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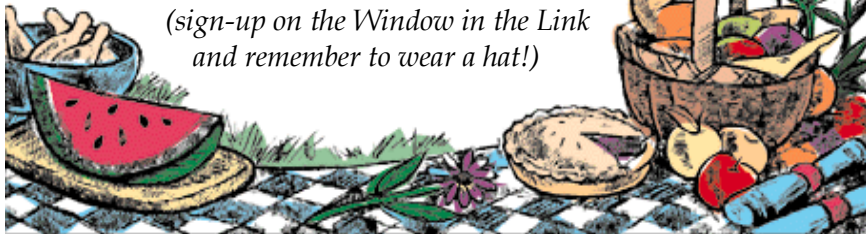
## **September Highlights**

- Parish Life Fair on Sunday, September 11
- Parents can access online registration for Church School and J2A programs starting August 28 through September 11
- Church School Open House on September 11
- First day of Church School begins Sunday, September 18

## **Welcome Back Parish-Wide Picnic Sunday, September 18**

Join us on the Chapel lawn following the 10 am service.  
Trinity provides the main dish and beverages.  
You provide a side dish, salad, or dessert .

*(sign-up on the Window in the Link  
and remember to wear a hat!)*



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Sundays 10:00 am in the Church

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Monday through Friday

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# STEWARDSHIP 2012

We are fortunate to have an experienced and skilled Stewardship Committee that has led our parish in our annual giving. Last year, under the leadership of John Lewis, we raised enough money to reinstate the position of Director of Spiritual Formation for Children and Youth, which is now filled by Carol Brady. Last year's operating fund pledge drive was very successful. We continue to be thankful for your generous response to the need!

Because of increased work requirements, John Lewis will not be able to continue to chair the Stewardship Committee. We thank him for all he has done and for his leadership.

We are very pleased to announce that Buck Grace has agreed to chair the 2012 Stewardship Committee. Buck knows the parish well. He is also a member of the Building For Ministry Steering Committee. With Buck having a foot in both worlds – Building For Ministry Capital Campaign and the annual Stewardship Campaign – he will be able to help all of us move forward with these two vital efforts this fall. Each of these respective campaigns pose challenges, but their goals are attainable if we remain focused and committed.

First, we all need to step up and support the annual operating fund of our parish by making a financial commitment to our parish's ministries in the year ahead. This is, as always, our first financial priority. We need to support the ongoing ministries of our congregation.

Second, we need to bring our Capital Campaign to a successful close. This is a different kind of commitment. It is a significant gift pledged to be fulfilled over a period of four years for the construction of a parish house to meet the current demands of our congregation. We need your support of this effort for the future of Trinity Church.

You will be hearing more about all of this early this fall. We look forward to your continued support of the life of this parish and its many ministries. We also look forward to your support of the future of this ministry through your pledge to the Capital Campaign.

*Faithfully, Tony*

# FROM THE RECTOR *by Tony Buquor*

*Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,*

By now you have received a letter from me explaining the details of my sabbatical. The only aspect of this that I have hesitated about is the fact that I will be away while we are in the midst of our Capital Campaign.

It is important for me to remember (and for you to remember as well) that this is not my project. Rectors come and go, but projects like this truly belong to the members of the parish who will live and flourish with the benefits in the years ahead.

We are at a critical time in the life of our parish. We have grown in ways we didn't think possible with amazing expansion in the number of young families coming to Trinity. But with that growth comes the need to better provide for the needs of those families and their children. A new Parish House and the accompanying improved Church School classroom space is part of that.

But it goes beyond that. Anyone who has been at a recent large funeral knows that we do not have adequate fellowship space for a reception following such an event. I have seen many people leave out of frustration waiting to get into the Parish Hall. That's not good hospitality. Even on Sunday mornings the current Parish Hall has become inadequate. It's noisy and it's shoulder-to-shoulder with people. It's just too small.

Although we have been blessed with a thriving community, we face challenges because our facilities are inadequate to support our many ministries in worship, outreach, education, pastoral care, and fellowship – ministries that call us to follow Christ and live our faith.

Now is the time to do something about these pressing needs. Can you begin to imagine what Trinity will be like in ten years? What types of ministries might we see flourishing because of this new space?

If you have not already pledged to our Capital Campaign, I hope you will this fall. We need your support to address pressing current needs.

I hope you will join with your fellow parishioners in committing to the bright future of this parish. Each one giving as he or she is able will make it possible!

We are richly blessed with a great faith community that makes a difference in the life of its members and in the world around it. Please help make it even more effective.

*Faithfully, Tony*

## FROM THE ASSOCIATE *by Nick M-K*

### ***Sabbatical***

On the model of answering, “what I did on my summer vacation,” I begin with a simple list of things I did during my sabbatical, in no particular order: a conference on youth at Yale Divinity School; piano lessons; a couple of excellent books—on Jesus, and raising boys; movies (some bad ones) and museums (the MFA and the Concord Museum) in the middle of the day, visiting old friends; staining our deck; helping Jamie redo our bedrooms; 2 weeks in Maine, a week at the Camp; Clergy Conference. This is somewhat more diffuse and unplanned than the vision I shared with you in the April Window! What it all means I am still in the process of unpacking; you may hear more than you want to in bits and pieces by means of my sermons, fora, and conversations! But at least one thing I am sure of immediately: it is a great blessing to be able to return to such a wonderful place after three months away. Thank you for the gift of the time away, and for the gift of being the place of my return. I am ready to join again with you in the rich ministry we share.

### ***Journey to Adulthood***

We are thankful to announce that Colby Anderson has stepped forward to be the interim J2A Coordinator for this program year. Colby will be the point person for the program as a whole, coordinating schedules and activities among the three J2A groups (Rite 13, Pilgrims, and YAC), setting up parent and mentor meetings, publicizing J2A events, and being available to answer questions. The Rev. Nick Morris-Kliment continues to provide support for the program as well. Contact Colby at: Colby elizabeth at gmail dot com.



## ***Next Confirmation is April 28, 2012***

Confirmation is the optional, but serious, commitment to living a Christian life defined by the promises found in the Baptismal Covenant (pages 416-417 in the Book of Common Prayer). Young people (and adults) 9th grade and up are invited to prepare for the Confirmation service at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Boston. Bishop Shaw will preside. If your family is interested, please contact The Rev. Nick Morris-Kliment with questions at 978-369-3715 x 14, or email: nmorriskliment at trinityconcord dot org.

## ***Barbara C. Harris Camp***

For the first time, Trinity sent three young people this summer to the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center in New Hampshire. Logan Prewitt, Griffin Quayle, and Jorie Van Nest joined Nick (who was one of the chaplains) during the first week of August for a week of open-hearted fun in Christian community. Young people who have finished 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to register. There are excellent programs for kids as old as 11<sup>th</sup> grade. Speak to one of the families about their kids' experience! For more information contact Nick. Online registration opens in January at [www.bchcenter.org](http://www.bchcenter.org).



**Two Caring Counselors**



**Wacky Wednesday**

**WORD  
WORSHIP  
WONDER  
WORLD  
WITNESS**

## ADULT FORUMS

Our Forums continue this year with speakers connecting with one of five themes—**word, worship, wonder, world, witness**—each being an important aspect of our Christian life. Forums meet on Sundays at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. Professional childcare is available in the nursery.



### ***September 18 (World) — El Hogar***

The Reverend Matthew Engleby, Executive Director of El Hogar Projects in Honduras, will update us on their wonderful work. The mission of El Hogar Projects is to provide a loving home and education in a Christian environment for abandoned, orphaned and hopelessly poor children, enabling them to fulfill their ultimate potential as productive human beings in Honduras. Did you know that Trinity supports two adoptees at El Hogar and a Trinity family personally supports a third? Please join us at this forum and find out why they say that, “El Hogar is not only a home. It is also a success story.”

### ***September 25 (Wonder) — Sabbatical Thoughts***

The Reverend Nick Morris-Kliment will share some of the fruits of his three-month sabbatical and engage those present in conversation about what *Sabbatical* might look like for each of us.

# BUILDING FOR MINISTRY



Along with 200 Trinity guests, Building for Ministry (BFM) launched our campaign in June with A Celebration of Ministry. The capital campaign's Summer quiet phase is winding down, and we hope to complete the Autumn final phase between Labor Day and Thanksgiving.



Trinity is pulling together, figuratively, financially, and architecturally. While BFM is charged with completing the capital campaign by Thanksgiving, we are well over half way "to the peak of the roof" with pledges submitted by just over 100 members of our community for approximately \$3.14 million.

With a FOUR YEAR contribution calendar, those who wish to participate may pledge now with several years to fulfill their commitments. We hope that the 48-month fulfillment schedule will encourage full participation of the Trinity community at whatever level works best.

# THE UNDERCROFT *by Carol Brady*

Life is a journey, not a destination. We have all heard that before, and cognitively agree with it. But, now, read the next four words, "September is upon us!" What gut emotions do you feel? Excitement? Anticipation? Fear? Dread? Most likely you and your children feel a mix of emotions as we approach this annual transition to school life and demanding schedules: to the shower, to the kitchen for a quick morning bite, to the bus stop, to the locker and to the classroom 5 or 6 times, to the lunchroom, to the bus again, to daycare, to extracurricular activities and stop somewhere for a quick bite, to home, to bed. Not to forget your own destinations: to the gas or train station, to the office, to this meeting, to that deadline, to several shops, to pick up the kids, to drop off the kids, to...and notice that daily dinner at home or weekly worship at church with the whole family sometimes does not make the list of destinations. Let's face it, it often feels like a treadmill, rather than a joyful journey. It often feels like we are dug deep into a cycle of demanding destinations.

Where is the way of the kingdom of God in all of this? How do we find God in the midst of these destinations? Perhaps, God is not a destination to find, but rather *God's grace is present in all moments, and therefore all destinations.* Grace is a gift freely given. Our response to a free gift is a "thank you." As you reach each little destination, play a game with your child called "I Spy through God's Eyes." Each time you reach one of these little destinations, quickly notice your surroundings and look for a present from God. And say thank you to God for whatever! Grace is everywhere and in everything. Each day try to find different presents. And then at the end of each day (yet another destination), ask your child to recall those grace-filled encounters from the day, and together, give thanks one more time to God.

To this goal, the **Church School Open House** on Sunday, September 11 at 11:15 am, invites all children to find their classrooms, meet their teachers, and decorate and construct a *grace cube* where on each side is a different simple prayer. Before any snack or meal, remind your child to roll the grace cube to determine which grace will be said. So remember, as you and your child buckle your seatbelts for yet another destination, may the harness remind you to stay secure in the knowledge that God's love and grace is all around you. May your journey be filled with moments of grace. Thanks be to God!

### ***Church School Begins on September 18!***

Classes begin on Sunday, September 18 at 10 am and last for about 45 minutes at which point the children will return to the sanctuary to share in the Eucharist. Feel free to pick up your child from the Nursery to receive a blessing. Remember to register your children for church school, preferably by September 11. You will be presented with many opportunities (teaching is just one of them) to offer your gifts to strengthen our cooperative Church School program. Our program will only be as strong as the level of adult participation, therefore we urge all families to prayerfully consider volunteering in some capacity. While you are at the website, take a moment to review this year's school calendar and the curriculum by grade level.

### ***Godly Play Training***

Just down Route 2 is an amazing opportunity to learn the fundamentals of Godly Play from the Rev. Cheryl Minor, an experienced, professional Godly Play trainer on **Saturday, September 17 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm** at All Saints Church in Belmont. Any parishioner who will be a doorkeeper or storyteller is urged to take advantage of this local opportunity. The \$50 fee is reimbursable upon completion of the class.

# BEIJING & MARANYUNDO

The Beijing Circle began their study in January 2011 with a study guide for International Outreach supporting women and children worldwide, developed by a group of Episcopal clergy. Through the use of this guide, a group of women at Trinity decided education for women and girls and possibly a microloan program were the areas where they wanted to concentrate their efforts. Now the question of where and how to contact those in need was the next hurdle to overcome. Enter Burch Ford.

We were introduced to Maranyundo School by Burch Ford, a Trinity parishioner, who presented her experience with the school at a forum in the spring. She is a former head of Miss Porter's School, CT and she served as U.S. Program coordinator at the Maranyundo School from May through October 2010. Her presentation was compelling. She had direct contact with the initiative who built the school and this initiative is based in Newton, MA. We invited her to our next meeting and after further discussion with Burch we have decided to concentrate our outreach efforts to this all girls school in Rwanda.

The school is only three years old and is already ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and first among girls' schools on Rwanda's National Exam Scores! This was the first time that this school took the national exams and all its 9<sup>th</sup> grade students have been offered access to secondary schools. Maranyundo School serves girls who otherwise would not be able to attend school for financial reasons.

The Maranyundo Initiative has set up a scholarship program in Burch's honor and a matching grant was announced at the end of July that would match any contribution sponsored in the next 30 days. \$500 sends a girl to school for 1 year. Trinity's Beijing Circle made a contribution of \$1,000. With the match, we will provide 4 years of tuition. We want the entire parish to become involved in this outreach and will be introducing the wish list and ways to involve the Sunday school in supporting this school.



*The Maranyundo School is an English speaking, non-denominational boarding school for high achieving girls from low-income families. It is run by the Benebikira Sisters, a Rwandan order of Roman Catholic nuns who are highly respected and have a long history of providing quality education to the economically vulnerable. The Maranyundo School offers its students an intensive program of study based on an educational philosophy that infuses the required Rwandan national curriculum with student-centered teaching strategies using activities and materials that develop critical thinking and leadership skills.*

## A NEW SPECIAL EVENT!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, October 2 from 11:15 am to 12:45 pm. Every parent with school-aged children is familiar with the idea of Back-to-School-Night. New for Trinity, we are **strongly urging all parishioners, especially those who have children in 7<sup>th</sup> grade or younger**, to attend in our first “Back-to-Church-School” event. Breakfast and beverages will be served. During the event, children will be supervised in the Undercroft as they watch a movie. We hope to have nursery care available as well.

How is this different from the Open House? The Open House focuses on orienting the child. The Back-to-Church-School event is an orientation for adults, a celebration of our multi-faceted ministry for children, and an opportunity to commit time and talent to further our Christian Formation goals and dreams. The idea is simple. Parents and other parishioners will rotate through the classrooms, spending about 10 minutes in each room, where a different aspect of our Christian Formation Program will be presented. Some possible room topics could be: Godly Play presentation; Role of the Doorkeeper; Children’s Choir; Use of Faith Traits in the Witness Curriculum; Use of Learning Centers in Grade 3 Curriculum: Ways to Support our Children; Keeping the Dream Alive (*building campaign update*); Our Acolyte Program; and the Gap-Year (*preparing for J2A*).

**This is a parish-wide event! Sign up online, or at the Window of Opportunity. See Carol Brady for more information, or if you can help with the food or be a hall guide that day.**

# LOOKING AHEAD

## ***Janine Penfield and Cathy Mann ask...***

“What do you get when someone makes an offhand suggestion that the Right (liturgically South) Transept should have a party and Building Ministries gatherings in June provide further inspiration? A Right Transept BBQ, of course. The BBQ was held at the Penfield’s home and hosted by Cathy Mann and Janine Penfield on August 6. E-vites were sent out; BBQ basics and games were provided by the hosts with sides, drinks and desserts brought by families. Everyone agreed it was a great way to get to know our “transept” neighbors beyond the kiss of peace on Sunday. Right transepters who missed the fun can look forward to a holiday gathering, plans are casually underway . . .

## ***Trinity Bike Club***

We're looking forward to two more Trinity Bike Club rides this fall. On Sunday, September 11 at 2 PM, we'll meet at the ICA parking lot to ride the Boston Harborwalk. (*Note that the date is changed because of the Parish Picnic on 09/18/2011.*) This will be a leisurely ride along the Boston Harbor passing by Carson Beach and down to UMass Boston. Then for our last ride of the year, we'll meet on October 16 at 2 PM for a ride on the Shining Sea Bikeway from Falmouth to Woods Hole through beautiful marshes and along the ocean. All are welcome. You can go at your own pace and for as many miles as you want. Contact Patricia at [patricia.kent@comcast.net](mailto:patricia.kent@comcast.net) or John at [john.ahern@comcast.net](mailto:john.ahern@comcast.net) if you are interested.

# MUSIC NOTES *by Robert Barney*

## **Calling All Singers** *(and parents of young people)*

Weekly choir rehearsals for all choirs begin on Thursday, September 8, so now is the best time for new singers to think about joining. There are openings in all choirs, so call me in the music office, see me after church, or just come to the rehearsal!

- **JUNIOR CHOIR (Grades 2-3), Thursday, 4-5pm**  
**Sings once a month and learns basic skills**

The Junior Choir sings in the 10am Eucharist service on the 1st Sunday of the month. Rehearsals are structured to acquire and develop basic skills in music and singing, as well as to introduce the Hymnals, Book of Common Prayer, and learn about the Liturgy. No previous training/experience required!

- **YOUTH CHOIR (Grades 4-10), Thursday, 5:15-6:15pm**  
**Sings every Sunday and other services**

The Youth Choir participates every Sunday in the 10am Eucharist service singing an anthem on the 1st Sunday of the month and for special services at Christmas, Easter, and other occasions. The Youth Choir also sings the Service of Choral Evensong twice each year. Rehearsals are designed around the Royal School of Church Music program teaching musical skills and singing technique in the context of our Liturgical tradition.

- **PARISH CHOIR (H.S. and adult), Thursday, 7:45-9:45pm**  
**Sings every Sunday and other services**

The Parish Choir sings each Sunday in the 10am Eucharist service throughout the year. The Parish Choir also sings Choral Evensong three to four times each year and many special services at Christmas and Easter. The repertoire we sing is drawn from the wealth of traditional Choral styles ranging from pre-Reformation Europe to contemporary America. We have openings in all sections: Soprano, Alto Tenor and Bass!

## ***New Portative Organ for Trinity Church Special Dedication on Sunday, October 16***

An anonymous donor has bought for us a magnificent new musical instrument for use in our worship and concerts. It is a small organ that can be moved about the building and used to accompany choirs, instruments and singers and its four stops fit inside the space of a desk. We will have a special dedication at the 10am service on Sunday, October 16.



## ***Pie Party & Hymn Sing October 23 at 5 pm***

While people have asked for me to do this every month, I have agreed to once a year! Come join us for the annual *Pie Party and Hymn Sing*. Bring some sort of Pie to share and

select your favorite hymns to be sung by the group. Choose Hymns from either *The Hymnal 1982* or *Wonder, Love and Praise*, or even bring music to me in advance to have us sing. We usually sing a huge variety of hymns!

## ***Please Help Spread the Word!***

Here in the Window each month I list special music events that I hope are of interest to the community. Please scan these listings to see what might interest you in our offerings, or even what might interest others you know. The best publicity for events is "word of mouth" so I am asking you to be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to our music events.

## ***Ask the Music Director***

If you have any questions about the choir or music program in general, please do not hesitate to ask me. I can be reached at the church (978-369-3715, ext. 20) or at [barney@trinityconcord.org](mailto:barney@trinityconcord.org).



## ***Good Grief Support Group Begins October 23***

Losing a loved one to death is one of the most painful experiences we can have. It helps...and is necessary...to share that pain with people who understand what you're going through. A support group is an effective way to help the bereaved heal because it offers a safe place for people to do the work of mourning. We will be offering a new bereavement support group on Sunday afternoons from 2:30 to 5pm beginning October 23. This will be an environment where individuals can share their feelings and experiences in a caring and confidential setting, while receiving information about the grief process. The group will meet for five sessions, and will be led by Buck Grace and Anne Lynch. If you are interested in joining us, or have any questions about it, please contact Buck at 978-369-6346 or Anne at 978-369-3715. It will be a "closed" group after it begins, and participants are expected to make every effort to attend all five sessions. If you need transportation, please contact one of the group leaders and The Caring Connection will try to find you a ride.

## ***Caring Connection Tidbits***

- Do you have trouble hearing the sermon or prayers during worship? A hearing support device is available in the narthex. Please ask one of the ushers to get you set up with it.
- If you ever forget your reading glasses on a Sunday morning there are extra ones which a parishioner has donated. They will be in a basket at the entrances for you to borrow.

## **Caregivers support**

Are you caring for an older loved one? Helping to meet their needs can take a toll on you. Let Anne know if you'd like to join with others for support and guidance in a support group we're planning for this fall. Meanwhile, here are some tips that are part of a larger guide for caregivers from the National Family Caregivers Association:

- Take charge of your life and don't let your loved one's illness always take center stage.
- Remember to be good to yourself. Love, honor and value yourself. You're doing a very hard job and you deserve some quality time, just for you.
- Watch for signs of depression and don't delay in getting professional help when you need it.
- When people offer to help, accept the offer and suggest specific things that they can do.
- Educate yourself about your loved one's condition. Information is empowering.
- There's a difference between caring and doing. Be open to technologies and ideas that can promote your loved one's independence.
- Grieve for your losses, and then allow yourself to dream new dreams.
- Seek support from other caregivers. There is great strength in knowing you are not alone.

Remember - it's always okay to seek and ask for help. Getting help can enable you to become a better caregiver.

# SEPTEMBER SURPRISES!

## ***Parish Life Fair***

Trinity's Parish Life Fair will be held on **Sunday, September 11** following the 10 am service. This is an opportunity to let the parish know about your group. Please contact Barbara Carvey if your group would like table space.

## ***Al Filipov Peace and Justice Forum***

As part of the Peace and Justice Forum, Trinitarian Congregational Church is hosting an Interfaith Community Prayer Breakfast on **Thursday, September 15, 7:30 - 9am**. The speaker is The Rev. Dr. James Forbes. The Rev. Dr. Forbes is the Senior Emeritus Minister of the renowned Riverside Church in New York City, and the Founder and President of the Healing of the Nations Foundation, a national ministry devoted to promoting holistic understanding of health and wellness. Trinity has pre-purchased a limited number of tickets at \$10. Call Anne Lynch in the church office at 978-369-3715 to reserve.

## ***Welcome Back Parish-Wide Picnic***

Join us on the Chapel lawn on **Sunday, September 18** following the 10am service. Trinity provides the main dish and beverages. You provide a side dish, salad, or dessert. Sign up on the Window of Opportunity so we can plan how much food to buy!

## ***The Education for Ministry (EfM)***

The EfM course will begin on **Wednesday, September 21** at 6:15 pm. EfM is a four year course for adults focusing on the Old Testament, New Testament, Church History, Contemporary Theology, and reflects on them through our own experience and culture. If you are interested in joining the group, contact Karyn Barry at 781-894-3664 or [karynbarry@yahoo.com](mailto:karynbarry@yahoo.com).

## ***International Peace Day Service***

A peace service will be celebrated on **Sunday, September 25** at 7pm in the Chapel. This service will be in celebration of the 29<sup>th</sup> year of International Peace Day, which was declared by the UN in 1982. On the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary it was designated a specific day, Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. The service will be ecumenical in nature. For more information, call Barbara or Arthur Walker at 978-369-3051, or visit: [www.peacemusic.vpweb.com](http://www.peacemusic.vpweb.com), or email us at [musichist8@peacemusic.vpweb.com](mailto:musichist8@peacemusic.vpweb.com).

## ***Calling All Crafters***

A handcrafted gifts sale will be held on Dec. 4 in the Undercroft after the 8 and 10 A.M. services. This is a first-time event and we hope you will consider supporting this project by either donating or purchasing something hand-made. Crafters are invited to donate any handcrafted items of their choice or specialty. A few suggestions are: all forms of needlework, items made by sewing machine, paper items, wood items, pottery, glass, jewelry, food items with long shelf-life (i.e., jams, jellies, herbs, pre-assembled foods-in-a-jar), etc. Items not sold will be returned to donors. It would be helpful in planning if you would let Margo Rafuse or Barbara Carvey know in advance what you plan to contribute as some items will be semi-packaged for gift-giving. Please call Margo at 978-369-5303, e-mail [jemseg@aol.com](mailto:jemseg@aol.com) or Barbara at 781-275-0866, e-mail [bacarvey@gmail.com](mailto:bacarvey@gmail.com).

## ***Kitchen Matters***

There are a group of us who, on a weekly basis, keep an eye on the kitchen to make sure it stays uncluttered and hygienic. If you are hosting an event using the kitchen, please: LABEL any food you need to store in the refrigerator. Take ALL leftovers home. Ask donors of food to please LABEL their plates/containers with their name; masking tape works well. This way things easily get returned to their owners. Take home any towels you used, and return after laundering. The kitchen is looking good these days; thank you for your part in keeping it this way. ~ *Brenda Hawes*

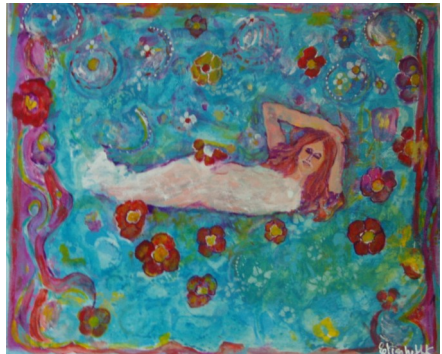
# TRINITY ARTS COUNCIL

## ***From the September Exhibitor: Elisabeth Kaplan's "Changing Seasons"***

I was born in Rio de Janeiro, but I have been a naturalized American since 1986, having lived in four different countries in three different continents. As a child I was fascinated by the books my father brought home about the lives and works of famous painters; but it was during my school years that art became a part of my life. Decorative art, in particular.

After marrying, I began painting with a passion. I carried in my imagination the tropical colors of my native country, while my husband carried on with his duties as a U.S. Cultural Attache in U.S. embassies abroad. We visited many museums and attended art exhibits almost every day. I was haunted by images. Mine was a tumultuous and solitary internal world. I never left the easel. No sooner something in the external world crossed paths with my state of mind than I would rush to the canvas. I have painted all my moods. I painted the creative power - the numens - that animated my life, the same way Carnival in my childhood made mine a colorful world.

Great painters were always an inspiration, but it was really my long exposure to, and many experiences of, different peoples that contributed to the creation of the inner world that my painting reflects. I used to work primarily with strong acrylic colors. Thanks to formal classes and tireless experimentation, I now employ a number of media. I rearrange various elements of previous paintings into new, meaningful composites, surprising the viewer and refreshing his or her perspective.



*Thinking of Rousseau (to right)*

# WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY

## **Trinity Luncheon Thursday, September 8**

Holy Eucharist at 11:30 am  
Luncheon at noon

**NEW PRICE  
\$7.00 donation**

Menu:  
Chicken Salad & rolls  
Surprise for dessert!



## **Choirs Resume Thursday, September 8**

4:00 pm Junior Choir  
5:15 pm Youth Choir  
7:45 pm Adult Choir



## **Parish Life Fair Sunday**

**September 11, 2011  
after the 10 am service**

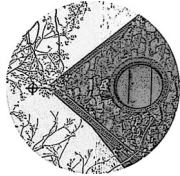
Monday Book Group will  
discuss Anne Lamott's  
*"Traveling Mercies"*  
in the Undercroft  
on September 12  
from 7 to 8:30 pm.  
All are welcome!

**Mid-Week Study Group**  
resumes on Wednesday,  
September 14 at Noon  
in the Church Library.

**Adult Forums**  
resume on Sunday,  
September 18 at 9 am.

## **Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 2 @ 4pm**





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