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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Trinity Times News of Trinity Church

From the Priest-in-Charge

BOB and NEIL

would like to invite you to their wedding

Friday, November 14, 2014, 7:00 PM

at Trinity Episcopal Church

137 Trinity Hill Road, Mt. Pocono, PA 18344

A time of fellowship and light refreshments
will follow in the Parish Hall.

The only presents we wish to receive
is your presence.

However, if you wish to donate,
please make out a check to either
Trinity Episcopal Church, or to
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
and place in an envelope.

A basket will be in the Parish Hall
for the envelopes.

Submit your news to Trinity Times News Editor,
Jill Long jillwilsonlong@gmail.com

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Birthdays & Anniversaries



November Birthdays

1 Rachel Lyn Salmon
2 Craig Anglemire
3 Clara Hendricks
8 Esmie Dennis
21 Corbin Reese Vincent
22 Neil Criste-Troutman
25 Liz Leary



November Anniversaries

8 Liz & Jamie Leary
8 Timothy & Deanne Vincent
23 George & Lillian Waters

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

November Calendar of Events

November 1 - Fall Clean Up, 9:00 a.m.

November 5 - Trinity at Food Pantry, 8:30 a.m. - Noon

November 9 - Stewardship Celebration Sunday, Blessing of Pledge Cards, 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Covered Dish Luncheon following 10:00 service
Vestry Meeting, 11:45 a.m., Library

November 15 - Rain Date for Fall Clean Up, 9:00 a.m.
Popcorn & Movie Night, 6:00 p.m., Library

November 21 - Newsletter Deadline for Information

November 26 - Newsletter Mailing

November 27 - Parish Office Closed Thanksgiving Holiday

November 28 - Parish Office Closed Thanksgiving Holiday

November 30 - First Sunday of Advent

Our Prayers have been requested for:

Mary Baker
Sean Beech
Ed Benintende
Lee Connolly
Fr. Bob and Neil Criste-Troutman
Randy Criste-Troutman
Bishop Jack Croneberger
Leeann Flynn
Victoria Forstein
Bill Gessner
Annaliese Harris
Lesley Harris
Moon Kim
Rob McMahon
Alexis McNeese
Jenn Morse
Jim Rawson

Alice Ritter
Kathryn Ritter-Vicich
Lois Rothrock
Christopher Rose
Dudley Rowell
Katrina Troutman
Jon & Austin

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Tales from a Welsh Corgi by Patricia Goodwin

I should have seen it coming. you know how it is, you can feel something is going on but you can't put your finger, or in my case, paw, on it. My folks were giving me sad looks and extra hugs. I heard them mentioning over and over about my cage, my rugs and such...then it happened, one morning all was loaded up into their van and away we went. The bottom line being, mom and dad were going on vacation and I was to be left at a kennel. Sob!

I did make new friends, sort of, while there for 12 days...however, the days all ran together and I wondered when I was going home, or if I even was going home again. I really just didn't know what to think and I felt a little sad. One day was much like the day before. We dogs have no idea about time and I, for one, have no clue as to what day of the week it is. I got my 3 good walks every day, ate my usual food and just hung around, but folks, it wasn't home. No matter what home is like, home is always best. I just like it when I'm at home, knowing my folks are there with me. That is because we are a family and a family should feel like that, don't you think? But I kept wondering what was going on! After all, they had brought me, my cage, my covers, my food dish and my water bowl...everything...all of my belongingsI wondered, were they giving me away to a new home? Bless mom's little heart, she meant well, thinking I would be more comfortable with all of my own things around me!

Finally one morning after what seemed like forever to me, my ears perked up, I could make out the familiar sound of my folks van outside! As I was brought down the hall I could hear their familiar voices! They were here to pick me up! My time was up, I was going home! I hadn't been left behind! Oh joy! We were so happy to see each other after all this time. I was going home!

As I close let me say what smart cookies my folks are, they wouldn't firm up their plans to go away until they found a good place for me...the Golden Rule applies to pets as well as humans, considering mom worried that pets can sometimes be upset at being left for long periods. So the best our owners can do is find a really good, friendly, safe place for us to stay while they are away. A friend from right there at Trinity gave mom the name of a good place for me and we all could finally be happy about the trip, well sort of. I'm the happiest when at home, Period. Aren't we all, truth be told?

Remember to make your home such a good place that you never want to leave and if you do, you can't wait to get back. As they say, home is where the heart is.

Your friend, Huw Morgan.



Cats in the Belfry



Well, now, hold on a minute! Our column may be at risk, because last month we heard that a dog contributes to this newsletter! Now, a dog? We don't want to appear species-insensitive, but, -- a DOG? Really? A dog? A DOG! We are used to having the last meow and the upper paw in media matters. (YouTube cats get more hits than YouTube dogs). But now we have to compete with A DOG!

They are so monosyllabic! Stuff like, "sit", "stay", "come", "down"...even their language is mainly one big "Woof". We'll take it up with "Who" or "Whew" or -- let's get it right -- "Huw". Suspiciously, Huw also has an alias: "Morgan". Would that be after "JP" or Henry? We guess the latter -- Henry the famous dog pirate -- who was born in Wales (coincidence?) plundered doghouses (hence, "crossbones"), and buried his loot in Panama.



(Pause)

Time has passed. Our collective caterwauling is contained. Our carping and crabbing is curtailed. Let's go back to Huw. We'll try to coexist literally with him (pun intended). Someday, he may be the only Pembroke to win a Pulitzer.

After all, Huw welcomed us to these pages and sounded sincere and kind for a canine. The wholly cats will be tolerant and learn to overlook his shortcomings, (such as his legs and missing elbows, for openers). See *Luke 6:37*.

"Trinity Makes The "Big Screen"

As of late September Trinity began having a photo and informational ad appear prior to the showing of movies at the Casino Theatre in Mount Pocono. The ad is one of several roughly ten (10)-second spots that run continuously before the films come on. The ad will appear for one year and was developed as part of Trinity's efforts to increase its visibility in our community. A copy of the ad is on the bulletin board outside the church office. Also, one-half of the cost of the ad's preparation and showing is being defrayed by a Marketing Initiative Grant that Trinity received from the Diocese of Bethlehem.



Trinity Episcopal Church Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, December 6, 2014

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Trinity Episcopal Church
137 Trinity Hill Road, Mt. Pocono**

(Off Rt. 611, south of Mt. Pocono opposite Paradise Riding Stables)

Hand Made Craft Items

Christmas Decorations

Children's Shopping Room with Free Gift Wrap

Assorted Home-Baked Items

Delicious Lunch Served All Day

Come find that unusual Christmas gift you've been looking for
pick up some dessert for your week-end suppers

Food Pantry

Hello everyone,

Just thought I would fill you in on our statistics so far in October. We have expected our numbers to increase and they are not disappointing us. But the real month concerning us is November a reminder last year 419!!! We are preparing for that number plus and so this is what the extra bags for each family will contain.

If you are suggesting donations please use what items I have listed as a guide. We will be giving Christmas Turkeys so if we collect enough everyone will share these extra food items in December as well.

INSTANT MASHED POTATOES

STUFFING MIX

SWEET POTATOES

PUMPKIN

CRANBERRY SAUCE

A VEGETABLE DIFFERENT FROM THE REGULAR FOOD ITEMS

(we need any vegetable type for this as donations are low at this time)

BROWNIE MIX

NAPKINS

Here are the numbers

Families Served 330 = 617 Adults

381 Children

144 Seniors

1,142 People served includes 16 New families signed in October.

Thanks to all for helping in whatever way works for you. Extra volunteers are welcome in November for sure but please let us know you are coming by calling 570 894 2072 and leaving us a message if you are not a regular volunteer on first Wednesday or Saturday.

Respectively submitted ,
Lorraine Naiko

Diocesan Convention News

Dear Trinity Parishioners,

I had the pleasure of attending the recent convention in our diocese, with Father Bob and Carolyn Tolley. My adventures started off with a question and answer game by Kat Lehman, on what I like about our diocese. So I shared with her my appreciation of having a diocese, the support and information I receive from Ellyn Siftar has helped me with my interest in spiritual formation of our youth. The programs and events from the diocese are instrumental in accomplishing our mission with youth , particularly for a small parish like ours.

My second answer was my overwhelming delight with the diocese and Trinity Mount Pocono's not just friendly welcoming of new comers , but the openness to become fully involved in all the parish life. I shared with Kat, it has been less than 2 years , since I first set foot inside an Episcopal church, and here I was representing my parish. I find that openness refreshing and an encouragement to me, to continued support of my parish.

Preparing for the convention, reading all the reports, has given me much to think about as I look forward to having more time in the future, and the many committees and programs available to volunteer for in the diocese. The experience of open discussion of the resolutions put forth, and the small group discussions were helpful to me in my understanding of the concerns and interests of our community.

I encourage everyone to make time to be a delegate in your future. Hearing Bishop Sean speak twice at the convention was of course inspiring! I look forward to his visit to our parish and you all meeting him. His youthful energy is most welcome to see as we go forward as a diocese in the 21st century.

Thank you all for allowing me this opportunity to serve our parish and the encouragement I received from it.

Becky Hendricks