



Trinity Tidings

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You Call That a Vacation?!?

As I write this, the vacation season--for most of us--is drawing to a close. Over the last several months some of you have enjoyed being down the Shore and others have headed to the Poconos or perhaps to the Outer Banks. I know a few of you have been to the "happiest place on earth" and found that Mickey and the gang are all well. For others of us, vacation has been a time to relax at home. For most of our lives as a married couple, Melanie and I have referred to our summer trip to Alabama—where all of our families live—as vacation, though I'm not sure that has ever seemed very vacation-ey!

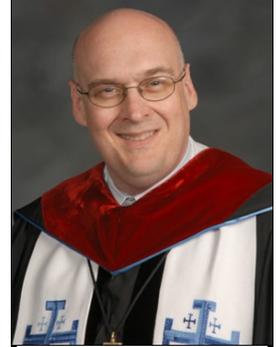
This year I truncated my usual time in Alabama in order to be here at Trinity. I did that because I was given the opportunity to spend much of my vacation time differently this year. As you know, in a couple of weeks, I will be leading a group of 25 on another Holy Land pilgrimage; 8 are Trinitarians and the other 18 are from the Kirk of Kildaire Church of Cary, NC. Before and after that pilgrimage, I will use much of my vacation (and continuing education) time by traveling to Biblical sites, meeting with religious leaders from a variety of Christian traditions and being part of a conference on Christian-Muslim relations. One aspect of the trip that I am anticipating the most is the ability to spend a few days at two of the oldest monasteries in Christendom. Yes, monasteries! As I have told people about this, I have received a very common response: *You call that a vacation?!?*

We are all different. Some like the beach and others prefer a lakeside venue. Some folks want to be in the cool quiet of the Poconos and others want to be in the middle of Walt Disney World's summer exuberance. Some want beaches; others want hiking and yet others like sailing off the Cape or snorkeling in Bermuda. We are all different. For me, to have the opportunity to stay and pray at Mar Saba, a Greek Orthodox monastery begun in 483, is a gift for which I am deeply grateful. You see, non-Orthodox are rarely allowed to do more than make a daytime visit to the monastery. Receiving a blessing (as they refer to my approval to visit) is a rarity and so my gratitude is great. As if that wasn't enough, while in Jerusalem in June, I received an invitation to join a group of pastors and theologians for a four-day stay at St. Catherine's Monastery, seated at the foot of Mount Sinai. I could not believe it! St. Catherine's is the third oldest, continuously-running monastery in the Church; monks began to pray on the mountain where Moses received the Ten Commandments around 370. How am I getting to have this kind of *vacation*?

Visiting the ruins of Biblical sites and historic churches is not everyone's cup of tea, I get that. Staying at ancient, fresco-decorated monasteries is not most people's first choice for a get-away, I realize that. Still, I have never been a big fan of a vacation that meant sitting in a chair, reading a book. I know that most people like that and that's great, but for me, to have the chance to learn in the Holy Land through travel and conversations and prayer is right up my alley. So, you feel free to ask me, when you see me next: *You call that a vacation?* And I'll tell you the truth: well it ain't Disney World, but I'll take it...gladly and gratefully!

I look forward to being back with you and being able to once again share through teaching and preaching what I have learned about the Bible and the larger Christian Church. It is my prayer that my vacation and continuing education time will be a benefit to all of us. And so I go, asking your prayers for me, if you will do that for me, I will have good reason to be

Hoping Big! -Gregory



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Trinity's Music News



YOU CAN MAKE MUSIC AT TRINITY!



Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

Adult Bell Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm



Children's Rehearsals

Cherub Choir – Pre-K and Kindergarten;

Thursday 4:30-5:00pm

Carol Choir – 1st and 2nd grade;

Thursday 5:00-5:40pm

Team Choir – 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade;

Thursday 5:40-6:20pm

Team Bells – 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade; Thursday 6:20-6:50pm

Youth Rehearsals

Youth Choir – 6th -12th grade; Sundays 10:50am-11:30am

Youth Bell Ensemble 6th -12th grade; Sundays 11:30-noon

Youth Instrumental Ensemble 6th -12th grade;

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced

Trinity Band and Mahalo Ukulele Band

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced



Please call the church office at 428-2050 or e-mail Lisa Marcelli,
Director of Music, at lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org for more
information.

Trinity Community Concert Series Presents The Cherry Hill Men's Chorus

Friday, October 25, 2019 * 7:30 PM

Founded in 2017, this inter-generational men's chorus of over 30 adults and students aims to make music at the highest possible level and to pass down important lessons on character and music from one generation to the next. The chorus performs a wide variety of music from choral masterworks to lighter tunes.



TCCS concerts are open to all! Admission is a free-will offering. A reception with light refreshments will follow each concert.

And save the date for these upcoming events in our
30th Anniversary Season:

The Tri-County Symphonic Band

Friday, December 6, 2019 * 7:30 PM

The Rachmaninov Trio

Sunday, March 1, 2020 * 4:00 PM

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Trinity News and Notes



In Memoriam

Virginia M. Raff
United with Trinity August 22, 1971; Died August 16, 2019

Sympathies

We extend our sympathies to Glenn Raff on the death of his wife, Ginny Raff.
We extend our sympathies to Barb and John Wilson and family on the death of Barb's mother, Carole Alden.

Baptisms

We rejoice with Joanna and Gabriel Schmitzer on the occasion of the baptism of their daughter, Stella Amaral Schmitzer.
We rejoice with Dipal Dinesh Patel on the occasion of her baptism.

Births

We congratulate Susie Stockwell and Ryan Delaney, and grandparents Bill and Betty Stockwell, on the birth of son/grandson, Parker Stockwell Delaney, born on July 21, 2019.



Session of Elders

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Jenny Stark

Adult Ministries

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Children's Ministries

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Brad Ritchie

Membership

Kris Parsons

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Worship & Music

Steve Talbott

Youth Ministries

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Technology Committee

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Hersch Craven

Committee Chairs

Assistance

Pete Desjardins,

Kelly Raymond

Fellowship

Cindy Mailahn

Service

Randy Southworth

Visitation

Audrey Azevedo

Session Update

At its stated meeting on September 9, 2019, the Session:

- Confirmed the September 6, 2019 Membership Count of 656.
- Congratulated Rev. Faulkner on his 25 years as an ordained minister.
- Learned that two adults have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.
- Approved the baptism of Dipal Patel and Julie Atkinson.
- Discussed the Autumn Prayer Vigil scheduled from noon Friday, October 11 until noon Saturday, October 12.
- Confirmed that Rev. Faulkner will begin his Holy Land Pilgrimage on October 13.
- Caught up with Youth and Children's Ministry events including: Mission & Mixers, Commissioning Class, and Sunday school.
- Heard that Camp Johnsonburg will host a 60 year Anniversary Gala on October 5 and all are invited.
- Reviewed planned visit by Presbyterian Peacemaker, Mama Monique Misenga Mukana.
- Heard that the estimated cost of the basement/flood renovation will be around \$90K, lower than the original estimate of \$150K.
- Approved the October baptism of Colin David Roncinske
- Heard about planned Rally Day activities.
- Learned of the restructuring of Church School and the need for more Sunday school teachers and helpers.
- Prayed for members and friends.

-Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session

Adult Education



Adult Ministries invites everyone on **October 6th at 11am** who wants to know more about aging.

Rev. Don Fletcher, well known to our Trinity community, is writing about his experiences on aging, and who better? Rev. Fletcher will celebrate his 101st birthday this January. He has written extensively about his life experiences and is now compiling his 100 years of living for publication. Rev. Fletcher not only is an avid writer but in the past years he has taken up art as a hobby. This past spring, he and his family traveled to Cuba! **Join us in Witherspoon Center** as Rev. Fletcher shares his insights on faith and life.

Fellowship Group

Join us for adult Bible study. We are a small friendly group always looking to learn and meet new people. We meet one Sunday a month at noon and share a potluck meal and study. **Our next meeting is October 13.** For more information call/text Jenny at 609-680-6090.

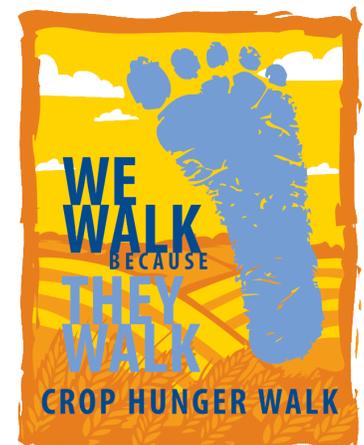
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CROP WALK 2019



Trinity Church needs walkers for our annual CROP Walk. **The CROP Walk date is Sunday, October 6th from 1-3PM at Challenge Grove Park in Cherry Hill.** The walk proceeds go to Church World Service, an organization that supports anti-hunger projects worldwide. 25% of the funds raised go directly to the Cherry Hill Food Bank. You can help by participating in the walk or sponsoring a walker. You can sign up for the walk and pick up your sponsor sign-up envelopes at the Mission & Outreach table at Coffee Hour on Sundays in September and October. Please stop by and sponsor Sarah Craven, Lisa Marcelli and Sue Nork! You

can visit the table to find out how to donate online, organize a group, or general information about the walk location and date. Please contact Chris Bryfogle for further questions 609-234-0691 or cbryfogle@comcast.net. Thanks, Trinity!



What is Stephen Ministry?

Presented by Rev. Sarah Craven and George Sanders
Sunday, October 13th at 11AM in Witherspoon Center

“Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ”
(Galatians 6:2, NRSV)



Stephen Ministry is the one-to-one lay caring ministry that takes place in congregations that use the *Stephen Series* system.

Stephen Ministry congregations equip and empower lay caregivers – called Stephen Ministers – to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ—centered care to people who are hurting.

Children's Ministries

Church School

On Sunday, September 15, the Children's Ministries Committee hosted a pancake breakfast for our children in Sunday School. This was a great way to start a new year. A huge thank you to Brad Ritchie for being the master chef, a thank you to Pat Turner for purchasing the food and of course to our committee, Linda Craven, Gary Naumick, and new comer to the committee Janelle Curl and of course our Rev. Sarah. It was a great

time for the teachers to meet the kids and also enjoy delicious food. Thank you for the teachers that came to lend a helping hand: Jennifer Leitinger, Susan Bastangel, Kim and Dom Bui, Lydia Burgess, Pat and Jackie Kinskey, Ben Reith and Roberta Ritchie. Also thank you to Abby Leitinger for doing such a wonderful job face painting our children.



Trinity continues with...

MIXERS & MISSION

Who: Trinity's Teens and Tweens
(6th-12th grades)

When: Once a month

Where: Trinity and the community

Fall Details:

10/6/19 11:45 am Lunch at Trinity followed by
CROP Walk

11/17/19 12 noon Lunch and Bingo at Barclay's
Rehab

12/8/19 2:00 pm Elf at Lisa & Joe Marcelli's home

We hope you can join us this fall.....
once, twice or for all 3 activities.

Community Service points are available...

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact

Lisa Marcelli at lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org

or

Sarah Craven at sarah.craven@trinpres.org

Care n' Share

Care n' Share Fall opening was delayed due to painting & clean-up from the "summer flood".



**We will open on
Tuesday, October 1.**

Our schedule will remain the same: Tuesday's, Thursdays & the "first Saturday" of the month (October 5) from 10 am to 1pm.

Your clothing & houseware donations can be brought in during those hours & on Sunday mornings following the 9:30 worship service.

Please make sure all items are CLEAN & serviceable-no missing buttons, broken zippers, stains, missing parts etc.

Thank you for your generous donations. All proceeds go to local missions.

Library Corner

Thanks to all for donating books and money to the Library Fund on Rally Day. The Committee was exceptionally pleased with the interest and response.

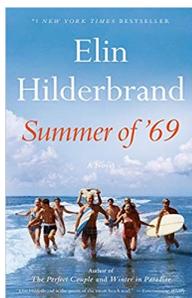
Summer of '69
by Elin Hilderbrand

Welcome to the tumultuous summer of 1969. For the Levin family, the times are changing.

The story takes place on Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard and is about this multi-generational family with many secrets. Who is stealing, who is having a romantic relationship with a member of the household staff? It is not who you might think!

All this goes on throughout the summer. The only son is off fighting in the Vietnam War, while his mother drinks her worries away, ignoring her youngest daughter.

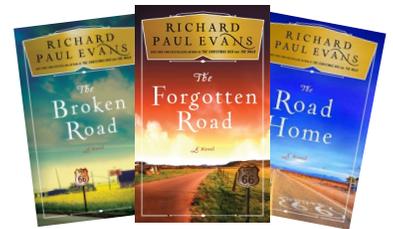
The book touches on Ted Kennedy and Chappaquiddick. One sister works in the hotel where he is staying, and is a civil rights protester,



with many secrets of her own that eventually come to light.

This is a pleasing read in which four siblings experience the drama and upheaval of a summer where everything changed.

**The Broken Road
The Forgotten Road
The Road Home**
A trilogy by
Richard Paul Evans



The author sets out to write a nostalgia story about the changing of America and the historic routes traveled. He sets off traveling down Route 66 from Chicago to California. Along the way he meets what seems to be a familiar face in a the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Needles, California where the temperature was 119 degrees. The man's clothes were wet with sweat, with salt lines staining his shirt. Everything about the man looked out of place.

There was a way he held himself that didn't seem compatible with the way he was dressed. When a conversation was struck up, it was a man with quite a history. He had been walking Route 66 all the way from Chicago. He agreed to tell the author his story, if the author told it in the first person just the way he was telling it, whether or not the author believes it.

Charles James was a wealthy Chicago business owner, and celebrity who everyone believes was killed in a fiery plane crash. But thanks to a twist of fate, he was not on the plane. Narrowly escaping death brought Charles clarity. He was ready for a second chance at life and love. He leaves disillusionment behind, and sets off down Route 66 to find peace and fulfillment, and possibly love.



**Come check out our new selection of
Children's Books!
There are many new stories to discover.**

PW October 2019 Circle Meetings

Step Out of the Box and into a Circle!

Tuesday, October 15th

Shiprah	7pm	Sue Nork's home
Rebekah	7pm	Donna Allen's home

Wednesday, October 16th

Miriam	9:30am	Witherspoon, Room 2
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Monday, October 21st

Deborah	1pm	Alice Buda's home
Priscilla	1pm	Val Cross's home
Ruth	7pm	Karen Kain's home

Sunday, October 27th

Esther	11am	Witherspoon
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There is still time to join a Circle.
Check out the different Circles on the PW Board!



PERSONAL HYGIENE SAMPLES TO AID LOCAL SHELTERS

ATTENTION TRAVELERS -- PW MISSIONS will be collecting single use travel-size items like those distributed at hotels, motels and resorts. Requested items include **unopened** soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, mouthwash, deodorant, shaving supplies and other personal items.



Samples will be donated to Volunteers of America for use at local shelters. Two local shelters in Camden are Anna Sample Complex and Aletha R. Wright "Vision of Hope" Center. Look for our basket (Soap for Hope) under the PW Bulletin Board (between Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall) to place donations during OCTOBER. We appreciate your support. Please contact Jan Caffrey (856) 667-3687 or jancaff@verizon.net with questions.

SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

Trinity's Semi-Annual Prayer Vigil

*Sweet hour of prayer!
Sweet hour of prayer!
That calls me from a world of care
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known.*



*In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!*

Friday, October 11, 12pm– Saturday, October 12, 12pm

Help create 24 hours of continuous prayer at Trinity by signing up for *your One Sweet Hour of Prayer.*

Sign up in Fellowship Hall today or call the Church Office at 856-428-2050.

2019 Trinity Holiday Bazaar and Craft Show is Coming!

Save-the-Date for Trinity's Holiday Bazaar!!

Our 14th Annual Holiday Bazaar and Craft Fair will take place on **Saturday, November 16th** from 9am to 3pm.

We have vendor spaces available and if you are interested or know of a crafter/artisan who does interesting handmade crafts encourage them to apply! Information and applications are available on the Trinity website: www.trinpres.org. You may contact Julie Blair at www.2019trinitybazaar@gmail.com or 609-654-9172

with any questions. The Bazaar will also include a Silent Auction of donated items such as event/sports tickets, use of a vacation house, and handcrafted items such as a quilt or artwork. The ever-popular themed Tombola Baskets will be available, and Santa and the trains will be over in Witherspoon.

Come with your kids, friends, neighbors – spread the word!



October 2019

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 Care n' Share Re-Opens 10am PW Fall Gathering 6:30pm	2	3	4	5 Care n' Share 10am-1pm
6 Communion 9:30am Adult Ed 11am M&M 11:45am Crop Walk 1pm	7 Blood Drive 2pm-7pm Strategy 6pm Session 7pm	8	9	10	11 Prayer Vigil 12pm-----	12 Prayer Vigil -----12pm
13 Adult Ed 11am Ukuleles 12pm Fellowship Group	14 Columbus Day Office Closed	15 Shiphrah 7pm Rebekah 7pm	16 Miriam 9:30am	17	18	19
20 Cancer & Conversation 10:45am Holy Land Trip Departs	21 Deborah 1pm Priscilla 1pm Ruth 7pm	22	23 NYC Bus Trip 8am No Commissioning	24	25	26
27 Sr. High Breakfast 10:30am	28	29	30 No Commissioning	31 No Kids Choirs		(Holy Land Trip Returns November 3)

<p>SUNDAY 9:30 Worship Service 9:30 Church School, Nursery-Gr. 6 10:50 Youth Choir 11 am Adult Ed—Witherspoon 11:30am Youth Bells 7 pm Senior High Fellowship (SHF) - Witherspoon</p> <p>MONDAY 7 pm Boy Scouts—Witherspoon 7:30 BASIC— 2nd and 4th Monday of Month</p>	<p>TUESDAY 10 am-1 pm Care 'n Share Shop</p> <p>WEDNESDAY 6:15 pm Commissioning—Witherspoon 6:30pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Cub Scouts—Community Room 7:30 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>THURSDAY 10 am-1 pm Care 'n Share Shop 12 pm Alzheimer's Support Group— 6:30 pm AA, Witherspoon 8:00 pm AA, Witherspoon</p> <p>Thursday Children's Choirs 4:30-5:00 pm Cherub Choir 5:00-5:40 pm Carol Choir 5:40-6:20 pm TEAM Choir 6:20-6:50 pm TEAM Bells</p>
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Next Tidings deadline is October 15th for November Issue

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Then all things will be given to you. | **Matthew 6:33**

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