

HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



The Tempo

MAY 2021

Seeking to **Love** with the heart of Christ, to **Think** with the mind of Christ and to **Act** in the world as the Body of Christ.

MAY CALENDAR

Note: Except as indicated below, services in May are:

- Outdoor service of Holy Eucharist at Trinity Place on Sundays at 9:00 am.
- In the church (Nave*) service of Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 10:30 am.
- Online service of morning prayer Sundays at 10:30 am via Facebook or YouTube.

Wednesday, May 5

10:30 am Clemson Downs, Holy Eucharist, Corley Center

Thursday, May 13

5:00 pm Coral Evensong on Facebook

Coffee Hour is online on Sundays at 11:30 am via Zoom

ONGOING EVENTS

Each Evening: Compline at 8:30 pm on Facebook

Sundays

4 pm *Love is the Way* Zoom discussion with Mtr. Suz

Mondays

9 am Facebook online prayer

Tuesdays

11:00 am Reflectionary Bible Study via Zoom



KEEPING THE FAITH: SUZ'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Beloved in Christ,

I want to share with you a personal story. When I was eight years old, an event occurred that would change the trajectory of my family's life. You see, I was raised by social justice activists. That isn't how my parents would have described themselves, but that is who they were. Both of my parents taught in historically Black schools in Chattanooga, which is where I grew up. My mother was the first full-time White faculty member of Howard High School, which is visible from the interstate that winds through downtown Chattanooga. My parents' Black coworkers and students were frequent guests in our home—which was a moving target because our leases were not renewed. I would venture to guess that my childhood was not typical for a White girl growing up in the South in the latter part of the mid-Twentieth Century.

The event that changed the trajectory of my life occurred one Sunday—I don't remember the season. To be honest, I barely remember that particular day. I do remember being squeezed into the back pew at St. Peter's with my parents, my sisters, and our guests for the day—a Black coworker of my mother's and his family. I don't know if my mother was making a statement by inviting the Edie family, or if it was purely an impulse toward evangelism. I do know that the fallout from that day included my parents' decision not to return to that Episcopal church where I had learned the Lord's Prayer by heart and had heard the story of Moses tucked into a basket and set upon the waters of the Nile to be discovered by Pharaoh's daughter. We did not attend any church for the rest of my growing up years, and I did not set foot in a church, except for weddings and funerals, for the next 30 years.

I feel the wounds of institutional racism in my bones and feel called to work to overthrow the systems that perpetuate it. Of course, I am White, and I have not experienced the effects of racism to anywhere near the extent that our Black, Indigenous, Hispanic, and Asian neighbors have. I never will. By upbringing and by vocation, I am compelled to speak out in opposition and to work actively to dismantle systems of oppression. I find that my daily engagement with Scripture and prayer leads me ever more deeply into this conviction. I have also found companions along this path of commitment, companions within and beyond this parish.

A handful of Holy Trinity parishioners have joined Fr. Noah and me in exploring the ways in which we might work together to become the Beloved Community that not only welcomes all, but actively supports and works for equity and justice for all. We have finished our work with the Becoming Beloved Community curriculum, but there is more work to be done. I hope that more of us will join that work. While I don't foresee that there will be Black Lives Matter banners on our front lawn, I would like to work towards a marker at St. Paul's that acknowledges the debt we owe to those whose unpaid, forced labor created the wealth that made the founding of our mother church possible.

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We will continue laying the formational foundation and inviting others to join in discerning a vision for the holy work of dismantling racism. Two specific formational opportunities are available for anyone who is interested: workshops regularly offered by Clemson Area Pledge to End Racism and *Sacred Ground*, which will be offered by the Diocese in the fall. "*Sacred Ground* is part of Becoming Beloved Community, The Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice in our personal lives, our ministries, and our society." (From the website of The Episcopal Church).

The Episcopal Church has made a commitment to working for racial justice, reconciliation, and healing. This work calls us into a place of vulnerability. It takes courage, grace, and forbearance. I ask for your willingness to enter a conversation if you feel uncomfortable or troubled by this work. I keep listening deeply—to the words of Scripture, to the small, still voice that comes to me in prayer, and to the wisdom of those among whom God has placed me. Please speak to me if you are troubled by anything I say or do as your Rector. After all, that is the only way in which I can listen and learn from you. If you are interested in joining these efforts, please let me know. I'd love to hear your stories, your convictions, your ideas for becoming Beloved Community in spirit and in truth.

Much love, Suz+



FROM FR. NOAH, ASSISTANT TO THE RECTOR**WHY DO WE DO THAT? ROGATION DAYS**

Ask anyone who knows me and they will tell you I am a city slicker through and through. I grew up in large towns and small cities, and before going to seminary spent most of my adult life in large cityscapes of concrete and glass. Even though my parents made plenty of efforts to expose my sister and me to the great outdoors through camping trips and the occasional foray into vegetable gardening, these weren't activities where I found a lot of joy. But in more recent years, now older and perhaps wiser, I've been trying to do a better job of rounding out my connections to the natural world. I've been hitting the hiking trails more often, and I am happy to report that since moving to Clemson I have successfully managed to keep a number of houseplants alive. The abundant green space we have at Holy Trinity has been a boon too. A few weeks ago I came to the church on a Saturday morning to help out in the SAME Garden at Trinity Place, and planted some squash and cucumber seeds and transplanted an artichoke, and marveled at the abundant wildflowers that are already blooming (the corn cockles, I believe they're called, are my favorite). As I worked with another gardener that day to plant the seeds, we marveled at how little there actually is to worry about when it comes to growing crops, or at least how little is left to our control. We plant the seeds, keep them watered and in the right amount of sun, and God has taught the seeds how to do the rest! Miracle of miracles.

In our modern world most of us have delegated the cultivation of the land to others, and so it is difficult for most of us to pay close attention to the land on which we depend for our survival. Our ancestors knew better; if you didn't grow crops and tend to livestock, you didn't eat, simple as that. Asking God for seasonable weather and a good harvest, for protection from natural disasters, and for a blessing on work were all matters of central importance. Over the years it became traditional to set aside days in the spring for focused prayer during the planting season and to process around the boundaries of the village (known as "beating the bounds" in England), which doubled as an excuse to catch up with neighbors you hadn't seen in a while. These days were known as Rogation Days, from the Latin word *rogare* meaning "to ask" (in Spanish, *rogar* continues to be one of the words used for prayer, especially in the sense of pleading for something in a time of need).

Following ancient custom, the Episcopal Church observes the rogation days in the week leading up to Ascension Day, on May 13 this year. You can find prayers for these days on page 258 of your Prayer Book. This year we will observe Rogation Sunday on May 9 at the 9am service at Trinity Place as we bless the parish gardens and ask for God's blessing on the fruits of the earth here and around our community. This would also be a great time to pray over any plants of your own you have at home, or to invite Mtr. Suz or I to come bless your garden or farm (I have a friend in Arkansas who leads a blessing of the tractors every year!). Perhaps beating the bounds looks like getting your family or some friends together to walk around your neighborhood as you ask for God's protection over your community through the year and check in on some neighbors you haven't seen in a while.

God's first command to humanity at the dawn of history was to care for the earth and its creatures. Even as modern life has drawn us away from a daily awareness of this task, part of our job as Christians is to pay attention to the miracles of the natural order and to recognize God's presence in it. I hope that this Rogationtide you'll take some time to remember your dependence on God's continuing presence in the scattered seed and the tilled soil, and to pray that God will make you a good steward of the portion of the earth entrusted to you.

*God who alone provides seed for the sower and bread for the eater, you have taught us to ask of you our daily bread:
Bless the sowing of the seed this year, grant fertility to the soil, and strengthen the hands of the gardeners who till it,
that through their labor your people may be nourished; through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Amen.*

Fr. Noah Stansbury





CARE OF PEOPLE

Love with the Heart of Christ

UPDATED WORSHIP SCHEDULE



- Beginning May 2, our Trinity Place service will move to 9:00 am, and our Nave service will move to 10:30 am. The online, pre-recorded service will remain at 10:30, as well. These changes will allow us to continue our wonderful outdoor service through the summer, but without the afternoon heat! This shift is also a matter of stewardship of our people resources, in that it allows our Altar Guild to work more efficiently as we increase our Eucharistic services on Sunday. At this time, we anticipate that the worship schedule will remain as follows through the summer:

- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist with congregational singing at Trinity Place
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist with instrumental music in the Nave; No registration is required for the Nave services.
- 10:30 am Antecommunion, pre-recorded, online via Facebook and YouTube
- 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's on the first Sunday of each month **beginning in June**

CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

We have been marking special days on the Church calendar with livestreamed Evensong services. For the Feast of the Ascension on May 13, we are going to take it up a notch, incorporating a choral quartet from our Chancel Choir. The Feast of the Ascension takes place forty days after Easter (always a Thursday).

The Feast itself commemorates when, on the fortieth day after His Resurrection, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives, and after blessing them and asking them to wait for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, He ascended into heaven. It is a bright feast, an Easter feast, albeit one that begins an “in-between” time in which the disciples no longer had the presence of the Risen Christ in their midst and before they enjoyed the benefits of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Our choral Evensong will be livestreamed on Facebook at **5:00 pm on Thursday, May 13**. Please do join us as we honor this pivotal event in the life of the Church.

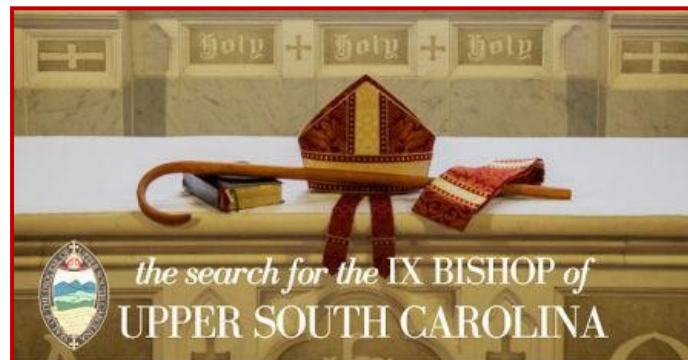
MONTHLY HOLY EUCHARIST RETURNS TO THE DOWNS!



We are excited to announce that the monthly Holy Eucharist at the Downs will resume in May. The service will be celebrated on the **first Wednesday** of each month at 10:30 in the large meeting room in the Corley Activity Center. In the before-time, this service was on Thursday morning, so be sure to mark your calendars carefully as we move to this new day.



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BISHOP SEARCH

Grace to you and peace from the members of the Bishop's Nominating Committee for the Ninth Bishop of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

Since our last update, the Nominating Committee has met many times via Zoom and in person, as we entered a careful process of discernment and rigorous evaluation of the candidates for bishop. As mentioned before, this confidential process is based faithfully on the Diocesan Survey and the Profile built around the survey results. A timeline for the process is included in the Profile. The Profile and Diocesan Survey can be accessed at

<https://www.edusc.org/bishopsearch/>

Once the nomination and application deadlines had passed, committee members were able to begin reviewing applications. We met in person in March to carefully evaluate each candidate's application. After prayerful discernment, the decision was made to narrow the strong candidate pool in accordance with the deep desires for certain qualities and experiences in our next bishop expressed in the survey and outlined in the profile. Following the March meeting, teams of committee members began interviewing the continuing candidates, checking their references, and reviewing sermons, publications, and social media in preparation for further discernment. We are enjoying getting to know the candidates and explore with them how their gifts fit with the challenges and opportunities cited in the profile. In April, the committee will meet in retreat to further narrow the candidate pool, again using the survey and profile as our guide. In the late spring, an in-person retreat will be scheduled with the remaining candidates. Afterwards, we will enter a time of deep and prayerful listening and consideration in moving toward the recommendation of a slate of candidates to the Standing Committee.

In the process of Christian spiritual discernment, we open our hearts and listen for God's guidance through the Holy Spirit. We, as a committee, are bound to this process of faithful listening, along with ongoing individual and group prayer. We pray for all applicants and their families, for the process, for our diocese, and for the election that will bring us our new Chief Pastor and Bishop. We ask that you join us in these prayers and pray for us and our work as well.

Faithfully,

Ms. Melissa Langford, *Co-Chair*
The Rev. Grant B. Wiseman, *Co-Chair*
The Rev. Raphiell Ashford
The Rev. Scotty Brock
Mr. John Cantey
Ms. Shawn Dunham
Ms. Lillian Hardaway

The Rev. Charles Jenkins
The Rev. Mia McDowell
Mr. Larry Moore
Ms. Susan Pretulak
The Rev. Patricia Sexton
Mr. West Summers
Ms. Corliss Wise



CARE OF PEOPLE

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild currently has a small crew of members who volunteer to staff the outdoor services. Now that we are adding indoor services in the Nave on Sunday, we need some additional volunteers to help with these services. The task involves setting up for the service and cleaning up afterwards and does not require that you attend the service in the Nave. The task can also be done by a single person just before and after the service if you are attending the service or a day or so before/after the service if you do not plan to attend the service. The entire task will only take 10-15 minutes, and we are providing a checklist (with photos).

If you are planning to attend services in the Nave and are interested in helping with this important task, you may sign up to volunteer to help the Altar Guild on the reservation form for the service. If you are not attending the service but would like to help the Altar Guild with set up or cleanup for these services, please contact Anna McKenna at amckenna@me.com or call at 320-761-0678 to volunteer or if you have questions.

I would like to also take this opportunity to thank the Altar Guild members who have graciously volunteered to fill in to support our services as we try to transition back to “normal times.” I especially appreciate their flexibility and willingness to move out of their comfort zone to support our services. This group has worked at Trinity Place since September and many are now doing double duty to staff the services in the Nave.

Special thanks to Jan and Jerome Cribb, Martha Williams, Kathy Woodard, Jack McKenna, Dorothy Meeks, Robbie Grider, Ann Russell, Emma Harrington, and Jane Hamilton for volunteering to staff services, as well as Iris Reed and Betty Snowden for helping out with washing linens!

Anna McKenna

SENIOR SUNDAY - MAY 16TH



Is someone in your family graduating? We want to honor them! Please send a photo and a short description of what's next for your graduating student to Sheryl Shankles, our Parish secretary, for inclusion in our worship bulletins on Senior Sunday. That email address is htchurch@holytrinityclmson.org.

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU



Holy Trinity is working hard to stay connected and provide support through the trials of pandemic restrictions. The Vestry and Neighborhood Group Leaders continue to reach out to parishioners in their areas regularly. Please contact your Neighborhood Group Leaders or the church office if you have any need, and we will do our best to help you out.

The office staff are not necessarily in the office at all times, but we are all checking email and phone messages regularly. The office number is 864-654-5071. To reach Lynne Farmer, Parish Administrator select ext. 3, or Sheryl Shankles, Parish Secretary select ext. 0. You can reach Mtr. Suz at 864-364-1952 to call or text. Noah Stansbury's cell number is 864-723-0391.



FORMATION

Think with the Mind of Christ



Stories are the heart of evangelism, and everybody has one. Join us as we explore the moments when we've experienced God's loving presence in our lives through Embracing Evangelism, a free, six-part course led by the Rev. Alan Bentrup, Canon for Evangelism & Mission in the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

Join us online on Wednesday nights from 7 pm—8 pm starting April 7. Register at the website below to learn more and reserve your spot!

<https://www.edusc.org/blog/embracing-evangelism/>

- Wednesday, April 7 — Introduction
- Wednesday, April 14 — Seek, Name, Celebrate
- Wednesday, April 21 — The Great Story and Your Story
- Wednesday, April 28 — The Stories of Others
- Wednesday, May 5 — Invite Everyone to More
- Wednesday, May 12 — Go! Discernment and What's Next

If you haven't been able to join the first two sessions, they are now available! Check out these two videos. You just might come away with a new idea of what evangelism is and want to join us for the next few sessions!

Introduction: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/12psCkyu4Kj4rPkm9eqd8BRI8crF4EbIL/view>

Seek, Name, Celebrate : https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UnU8xonQLq7B-yv42BEpje8rz5kt5_WH/view

ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL FAMILIES



In-person Sunday school that has been meeting at 2 pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month will be suspended through the remainder of the Spring. Instead, several family friendly outdoor events will be held to give parents and children a chance to reconnect and enjoy fellowship together over the spring and summer.

Look for announcements in *HT Notes*! We plan to resume normal weekly Sunday school offerings in the fall of 2021. We look forward to seeing you all! -

With love,

Your Sunday school leaders



FORMATION

JOIN US FOR TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

If you would like to take part in the online Bible study which takes place on Tuesdays at 11:00 am, use the link below. We take a deep dive into the readings appointed for the following Sunday, finding ways to connect them to our lives each week.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83789678685?pwd=QWcwMUQwUXZsUSt3cTNWOU15V1FjZz09>

Meeting ID: 837 8967 8685

Passcode: 927305



Canterbury of Clemson
Episcopal Campus Community

CANTERBURY MEALS

Thank you so very much to all of you who signed up to provide Canterbury meals. The sign up is full for this semester! Canterbury resumes in August, 2021.

LET US KNOW ABOUT YOUR COVID-19 VACCINATION



Let Holy Trinity know once you are vaccinated! Please email Sheryl at

Sheryl Shankles <htchurch@holytrinityclemson.org>

to let us know once you have received the vaccine (or if you already have) and whether you have had one dose and if and when you need to also have a second dose.

By letting us know once you are fully vaccinated, you help us to be able to evaluate when we have enough parishioners vaccinated that we can return to more regular worship. (This may be months away, I expect — but we can all do our part to help us get there as soon as possible.)

Suzanne

DISCOVERY CLASS

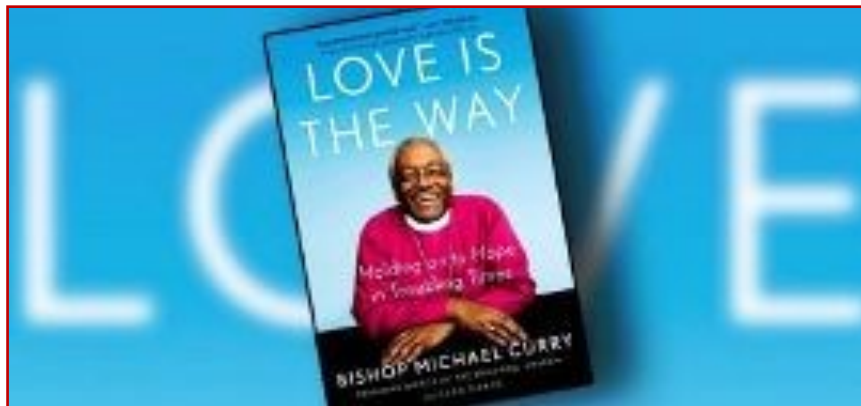
This Discovery Class for newcomers and those seeking Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church (that was outlined in the March *Tempo*) may be rescheduled for June and July.

Bishop Waldo will visit Holy Trinity to celebrate these Rites of Inclusion with us on August 15.



FORMATION

LOVE IS THE WAY: HOLDING ONTO HOPE IN TROUBLED TIMES



Bishop Curry's latest book offers a message of tenacious hope in the redemptive power of love and offers a roadmap for living the way of love, illuminated with stories from his own life's journey. Through the lenses of Bishop Curry's faith, ancestry, and personal journey, *Love Is the Way* shows us how we have come this far by faith, and it shines a light the long way that lies ahead of us in addressing the deep divisions in the world today. Please join us via Zoom each Sunday afternoon at 4:00 pm, beginning **May 2**, as we read through this engaging and thought-provoking exploration of how our faith in Jesus Christ sustains us and challenges us. The discussion will be facilitated by Mtr. Suz.

The book is easily available from your favorite book-seller. For the first session, we will read the Introduction and Chapter 1. The Zoom link will be provided in *HT Notes* and Sunday email beginning 4/29.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

Now more than ever, it is an act of Christian love to wear a face covering when you are away from your home. Please love your neighbor by wearing a mask, including whenever you come to our church buildings! We have masks available in the church office and at our outside worship services, just in case you get out the door without one.

Please take care of yourselves and those you love by staying home if you feel unwell or have been exposed to Covid 19. Quarantine 14 days or obtain a negative test result before resuming contact.

If you are outside, have been fully vaccinated, and not in a group, you need not wear your mask.





CLEMSON AREA PLEDGE TO END RACISM *LIVING THE PLEDGE WORKSHOP*



In order to make the Clemson Area Pledge to End Racism something that becomes an integral part of our daily lives, we offer a workshop to reflect, learn, and practice how to develop and maintain this commitment. This workshop is for people who have signed the Pledge and for those who are considering signing it. Our hope is to build a strong, multi-faith foundation for continued collaborative anti-racism work in the Clemson area. We plan to continue offering this workshop and to provide additional opportunities for learning and growth related to racism and oppression in the future.

Save the Date: This complete workshop will take place over two sessions on Saturday, **May 8** and Saturday, **May 22** from 9am – 4pm. Each session will include a lunch break and two additional 15 minute breaks.

Suggested Contribution: In order to support the ongoing work associated with CAPER programming, a \$30 per person contribution is suggested. Please consider how your ability to contribute may support participation by someone who cannot make a contribution. Thank you.

Goals:

The primary goal of this workshop is to develop confidence in our abilities to:

- Integrate the Pledge into our daily lives
- Confront racism and bias in our everyday lives
- Recognize and challenge systemic racism
- Take leadership in ending racism in our community, our culture, and our lives

As part of the workshop, participants develop a community of support and an understanding of how to use that support to deepen our work in building a just and equitable world.

Who Should Participate in a Living the Pledge Workshop?

If you have never taken a class about racism, this workshop will challenge you to invest in and deepen your learning so you can put yourself on the road to intercultural competence. For people who have engaged in other anti-racism/multiculturalism training, this workshop is designed to take your understanding and your competency to a deeper level.

Participation

Participants are asked to commit to being present at all sessions (approximately 12 hours of large and small group work) and to complete a manageable amount of reading/viewing assignments in advance of each session. After you register, you'll receive an email with information about pre-workshop resources. The Living the Pledge workshops are led by trained leaders and small group facilitators.



FORMATION



The Daughters of the King are still taking prayer requests. All prayer requests will be kept confidential. All prayer concerns will be lifted up daily for 2 or more weeks. There is an online prayer request on the Holy Trinity website, which you can find under the "Parish" tab in the "Forms" section.

You can also go directly to the form by typing

<http://holytrinityclemson.org/daughters-of-the-king-prayer-request/>

into the URL bar on your web browser. The Daughters of the King are committed to the service of praying for all our concerns, a true blessing in this difficult and troubling time!

REMEMBER...



Check your email Sunday mornings after 7:00 am to see the day's events and if there are any last-minute changes for that day's services.

WORSHIP INFORMATION



All the information you need for joining our worship services, as well as bulletins and videos of Morning Prayer and Compline services, can be found on the **HTv** page on our Holy Trinity website: www.holytrinityclemson.org

PARISH PRAYER LIST (PUBLIC)

The current list is in *HT Notes* and in the online Sunday *Bulletin*. You can ask to have prayers of thanksgiving included.

Email Serena DuBose at

daffydubose@gmail.com

to add a name to the list.

Consider if you need to speak to someone before adding a name to the list.

WHO TO CALL?



The Holy Trinity office number is 864-654-5071. To reach Lynne Farmer, Parish Administrator, select ext. 3. For Sheryl Shankles, Parish Secretary, select ext. 0. You can reach Mtr. Suz (to call or text) at 864-364-1952. Noah Stansbury's cell number is 864-723-0391.

ONLINE COFFEE HOUR



Note: New Time for Coffee Hour

Bring your favorite mug of coffee or tea and join us on Sundays at **11:30 am** for an online coffee hour through Zoom.

(The Zoom link and password are in *HT Notes* each week.)

FORWARD DAY BY DAY Daily Devotions for Disciples

You can pick up the May *Forward Day by Day* devotional in the church office or the chapel (just don't go past the rope or you will set off the alarm!)

These booklets are also available as you enter our in-person worship services at Trinity Place.



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Act in the World as the Body of Christ

CLEMSON COMMUNITY CARE

Clemson Community Care's most needed food items are: canned fish, paper towels, dry beans, jelly, pork & beans, oatmeal, grits and soup. Thank you so much.

Donations may be dropped off to the purple bin on Purkerson's front porch (111 Dogwood Terrace Lane, Clemson) or taken directly to CCC (105 Anderson Hwy, Clemson) around back of the building before 11:00 am any morning Monday through Thursday.

If you would prefer to make a monetary donation to enable CCC to buy food or help the community in other ways you can send a check to CCC, PO Box 271, Clemson SC 29633 or make an online donation via PayPal or credit card at clemsoncommunitycare.org. Donations are tax deductible and all donations are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your continued support.



NEW NEWS FROM FAMILY PROMISE

Family Promise of Pickens County now sponsors 2 poverty prevention programs. One requires that the recipient be a family; the other does not. We need help getting the word out to the many folks out there struggling right now. We have a pdf version of the above poster that we can email. We'd like to have them displayed in restrooms, staff break rooms, public bulletin boards, laundromats, anywhere you can think of, all around Pickens County. If you have questions about the program, contact Tonya Mayes at the Pickens County Family Promise office 864-644-8828. For posters, email Rachel Rowe rrowe12@bellsouth.net.

Our sheltered family is doing well in the house that Easley Presbyterian allows us to use. In the past, Family Promise has referred many of their guests to the school district's Parenting & Family Literacy Program or Adult Education Program. Our current guest Jodie, who has two children and is pregnant with a third, is the very first of our guests to have achieved completion of her GED! We are so very proud of her hard work and perseverance to accomplish this!

About the new baby, Jodie's due date is May 20th, but in fact, delivery may be as soon as within the next two weeks. Family Promise wants to hold a virtual baby shower sometime after the baby boy arrives. We provide more details as they become available.



OUR DAILY REST AND NEW PROGRAMS

The homeless shelter in Seneca has branched out and now not only helps the homeless but works with individuals who are at risk of becoming homeless. For those who meet criteria, Our Daily Rest helps with utilities and rent and connects individuals with social services to help avoid the outcome of homelessness. Our Daily Rest also partners with landlords to identify safe and affordable housing. Another new program partners with local contractors to help repair and replace major home features, like roofing. Always your generosity, help and prayers are needed and appreciated.

The shelter still needs daily use items (e.g. coffee, sugar, trash bags, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, gift cards). For now they have ample clothing. As we strive each day to be Christ's servants, may we be mindful of the time and talents gifted to us and how to share them with our brothers and sisters.

Our Daily Rest, P.O. Box 1246, Seneca, SC 29679



CHURCH AND THE WORLD



EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL ALUMNI

Calling all former Red Birds, Yellow Birds and Blue Birds! The Episcopal Day School is putting together an alumni directory of Day School attendees since 1959. If anyone reading this attended the Day School or knows of anyone else who is an alumna/alumnus, please help us. We would like to include as many as possible in this, our first directory. Please provide your name, address, email address and the years that you attended the Day School.

Parents or grandparents, if you have names of Day School alumni, please pass this on to them. Help us reach out and find as many as possible.

Please send all information to the email address: hcoordinator@holytrinityclemson.org

Thank you all for helping with this project.

Sally Morrell, Board Member
On behalf of the Day School



HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL 2021-2022
ENROLLMENT IS OPEN

Come join us! We learn through play each day in a loving, nurturing environment. Our beautiful school is located in the heart of Clemson. Flexible class options are available with Early Morning and After School Care if needed.

WE OFFER CHAPEL DAILY, WEEKLY MUSIC/MOVEMENT/SPANISH AND FIELD TRIPS!

PRESCHOOL CLASSES OFFERED: 2K (2/3/5 DAY), 3K (3/5 DAY) AND 4K (3/5 DAY)

<https://www.holytrinityclemson.org/episcopal-day-school/admissions/>



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

ATTENTION PARISH MEMBERS

HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



Soon there will be changes in the parking accessibility around Holy Trinity and it is important that all church members obtain and display an Episcopal shield sticker on their back window or bumper. They are available at the office. Towing will be enforced to ensure the church maintains parking needed to conduct business.

Three areas will be affected:

1. Frontage road will become University parking beginning July 1, 2021. The University will enforce their parking regulations for all spaces on the frontage road. There will be two exceptions-three marked/signed spaces, for our use, will be reserved in front of Holy Trinity's office entrance. Also, the University will allow parking on Sundays for church functions.

It should be noted that on special occasions such as funerals, the University will work with Holy Trinity to provide these spaces if we request.

2. The parking lot in the rear of the church will be open for business as usual. Towing protocol will be established in this area as we see the need. We will tow individually as we see violators using the parking for other than church business. Again, a sticker is the key to parking.

It should be noted here that there have been 5 spaces marked for Seniors. We ask that users respect these spaces that are in lieu of establishing strictly enforced handicapped parking. Any member requiring special conditions such as handicapped van accessibility should contact the church office.

3. The new parking lot near the activity fuel and pavilion will be a mix of leased spaces and specific Holy Trinity parking. All spaces are numbered for purposes of leasing and identification. Specifically, Holy Trinity will have use of 9 spaces in the area facing the activity field. These are numbered 52-60. There are also 4 handicapped spaces in that row that will be used per state law. These spaces will be monitored and towing will be enforced against anyone parked in those spaces not displaying the afore mentioned Episcopal shield sticker. The remaining spaces in the lot will be leased in some manner and may require a hang tag or other ID to park. Towing will be enforced in these spaces and church members should not assume they have use of spaces other than those noted above. As that situation evolves, church members will be informed.

Final results, for the present time, are that Holy Trinity has complete use of 41 spaces 24/7, when displaying a proper sticker. Use of the spaces on the frontage road on Sundays will ensure access to worship is allowed.

Please contact Bill Hurst at hurst2@clemsun.edu with any concerns or questions. A position on the Parking Committee is awaiting your call.



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

Holy Trinity Episcopal Day School is seeking people who are passionate about early childhood education to join its school family for the 2021-2022 school year. Positions available include Substitute Teacher, After School Care Teachers and Assistant Classroom Teacher. Candidates interested in employment at the school should submit a resume and application to Lauren Russell at lrussell@holytrinityclermson.org.

Employment applications and more information may be found on the school's website:

<https://www.holytrinityclermson.org/episcopal-day-school/employment/>

The minimum qualifications for all positions are:

- At least six months of verifiable experience caring for children
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Must meet all "Staff" requirements of South Carolina Child Care Licensing to be employed, which include but may not be limited to completion of the following: (1) *Fingerprinting for FBI/SLED check (IdentoGo Live Scan Digital Fingerprinting)*, (2) *TB test, Health Assessment, & Medical Statement*, (3) *Central Registry Check*, (4) *Provide High School Diploma, GED, College Diploma or Degree*, (5) *USCIS Form I-9*

Lauren Russell

Episcopal Day School Acting Director

Holy Trinity Bazaar & Artisan Market

Episcopal Church Women's **BAZAAR** is BACK

Mark your calendars now – **October 16, 2021**

We are planning on inside and outside booths and food. Anyone interested in

helping in any way please call:

Carolyn Wheeler at 654-2311 or

Sally Morrell at 654-5607 or email Sallym29631@gmail.com

Get ready—here we come!





CHURCH AND THE WORLD

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In April of 2018, Holy Trinity committed to supporting thirteen talented young students from the village of Cange to complete their university studies. As of this month, SEVEN have graduated! The six who are left, Jacob, Ronald, Moleine, Junie, Putherson, and Ebert, can see the end in sight. Most of them have only ONE YEAR left before graduation. Now comes the hard part. We need your help to keep our scholarship fund going. Once the funds that are there are gone, we will become unable to complete our commitment to support these students. They will have to quit and go home without finishing their degrees. We cannot let this happen.

You are all aware of the close ties the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (EDUSC) has with Haiti, and in particular, the villages of Cange and Bois Joli. Many parishioners from Holy Trinity have visited or been actively involved with that connection. All of our students are native to this region and graduates of our supported secondary schools. The beauty of EDUSC's approach to this mission is that it focuses on developing the innate capabilities of the Haitian people, themselves, to improve their own communities and, in the process, their lives.

The Vestry generously designates a portion of the annual budget for Outreach. This year, the Outreach Committee, in turn, has designated a significant portion of their budget to support our Haitian Student Scholarship Program, until our students complete their studies. However, it is not enough to take us to graduation. We need your help. *Jacob, Ronald, Moleine, Junie, Putherson, and Ebert need your help!*

You can make a difference. The cost per student for one year at university, which includes tuition, books, fees, supplies, and room and board, is a bargain at \$5000, but for these students, that amount of money is an impossible obstacle. Would you consider sponsoring all or part of a scholarship? Or, make it a group project to raise funds for one scholarship? Anything you can do would make a world of difference for these kids.

We are now seeing the fruits of this effort as these young adults complete a university education and return to their community to educate, train, assist and tend to the next generation. These scholarships give them that chance. One of the first scholarship students from Cange graduated with a medical degree and returned to the medical clinic in Cange as a doctor. He is giving back to his community. This is just the first success story.

Holy Trinity does not send scholarship funds directly to individual students in Haiti. Funds are administered for our students through Summits Education, a 501c3 based in Boston, whose mission is to build education systems in rural Haiti. Summits believes access to a quality education is a human right and has agreed to help us complete our commitment to these students.

We are a university parish, supporting university students. Imagine how important this generation of college-educated youth will be in developing Haiti as a country.

Please consider a tax-deductible donation by check made out to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church with "Haiti University Students" in the memo line and mailed to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 193 Old Greenville Highway, Clemson, SC 29631. You can also give online at www.holytrinityclemson.org (select Giving/ Secure Online Giving/Online Giving/ Haiti University Student Support). If you wish to set up a periodic donation via bank transfer, please click on "Create Profile."

The brilliant Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu once said, "If you give a man a fish, you feed him for a day. If you teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime."

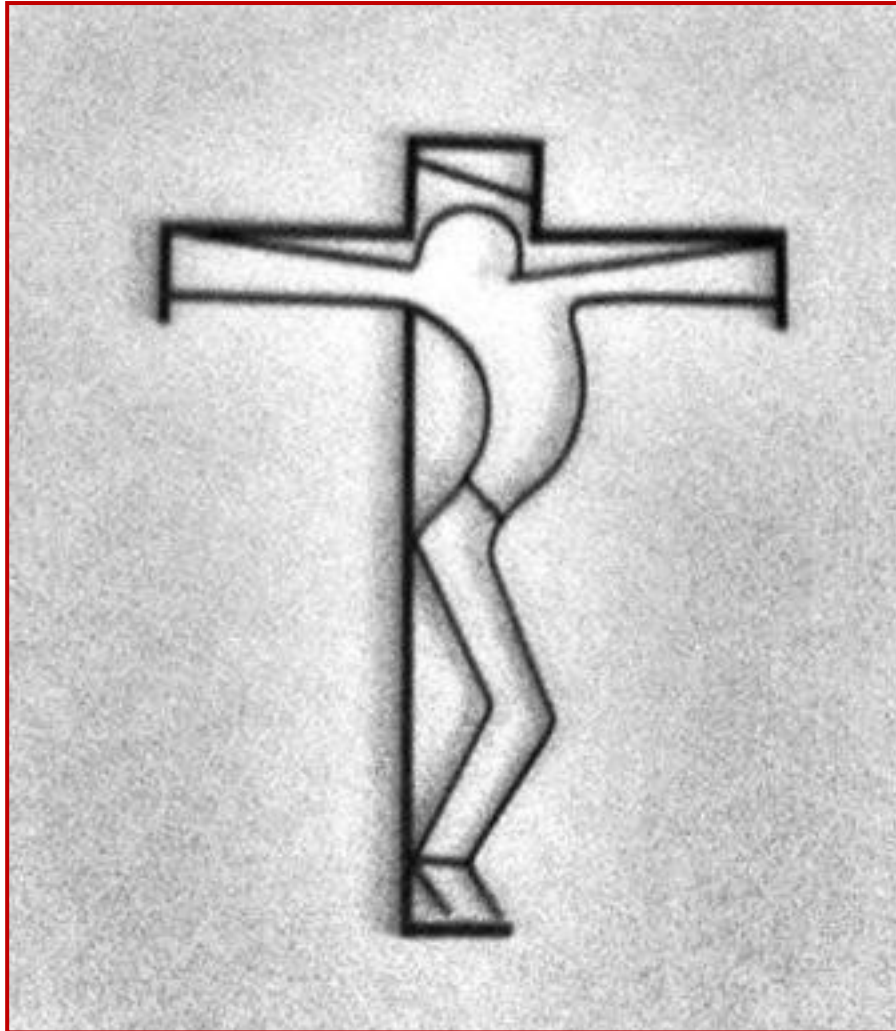
Thanking you in advance for your consideration,

Rachel Rowe and Rachel Mayo, Co-Chairs Outreach Committee



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

CANGE CRUCIFIX



HISTORY OF THE LAFONTANT CRUCIFIX

The original Lafontant Crucifix was designed by Father Fritz Lafontant in the late 1960's when he was a young priest sent by his diocese to minister to a largely impoverished rural population in the Central Plateau of Haiti. His tireless dedication to the rural poor in this region over the next 60+ years led to a nearly 40-year partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina and ultimately the creation of Boston based Partners in Health and the Socio-Medico-Educational complex in Cange. At each of his missions over the years, a hand wrought iron stylized crucifix of his design marked each mission as a joint project of these partners. His daughter Marie Flore remembers the early years as follows:

"As I can remember, very small, my Father was drawing a crucifix whenever he had a piece of paper in hand. I believe it was around the 70's that he started working with a first iron man but deduced that it was not what he was looking for. He then tried a second ironman but was still not satisfied. He later found a young ironman called Ti Michel who worked with him for months before he concluded that it was the final model."

The stylized wrought iron crucifix hanging at the rear of our sanctuary was commissioned in Haiti and hand wrought in Cange in 2015 by this same, now older Ti Michel. Thanks be to God.



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



Seeking to love with the heart of Christ, think with the mind of Christ, and act in the world as the Body of Christ

COMPOST & RECYCLING PROGRAM

Holy Trinity has partnered with Compost House, an Atlas Organics company. They provide specialized containers to collect waste appropriate for making compost and pick up the waste on a two week schedule. In addition to reducing landfill waste through this program, Holy Trinity receives compost from Compost House that is used in our SAME Garden. Pre-pandemic, we were diverting about 20 gallons of compostable materials from the landfill each week. Appropriate items for composting include:

- Fruit/Veggie Scraps
- Dairy, Eggs & Shells
- Pastas, Bread, and Grains
- Unwanted Leftovers
- Cooked Meat, Fish & Bones
- Cooked Seafood and Shells
- Coffee Grounds & Filters
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Paper Towels
- Paper Napkins
- Pizza Boxes
- BPI Certified Products

To support the program, please be on the lookout for the following labels on waste cans. Any of the listed items above should be placed in these special marked containers.

Please also note the waste items on these labels that should **not** be placed in the container.



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The compostable waste should be placed in the following specialty containers. As shown in the following image, they are square, white colored containers with lids about the same size as a typical 5 gallon bucket. They will have the blue Compost House decal and a green bag inside.



Once one of these containers is full, they should be placed on the back steps leading to the Day School playground. Fresh containers can be picked up in the table storage room across from the kitchen.

In the restrooms at Holy Trinity you will find waste baskets with the Compost House logo for paper towels to be placed in. These containers will be emptied on a periodic basis by the Sexton and placed in appropriate containers for collection by Compost House. Please remember only paper towels go in these, all other trash goes in the regular trash can.

Other recyclable items such as print and copy paper, paperboard boxes, aluminum and steel cans, and plastics numbers 1 and 2 are collected in the traditional blue containers pictured below.



The recycle items are collected on periodic basis by the Sexton and placed in appropriate containers (without bags) for the City of Clemson to collect as part of their recycling program. Unfortunately, the City does not collect corrugated cardboard or plastics number 3-7. Therefore those items should be placed in normal trash containers. Corrugated cardboard and plastics number 1, 2 and 5 can also be taken to Kite Hill recycling center.

Thank you for your support in making the Holy Trinity Compost and Recycling Program successful.

Beth Kunkel



CHURCH AND THE WORLD

GARDEN WORK DAYS



Tuesdays 9:30-10:15 am or Third Saturdays 9:30-11:00 am

Come care for God's creation here at Holy Trinity! Through the summer we will have regular times to harvest and tend to the crops at the SAME Garden at Trinity Place. Join us every Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:15 am or on the third Saturday of the month from 9:30 to 11:00 am.

Helpers are welcome to take some of that day's harvest, and the rest will be donated to Clemson Community Care to help confront food insecurity right here in our area. For more information, contact Beth Kunkel at bkunkel@clemson.edu.

SINGING ROOSTER COFFEE



5 lb. bag



ATTENTION REGULAR DAILY COFFEE DRINKERS

SINGING ROOSTER VOLUME DISCOUNT

Bringing your attention to a special Singing Rooster post Covid celebratory offer!

In an effort to reduce packaging cost and waste and for the convenience of our regular customers,

5lb. bag for \$50 (\$20 saving over individual package price!!)

Your choice Vienna of French Dark, Ground or Whole Bean

A price more than competitive with Starbucks for a far superior premium coffee, mountain grown in the Central Plateau of Haiti and unlike Starbucks marketed **FAIR TRADE** for our farmers in Bois Joli!

Contact Harry Morse for your special order: hgmorse@gmail.com



ADMINISTRATIVE



Stewardship from the Grandest Perspective

A Collect: O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature; Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**Page 259, Book of Common Prayer*

**Faithful Living.
Faithful Giving.**

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- Matthew 6:21, Jesus speaking in the Sermon on the Mount

GIVING THANKS FOR YOUR GIVING

Your faithful and steady giving helps Holy Trinity through these difficult times. Thank you. The leadership of the parish is grateful for your hearing the Gospel call to seek and serve Christ in all people, and responding with generosity. Because of that generosity, Holy Trinity continues to be a blessing in our community. May God continue to bless you richly also.



ADMINISTRATIVE

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

The Pickens County Emergency Services Vaccination Clinic is now accepting appointments for the first and second dose of the Moderna vaccine to be administered at the Pickens County Sheriff's Office by Pickens County EMS staff.

**PICKENS COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES
VACCINE CLINIC**

Pickens County Sheriff's Office
April 20 - May 13
7:00 am - 12:00 pm

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS ONLY

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

To schedule your free COVID-19 vaccine appointment, go to vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov and click on the VAMS Appointment System. You will be prompted to answer a few questions and create your account before selecting a location.



The vaccination clinic is the combined effort of the Sheriff's Office, Emergency Services, United Way volunteers, AnMed Cannon and the National Guard to make the COVID-19 vaccine accessible to as many citizens as possible.

Appointments can be made by visiting <https://vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov/>.

WALK-INS ALSO NOW

BEING ACCEPTED

Steps:

1. Click on the white **VAMS Appointment System** icon.
2. You will be prompted to answer a few questions and create an account before selecting your location.
3. Once your account is setup, you will be prompted for a zip code to search for the clinic.
4. Select a date and time for your appointment.

Please have your photo ID when you arrive for your scheduled appointment. Staff will be on site to assist those receiving their first dose in scheduling their second one before they leave.

The clinic opens to the public Tuesday, April 20 at 7:00 am. It will operate every Tuesday and Thursday through May 13 from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm. Two treatment stations will be open, with each handling an appointment every 15 minutes. The clinic may extend its operation as additional vaccine supply becomes available.

If you have any questions or need assistance with registering and making appointments through the online portal, please contact us by phone or e-mail below. Staff will be monitoring the phone line Monday through Friday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. If staff members are assisting other callers, please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Public Assistance Line: (864) 898-5339
Public Assistance E-mail: poem@co.pickens.sc.us

ANOTHER WAY TO SIGN UP FOR THE COVID-19 VACCINE

For information about the Clemson Community Vaccination Clinic, please go to

<https://www.clemsoncity.org/Activityfeed/Myarticles/TabId/197/ArtMID/2433/ArticleID/4227/Clemson-Community-Vaccination-Clinic.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Will & The Rev. Suz Cate	5/5
Jack & Anna McKenna	5/7
Henry & Nancy Pate	5/8
Judy & James Eidson	5/14
Will & Rachel Mayo	5/14
Gary & Melissa Culler	5/15
Don & Cathy Garrett	5/17
Brett & Tenley Murphy	5/23
Hap & Carolyn Wheeler	5/31

This page of *Tempo* lists the wedding anniversaries and birthdays of parishioners. If you would like to have your anniversary or birthday included, email

htchurch@holytrinityclemsontn.org

FLOWER LIST



If you would like to provide altar flowers in honor/memory of a loved one during 2021, you may do so by sending Sheryl an email with the date, the name of the person to be remembered/honored and any specific directions you may want (example: type or color of flowers). I will get it in the book and you will be billed directly by Tiger Lilly Florist. Please use the email htchurch@holytrinityclemsontn.org. Each week, these flowers are divided up and delivered to parishioners. If you know of someone who needs some sunshine in their life, please let Mtr. Suz know.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Larry Bowman	5/1
Thames Stokes	5/1
Frances Wales	5/1
Becky Bowman	5/3
Cynthia Spejewski	5/3
Doris Von Kaenel	5/4
Elizabeth Halpin	5/6
William (Wes) McMullan	5/6
Holden Culler	5/7
Heather Dunn	5/9
Kenneth Mobbs	5/10
Julie Morse	5/10
David Vaughn	5/10
Maggie Graham	5/11
Madeline Smink	5/11
Michele Cauley	5/12
Jennifer Ellison	5/12
Barbara Armstrong	5/14
Glen Quattlebaum	5/16
Phil Maiberger	5/17
Scooty Burch	5/18
Cameron Farish	5/18
Carol Luke	5/18
Bill McDaniel III	5/21
Lynn Luszc	5/23
Rachel Rowe	5/24
Martha Green	5/25
Cynthia Burington	5/27
Mel O'Day	5/27
Ashley Crouse	5/28
Keane De los Santos	5/28
Mims Catherine	5/31



May Birth Flower
Lily of the Valley



May Birthstone
Emerald

Operating Fund

Financial Update as of April 30, 2021

	Monthly Budget	Monthly Actual	Budget YTD	Actual YTD
Income	\$44,122.00	\$43,517.13	\$176,486.00	\$185,758.74
Expenses	\$46,071.00	\$54,678.71	\$184,286.00	\$190,510.73
Income +/-Expense	(\$1,949.00)	(\$11,161.58)	(\$7,800.00)	(\$4,751.99)

First Citizens Bank Note Payables as of April 30, 2021
\$1,678,502.64