

GENESIS



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The Assistant Rector's Pen

By The Rev. Rachel Rickenbaker

Dear People of Trinity Church,

Summer is nearly here! I remember writing my first Genesis newsletter last summer, and I am now coming up on my one-year anniversary at Trinity. How time flies when you're having fun in the presence of Christian community!

As most of you know, Father Rob will be on Sabbatical this summer, a time for him of both recharging and continued study and learning. This will be an opportunity for me to step into a different leadership role for a time, though certainly not without the help of other clergy (thank you to Jim in advance!), wonderful staff, and all of you. Yes, while this summer may certainly show things slowing down a bit, the Church will be open and active!



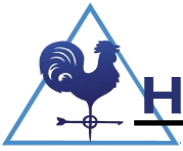
In just a few weeks time, Trinity will welcome 30+ kids onto our church campus for a week of fun, upbeat, and creative activities. From June 12th-16th (9am-12pm each day), volunteers of all ages will help put on Vacation Bible School, an opportunity for kids to experience the love of Christ through words and actions, games, interactive Bible storytelling, crafts, snacks, and music! If you have not yet had a chance to volunteer and can make some time that week, please let me know. We can use many hands and hearts on board, and thank you to those who have already volunteered! The volunteers have been planning and working months in advance. That week, you will see the church transformed into the Maker Fun Factory, a creative workshop where God creates each of us for a purpose and inspires us to be creative. If you are free anytime during the week, please stop by and see the incredible work that God is doing at Trinity during VBS.

I am looking forward to these coming months, and I hope you will not hesitate to reach out to me with questions, concerns, and prayers. Please keep Father Rob in prayer during his Sabbatical, and please keep me in prayer, as well. We always benefit from your prayers. (As a side note, my husband James' rector will also be on Sabbatical this summer, so it will be a busy summer in the Rickenbaker household). I am anticipating the ways that God will work through each of us at Trinity in these next few months and beyond. How might you be open to the possibilities God has in store?

In Christ,

The Rev. Rachel Rickenbaker

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Hunt Country Stable Tour in Pictures



775 advance-sale tickets sold!

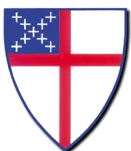


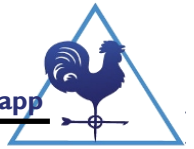
Over \$53,000 Raised for mission outreach projects!



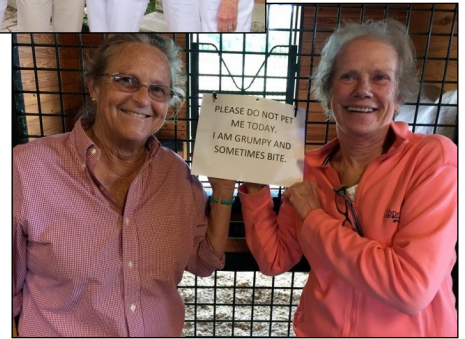
12 Vendors at the Country Fair

12 Farms on the tour!



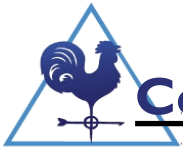


Over \$14,000 in Thrift Shop Sales!



Over 35,000 views on the Stable Tour Facebook page!





Congratulations Graduates!

By Rachel Rickenbaker

High School Graduates:

Stefanie Hoerner, *graduating from Highland School and planning to attend Franklin and Marshall College*

Andrew Marshall Simon, *graduating from Highland School and planning to attend Cornell University*

Matthew Lawrence Simon, *graduating from Highland School and planning to attend Cornell University*

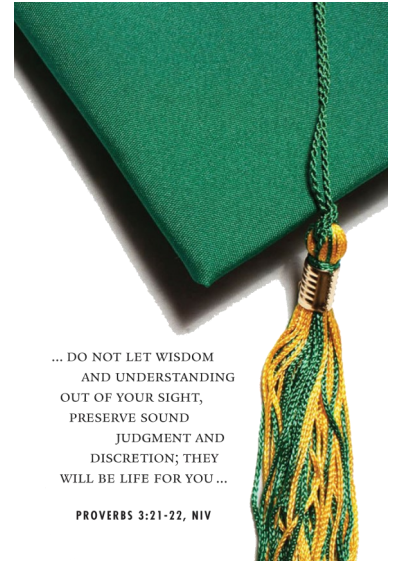
Sawyer Long, *graduating from Highland School*

College Graduates:

Greer Chapman, *graduating from Savannah College of Art and Design*

Louise Chapman, *graduating from Hobart and William Smith Colleges*

Juliana Jackson, *graduating from Princeton University, Italian with Focus in Architecture*



... DO NOT LET WISDOM
AND UNDERSTANDING
OUT OF YOUR SIGHT,
PRESERVE SOUND
JUDGMENT AND
DISCRETION; THEY
WILL BE LIFE FOR YOU ...
PROVERBS 3:21-22, NIV

Spring/Summer Baptisms

Congratulations on your baptism:

Charlie Otis—April 30
Olivia Wipfler—May 14
Schuyler Becker—June 4
Claiborne Shapiro—June 4
Theodore Pires—June 4
Stefanie Hoerner—July 16



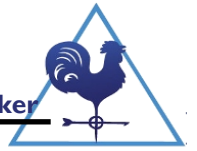
Summer Coffee Hour

By Gina Hammond

With the Summer season soon upon us, we are going to try a new system for the Sunday Morning Coffee Hours at both the 8 am and 10:30am services during the summer. This is to give a respite during these summer months from the congregation needing to provide refreshments every week. *Please know that if you are already signed up for coffee hour or wish to sign up during the summer, you are most welcome. On the days when no one has signed up, the church will purchase light refreshments as well as provide coffee, lemonade, and iced tea.

If you are able to help set out these items on a given Sunday and handle clean-up after the event, please contact Gina Hammond. This process will begin on Sunday, June 18 and continue through Labor Day.





Pentecost is the fiftieth day after Easter, this year, June 4, and we will celebrate Pentecost by wearing red (if we have red to wear or perhaps pink) and by reading Scripture together, some of us in other languages. But why do we do this? Why is Pentecost important?

After his death on the cross and his resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples and gave them proof that he was alive. He told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the Father's gift of the Holy Spirit, from whom they would receive power to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth. Jesus ascended to heaven and the disciples returned to Jerusalem and joined together in prayer in an upper room.

Acts 2: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

We celebrate Pentecost to recognize the gift of the Holy Spirit to the believers, to all believers, to "everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." We bear witness to this gift on Pentecost by wearing red to symbolize the color of the tongues of the flames that rested on each disciple; and we bear witness to this gift by speaking in other languages - modern languages today - by those who have the ability, to symbolize the diversity of languages that were spoken in the upper room.

So Others Might Eat (SOME) News

By Robin Keys



Thursday Cooking Crew

Holly Bimba
Valerie Davis
Ellen Hall
Robin Keys
Stephanie Knapp
Ann MacLeod
Jennifer Youngman

Mark Thompson brought his bike and rode all the way home from the VA side of the Potomac River!



Friday Serving Crew

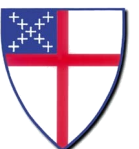
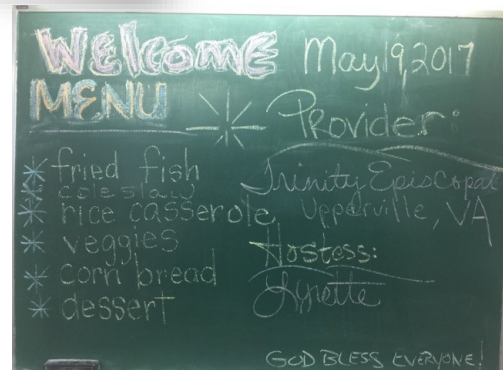
Jim Gemmer
Gina Hammond
Robin Keys
Ken Knapp
Beth Lamond
John MacDonnell
Mary MacDonnell
Ann MacLeod
Carol Miller
Len Shapiro
Mark Thompson

355 guests plus many school volunteers were fed this month!

NEXT S.O.M.E. SCHEDULE

We will cook on Thursday, July 20 starting at 7:30 AM. We will go to DC to serve on Friday, July 21. The van will leave the church parking lot at 8:30 AM.

This is our only summer visit and youth age 16 and over are encouraged to participate. Please contact Ann MacLeod at 592-3313 for more information.





TRINITY SHRINE MONT RETREAT

October 13-15, 2017

Enjoy the beauty of Shrine Mont while engaging in fellowship with Trinity members and their families!

Feel refreshed after participating in various activities listed below or by doing absolutely nothing!

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
AT THE SHRINE**

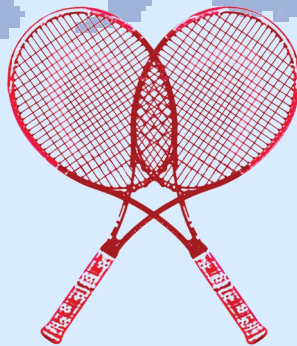


Hiking

Choose easy or more strenuous paths
Walk the labyrinth or hike the Stations of the Cross.

Games

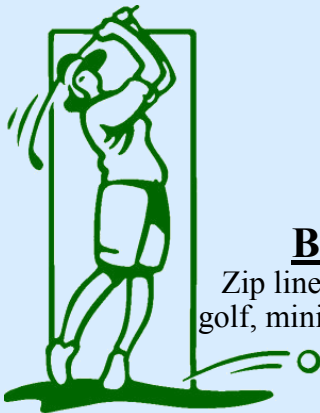
Croquet, tennis, horseshoes.



AND AT THE END OF THE DAY...

Camp Fire with s'mores!

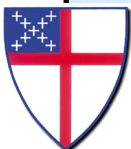
Hay Ride (with no hay – allergies)



Bryce Mountain

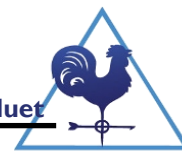
Zip line, 9/18 holes of golf, frisbee golf, miniature golf, mountain biking.

Cost: \$86/night double occupancy (meals included)
\$115/night single occupancy (meals included)



Healing Ministry Conference

By Ginny Fluet



We had a wonderful day on Saturday, May 20 when The Rev. Nigel Mumford returned to Trinity for another healing conference. We had 65 people in attendance from churches all over Northern Virginia including 22 people from Trinity. It was a day filled with teaching, learning, prayer, sharing and the awesome presence of the Holy Spirit! It was “brilliant” as the Brits say!



We learned that God healed during Biblical times, Jesus healed during his time on earth, the apostles healed and, as Christians and followers of Jesus, we are all called to heal others with the power and love of Christ (Luke 9:1-2). Healing has always been, and still is, present in the world. Whenever we meet someone in need of prayer, it's as simple as asking “How may I pray for you?” and praying with them right then and there (If they don't want you to pray for them, pray for them anyway, silently in your heart). It doesn't take great training or skill since God is the one who does the healing not us. Lay your hands on your children when they hurt and teach them about the amazing healing and love of God our Father.

We learned that whenever we pray with someone, God always shows up and something happens, although it may not be what we asked for and doesn't always mean we are cured. The healing that God desires for us is transformation and healing of the whole person - body, mind and spirit - not just curing the physical illness or injury. Healing is a mystery of God; we don't know how it works, nor why some are cured and others are not. Even though we are not cured of a disease or condition, it does not mean that we have not been healed. Many people who have not been cured, report with great thankfulness that they have been healed. In fact, death is the ultimate healing when we are united to God through Christ Jesus.

We also learned about forgiveness, one of the biggest blocks to healing. Jesus calls us to forgive friends and enemies alike (Matthew 6:14), and it is so important that it is repeated every time we pray the Lord's prayer. Hanging on to anger, judgements, hatred, and revenge can cause illness as well as prevent healing. Forgiveness does not mean condoning the action, nor do we need to like or be with the person hurting us. Rather, it means letting go of the pain which is only hurting us.

We experienced prayer and ministry with those who are hurting, sharing by those who have been healed by God, thanksgivings for God's blessings and a powerful intimacy with all those united in following Jesus the Christ. Hallelujah!





Our Vestry met on Wednesday, May 17th for its monthly meeting. The minutes for the meeting will be filed and will be available for your review.

As I was looking at the note I wrote last year for the June Genesis. I started by saying welcome to our new Assistant Rector, Rachel. Wow- what a difference a year makes as this month I'll say good luck to Rachel as she takes the reigns for few months with Rob leaving for a his three month sabbatical. I hope you all agree with my thinking that we are in good hands! Yes, we'll miss Rob... a lot and yes, we have an awesome back up Priest in Jim, but I'm still very happy that God sent Rachel to us. She's done a fantastic job with our family ministries and don't forget Vacation Bible School is almost here.

A few notes from the Vestry meeting:

- We received a very good financial report. We have positive variance from budget in our pledge income which, while perhaps temporary, is always a good thing. The rest of the report is positive too and we remain in a good position with cash.
- Worship committee gave a thorough report having come through a very successful Easter season and our confirmation visit from Bishop Gulick.
- B+G reported that the electrical repairs in the Cox Hall kitchen were almost completed- I think they are done now. While not a highly visible project, the added safety is critical. B+G is continuing to improve our internet and intranet capabilities across the campus.
- We also continued our discussion about God's call to mission and how we can translate that into ideas and actions at Trinity.

All in all, a very good and productive meeting.

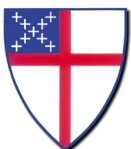
Another thing that I did at this time last year was to ask you all to join the Stable Tour volunteer list because I was writing this note before Memorial Day weekend. However, this time, the 2017 Hunt Country Stable Tour is done... and what a fantastic weekend it was! Thank you, and thank you to ALL of the many volunteers, Trinity staff and our friends who contributed innumerable hours. I had the pleasure of working at Peace and Plenty on Saturday and Sunday with two different teams and I made new bonds of friendship that I'm sure will continue to grow.

If you were at the outstanding finale dinner on Sunday evening, you heard our HCST chair tell us about how many people we touched during the build up to the weekend, during the weekend and that we intend to continue to reach through the coming year. Kat had a lot of numbers that matter- especially in today's digital age and considering the changes that our social interactions continue to undergo. I want to list just a few for your information, awareness and consideration as we begin thinking about next year's tour and how we can reach even more people:

- The Hunt Country Stable Tour Facebook page was viewed over 35,000 times
- At least 12,500 of those viewers like, shared or commented on the site
- In the last couple of weeks before the event, over 6,000 people viewed the HCST site and 3,000 (three thousand!!) of those viewers bounced from the HCST site to Trinity's home page to view information about our church

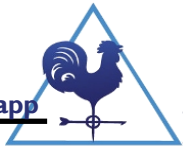
Very good numbers by any person's yardstick, and a great way to make initial contact with people who may not have found us by happening to drive by Trinity one weekend, like a lot of us did. The views of the live feeds from the tour, like the horse swimming event at Trappe Hill Farm, are still getting new views as I write this note.

So- Bravo to the Stable Tour team, Godspeed to Rob for a productive sabbatical and a safe return, and on to summer for us. Don't forget the June picnic and the Vestry sponsored picnic in July!



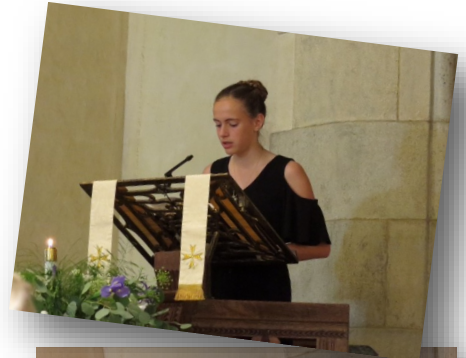
Youth Sunday in Pictures

Photos by Stephanie Knapp



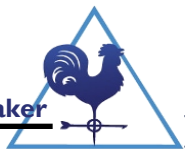
Congratulations to our youth and children on the wonderful job you did in leading us in worshipping the Lord on Youth Sunday!

Great job, Stefanie Hoerner; you gave an excellent and thought-provoking sermon.



Confirmation Sunday

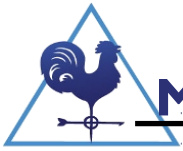
By Rachel Rickenbaker



Congratulations to our 2017 Confirmation class:

- Henri Benefield
- Forbes Condon
- Sanford Diday
- Hayden Eskew
- Lillian Gable
- Trey Newton
- Haley Van Voorhis





As the leadership of the church is contemplating our overall mission, I thought it would be a good time to remember the mission statement of our Music Ministry. It was written by our Music Committee about 15 years ago and I have tried to publish it in conjunction with Genesis articles at least annually ever since. It can also be found on the music page of our website, in Music Ministry brochures, and on the bulletin board over my desk in my office where I see it every day. I hope it sounds familiar to you.

It is our mission to enable and encourage all members of the parish to share in the experience of glorifying God through music; to teach together the skills of music and the practices of faith; and to build the body of Christ through worship, rehearsal, outreach, and fellowship using music as an instrument of God's peace.

This can easily be broken down into three sections. The first reminds us that we strive to do music in such a way that it enhances our worship for all members of the parish be they musicians in the choirs or congregants in the pews. The second shows that we do not separate music from the rest of our faith but instead experience both notes and words together in a way that is entirely sacred. Finally, we recognize that music in the church is truly a ministry intertwined with many aspects of our church life. From 8 year old choristers to 80 year old bell ringers, our church's music participants spend countless hours not just practicing the sacred art of music but supporting the overall mission of the church using music as an instrument of God's peace. For that, I am supremely grateful.



Vacation Bible School

By Rachel Rickenbaker

The Maker Fun Factory is coming to Trinity from June 12 to June 16 (9:00 AM 12:00 PM daily). We will welcome 30+ kids onto our campus that week. Please stop by and see VBS in progress, and/or come for the concluding program on Friday at 11:40am to hear the kids sing the songs they've learned throughout the week.

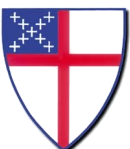


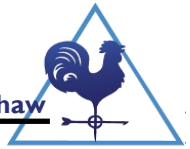
Congregational Meeting—July 23

On Sunday, July 23 we will have a brief meeting after worship to give the congregation a mid-year update on the church budget, and to answer any questions about our current financial position. Join us!



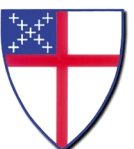
Save the Date!





	July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Altar Guild	Walta Warren, Elizabeth Courts, Bunny Shick, Shannon Stimson, Robin Keys				
Flower Guild	Anne Coyner Barbara Augenblick Sally Fletcher Becky Hoecker Cindy Mullett Cathy Boswell	Valerie Dove Beth Gibbens Susan Grayson Kelly Johnson Lynn Wiley Joan Eliot	Celeste Wheelwright Stephanie Bates Sarah Ellison Brooke Myatt Nicky Perry LeighO Wood	Gina Hammond Joyce Brower Jane Kates Pat Sharp Edie Smart	June Hambrick Jessica Diday Margaret Hilliard Jason Labrador Janet Noland Marissa Hasser
Memorial Flowers Given By					
8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 1					
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Ellen Hall	Carol Miller	Beth Lamond	Walta Warren	Jeff Millington
Lector	Jeff Millington	Cindy Thompson	Walta Warren	Carol Miller	Beth Lamond
Ushers	Nicky Perry Walta Warren	Debbie Gerbich Jeff Millington	Robert Bonnie John Miler	Holly and Chuck Bimba	Sarah and Greg Ellison
Healing Ministry	Clyde Lamond Walta Warren				
Coffee Hour			Cheri and Lewis Martin		
10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 2					
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Arch Randolph Joe Fluet	Pamela Wynfield Gina Hammond	Michael Main Ginny Fluet	Randy Mullett Ed Moore	Johanna Jackson Sabine Bibb
Lector	Gray Coyner Hank Long	Sandra Markus Becky Hoecker	Richard Myers Carolyn Smith	Page Gravely Sheryl Mazzatenta	Randy Mullett Joe Fluet
Ushers	Anne Coyner Jim Hoecker	Chip Chapman Ray Ewing	Stanley Dees Pamela Wynfield	Bunny Shick Elizabeth Courts	Brett Bibb
Healing Ministers		Ginny Fluet Michael Scholes	Joe Fluet Carole Stadfield	Ginny Fluet Joe Fluet	Melissa Neal
Ambassadors	Sanford Diday	Steve Billingsley	Pamela Wynfield	Walt Hasser	
Coffee Hour					

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please find someone to trade with. Please remember to notify the church office of any changes. Thank you.





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Elisabeth Troye Plaskitt, Martha Williamson



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Join us at the outdoor chapel for congregational cookouts at 6:00 PM. Bring a side dish to share. The June cookout is sponsored by the Outdoor Chapel Committee, and the July cookout is sponsored by the Vestry.

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