

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Pentecost - July-August - 2005

Greetings!

Summer days are upon us. This summer is going to be a little different for me. I'm on an R&R kick for the summer. Actually, that's a lot different from my usual routine. I've decided to put some things aside this summer. The vegetable garden is one of these. I have to drive by several wonderful produce stands when I travel about and I think it's time to contribute to the local economy. It's gotten a little overwhelming so I need to rethink the plan. Does it need to be so big? Do I really like pulling weeds? How many tomatoes can one family consume? And finally, how much time am I putting into this project?

This summer is going to be spent concentrating on the future and not just my future as a gardener. We all think about the future and some of us spend more time than others planning for what's to come next. For the last several years, I've done some planning, but mostly I've put it all in God's hands. If or when I was to become ordained was to happen in God's time and not mine. Summer days seem a fine time to look at the future and at the same time watch God's plan unfold.

I look at the vegetable garden I have now, which is minuscule compared to the gardens of the past. I dig that dirt up, I feel as if I am doing God's work. I put the seed in and watch it grow and I see God's work in action. How the garden grows depends much on how I feed it and care for it. I can't do any of this without God. He has given the soil and the sunshine. He's given me the knowledge and the patience

as well as the physical wellness to get the job done. I'm creating through the miracle of life given to all of us. I don't control whether the garden succeeds or not.

There is much to be said for setting aside some of the things that become time consuming to us. This summer is my time to start concentrating on the work God is expecting from those of us at Trinity. I'm going to do that through quiet time, time for prayer and contemplation.

There is much feeding, nurturing and care needed. All of us, at one time or another, have provided care to another. We all have the talents and gifts needed to do so.

The Diocesan Standing Committee and the Bishop have given the final approval for my ordination to the Diaconate. God has led me to a place where I will serve his people. The people of Trinity have been the tools used by God to help lead me to this place. Your gifts of love and support have been amazing.

These gifts as well as the many others we all possess will need to be discovered and re-discovered so that we can all start to put aside some of the things that are our busy work and get to the work of God.

Oh, by the way, the garden is coming back (little by little). I say, "If it looks and feels like the work of God, it is the work of God."

God Bless,
Trula



Trinity Episcopal Church - July 2005

Pentecost

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Trinity Prayer Cycle 7/3 Roger and Mary Ann Smith 7/10 John, Barbara and Shelley Strange 7/17 Hermine Shapiro, Eileen Tolbert 7/24 Ann Zulkosky, Barbara Bean 7/31 Jake, Joanne, Nicole and Greg Armstrong		Diocesan Prayer Cycle 7/3 Trinity, Athens, Ned Caum, Trula Hollywood; clergy licensed to officiate in the diocesan community 7/10 Trinity, Bethlehem, Nick Knisely, Laura Howell, Elizabeth Miller; retired clergy in the diocese; 7/17 Trinity, Carbondale; clergy canonically resident in the diocese; 7/24 Trinity, Easton, Andrew Gerns, Donna Treblicox; Kirby Episcopal House, Claudia Sharp; 7/31 Trinity, Mt. Pocono, Ginny Rex-Day			1 <i>Tim Cama Paul Kelley</i>	2 <i>Bruce Barton</i>
3 Pentecost 7 - Proper 9 9:30 Holy Eucharist II 10:30 Coffee Hour <i>Vickie Wood</i>	4 Independence Day	5 <i>Alex Maneval</i>	6	7	8 <i>Jon & Wendy Murray</i>	9
10 Pentecost 8 - Proper 10 9:30 Holy Eucharist II 10:30 Coffee Hour	11 <i>John & Barbara Strange</i>	Vacation Bible School at Church of the Redeemer, Monday through Friday 6 to 8:30 p.m. The Jesus Expedition -- for ages 4 through teens. Call 888-2270				16
17 Pentecost 9 - Proper 11 ---Vestry Meets ----- 9:30 Holy Eucharist II 10:30 Coffee Hour <i>Abby Davenport</i>	18	19	20	21	22 St. Mary Magdalene <i>Rachel Bresett Blake Allan Forbes</i>	23 <i>Justin Bailey</i>
24 Pentecost 10 - Proper 12 9:30 Holy Eucharist II 10:30 Coffee Hour <i>Rhonda Hooper Robert & Kay Bennett</i>	25 St. James the Apostle <i>Bishop Paul</i>	26	27	28 <i>Carlyle Hooper Mike & Shelley Barry</i>	29	30 <i>Ron Hunt</i>
31 Pentecost 11 - Proper 13 9:30 Holy Eucharist II 10:30 Coffee Hour <i>Andy Patterson</i>	Anglicans Around the World 7/3 The Diocese of Oregon; ; 7/10 The Diocese of Owo, Nigeria; 7/17 The Diocese of Patna, Northern India; 7/24 The Diocese of Peterborough, in Canterbury; 7/31 The Diocese of Port Elizabeth, Southern Africa			Kajo Keji, 7/3 The Congregation at Sodogo; 7/10 The Congregation at Wuruta; 7/17 The Liwolo Archdeaconry and the Congregation at Ajo; 7/24 The Congregation at Andejo; 7/31 The Congregation at Derderek		Traveling? Vacationing? Visit the Episcopal Church there and bring back a bulletin to share with us. Bring your houseguests to church.



Trinity Episcopal Church - August 2005

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Vacationing? Visit the Episcopal Church there and bring back a bulletin to share with us. Bring your houseguests to church.	1	2	3	4 <i>Wendy Murray</i>	5 <i>Kathe Maneval Ray & Nancy Bresett</i>	6 The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ Valley Hertiage Day 10-4
7 Pentecost 12 - Proper 14 9:30 Holy Eucharist I 10:30 Coffee Hour <i>Kim Davenport Barbara Barry Shirley Huminik</i>	8	9	10 <i>Carolyn Hooper</i>	11	12	13
14 Pentecost 13 - Proper 15 9:30 Holy Eucharist I 10:30 Coffee Hour	15 St. Mary the Virgin	16 <i>Ed Caum Roman Coston</i>	17	18 <i>Charles & Ginny Ford</i>	19	20 <i>Jan & Janice Beck's 50th!!</i>
21 Pentecost 14 - Proper 16 ----Vestry Meets ----- 9:30 Morning Prayer or Deacon's Mass 10:30 Coffee Hour	22	23 <i>Mary Duddie James Edward Caum Michael Maneval</i>	24 St. Bartholomew the Apostle <i>Jake Parshall</i>	25 <i>Ned Caum</i>	26 <i>Kim and Jeff Davenport</i>	27 <i>Kevin Hooper</i>
28 Pentecost 15 - Proper 17 9:30 Morning Prayer or Deacon's Mass 10:30 Coffee Hour	29	30	31 <i>Sean Barry</i>	Trinity Prayer Cycle 8/7 Jake, Joanne, Nicole and Greg Armstrong 8/14 Kathy, Kevin, Alexandra and Jonathan Ayres 8/21 Ralph, Bonnie, Rose, Jeffrey, Chris and Justin Bailey 8/28 Patrick and Barbara Barry		

Diocesan Prayer Cycle 8/7 Trinity, Pottsville, Charles Morris; 8/14 St. Peter's, Tunkhannock, Cynthia Guthkelch; 8/21 Trinity, West Pittston, John Major; 8/28 St. Mary's, Reading, Nancy Packard

Anglicans Around the World 8/7 The Diocese of Qu'Appelle, Rupertsland, Canada; 8/14 The Diocese of Remo Nigeria; 8/21 The Diocese of Ripon and Leeds-Knaresborough, York; 8/28 The Diocese of Rumbek, Sudan

Kajo Keji,
The Congregations at
8/7 Kala; 8/14 Kendiri;
8/21 Kerwa; 8/28 Lema

Next month: Trula Hollywood will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on Holy Cross Day (9/14) at Christ Church, Towanda.

Vacation Bible School at Redeemer

The Jesus Expedition, Making Discoveries About Jesus Through His Miracles. Crafts, Music, Bible learning and lots of fun. For ages 4 to teens. July 11 through 15 from 6 to 8:30. For more information call Bonnie Garrity at 888-1850 or call the church office, 888-2270.

Free for the Taking

A snow blower and two lawn mowers. Located behind the church next to the storage shed. The last time they were used, they worked, but no doubt need mechanical resuscitation.

Rector's Discretionary Fund

On the first Sunday of the month any offering that is not designated as a pledge goes into the RDF. Over the past year funds have helped a prisoner, a battered woman, a patient with no place to go and others. Historically, it's purchased acolyte robes, housed the homeless, paid camping fees for young people, bought gas for the stranded. In other words, it is for those who are marginalized, exactly the people that Jesus spent his time with.

...as you did to the least of these, so you did unto me

Food Pantry

Please remember that the first Sunday of each month is Food Pantry Sunday. Please bring nonperishable foods in unbreakable packaging and place them in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you, Pat Gurney for delivering our donations.

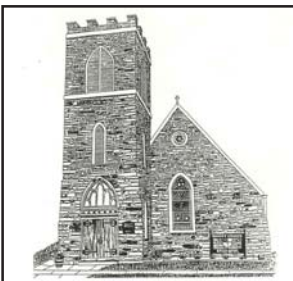
Valley Heritage Day

This year, along with celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Athens Fire Department, Valley Heritage Day will include tours of Athens churches. If you would like to volunteer, please talk to Barbara ... the event is Saturday, August 6, and runs from 10 to 4.

Gardening, anyone?

Barbara takes care of the lawns and gardens, but help at any time is appreciated. Do you have perennials that you'd like to share? Do you have ideas for the garden? There are a LOT of little volunteer seedlings from our burning bush ... you are welcome to dig one up. It also needs to be pruned. Anyone who knows about flowering almonds, that needs to be pruned as well. If you need vinca or pacasandra, talk to Barbara.

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