in front), aunt Jaymee, great grandmother Nancy, Brian and grandmother Kerry.

Four generations of Kittle's converged on Holy Trinity for the Thanksgiving Day Baptism of Rowan Levi Kittle, newest member of the Kittle clan. It was a joyous and beautiful ceremony. Rowan and family traveled from Murfreesboro, Tennessee, while Godparents Uncle Jacob and Aunt Christy traveled from Belmar, New Jersey for this special occasion. Aunt Jaymee and Brian recently moved to the area from New Jersey and Great Grandmother and Grandmother regularly attend the 8 o'clock service. Thank you to all who were in attendance for the warm welcome given my family.

– Kerry Kittle

A Service Celebration in the Spirit...

On Sunday, December 20 at 4:00 pm, The Grace United Methodist Church on 110 West Bel Air Road, Aberdeen, will hold its 28th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols. The Lessons and Carols are scriptures telling the story of creation through the prophecy of the Messiah to the birth of Jesus, combined with seasonal Carols sung by the Sanctuary Choir and congregation under the direction of Mr. Dennis Stewart, Director of Music Ministry.

The Service of Lessons and Carols originated in 1818 in Truro, Cornwall, UK as a Christmas Eve Service which was conceived for the purpose of “keeping men out of the pubs on Christmas Eve.” The service intersperses short Scripture readings with Carols for choir and congregation. The readings trace the story of the fall of man, to the prophecy of the Messiah, on through the birth of Jesus. The service has undergone numerous adaptations over the years, most famously that which is annually presented and broadcast from King’s College Chapel, Cambridge, UK.

Grace Church’s adaptation of the festival service follows the form of that used at King’s College. Each year a solo voice introduces the Carol “Once In Royal David’s City” to begin the service. Then, follows the choral standards of Boris Ord’s Adam Lay Y Bounden and other choral selections in addition to the great Carols: “O Come, All Ye Faithful” and “Hark! The Herald-Angels Sing.” The magnificent organ also plays a significant role in the service providing Carol accompaniments and concluding the service with Bach’s magnificent setting of the Carol “In Dulci Jubilo.”

This annual festival service is one of the highlights of the Christmas season and you are invited to be present to experience this great holiday tradition.

(submitted by Pat Johnson)



News? Photos? Articles of interest? Send them to: kittlekj@gmail.com

First Food and Drink on the Moon

The first food and drink consumed on the moon was the reserved sacrament of communion. At first, it was kept secret. To mark the 40th anniversary of the first Apollo moon landing, Bosco Peters has posted the details of this Christian act of worship 235,000 miles from the earth. The First Communion on the Moon is now one of The Episcopal Church’s ‘lesser feasts and fasts’, he writes.

On Sunday July 20, 1969 the first people landed on the moon. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were in the lunar lander which touched down at 3:17 Eastern Standard Time. Buzz Aldrin had with him the Reserved Sacrament. He radioed: Houston, this is Eagle. This is the LM pilot speaking. I would like to request a few moments of silence. I would like to invite each person listening in, wherever or wherever he may be, to contemplate for a moment the events of the last few hours, and to give thanks in his own individual way.

Later he wrote: In the radio blackout, I opened the little plastic packages which contained the bread and the wine. I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon, the wine slowly curled

and gracefully came up the side of the cup. Then I read the Scripture, “I am the vine, you are the branches. Whosoever abides in me will bring forth much fruit.” I had intended to read my communion passage back to earth, but at the last minute Deke Slayton had requested that I not do this.

NASA was already embroiled in a legal battle with Madelyn Murray O’Hare, the celebrated opponent of religion, over the Apollo 8 crew reading from Genesis while orbiting the moon at Christmas. I agreed reluctantly as the Eagle metal body creaked. I ate the tiny Host and swallowed the wine. I gave thanks for the intelligence and spirit that had brought two young pilots to the Sea of Tranquility. It was interesting for me to think: the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the very first food eaten there, were the communion elements.

NASA kept this secret for two decades. The memoirs of Buzz Aldrin and the Tom Hanks Emmy-winning HBO mini-series, *From the Earth to the Moon* (1998), made people aware of this act of Christian worship 235,000 miles from Earth.

(submitted by Father Brad)

Preparing an Expectant Heart.....

by Buddy Coffey

As we enter the Advent season our thoughts turn to preparation and anticipation. We read the prophecies associated with Jesus' birth and are infused with feelings of expectancy. We sing Advent hymns such as "Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near!" and "Come, thou long expected Jesus." On a secular note, we prepare for Christmas with activities such as last minute shopping, wrapping gifts, and selecting that perfect Christmas tree. Our little children look at the wrapped gifts under the tree, wondering what treasures they contain and anticipating the joy of finding out!

Anticipation. Expectancy. Preparation.

On the other hand, everywhere around us we see something quite different as the year draws to a close. I may be asked to make a list of my professional goals for the coming year and to make plans for achieving them. I'm asked what business growth I am expecting for 2010 and what planning I'm doing to meet those expectations. While these are all good and worthwhile activities, is this what the Advent season is asking of us, to make up "to do" lists of things to accomplish in the coming year – New Year's resolutions if you will – and then to make plans and schedules to carry them out? I don't think so.

EXPECTANCY WITHOUT EXPECTATION

Allison is a young woman in my office who is four months pregnant. She is definitely "expectant" in a physical way, and that feeling of expectancy carries over into the rest of her life. It's contagious! At the same time, she doesn't have strong opinions of whether she prefers a boy or girl. She doesn't long for a particular hair color, eye color, height or weight. Those aren't knowable anyway. I'd say that Allison has that attitude of *expectancy* which is totally separated from strong desires of expectation.

When Mary found out that she would be carrying the Son of God in her body, she, too, had a feeling of expectancy, yet, it was impossible for her to know just what to expect. There was no precedent to giving birth, nurturing and raising the Son of God! She, too, had this strong attitude of *expectancy*, which we get a glimpse of when she says, "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord." We say the same thing when we sing the chorus of that familiar hymn, "Here I am, Lord." Expectant, knowing God is at work, but not knowing exactly what to expect.

PREPARATION WITHOUT PLANNING

Allison's husband Jason is just as excited about the new baby as Allison is! In his mind I'm sure he has begun to prepare for the new arrival. The house is ready; finances are in place; arrangements have been made so that Allison has

help as her time draws near. However, just like Allison, his preparations can only go so far. As much as we Dads would like to plan out things far in advance, this can't be done with their new baby whose gender, talents, and capabilities aren't even known. Jason has to prepare without knowing what to prepare for.

That's sort of like Joseph, isn't it? Joseph made preparations to take Mary to Bethlehem with him, but there's no way he could have planned for a two-year side trip to Egypt. If he planned anything, it was probably to return home and go strutting around downtown Nazareth showing off his new son. He couldn't plan out Jesus' career. After all, how do you teach the very Son of God? But Joseph could prepare Jesus for life. Preparation, without being able to plan.

SO WHAT'S ADVENT ABOUT?

Sometimes we can get so caught up in our planning that we forget what preparation itself is all about. We can clutch so tightly to our expectations that we lose those feelings of expectancy. Most of us have lived through many Advent seasons, and when we know how the story ends, what's left to anticipate?

Advent comes at the beginning of our Church year, and I think there's a reason for that: preparing an expectant heart is preparatory to all that follows. Advent's a time when we can step out of the "ordinary" in our lives – planning, scheduling, goals, strong expectations, and sharp focus – and step into the "extraordinary" that is all around us. For a short season, we put our rational lives on hold and enter into an irrational grace that transcends whatever we think we could possibly control, desire, or cling to. We say, "Here I am, Lord!" just as Mary said, "Behold your handmaid." And then we wait... expectantly.

None of Joseph's words are recorded in scripture, but somehow he must have come to the point of saying, "Thy will be done." He gave up his plans for a normal wedding, the father's right to name the baby or direct the child into his life's work. At the same time we know he was prepared, even for the unknown.

PREPARING AN EXPECTANT HEART

I wish I could give you "Seven Steps to an Expectant Heart," but I can't. What we are talking about here is a matter of formation, not education. So instead, I offer two broad principles that I think we can glean from the Advent season.

- 1 For a moment, let go of our plans, our hopes, our dreams, and our desires, yet still keep an active awareness

of life. We can pick them up later, but for a moment, let's see if just perhaps by letting go of our wishes that we can make some space for God's plans, God's hopes, God's dreams, and God's desires. Can we prepare our hearts this way?

2 At the same time, can we relax our focus on how we want things to turn out, what our personal expectations might be, and that strong sense of clinging that comes from that focus? If so, then we enlarge our hearts to make space for God's expectations. At the same time, we increase our expectancy that God is indeed working within us and that something will one day come of it, as surely as we will celebrate the birth of Jesus in a few weeks.

These qualities don't happen overnight; they can take years, which is why we re-visit the Advent season at the beginning of each Church year. It's not because the lessons change; they don't. It's because we are changing. Every year we can "let go" a little more. Every year the words "Thy will be done" come from deeper in our hearts. Every year it is easier for us to say, "Here I am, Lord."

The final lesson comes from a word we will hear a lot over the next few weeks: Immanuel – God with us. When we realize that we can't do any of this by ourselves, remember the angel's words to Mary, "With God, all things are possible." When we have prepared that expectant heart, we become open to all of those possibilities. And God has far more possibilities prepared for us at Holy Trinity than we can possibly plan for or expect on our own.

I've been writing a series of articles on Stewardship, and this is one of them. Our present stewardship season is drawing to a close as most of the pledges have been received. Stewardship cycles just like our Church year does, and each liturgical season gives us new insights into our personal stewardship. As the cycle now begins anew, let us begin with the stewardship of ourselves, for if we see ourselves as God does, we will find nothing of more value or worth to which we could possibly devote our stewardship efforts. We begin personally just like the new Church year begins, with feelings of preparation and expectancy.

"Here I am, Lord..... Thy will be done!"



Who's Lying in the Manger?

by David Cornfield

He who is the Almighty became a suckling baby.

He who is all wise took on the dumbness of a newborn.

He whom the heavens cannot contain was enclosed in a woman's womb.

He before whom the seraphim continually cry "Holy, Holy, Holy" was born of a sinner into a world under the dominion of sin.

He who is unchanging went through nine months of contrast, of constant change, to enter a world of change.

He who is all-knowing had to communicate through baby cries.

He who is infinite became a microscopic cell.

He who is love was born outside a hotel because no one had room for his laboring mother.

He who is the creator became a creature.

He who has always been spirit took on the awkwardness of a human body.

He who is Eternal allowed himself to be bound by time.

He who is light was entombed for nine months in warm blackness.

He who is just was accused of being an illegitimate child.

He who is sovereign God became dependent on a human man and woman for his food and clothing.

He who is clothed with majesty was born in a cattle trough.

He who alone is self-sufficient had to be cleaned and nursed.

He who is life was born with a death warrant around his neck.

Can there be a greater mystery?

Can there be a greater miracle?



(submitted by Buddy Coffey)

Church of the Holy Trinity - Rota

December 2009

Date	Service Time	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Crucifer	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Nursery
12/6	8:00 a.m.	Will Dettwiler				Walt Rowe		
	10:00 a.m.	Tyler Van Deusen	Rod Ricklefs	Jack Pollard	Kyle McCollum Sara McCollum	Lawrie Sayre Chad Wolfe	Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	Lisa Lamarr
12/13	8:00 a.m.	David Robinson				Walt Rowe		
	10:00 a.m.	Janet Dettwiler	Will Dettwiler	Ken Dehner	Colin Dehner Maria Voelker	Lawrie Sayre Chad Wolfe	Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	Dorian Robinson
12/20	8:00 a.m.	Steve Christy				Walt Rowe		
	10:00 a.m.	Buddy Coffey	Jim Wollon	Tyler Van Deusen	Margaret McGuirk Justin Voelker	Lawrie Sayre Chad Wolfe	Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	Sally Carnohan
12/24	5:00 p.m.	Cami Rogers	Will Dettwiler					
	11:00 p.m.	Lawrason Sayre	Sally Carnohan				Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	
12/25	10:00 a.m.	Joan Kelly					Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	
12/27	8:00 a.m.	Gene Fitzgerald				Walt Rowe		
	10:00 a.m.	Jim Wollon	Moira Ricklefs			Lawrie Sayre Chad Wolfe	Sally Carnohan Nancy Ann Sayre	Nancy Ann Sayre

Coffee Hour hosts needed for all Sundays!

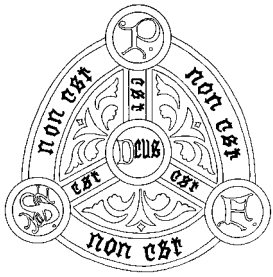
Please note: If you are unable to serve on the assigned Sunday, please arrange for a substitute and call the office as soon as possible so that the worship leaflet can be updated accordingly.

Each of the columns represents a ministry opportunity.
Listen carefully; perhaps God is calling you to serve.

Holy Trinity Church Calendar

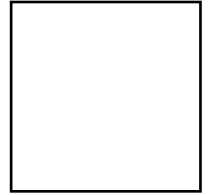
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Soup supper: 6:30pm	2 BBBS: 12:30 pm Yoga:6:00pm Worship cmt:6:15p Girl scouts:7:00pm	3 Bridge club: 7:00pm	4 Girl scouts: 6:00pm	5 <i>Breakfast with Santa: 8:30 A.M.</i>
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13 <i>HE: 8am, 10am— Coffee Hour Church school, CTC: 11:30am</i>	14 Prayer Shawl min: 7:00pm Vestry: 7:30 pm	15 Soup supper: 6:30pm	16 BBBS: 12:30 pm Yoga:6:00pm Girl scouts:7:00pm Choir: 7:00 pm	17 Bridge club: 7:00pm	18 Girl scouts: 6:00pm	19 Scrapbooking
20 <i>HE: 8am, 10am— Coffee Hour Church school, CTC, Women of HT: 11:30am</i>	21 <i>Winter begins</i>	22 Soup supper: 6:30pm	23 BBBS: 12:30 pm Yoga:6:00pm Choir: 7:00 pm	24 <i>Christmas Eve HE:5:00 pm, 11:00 pm</i>	25 <i>Christmas HE: 10:00 am</i>	26
27 <i>HE: 8am, 10am— Coffee Hour Church school, CTC: 11:30am</i>	28 Prayer Shawl min: 7:00pm	29	30 BBBS: 12:30 pm Yoga:6:00pm Choir: 7:00 pm	31		



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December Birthdays

- 3 Jim Wollon
- 4 Emily Streett,
Vicky Hardwick
- 15 ... Chip Heaps
- 16 ... Richard Kotlowski
- 17 ... Virginia Brice
- 20 ... Katie Bauer,
Janet Dettwiler,
Alexander Hegeman
- 22 ... Natalie Lynn
- 24 ... Chad Wolfe
- 30 ... Nicholas DiMattia

Short Notes

A Winter Notice

The last person leaving the Parish House each day and evening should ensure that the cabinet doors are open under the Parish Hall sink. This is to prevent water pipes from freezing. This happened a few years ago and half the Parish Hall was flooded as well as the basement rest rooms and nearby spaces.

Many Thanks

A follow-up work day was held Saturday, November 21. Volunteers had already completed many tasks on the work list, and I thank all those who helped — on Work Days and from time to time at your own convenience.

Yours in Christ,

Jim Wollon, Property Warden

Updates for the Directory

We'll be updating the Parish Directory in January, so please make sure the office has your current information. Melissa has posted address and birthday lists for folks to review and edit (or you can send her an e-mail with updates). If you'd like to update the photo included with your listing, please e-mail a photo to Melissa (or drop a print in her mailbox).

Breakfast with Santa

Your help is needed this Saturday (Dec. 5)! Please contact the office as soon as possible to sign up for cooking, serving, or clean-up duties. Many hands make light work and any help you can contribute is appreciated.

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Send articles, photos, and news to Kerry (kittlekj@gmail.com) or the church office (office@htrinitychurchville.org) by the 15th of the month.