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The Rector's Pen

By The Rev. Robert L. Banse, Jr.

Dear Friends.

I came across a quote this past week that has stayed with me. I wonder how you feel about it: "There are some things worth living for, even if we find ourselves having to die for them as well."

Let us be honest before God. Suffering and death are not our favorite topics. We do whatever we can to put as much distance between those two realities and us as we possibly can. While we admire those who make the ultimate sacrifice for the sake of a worthy cause, most of us prefer not to emulate them.



That is why Holy Week and Easter are so central to really understanding and accepting the Christian faith and life. The events we remember over the course of those seven days are God's summary statement about a life truly lived and not wasted. Jesus chooses to ride into Jerusalem knowing full well the risk he is taking. He tries to prepare his disciples for what is to come. He reminds them that, if one really wants to be a leader in this world, then one must be a servant of all. He breaks bread with them one last time and that then becomes a banquet that lasts for all time. Instead of avoiding or resisting arrest, he embraces the injustice of his trial and the horror of his execution. Why? Because he has come to demonstrate in human terms what the love of God really is: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." In other words, it is in the giving of ourselves, even of our very lives, for the sake of God's goodness and the Gospel of Jesus, that true life is to be found.

But that is not the end of the story. On Easter day, we will gather around an empty tomb. Death cannot hold the Son of God. We are again embraced, this time by a mystery that is both sublime and impenetrable. What is the resurrection? How will we experience it? I don't really know. But in the celebration of Jesus being raised from the dead, we can know that any and all sacrifices we make during the course of our lives are not in vain. We have followed the lead of the risen one and we can know our actions have contributed to the building of God's kingdom here on

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The Healing Ministry of Jesus Returns!

By Ginny Fluet



Trinity's healing ministry is a group of people who feel called to participate in the healing ministry of Jesus. As part of this ministry, we meet weekly to pray for those on our parish prayer lists, the prayer request cards, and anyone we know of in need of prayer. We also offer prayer with laying on of hands after communion at the Sunday services and by request for those in need.

The Healing Ministry of Trinity Church will be offering a one-day course on the healing ministry of Jesus in an interactive Bible study. We will read and discuss Biblical accounts of Jesus' healing ministry to understand how healing happened in Biblical times as well as it does today. We welcome anyone who would like to learn more about Jesus' healing ministry and the healing ministry at Trinity. This course will be held on March 24th from 9

am to 5 pm in the Peard House Living Room.

At the end of this study, any participants who are interested may continue in a one-day course on current Christian Healing Ministry Practices and Techniques. During this course we will study healing ministry training from prominent Christian Healers, including Agnes Sanford, Francis and Judith MacNutt and Leo Thomas to learn the "nuts and bolts" of healing prayer. This course will be held on April 28th from 9 am to 5 pm in the Peard House Living Room.

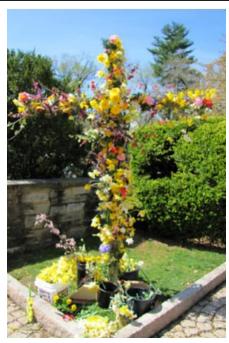
Anyone who is interested is invited to share in one or both of these healing studies. At the end of the training, you can decide whether you feel called to this ministry. If you are interested, please contact Ginny Fluet at vfluet@icloud.com or call at 540-869-0858 by March 15th.



The Flowering of the Cross

The flowering of the cross has been traced back to the 6th century. It is an especially striking and beautiful way to symbolize the new life that emerges from Jesus's death on Good Friday. Traditionally before the Easter Sunday service, the cross is covered with real flowers and the top draped in white. The entire cross is covered with flowers and is placed prominently at the front of the church to symbolize the new life in our risen Lord to all the worshippers present on Easter Sunday morning. The contrast between the starkly bare cross that worshippers have seen for 40 days and the living flower cross of Easter Sunday dramatically and visually represents the new life that we are celebrating after witnessing the very instrument of death and endings transformed by Christ's rising.

This year, as you come to Easter Sunday Service, pause by the cross and add some flowers to it. You can bring flowers from your garden, or you can place flowers from the bucket provided by the Flower Guild. The Sunday School children and Youth Group are encouraged to participate.



Pictured above is a flowered Easter Cross.



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Make Sure You Get in Your Easter Flower Order!





Have Easter flowers placed in the church in honor of or in memory of a loved one this Easter. Please enclose your contribution with this form (for checks, be sure to write "Easter Flowers" in the memo line). Complete this form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office no later than **March 20th**

Easter Flowers Order Form
Given in MEMORY of:
Given in Thanksgiving for or Honor of:
Your Name:
Phone:



Daylight Savings Time Begins Sunday, March 11.

Remember to set your clocks forward one hour that day.





The Hunt Country Stable Tour of 2018 is well underway and we are excited to announce our farm list as well as kick off our donor campaign! For those of you wondering about the fabulous farms on tour this year they are (in alphabetical order): Atoka Farm, Belle Grey Farm, Foxmount Farm, Fox Chase Farm, Fox View farm, Oak Spring Garden Foundation, Oak Spring farm, Middleburg Equestrian Center, the M.A.R.E. Center, Salamander Equestrian Center and Trappe Hill. The Sporting Library and Banbury Polo Club will also be free to ticket holders! What a wonderful line up, and even as March rolls in, we are busy planning events and organizing the tour!

Our donor campaign begins March 1st. We encourage everyone to contribute. Remember. All donations go directly to Outreach and all donations are 100% tax deductible. It is because of your generosity that our Stable Tour has been successful through this, the 59th year! Please look for your donation card in the mail, or go to https://trinityupperville.org/stable-tour-donate/ to donate directly online.

Finally. one of our goals this year is to continue to increase our online presence. We presently have over 2600 followers and our goal is 3000 to begin our season. We want everyone to go to Facebook and like our page! Encourage others, and don't forget to share our posts. That is Facebook page Hunt Country Stable Tour.

Our next Stable Tour meeting is Thursday, March 8 from 6-7pm in the Stable Tour Office. Please come and join our team! We would love to have you saddle up!





Flower Guild Reminder

By Gina Hammond



All members of the Flower Guild are invited to help decorate the church for Easter.

We will meet at the church at 9 am on Saturday March 31.

Please bring flowering branches (forsythia, dogwood, etc.) as may be available. Thank you.



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By Rob Banse

earth. Instead of entombing ourselves in a constant fear of sacrifice and death, we have been set free to live our lives fully, faithfully, and well, as we press on with Christ into the joy of his resurrection.

I believe that Dietrich Bonhoeffer was one of the great saints of the Church. It is said that, as the guards were preparing to lead him to the scaffold and to his death, he turned to his fellow prisoners and said, "This is the end. For me the beginning of life." For the Christian, no truer words about the meaning of Holy Week and Easter have ever been spoken.

I look forward to remembering the events of Holy Week and then celebrating the joy of Easter with each of you.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

The Rev. Rob Banse

Upcoming Youth Group Activities



The Episcopal Youth Group has some exciting activities planned in the coming months. There are opportunities for fellowship, service and of course fun. Please join us and bring a friend to any of the events.

March 3—THIS Saturday - Ski Trip to Liberty Mountain. 8am at Trinity parking lot. There is a chance the mountain will not be open but we have a fun "plan B" if not, a trip to the water park in Massanutten. Contact Lisa White lwhite@longcompanies.com to sign up. Parent volunteers/ skiers also welcome. We will provide updates based on the weather late in the week.

March 11—Activity planning and SOME cookie bake - Following the 10:30 service we'll meet to discuss your ideas and hopes for Youth Group and then bake cookies in the church kitchen for the church's ministry to So Others Might Eat soup kitchen in Washington DC. A fun way to serve others less fortunate. Have a favorite recipe you want to make? Let us know so we can get all the ingredients you need. Contact Kevin Fox kfox@myviablevision.com (847) 971-4986.

Youth Sunday Service- Mother's Day, May 13. We will discuss and help plan the service during Sunday youth meetings in April. Save the date.

Stable Tour Volunteering Memorial Day Weekend - Kat Gemmer and her team are hard at work for the Stable Tour planning and there is an important role for the Youth Group. This is your chance to shine and share your gifts with the community as we welcome people from across the region to Trinity.

Other events in the planning: Early Summer Canoe trip on the Shenandoah, Youth group fundraiser/ project, service project, bowling night, Shrinemont camp.

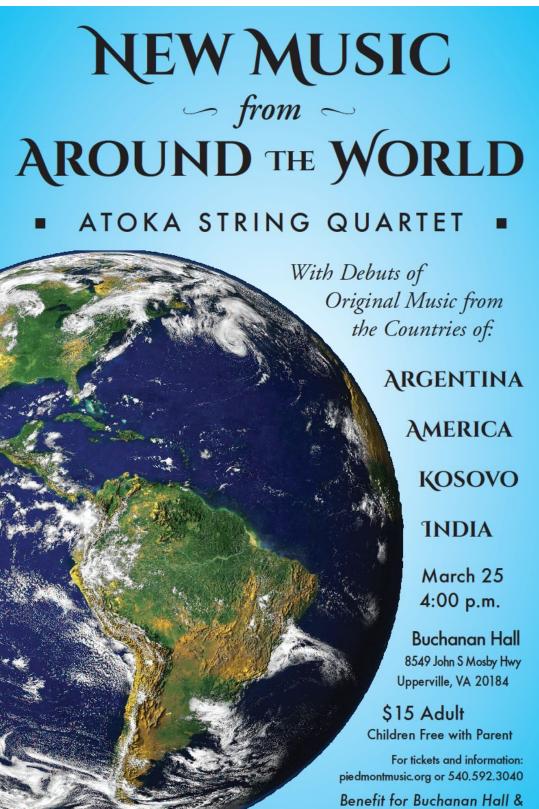
Parents please reach out to Kevin regarding your child's availability/interest to participate in Youth activities. We are eager to set schedules and plan activities to make it as easy as possible for the most people to participate. Please encourage them to bring along a friend, being a church member is not required.

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We are looking forward to a fun and thought-provoking spring and summer!

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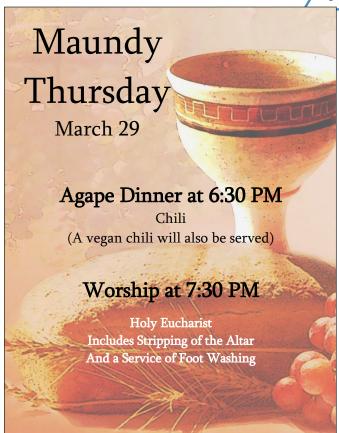


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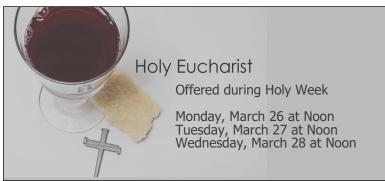


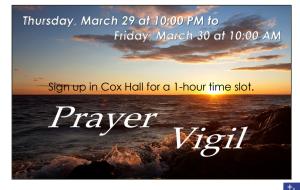
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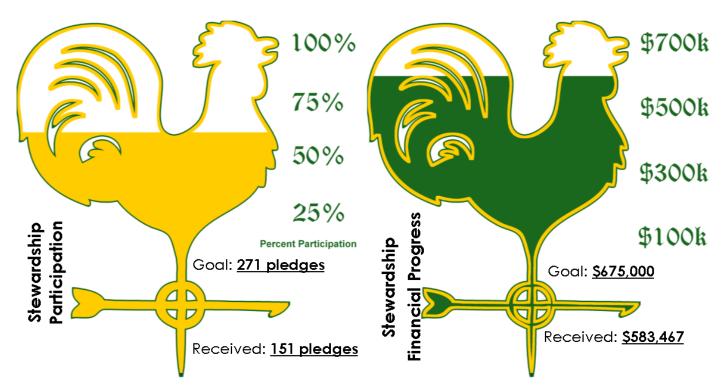






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Easter Sunday at Trinity (cont'd on page 9)

On Easter at Trinity it is our tradition that everyone would bring a dish to share for our coffee hour.

Join us after church in Cox Hall for a wonderful spread of food, and for the Easter Egg Hunt at noon!







Vestry Notes



The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was a nice way to commence Lent. Special thanks to Martha Williamson and the Parish Life Committee for the great decorations, and, of course, to the cooks who whipped up some great pancakes.

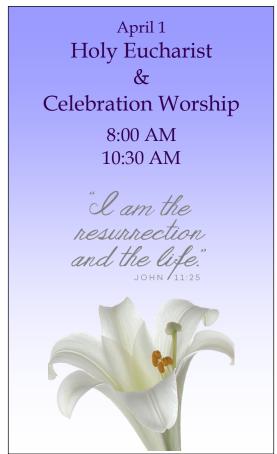
As we now continue through the Lenten season there are many opportunities to deepen our relationship with God – both individually and as a church body. I hope that each of you are experiencing a meaningful Lent and I also hope you will be able to participate in some of the discussions and studies that Trinity has between now and Easter. Our celebration of the Resurrection and what it means for us as individuals and for all of mankind will be here soon!

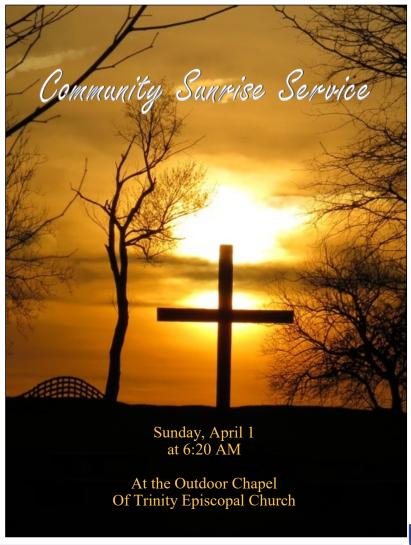
Stewardship Chairman Jim Hoecker continues his excellent work on our stewardship pledge drive and we have enjoyed success. However, if we are going to meet identified needs on campus as well as enhance Christian education programs we still need more pledges. It is never too late to pledge and I am sure Jim will be following up with many of you to see if you can participate in 2018.

I am looking forward to a great March for Trinity and hope you and your family have a blessed season.

Regards,

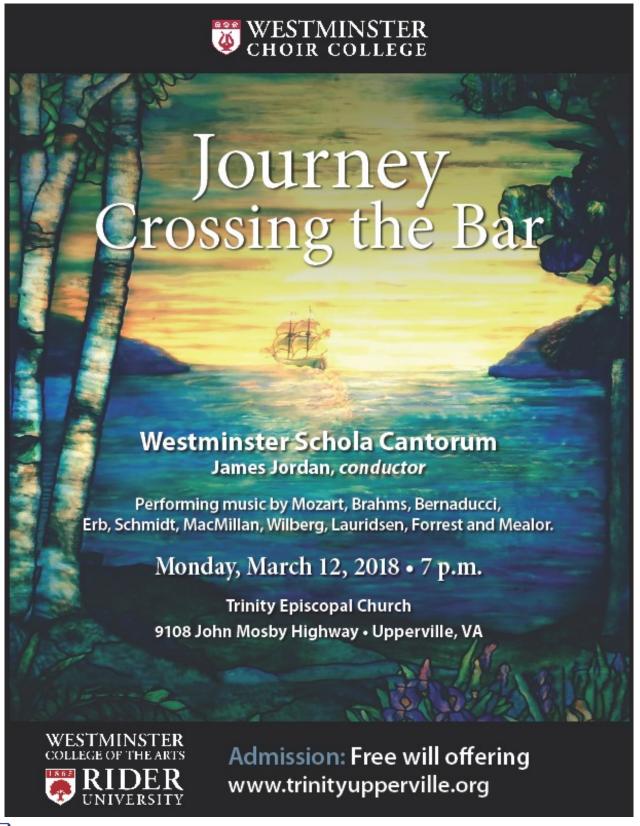
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Serving in April



	April I	April 8	April 15	April 22	April 29	
Altar Guild		Gina Hammond Debbie Gerbich John Greely Jim Hammond Nancy Phenicie				
Flower Guild	Gina Hammond Jane Kates Pat Sharp Edie Smart	June Hambrick Jessica Diday Margaret Hilliard Jason Labrador Janet Noland Marissa Hasser Rebecca Schaefer	Barbara Sharp Jimmy Hatcher Nancy Phenicie Melissa Neal Ann Coles Peggy Arundel Maria Eldredge Marlene Baldwin	Carolyn Smith Mary MacDonnell Alix Coolidge Mark Thompson Linda Newton Jeanne Hayduk Josefina Hooker	Anne Coyner Barbara Augenblick Sally Fletcher Becky Hoecker Cindy Mullett Cathy Boswell Johanna Jackson Alex Woodson	
Memorial Flowers	Easter Flower Memorials				Ann Cronin	
8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite I						
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Lay Eucharistic Minister	Lewis Martin	Ellen Hall	Walta Warren	Carol Miller	Jeff Millington	
Lector	Cheri Martin	Kelly Johnson	Walta Warren	Jeff Millington	Jolly deGive	
Ushers	Debbie Gerbich Jeff Millington	Nicky Perry Walta Warren	Robert Bonnie John Miller	Holly & Chuck Bimba	Sarah & Greg Ellison	
Healing Ministry	No Healing Ministry	Walta Warren Clyde Lamond				
Coffee Hour	Whole Congregation					
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Lay Eucharistic Minister	Johanna Jackson Ginny Fluet	Arch Randolph Michael Main	Sheryl Mazzatenta Janie Banse	Ken Knapp Ed Moore	Randy Mullett Sabine Bibb	
Lector	Margaret Hilliard Joe Fluet	Joe Markus Arch Randolph	Stephanie Reynolds John MacDonnell	Gray Coyner Carolyn Smith	Hank Long Samantha Whitesides	
Ushers	Stanley Dees Ken Knapp Bunny Schick Ray Ewing	Anne Coyner Louise Crane Carey Crane	Jim Gemmer Elizabeth Courts Jim Hoecker	The Benefield Family	Chip Chapman Brett Bibb Walt Hasser	
Healing Ministers	No Healing Ministry	Jerry Eisley Stephanie Knapp	Melissa Neal Michael Scholes	Ginny Fluet Samantha Whitesides	Joe Fluet Stephanie Knapp	
Ambassadors	Ed Moore	Marguerite Sweeny	Kyle Crosen	Jessica Diday	Brett Bibb	
Coffee Hour	Whole Congregation					

Holy Week:

March 26 Monday Ginny Fluet (Lector & Lay Eucharistic Minister)

March 27 Tuesday Walta Warren (Lector & Lay Eucharistic Minister)

March 28 Wednesday Lewis Martin (Lector & Lay Eucharistic Minister)

March 29 Thursday Ken Knapp (Lay Eucharistic Minister), Barbara Augenblick (Lector), Elizabeth Courts (Usher)

March 30 Friday Carol Miller (Lay Eucharistic Minister), Jolly deGive (Lector), Ray Ewing (Usher)





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