

# GENESIS



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## The Rector's Pen

By The Rev. Robert L. Banse, Jr.

Dear Friends,

I am rapidly approaching my tenth anniversary as Rector of Trinity Church. Time does indeed fly when you are having fun! My letter of Agreement with the congregation calls for a three month sabbatical every five years. Thus, this is the summer to exercise that part of our agreement.

While sabbatical time includes opportunity for rest and renewal, it is not an extended vacation. Sabbaticals, as I understand them, are primarily about study, discernment, and developing expertise in areas that will be of benefit to the community once the person returns to the usual full-time role and responsibilities. It is just as much about "sharpening the axe" as it is about "recharging the battery". That is my plan.



I have shared with you my belief that congregations today need to see themselves as communities rather than institutions. The life of that community is focused on the process of bringing people into closer relationship with Jesus Christ rather than churning out programs intended to satisfy the needs of the communities that that congregation is called to serve. This process will be the focus of my sabbatical.



Discipleship

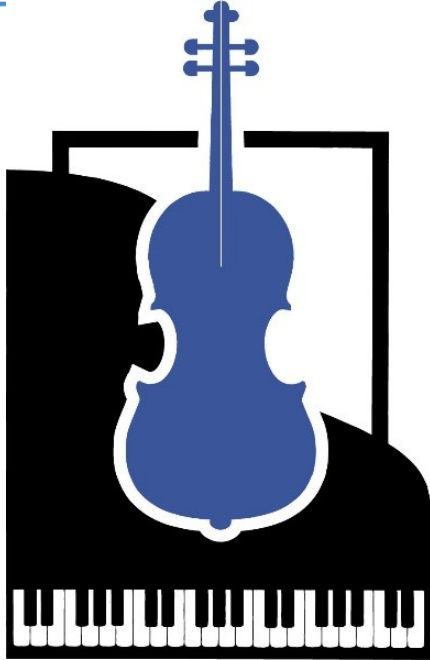
In the first month, I plan on reading deeply and praying carefully about the true nature and process of discipleship. In particular, I want to re-examine what we in seminary somewhat irreverently referred to as "Hatch, Match, and Dispatch". How do we go about in the present age of genuinely preparing people for Baptism and Confirmation, Marriage, and the great transition that the Burial Office represents? These moments are not "products" that we come to purchase from the church. They are milestones to be celebrated on our journey toward God. How do we renew that understanding here at Trinity?

"Telling the Story" will be the topic of the second month. We can no longer assume that

*(The Rector's Pen, continued on page 4)*



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## Thank you for our World Headquarters!

It is fifteen years ago now since Christian Myers, Trinity's Director of Music, had the wonderful idea that The Community Music School of the Piedmont (CMSP) might make its home at Trinity Episcopal Church in Upperville. The Vestry agreed with Christian's idea, and CMSP established our World Headquarters in the basement of Cox Hall where we have been ever since. We have satellite locations throughout Fauquier, Loudoun, and Clarke Counties, but Trinity is our home. Thank you so much for having us! From our base here, we have been able to provide high quality music instruction and performance opportunities for all members of our Piedmont community.

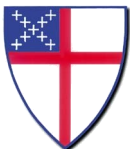
It has been a wonderful partnership. It has been our great good fortune to work with so many excellent people over the years at Trinity, from rectors to staff, to members of the Vestry, and congregants. Christian remains our dear friend and supporter and we are delighted to know and work with Rector Rob Banse, with Betsy Crenshaw, Phil Mohr, and of course, Tommy Breeden.

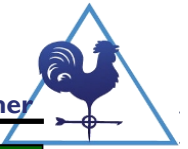
Our operating model of sharing space with churches started with Trinity and has been repeated in a number of our other locations, including Aldie, Purcellville, Stephens City, and Warrenton. By keeping our occupancy expenses at reasonable levels, we are able to participate in various communities. It also greatly helps us to fund our scholarship programs so that music education is affordable and available across the community. Over the past fifteen years, we have been able to provide over \$75,000 in scholarships, including scholarships for music therapy students.

CMSP has had a fabulous time at Trinity and looks forward to continuing our relationship for many more years to come! Whether it be the lessons held throughout the week in the classrooms or Strings Days in the Spring, or the week-long Chamber Music Camps in the Summer, or the numerous recitals at Cox Hall and in the church itself, CMSP has thoroughly enjoyed this beautiful and welcoming location. Thank you for our World Headquarters!

With much appreciation,

Martha Cotter  
Executive Director,  
The Community Music School of the  
Piedmont





58th Annual

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May 27 & 28, 2017

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### May is S.O.M.E Month!

Join us on May 18 at 7:30AM to cook.  
Join us on May 19 at 8:30AM to deliver and serve the meal at So Others May Eat in Washington.

### Golden Rooster Thrift Shop



During the Stable Tour, the Thrift Shop holds a Boutique Sale. The sale is for higher end items such as nice clothing and accessories. If you have items you would like to donate to the boutique sale, please bring them to the church office, and label them "Boutique Sale". Thank you!



## Rector's Pen (continued from Page 1)

By Rob Banse

most people know even the most important stories of the Bible. And yet, these stories comprise the foundation on which the Christian faith and life is built! What can we do to ensure that every member of our congregation, from youngest to most senior, has the opportunity to read, study, discuss, and thus learn from these Holy Scriptures in order to build our lives accordingly?



### Telling the Story



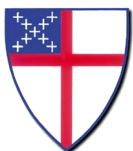
### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Finally, in the third month, I want to explore a topic that I believe is of critical importance presently: the stewardship of God's creation. The planet that God has entrusted to our care is now threatened in any number of ways and the wellbeing of future generations is at great risk. What can do, here at Trinity, to become more faithful caretakers of this world that, for the moment, is our responsibility?

The sabbatical will also include some travel and time with family and friends. Please keep me in your daily prayers and know that I will be praying for each of you while away. In the meantime, Rachel, Jim Hammond, and our excellent staff will take great care of our congregation's daily life! I rejoice in knowing that you are in great hands.

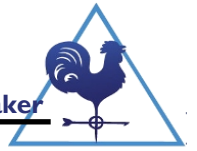
Faithfully in Christ,

The Rev. Rob Banse



# Youth Sunday & Recognition Sunday

By Rachel Rickenbaker



## Youth Sunday

Sunday, May 14 will be youth Sunday at the 10:30 AM worship service. Join us on Mother's Day as the youth share their gifts in God's service.

## Recognition Sunday



On May 21, Trinity will recognize the many ways our members serve God and our neighbors during the 8:00 and 10:30 AM worship services, as well as during the 10:30 coffee hour. Thank you volunteers!

# Did You Know?

By Gray Coyner



“Trinity Church is the only church in Meade Parish, which is named for The Rt. Rev. William Meade, a former Bishop of Virginia.”<sup>1</sup>

With the establishment of the settlement in Virginia by the English, the Church of England became the established church. Following the tradition of the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church, parishes were established in Virginia, and each parish was served by a Rector who may have had one or more churches. To differentiate each parish, they were given names and in our case, Meade Parish was the name given to the area served by Trinity – Upperville.

Bishop Meade (1789 – 1862) was born in White Post, Virginia, in what is now Clarke County.

Read more: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William\\_Meade](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Meade)

<sup>1</sup> Profile of Trinity Episcopal Church – January 1979

*This will be the last article in this series of 33 “Did You Know” articles. I have enjoyed sharing some of the knowledge I have gathered over my years at Trinity. It is my understanding this space will now be used to periodically update the readers on the ongoing repairs being carried out by your Property Committee to these amazing facilities.*



Trinity Church 1842

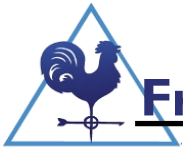


Trinity Church 1895



Trinity Church today.





## From the Assistant Rector

By Rachel Rickenbaker

Dear People of Trinity Church,  
Alleluia! He is Risen! Let us keep spreading the good news during these 50 days and after!

This month, on May 7, we look forward to Bishop Ted's visit, at both the 8:00 and 10:30 AM services. We will have Confirmations taking place at the 10:30 AM service that morning and ask you to be there to support your fellow members in the Body of Christ, as they make their public affirmations of faith.



For the past three months, Father Banse and I have been rotating teaching our Confirmation class. "What is Confirmation?" some may ask. Confirmation, according to our prayer book, is "the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop" (p. 860). In other words, because we practice infant baptism in the Episcopal Church, it is expected that when one reaches an age of maturity, he or she should make their own public commitment of faith in the presence of the bishop. When the bishop lays hands on the Confirmand, we believe that the Holy Spirit gives guidance and strength to the individual to continue forth as a disciple of Jesus and a minister in the church (indeed as baptized Christians, we are all ministers).

During the preparation and class time these past months, we spent time focusing on our Christian narrative, reflected in both the Old and New Testaments. We explored Jesus' earthly ministry and Paul's letters. On a morning-long retreat during Lent, we began exploring discipleship by discussing what it means to follow Jesus, experiencing a sensory Stations of the Cross, watching portions of the movie *Jesus of Nazareth*, and beginning a conversation on spiritual gifts. The Confirmands each took a spiritual gifts inventory and explored ways they can put their gifts to practice as members of the Body of Christ.

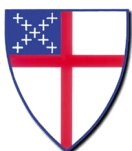
Each experience I have had with a Confirmation class, this one certainly included, has helped me to further understand where we are as a Church and how we teach the faith to our young people. Father Banse and I will pray about ways to continue improving the process of equipping disciples of Jesus through Confirmation preparation, and I hope that is a discussion that we take on as a congregation.

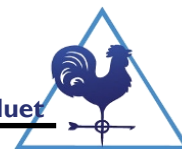
You are never too old to be baptized or confirmed. If you are interested in the process for either Baptism or Confirmation, please talk with either Father Banse or me.

Let us welcome Bishop Ted on May 7, and be present to support our Confirmands. Most importantly, during this Easter season, we are called to worship our Risen Lord, who seeks us constantly and daily. May we choose to seek and grow in relationship with Him, always and everywhere.

In Christ,

*Rachel +*





## Heal My Lambs!

A Healing Conference  
with the Rev. Nigel Mumford

Saturday, May 20

9:30 - 4:00

Trinity Episcopal Church  
9108 John Mosby Hwy., Upperville, VA

Join us to learn about God's healing power for yourself and others. Whether you're new to the use of prayer for healing, whether you'd like to learn more about God's fantastic power to heal, or whether you are just curious, please come.

***We especially invite anyone in need of healing*** from physical, emotional, or spiritual conditions. No problem is too big or too small for God. Bring your need to God. Better yet, *bring your friend in need to God.*

Rev. Mumford will talk about the basics of healing prayer, our call as Christians to minister to a broken world and the power of forgiveness. The program includes a healing prayer service with laying on of hands and anointment. All of us are in need of some type of healing, so bring your troubles with you!



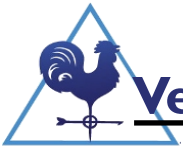
Rev. Mumford is an author and International speaker with more than 20 years of service in the healing ministry. Nigel serves on the Board of Directors of Christian Healing Ministries, Jacksonville, FL. He is chaplain and vice president of the North American Board of the International Order of St Luke the Physician.



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**Free admission  
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Our Vestry met on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> for its monthly meeting. The minutes for the meeting will be filed and will be available for your review. Your Vestry wants to sincerely thank ALL of the many people and groups who helped with this year's Holy Week and Easter Sunday. We are blessed with a beautiful campus and a wonderful membership who pulled together this year to ensure it was a success. The Sunrise Service was one of the best ever. If you missed it, please consider joining us next year and of course, also for the many special events that happen around Easter... Thank you Trinity!

In case you have not been made aware yet, Trinity has secured a weekend at Shrine Mont for another congregational retreat! It will occur the weekend of October 14/15. More information will be forthcoming, but if you can, please put a hold on that weekend and join us for Friday and/or Saturday night. Depending on the weather from now until then, it may just be the peek weekend for fall foliage viewing.

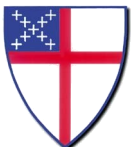
We had a fairly regular Vestry meeting this month. We received the Treasurer's reports. Our cash position is good. Pledge income was a bit down for the month, but with our impending draw from endowment, we will remain in good standing through the next several months. Pledge income for the year was up compared to our budget so we're looking okay.

A couple of items from the Finance Committee to report are 1) the Spending Authority policy was updated to reflect changes approved by Vestry last year- mostly dealing with the approval of funds by Vestry and acquisition of bids; 2) upon discovery that there was no formal oversight of the Food Closet, Vestry approved that the Food Closet be formally assigned to the Outreach Committee for financial oversight; and 3) Vestry unanimously authorized the Parish Administrator to enter into a new contract for a leased printer/copier as described in the Finance Committee Report.

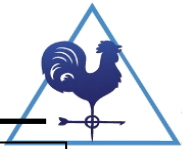
Vestry received a Proposal for Organ Improvements submitted by Mann & Trupiano Organ Builders in partnership with Bard B. Wickkiser Organ Builder. Trupiano and Wickkiser are two of the most skilled organ builders in the country, especially for Aeolian-Skinner organs and Wickkiser is the curator of the National Cathedral organ- also an Aeolian-Skinner. Considering the funds already in our recently created Organ Repair Fund, Vestry concluded that it could not approve a contract until the additional funds have been secured. Vestry formally accepted the proposal from Trupiano and Wickkiser as presented, and voted that a contract for the work be ratified upon receipt of the required additional \$50,000.

We received the Stable Tour update. Thanks be to God for the remarkable response to this year's donor campaign which was reported to be at \$25,000 already. I won't go into a lot of detail here as more information will be given elsewhere, but I will ask that everybody please consider how you can pitch in to help. Our Outreach efforts for the whole year are dependent on a successful Stable Tour and as Rob has been telling us, Vestry has been considering ways that we can have a greater impact with our Outreach activities as we attempt to clarify and carry out our purpose and mission.

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## Shrinemont Camps

A full line-up of summer fun is available at Shrinemont Camps.  
For information about the camps, visit: [www.shrinemontcamps.net](http://www.shrinemontcamps.net)  
For information about the Shrinemont retreat center, visit:  
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## Summer Camp

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ADULTS \$12  
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12:30 - LUNCH AND  
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BUCHANAN HALL

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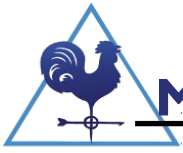
By Jim Gemmer



We briefly discussed the need to identify new Vestry candidates. This month we have identified a list of eligible candidates and the outgoing Vestry members will be taking this issue for action. You may start seeing reminders that we are seeking candidates for nomination so if you interested in learning more about what it takes to be on Vestry, please let us know.

As always, thank you again for your prayers, participation, engagement and support.

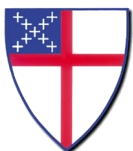




The origins of the pipe organ can be traced to 3<sup>rd</sup> century BC ancient Greece and it has continued to grow in size and complexity throughout history. In 812 AD, Charlemagne commissioned a large pipe organ for the Chapel at Aachen which began the enduring association of pipe organs with western church music. While pipe organs have been used in theaters, concert halls, and even private homes, there is no other instrument more associated with churches and thus more ultimately sacred than the pipe organ. At Trinity Church, we are greatly blessed with what is one of the finest pipe organs in the area. In addition to supporting the rest of our music ministry, it is used for lessons, recitals, concerts, and educational forums all of which provide sacred inspiration to those in our community and beyond as well as furthering the development of church music and church musicians. Trinity's pipe organ is not just a musical instrument but an instrument of ministry. Much like the rest of our invaluable campus, our pipe organ is also a unique religious resource whose stewardship requires special care to maintain it to its original standard.

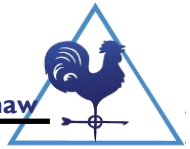
Trinity's pipe organ was built by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company of Boston and originally installed in the church in 1960. By the early nineties, it was in desperate need of major repair. In 1996, the Lawless-Johnson Organ Company of Hagerstown, MD, performed an extensive rebuild of the organ including some greatly needed additions bringing the total size of the organ to approximately 3000 pipes in 55 ranks at a total cost of \$250,000. Within five years, there were more problems so in 2002, a professional organ consultant, Haig Mardirosian, was brought in to perform an unbiased evaluation and deliver a consultative report which outlined three phases of work to be done. Phase I involved bringing the organ up to workmanlike order by correcting many mechanical deficiencies from the 96 rebuild. This work was performed by David Storey of Baltimore, Md. in 2005 at a cost of approximately \$50,000. Phase II involves a thorough tonal finishing of the organ which was not done in 1996. This work was estimated at \$50,000 in the 2002 report. The music committee has been asking for funds to accomplish this phase ever since and has gradually raised our estimate of the cost to \$100,000 to reflect both inflation and continued deterioration. Phase III involves additional expansion and reconfiguration which may be included in the next major rebuild of the organ. It should be noted that the life cycle of rebuilding large pipe organs is 30-40 years so we should be planning for this in the next 10-20 years at a cost of several hundred thousand dollars.

In the last year, an organ fund was created to begin to collect money for both short term Phase II tonal finishing and long term Phase III rebuild and this fund has now been seeded with the gift of \$50,000 from the Lambert Foundation. Considering this, we have brought in renowned organ builder Larry Trupiano of NY and Curator of the National Cathedral organ, Bard Wickkiser of Baltimore to examine the organ and develop a joint proposal for accomplishing the Phase II tonal finishing work. We have been in constant dialogue with them about tailoring their work to our needs and at their April meeting, the Vestry voted to approve the thoughtful and thorough Trupiano/Wickkiser proposal at a cost of \$100,000 with work to potentially begin this summer. However, final ratification of a contract is pending raising the additional \$50,000. Hurst Groves has agreed to lead this fundraising effort. For more information about this project or to consider donating, please contact me at the church or Hurst at [hkgroves@aol.com](mailto:hkgroves@aol.com). Completion of this project has been a long time coming and will finally bring the organ up to its full potential as we continue to build the body of Christ using music as an instrument of God's peace.



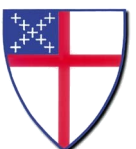
# Serving in June

By Betsy Crenshaw



	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jolly deGive, Natalie Epstein, Patty Jarvis			
<b>Flower Guild</b>	June Hambrick Jessica Diday Margaret Hilliard Jason Labrador Janet Noland Marissa Hasser	Gina Hammond Joyce Brower Jane Kates Pat Sharp Edie Smart	Barbara Sharp Jimmy Hatcher Nancy Phenicie Melissa Neal Ann Coles Peggy Arundel	Carolyn Smith Arla Lewis Mary MacDonnell Gretchen Zeltner Alix Coolidge Mark Thompson Linda Newton
<b>Memorial Flowers Given By</b>	Betty Randolph, Sheryl & Louis Mazzatenta	Johanna Jackson		Dan Haney
<b>8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 1</b>				
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Lewis Martin	Walta Warren	Beth Lamond	Jeff Millington
<b>Lector</b>	Cheri Martin	Jolly deGive	Greg Ellison	Kelly Johnson
<b>Ushers</b>	Debbie Gerbich Jeff Millington	Robert Bonnie John Miler	Holly and Chuck Bimba	Sarah and Greg Ellison
<b>Healing Ministry</b>	Clyde Lamond Cheri Martin			
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Millingtons	Taylors		Ann MacLeod
<b>10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 2</b>				
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Barbara Augenblick Ginny Fluet	Gina Hammond Janie Banse	Ed Moore Johanna Jackson	Randy Mullett Sheryl Mazzatenta
<b>Lector</b>	Margaret Hilliard Joe Markus	John MacDonnell Michael Main	Ginny Fluet Samantha Whitesides	Stephanie Knapp Ray Ewing
<b>Ushers</b>	Stanley Dees Ken Knapp	Benefield Family	Bunny Shick Barbara Augenblick	Pamela Wynfield Elizabeth Courts
<b>Healing Ministers</b>	Joe Fluet Melissa Neal	Ginny Fluet Joe Fluet	Stephanie Knapp Michael Scholes	Ginny Fluet Carole Stadfield
<b>Ambassadors</b>	Jessica Diday	Kyle Crosen	Pamela Wynfield	Robbie Moore
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Randolph/Moon/Shapiro	Cemetery Committee		

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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*Bishop Suffragan*  
The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. "Ted" Gulick Jr.,  
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**Class of 2017**

Barbara Conner, Susan Grayson  
Jim Gemmer, Dan Murphy

**Class of 2018**

Ellen Hall, Mark Thompson,  
Debra Latiolais, Matt Blunt

**Class of 2019**

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Elisabeth Troye Plaskitt, Martha Williamson



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# Vacation Bible School

June 12-16



**Registration is now open for all children!**

Join us for music and games, skits and snacks, drama and crafts, smiles and laughter! We'll spend a week diving into God's Word as we experience how God created each of us for unique purposes.

Registration is on a first come basis, and spaces are limited, so sign up early!

Visit [www.trinityuppperville.org](http://www.trinityuppperville.org), or contact Rachel in the church office.

**DECKER**  
(Decorator Crab)



**ABBEE**  
(Bee)



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