

# Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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## Pentecost - August - 2009

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Greetings,

It's been a couple of months since you've heard from me via this column. Life at Trinity has changed a great deal this summer.

Hana has gone on to college and to live, I'm sure, a very full life. She is truly part of the Trinity family and we will miss her. Kay Bennett, who physically left our family but, has always been with us in spirit, will be returning this week to provide our music. We have certainly missed the music in the last several weeks.

The biggest change and huge loss is, of course, the death of our dear Father Ned or "Ned" as he would prefer to be called. We all loved and cared for Ned.

Many of us asked him in the last six months or so, "How are you?" His answer was always either, "I'm here," or "I'm tired." It has been difficult for us to see our friend's health deteriorate.

What I would like to point out about those last few months is that Ned never lost faith or hope. Our faith was built upon his faith for many years because he shared it with us. How? He loved us unconditionally.

In these last few weeks, as we've been reading about the miracles of Jesus where the theme is remembrance and nourishment, I have thought a great deal about how it is we can feed those who need it most.

Loving unconditionally is certainly a huge step toward communion with those who no longer feel the presence of God in their lives. It's easy during times when we feel as if "the hits keep coming" to forget that God is with us to help us take those hits and keep on "keeping on." The hits hurt;

they hurt a great deal but the pain is eased when we allow God to help shoulder our burdens. We pick ourselves up and thank God for those we've known and loved. We thank God for the blessings in our lives. We remember, we love, and we share our faith with others.

We, as Ned did all his life, are present. We are "here" and know that being "here" is of value to others.

It's really quite simple. Jesus looked out at the crowds many, many times and found good in people. Jesus shared meals over and over. Often with those no one else would ever be seen with in public. Jesus broke bread and shared his last meal with those whom he loved. He instructed them to remember him and to keep on "keeping on." What the disciples did after that must've worked because after thousands of years, we still remember and break bread together.

Our table should be as "user-friendly" and welcoming as any table, field or dirt floor where Jesus broke bread. I picture Jesus at a meal with a great smile of joy, showing with all his heart the love for those with whom he breaks bread.

Let us feel the joy as we remember, nourish ourselves and those we meet every single day.

Gods Peace,  
Mother Trula



## Church Mouse Notes:

Greetings faithful friends of Trinity. My Name is Sara, and I have lived in Trinity most of my adult life. I have loved watching you all worship as a family, and I am eternally thankful for you sharing your home with myself and four lovely children. I wanted to take the time to introduce myself, as I have been silently noticing changes in our home. I hope my observations can keep you up to date on what is happening here at Trinity.

With Love,

**Sara**

Sara the Trinity Mouse



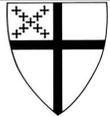
I have noticed some new changes to our home. As I had grown accustomed to sneaking in the back door of the Parish Hall searching for crumbs, pieces of doughnuts, and other bits of sweets to feed myself and my family of 4, I was greatly alarmed to realize that a new door has been installed and I could no longer wiggle my way in. **The construction and installation of a new storm door to our Parish Hall is complete. Not only is there a very solid storm door they also replaced the lintel. This should not only keep the winter chill out of the kitchen, but any other creatures, besides our Church Mouse.**

A few days ago as I was saying my morning prayers over a cup of Earl Grey Tea, I noticed that there was a very large group of men traipsing around Miss Barbara's yard. They were very loud and used large equipment that shook my Royal Dalton china off of it's rack. They seemed to be trying to reach God and kept going higher in higher in to the midmorning sky. I surmised that Miss Barbara's chimney was getting cold in the winter, and as they wrapped it in what appeared to be a tattered blanket, she hoped that this would keep the tall sky dweller warm... **Blueprint Construction has shored up the chimney on the rectory. This is a temporary fix to the problem. The contractors feel that the entire chimney must be replaced, above the roof line, about 8 feet. Until that time no fires may burn in the rectory.** This deeply upset both the Church Mouse, who grew accustomed to knitting her children's sweaters by the warm hearth, and Miss Barbara, who finds the crackling of a fire on a cold night most calming.

I have been able to sleep in most mornings now due to the lack of the glorious sounds that come from that weird contraption in the church. Although I have a great love for music I found not hearing these sounds when the morning dew was still on the grass a comfort. I was sitting on the bookcase in Miss Barbara's office the other day and I heard her talking. Well, being so small I do have to admit I did eavesdrop on the conversation. Apparently Miss Barbara was very excited that a woman named Kay Bennett would be back to play this contraption starting on something called **August 2nd**. I am very excited although, I will have to make new earplugs out of the bits of light yellow yarn I found in a basket in the Parish Hall on the mornings I do want to sleep in. **Starting August 2nd 2009 Kay Bennett will be returning Trinity and adding her musical talents and bringing music back to our Sunday Services. Kay will also be playing for Morning Prayer the Second Sunday of each month. Sara the Church Mouse is looking forward to seeing all of you in Church!**



As I was setting the table to have the Johnson's, the Church mice from Redeemer, over for dinner I noticed that 2 of the tables were missing from the Parish Hall. We all had to cram in on the other 6 tables. We had a delightful evening, but I would have loved the extra space to have room for my Grandmother's Linzer Tortes. **If you have borrowed tables from the Parish Hall, this is of course is fine, we'd just like to know where they are! Please let any member of Vestry, Trula or Barbara know. Thank You.**



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Pentecost

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Trinity 8/2:</b> Patricia and Heather Martin; 8/9 Jon, Wendy, Kim, Kate and Kelly Murray; 8/16: Karen Nichols, Cora Orshal, Elizabeth Pashley; 8/23: James and Mary Patterson, Andy Patterson; 8/30: Mary Beth, Chandler and Savannah Paul.		<b>Bethlehem:</b> 8/9: St. Alban's, Sinking Spring, The Rev. Karl L. Kern, rector, The Rev. Charles L. Beem., associate priest, The Rev. Bruce Baker, associate priest; 8/16: Church of the Good Shepherd, Scranton, The Rev. Canon William T. Warne II, priest-in-residence, The Rev. K. Frederick Mauger, assistant priest; 8/23: Church of the Good Shepherd and St. John the Evangelist, Milford, The Rev William J. McGinty, rector; 8/30: Christ Church, Reading, The Rev. John R. Francis, rector.			1	
<b>2 Pentecost 9 P-13</b> 9:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Coffee Hour	3	4  <i>Wendy Murray</i>	5  <i>Kathe Maneval</i>	<b>6</b> <b>The Transfiguration</b>	7  <i>Kim Davenport Barbara Barry Shirly Huminik</i>	8  <i>Dave &amp; Chela Bubniak</i>
<b>9 Pentecost 10 P-14</b> 9:00 Morning Prayer II 10:00 Coffee Hour	10	11	12	13	<b>14 SATURDAY:</b> Bishop's Day for Kids The Exodus Games, 9:30—2:30, Cathedral	<b>15</b> <b>St. Mary the Virgin Clothing and Household items giveaway Parish Hall</b>
<b>16 Pentecost 11 P-15</b> 9:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Coffee Hour Vestry Meets  <i>Ed Caum, Roman Coston</i>	17	18  <i>Charles &amp; Ginny Ford</i>	19	20  <i>Jan &amp; Janice Beck</i>	21	22
<b>23 Pentecost 12 P-16</b> 9:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Coffee Hour  <i>Mary Duddie James Caum Michael Maneval</i>	<b>24</b> <b>St. Bartholomew</b>  <i>Jake Parshall</i>	25	26  <i>Kim &amp; Jeff Davenport</i>	27  <i>Kevin Hooper</i>	28	29
<b>30 Pentecost 13 P-17</b> 9:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Coffee Hour  <i>Sean Barry</i>	31	<i>Anglicans Around the World</i> 8/2: The clergy and people of the Diocese of Rochester; 8/9: The clergy and people of the Diocese of Ruwenzori in the Province of Uganda; 8/16: The clergy and people of the Diocese of San Joaquin; 8/23: The clergy and people of the Anglican Church of Korea; 8/30: The clergy and people of the church in the Province of Singapore		<b>Kajo-Kaji</b> 8/2: Wudu Parish and Prisons Kangapo, The Rev. Rupasi Sombe; 8/9: Wudu Town Parish, The Rev. Sadaraka Muni; 8/16: Wuruta Parish, The Rev. Norah Pita Wani; 8/23: Beliak Parish, The Rev. Elikana Lodu; 8/30: Ajira Parish, The Rev. Joseph Lomuja		

## August Highlights



### August 15th– Clothing and Household items giveaway Parish Hall.

On August 15th 2009 Trinity will be holding a Clothing and Household Items giveaway. Due to the great need of the Valley, due to rocky economic times many more items are still needed. We feel that the greatest need will be in children's clothing for back to school. Lightly used items or new items purchased would greatly aide in our quest to take care of our Brothers and Sisters who are in such need. Donations may be brought to the Parish Hall

and for further information or would like to help, please contact Marie Bubniak at 607-206-2964.

*"If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love in words or tongue but with actions in truth."*

I John 3: 17-18

### August 16 - Vestry meets.

Vestry will be meeting after the conclusion of the 9AM service in our Parish Hall. Currently we are looking for willing individuals to serve on Vestry. This is a very important aspect of our church, and something that you may find fulfilling in your personal ministries Any interested individuals should con-

tact Trula or any member of Vestry.

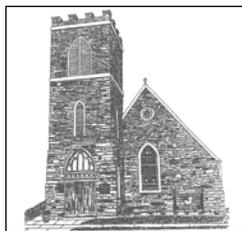
### Christmas-at-Sea

*From DioBeth NewSpin*

Jane Teter reminds us to take some yarn and knitting needles or a crochet hook on our summer vacations to make an item for mariners on the high seas who cannot be home for Christmas. We will collect these items at our Convention in October. Items may also be dropped off at Diocesan House anytime.

To find patterns at go to: [www.seamenschurch.org](http://www.seamenschurch.org)  
There are some new patterns for those who like to crochet and a few new patterns for knitters as well. Jane is going to try the new "Oliver's Cap" for a change of pace.

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