Trinity Tidings

March 2004

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A BANNER YEAR

The Vestry voted on a new budget at the January meeting. They passed a fully funded budget, including for Diocesan 15% programs....withnofudging with possible income figures. This budget was based on your pledges to give of your abundance this year, and since then your pledges have surpassed the budget with a number of new pledges. This is truly a banner year for Holy Trinity. There is truly a new spirit in this congregation. The Holy Spirit is at work here at Holy Trinity as we build an open community connecting people to God and their ministries.

We have a third service planned by the young people of the congregation, there are new ministries of care for each other meeting all over the place. There are plans for a time of thanks for all the ministries and their participants. There is

planning for a parish nurse program, for a master plan for growth, new connections with the Day School.

Just look at the mission and vision statement on page 2 of the *Tidings*. Look at the many ways available to you to connect with the congregation.

This is truly a post-Easter congregation where the Holy Spirit is alive and well and we are growing in that abundant life Christ promises.

Tom

NEW TO HOLY TRINITY? WANT TO BE CONFIRMED? OR RECEIVED?

Wednesday, March 3, at 7:30, we will have the first of a series of opportunities for you to learn more about Holy Trinity and the Episcopal Church. Meeting in the Media Center here at the Lower School, these are opportunities for you to become more familiar with who we are and what we about as we build an open community connecting people to God and their ministries.

Opening the Prayer Book by Jeffrey Lee, published by Cowley, is the starting point for our discussions. This is one of the Church Teaching Series books of the Episcopal Church. If you want to know who we are come and worship,

that's the best way, and come to the gatherings beginning on March 3. Please let me know so I can have enough books on hand.

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ARTICLES FOR THE APRIL TIDINGS ARE DUE MARCH 5TH

BISHOP CHANE TO VISIT HOLY TRINITY IN MARCH

The Right Reverend John Bryson Chane will visit Holy Trinity on Sunday, March 7, 2004 and will preach, celebrate Eucharist, and lead Sunday Discussion. In preparation for this visit, Bishop Chane has asked for some time on the **Monday** prior to Sunday, to meet with everyone for an open discussion. The Education for Ministry (EFM) class will sponsor the evening with Bishop Chane on **Monday**, **March 1**, **in Parish Hall from 7-8:30 PM.** Light refreshments will be served. Join us to update Bishop Chane on how Holy Trinity is doing in discerning God's call to us.

(This is a date change from the announcement in the February Tidings.)

SCOTTISH COMPOSER JOHN BELL TO VISIT DIOCESE

John Bell, a Scottish composer who has produced collections of church music derived from folk sources around the world, will be visiting the Diocese of Washington in March. During his visit Bell, who is being sponsored by the Diocesan Committee on Liturgy and Music, will offer several workshops and performances. On March 6, he will offer a daylong workshop at St. Columba's. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Morning session is "Enabling Developing a n d Congregational Singing;" afternoon session is "Singing What We Believe." Registration is \$25. On March 7, Bell will lead the music at an informal 10 a.m. Folk Eucharist Washington National Cathedral, and later that day will conduct a workshop for high school students at St. Alban's. This workshop will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. and will focus on the use of drama in worship. It will be followed by a 5:30 Eucharist where workshop participants will present a liturgical drama. Call St. Columba's at 202/363-4119, ext. 204 or St. Alban's at 202/363-8286. ext. 119 for more information.

If you would like to carpool

with me on Saturday, March 6, let me know.

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S T E W A R D S H I P CONFERENCE

There will be a Stewardship Conference from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 13 at Grace Church Day School, 1607 Grace Church Road, Silver Spring. The conference will focus on the integral part stewardship should play in our Christian lives and how we can help our children become good stewards. Speakers will be Bishop William Burrill, a member of the Standing Committee on Stewardship and Development of the National Episcopal Church since 1985, and Nathan Dungan, an author, award-winning speaker and national expert on family finances and the effects of mass marketing on young people.

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3000 SANDWICH GOAL FOR 2004

We are off to a great start. During the February 1st sandwich making, we made over 300 sandwiches. It would be great to donate at least 3000 sandwiches in 2004, and we are well on our way. We also donated many of the leftovers from the spaghetti dinner including noodles, bread, and cake. Martha's Table was very grateful for everything.

So many people helped out on Feb. 1st, that the sandwiches were made and packaged very quickly. Thank you for all your help. We will be making sandwiches again on March 21st. We

have depleted all of our supplies and will need bread, peanut butter, jelly, and cheese. Remember, one loaf of bread makes approximately 10 sandwiches, so 300 sandwiches requires 30 loaves. After we make the sandwiches on Sunday we take them and drop them off at Martha's Table. If anyone is interested in helping to drop off the sandwiches in the future, or if you have any questions about sandwich making, Martha's Table, or how you can contribute, please call me, Elizabeth Chamberlain, at 301 464-5897.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FOLLOW-UP

Our Annual Holy Trinity Hunger Committee Spaghetti Dinner was held on Friday, January 30th. It was a great success! The Hunger Committee would like to thank everybody in the congregation who attended the event on such a cold evening. Special thanks go to those of you who volunteered your services! Part of the proceeds will go to our foster child, Cristy, in the Philippines. The rest of money is earmarked for various Hunger Committee charities. We hope that everybody found the food delicious and had a wonderful time!

SPECIAL EVENT

(IAC) Interfaith Action Communities is sponsoring an Educational Forum presenting Dr. Beatrice Tignor, School Board Chairperson. The theme of the forum is Better Education in Prince George's County: "What can faith institutions do to improve education in PGC?"

Board Chair Beatrice Tignor, EdD is a resident of Upper Marlboro. She is currently Director of Procurement for Montgomery County. Dr Tignor has served as chairperson for the Prince George's County Public Schools Management Oversight Panel. Dr. Tignor was also a professor of higher education, served in the Maryland

General Assembly as a delegate and senator and began her educational career as an elementary teacher and Reading Specialist in the Prince George's County Public Schools.

Date and Time: March 24, 2004 at 7:30 PM

Place: Davies Memorial Unitarian Universalist Church 7400 Temple Hill Road, Camp Springs, Maryland 20748

Contact: Khalil Shadeed 301-567-3359 or Joyce Dowling 301-372-9922

CAMP JOY – THINK SUMMER!

At this writing, I have received applications from 17 HT youth and 4 HT adults for Camp Joy! I have given those applications to our Youth Minister, Erin Iverson who will be compiling all four church's applications to apply for Camp Joy the week of July 25-31. There is a possibility that the week could change to July 18-24 if the Camp Joy staff feels that with a large group we would be best to come the first week when there are "bigger" projects. I will inform all who applied as soon as I know which week we will definitely be going.

Please keep us in your prayers as we plan and prepare for our week doing God's work in the hills of West Virginia.

Contributions towards our mission trip are gratefully accepted!

Mary Ryan

THANK YOU!!

Dear Parishioners.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generous donations to the Altar Guild. Because of you we've been able to do some much needed renovations in the Sacristy, the Choir Room and the restrooms in the back of the church. Dave Nelson made us an offer we couldn't refuse in replacing the carpet and was instrumental in finding a painter to take care of the walls. Craig Ryan donated his time and talent in trimming the closet doors and taking care of the molding around the walls.

There were so many terrific people that helped in the preparations for the painting and the new carpet that I want to thank: Dave, Beth, Danielle, & Alyssa Nelson, Patti & Floyd Lewis, Mark Kalber, Craig Ryan, Sally Gilbert, Jenny Biddle, Tom Andrews and Tom Lackey. Please forgive me if I missed anyone.

Again thank you for your generosity. Without you we wouldn't have been able to do it.

Sincerely, Liz Biddle Altar Guild Director

ASSIST THE HUNGER COMMITTEE

As spring approaches, so does the season in which we typically think about, and purchase, landscaping and lawn care. Kirt and Arleen Kirtland, NaturaLawn of America, would like to remind everyone that, when anyone from Holy Trinity purchases landscaping, ponds, hardscaping, or lawn care from us, the company makes a donation of 10% of the purchase price to the Hunger Committee.

We thank you for helping us to assist the Hunger Committees important mission in this way.

Arleen and Kirt.

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ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE FOR MARCH

| DATE | TIME | LECTORS | INTERCESSOR | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | ACOLYTES | USHERS |
|---------------|---------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| <i>Mar.</i> 7 | 8:00AM | S. Allen C. Perdue | J. Trisko | S. Gilbert | M. Murdoch | R. Trisko R. Curbelo |
| | 9:30AM | J. Findlay J. Ruh | P. Reiber | G. Perez M. Ryan | D. Nelson S. Spehr D. Townsend-Gray | A. Sparks M. Powell |
| Mar. 14 | 8:00AM | S. Fallon P. Ballish | R. Longmire | S. Cone | L. Zampella | T. Kirby H. Tucker |
| | 9:30AM | J. Geissler G. Harwood | K. Kirtland | Sarah Wood S. McGeiver | R. Bowen Z. Brasel B. Walker | R. Stimpert K. Kowalewski |
| | 12:00PM | P. Galloway C. Vandermeys | K. Zarate | L. Moeller B. Nelson | G. Blancke | S. Moeller D. Nelson |
| Mar. 21 | 8:00AM | R. Curbelo V. Esmacher | S. Esmacher | J. Diggs | A. Jarmon | L. Anderson R. Curbelo |
| | 9:30AM | J. Gordon E. Glover | J. Findlay | R. Beckley D. Clark | B. Dunwiddie E. Dunwiddie Ka. Lackey | J. Walker A. Beckley |
| Mar. 28 | 8:00AM | M. Fallon S. Bower | E. Kirby | D. Robinson | J. Spehr | R. Trisko T. Kirby |
| | 9:30AM | G. Jarmon E. Maurer | R. Stimpert | D. Leilich C. Harman | W. Gordon J. Judd C. Murdoch | K. Kirtland G. Perez |
| | 12:00PM | L. Stewart Kr. Lackey | CJ Johnson | T. Lackey K. Kalber | Z. Brasel | C. Vandermeys K. Zarate |

Altar Guild: Feb. 1-15: Pam Harman, Melissa Fallon 16-31: Nancy Smith, TBA

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Room 204 at 11:00AM

Have you ever had a yen to share your favorite Bible passage with others?

In February, the Adult Bible Study group completed a three-month study of all New Testament epistles written by others than the Apostle Paul.

In March, any member of the congregation can participate in the study group by sharing his/her favorite scripture. Each will be allowed 20 minutes. To schedule, call Harold Sandy at 301-262-6463.

Acolytes are responsible for finding a substitute if they cannot serve.

SUNDAY DISCUSSION HOUR

Mar. 7 - Bishop's Visitation

14 - Fellowship

21 - Sandwich Making: E. Chamberlain

28 - Breakfast: Sunday Discussion Group

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
MARCH 28, 2004
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