



Trinity Newsletter



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Notes From the Vestry

Since becoming Senior Warden, I have often looked at what needed to be done to restore that “sweet, sweet Spirit” at Trinity as putting a puzzle together. Just as you start with the edges of a puzzle and move forward to fit different pieces together, we have been doing that at Trinity over the past year in a number of ways. Whether it’s the pieces of Philene+, John+, and Larry+ that fit the pastoral part of the puzzle; or Cindy Barnes who is the piece of reconciliation and affirmation of who we are; or the unending maintenance pieces that are improving our facilities; or you, the parishioners who fit the pieces of leadership, faith and trust, our Trinity puzzle is coming together in ways we could not have imagined a year ago. I believe with the return of Jim Hughes and the formation of the Discernment Committee we are putting the final pieces in place. It is my firm belief that the Trinity Puzzle will be completed within the next year.

I am blessed to work with Samantha who is the glue that holds everything together for our parish. She is awesome beyond words and together we are a mighty force to be reckoned with! I look forward to completing this sacred task as your Senior Warden. It has been quite the challenge and I am energized by what we have accomplished and what lies ahead as we are led by the Holy Spirit to become the people God has imagined us to be.

As always, it is a blessing and a privilege to be your Senior Warden.

Blessings,
Joanne Georg

“I am like the green olive tree in God’s house;
I trust in God’s faithful love forever and always.
I will give thanks to you, God, forever, because you have acted.
In the presence of your faithful people, I will hope in your name because it’s so good”.

-Psalm 52:8-9

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on Trinity Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

News From Trinity

Trinity Happenings: Upcoming Dates to Know

- 8/10: Food Ministry Adult Forum and Breakfast
- 8/10: School Supply Drive Ends
- 8/15: Game Night
- 8/17: Blessing of the Backpacks
- 8/19: Bible Study Returns
- 8/24: Church Security Adult Forum
- 9/4: Greek New Testament Class Begins
- 9/6: Screening On The Green
- 9/7: Parish wide Launch Pad Picnic (No 8:30 service)
- 9/14: Music Adult Forum
- 9/14: Launch Pad Blast Off
- 9/20: Labyrinth
- 9/21: Senior Class Art Factory Play
- 10/25: Fill the Bins Event

Read on for details about these events and more!

Please note than there will be no 8:30 service on Sunday, September 7th. We hope this will help everyone better prepare for and attend our parish-wide picnic and afternoon of fun!



Launch Pad It all begins here!

Things are coming together! We're getting ready to launch Sunday mornings and the children's education ministry program. It all begins on September 14 at 9:45 upstairs in the Education Wing.

None of these Sunday morning opportunities would be possible without the servants' hearts of those in our congregation feeling called to live into the baptismal vows we all affirm when we say we will

support the baptized in their life in Christ. (BCP, p.303) We are all called to this Christ-centered purpose as we welcome the newly baptized into our community of faith; it's a calling that not only supports those we are called to serve as we teach and lead, but also as we prepare for Sunday mornings with those who come, we grow deeper in our own faith as well.

So, I am truly thankful for those who have stepped up:

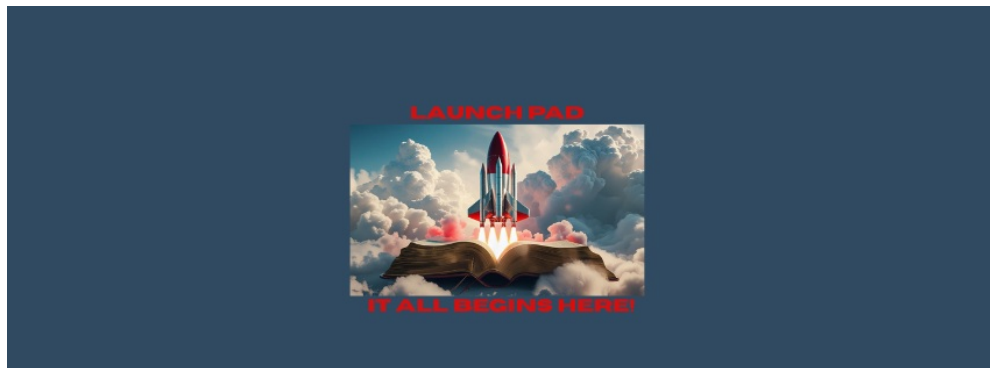
Kim Albrecht
Terri Anderson
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Diane Trafton
Shanan Coughlin

They are going to be amazing leaders of the children in their care, and I can't wait to see what God does in and through them!

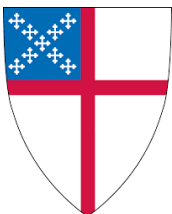
But, here's more wonderful news – there is still room for more servant leaders – more room for those feeling the call to live into the words they speak each time an individual is baptized in our community. There is room for YOU!

If you would like to join us, please just contact me (catharine.guest@gmail.com) and I will help you get involved wherever you feel led to serve.

It's going to be an amazing time, and I hope you will join us.



As our teachers prepare for their students to launch, it now falls on the parents to register those children. Please fill out a form and register your child so we can make a special place in our classroom just for them. Registration can be completed by scanning the QR codes on the bulleting boards around church, clicking the link for [online registration here](#), or filling out a paper form this Sunday. Forms are available in the Florida Room or the back of the Sanctuary. We can't wait to help your child launch into new levels of faith.



Safe Church Training

As we prepare for our Launch Pad kick-off, many of you are starting to inquire about Safe Church training. An instruction manual is available by emailing the office to get you started on your journey. As you complete each class, certificates should be submitted to the church office. Samantha is happy to help or to answer any questions.

Thank you all for your efforts in keeping us compliant and our children safe.

School Supply Drive

Benefiting Georgetown South Children

SUGGESTED ITEMS

- Notebooks
- Pencils and pens
- A sturdy backpack
- Highlighters and Dry Erase Markers
- Crayons and Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Pocket Folders

Items can be left at the bus in the narthex until August 10th.

This is the final Sunday to bring school supplies for students from Georgetown South. Please leave your donations in or around the school bus in the Narthex. You can also purchase items directly from their Amazon wish list [here](#). Thank you for your generosity as we help these kids launch their school year!



Share Your Art!

Help us out with the small bulletin board in the narthex! Commit to learning a new Bible verse (or more than one), and take home a coloring sheet from the pages tacked around the border of the bulletin board. Color it, bring it back, and tack it back up for display - and, of course, memorize the Bible verse written on it!

LAUNCH PAD

Picnic

Celebrate the beginning of the School year and
our brand new program and curriculum!

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

- Join us for burgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers.
- Have a great time playing games and dunking the Vestry and Church Staff in the dunk tank.
- Have fun and fellowship with friends old and new

***Children under age 18 must have adult supervision**

9325 West Street, Manassas, VA

RSVP to launchpad@trinityepiscopalchurch.org by August 31st.

Sign-Up to bring a side dish in the Parish Hall

Click the photo above for a direct link to email your RSVP!



Want to learn New Testament Greek?

We are gathering in the parish hall this Fall on Thursdays, starting Thursday, September 4 from 10-11:15 to learn the language spoken and written by New Testament figures familiar to us. Peter, Paul, James, John and many others are waiting for us to read them in the original language.

There are no tests or homework except your interest to carry you forward week to week.

Our NT text is:

The New Greek/English Interlinear
New Testament
UBS 5th edition
Nestle Aland 28th edition.

(If you already have a NT text you like, then please use it!)

Our grammar is:

Learn New Testament Greek
John H. Dobson
3rd edition.
Baker Academic
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Aside from the cost of these two books, there are no additional costs. No tuition.

Please email me with questions or concerns.

Fr. Jim Hughes
Jafxh@verizon.net



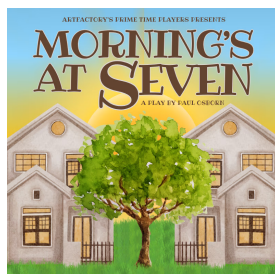
Receptions to Follow

Receptions to Follow is calling for volunteers to join the crew. We will be working the kitchen for the September 7 Launch Pad cookout. Email byow00@gmail.com to learn more.



Bible Study Summer Hiatus

Bible Study will take a one month summer hiatus. Please consider joining this group as they return, refreshed, on August 19th.



Senior Class

Our next event is to attend another amazing production by the Prime Time Players at the Art Factory September 21 at 2 PM. Please email Barbara Yow (byow00@gmail.com) to reserve your free general admission tickets today! Tickets are going fast!

Morning's at Seven

September 21 @ 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Morning's at Seven is a heartwarming and gently comic look at family, love, and the quiet revelations that come with growing older. Set in a small Midwestern town in the 1920s, this charming play follows four spirited sisters whose close-knit lives are thrown into chaos when long-held secrets begin to surface. Full of warmth, wit, and relatable moments, Morning's at Seven is a delightful celebration of family bonds and second chances—an unforgettable theatrical experience for audiences of all ages.

Trinity Episcopal Church Food Ministry



Food Ministry News

The whole congregation is invited to celebrate the Food Ministry Promise Campaign Kickoff and Breakfast **this Sunday, August 10** in the parish hall after the 8:30 service. Promoting Food security and the history of this ministry will be shared. You will meet our amazing Molly, food drive conductor extraordinaire and learn how to conduct your own successful food drive.

Promise forms will be available for you to become or continue to be a dedicated supporter of this outreach.

This year's goal will be \$14,000. Your generous donations last year along with Thornton Trust funds allowed all goals to be reached.

Food Ministry needs:

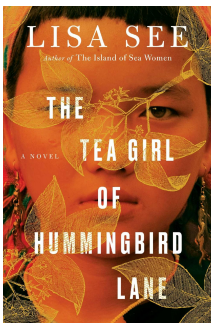
Foods for backpacks, especially protein sources
Oil
Cereal
Individual drink powders for water bottles
Shelf stable milk



Game Night

Game Night is growing! Just look at the pictures to see the proof of how much fun everyone is having! you don't want to miss out again. Join us August 15th at 6:00 pm for pizza, games, and a truly great time. Bring a friend and make the party even bigger.

RSVP to Jo Brent by texting (703) 220-7767.



Book Club Selections Announced

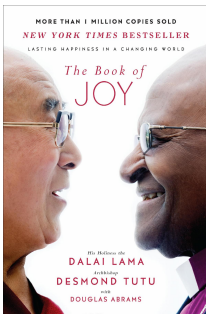
The Trinity Book Club continues to meet on the final Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM. All lovers of literature are more than welcome. Our August 27th meeting will feature The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See.

Here is a description from GoodReads:

In their remote mountain village, Li-yan and her family align their lives around the seasons and the farming of tea. For the Akha people, ensconced in ritual and routine, life goes on as it has for generations—until a stranger appears at the village gate in a jeep, the first automobile any of the villagers has ever seen.

Slowly, Li-yan, one of the few educated girls on her mountain, begins to reject the customs that shaped her early life. When she has a baby out of wedlock she rejects the tradition that would compel her to give the child over to be killed, and instead leaves her, wrapped in a blanket with a tea cake tucked in its folds, near an orphanage in a nearby city.

As Li-yan comes into herself, leaving her village for an education, a business, and city life, her daughter, Haley, is raised in California by loving adoptive parents. Despite her privileged childhood, Haley wonders about her origins. Across the ocean Li-yan longs for her lost daughter. Over the course of years, each searches for meaning in the study of Pu'er, the tea that has shaped their family's destiny for centuries.



For those hoping to plan ahead, September will find us reading The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World by Dalai Lama XIV.

Two great spiritual masters share their own hard-won wisdom about living with joy even in the face of adversity.

The occasion was a big birthday. And it inspired two close friends to get together in Dharamsala for a talk about something very important to them. The friends were His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. The subject was joy. Both winners of the Nobel Prize, both great spiritual masters and moral leaders of our time, they are also known for being among the most infectiously happy people on the planet.

From the beginning the book was envisioned as a three-layer birthday cake: their own stories and teachings about joy, the most recent findings in the science of deep happiness, and the daily practices that anchor their own emotional and spiritual lives. Both the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Tutu have been tested by great personal and national adversity, and here they share their personal stories of struggle and renewal. Now that they are both in their eighties, they especially want to spread the core message that to have joy yourself, you must bring joy to others.

Most of all, during that landmark week in Dharamsala, they demonstrated by their own exuberance, compassion, and humor how joy can be transformed from a fleeting emotion into an enduring way of life.

The Labyrinth
at
Trinity Episcopal Church
will be open to the public in the Parish Hall on
Saturday, September 20 from 1:00 to 5:00 PM.

The labyrinth is a pattern found in various forms across cultures worldwide since ancient times. The Trinity Labyrinth draws inspiration from the design created in 1201 for Chartres Cathedral in France.

In Christian tradition, walking the labyrinth symbolizes a sacred pilgrimage—a spiritual journey within life's broader quest for meaning. Yet labyrinths transcend denomination, welcoming anyone to walk their path as a cross-cultural practice for well-being. One might enter the labyrinth to quiet the mind, restore balance, deepen meditation and insight, or mark a moment of celebration or thanksgiving.

We invite you to deepen your spiritual journey on the Trinity Labyrinth Saturday, September 20. Experience the quiet peace walking the Trinity Labyrinth provides. Step on to this sacred path.

Fill the Bins

Clean out your old paperwork and benefit the Food Ministry in one great event. Register below to shred up to three boxes of personal paperwork. The only cost is a donation to our wonderful food ministry. See the flyer below for more details.



Fill the Bins

A Paper Shred and Pantry Stock Event

Protecting your personal information by disposing of your documents securely can help reduce your risk of identity theft. Register for our free on-site shred event and be entered in a chance to win a paper shredder.*

Shredding Guidelines:

- Bring your documents for shredding — bank statements, cancelled checks, credit card junk mail, receipts with identifying information.
- Limit: 3 bags or boxes per vehicle.

Food Drive: Help stock Trinity Episcopal Church's pantry by donating non-perishable food items.

This event is free and open to the public.

Let us know you are coming by registering at events.aarp.org/FilltheBins1025

Your arrival during your pre-selected hour will facilitate smooth traffic flow.

RESERVE A SPOT TODAY!

Please scan the QR code, call 1-877-926-8300 or visit events.aarp.org/FilltheBins1025



Saturday, October 25, 2025 | 9 a.m. – Noon

Trinity Episcopal Church 9325 West Street, Manassas, Virginia 20110

* NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. Open to legal residents of the US. Promotion runs from 12 a.m. ET on 6/20/25 through 11:59 p.m. ET on 10/25/25. Must be at least 18 years or older to participate. Void where prohibited. For official rules visit events.aarp.org/FilltheBins1004. Administrator: AARP

Ongoing Events

- Ken's Hens eggs are still available. Donations benefit the Food Ministry
- Our online directory is available on Realm. Contact the office if you need help accessing your account.
- The Trinity Ladies continue to meet for Lunch at the Jukebox Diner on the second Friday of each month. Contact Terri Anderson (mmetee@msn.com)



Parish Prayer List

Please pray this list at home: : Jill Tomlinson, Judy Nevitt, Frank Lassiter, Dave Kelly, Susan McInerney, Beth Ann Fontana, Laura Winter, Ross Burke and family, Brian, Carey, Michael, and Sandy, Robert Clarke, Al Osborne, Larry Cifranic, Lea Bradshaw, Jennifer Ennis, Maureen and Jack Danelli, Cheryl Macias, Suzanne McAndrews, Pat Anderson, Craig Stanton, Carol Linton, Mark Yow, Dave Critchley, Ervie Anne Edgerly, Joseph Frye, Christina Harrigan & Family, Sharyn Henderson & Family, Mary Hicks, Lillian Hicks, Patti Johnston, Richard Morin, Melissa Neviasser, Gretchen Schneider.

We kindly invite individuals to submit their prayer requests for the parish prayer list. Names will be added to the list with the most recent addition listed first so we can be aware of new members in need. Each request remains active for a period of two months.

Please email info@trinityepiscopalchurch.org or visit trinityepiscopalchurch.org to add someone to our prayer list.

Publication Deadlines for Trinity

Do you have something to share in the weekly email or Sunday Bulletin? We are happy to include church related notices (as space permits.)

Please note that bulletin and newsletter notices must be submitted to the office no later than **noon on Wednesdays** for inclusion. Thank you!



News From Around The Diocese:

Please Support Those Affected by the Texas Hill Country Flooding

Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with partners to support people affected by the Texas flooding. The [Flood Response Fund](#) is an important tool for responding to immediate needs and supporting long-term recovery. Please contribute to Episcopal Relief & Development's [Flood Response Fund](#) to support these efforts.

News From Our Community Partners:

VOICE Assembly

VOICE, who recently presented an excellent Adult Forum here at Trinity, is looking

for people to attend their assembly on October 19th. This assembly will be attended by both gubernatorial candidates and is an invaluable opportunity to highlight the cause of affordable housing in our state. A robust crowd filling the seats will help impress the importance of this issue on the candidates, one of whom will shortly be setting priorities for our state.

Details are in the flyer below and carpool options with the membership of BRUU are available.



Half of Virginians can't afford where they live. Our ever-growing housing shortage is driving more and more families out of the state, into hours-long commutes, and unsafe housing conditions. **This statewide problem needs a statewide response, and state leadership.**

This assembly will include Christian, Muslim, Jewish, Hindu, and Sikh faith leaders, nonprofit and business partners, and elected officials from across the region. **Together, we will call for bold, bipartisan action to address Virginia's growing housing shortage and rising costs—starting at the state level.**

 **Sunday October 19**
3:30 - 5:00 PM
 **Floris United Methodist Church**
13600 Frying Pan Rd, Herndon, VA



 **SCAN ME**



FOOD PANTRY
ST. THOMAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saint Thomas Food Pantry
Current Needs Updated 4/15/25

- Sugar (Small bags)
- Diapers size 5 & 6
- Baby Wipes
- Peanut Butter (Med Jar)

Worship Leaders for July/ August

Click [here](#) for the latest copy of the Worship Leader schedule for July and August.
Thank you to all who are serving.

Weekly Schedule of Events: August 10 - August 16

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:30 am Service		9:30 AM Food Ministry Bag Packing	9:30 AM Food Ministry Distribution	11:30 am Yoga	10:00 am Quilters	8:00 am Men's Group
9:45 am Food Ministry Breakfast and Adult Forum		6:30 PM Vestry	10:00 am - 2:00 pm Pastoral Care with Mother Philene		6:00 PM Game Night	
11:00 am Service			12:00 pm Healing Service			

Online Giving

You can give online through our website: trinityepiscopalchurch.org.
You can also use bill pay from your bank to contribute.
Your prayerful generosity is appreciated.

Sunday Service on YouTube

We love seeing you in person during our Sunday worship, but we also understand that it is not always possible to attend. At those times, we invite you to join us through our live-streamed 11:00 service at
<https://www.youtube.com/@trinitychurchmanassas5745>

Service Leaflet

Are you watching our service online and want to follow along at home? Do you want an early look at this week's readings? Click [here](#) to access the Trinity Happenings page on our website where you will find the current Service Leaflet and more.

Contact Us

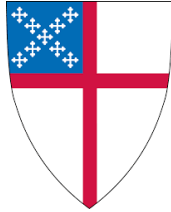
If you have a need, the church office wants to help. Contact us by phone or email Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm or drop by during open hours Monday-Friday from

9am-1pm.

Phone: 703-368-4231

Email: info@trinityepiscopalchurch.org

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