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Sundays 10:00 am in the Church

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Monday through Friday

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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**The Church Office will be closed
on Monday, October 11 for
Columbus Day and
Friday, November 12
for Veteran's Day.**

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We are off to a wonderful start for the new Church Program Year. With the great support of the Adults Supporting Children (ASC) Committee with Carolyn Coffin as their Chair, we have a Church School that is bursting at the seams. With the dedicated support of faithful adult mentors and committed youth, we also have a great Journey to Adulthood Program (J2A) program. I cannot express how joyful I am about the growth of our ministry with children and youth and for the formation they are participating in as they grow in the Christian faith.

I have known some who have objected to that part in the Baptismal service where the congregation is asked to do all in their power to support the newly baptized persons in their life in Christ. Some feel that we will never see them again, or there is little we can do. But that is not the case! We can provide for those who are part of our own congregation for nurture and development in the faith through our Church School and J2A programs.

And how might we do that, you ask? By pledging to Trinity and increasing your pledge to the life of our parish. This is critical! We truly need your support in order to reinstate the Church School Director's position next year. This is a critical need!

We have a wonderful year ahead of us as we grow deeper into Christ and what it is to be the Body of Christ in the world. What a privilege it is to serve with you in this wonderful community of faith.

Yours in Christ,

Tony

EPISCOPAL FAITH



Putting Down Roots

Once again we are offering the opportunity for people to learn more about who we are as Episcopalians and especially who we are as Christians at Trinity.

This is for you if...

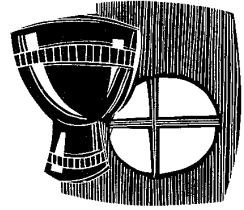
- you are a new member and wonder what we believe or are curious about our history.
- you are someone who is interested in becoming an Episcopalian and recommitting to the vows that were taken on your behalf at Baptism.
- you wish to be confirmed or received (if previously confirmed) by the Bishop on his or her next visit to our Deanery in the spring.
- you are a long-time Episcopalian, even a “cradle Episcopalian,” and would just like to deepen your understanding of the Episcopal expression of the Christian faith.

We will be meeting at noon on the following Sundays:

- **Sunday, October 17**
- **Sunday, October 24**
- **Sunday, October 31**
- Newcomers Brunch on Sunday, November 7
- **Sunday, November 14**

A light lunch will be served and we will provide childcare upon request. If you wish to attend, please call the office (978-369-3715) to leave your name and email address so we may be in touch with you. I look forward to being with you as we explore our faith together.

Communion Class



We are offering an opportunity for children and parents to participate in Communion Class for those who are ready to receive. Communion is open to all, and especially to our children. A professor of mine used to say that he hoped every child in the Church would always know they are welcome at the table of the Lord. We also know that parents would like their children to have some preparation for reception of communion. I will be offering two sessions for children and their parents to prepare for communion on **Sunday, October 17 and 24 at 9:00 am.** Please be in touch with me personally at 978-369-3715, Ext. 12 to confirm your attendance. If you are not able to make these dates, please call me to make other arrangements. I look forward to exploring the mysteries of the Holy Eucharist with you and your children.

Education For Ministry Starting Soon!

EfM is a course for adults interested in their own Christian Formation and in discerning their ministry. It is a structured course, meeting once a week under the leadership of a trained mentor. EfM is a 4 year course, but you only have to commit to one year at a time. The first two years are devoted to the Scriptures, reading the Old and New Testaments from cover to cover! The last two years are a study of church history and contemporary theology. The members of the group also spend time in theological reflection of current issues and in worship. The sense of community that develops throughout the course has helped many of the participants through life crises and losses as well as celebrations. If interested, contact Karyn Barry at 781-894-3664 or by email at karynbarry@yahoo.com.

FROM THE ASSOCIATE

Church School News

Registration for the nursery, church school, and youth programs proceeded smoothly. Classrooms were buzzing! For the first time, registration was conducted on-line only! Families registered from their home computers, as well as from handy laptops provided by ASC during the church school open house on September 12 and the coffee hour after the 10am service. Thanks go to the dedicated members of ASC (Adults Supporting Children) for organizing the open house. Registration continues at www.trinityconcord.org. Join us! For more information, contact The Rev. Nick Morris-Kliment, Associate Rector and Interim Church School Director.



THE BLESSING of the ANIMALS

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi
Sunday, October 3rd
4:00 p.m.

Trinity Church Porch
~ Rain or Shine ~

Bring your pets--the more exotic the better (cats in carriers, please!) Tasty treats for creatures as well as their humans. Tell a friend! Bring a neighbor! For more information or to help organize, contact The Rev. Nick Morris - Kliment. Free-will offering will go to the Buddy Dog Humane Society in Sudbury, MA.

MUSIC NOTES



Interpretation of a Pie:

"savory"

pizza pie
shepherds pie
chicken pot pie
quiche pie

or "sweet"

apple,
pumpkin
or cherry pie
Boston cream
pie...

**Be creative
with your
pie-creation!**

Pie Party and Hymn Sing October 17 at 5 pm

People have asked for this event every month, but I have agreed to do it once a year! Join us for the annual Pie Party and Hymn Sing on Sunday, October 17 at 5 pm. Bring some sort of pie to share and select your favorite hymns to be sung by the group. Choose Hymns from *The Hymnal 1982, Wonder, Love and Praise*, or bring music to me in advance to have us sing!

Prelude Recital & Choral Evensong November 7 at 5 pm

For many years now, Trinity has celebrated All Saints Sunday with a traditional service of Choral Evensong, preceded by a special Prelude Recital. This year, our Parish Choir will sing the Anglican Service of Choral Evensong with musical settings by composers Henry Purcell, Richard Ayleward, and others from the 16th and 17th centuries. Before the service, the choir, accompanied by Gambas and Recorders, will sing Johann Sebastian Bach's Cantata 106 *God's time is the best time*. Mark your calendars and invite your neighbors!

Please Help Spread The Word!

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 interests you, and also what might be of interest to others you know. Since the best publicity is "word of mouth" please be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to our music events!



CARING CONNECTION

If you love someone, let them know.

Workshop on Visiting the Sick

Starting Wednesday, October 13 and running for 6 weeks, a workshop on *Pastoral Care to the Sick and the Homebound* will be offered at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Littleton from 7 to 9 pm. It will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss and dying, and care-giving issues. Please let me know if you're interested in attending, as pre-registration is required. **Deadline for registering is October 4.**

Good Grief

As part of our reaching out to those in need, we will be sponsoring a bereavement support group this fall if there is enough interest, **beginning October 14.** We will meet weekly for an hour and a half for six weeks and will be a "closed" group; newcomers will not be admitted after the first session. If you are interested in joining the group or know someone who might be, or would like more information, please get in touch with me.

Driving and Cooking

I would like to update the lists I have of people who are willing to drive parishioners occasionally or to make a meal for someone in need. If you could give a ride either during a weekday or on Sunday, or cook on occasion, please let me know by calling 978-369-3715, or email caring **at** trinityconcord **dot** org.

Thank you! Anne Lynch



Trinity Church is a light to the world. Our annual pledge drive enables us to keep that light shining.

Key dates for this year's drive:

October 3

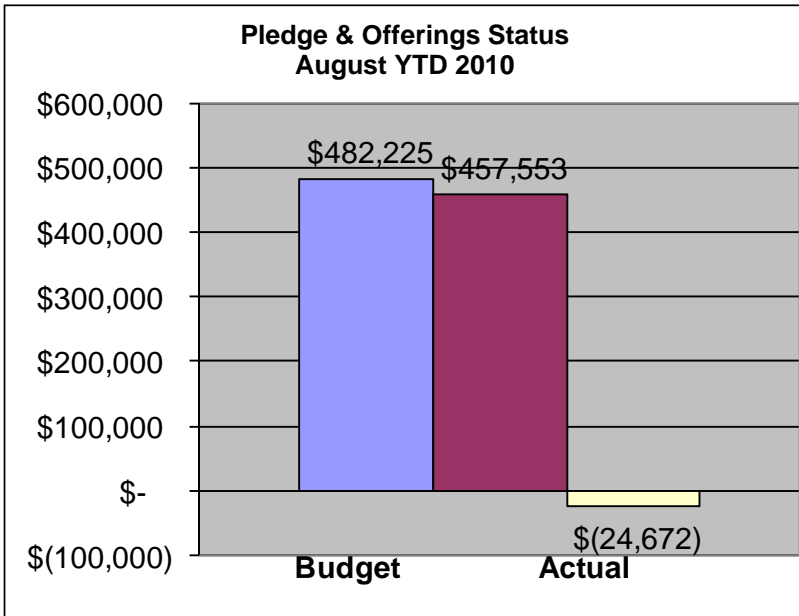
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Please pledge generously on October 17 because:

- It allows us to plan (for things like hiring a Church School Director)
- It helps Keep Our Light Shining (by helping each of us to be a light in the world)
- It makes you feel good (from the joy of being more closely connected to God and God's community)



OCTOBER ADULT FORUMS

**WORD
WORSHIP
WONDER
WORLD
WITNESS**

Our Forum program has a new organizing principle. Each speaker will connect with one of **five themes—word, worship, wonder, world, witness**—each being an important aspect of our Christian life. This scheme was proposed by The Rev. Dr. Maureen Kemeza, one of Trinity’s Priest Associates, working with Nick in shaping our Adult Forum program.

A reminder to all who have care of small children—We have a professional childcare provider in the nursery beginning at 9am on Sundays. Emily Hansen is employed full-time at the Infant-Toddler Center in Acton. At Trinity, she leads the care of children to age 4 with the help of a rotation of parent volunteers. If interested in joining the choir or attending a Forum (both of which begin at 9am) remember this wonderful resource.

October 3 (Witness): Finding Our Way Home

Parishioners at Trinity come from a variety of places and have taken different kinds of journeys. At this forum, the first in a periodic series, Trinity parishioners will share with their spiritual journeys.

October 10 (Worship): The Shape of the Liturgy

When we gather in church for worship, the spaces we use and the time we spend are structured in quite concrete ways to support the mysterious inner movements of prayer. How does the architecture of Trinity's worship spaces enable our prayer? What is the structure of the hour of worship that, perhaps paradoxically, allows the spirit to soar beyond limits? Come prepared to search out how the arts of liturgy set free the spirit.

October 17 (Word):

The Nineveh Connection (Part I)

The books of Nahum and Jonah in the Hebrew Bible are both concerned with the Assyrian city of Nineveh, capital of the ferocious Assyrian Empire, which destroyed the Northern Kingdom of Israel around 720 BCE. But the similarity ends there. Nahum is not contained in any of the standard lectionaries, and is filled with savage imagery rejoicing in the destruction of Nineveh; Jonah is a staple of church school curricula, and the text commends Nineveh for repenting in the face of judgment. Parishioner **Jim Wood** will guide us through Nahum in this session, then take us through Jonah during Lent.



October 24 (World)

Trinity Pilgrims

This past summer, six youth from Trinity made a pilgrimage to Ireland. Last month, adult mentors on this journey shared their experiences; today the young people will share their experiences.

October 31 (Wonder):

Musing on the Musical Mind

In the past decade there have been great advances in the psychology of music. Courses in this discipline are part of college and graduate school programs in both music and psychology. **Margaret Angelini** will facilitate a discussion that will lead us into this burgeoning field. In preparation for this forum, it will be helpful to read, *This is Your Brain on Music*, by Daniel Levitin. Margaret is adjunct professor of music at Stonehill College, where she teaches piano & music theory, as well as music cognition with psychologist colleague Lincoln Craton.

TRINITY HAPPENINGS

Annual Church Grounds Cleanup Day Saturday, November 6 from 9 AM to noon

We'll provide food, drinks and bags for leaves. Bring rakes and gloves, and prepare to help us save over \$1,000 by pitching in. Rain date is **November 13**, and will be posted on the website, and sent via email.



October Trinity Art Gallery

If you displayed art this summer in the Trinity Art Gallery, please come to the church office to pick up your art. The October art exhibit is by Darrell Eifert.

Gathering Around the Table

Order your copy of Trinity's 125th anniversary cookbook for \$20. Forms are available in the church office, at coffee hour, or by visiting Trinity's website. Cookbooks available for pickup on November 1. Quantities are limited!

Newcomers Brunch November 7 after 10 o'clock service

We welcome all who have not previously attended a newcomers brunch or those who missed past brunches, as well as recent newcomers. This is a family occasion. Meet the Clergy, some Vestry members, and others from the parish. Lunch is held at the Rosborough's home, located across from Trinity at 56 Elm St.

MISSION AT TRINITY

St. Stephen's Programs

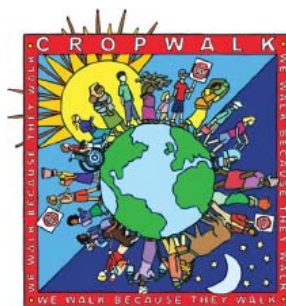
This summer Trinity took part in the B-Safe Summer Enrichment Program at St. Stephen's in Boston. From August 2 to 6, over 30 Trinity volunteers ranging in age from 10 to 80+, purchased, prepared, and served lunch for approximately 160 campers and counselors.



The week ended with a field trip to Crane Beach. For over ten years, Trinity has participated in St. Stephen's programs. B-SAFE is a full-day summer program that serves 450 children. B-READY is an after-school program for elementary children, offering homework help, reading and math tutoring, art, music, sports, cooking classes, field trips, and a healthy meal. During winter, Trinity has sent hats, mittens and scarves along with gift cards to the children. St. Stephen's also offers a strong Middle School Youth Leadership Program, and a program for teens that offers ongoing academic support, enrichment opportunities, social events, and leadership development. If you would like more information about volunteering at St. Stephen's, please contact Linda Hossfeld.

2010 CROP Walk Sunday, October 17

Put on your walking shoes and come out to raise money to help eliminate hunger in our community and in the world! Or consider sponsoring a walker or making a donation to Trinity's CROP Walk team. Contact Jennifer Newbold to find out how to get involved.



BISHOP PADDOCK



The Bishop Paddock Cornerstone Society is pleased to announce that, in early December 2010, it will be holding a luncheon celebration for its members. The luncheon event will be at Dalya's in Bedford and will feature a speaker. All members of the Society are encouraged to attend.

The vestry has authorized funds to underwrite this event in recognition of its support of the Bishop Paddock Cornerstone Society and the importance it places on long-term funding and planning for Trinity's future.

Society members include all who have indicated that they have designated Trinity Episcopal Church as a beneficiary in their Will, Trust, Life Insurance, Annuity or any other Estate Plan. Membership is open to all with no minimum requirements.

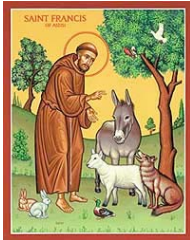
The process is confidential. The amount or terms of your gift need not be disclosed. However, we'd like to recognize and honor your generosity by listing your name as a member of the Society.

If you would like to become a member or have any questions about this Society, please speak with any member of the Planned Giving Committee (Rev. Tony Buquor, Anne Winslow, Greta Morgan, Jay Luby, Jim Stoessel, or Margo Rafuse).

The Society is named for the Right Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, the 5th Bishop of Massachusetts (1873-1891), who, on May 21, 1884, laid the cornerstone for our original church and present-day Chapel.

WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY

Blessing of the Animals



Sunday, October 3, 4:00 pm



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Next Trinity Luncheon October 14

Holy Eucharist at 11:30 am
in the Chapel
Luncheon at Noon

Menu:

Beef Stew, Tossed greens
Rolls, Margot's lemon
squares and Rainbow
Sherbet

Hymn Sing & Pie Party



Sunday,
October 17
5:00 PM

Putting Down Roots



Begins Sunday, October 17

(details on page 4)

Cheerful Charlie:

*"You don't have to be
the smartest person
in the world to succeed:
just persevere."*



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