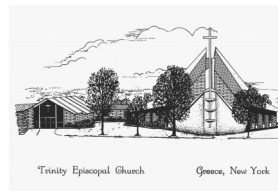


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MAY/JUNE 2022

REGULAR Schedule:

- In-Person & Zoom Services Sundays @ **9:00am & 10:30am**
- Zoom Outreach Leadership Meetings—2nd Monday @ 6:30 PM
- “A” Team Breakfast—1st Tuesday of the Month @ 8:45 AM
- “A” Team Building and Grounds Crew (at church) —Every Tuesday @ 9:30 AM
- Bible Study—Wednesdays @ 6:30pm.
- Evening Zoom Prayers—Thursdays @ 7:00pm.
- Ping Pong at Trinity—Thursday evenings @ 7:00 PM.



Greece Crop Walk is taking place on May 1st. Anyone interested in participating or contributing can do so by going on line and searching for Greece Crop Walk and navigating to the Trinity team. Crop Walk's purpose is to help stamp out food insecurity world wide and in local communities donating a portion of all funds to the Greece Food Shelf. <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/trinity-episcopal-2>



Building and Grounds Spring Clean-up: MARK YOUR CALENDARS - **Saturday, May 7th** from 8:30am till 2:00pm. Many jobs both inside and outside. Your help is needed and will be appreciated. Fellowship and Treats provided.

Mother's Day (May 12th) and Father's Day (June 19th): Mother's and Father's Day are two of the most special days of the year. It gives us all a chance to stop and reflect on how very much our Moms and Dads have given us and what a truly special gift they are to all who encounter them. We recognize and celebrate all those whose nurturing, encouragement, care and love have made a difference in our lives. Bring your mother, father, your grandmother, grandfather and those who have mothered or fathered you in your life. If you would like to honor someone who has passed, please email or bring to the office a photo of your loved one, which will be shown on the screen at Sunday's service. Pictures submitted prior years will be displayed. Let us honor together the gift of our mothers and fathers who helped us become who we are today.

Sticky Lips BBQ has Returned – Fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity: The Sticky Lips BBQ is on **Thursday, May 19th** from 3:00pm – 6:00pm at Hope Church on Vintage Lane. Myrna Lawrence-Waters will be selling tickets for the Ribs & Chicken Dinner at both the 9am and 10:30am services at Trinity on Sunday May 1st. Price per ticket is \$15. Treat yourself to a night off from cooking and enjoy some delicious BBQ while you help reach our goal for our 8th home build! Please feel free to contact Myrna directly with any questions or ticket orders (email: mmlawren3@gmail.com; cell: 585-301-6955).

Trinity Book Group: If you enjoy reading, consider joining our Trinity Book Group. We gather every third Thursday of the month, at 2:00 in the Trinity library room. This month the Trinity Book Group is reading “The Personal Librarian” by Marie Benedict. Our next meeting is **Thursday, May 19th** at 2:00. The Greece Public Library has copies that may be checked out.

Pentecost—June 5th: The festival marks an end to the Easter cycle and celebrates the Holy Spirit coming in the form of flames to the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ, So... on The Day of Pentecost in the church year, we wear **RED** to remind us of the fire of the Spirit.

Recognition Sunday: Please join us in recognizing our graduates and the recipient of the Shaun Bohrer Scholarship on **Sunday, June 12th** at our 10:30am service.

Outdoor Services: Over the Summer we will be having our Outdoor Picnic Services. There will only be one service, outdoors at 10:30am to encourage us all to get to know each other. Please bring your lawn chairs and/or picnic blankets and stay for lunch thereafter. Any bring and share dishes you would like to contribute would be wonderful. The dates will be **June 26, July 31st and August 28th**.



SPIRITS RISE!

Dear Trinity,

Easter! Coming from the Germanic word for East, referring to the rising of the Morning Star, the rising of Light. It really is one of the most beautiful times of the year. We can really feel now the longer hours of light, the change in the air, the signs of new life all around us- daffodils, buds, grass that's never seemed greener.

It is a time of the year when we feel our hearts lift and our spirits rise – everything begins to feel possible. And so over the next 40 days I encourage you to get up with enough time to watch a sunrise. The sun rises every day of our lives and yet how many do we get to actually see? How many do we make the time to see? How about making this a spiritual practice – even if just once a week- to get up early like the women did on the day of resurrection – to watch the Sun rise. To watch how gradually darkness changes to light. Watching something like a sunrise is a deeply spiritual practice I encourage you to try. Or make a time to go outside and see how many new signs of life you can see? Count them one by one – list them and then take that list and give thanks to God for the life of each of these. Then how about sitting down and thinking of all the signs

of new life in your life beginning to appear right now. Again count them one by one - list them and then give thanks to God for them.

Life always moves forward not backwards. No matter what we have been through Life is resilient, it wants to live, and God's spirit in You wants to live and break out. Don't suppress it, but stop and watch and see the new signs of Life and resurrection emerging in You. For you hold the life of God within you. You hold God's sacred breath in you. You are Resurrection.

May this be a blessed time for each of us and for our world yearning for resurrection.

With love always – Revd Debs

Vestry Highlights

By Linda Ketchum-Pompili

At each monthly meeting, the Vestry typically has standard agenda items: Rector's report (which includes an overview of our priest's pastoral care work and recent funerals, baptisms, marriages; her ministry work; and her administrative work); the Wardens' report (from Nate Wade & Lynn Ringholz), Outreach missions report, and Trinity Lamb Preschool report. The Vestry also reviews monthly financial reports: Revenues & Expenses for both the church and preschool; Paid Invoice list for the church, and Balance Sheet for all church accounts.

Highlights below include some topics the Vestry discussed and/or decided at two recent meetings.

February 21, 2022 Vestry Meeting

Lenten Outreach project to raise money for the Trinity Humanitarian Fund to help people who are released from the Batavia Detention Center. The money goes to local volunteers who support those released in a variety of ways, including providing basic clothing, a meal, and money to help them contact family and travel home.



COVID-19 recommendations update from the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester: noted that statewide indoor mask mandate was lifted by the Governor and infection rates in Monroe County declined after the peak of the Omicron surge. Starting indoor coffee hour again was discussed.

Vision Planning: See summary in this issue of Trinity Times.

March 21, 2022 Vestry Meeting

Rising Stars Childcare Center, Inc., signed a 3-year lease to continue as a tenant in the parish hall side of the church building. The lease stipulates payment of monthly rent as \$4,350 from March 1, 2022 to August 31, 2022; \$5,000 from September 1, 2022 to February 29, 2024; and \$5,300 from March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025.

Congregational Development Partnership Grant application was submitted to the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester.

Parochial Report was submitted to Episcopal Diocese of Rochester. This report (explained at: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/parochial-report-annual-report/>) is required yearly from all Episcopal churches and includes data on baptisms, confirmations, marriages, burials, membership, and finances.

Blessing Pantry: Laurie Phillips is exploring a possible Amazon wish list as an option for pantry donations.

B&G: Bob Romanet is now communication liaison between the A-Team and the Vestry.

Palm Sunday Flowers to Neighbors: See summary in this issue of Trinity Times.

Names of Your Wardens and Vestry Members:

Wardens: Nate Wade & Lynn Ringholz. Vestry members: Barbara Deming, Jack Eddy, Linda Ketchum-Pompili, Myrna Lawrence-Waters, Mary Smith, Kelley Stoll, Elizabeth Thorpe, Katelyn Quartuccio, Dottie Vassalo. Clerk of the Vestry: Dorothy Romanet.

Vestry minutes and detailed finance reports are available in the parish office.

Income	March Y-T-D	Budget Y-T-D
Altar Fund	1,040	246
Fundraisers	66	20
Special	105	265
Pledge & Plate	41,544	44,740
Allocations	1,250	1,250
Building Use	8,700	6,542
Interest/Misc	1,220	0
Operating Income	53,925	53,063
Expense		
B&G	15,288	12,780
Evangelism	0	0
Personnel	33,578	36,080
Mission	4,309	4,309
Worship	1,750	912
Christian Ed	0	0
Stewardship	0	0
Office Expense	604	800
Taxes/Insurance	4,683	7,873
Operating Expense	60,212	62,754
Operating Net Total	-6,287	-9,691

Vision Planning Update

By Linda Ketchum-Pompili

The umbrella goal of our Vision Planning is to increase the number of people who attend Trinity services and events so we will become financially sustainable with more donations and pledges. This goal is married to our mission to share our Christian faith with non-believers so they may come to know the joy and peace of following Jesus.

Fishers of People

Jesus Calls His First Disciples. Mathew 4:18-19

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

Non-denominational churches are successful "fishers of people." I sometimes visit these churches with family members who attend regularly. I usually experience a joyful gathering that begins with a worship band on stage and ends with the pastor's "message," based on scripture selected by the pastor. My impression is that people feel a certainty in their beliefs and enjoy the fellowship. I respect these churches and admire how they grow.

We Are a Sacramental Church: The Episcopal Church is different. We are a "sacramental" church that follows a structured "liturgy." Our scripture readings are determined by a "lectionary." The same lessons, psalm, and gospel are read each Sunday in all Episcopal churches, and in many Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Roman Catholic churches. And even as we believe "the truth that is in Jesus" (Ephesians 4:21), the Episcopal way is to also embrace doubt and allow us to question our faith.

When we invite a friend to come to church with us, what do they experience that will make them want to come again? When visitors attend Trinity on a Sunday, do they understand what we're doing as we pray, sing, and go to the altar to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion?

Making Our Sunday Worship More Understandable & More Meaningful to Visitors: One effort of our Vision Planning process is to make our Sunday services more understandable and more meaningful to visitors. You've probably noticed some changes in the worship slides and in how Rev. Debs leads the service.

Vocabulary: Where the liturgy has traditional words that are not in common usage, we provide a translation in brackets. For example: Collect [Prayer] and Absolution [Forgiveness]. Instead of "The Great Thanksgiving," we now call that part of

the service "The Lord's Supper / Holy Communion."

Meaning: Throughout the service, Rev. Debs shares more of her spiritual gift of teaching to explain the meaning and historical context of certain prayers, words, and actions. Her vast knowledge and radiant faith are blessings to our congregation.

Emotion: Most Sundays now begin with the Lighting of Three Candles. These statements were added to help us feel the awe of what we are about to do together.

- 1) Our worship service is centered on a ritual that people have been doing for 2,000 years.
- 2) And today, Christians in many countries are worshipping this way, in many different cultures and languages.
- 3) We are spiritually connected to past generations and to a living community of faith around the world.

We revere our worship that blends ancient traditions and modern updates with the mystery of sacraments. Our hope is visitors will also feel moved by what they see and hear and learn during the service — and they will want join us again on another Sunday.

The Vision Planning process at Trinity will be an ongoing, long-term project. "A marathon, not a sprint." Please feel free to contact Linda Ketchum-Pompili any time if you have questions, or if you want to share your thoughts and ideas. Email: Linda.Aug22@outlook.com — cell: 585-434-8649 — landline: 585-225-4232 — address: 10 Summer Lane, Rochester, NY 14626.

April Service Day

By Fred Fant

About 13 folks volunteered at the first 2022 Spring Service Day. Projects accomplished include:

- Removed the tree that fell on the west side fence of the old playground
- Straightened the upper fence rails where the tree fell on it
- Removed leaves from the fence that surrounds the old playground
- Removed leaves, trimmed plants in the Columbarium

- Cleaned the gardens (leaves and weeds) from the gardens at the driveway end of the sidewalk to the north entrance
- Painted the bench in the new playground
- Painted the support posts on the sign at the North Ave. entrance
- Removed branches from the new playground area
- Removed the filing cabinet from the hallway behind the altar.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped get the church cleaned up! Our next Service day is set for Saturday, May 7.

Building & Grounds

By John Montstream



We currently have a problem with our “high water” alarm turning on when there is not a problem with high water. The alarms are located in the sump crocks where the sump pumps are located to signal a pump failure before we have a major basement flood. Turns out we have three switches giving a false signal which will be replaced plus a new switch for the new sump pump installed in the old teen room (NW corner basement room).

Many sticks and branches have been picked up and stacked along our roadways and parking lot. The Town has been called for a pickup. Thank you Jim W!!!

The roof gutters and drains on the west side of daycare get loaded with pine needles and cones. The downspout screens keeping debris from getting into the downspouts, work too well, as the needles in the screens keeps the water from flowing properly. We should consider taking the pine tree down to solve this problem.



Trinity Lamb Preschool is now accepting registrations for their 3 and 4 year old classes. Please visit <http://trinitylambpreschool.com> or call Kim Branco at 585-225-8026 for more information

GRADUATION PHOTOS

It's the season for graduations! If you or a family member are graduating from school or program (regardless of level), please let us know! We would like to publish an announcement and photo of each of our graduates in honor of their achievements. Email office@trinity-greeceny.org or drop off your photo in the office with the following information.

- ☐ Name of graduate
- ☐ High School/College/Program completed
- ☐ Degree/Major
- ☐ Future Plans

Memorial Scholarship

Applications for the Shaun M. Bohrer Memorial Scholarship are now available in the Church office. To be eligible, the applicant must be a graduating High School senior planning to attend a college or university in the fall. Applicants must have a G.P.A. of 85 or better, must be an active member of the Trinity Church community, must write an essay focused on his or her character and must provide three recommendations. Deadline for submission is **May 23, 2022**.



Labyrinth Walks

By Rev. Deborah Duguid-May

Over the summer we will be having Tuesday Lunch Time Labyrinth Walks. The walks will begin at Noon by the labyrinth followed by a bring your own lunch where we will gather for fellowship.



These are simply short prayer walks of meditation and we will teach you how. We look forward to seeing you over the summer. Please mark your calendars—All are welcome! **June 7 and 21; July 12 and 26; August 9 and 23.**

If anyone is interested in adding an engraved brick to our labyrinth, the order forms are available in the parish office. Bricks are \$25.00 each and can

be paid for by cash or a check made out to Trinity. Write labyrinth bricks on the memo line. If you have any questions, you can contact the office at (585)225-7848.

Outreach.....

RocUbuntu is Really Rockin': A lot is happening with RocUbuntu this spring, and YOU are invited to get involved!

- We are planning an authentic Afghan dinner, cooked by Afghanis, in June to raise funds toward sponsoring an Afghan refugee family in Rochester. More details coming soon. Yummm!
- As part of sponsoring an Afghan family, volunteers are needed for a Caring Circle, to help the family adjust to life in Rochester. Rev. Hans Irmer from Messiah Lutheran, Rev. Alan Dailley from John Knox, and Pastor Cheryl from Greece Baptist have already been helping with rides to the doctor, and English tutoring. It's been fulfilling to make a difference.
- We plan to partner with a Rochester elementary school to provide 2022-23 school-year tutoring, spiritual support, and summer programming. If you have special interest areas or just enjoy working with students, please reach out to Fred Fant or James Cannon. This partnership will reflect the unique gifts and interests of the volunteers, so your input is valuable.
- April is Child Abuse Prevention month, so we are supporting two pieces of legislation: Kyra's Law and the federal Maternal Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)

Our Ubuntu connection to KOP (Keeping our Promise, Inc., Rochester)---In 2021 our local KOP settled 74 families (219 individuals) in the greater Rochester area, 195 of them since July 4! This strained KOP's local volunteer capacity—14,434 volunteer hours in 2021 alone! KOP commits to providing housing (including furnishings, start up rents and security deposits, and food gift cards until DOSS kicks in), a computer for each family to facilitate job searches, and other services to help transition to life in America. As a minor volunteer, I have been part of a “caring circle” for one family, a “Lease Guarantor” and a chauffeur to medical appointments. We have several other Ubuntu volunteers who are doing much more. If you

are able to help those who have risked their lives by assisting American soldiers in Afghanistan, please go online to “Keeping our Promise.org. --- Pastor Hans Irmer, Messiah Lutheran

CELEBRATION FOR Rev. Deborah Duguid-May!!

We have some milestones we missed due to the pandemic so we are going to roll them together into one celebration of faith and life and love!!

Please join us in-person on Sunday, June 26, 2022 for a luncheon in honor of Rev. Debs following the 10:30A service.

Milestones we are celebrating include Rev. Debs:

- * Call to Trinity as the Priest-in-Charge in August 2010 - **10th Anniversary+**
- * Official installation as the Rector at Trinity in April 2016 - **5th Anniversary+**
- * **50th birthday in June 2022!!**

Please sign up to bring a dish to pass. Paper products will be provided. We hope to hold this event outdoors if the weather cooperates.



- ⇒ **Raised Gardens Available:** Two raised garden beds are available for anyone who would like to use them. They are on the lawn just beyond the driveway south of the church. One bed is in reasonable condition and the other needs some repair. There is a water source available nearby. If anyone has any questions or wants to use one please see Bob Romanet.
- ⇒ **Coffee Hour!** PLEASE sign up to volunteer—sign up is in the narthex for May and June. You may email or call the office for any Sunday you would like to volunteer. Thank you!
- ⇒ **Help Needed:** Trinity is looking for a volunteer to convert a wooden newsprint frame into an easel. The frame is all wood and hangs in the library. We are looking to make this frame



portable for the library, possibly with tri-pod legs. If anyone can help, please call the office! Thank you!!!!

⇒ **Don't forget to keep Recycling Bottles and Cans:** Just bring them to Trinity or you may return them directly to Ridge Nickelback at 4945 W Ridge Rd and Trinity will get cash for your returns!



AUGUST 4th, 5th & 6th

Please Plan to bring “items” you previously enjoyed and no longer want to our **2022 Trinity Rummage Sale.** Your once loved item could be someone else treasure! **We are accepting items now!** Note: Please have all items cleaned and ready for display. Analog Televisions, Bowling Balls and Children Car Seats are not accepted.

The sorting and pricing of items will take place at Trinity from 10:00am – 12:00 noon, on the following Tuesdays:

May 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

June 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

July 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

If you are available to help on any of these days it will be greatly appreciated.

Volunteer positions will be available for cashiers and table monitors. A schedule will be posted in May. *There will be no bake sale this year.*

For questions / concerns please contact: Myrna Lawrence-Waters – Chair. (585)301-6955

The Prayers Of The People

Our Trinity Prayer List is an opportunity to pray for one another. If you have a family member or friend experiencing an illness or difficult time for whatever reason, please let our priest in charge know, call the office 225-7848 or email office@trinity-greeceny.org to request their name be added to our prayer list. Please specify long term or short term. Our long term prayers is 90 days and short term prayers for 30 days.



May/June

5 1 Monica John, Timothy McGavern
 5 2 Nicole Bird, Jason Wentworth
 5 4 Susan Crisafulli
 5 5 Marion Montstream, Jackson Witz
 5 6 Dominic Wentworth
 5 11 Julie Ray Romano
 5 14 Paige Rowan
 5 17 Samantha Bruehl, Michelle Luvisi
 5 23 Sharon Burch
 5 27 James Keirstead
 5 28 Esther Russell, Gail Russell
 5 29 Michael Quartuccio
 5 30 Marylue Carley, Jillian Niven
 5 31 Kyle Moyer, Maryanne Bongiovanni-Miller

6 3 Linda Interlichia
 6 4 Avery Klingzahn, Chris Ott
 6 10 Michael Lehmann
 6 11 Eleanor Crist
 6 16 Linda Canfield
 6 17 Jeff Romanet, Alice Dobbins
 6 19 Leo Mossa
 6 23 Betty Fitzmorris
 6 24 Alfred Fant
 6 25 Nathan John, Emily John
 6 26 John Hopf
 6 30 Betty Gardner, Kevin McGavern
 6 30 Deborah Duguid-May, Kayden Fuller

Those celebrating Wedding Anniversaries:

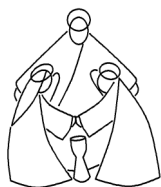
Patricia & Art Mayne – May 4th
 James & Margaret Keirstead – May 19th
 Jim & Linda Wackerow – May 28th
 Philip & Karen Luvisi – June 1st
 Nathaniel & Kristen Wade – June 2nd
 Jeff & Stephanie Romanet – June 5th
 Robert & Dorothy Romanet – June 7th
 John & Karren Hopf – June 10th
 Jeffrey & Stephanie Klingzahn – June 16th
 Gary & Joan Petroske – June 18th
 Willie & Myrna Lawrence-Waters – June 21st
 Dr. Charles Bruehl & Linda Gremke – June 28th
 John & Marion Montstream – June 30th

Remembering those who have died:

Please notify the church office to reserve specific Sunday dates for memorials of Family members or any loved ones via the Sanctuary Candle.

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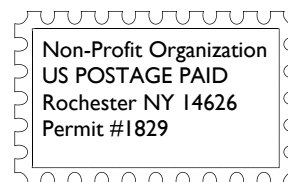


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