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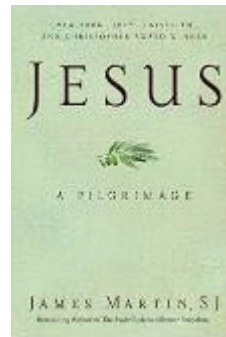
“Now during those days Jesus went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God.” ~Luke 6:12

MY SISTERS AND BROTHERS,

Many centuries ago, the author of Ecclesiastes wrote, “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.” With that in mind, we welcome summer.

Summer offers many opportunities that are difficult to find at other times of the year. We look forward to rest and recreation in the form of vacation. Some of us like to head to the beach, rejoicing in sun, salt, and sand. Others head to the cool of the mountains where hiking trails and open vistas await. Wherever we go, these travels often include time spent with family and friends, renewing the relationships that really are amongst the greatest gifts that God give to us in this lifetime.

The summer season also provides us additional time to study, reflect, and pray. Whether from the front porch looking out over the ocean or the back porch with a view of a meadow, the Bible, Prayer Book, or a compelling novel in front of us, coffee in hand, well, it does not get much better than that. We all need time for centering prayer. Summer allows us the chance to do so in ways that the rest of the year does not. If you are looking for a good book to read, I heartily recommend “Jesus: A Pilgrimage” by Father James Martin, SJ. He does a remarkable job of connecting a trip he took to the Holy Land with personal reflections on the life of Jesus and the Good News he came to proclaim.



Of course, you do not have to go away to enjoy the gifts of summer. I commend to you the cookouts and times of prayer that we will be offering at our beautiful council ring and outdoor chapel throughout the season. Please read the article about these gatherings found in this Genesis and make sure you add the dates to your calendar.

Even as we look forward, I want to close by looking back at last weekend’s Hunt Country Stable Tour. It was once again a remarkable and grace-filled experience. I thank Franny Kansteiner, and all the others who led the effort. I thank the farm owners and their staffs for all their hard work. Without them, the event would not be possible. I thank God for each one of you who volunteered over the course of the weekend. Seeing you all in action always makes my heart very glad.

Enjoy this summer.
Faithfully in Christ,
The Rev. Rob Banse



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday June 10th at 7:30p come hear The Rev. Banse preach at Mt. Pisgh. They are celebrating 25 years with Rev. Lewis!
- Church Camp (VBS) 2015 will be held June 15-18 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
- Cookout & Compline! June 16th at 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, June 21st is Father’s Day

PARISH MEETING

OUTDOOR SANCTUARY SUMMER GATHERINGS

Save these dates in your calendar for evenings of worship and fellowship in the Outdoor Sanctuary:

Tues., June 16th

Tues., July 14th

Tues., August 11th

6 PM

We will gather at the Council Ring for fellowship, and conclude our evening at the Outdoor Chapel with Evening Prayer. All ages are welcome. The main course and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

(We will gather "Rain or Shine" — but will have our picnic in Cox Hall and Evening Prayer in the Church Sanctuary in case of inclement weather).



One hundred parishioners gathered for a Parish Meeting on Sunday, May 17th, in Cox Hall, immediately following the 10:30 Worship Service, to hear a report on the "State of the Parish". Following an opening prayer by the Rector, Becky Hoecker, Senior Warden, opened the meeting with a brief overview of the organizational structure of the church and the roles of the Rector, the Vestry, and the Finance and Endowment committees.

Carol Miller, Chair of the Finance Committee, gave a detailed report on the current state of the finances of the Parish. Using slides to illustrate her report, Carol explained the trends in pledging for the past several years. Pledging has gradually declined as endowment growth has gradually risen. Currently, pledge cards received for 2015 is down by 28 pledge cards from last year. This decline will soon create a financial crisis for the Parish if it is not turned around.

Carol further explained Parish expenses and how these expenses have been met in the past and are being met today. She also explained how many maintenance and repair issues are balanced or delayed because of a lack of funds.

Carol closed her presentation by reminding us: "All things come from thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee."

Guy Dove, Chairman of the Endowment Committee followed Carol with a history and overview of the committee. Guy explained the purpose of the endowment is to preserve and enhance its real, inflation-adjusted, purchasing power while providing a steady and consistent spending stream to help support the church's missions. He explained the committee's objective is to maximize investment return with reasonable and prudent levels of risk consistent with achieving long-term growth and preservation of capital.

Guy reported the Endowment had recommended a 4.5% draw for 2015, consistent with trends in other endowment funds based on the current market. However, because of the needs of the Parish, the Vestry voted a draw of 5%. The Vestry will reconsider the draw in June when it considers the mid-year budget adjustments.

Gray Coyner defined the role of the Trustees in the sale of church property. Trustees hold legal title of the real estate for the church and are selected by the Vestry, which then must present the selected candidates to the Circuit Court for appointment. The Trustees represent the Vestry and the church.

Gina Hammond reported on Stewardship and illustrated by slides detailed stewardship data, once again showing the loss in pledges and the need for additional income.

Gina gave a report on the expenses of the Gulick House (the old Rectory) that has been a topic of much conversation recently. Following the tenants vacating the house last October, repairs were needed, pipes burst in the winter and concerns were raised about the soundness of the foundation. Currently, the Vestry is receiving estimates on costs for needed repairs and renovations. Once the estimates are in, the Vestry will weigh the costs against the costs of possibly selling the house and investing the proceeds in the endowment for future growth. The results will be presented to the Parish for discussion and a possible vote.

The Rector gave a brief report on the call for an Assistant Rector. He said an assistant rector for Trinity needed strong skills in liturgy, pastoral relations, and technology-based programs and ministry outreach. As church dynamics change, and as Trinity becomes more and more a destination church rather than a neighborhood church, skills in outreach and technology are becoming more and more important.

Following question and answer period and comments from the congregation, the Rector closed the meeting with a prayer.

VESTRY NOTES

The Vestry met for its monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 20th at 6 o'clock. Rob opened the meeting with prayer that was followed by the recitation of the Lord's Prayer. Joe Fluet presented a Bible study based on Luke 7:11-17, Jesus raising the widow's son. Joe explained how this scripture, and others, are used as tools in the Healing Ministry class.

The minutes of the April 15th meeting were approved, and the Rector introduced Mayo Brown, Secretary/Warden of the Trinity Church Cemetery Corporation.

Mr. Brown gave a brief history of the Cemetery Corporation to the Vestry that was followed by a question and answer period. Mr. Brown has been involved with the cemetery since the idea was first presented by Mr. and Mrs. Mellon to the late rector, Dick Peard. The cemetery was consecrated in 1995. Mr. Brown said the cemetery now has 380 grave sites available out of a total 550. The Cemetery Corporation pays the church for the services of Tommy Breeden, the Sexton, for mowing and maintenance. The Vestry and the Rector thanked Mr. Brown for his long and uninterrupted service to Trinity Church.

Charles Ince presented the Treasurer's Report. Currently, pledged income is ahead of that collected at this time last year, but as total amount pledged is below last year's pledged amount, the income will level out in the coming months. At this time, Profit and Loss Statements and Balance Sheet look as expected with no extraordinary expenses to report.

Carol Miller, Interim Chair of Finance, gave the report of the Finance Committee. Carol recommended the re-election of David Hartley and Jeff Hood to the Endowment Committee, both for a three-year term ending April 30, 2018. She also recommended the confirmation for the terms for the remaining at-large members: Stanley Dees to a term ending April, 30, 2017; Guy Dove and Bradley Gable to terms ending April 30, 2016. The Vestry unanimously approved the recommendations.

Carol distributed and briefly reviewed several documents to the Vestry regarding existing policies of Trinity Church and The Episcopal Church regarding financial management and business practices in church affairs, and gift policy.

The first order of New Business was the unanimous approval by the Vestry of David Hartley as interim Vestryman to replace John Johnson who resigned in May.

The Vestry briefly reviewed the Parish Meeting held on May 23rd and expressed their gratitude to the many parishioners who attended (101 were counted) and to those presenting reports. The Vestry reported the strong positive response by parishioners and the hope that another such meeting will be held in the next few months.

The Rector announced his plans for the summer. He will participate in a continuing education program for clergy as well as go on a bicycling vacation with his family. The Reverend Jim Hammond will be conduct services during Rob's absences.

The Vestry voted to cancel the Shrine Mont retreat. The scheduled speaker, the Reverend Debbie Royals, will present her program at Trinity Church on the same weekend of the previously scheduled date for the retreat, June 12th-14th.

The Vestry briefly discussed the need for an assistant Rector and endorsed moving forward in search of a good candidate.

The Nominating Committee for new Vestry candidates reported that it is making calls and talking to members of the church and hopes to present the slate of candidates to the Vestry by July.

Gina Hammond reported on the current state of stewardship and the hope that parishioners will increase their pledge by 10% to meet the needs of the church. You may increase your pledge by amending your pledge with a new pledge card, by submitting a check for the increased amount with a note on the memo line to that purpose, or by credit card. For further information, please contact Beth Rogers.

Dan Murphy has graciously agreed to be Chairman of Stewardship Committee this year and will soon put together a committee for that purpose. If you are interested, please contact Dan. Stewardship is a very difficult, demanding, and greatly rewarding task, and it needs our support and our time. The Vestry is grateful to Dan for his willingness to lead the church in this effort.

The Wardens extended their thanks to all the members of the church for their support of Trinity Church and the recently held Parish Meeting and to the participants: Carol Miller, Guy Dove, Gray Coyner and Ellen Hall. They also thanked Stanley Dees and Jonathan Catherwood for their behind the scenes work providing information and materials for the meeting.

Rob closed the meeting with a prayer.



SERVING IN JULY

Altar Guild	May 28—July 1: Team 4: Jolly de Give, Jim Gable, Patty Jarvis, Pamela Wynfield July 2—Aug. 5: Team 1: Walta Warren, Shannon Stimson, Elizabeth Courts			
	July 5 6 Pentecost	July 12 7 Pentecost	July 19 8 Pentecost	July 26 9 Pentecost
Flower Guild	Anne Coyner Barbara Augenblick Sally Fletcher Becky Hoecker Betty Long Cindy Mullett	Valerie Dove Bailey Davis Beth Gibbens Susan Grayson Kelly Johnson Lynn Wiley Telle Zeiler	Celeste Wheelwright Stephanie Bates Linda Dodderidge Sarah Ellison Nicky Perry LeighO Wood	Gina Hammond Abigale Brower Joyce Brower Jane Kates Pat Sharp Edie Smart
Memorial Flowers	John Graham Barker Mary Worthen Brandon		Thomas & Madeline Maddock Jim Maddock	
Lectionary Readings	Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13	Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-19 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21
8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite I				
LEM	Lewis Martin	Walta Warren	Beth Lamond	Harriett Condon
Lector	Cheri Martin	Andrew Motion	Walta Warren	Greg Ellison
Ushers	Beth & Wayne Gibbens	Debbie Gerbich Barbara duPont	Robert Bonnie Jimmy Hatcher	Holly & Chuck Bimba
Healing Ministry	Clyde Lamond Cheri Martin	/	/	/
Coffee Hour		Robin & Gordie Keys		Ann MacLeod
10:30 a.m. Service Holy Eucharist Rite II				
LEM	Randy Mullett Arch Randolph	Sheryl Heckler Sabine Bibb	Pamela Wynfield Elizabeth Norman	Debra Latiolais Bill Easton
Lectors	Bill Easton Susan Goettl	Penelope Yungblut Ray Ewing	Carolyn Smith John MacDonnell	Michael Main Bucky Slater
Ushers	Anne Coyner Elizabeth Courts	Jolly de Give Brett Bibb	Jim Hoecker Penelope Yungblut Ray Ewing	David Hartley Mac Hartley
Healing Ministry	Ginny Fluet Margot Blattmann	Joe Fluet Mellissa Neal	Michael Scholes Elizabeth Gore	Ginny Fluet Stephanie Knapp
Coffee Hour	Gemmer & Sweeney Families			
If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please find someone with whom to trade. Please remember to notify the church office of any changes. Thank you.				

56TH HUNT COUNTRY STABLE TOUR!



Stable Tour Stewardship

Our annual Stable Tour requires a minimum of **2100 hours** of your service to plan, prepare and execute this wonderful event.

This includes the time of: our Chair, Franny Kansteiner; our Co-chairs Susan Grayson and Stephanie Bates, our Rector, Rob Banse; our able staff members, Betsy Crenshaw, Beth Rogers, Angela Lake and Tommy Breeden; and all the wonderful parishioners who served as volunteers for mailings, office duty, stewards and greeters. This does not include the time spent by our farm hosts and their staffs to prepare for our guests.

We thank all these wonderful people who share of their time and talents to make the Stable Tour such a success.

Your Stewardship Committee



THANK YOU!

DID YOU KNOW?

Little known facts about Trinity Episcopal Church – Upperville, VA

We have just finished a very successful Stable Tour and it may be an opportune time to take a break from the Trinity buildings and mention a bit of history of the Stable Tour or the “Hunt Country Farm & Estate Tour” as it was first known. The first tour was held on November 7, 1959 and began as a house tour featuring four of the area’s prominent houses, gardens or stables. The ticket price was \$3.50 for both days.

Brookmeade Racing Stable and the first floor of the Brookmeade house was one stop, the Heronwood Topiary Gardens another, the Catesby Greenhouses, a third and finally, Ayrshire with the first public showing of the silver used at the Arlington and Lexington homes by General and Mrs. Robert E. Lee. The ladies of the Mary D. Neville Guild served lunch in the new Parish Hall for an additional \$1.50. No tours of the church were given as it was still under construction.

The church had so little money in those days the Vestry decided not to have any fundraisers until 1965 when Mr. and Mrs. Reed Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. George Robert Slater conceived the idea of a “Stable Tour” and it has been an annual event ever since.

~Gray Coyner



Photo by Schuyler Knapp

FOOD, HIGH DRAMA, AND S.O.M.E.

There was a bit of high drama during our May visit to So Other’s Might Eat (S.O.M.E.) in Washington, D.C. Thankfully, at the end of the day all was well and everyone returned home safely after feeding about 350 guests a delicious fish lunch.



One of our noble volunteers was overcome on the serving line and briefly lost consciousness, requiring a short trip to Children’s Hospital. Our young volunteer was examined and it was determined she was in good health. She was released in short order much to the relief of her family. SOME staff acted quickly to assess the situation and contact emergency medical personnel.

The Trinity team carried on and handled the kitchen duties and serving duties with great skill, despite a major obstacle to our efforts. There was only one operable oven in the kitchen and we were faced with reheating ten large trays of rice casserole as

well as cooking about ten trays of battered fish, all under deadline. Ken Knapp never batted an eye and timed the preparation skillfully, with much assistance from Jim Gemmer. Meanwhile, Mark Thompson once again took over all sink duties and Len Shapiro mastered the green beans. On the serving line and handling all the baked goods were Gina Hammond, Hilary Bateman and Ann MacLeod. John and Louisa Barker proved valuable on the serving line, along with our four young charges: Claire Thompson, Madison Peck, Inara Junkala and Maura Thompson. Robin Keys was also on hand.

In the kitchen the previous day preparing the rice casserole were: Sarah Sisk, Robin



Keys, Joan Elliot, Edie Smart, Gay Estin, Holly Bimba, Ellen Hall, Nicky Perry, Jane Kates, Sharon Clinton, Susan Grayson, and Ann MacLeod.



SOME SERVES IN JULY

Join us in Cox Hall
7:30 a.m. Thursday, July
16th to prepare the meal.
We will leave the church
parking lot at 8:30 a.m.
sharp on Friday, July 17th to
serve the meal in D.C.

Your donations of cookies,
breads, corn muffins, and
brownies are always grate-
fully devoured! Please leave
your donation in Cox Hall
(clearly marked for SOME) by
Thursday, July 17th.

CMSP STRINGS DAY: APRIL 25, 2015



On Saturday, April 25 the Trinity Church campus rang out with the sound of enthusiastic string students engaged in a day of chamber coaching sessions, orchestra rehearsal...and, of course, the annual Strings Day soccer match!

Congratulations to the cellos for winning the soccer match!

The concluding concert featured several chamber pieces for smaller ensembles, including "Pastoral," "Trio in D," "At the Park," and a full orchestral piece, arranged by CMSP faculty member, Alan Saucedo.

CMSP is very fortunate to be able to use the wonderful facilities at Trinity Church.
Thank you for your hospitality!

"Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'" ~Mark 6:31

CHURCH CAMP 2015

JUNE 15-18 FROM 9:00AM-1:00PM
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, UPPERVILLE
Ages: 4yrs-5th grade; Cost: \$10 per child/\$25 per family

The Message: "Reclaiming the Sabbath"

You may have noticed that life looks a little bit different for children these days. Our young people's lives are filled with school, practices, games, tournaments, extracurricular activities – the list goes on and on! Even our youngest children are feeling the pressures of this new era. With that in mind, this year our VBS theme "Reclaiming the Sabbath" will empower and equip our youngest members to take a step back to encounter the Holy. We'll spend the week focusing on celebrating creation, why it's important to spend time with God, and how God blesses his people when we slow down enough to notice!

Throughout the week we will sing, dance, hike, and play. We'll create community, space for grace, and memories that will last a lifetime. Most importantly, we will "Reclaim the Sabbath!" Sign up TODAY!

john@trinityupperville.org or call 540-592-3343

Blessings,
John Knouse, Director of Family Ministries



Outdoor Sanctuary Summer Tree Care

Trinity Episcopal Church

The Diocese of Virginia
The Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston,
Bishop of Virginia
The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. "Ted" Gulick Jr.,
Assistant Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff,
Bishop Suffragan

Clergy & Staff

The Rev. Robert L. Banse, Jr., *Rector*
Christian Myers, *Director of Music Ministry*
Richard McPherson, *Organist*
Beth A. Rogers, *Parish Administrator*
Betsy Crenshaw, *Administrative Assistant*
John Knouse, *Director of Family Ministries*
Angela Lake; Laure Carter, *Housekeeping*
Tommy Breedon, *Sexton*

Officers & Vestry

Becky Hoecker, *Senior Warden*
Gina Hammond, *Junior Warden*
Charles Ince, *Treasurer*
Mark Thompson, *Registrar*
Class of 2015
C. Greg Ellison, David Hartley
Becky Hoecker, Gina Hammond
Class of 2016
Bob Appenzeller, Joe Fluet
Marguerite Sweeny, Pamela Wynfield
Class of 2017
Barbara Conner, Susan Grayson
Jim Gemmer, Dan Murphy

As the days grow longer, the heat and dryness place a strain on our beautiful, young trees in the Outdoor Sanctuary. Each summer, a rota of volunteers assumes responsibility for filling the water bags for a given week or weeks.

Whether you have been part of this volunteer effort in the past, or whether you would be new to this endeavor, please contact Stephanie Knapp at 592-3333 or email Cabage@aol.com if you would like to offer your help.

It is truly a relaxing and contemplative opportunity to spend time in the beauty of God's Creation during the summer months. Also, please look for a sign-up sheet on the Outdoor Sanctuary Bulletin Board in Cox Hall.

Thank You!



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