

DECEMBER 2017

TRIBUNE

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

Come & Worship!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

5:00pm Festival of Lessons & Carols

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

7:30, 9:00 & 11:15am Festival of Lessons & Carols

Hear the great story of salvation and enjoy special music.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 - Advent 4 / Christmas Eve

9:00am Advent 4 Holy Eucharist Service

11:00am Christmas Carols & Communion at Trinity Towers East

3:00pm Children's Christmas Eve Service

Includes a pageant & communion followed by a birthday party for Jesus in the Parish Hall.

5:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service - Rite II

Special music begins at 4:40pm; Nursery is available.

8:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service - Rite II

Special music begins at 7:30pm; Nursery is available.

11:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service - Rite I

Special music begins at 10:45pm. *This service will include incense.*

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 - Christmas Day

10:00am Christmas Carols & Communion - Rite II

In the Church.

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**MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS
BE FILLED WITH MANY
BLESSINGS!**

Living in the Light of the Coming of Jesus

I begin with an Advent Prayer by Henri J.M. Nouwen:

Lord Jesus,

*Master of both the light and the darkness, send
your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for
Christmas.*

*We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to
hear your voice each day.*

*We who are anxious over many things look forward
to your coming among us.*

*We who are blessed in so many ways long for the
complete joy of your kingdom.*

*We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your
presence.*

*We are your people, walking in darkness, yet
seeking the light.*

To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

Amen.

It is no accident that we celebrate Advent at the same time that the days shorten and the darkness comes earlier. Through the four weeks of Advent we prepare for the coming of the New Light into the world. Christmas, it turns out is intimately connected with the winter solstice, which has been celebrated since the beginning of human history and is memorialized in ancient ruins such as Stonehenge.

There are those who would belittle the "pagan" roots of our great celebration of the coming of Jesus, but honestly, I think they miss the point. The God who created the world also sent his Son Jesus into the world as the Light of the world. (John 1:6-9)

This time of year is a time of "endings" and "beginnings." The first Sunday in Advent officially begins the "New Year" of the church, and December is of course also the last month of the "secular year." So this is a time to think

about experiences and persons who have changed us for the better. It is also a time to take stock of the darkness of sin and sadness that is still within us, as we invite the light of Christ to further transform us "by the renewing of our minds, so that we may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Romans 12:2)

So during this month think about the last year and pray for next year. Give thanks for the blessings and grace that has come into your life. Where you have done or left undone things for which you are sorry, repent, reconcile and ask God's forgiveness. If you are grieving from the loss of someone you love, or some part of your life that is now over, know that sadness and loss are not the last word. Know that God will bring light in the midst of your darkness.

It is important to remember that the first Christmas was bright with God's love even with the darkness of taxes, barnyard odors, and the cruelty of King Herod. Our preparations for Christmas should always include the dawning realization that Christ coming into the world will not eliminate all our difficulties, but will show us the way through this life and into the next. God's light has come. God's real presence has come to be with you. God will never leave you alone in your darkness. In the words of Isaiah, "Arise shine for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!" (Isaiah 60:1)

This year the season of Advent is very short, only three weeks long, because the fourth Sunday of Advent also happens to be Christmas Eve. There is a lot of spiritual reflection to do in a short time. Make these days of Advent count in your life, and know in your heart that all the darkness in your life is just a preparation for the coming brightness of Jesus Christ.

May his light and love abide with you always, and especially at Christmas+

Faithfully,

Fr. Steve

Shop at the Holy Trinity Thrift Shop for Christmas!

Serving the community since 1956



They are open Monday - Saturday,
10:00am - 4:00pm and are located
in historic downtown Melbourne at
726 E. New Haven Avenue.

To donate, please bring in clothing
and small items. They are happy to
pick up large items. All donations
support our local outreach programs
Please call 321-727-2797.

Thank you!

Holiday Parents' Night OUT!

Saturday, December 2, 6:00-9:00pm

Whether you are new to Holy Trinity or have been around for years, we would like to invite you to join us at our annual Holiday Parents' Night Out hosted by Meghan, Daniel, KC and Frank, at the home of the Crawley's. We'll enjoy festive food and drink and collect donations to benefit a local charitable organization. Please RSVP adults and children to KC Crawley by November 30th. You may submit organization suggestions to kccrawley@holytrinitymelbourne.org and we will vote at the party to select the agency we will support.

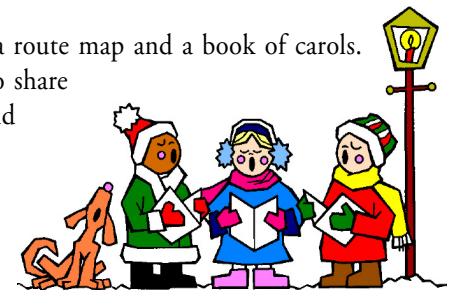


Christmas Caroling: December 10 at 3:00pm

Our Annual "Caroling Around the Parish" will be on Sunday, December 10, meeting in the Parish Hall at 3:00pm. This is an opportunity for us to share the joy of Christmas to those members of our Parish who are less able to celebrate Christmas with us during church services. After an hour or two of fun, we will all come back to the Parish Hall for food and fellowship!

Meet in the Parish Hall on Sunday, December 10 at 3:00pm, where you will receive a route map and a book of carols. Bring your voices, smiles, GPS systems, flashlight, Santa hats, jingle bells, and food to share after caroling. Even if you don't think you are a singer, come anyway! Our homebound parishioners and those in nursing homes love to see smiling faces from the church!

There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex if you would like to join us! There are also sign-up sheets for those who would like a visit from the carolers. If you would like a visit, please phone the Church Office (723-5272) before December 5.



CHILDREN & YOUTH

ADVENT CRAFT DAY!

Advent is almost here, let's gather to craft and create memories, as well as items we can use during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Advent Craft Day will take place on December 3 in the Parish Hall, after the 9am service. Crafters are still needed to share a craft. Please let KC Crawley or Megan Paauwe know if you are interesting in leading a craft. You may also sign up in the Narthex.

Youth Christmas Party! All Holy Trinity youth are invited to join us for a party at the home of Kate and Tripp Crawley on Friday, December 8 from 6:00 – 9:00pm. Bring your favorite party food and drinks will be provided. We'll enjoy food, fellowship, games, including a Silly Christmas Sock Exchange. Bring a wrapped pair of Christmas socks to participate. This will be Phil's last official youth event so be sure to mark your calendars now and plan to join us! RSVP to KC Crawley at 321-626-5139 by Sunday, December 3.

A MESSAGE FROM PHIL:

I am getting married in December! But unfortunately that will cause me to move to Orlando and I will not be able to continue as Youth Minister at Holy Trinity. It has been a wonderful experience and I am very thankful to have been part of a welcoming church that truly reflects Christ's love. I ask that the congregation keep doing an amazing job guiding the young people among them and encouraging their spiritual growth and involvement in the church. Thank you!

December Events:

December 2 (Saturday): Parents' Night Out 6:00 - 10:00pm

December 3 (Sunday): Phil's last Sunday ☹️

December 8 (Friday): Youth Christmas Party, 6:00 - 9:00pm, home of the Crawleys

December 10 (Sunday) - Christmas Caroling! 3:00pm, meet in the Parish Hall

NOTE: Wednesday evening and Sunday morning Youth Group will be on break from December 20 - January 3, and will resume on Sunday, January 7.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!

"It Wasn't the Hilton, You Know"

- 12/10: Parts Picking Party - 10:30am (Pearson)
- 12/17: Pageant Rehearsal - 10:30am (Chapel)
- 12/20: Pageant Rehearsal - 6:00pm (Church)
- 12/24: Costuming/Warm up - 2:00pm (Parish Hall)

All children, ages 3 and older are invited and encouraged to participate in our Children's Christmas Eve pageant that will be presented at the 3:00pm service on Christmas Eve. Sign up in the Narthex by December 3 if your child would like to participate! Please indicate if he/she would like a speaking part. We will select roles on December 10, so please let KC Crawley or Megan Paauwe know if you will not be present but would still like a part in the play. For additional information contact KC Crawley or Megan Paauwe.

Save the date for The Women's Retreat March 9-11, 2018

At Canterbury Retreat & Conference Center in Oviedo, Florida.
Further information coming soon!



Farewell Phil Reception: December 3, 10:30am!

You are invited to join the Youth Group at a special reception on December 3, following the 9:00am worship service, as we celebrate Phil on his last Sunday as our Youth Minister. We send Phil off with blessings for his future and his upcoming marriage to Rachel LaVo. Our Youth Group has been blessed in many ways by Phil's leadership and he will be missed.

Travel to the Holy Land with Fr. Steve and Rev. Pam!



We invite you to join us on a trip to the Holy Land April 17-26, 2018. A journey following the footsteps of Jesus will change the way we read the Bible. Our itinerary will include: Galilee, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and more. The all-inclusive price is \$3646 per person, double occupancy or \$4244, single occupancy. For more information, pick up a brochure at church, or speak with Rev. Pam or Fr. Steve.

WHOLE CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT CONTINUES!

CHECK THE CALENDAR (P. 6/7) FOR LOCATIONS

5:30-6:00p	Prayer Service
5:00-6:00p	Trinity Ringers Bell Choir Rehearsal
5:45-6:45p	Buffet Dinner - <i>Upcoming Menus:</i>
	• November 29: Fettuccine alfredo with chicken, salad and dessert
	• December 6: Roasted pork loin with braised apples and polenta, salad, dessert
	• December 13: Prime Rib, potatoes, salad, dessert
6:15-7:45p	Frolic Nursery Care
6:30-7:45p	Treasure Kids Club, Youth Group, Family Choir, Young Adult Group
6:45-7:45p	Advent Bible Study (SEE BELOW), Chancel Singers

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY TOPICS:

November 29: The Season of Advent and Its Saints: ST. ANDREW

December 6: The Season of Advent and Its Saints: ST. NICHOLAS

December 13: The Season of Advent and Its Saints: ST. LUCY

NO WCFN on December 20, 27 or January 3. We'll be back in action on January 10!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div> <div>GUIDE:</div> <div> <div>(Church) = Main Church</div> <div>(LH) = Lewis Hall</div> </div> <div> <div>(Pearson) = Pearson Hall</div> <div>(Chapel) = Historic Chapel</div> </div> <div> <div>(PH) = Parish Hall</div> <div>(FR) = Flower Room</div> </div> <div> <div>(TTE) = Trinity Towers East</div> <div>(TTS) = Trinity Towers South</div> </div> <div> <div>(LWR) = Lou West Music Room in Pearson Hall</div> </div> </div>					<div>1</div> <div>Assistant Rector's Day Off</div>	<div>2</div> <div>3:30p - Accidental Grace Practice</div> <div>4:30– 6:30p - BP Screenings (Narthex)</div> <div>5:00p - Holy Eucharist (Crawleys)</div> <div>6:00p - Parents' Night Out (TBD)</div>
<div>3 ADVENT 1</div> <div>7:30a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div> <div>8:15a-12:45p - BP Screenings (Narthex)</div> <div>9:00a - Holy Eucharist Rite II,</div> <div>9:15a - Children's Chapel (Nursery)</div> <div>10:30a - Reception for Phil (LH)</div> <div>10:30a - Advent Craft Day (PH)</div> <div>11:15a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div> <div>4:00p - Blue Christmas Service (Church)</div>	<div>4 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</div> <div>11:00a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>2:00p - Exercise Class (LH)</div> <div>6:00p - Yoga for Health (LH)</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Co-Rectors' Day Off</div> <div>11:00a - Coloring the Scriptures (LH)</div>	<div>6 WHOLE CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT</div> <div>7:00a - Holy Eucharist (Chapel)</div> <div>9:15a - Small Group Healing Prayer (Chapel)</div> <div>10:00a - Linen Guild (LH)</div> <div>10:30a - HE / Healing (Chapel)</div> <div>11:30a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>5:00p - Trinity Ringers (LWR)</div> <div>5:30p - Prayer Service (Church)</div> <div>5:45p - Buffet Dinner (PH)</div> <div>6:30p - Choir Practice (LWR), Treasure Kids Club (Pearson), Youth Group (LH), Young Adult Group (Book Nook)</div> <div>6:45p - Chancel Singers (Church), Advent Bible Study (PH)</div>	<div>7</div> <div>9:30a - Staff Meeting (LH)</div> <div>11:30a - Buildings & Grounds (LH)</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Assistant Rector's Day Off</div> <div>6:00p - Youth Christmas & Farewell Phil Party (Crawleys' home)</div>	<div>9</div> <div>3:30p - Accidental Grace Practice</div> <div>5:00p - Holy Eucharist (Church)</div>
<div>10 ADVENT 2</div> <div>7:30a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div> <div>9:00a - Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)</div> <div>9:15a - Children's Chapel (Nursery)</div> <div>10:30a - Youth Group (LH)</div> <div>10:30a - Pageant Parts Picking Party (Pearson)</div> <div>10:30a - Adult Sunday School (PH)</div> <div>11:15a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div> <div>3:00p - Christmas Caroling (PH)</div>	<div>11</div> <div>11:00a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>2:00p - Exercise Class (LH)</div> <div>6:00p - Yoga for Health (LH)</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Co-Rectors' Day Off</div> <div>11:00a - St. Catherine's Guild Luncheon (PH)</div> <div>11:00a - Coloring the Scriptures (LH)</div>	<div>13 WHOLE CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT</div> <div>7:00a - Holy Eucharist (Chapel)</div> <div>10:30a - HE / Healing (Chapel)</div> <div>11:30a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>5:00p - Trinity Ringers (LWR)</div> <div>5:30p - Prayer Service (Church)</div> <div>5:45p - Buffet Dinner (PH)</div> <div>6:30p - Choir Practice (LWR), Treasure Kids Club (Pearson), Youth Group (LH), Young Adult Group (Book Nook)</div> <div>6:45p - Chancel Singers (Church), Advent Bible Study (PH)</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9:30a - Staff Meeting (LH)</div> <div>11:00a - St. Margaret's Guild (LH)</div> <div>5:30p - Finance Meeting (LH)</div> <div>6:30p - Vestry Meeting (LH)</div>	<div>15 NEWSLETTER FOLDING</div> <div>Assistant Rector's Day Off</div> <div>9:00a - Newsletter Group (LH)</div>	<div>16</div> <div>3:30p - Accidental Grace Practice</div> <div>5:00p - Lessons & Carols (Church)</div>
<div>17 ADVENT 3</div> <div>7:30a - Lessons & Carols (Church)</div> <div>9:00a - Lessons & Carols (Church)</div> <div>9:15a - Children's Chapel (Nursery)</div> <div>10:00a - Holy Eucharist (Buena Vida)</div> <div>10:30a - Youth Group (LH)</div> <div>10:30a - Pageant Practice (Chapel)</div> <div>11:15a - Lessons & Carols (Church)</div>	<div>18</div> <div>11:00a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>2:00p - Exercise Class (LH)</div> <div>6:00p - Yoga for Health (LH)</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Co-Rectors' Day Off</div> <div>10:00am - Daughters of the King (LH)</div> <div>11:00a - Coloring the Scriptures (LH)</div> <div>12:15p - Keenagers (LH)</div>	<div>20</div> <div>7:00a - Holy Eucharist (Chapel)</div> <div>10:30a - HE / Healing (Chapel)</div> <div>11:30a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>2:30p - Coloring the Psalms (TTS)</div> <div>5:00p - Trinity Ringers (LWR)</div> <div>6:00p - Pageant Practice (Church)</div> <div>6:45p - Family Choir (LWR)</div> <div>6:45p - Chancel Singers (Church)</div>	<div>21</div> <div>9:30a - Staff Meeting (LH)</div> <div>6:00p - Health Ministry Team (LH)</div>	<div>22</div> <div>Assistant Rector's Day Off</div>	<div>23</div> <div>3:30p - Accidental Grace Practice</div> <div>5:00p - Holy Eucharist (Church)</div>
<div>24 ADVENT 4 / CHRISTMAS EVE</div> <div>9:00a - Holy Eucharist Rite II</div> <div>11:00a - Christmas Carols & HE (TTE)</div> <div>2:00p - Pageant Practice (PH)</div> <div>3:00p - Children's Service & Pageant</div> <div>4:15p - Birthday Party for Jesus (PH)</div> <div>5:00p - Candlelight Service - Rite II</div> <div>8:00p - Candlelight Service - Rite II</div> <div>11:00p - Candlelight Service - Rite I</div>	<div>25 CHRISTMAS DAY</div> <div>10:00a - Christmas Day Service (Church)</div> <div>Merry Christmas!</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Church Office Closed</div>	<div>27</div> <div>7:00a - Holy Eucharist (Chapel)</div> <div>10:30a - HE / Healing (Chapel)</div> <div>11:30a - Bible Study (LH)</div> <div>5:00p - Trinity Ringers (LWR)</div> <div>6:45p - Family Choir (LWR)</div> <div>6:45p - Chancel Singers (Church)</div>	<div>28</div> <div>9:30a - Staff Meeting (LH)</div>	<div>29</div> <div>Assistant Rector's Day Off</div>	<div>30</div> <div>3:30p - Accidental Grace Practice</div> <div>5:00p - Holy Eucharist (Church)</div>
<div>31 NEW YEARS EVE</div> <div>7:30a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div> <div>9:00a - Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)</div> <div>9:15a - Children's Chapel (Nursery)</div> <div>10:30a - Reception for Humberto! (PH)</div> <div>11:15a - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)</div>	<div>HOLY TRINITY EVENTS CALENDAR - DECEMBER 2017</div>					

Stewardship Intentions to Date:

FOR 2018 (as of 11/16/2017)

201 pledges to God's Glory
19 new pledges
53 increased pledges
Total Pledged so far: \$415,724

COMPARE TO 2017 TOTALS

Number of Pledges: 279
Total Pledged: \$530,360

*If you have not yet
pledged - please
prayerfully consider
doing so. Make
Holy Trinity your
first priority in your
charitable giving.*



You may pledge online at
www.holytrinitymelbourne.org

DEVEREUX STOCKINGS!



We hope to fill 140 stockings again this year. We'll be accepting items and cash from November 26 - December 10. Let's make this another special Christmas for the kids! Suggestions: candy canes, crackers, shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, body wash, gift cards to Walmart & Target, movie tickets, hair brushes, teen coloring books, pencils. There is a list in the Narthex, too. Contacts: Becky or Mike Crews (321-508-1114).

HUMBERTO IS RETIRING!



No! Say it isn't so! Yes, it's true! After over 24 years of faithful service to Holy Trinity, Humberto Santiago has announced his retirement effective January 1, 2018. Please join us for a reception in his honor at the coffee hour on Sunday, December 31 at 10:30am.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS



If you wish to place memorial flowers on the altar for Christmas, please fill out this form and return it to: **Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Attn: Kitty McGuire, 1830 S. Babcock Street, Melbourne, FL 32901**, or you can place it in the collection plate during worship, or deliver this form to the Church Office **NO LATER than Friday, December 15**. A donation is customary. Please make all checks payable to "Holy Trinity". Contact Kitty McGuire at 723-7637 with questions.

In loving memory of: _____

In thanksgiving for: _____

Given by: _____



Small Group Healing Prayer will meet on Wednesday, December 6 at 9:15am in the Historic Chapel. You are invited to come and join in praying for healing for yourself or someone you love. We gather. We share prayer concerns. Fr. Steve prays and the group prays for one another. If there is time after the prayer, then Fr. Steve presents a brief teaching on healing from the Bible.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, November 28 at 10:00am in Lewis Hall. If you don't know how to knit or crochet, we'll be happy to show you how!

Yoga for Health continues to meet on Mondays at 6:00-7:15pm in Lewis Hall. This is a traditional Hatha Yoga program to strengthen the body and mind for service to the Lord. Suggested donation: \$5. For info and to sign up, call the office: 723-5272.

Rev. Pam's Bible Study continues on Mondays at 11:00am in Lewis Hall. They are studying 1 Kings, and all are invited to attend! Questions? Just ask Rev. Pam.

Fr. Steve's Bible Study continues on Wednesdays at 11:30am in Lewis Hall. They are studying 1 Maccabees. All are invited to attend! Questions? Ask Fr. Steve.

Coloring the Scriptures continues on Tuesdays at 11:00am in Lewis Hall. Did you know that coloring relieves stress? We will open with a brief devotion, and prayer requests will be offered at the close. All materials as well as a snack will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own coloring materials. They will not meet on December 26. Questions? Contact Rev. Meghan.

Daughters of the King will meet on Tuesday, December 19 at 10:00am in Lewis Hall. If interested, please contact Dinah Beverley at 321-724-2879.

Adult Sunday School, led by Jack Bottomley, will NOT meet on December 3, will meet on December 10 after the 9:00am service on the east side of the Parish Hall, and will then break for Christmas. They are studying the Book of Matthew. For more information contact Jack at 321-622-5649.

St. Margaret's Guild: HO! HO! HO! Please come and join us for our annual St. Margaret's Guild Christmas luncheon which will be held on Thursday, December 14th at 11:00am in the Parish Hall. (Please note the date and venue change.) St. Margaret's Guild has some awesome chefs, so we decided to cater it ourselves! Come and try the mouth-watering lasagna, spiral ham, delicious sides and desserts, and our usual Christmas libations! Background music will be provided by Mike on the steel drums. You don't have to be a member of St. Margaret's Guild to come but we would like to know if you are coming! We will be taking donations for Gifts from the Heart Christmas Shop for our Christmas project. Check out www.giftsfromtheheart.org. Please call Barbara Dillery at 676-2062 if you would like to come and haven't signed up.

Send Me, Lord: For help with meals or transportation from one of your brothers or sisters in Christ, call the church office: 723-5272. You can also call if you would like to volunteer for this ministry.

St. Catherine's Guild will hold their Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 12 at 11:00 in the Parish Hall. You will be served a delicious holiday lunch catered by Chef Daniel Farr! Price is \$20. Deadline to pay is December 8. Bring a gift for the White Elephant Auction. Questions? Contact Janet Autio, 321-266-0266.

Recent Newcomers: Holy Trinity would like to welcome our recent newcomers: Renny & Lorraine Bertolami, the Churcher family, Anora Dyer, Dominique Harris, Alexis Parsons, Ebony Parsons, Kimberly Phelps, and Andy, Sonja and Jackson Waterman.

The **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held in the church immediately following the 9:00am service on Sunday, January 21, 2018. New Vestry members will be elected.

Keenagers will meet on Tuesday, December 19 at 12:15pm for our luncheon in Lewis Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Newcomers are welcome! For more information, call Rose Himmenger, 951-7320.

Newsletter News: The deadline for the January newsletter is **MONDAY, DECEMBER 4**. Folders are needed to prepare the newsletter for mailing on Friday, December 15 at 9:00am in Lewis Hall. Goodies will be served!

Movement Class continues to have fun while getting fit! Won't you join us? Mondays at 2:00pm in Lewis Hall.

Health Ministry News

Sit Less, Move More: Being sedentary is not just a lack of exercise, it is a potentially independent risk factor for heart disease and stroke according to the American Heart Association.

The latest advisory was published in the AHA journal Circulation. The article states that prolonged sedentary time could negatively impact the health of your heart and blood vessels. Because of this damage, being sedentary may increase risks for developing heart disease, diabetes, and the risk of dying from any other cause.

The authors also found that moderate to vigorous physical activity does not cancel out the impact of sedentary time. Even physically active people who spend a lot of their time after a workout seated at a desk appear to have an increased risk.

While more research is still needed to determine just how much sedentary behavior increases these risks, the best advice at this time still seems to be sit less, move more.

Blue Christmas Service: Grief, illness, family far away, financial struggles -- there are many reasons why the holiday season can be difficult. If your heart is hurting please know you are not alone. Join us on Sunday, December 3 at 4:00pm for a Blue Christmas Service in the church. This is a gentle, contemplative service for those who are carrying pain or loss during this season of celebration.



CAN YOU HELP ALL SAINTS SCHOOL in the Virgin Islands?

Hurricanes Irma and Maria have extensively damaged the Virgin Islands, and have left All Saints School without textbooks, screens for the windows, computers, classroom furniture, and other school supplies. It left them with compromised roofs, mold, mildew, and flooded classrooms. With all it took, it was unable to diminish the caring spirit of its students and staff.

All Saints Cathedral School is an Episcopal school in St. Thomas US Virgin Islands. It has educated the children of St. Thomas, Water Island, Hassel Island, and St. John since 1928. It has always achieved the highest of academic standards. The class of 2016 had 96 of its students accepted into college. One student joined the US Marine Corp. It is only one of three religious schools in St. Thomas, and is the only Episcopal school in the US Virgin Islands.

Its mission is to deliver a superior moral and academic education, instill respect for people of all faiths and backgrounds, promote independence, self worth, physical health, spiritual awareness and responsible citizenship within a nurturing faith based environment.

I am very proud to have been a student and graduate of All Saints. Any help you could give to this school would be greatly appreciated. **To help, visit: www.allsaintsvi.org/giving.html**

Sincerely, Holy Trinity Church member, Mary Ann DeSocio



END OF THE YEAR GIVING

Contributions received in the office by Friday, December 29, 2017, or postmarked Saturday, December 30, 2017 will be credited to 2017 giving. The last opportunity to place your 2017 offerings in the offering plate will be during worship on December 30 & 31. Thank you!

December Birthdays

2	Bryce Terrell	18	Ann Cliff
	Marilyn Ottesen		Irene Maneke
	Ginny Kimball		Jennifer Alvarez
	Becky Biggin	19	Marie Thomas
4	Marilyn Penn	20	Becky Crews
	Patricia Dial		Tom Stallard
	Robert Ardinger		Allison Schutte
	Jessica Abreu		Emma Borboroglu
	Harper Kemna	21	Mark Kirschner
5	Stephanie Rubin		Anne Fay
6	Rosemary Cherry		Dan Pegion
	Cathy Ford		Madison Cahill
7	Anna Bourne	22	Marion Smith
8	Patricia Oetting	22	Kevin Arter
	John Huy	23	Pat Smyth
	Laura Hendren		Jackie Menzel
9	Alexis Dawson	24	Myra Lester
10	Sharon Smith		Carol Hakkila
	Nancy Fletcher	25	Celia Perkins
	John Wills	26	Evelyn Zahradnik
	Mackenzie Wills		Susan Green
11	Kitty McGuire		Holly Grant
	William Trauterman	27	Lenoy Bain
	Ted Peters		Erin Sharma
13	James Hawks	28	Diane Clemens
14	Betty Webster		Ron McGee
15	Tricia Ochipa		Rick Avvampato
16	Linda Fox	29	Frank Christopian
17	Nan Rost	30	Christine Goodwin
	Katie Knotts		

December Anniversaries

1	Ron & Lee Ann Meehan		Richard Warren & Susan Jennings
5	Jeff & Karen Hart	28	Mark & Joy Williford
8	Scott & Nancy Morgan	29	Guy & Georgianna Fraser
10	George & Judy Henderson	30	Hugh & Sandy Blankenship
19	Donna Lou Martin & David Panzl		George & Dolores Faughnan
20	Rich & Pat Franck		Bill Gundlach and Joan O'Brien
27	Randy & Eloise Evans		Frank & Paige Walbert
			Dean Wesenberg & Linda Edwards

Recent Death

Hubert Meeks November 10, 2017

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

Bible Verse for 2017:

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name." (Psalm 103.1)

Our Mission:

To know Christ and to make Him known.

Our Vision: Every member in ministry.

CLERGY

The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer	Bishop
The Rev. Stephen Easterday	Co-Rector
The Rev. Pamela Easterday	Co-Rector
The Rev. Meghan Farr	Assist. Rector for Pastoral Care
The Rev. William G. Lewis	Rector Emeritus
The Rev. Stacey Westphal	Deacon
The Rev. Vicky Collins	Deacon Emeritus, Retired

STAFF

Barbara Bayley	7:30am Organist
Madelyn Belt	Financial Assistant
Amy Cain	Substitute Secretary
Keith Cain	Financial Administrator
Justin Clermont	Accidental Grace Director
KC Crawley	Children's Minister
Eloise Evans	Family Choir Director
Sharon Lester, Cheryl Stephens	Parish Secretaries
Patti Loyd	Connections Coordinator
Phil Nunez	Youth Minister
Megan Paauwe	Children's Ministry Assistant
Sarah Pierce	Accidental Grace Director
Humberto Santiago	Facilities Manager
CW Sorrows	11:15am Worship Leader
David Vogeding	9:00 & 11:15am Organist
Carolyn Wilt, RN	Faith Community Nurse

HOLY TRINITY VESTRY

Faye Bottomley '18: **Sr. Warden**, Personnel

Joe Libasci '19: **Jr. Warden**, Chapel

Frank Dawson '19: **Clerk**, Children & Families, Website Development

Mike Crews: **Treasurer**, Kitchen/Chapel, HTEA Rectors' Representative

Gail Pearson: **Assistant Treasurer**

Kevin Bartczak '18: Thrift Shop, Finance, Chapel

Linda Edwards '18: Hospitality

Alan Smith '18: Youth, Finance

Tom Stallard '18: HTEA Representative

Janet Gray '19: Prayer, Worship

Jeanne Hakkila-Wills '19: Demographics - Hospitality

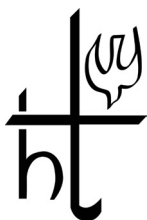
Jay Olsson '20: Health Ministry

John Seybold '20: Youth, Demographics - Outreach

Roger Teurfs '20: Audit Committee Oversight

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday:	7:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
	9:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	11:15am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
Wednesday:	7:00am	Holy Eucharist
	10:30am	Holy Eucharist & Healing
	5:30pm	Prayer Service
Saturday:	5:00pm	Holy Eucharist, Contemporary



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