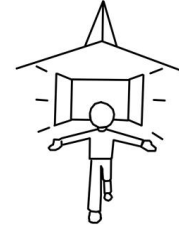


Trinity Tidings

*The Episcopal Church serving
Hancock County, Ohio...and beyond*

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128 West Hardin Street
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OUTREACH

The Darrel the Barrel wish list for June is canned cream of mushroom, cream of chicken, and cream of celery soups, beef and chicken broth, and beef and chicken powdered bouillon. Thank you for helping to fill the barrel!

And, as a reminder, we always accept non-perishable food and taxable hygiene products and cleaning supplies, which we regularly deliver to CHOPIN Hall and Christian Clearing House. All our local charities could use the help!

CHRIST IN A STRANGER'S GUISE

For you never know when you might meet...

In May, CSG hosted a very special coffee hour to celebrate that Sunday's baptism of Jacob McConnell. Balloons and a beautiful cake (that tasted as good as it looked) added to the festivities.

This month, there will be another oh-so-special coffee hour when we welcome Bishop Jolly to Trinity. She will preside at the ONLY service (10 a.m.) on Sunday, June 28.

Stay tuned for the return of a summer tradition: Root Beer Floats.

CSG continues to give green bags with bread to visitors and newcomers and to greet all who come to the 10 a.m. service.

Ginny Lee Pilstl, Chair

...Christ in a stranger's guise.



LUNCH BUNCH

In May, we gathered for good food and conversation at a most convenient place: the back room at The Wine Merchant. This month we're "spreading our wings" again and will go to the Sunset Bistro in Bowling Green. We'll leave from Trinity at 11 a.m. for those who want to carpool.

Please let Nancy O' or Ginny Lee know by Wednesday, June 10th if you plan to attend and if you want to carpool.

WHEN: Friday, June 12, 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Sunset Bistro, 1220 W. Wooster St.
Unit A, Bowling Green

Nancy O'Sullivan
Ginny Lee Pilstl



THE RECTOR WRITES

June is going to be a month of nostalgia for me, as I attend my twentieth college reunion in Upstate New York, spend a week in New York City where I went to seminary, and return to Arkansas to attend my little brother's wedding. As I've written in this space before, nostalgia can be comforting but also dangerous. Slipping into old patterns and ways of being can stymie spiritual progress, but it can also recontextualize old experiences in the light of a more mature perspective. One must just remain sufficiently detached. That sounds "Zen" or something, but I think the principle can be carefully Christianized if not taken too far.

We can be awfully nostalgic about church, too. We plaintively consider the "good old days" of the church of the mid-twentieth-century when the pews were full and the Episcopal Church had a certain cultural cachet. We conveniently forget about the negative aspects, like the fact that women could not only not be ordained, but couldn't serve on vestries; and that a lot of those people in the pews might have been there more for the social credit being a part of the church or the American elite brought than for a particular love of Jesus. We can lament what has been lost, but we also have to appreciate what by God's grace has been gained.

The polar opposite of nostalgia - a heedless rejection of all that has gone before and an insatiable hunger for whatever the next big thing might be - is equally deadly. We see in the larger society what rootlessness can lead to - namely, social fragmentation and cultural ennui. Maybe I'm a stick-in-the-mud, but I think experiments with "ways of being church" (that phrase always makes me shudder) centered around taverns or coffee shops or virtual spaces, while they can be useful supplements, can never be stable places for sacramental life and spiritual growth. I'd love to see a formal study on these sorts of para-ecclesial expressions; from anecdotal evidence, they seem to do a good job of ginning up excitement and getting people to show up for a while, but depth and longevity are lacking.

So back to that "Zen-adjacent" statement about detachment. Perhaps both the past and the future (or our ideas about them) should both be held loosely. The only thing we should cling to tightly, after all, is the Cross of Christ. Our hope is not to be found in reinstating the church of the 1950s nor in imagining the church of the 2050s, but in the God who holds all times in His own eternal present. And in that Eternal Now there he bears us up, too, if we will be present in the present with Him.

Yours in service to the Gospel,

John †



MUSIC NOTES

Please watch for information about choir rehearsals as we look forward to returning in the fall. If you have any questions, see Barb Masterson.

Trinity Parishioners,

On Sunday, June 28, the Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly will be visiting Trinity Parish and will be presiding at that service. In addition, some individuals will be received, confirmed, or be renewing their baptismal vows. There will even be a special coffee hour! Later in the day Bishop Jolly will meet with the Vestry. There will be only one service and it will be at 10 a.m.

We are honored that Bishop Jolly will be visiting. This will be an exciting day and we would like as many parishioners as possible to celebrate with us.

Yours in Christ,
Trinity Vestry Members



Lisa Robeson and Mother Kin

We have been fortunate to have Mother Nancy Kin celebrate with us while Fr. John is gone several Sundays in June. We welcome and thank her! Everyone always enjoys having her at Trinity.

June Prayer

As June begins, I pray for peace that reaches deeper than temporary happiness. May this month bring gentler days, renewed strength, unexpected blessings, and little moments that remind us that life is still worth looking forward to. Protect the people we love, comfort those who are struggling silently, and give all the courage to keep going despite everything we carry inside. And if June cannot be perfect, Lord, let it be kind to our hearts. Amen.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



"Anytime you're ready, Daddy, I'll be sitting outside growing older."

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WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

We all need a little prayer and Trinity has a prayer list each week in the bulletin for those who could use some extra. Would you please take a moment to review that prayer list and help us keep it up-to-date? If there are names which should be removed, let Deborah know. If there is someone on your heart, we can add that person. Thank you!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

05 – Mary Brater, Dave Unkefer
 10 – Kaia Boyles
 12 – Annie Stricklin, Debi Haas
 13 - Hannah Risner
 17 – Nancy O’Sullivan
 20 - Sidney Risner
 30 – Kim Grove



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

24 – Rob & Cindy Fox, Deke & Rita Roberts
 26 – Gary & Nancy Woodruff
 29 – Peg & Tom Dailey



SUNDAY FLOWERS

Please let Deborah know by noon on Wednesday of that week what you would like printed in the bulletin for your gift of flowers. E-mail to trinfin128@gmail.com or call 419-422-3214.

When providing flowers from a florist, they should be delivered to the church between 9 a.m. and noon on Friday.

If you bring flowers in a vase and would like it returned, please tape your name to the bottom so it doesn't find its way into Trinity's collection and eventual donation. Thanks.



PERSONAL NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AND ABOUT THE TRINITY FAMILY. IF YOU HAVE ITEMS OF INTEREST TO SHARE, (BIRTHS, ENGAGEMENTS, GRADUATIONS, HONORS, AWARDS, WEDDINGS, PERFORMANCES, ACHIEVEMENTS, ACTIVITIES, ETC.) PLEASE SUBMIT THEM BY THE 3rd WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR THE NEXT PUBLICATION.

THE LATEST directory is available in the parish hall or you may have it mailed or emailed to you. Please let Deborah know if you'd like one sent to you and how.

If ever there is a name omitted from one of these lists, or if an item is incorrect, please contact the church office with the info.

The sign-up sheet for Sunday flowers is on the bulletin board in the parish hall.



WHERE DO YOU FIT??

Everyone has special gifts – share yours with your church! Please consider lending your talents to a committee in an area of your interest or skill. Just contact a committee or vestry member or attend a meeting to join.



TRULY KEEPING IN TOUCH...

Some parishioners not able to attend services, or attend regularly, would enjoy calls or cards from the rest of us, and visits especially from people who know them. Others have moved – so this is an update on their contact information:

Michael McCoy - 350 E 1st Ave, Ajo, AZ 85321 (winter address)

Catherine Albrecht - 1229 Turner Meadow Drive, Raleigh, NC 27603

Romelle Aldrich - 83 Harwood Road, Monroe, NJ 08831

Paula Wolper - 2248 Dominion Drive, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017

Dave & Peg Bell – 779 Tupper Street, Brockville, Ontario, Canada K6V6A1

Bob & Mary Brater – 300 Woodhaven Drive, #2309, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928

Marjorie Weaver – 4931 Nettleton, #7105, Medina, OH 44256

James Marquart - 116 Colle Manuel Domenech #2116, San Juan, PR 00918 USA



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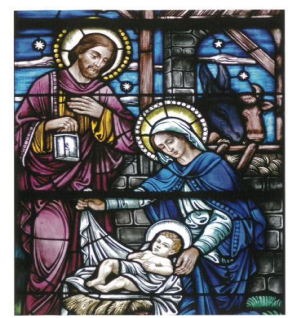
YOU MAY request to receive *Tidings* by e-mail. Just let Deborah know you would prefer this method rather than picking up your copy or having it sent to you in the mail. Please include your up-to-date e-mail address! You may call, leave a note in the mailbox in the yellow room, e-mail at (trinf128@gmail.com), or just stop in!

SERVERS

The liturgical schedule now includes Lectors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, and Altar Servers – and they are greatly appreciated! Especially needed are lectors for 8:30 a.m. and LEMs for 10 a.m. If you would like to take part in future services at Trinity, please let Fr. John or Deborah know.

ITEMS FOR JULY/AUGUST TIDINGS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY MONDAY, JUNE 29TH. THANKS!

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2026 are available in the parish hall. There are still numbered boxes available (see or let Deborah know), and you may help yourself to the unnumbered boxes.



CHURCHMAN'S ORDO
— CHURCH YEAR GUIDE —

2006
NOW AVAILABLE
in the parish hall.
\$6.00 each to benefit the
Altar Guild.

TRINITY VESTRY 2006

Senior Warden – Lisa Robeson
Clerk – Liz Funke
Asst. Treasurer – Larry Funke
Greg Eisentrager
Ginny Lee Pilstl
Rick Walter

Junior Warden – Jorgé Rosario-Paris
Treasurer – Peg Dailey
Jude Davidson
Karen Eubanks
Anna Rider

COFFEE CORNER



JUNE

- 7th –
- 14th –
- 21st –
- 28th – CSG (Bishop's visit)

THERE ARE OPENINGS FOR HOSTS!

Please consider adding your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. You don't have to do it alone – several families or a group may host together and it may be as simple as making the coffee and bringing packaged cookies!

THANK YOU for the donations of coffee and decaf!

SIGN UP FOR KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Money is donated to Trinity for use to support the community. Kroger Community Rewards program makes fundraising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Shopper's Card.

Here's how it works: Create a digital account. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose. Sign into your digital account, select the organization you wish to support, enter the name of the organization, select the organization and click 'save'. (Go to Kroger Community Rewards.com and follow the instructions.)

Trinity earned \$62.60 in the last quarter from a total of 25 households.

