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HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2014

***Save the Date! – SEARCH SUMMIT SUNDAY,
Sunday, April 6th!***

COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE on Sunday, April 6th. Look inside for more details.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

Psalm 30:4



Dear Friends,

What an exciting month April will be! Perhaps, this month that familiar quote from Annie Dillard in *Teaching a Stone to Talk* (1982) especially is true:

“It is madness to wear ladies' straw hats and velvet hats to church; we should all be wearing crash helmets. Ushers should issue life preservers and signal flares; they should lash us to our pews.”

Yes, we are engaging in some powerful work and worship as the Body of Christ! Our Search Committee leads off this month with the Search Summit. I've said it before, but it bears repeating: This is one of the most important events in the life – and future life – of our parish. One of the fundamental goals of interim times is to develop a clear sense the mission of the parish, its core values and its identity as God's people in this place and time. The Search Summit offers us a special time in order to work on this goal; but, without the participation of all of you, this goal cannot be fully accomplished.

The Search Summit also is a very special way in which to do Lenten self-examination, both individually and corporately--self-examination that will prepare us for Holy Week and Easter. How appropriate, then, that Holy Week begins the very next Sunday, April 13th with our Palm Sunday worship. That

service also prepares us for the days leading up to the glorious celebration of Christ's Resurrection.

This year our Holy Week services are a bit different than in previous years. On Monday of Holy Week, we have the opportunity to observe personal devotion and reflection; but we will do it together as companions in Christ's Way. Some of the most touching and meaningful contemplation is done in silence together. We live in a very wordy, noisy world; yet, our spirits yearn for quietness and peace. Our worship on Monday night in Holy Week will give us a chance to be still and truly know God. Jamie Wilcutts will provide music to help us deepen our contemplation. A liturgy of scripture and prayers also will be available to help guide our devotions.

On Tuesday of Holy Week, our worship will be Evening Prayer with Holy Eucharist. Much of this service will be sung in the wonderful Anglican tradition.

The music of the Taize community in France will be woven into our Holy Eucharist on the Wednesday of Holy Week. This worship time will include a special instrumentalist and times of "embodied prayer". Someone has described worship in the Taize style as "massage for the soul."

Thursday of Holy Week begins the Triduum with the Maundy Thursday service. This service is especially meaningful to us as Episcopalians as it remembers in a special way the institution of the sacrament of Holy Communion. This service will include footwashing for any who want to participate.

Our Good Friday service is one of the most powerful of our Prayer Book liturgies. This spoken service will be at noon on Good Friday. On the evening of Good Friday, we will pray the Stations of the Cross as we walk the Labyrinth. Special music will be provided to lead our devotions and I will be there to offer healing prayers for any who so desire.

The Easter Vigil this year will be a very *festive* celebration of Easter joy! This worship service will be a somewhat streamlined version of this very ancient liturgy. Our young folks have been making noisemakers for this special worship and our Bread Baking ministry is planning a special reception following the service.

Easter Sunday will continue the joy and celebration in our 8:00 and 10:30 am worship services! Our youth have a very special Easter Egg hunt planned for our younger children and special music. We also will enjoy the beauty of the Flowering of the Cross.

Holy Week is also a time when some find the Rite of Reconciliation (also known as Confession) especially meaningful. If you would like to participate in this rite, please call or e-mail me to set up an appointment.

During the month of April, our God offers us a treasure of rich, spiritual gifts! I do hope that by making a special effort to participate fully in the events of this month, each one of you will strengthen your lives of faith and know the peace that passes understanding.

May the Almighty God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you abundantly in April and always.
Mother Judith+



The Adult Formation welcomes you to join us every Sunday morning for fellowship. We meet in the Johnston Wing at 9:30am. Upcoming topics include Adam Hamilton's study, "Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White", and Q&A "What is a Bishop"? We look forward to seeing you Sunday.

SOUP AND STORIES ON THURSDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT THURSDAYS, April 3rd and 10th

Join us for Soup and Stories on Thursday evenings during Lent followed by Holy Eucharist.

Date: Thursdays, April 3rd and 10th

Time: 5:30 pm Soup and Stories; 6:30 pm Holy Eucharist

Location: Parish Hall



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 David Perry* 2 Matt Hooper, Amy Perez, Ernie Suguitan, Ona Udoh* 3
Catrina Carpenter* 4 Dan Middleton* 6 Victoria Hall, Mary Syms* 10 Jacob
Allen* 12 Preston Rich, John Spiegelberg* 13 Jean Baker, Joshua Demmon, Eric
Fleming* 14 Eden Suguitan, David Zimmerman* 16 Douglas Kelly, Jamie
Wilcutts* 18 Paula Davis, James Goodwin* 19 Edie Binkley, Courtney Goodwin,
Marie Parker, Davis Saint-Amand* 20 Bill Goble, Hannah Morketter* 21 Austine
Dapuyen, Caden Hawkins, Barbara Naugle* 22 Owen Fiebig, Betsy Gardner* 24
Jimmy Driscoll, J.R. Hustwit* 25 Al Alvarez* 27 Laura Jones, William
Sherman* 28 Greg Seawell* 30 Bob Shouse, Mimi Spears*

Rite 13

March was a busy month for Rite 13!

We helped with the Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner on Tues. March 4th. The youth helped set-up, cook pancakes and sausage, serve, and then clean-up! Pancakes and sausage were enjoyed by all.



We held our Lock-In on Fri Mar 7th!! We met at the church at 6pm and painted the infant room (see pictures). This group really knows how to paint! Keith noted that he has never painted with anyone before and that it was fun! We took a break from painting (between primer and the “melted butter” color) and enjoyed pizza. Elizabeth led us in some ice breakers, we watched a movie, played games and talked. We also participated in a chapel service ~ 11 pm complete with tea lights and praise music! Lastly, a little sleep was gotten by all!





New Beginnings was held at Trinity Center on March 21-23. Three of our Rite 13ers - Elizabeth Scott, Meghan Kirchen and Douglas Kelly - served on the team. Amanda Taheri and Cole Kirchen from J2A also served. I am hoping to include pictures in the next newsletter.

April is shaping up to be quite busy as well. On Sunday April 6th, we have a paintball adventure planned for the afternoon. (Parents, watch your email for additional details!)

April 13th is the Cropwalk. Rite 13 will be participating in this.

We will also sponsor the annual Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 service on Easter morning. Each youth needs to bring a bag of individually wrapped candy by 4/13 (we'll stuff the eggs during Sunday School on 4/13). We will hide them during Sunday School on Easter morning and then help with Easter egg hunt!



Our trip to DC is approaching quickly. We will have a speaker from the Homeless Coalition on Friday night who will talk to us about homelessness. We will then participate in an Outreach Run on Sat. morning. We will be asking

parishioners to donate certain items for us to give to the homeless people we encounter during this event. Watch the bulletin for the list and further details. Parents, if your child is going to DC, please try to have them attend Sunday School in May as we will be prepping for the service part of our trip on these days.

We continue to meet on Sunday mornings to join together in faith and study. Stewart Harsant is leading a study on prayer - we are working on the Eucharistic prayers currently. Judy Philbrook

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6: Paintball
April 13: Cropwalk
April 20: Easter Egg Hunt
May 16-18: Trip to Washington DC

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



HOLY TRINITY EASTER CROSS - The flowering of the cross is an Easter tradition at Holy Trinity . Please bring flowers or greenery from your yard to place on the cross Easter morning. The cross will be in the Narthex and will be a joy for all of us!

Help Decorate the Church with Easter Lilies. Sign-up sheet in this news letter.



Knitting Group - Thursdays @ 7:00 pm

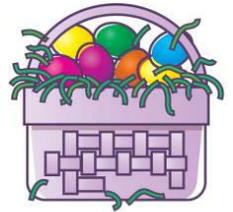
Knitting Group is beginning to knit again! That's right, ladies, come to the church library to join our knitting group on Thursday evenings at 7pm. We will continue to knit (or crochet) prayer shawls. Beginners as well as more advanced knitters welcome. We're gathering to learn, enjoy fellowship with one another and to complete prayer shawls as gifts to our shut-ins. Look forward to seeing you on Thursdays at 7:00 pm. Jane Squires



**GOING OUT TO SERVE ...PARTNERING WITH MARGARET WILLIS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**



The Adopt A Family Committee is continuing our partnership with Margaret Willis Elementary School this year and will be preparing at least 30 Easter Baskets for students at the school. These baskets will be delivered by April 15th to the school so that they can be given to the parents of the children who will receive the baskets for Easter.



**Easter Baskets
for Margaret Willis**

We would like your help in gathering items for the baskets so be on the lookout for the "Egg Tree" in the Narthex . We will have Eggs that you can take from the tree with items for the baskets written on the eggs. You can participate in this ministry by taking one or more eggs from the tree and returning the items on the eggs by **Sunday, April 13th** so that we can put the baskets together for delivery on the 15th.

Thank you in advance for your help with this and for your wonderful response to the Turkey Tree at Thanksgiving and the Angel Tree at Christmas.



**April and May Labyrinth Walks - Changes in
Schedule**

There is no "first Thursday" Labyrinth walk in April. The April Evening Labyrinth Walk will take place on **Good Friday, April 18th**, in the form of the "Stations of the Cross on the Labyrinth". Numbers will be attached at various places on the Labyrinth and each participant will be given a booklet with readings for each station. Live music will be provided. There will not be a viewing of the Labyrinth orientation video that evening, and we will gather together at 7 pm for a short devotion before beginning the walk.

The May Evening Labyrinth Walk will take place a week later than usual - on **May 8th** - because the Narthex will be full of May Fair items being prepared for the big sale on May 3rd.

WALKERS NEEDED

CROP HUNGER WALK - Sunday Afternoon, April 13, 2014

Registration @ 2:00pm - Step-off @ 3:00 pm

Evans Metropolitan AME Zion Church

Routes: 5K and 1 mile

NEEDED: Volunteers to man water stations and the registration desk

Contact Conchita Harris 931-249-2820 or Karen Saracen 910-495-6485

www.crophungerwalk.org/fayettevillenc

**CARE CLINIC'S "TOAST OF THE TOWN"
WINE TASTING AND SILENT AUCTION**

WHAT: Toast of the Town Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

WHEN: Thursday, April 24, 2014

TIME: 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Holiday Inn Bordeaux Ballroom

COST: \$40 per person in advance; \$45 at the door

Information: www.thecareclinic.org/winetasting.php or call
Gloria 910-485-0555.

50/50 Raffle Tickets: \$10.00 each.



Parish Beach Weekend

Finally, Spring is about to arrive, and do you know what that means? No, no ... I'm not referring to April showers and May flowers, I'm referring to our May Memorial Day Holy Trinity weekend at the beach. Get busy and reserve your room, because when they are gone - they are gone!

It's a perfect time to enjoy your family, your friends and Trinity Center food! In recent years they have started to prepare meals with locally grown food as much as possible, thus giving us not only a relaxing time at the beach, but a healthy time at the beach! In between food, we have swimming in the ocean or the pool, yoga, ice cream, s'mores, games, relaxing, visiting and much, much more. There is something for all ages.

Mark your calendar, fill out the reservation form in this newsletter and wait for Friday, May 23rd to Sunday, May 25, 2014 for our Parish Beach weekend. What fun, what wonderful food, what friends (new and old), what a weekend! Don't miss it! There's babysitting for the children during the Saturday evening activities and Sunday morning while you pack your bags and get ready for Sunday Eucharist overlooking the ocean.

Please see Joyce Loughlin or Louise Hall if you have any questions, suggestions or would like to help with planning. It's always a memorable weekend, no matter what your age there is something fun to do! See you there! Remember, Friday, May 23 to Sunday, May 25, 2014.

Coupon Ministry Daughters of the King

The Holy Trinity Dorcas Chapter of Daughters of the King, a group dedicated to "prayer, service and evangelism", is beginning a coupon clipping project. We will clip coupons and send them to military families abroad. These coupons enhance the well-being of overseas military families as we send them food, non-food, baby, and pet food coupons to make their hard-earned dollars go farther.



It's an easy way to make a big difference in someone's life.

Here at home it's easy -- our papers and magazines arrive full of coupons. Overseas, for military families, it isn't. But -- the stores on overseas military bases accept manufacturer coupons from the United States and even expired ones (but our goal is to get the coupons sent before they expire).

Every dollar we can help them save in their on-base store makes their American dollar worth more to them for things off-base.

Daughters of the King has placed a box in the parish hall where you can leave your unwanted coupons. If you clip them, that's great, but if you don't have time, we have a team of workers who will meet on Wednesday mornings to clip and sort. If you have any questions or have time to help clip, please see any member of Daughters of the King - Louise Hall, Martha Brown, Debbie Holfelder, Brenda Thomas, Rosemary Zimmerman, Anne Chisolm, Alice Bull, Paula Stewart, Eden Suguitan, Mary Mac Shields, or Julia Ann Rzonca Odom.

Below is a prayer we pray daily.

*For His Sake ...
I am but one, but I am one,
I cannot do everything, but I can do something.
What I can do, I ought to do.
What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.
Lord, what will you have me do.*

HOLY TRINITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

News from the Food Pantry



Since February is a short month, the Food Pantry gave out only 140 bags. Each bag enabled a family to supplement the groceries they were able to buy and was much appreciated. Your contributions of food and money enabled us to fill the food bags with non-perishable groceries for them.

We give thanks each month for our faithful Food Pantry volunteers. They show up on time to buy groceries, stock the shelves and pack bags so that this ministry to our needy neighbors can continue. It is wonderful to have a large group of dedicated people that can be absolutely relied on. Our Food Pantry volunteers are such a group. Thank you. Alexa Haar

The Food Pantry stocks the following items

- Canned meats: Chicken, beef, Spam, tuna, salmon, chicken and dumplings, beef stew, chili, hearty soups
- Canned vegetables and fruit
- Peanut butter and saltines
- Rice and boxed mac 'n cheese
- Cookies



Rector Search Committee Update

BE on the lookout for an invitation to **NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS....May 6, 7 and 8th.**





THE DIOCESAN MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

A medical mission team of 17 practitioners - not all were Episcopalians - from the Episcopal Dioceses of East Carolina was in Jimani, Dominican Republic, for the 4th time during the end of February. Jimani has a population of 13,000 and its neighbor to the west is Haiti so patients from both countries were seen. St. Paul's Episcopal Church (Iglesia Episcopal San Pablo Apostol) served as the team's clinic facility.



716 patients were seen in four days, from infants to elderly (low 90's); for malnutrition, diabetes, parasites, ringworm, high blood pressure, aches and pains, wounds and other problems. Two OB-GYN physicians treated many pregnant women and those with female problems. A pediatrician saw patients with particular pediatric medical issues. A local doctor was with the team and will provide follow-up care as needed. Besides medications, all patients received toothbrushes, toothpaste and first-aid kits. Used eyeglasses were also provided.

First and foremost, this was a Christian mission and then a medical mission. Thank the Lord, for the team had the pleasure of serving Him as an instrument in God's hand in the health care field. Eden A. Suguitan

MARCH 2014 VESTRY REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Jane Horrocks, Senior Warden

The Vestry met Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m. The minutes from the February meeting were approved and Neil Bergman presented the financial report. Pledged income for February was \$25,553 and non pledged contributions were \$2,664. Both were below the annual monthly budget but very normal for February. Year-to-date income continues to slightly exceed expenses.

Repairs from the January break-in are underway. Judith reported on the Confirmation class and the upcoming Bishop's visit. Howard Loughlin, Search Committee Chair, reported that they have been meeting regularly and are excited about the Search Summit scheduled for Sunday, April 6. There will be combined worship at 9:00 a.m. followed by break out discussion sessions. The committee is strongly encouraging everyone to participate! The Vestry is also beginning to look forward to salary compensation for our new rector and getting our entire facility and grounds in shape.

Committee Reports are being distributed in writing prior to Vestry meetings. The Evangelism committee encourages everyone to continue to wear their name tags. If you do not have one, please let the church office know (910-484-2134, admin@holytrinityfay.org). A Newcomer's gathering is also planned for May 18. JR Hustwit reports that the new website is up and running! Photo Releases for church members under 18 will be necessary. The Vestry is also working on updating the Mission Statement for Holy Trinity.

The parish is encouraged to attend the Easter reception and egg hunt following the 10:30 service. Sunday School teacher appreciation is May 4 and we will recognize our high school seniors on June 1.

After closing prayers the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for April 24 at 7:00.



Bishop Search Update

The excitement around the Bishop Search continues to grow! Please use these websites and email addresses below to receive current information on the search. The Transition Committee will utilize Diocesan House's current email list to communicate information about the nominees, WalkAbouts, the election, and consecration. If people would like to be

on the email list, they can visit the Diocesan website (<http://www.diocese-eastcarolina.org>) and click on the link that says "Sign up for our weekly newsletter".

The official Bishop Search website is www.eastcarolinabishopsearch.com. There is a Twitter feed available at www.twitter.com/ECBishopSearch, and information will be available on the Diocesan Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/dioec>). Video conversations with the nominees will be available in early May and will be on both the bishop search website and on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ECBishopSearch/>.

Holy Spirit, guide our discernment as we seek the next bishop for our diocese. Be with us as we gather and discuss our life together. Help us remember, celebrate, and dream. Nurture in us the vision you have for our future. Through Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd of the Sheep. Amen.



Prayer List

Vilmar Agustin, Brian Banks, Dick Blair, Joyce Braswell, The Burney Family, Jean Canham, Gary Copeland, Torrey Carrington, Debbie Chase, The Connor Family, Oscar Davis, George Franks, Desiree Hobbs, Victor Murray Hottel, Cindy Humphrey, Nancy Jalbert, Pam Jenkins, Steve Jones, Gerald Karp, John K. Lancaster, jr., Megan McFadyen, Sam McKenzie, Cindy Mink, Hudson Moore, Peter Niccum, Marie Parker, Holt Perry, Margaret Peterson, Vi Piner, Walter Pinder, Paul Reichle, Jr., Lee Robertson, Kevin Smith, Cheryl Spears, Mimi Spears, Elaine Suguitan, Harold Syms, Deb Hughes Tyler, Louise Walters, Leigh Warren, and Nickie, Daniel and Jessie



Military Prayer List

David Alecca, Jacob Allen, Tom Boyle, Bill Burgdorf, Christopher Casey, Daryl Casey, Kyle Chase, Michael Chase, Geoff Childs, John Chisolm, Leroy Chisolm, Lychelle Chisolm, John Connor, John Franklin, Scott Harris, Brian Hoffman, Oliver Karp, Ryan Kenny, Brent Miller, Zach Miller, Ivey Paige, Tony Paz, Juan Perez, Tim Ripley, Daniel Robert, Alex Ruggiero, Cedric Scott, Jeffrey Sinclair, David Witty, and Thomas Witty

Adjustments to the Prayer List: Names will be kept on the list for three months. After the three month period, the name will be removed from the list unless it is renewed. This three-month limit does not affect the Military Prayer List or the Visitation List.

Please contact the church office with prayer requests by phone: 910-484-2134 or email: admin@holytrinityfay.org.



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