



Notes for the Journey

On May 22, 2005, we celebrate Trinity Sunday for the 150th time as a parish. The bishop of Missouri, the Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith, will be the celebrant, and the Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris will be the preacher. There will be festive and excellent music, guests from far and near, and a wonderful meal afterwards. It is a time to remember the people and events of the past that have formed us as a faith community and to give thanks for their witness to the gospel, which we carry on in our ministry today.

Over the past year I've heard from some of the clergy associated with the parish, read some of their accounts of Trinity memories, and been privileged to speak with them. Bishop Cadigan, Bishop Jones, Bishop Rockwell, Arthur Walmsley, and Tony Morley have communicated their affection for Trinity, as well as Jennifer Phillips, Lawrence Crumb, Susan Nanny, Jack Fleming, and a host of others. Bill Chapman is with us in spirit, along with the others who have joined the communion of saints on that bright and distant shore.

Reading through old Vestry minutes, I've been moved both to laughter and tears at the ongoing history of struggle and caring that runs so deep in this place, from arguments about liturgy to leaky roofs, from concern about the sick and the dying to taking hard and courageous stands over hot issues. To focus on the clergy would be a mistake, for it is the largest order of ministry—that is the laity—who are primarily responsible for the character and ministry of this parish.

Those who give of their time, talent, and treasure—beginning with the smallest worshippers moving on to the Vestry and wardens, and to countless volunteers, I am deeply grateful for the hard work they accomplished, and for their continued prayers and support. I have a profound sense of standing in a long line of dedicated holy women and men, each with their own talents and quirks, who have given of themselves to God's work here in this corner of the kingdom.

No celebration of the past is complete without looking towards the future and to the challenges that will come. Some we can see on the horizon and some are unknown. Trinity will continue to witness to a gospel of love not only through its outreach ministry to the hungry, but in its ongoing ministry of inclusion. As the Anglican Communion becomes increasingly polarized it will be more important than ever for the church at the corner of Euclid and Washington to stand firmly in its commitment to the value of diversity as a vision of what it means to be the people of God.

So let us celebrate, with songs of thanksgiving, with color and noise and a big feast, and let us be renewed in commitment to the God of love, who has brought us this far and leads us into new life.

Blessings,
Anne

WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Geoff Kraft
 Jackie Judd
 Kayte Foxworth
 Margaret Kane
 Frank Oakes
 Camilleann Nelson
 Amy Connor
 Erik and Tracey Bergman
 Margo Skinner
 Mary Moore
 Natalie
 Carole
 Aloysius Holmes
 John Drescher
 Emma Johnson
 Pearl Kinne
 Jeanie Ader
 Anna Mason

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

John Worland
 Eran Eaton
 Josh Gennari
 Corey Harwell
 Patricia Roddy Jones
 Andrew Bedow

WHO MOURN

Patricia Sampson, Kathi McDonald and
 Drew Medsker
 Ann Watts and her family
 Martha Baker and her family
 Betty Weber and her family

WHO ARE GRADUATING

Ellen Weber, from Webster Groves High School
 Berkley Adrio, from Ladue High School

WHO ARE BEING BAPTIZED

Anna Ingrid Layher,
 Daughter of Bill and Karin Layher
 Peyton Crump
 Daughter of Deb Crump and Amy McHugh

BEING CONFIRMED AND RECEIVED

Rolly and Nora Peterson
 Bill and Karin Layher
 Olivia Natwick
 Carolyn Munch
 Helen Schultz-Kamadulski

WHO ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

5/04 Nicholas Vaughn-Trell Nesbitt
 5/05 Emma Johnson
 5/08 Bob Emert
 5/09 Jeannette Kuchta Lehrmann
 5/11 Eldright White
 5/13 Anne Hennig
 5/15 Tom Weber
 5/18 Stephen Nichols
 John Drescher
 5/19 Matt van Bakergem
 William Henry Emert
 Michael Robert Emert
 5/20 Thomas Wohlschlaeger
 Barbara Bradshaw
 Jim O'Bannon
 5/23 Langdon Thacher
 Gil Fisher
 5/29 LaVaughn Jones
 5/30 Anthony Gacilos
 6/01 Suzanne Dickneite
 6/04 Ellie Kirk
 6/14 Sirvella Oakes
 Annie Mae Fielder
 6/18 Ethan Cadenhead
 6/19 Rip Van Winkle
 6/21 Karen Boston
 6/23 Mary Alice Kirk
 6/24 Mary Swanson
 6/25 Betty Weber
 6/26 Alexah Strongheart
 Harry Leip
 6/28 Barbara Ritchey
 Ruth Harker
 6/29 Betsy Clark
 6/30 Reuben Rigel
 Kiri Haggans

Trinity Book Group

Like to read? How about talk? Throw in a fondness for food, and you could be a typical member of the Trinity book group. We meet one evening per month, typically on the third Saturday. Please feel free to join us, whether you have read the current book or not. In May, we are discussing *The Time Traveler's Wife*, by Audrey Niffenegger. We will meet at the home Ellie Chapman and Jim O'Bannon (314 361-5326) on May 14 at 8:00 p.m. In June, we will discuss *The Birth of Venus*, by Sarah Dunant, at the home of Lisa Carpenter on June 18.

Lisa Carpenter

LGBTQA Potluck June 18

On Saturday, June 18, all Trinitarians—gay, straight, bisexual, lesbian, transgender, old and young (yes, kids, too)—are invited to an LGBTQA Potluck at the home of Alexah Strongheart, 1732 Muriel Drive in North County. We will gather at 5:00 p.m. for a Eucharist followed by dinner. Bring whatever the Holy Spirit moves to bring. A grill will be available if you want to barbecue something. For more information, ask Harry Leip, Alex Strongheart, or Jeff Wunrow.

Remembering St. Cecilia

St. Cecilia Remembered, our April 17 Evensong, Concert and Festive Supper, was a memorable event indeed. It was held as part of our observance of the 150th anniversary of Trinity Parish, in remembrance of celebrations in the past to honor the patron saint of music.

We began with a solemn evensong service with service music composed for the occasion by Trinity's organist Jeff Nall. These stunning settings of the Phos Hilaron, Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were performed with great beauty

by the Trinity choir. We were treated to a homily by our neighbor and good friend, the Rev. Brooke Myers, who knows how to tease us.

Following evensong, we enjoyed a concert with a traditional eclectic program featuring Jeff Nall, Willard Cobb, Darrell Berg, James Nacy and Helen Hendry performing works by William Mathias, Bach, Handel and Schumann. The concert closed with a rousing demonstration by the St. Louis Shape Note Singers.

Finally, we adjourned to the north and south parish halls to enjoy a lovely supper prepared by Jim O'Bannon and Ellie Chapman and their crew and entertainment by the Booze Arts Ensemble. All in all, a great evening!

Barbara Uhlemann

Trinity Sunday Celebration

Our series of 150th-anniversary observances culminates on Trinity Sunday, May 22, at a Festival Eucharist with our bishop, the Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith, as celebrant and The Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, assisting bishop of Washington, as preacher.

On this day we will celebrate in particular Trinity's history of commitment to racial amity and social justice as demonstrated in the life and work of beloved former rector, the Rev. William D. Chapman.

Barbara Uhlemann

Origin of the Hot Lunch Program

For three years—from 1982 through 1985—Jessie Spinks served a hot lunch to 40 to 50 men every Sunday afternoon—almost all by herself. After her retirement in 1985, a system of volunteer teams from Trinity began to host the Sunday Hot Lunch program.

Trinity History Ready May 22

Thanks to the long and arduous labors of Martha Baker and Etta Taylor, the story of Trinity's most recent 30 years will be ready for the 150th anniversary celebration on May 22.

With this sesquicentennial event as their goal, Martha and Etta began the project in the Trinity basement four years ago, sorting meticulously through piles of mildewed paper—Vestry minutes, business records, correspondence—and moldy photographs. Culling names and dates and narrative from hundreds of documents, questionnaires distributed to parishioners and a few interviews, they have produced a thorough, well-written account of these years.

This document brings Trinity's published history up to date, the first 100 years having been written by Elizabeth Platt and the next 20 by Charlotte Brown. To pave the way for Trinity historians in the future, Etta has set up archives for organizing data and photographs.

Copies of the history will be presented at the luncheon at the Mahler Ballroom after the Trinity Sunday service on May 22. They will be available after that date in the church office.

Ellie Chapman

Can You Help Out?

Several members of the parish need a helping hand. Dee Scott needs rides to and from church (she lives off Arsenal near Jamieson).

Sirvella Oakes needs people who can "senior-sit" for a few hours occasionally so that she can run errands. If you can help, please call Dee or Sirvella, or leave word with Bill Ader in the office.

Anne Hennig

CWE Farmer's Market to Open

A new Farmer's Market will open in the Central West End on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot on Washington across the street from Trinity. It will feature 12 to 15 vendors selling a variety of fresh vegetables and meat. In addition there will be live music, picnic tables and red wagons for customers to take purchases to their cars. To get more information go to www.greenmarketSTL.com. This may have an impact on our use of the building on some Saturday mornings, but this is a welcome addition to the neighborhood.

Habitat Tidbits

Many thanks to all who helped make the Habi-Jam a great success! Trinity contributed FOUR "baskets" of books: murder mysteries, thrillers, "Travel to exotic places with interesting companions" (which included a zippered tote bag), and an assortment of non-fiction in a Trinity tote bag (which included a copy of Louis Gerteis's new book, *Civil War St. Louis*). The final figures are not yet in, but rumor has it the amount of money raised was more than \$7,000 this year—and a good time was had by all.

This year's build will be back in Hillside where we were the summer before last, and all of the workdays are on Saturdays. Trinity's workdays are June 25 (siding and setting trusses), July 9 (roofing and siding), and August 13 (interior work). In addition, together with Trinity St. Charles we are being asked to provide lunch on June 4. If you would like to participate or find out more, talk to Anne Hennig or Dee Scott. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the South Parish Hall, posted along with the complete work schedule. If the assigned dates don't work for you, or if you want to work on a particular Saturday when Trinity is not scheduled, talk to Anne Hennig soon, so she can arrange a swap with one of the other churches.

April Vestry Meeting Report

Cheryl Sharpe offered an opening prayer from *Standing in the Need of Prayer: An African American Prayerbook*. The meeting began with Harry Leip distributing information on Diocese assessment contributions and reporting that Trinity had met its assessment in 2004 and exceeded its assessment in 2005. Jan Parker reported that Trinity passed the annual health inspection of kitchen facilities and that several low-cost upgrades are being considered to make the entire facility more accessible to the physically disabled.

Matthew Owings reported on activities at the Metro II meeting, which included a discussion of delegate representation by parish size. The Vestry then heard reports from various Commissions. On behalf of the Outreach Commission, Jeff Wunrow reported that preparations for the Taste of the CWE on June 11-12 proceed and that booth volunteers are needed. Jeff also reported on the Holy Ground meeting. A Holy Ground Interfaith Service of Holy Protest is scheduled at Trinity on May 20 regarding Medicaid cuts.

Harry reported that Trinity Episcopal Church in Kirksville is now determining whether to become an OASIS parish. If the church accepts, it will be the 6th participating parish. The current five parishes are Advent in Crestwood; Christ Church Cathedral, St. Mark's, and Trinity in St. Louis; and Transfiguration in Lake St. Louis.

The final business of the meeting was a motion introduced and passed unanimously to approve the entire Niekamp Fund as initial seed money for the campaign for a new organ for the parish, contingent upon raising sufficient additional funds to purchase an appropriate instrument. Compline was offered by Kate Haggans.

Cheryl Sharpe

Treasurer's Report

As of April 30, which is 33% of the way through the year, pledge income is at 37%, and total income is at 36%. Parish expenses are at 39% of budget, resulting in a deficit of \$8,200 for the year so far. The Trinity Food Ministry has received income in excess of expenses of about \$5,000 for the year so far.

Barbara Uhlemann

From the Junior Warden

We had a sparse turnout for the garden workday on April 16, although a few hands accomplished a lot of work. The back parking lot and rear gardens were cleaned and weeded. They look great! Thanks to all who helped!

We are gearing up for a final sprucing up for our Trinity Sunday celebration. The workday for inside and outside is changed to May 21 from 9 until 12:00. We look forward to a big turnout, even if you can come for only a short time. Our goal is to look just about perfect!!

New lighting has been installed on the altar, which will allow Anne and the altar party to read with more ease. We also recently had the air-conditioning units inspected and readied for the hot weather ahead. We are "ship-shape"!

Trinity has applied to the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese to the Assistance Endowment Fund. Two years ago we received financial assistance to repair and resurface our parking lots. This year we have indicated the need to replace the south parish hall doors and to replace lighting in the altar area. If we receive the grant, we will need to match it from our building fund. Say a prayer; results of the grant awards will be announced in June.

Jan Parker

The food ministry continued to serve the poor in our community, feeding between 40 and 60 at each Sunday Hot Lunch. First Unitarian Church served the first Sunday of the month, followed by Grace Episcopal Church-Kirkwood on the second Sunday, Church of the Holy Communion on the third, and St. Mark's Episcopal Church on the fourth Sunday. Parishioners coming from these various faith communities evidence a similar dedication to this important ministry. From time to time, youth groups from other churches ask to help serve. This is a great way for young people throughout the region to learn about poverty. The food pantry served 295 individuals in April, of whom 78 were children and 49 were seniors.

Volunteers are the heart and soul of the food ministry. Here is what they do: Churches serving the hot lunch plan the menu, purchase and prepare the food. Often additional parishioners come to help serve. The church serving the meal provides the funding for the lunch. When Trinity serves the lunch, one of us agrees to be team leader to plan the menu – the rest of us pitch in with the cooking and serving. Besides feeding the hungry, it is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners. And we usually have a good time! A sign-up list is posted in the south parish hall several weeks before Trinity's time to serve—come join us.

At the food pantry, volunteers interview clients and bag groceries. We maintain a computerized list of clients who have registered with the food ministry. Each client must show some form of identification each time he or she comes in. Volunteers check the data for clients who have been in previously and register new clients. We serve each client one time per month. Clients must live in the ZIP codes around our parish. If people come in who live outside these ZIP code boundaries, we give food for the day and refer them to food pantries near them.

Have you thought that you might like to get involved in the food program? We need volunteers for the food pantry on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. If you want to talk to one of Trinity's volunteers, here are the parishioners who volunteer in the food pantry: Kathy van Bakergem, Jan Dunlap, Virginia Benson, Nora Peterson, Ellie Chapman, Jim O'Bannon and John Works.

Steve Turner

NCCJ Presents Anytown Institute

The National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) presents Anytown Youth Leadership Institute, an eight-day, residential, "depth awareness" program for high school students. Anytown students share their diverse cultures and ethnic, religious and economic backgrounds; develop valuable interpersonal skills; and build upon their leadership capabilities. NCCJ's Anytown challenges and prepares youth to make meaningful and informed decisions about their futures and the futures of their schools and communities.

Through small- and large- group discussions and experiential activities, students develop personal skills needed to begin problem-solving individual and group conflicts, and they leave with useful information and skills to become agents for change. Using the concepts of targeting, privilege, internalized oppression, internalized superiority, and self-identification, Anytown focuses on racism, classism, sexism and heterosexism, individually and collectively.

There are two summer sessions: June 19-26 and August 7-14. Each session takes place at the Rickman Center in Jefferson City and costs \$875 per person, which includes transportation, room, board, training, materials, and follow-up. For more info, go to www.nccj-stl.org.

Service Information

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Date	May 22, 2005 Trinity Sunday	May 29, 2005 Pentecost 2	June 5, 2005 Pentecost 3	June 12, 2005 Pentecost 4
8:00 Servers				
Chalice Bearer	No 8:00 Service	M. Seager	D. Berg	G. Friesen
Usher	No 8:00 Service	D. Berg	T. Kirk	B. Ritchey
10:30 Servers				
Emcee	H. Leip	L. Will-Smith	G. Fisher	J. Andris
Chalice Bearer 1	M. Owings	J. Andris	S. Turner	L. Will-Smith
Chalice Bearer 2	Not Needed	S. Adams	D. Scott	D. Berg
Crucifer	G. Fisher	J. Simbeck	J. Parker	C. Weber
Thurifer	L. Will-Smith	R. Giunta	B. Uhlemann	I. McCall
Torch 1	L. Carpenter	M. Simbeck	A. Gerteis	L. Carpenter
Torch 2	A. Gerteis	E. Weber	G. Johnston	E. Weber
Reader 1	B. Mayhan	D. Scott	F. Baker	G. Benson
Reader 2	A. Watts	L. Sather	M. Baker	V. Benson
Intercessor	M. Baker	B. Layher	K. Layher	H. Leip
Usher 1	TBD	D. Crawford	C. Curran	B. Mayhan
Usher 2	TBD	K. Paar	J. Gregory	S. Turner
Healing 1	S. Adams	M. Baker	J. Dunlap	M. Seager
Healing 2	D. Scott	G. Fisher	S. Nichols	M.E. Anderson
Readings				
First Reading	Genesis 1:1-2:4	Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19	Genesis 12:1-9	Genesis 18:1-15; (21:1-7)
Psalms	Psalms 8	Psalms 46	Psalms 33:1-12	Psalms 116:1, 10-17
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 13:11-13	Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-28	Romans 4:13-25	Romans 5:1-8
Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20	Matthew 7:21-29	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26	Matthew 9:35- 10:8; (9-23)

Anne's Summer Travel Plans

Your Rector will be very busy in the month of June. As part of my continuing education, I will be in Washington, D.C., from June 1 – 9 at the College of Preachers attending a conference on urban ministry, “The City of God for American Cities: Reinventing the Urban Church.” We will examine the meaning of vocation in the context of the city through speakers, Biblical reflection, and discussion. We will also make pilgrimages to several of Washington’s imaginative, church-based, urban ministries. I am excited about this opportunity and will share insights and ideas when I return.

On June 15 my daughter and I leave for Jerusalem and the wedding of my niece Clara, who is marrying Yakov Rosen. Since I have never been to the Holy Land or this ancient holy city, I am thrilled at this opportunity. I will return on June 24 in time for the ordinations that evening, for Mass on the Grass at Pridefest that Sunday, and for the vestry meeting. Then on the 29 we leave for California and my step-daughter Meghan’s wedding to Andrew Thornton. I’ll be back in the office on July 12. While I’m away, services and pastoral care will be handled by the Revs. Bill Baker and Michael Randolph.

Anne

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Sundays

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite 1
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite 2

Wednesdays

6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Meditation

Thursdays

6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite 2

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