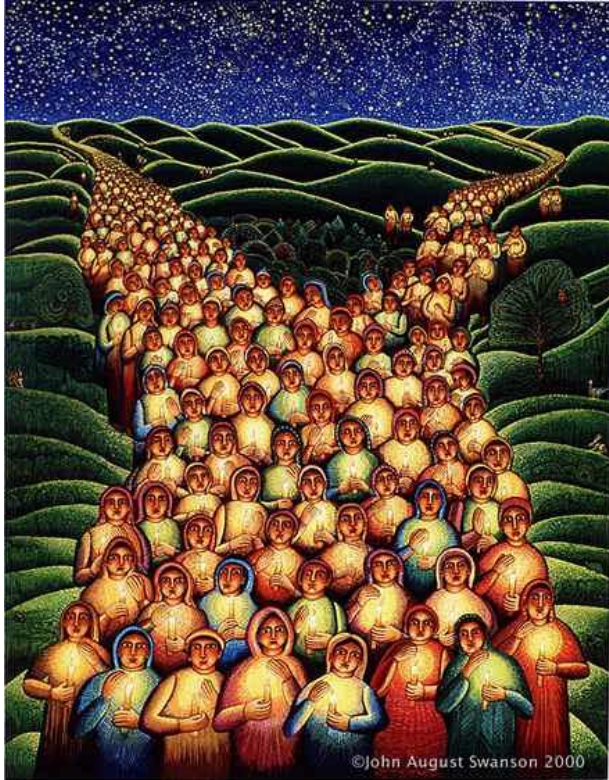


Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

January, 2015

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. Isaiah 60:1



Happy New Year, Holy Trinity!

With all busyness of Christmastide, preparation of a full newsletter was simply not possible. But, even though this January edition of the Good Newsletter is abbreviated, it comes to you with an abundance of best wishes for an awesome new year.

This January we not only move into the New Year we also move from Christmastide into the season of Epiphany. And, this year – drum roll, please! – we look forward to welcoming a new rector to Holy Trinity. And, so the prophet Isaiah encourages us to “Arise, shine!” Those words are from the Old Testament reading for the feast of the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ; and, that short phrase vibrates with action, movement, and joyous light.

One of my very favorite paintings is by artist John August Swanson and is entitled “Festival of Lights.” It captures some of the movement and radiance of Isaiah’s words. His work envisions a people coming from all directions, each one carrying a candle and joining together to form a beautiful river of light. As you look at the picture, please notice that no one is moving backwards into the darkness; each person is facing forward, moving onward in one great radiant stream. You can almost see this glorious procession of light moving forward; you can almost feel the warmth and energy that radiates from it.

This is my prayer for you in the new year, that you reflect God’s own holy light as you move forward together into God’s good future. I pray that the warmth and energy of that holy light will energize and empower each one of you so that you may see clearly your own special place in the glorious procession of this parish as it joyfully moves onward into glorious new beginnings.

May God bless each and every one of you with Christ’s own light and love,

Judith+

Rector Search Committee Update

Howard Loughlin, Chair



“How are you doing at Holy Trinity?”

This is a question we as a Search Committee have heard during Skype interviews with several priests who were talking to us about our Rector position. How would you answer that question?

The Search Committee had no scripted answer for this or the other anticipated questions. Different committee members responded each time the question was asked but the gist of each answer was always the same – “We are doing well” not “we are treading water” or “we are just hanging in there”. We were honest as we described both the current realities, including financial, as well as the exciting potential at Holy Trinity.

As much as we look forward to recommending a person to the Vestry to be our next Rector, this past year has allowed time for essential work to be done in preparation for that Rector. Interim Rector Judith, with her many gifts and specialized training, has helped us identify and work on the 5 Essential Developmental Tasks she so nicely outlined in the 2014 Annual Report. We have made good progress in addressing these tasks and this provides a stronger base for the next Rector than we had at the start of 2014.

“How are you doing at Holy Trinity?” I hope you agree: “We are doing well.”
Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

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END OF THE YEAR

DEADLINE: The last day to turn in any money to be attributed to your 2014 account is **NOON on Monday, December 29, 2014.**

Labyrinth Walk---Thursday January 8th

Labyrinth News

The evening Labyrinth walk in January will take place on **Thursday, January 8th** (a week later than usual) because of New Year's Day. Come promptly at 7 pm if you wish to view the optional orientation video. Otherwise, please arrive before 8:15 pm. Candles and soft music accompany the walk. Questions? Please call Joyce Loughlin at 826-6685.

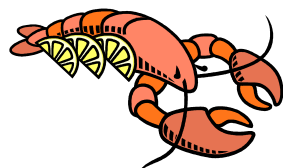


Liturgical Planning “Study Group” Beginning Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00 pm and continuing for six weeks, this study group will look at the Book of Common Prayer, Book of Occasional Services and other liturgical documents with an eye toward liturgical planning. Contact Jamie Wilcutts for more information.



Parish Weekend at the Beach!

Yes - you read that right! Think BEACH! Look ahead to **Memorial Day Weekend 2015 (May 22-24)** and put the Parish Weekend at the Beach on your new calendar now! Come join us for a fun-filled weekend at our beautiful diocesan camp and conference center, Trinity Center, on Bogue Banks. Singles, couples, and families - all ages - you are wanted and welcome! Look for more information very soon. Questions? Please call Joyce Loughlin at 826-6685.



Save the date! Annual Holy Trinity Preschool lobster sale pick-up date: Feb. 14. Make your Valentine Day party plans now. Watch for order forms in January.



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PRAYER LIST

Mike Allen, The Armstrong Family, Baby Louisa, Josie Bayaca, Barry and Judy Cameron, Jean Canham*, Debbie Chase, Cody, Daniel, Callie Dimsdale, Jeremy Fiebig, Shirley Fields, Bill and Bonnie Gainey, Jane Gardiner, Ariel Godbey, Mason Hudson and family, Dave Magee, Jeannette Martinez, Kathy Oyama, Marie Parker*, Margaret Peterson*, Ann Plemomons, Kelley Pruitt, Paul Reichle, Jr.*, Lee and Isolene Robertson, Raymond Seidel, Joshua Smith, Tom South and family, Cheryl Spears, Jeff Sullivan, Harold Syms*, Della Terrell*, Deb Hughes Tyler, Louise Walters*, Welsey, Katherine Whaley, Whitney and baby, Francis and Dorothy Winter *Visitation and Prayers



MILITARY PRAYER LIST

David Alecca, Jacob Allen, Tom Boyle, Bill Burgdorf, Aaron Bush, Ken Carpenter, Christopher Casey, Dan, Daryl Casey, Kyle Chase, Michael Chase, Geoff Childs, John Chisolm, Leroy Chisolm, Lychelle Chisolm, Jake Fleming, John Franklin, Scott Harris, Andrew Hercik, Jonathan Hercik, Brian Hoffman, Oliver Karp, Ryan Kenny, Brent Miller, Zach Miller, Hampton Moore, Samuel Nelson, Ivey Paige, Tony Paz, Juan Perez, Edward Reeder, Jr., Tim Ripley, Daniel Robert, Brad Rudy, Alex Ruggiero, Cedric Scott, and Thomas Witty.

JANUARY - 2015

Thursday	1	Happy New Year - Office Closed No 5:30 Eucharist
Friday	2	7:15 am – Morning Prayer
Saturday	3	2:00 – 5:00 pm – Bread Baking, Parish Hall Kitchen
Sunday	4	8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 am – Adult Formation/Sunday School 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist
Monday	5	7:15 am – Morning Prayer 6:00 pm – Oratorio Singers Practice, Sanctuary 6:30 pm – Evening Prayer 7:00 pm – Monday Night Book Group
Tuesday	6	7:15 am - Morning Prayer
Wednesday	7	Noon – Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm – Handbells/7:00 pm - Choir
Thursday	8	7:00 am – Brotherhood of Saint Andrew 5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist with Healing 7:00 pm – Labyrinth Walk 7:00 Knitting
Friday	9	7:15 am – Morning Prayer
Saturday	10	8:30-2:30 – Preschool teachers CPR, Parish Hall
Sunday	11	8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 am – Adult Formation/Sunday School 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist
Monday	12	7:15 am – Morning Prayer 6:00 pm – Oratorio Singers Practice, Sanctuary 6:30 pm – Evening Prayer 7:00 pm – Monday Night Book Group
Tuesday	13	7:15 am - Morning Prayer 6:00-9:00 pm – Orchid Society Meeting, Parish Hall 7:00 pm Liturgical Planning Study Group
Wednesday	14	Noon – Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm – Handbells/7:00 pm - Choir
Thursday	15	7:00 am – Brotherhood of Saint Andrew 5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist with Healing Good Newsletter Deadline
Friday	16	7:15 am – Morning Prayer Vestry Retreat, Trinity Center
Saturday	17	9:45-noon – Girl Scouts, Parish Hall Vestry Retreat, Trinity Center
Sunday	18	8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 am – Adult Formation/Sunday School 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist Vestry Retreat, Trinity Center
Monday Martin Luther King Day, Office Closed	19	7:15 am – Morning Prayer 6:00 pm – Oratorio Singers Practice, Sanctuary 6:30 pm – Evening Prayer 7:00 pm – Monday Night Book Group Martin Luther King Day - Office Closed
Tuesday	20	7:15 am - Morning Prayer 7:00 pm Liturgical Planning Study Group
Wednesday	21	Noon – Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm – Handbells/7:00 pm - Choir
Thursday	22	7:00 am – Brotherhood of Saint Andrew 5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist with Healing 7:00 pm - Knitting
Friday	23	7:15 am – Morning Prayer
Saturday	24	
Sunday	25	8:00 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 am – Adult Formation/Sunday School 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist
Monday	26	7:15 am – Morning Prayer 6:00 pm – Oratorio Singers Practice, Sanctuary 6:30 pm – Evening Prayer 7:00 pm – Monday Night Book Group
Tuesday	27	7:15 am – Morning Prayer 7:00 pm Liturgical Planning Study Group
Wednesday	28	Noon – Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm – Handbells/7:00 pm - Choir
Thursday	29	7:00 am – Brotherhood of Saint Andrew 5:30 pm – Holy Eucharist with Healing
Friday	30	7:15 am – Morning Prayer Good Newsletter Mailed
Saturday	31	9:45-noon – Girl Scouts, Parish Hall

