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In 1979 my husband Bruce and I, along with our four daughters and various pets, were notified by Noxell Corp. (now a Proctor & Gamble Company) we were being transferred to the Headquarters in Baltimore on York Road. We purchased a home off Manor Road in Phoenix, MD. Within two weeks Father Frank Sandifer knocked on our door. A long conversation about Trinity Church ensued and we agreed to come to Church the following Sunday. Best decision ever!

The many years we've been members of Trinity, I served a term on the Vestry heading Pastoral Care; my husband served as Senior Warden the years getting the new Day school built. Currently I am an Acolyte and Chalice minister for the 10am Service.





SNOW POLICY

As a general rule, if there is a snow emergency, Sunday services will be cancelled as we do not want to encourage people to be on the roads when it is dangerous to drive. As soon as a decision is made, we will change the church answering machine to reflect the cancellation. If possible, we will also contact everyone on the email list with that information. The decision will be made no later than 6 a.m. on Sunday morning. For other events, contact the chairperson or check with the church office.

- Fran Stanford -



FRANFARE

Dear friends,

Some people consider the King James Version (KJV) of the Bible to be THE BIBLE, every other translation falls short of some invisible standard of correctness. Indeed, it's hard to beat the King James for the poetic way in which some passages are translated, like the 23rd Psalm, or the creation story of Genesis 1. The very things that rendered the KJV the landmark translation that it was—translated for the best and most ancient texts, translated into contemporary language– also makes it very user-unfriendly. We do not speak Shakespearean English with all its thee's and thou's and –eth's. Some words have radically changed meanings, and we now have many more ancient manuscripts than the KJV translators did.

So when people ask me what translation they should buy for themselves, their children or the newly confirmed, I suggest they pick up various Bibles and read a familiar passage, such as the creation story, or the nativity of Jesus, and go with the one they like the best. The most important thing in choosing a Bible for personal spiritual reading is to choose one you will read!

One reason to actively seek translations and paraphrases with which you are not so familiar is that it allows you to hear the text as if for the first time. When we do so with openness to the Holy Spirit (as opposed to noting how the new is less than the old), we are likely to hear God speak new truths to us through the text. For an example, the Beatitudes (which would have been Sunday's reading had it not bee the Feast of the Presentation) from the Sermon on the Mount in the Gospel according to Matthew. This version comes from The First Nations Version, a translation currently being made by Native Americans (First Nation People).

- When Creator Sets Free (Jesus) saw this great crowd, he went back up into the mountainside and sat down to teach the people. His followers came to him there, so he *took a deep breath*, opened his mouth and began to share his wisdom with them *and teach them how to see Creator's Good Road*.
- Creator's blessing rests on the poor, the ones with broken spirits, the good road from above is theirs to walk.
- Creator's blessing rests on the ones who walk a trail of tears, for he will wipe the tears from their eyes and comfort them.
- Creator's blessing rests on the ones who walk softly and in a humble manner; the earth, land, and sky will welcome them and always be their home.
- Creator's blessing rests on the ones who hunger and thirst for wrongs to be made right again; they will eat and drink until they are full.
- Creator's blessings rests on the ones who are merciful and kind to others; their kindness will find its way back to them–full circle.
- Creator's blessing rests on the pure of heart, for they are the ones who will see the Great Spirit.
- Creator's blessing rests on the ones who make peace; it will be said of them, 'They are the children of the Great Spirit!'
- Creator's blessing rests on the ones who are hunted down and mistreated for doing what is right, for they are walking the Good Road from above.
- Others will lie about you, speak against you, and look down on you with scorn and contempt, all because you walk the road with me. This is a sign that Creator's blessing is resting on you. So let your hearts be glad and jump for joy, for you will be honored in the world above. You are like the prophets of old, who were treated in the same way by your ancestors.

Whether in the New Revised Translation we common use in church, or the First Nations Version, the Beatitudes speak of the Way of Blessing, the path God desires us to walk.

As you contemplate your spiritual discipline for Lent, make reading the Bible part of it, perhaps choosing a new translation or paraphrase to help open your spirit to God's Holy Spirit.

Frant

^{3**}Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
⁵Blessed are the meck, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
⁹Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for they will be called sons of God.
¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

We will celebrate Trinity Church's 200th year in Long Green Valley on Sunday, May 3, 2020. Bishop Sutton will join us for a 4:00 pm service followed by a catered dinner. While we don't have all of the details completely ironed out yet, we do know that we will need help from the congregation to make sure this event is a success. We will need volunteers for the following areas: invitations (electronic is preferred to keep costs down), decorations, set up, and clean up. A sign-up sheet is posted on the

bulletin board in the Parish Hall. If you feel you can help in any of these areas, please sign up ASAP so we can get started! As previously stated, we are looking to cover the cost of the event but not raise additional funds for the church. If you have fundraising ideas, please take them to the Vestry for discussion. We look forward to celebrating with Trinity families, past and present!

Respectfully Submitted, Jonathan Deford and Chrissy Cook

Bicentennial Preparation

Several months ago, the vestry initiated three projects to prepare Trinity for our Bicentennial Celebration. We authorized Epiphany Studios to restore and protect our stained-glass windows (\$34,243.82); the initial engineering work was done the week of January 26 and the final work will be completed mid April. The church has been reroofed with repairs as needed (\$20,385), and just in time given that some of the sub-roofing was damaged, as was the tower roof. The church has been power-washed, trim painted and flashings repaired (\$3,237). This was to be funded through donations, memorials, and if needed, from the endowment.

At the Annual Meeting January 26, we took the time to create a wish list of projects that still need done. Here is that list, in no particular order:

- Church Building doors, carpet, cleaning pews, new green and white altar hangings, AV in the church that would allow for live streaming, improved lighting and heating in the narthex, repair of interior water damage
- Parish House updating to the parish hall and fover areas, repair/replacement of flooring, cleaning of windows
- Grounds landscaping, removal of debris from the northern Manor RD wooded area

The vestry has called for a "Big Clean" on March 21, 9-2. Work that is planned for that day includes cleaning of mildew from the wood paneling in the church, cleaning and organizing the shed, cleaning the window in the Parish Hall, cleaning and organizing the attic, cleaning and sorting out the Nursery toys, etc. Plan to participate in the Big Clean, we will find a job for everyone. The camaraderie will be fantastic and lunch will be provided.

Capital Campaign

At the annual meeting, Joe Lynagh presented the Finance Committee's outline for a Bicentennial Capital Campaign. In keeping with the Bicentennial theme, we have set the goal of \$200,000. This will go towards the repairs and improvements already underway, other major ticket items from the Wish List developed at the Annual Meeting, and restoration of funds/additions to the endowment. A letter will be sent to every member of the parish explaining the project and how you can contribute, all contributions will be appreciated and the donors acknowledged. We also plan to contact families of those buried in our cemetery, past members, Day School families past and present, businesses we regularly employ, and the surrounding community, asking them to participate in the preservation of this important part of the Long Green Valley community.

Expect to hear more about this soon.







SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPER

Before Lent begins we celebrate with a traditional Pancake Supper, Mardi Gras night, February 25 from 5-7pm. Children are encouraged to wear costumes!

COMING TO COMMUNION



In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are encouraged to receive Communion (Eucharist) every Sunday. This includes young children, the norm being that as soon as a child indicates a desire to partake of the

Eucharist, he or she may do so. Children who have been receiving Communion since infancy, as well as those whose parents have chosen to have the children wait for "first communion," are encouraged to attend Coming to Communion for age-appropriate instruction on the meaning and practice of the Eucharist.

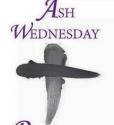
Coming to Communion is a two month course during which the child, led by a parent, works through a lesson book at the rate of one lesson each week. The "ideal age" varies and ranges from K-5th grade. Each lesson takes one aspect of the Eucharist, tells a Bible story related to that aspect, helps the child connect the concept to modern life, and includes activities that further expand the ideas presented. Dr. Fran meets with the families at the beginning of the program to explain it and issue the workbooks. The entire group meets at some point in the middle of the program to share a pizza lunch or supper and receive brief instruction on the proper way to receive communion. On April 28, the Sunday after Easter, each child completing the program will be recognized and given a Certificate of Completion.

If you wish to enroll your child in this year's Coming to Communion Class, please notify Dr. Fran at once so that we can set a schedule to begin the program. If you have any questions, please check with Dr. Fran, or ask a parent who has shepherded his/her child through the program.

-Fran Stanford-

ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020 with services at 12:30 & 7:00 pm. The liturgy includes the Litany of Penitence and the Imposition of Ashes.



Kemember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Ecclesiastes 3:20

THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for the generous staff gift. As you might suspect, I will probably use it on Latte! I am truly blessed to work with such loving and generous people.

Yours in Christ. Fran+



Dear Friends at Trinity,

A heartfelt Thank You goes out to all of you for the most generous staff Christmas gift. I know I am blessed to be part of the Trinity family. Wising everyone a happy and healthy 2020.

Sandra Lancraft



We love because He first loved us.

LENT MADNESS

This year, during Lent, instead of a formal teaching program on a particular topic, we will engage in Lent Madness! College basketball fans are familiar with March Madness, the final tournament, with brackets, the Sweet Sixteen, the Final Four, all leading to declaring the College Basketball Champion. Well, Lent Madness draws on this concept, with brackets and a final winner – the winner of the Golden Halo.

The Rev. Tim Schenck came up with the idea in 2010 as a way for people to learn about the men and women who have inspired generations of Christians. It all begins with 32 saints paired off against one another. Voting is open for 24 hours and the winners move on to the next bracket. Along the way, we learn the saints' stories and quirks, no doubt discovering saints we have never heard of before.

To join Lent Madness and have a vote, go to the website <u>www.lentmadness.org</u> and subscribe to the site via email. You can order the Saintly Scorecard from Forward Movement (<u>www.forwardmovement.org</u>) to get brief bios on each saint, or google them if you prefer. You can like it at facebook.com/lentmadness, follow on Twitter @lentmadness or watch videos at youtube.com/lentmadness.

Past winners of the Golden Halo are: Martha of Bethany, Anna Alexander, Florence Nightingale, Dietrich Bonhoffer, Francis of Assissi, Charles Wesley, Francis Perkins, Mary Magdalene, C.S.Lewis and George Herbert.

A poster will be place in the front room of the Parish Hall so everyone can keep track. We can discuss the players during coffee hour, plug our favorites, maybe even show some of those YouTube videos as we join this fun way to learn about our ancestors in the faith.





COME JOIN THE FUN! TRINITY CHURCH DAY SCHOOL'S SUMMER NATURE PROGRAM 2020

June 1 - June 26 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Register March 2 for Trinity's Summer Nature Program. Each week will feature a different fun and engaging theme. Our schedule is as follows:

- Exploration/Arrival Activity
- Morning Meeting
- Snack Time
- Singing and Movement
- Outdoor Activities
- Craft Activities
- Story Time
- Lunch
- Clean-up and Closing Meeting
- A Water Play Day (1x per week)
- Organized Game Day (1x per week)

Themes:

- Week 1: Rainforest
- Week 2: Under the Sea
- Week 3: STEM
- Week 4: Cooking and Nutrition

Afternoon Extended Day is available (June 1-5 and 8-12 is guaranteed, June 15-19 and 22-26 will be available if enough students sign up in advance) until 4:00 p.m. Bring your brothers, sisters, friends and neighbors! Program is open to all children ages 3-6, although children <u>must</u> be potty-trained to participate. Additional applications are available in the school office or online at <u>www.trinitychurchdayschool.com</u>.

Savings coupon available on our website (coupon expires May 1)

Hey! Friday, Feb. 21, 6:30 pm



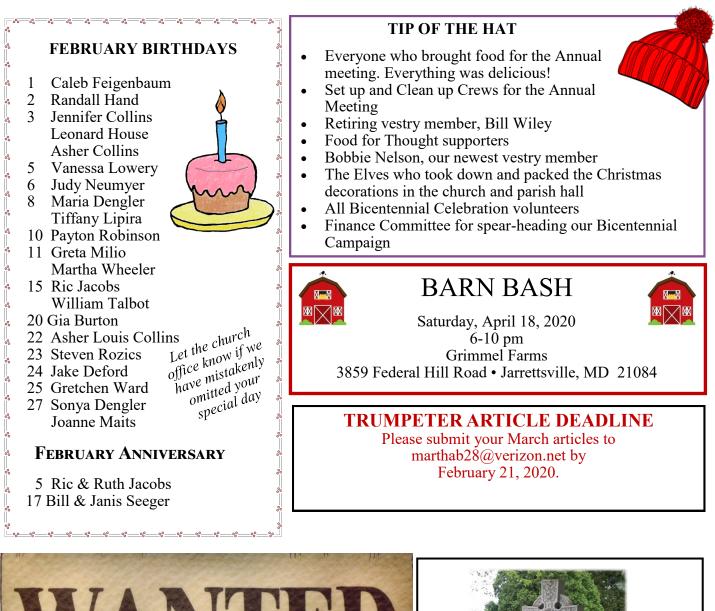


and Frozen 2 in March !!

Bring your parents and pillows. Wear your jammies if you'd like! Includes popcorn and drinks. ...and it's still free.

Trinity Long Green Parish Hall

For more information please call the church office. Trinity Long Green 12400 Manor Rd. Glen Arm, MD 21057 (410) 592 - 6224





Trinity needs you to serve as lector (reader), chalice minister, acolyte, and/ or altar guild (setting up for Sunday services). We offer on-the-job training and the benefits are out of this world! If you are interested, contact Sandra Lancraft in the parish office, or Dr. Fran and we will arrange for you to be trained and scheduled.



In Memoriam Carolyn Lowery July 28, 1935—January 10, 2020

Rest eternal grant to her

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