

August—September 2024



Keeping the Faith

Beloved in Christ,

It is so good to be back with you all after a few weeks of adventuring around the northeastern part of our great country with Will. We had a grand time reconnecting with family and old friends—and each other. It was a grand adventure, and I am so grateful for having that opportunity to wake up in a new place every few days. I was often reminded of T.S. Eliot's lines from "Little Gidding."

We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.

Fr. Thomas Keating, the founder of Contemplative Outreach, writes that "God is like a farmer preparing the soil of our soul to bear not just fortyfold or sixtyfold, but a hundredfold. This means that the soil must be well-tilled." This tilling takes place in our prayers, and that means not just the petitions and intercessions, important though they are. The tilling is most effective in the silence of our hearts, wherein we gaze upon God and see that God is always gazing at us in pure love. For those who struggle with that silence in stillness, a walking prayer can be a Godsend.

I had several opportunities to walk labyrinths during my times at Sewanee, which bookended my sabbatical. If you've ever walked a labyrinth yourself, you know that in the course of your circumambulations, you do indeed arrive at the end where you have started. If you have used your time as a walking meditation with God, the world looks like a different place when you step out of the labyrinth.

Leadership Communication

If you haven't had the opportunity to walk a labyrinth, then think of it like this: the labyrinth is a pilgrimage to the center, in which your body may travel a few hundred steps, but your spirit may travel to the presence of God. A common practice is to travel inward with prayers for letting go of those things that come between you and God. Once you've reached the center, there is time to rest in the presence of God, offering prayers of gratitude and adoration. As you work your way back to the beginning, you might turn your prayers to those insights and nudges from the Spirit to carry back out into the world.

This is the pattern of the Spirit-led life. Spend time with God in prayer; be renewed, equipped, and led into action in the world. The ministries of outreach and service that are so important to the life of this parish depend on the power of the Holy Trinity to bear fortyfold, sixtyfold, or even a hundredfold.

Much love, Suz+



Bar Harbor, Maine. Photo by Mother Suz.

HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



TEMPO

August—September 2024

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Diocese of Upper South Carolina
The Rev. Suzanne L. Cate, *Rector*

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Rebecca Bowman, *Director of Music*
Trey Williams, *Organist*
Cynthia Spejewski, *Children's Choir Director*
Jim Hylkema, *Sexton*
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Jerae Wallace, *Parish Life Coordinator*
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Will Brown, *Adult Formation*
Caleb Carroll, *Communication & Technology*
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Join Us in Worship!

8:00 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:30 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II
(Livestreamed via [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#))

5:00 PM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*During CU Academic Year. Resumes Aug. 25.* Casual Service. First Sunday of the month is Evening Prayer.)

5:00 PM at St. Paul's, Pendleton (First Sunday of the Month): Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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Senior Warden's Report

Notes from Senior Warden, Mel Harriss!



Here we are, August, 2024. Schedules are filling up—school is starting, football and soccer games are scheduled. Election Campaigns are in full swing. Traffic is increasing. Our Stewardship Campaign will kick off in September. Our Football Parkers will be arriving on game day to cheer the Tigers and tailgate. Our Parking Volunteers will welcome them. St. Paul's Thrift Shop will reopen on September 5th. Our ECW has been working and planning the Annual Bazaar scheduled for November 16, 2024.

At Holy Trinity we have a lot going on. The Episcopal Day School is growing with an additional classroom added and the chapel of EDS moving into the Parish Hall. Jerae Wallace is working with her volunteer teachers to have regular Sunday School classes and has a schedule from the end of August to December. Our youth confirmands will continue their study and preparation for Confirmation in 2025. More volunteers are always needed and welcome.

Mtr. Suz returned from her Sabbatical and is back in the pulpit. I learned that her job as rector is huge! I knew it was big but it is HUGE. I am glad that she had a wonderful sabbatical and that she is back. The Parish needs all the spokes in place so that the wheels turn smoothly, Rector, Staff, Vestry, Volunteers, Worshipers.

The Vestry did not have a regular meeting in July but we did meet on July 23. We took a deep dive into the responses of the Parish Wide Survey. It was a productive meeting but made it clear that more work is needed as we move forward. If you are serving on a Committee, expect to hear from your Vestry liaison within the next few weeks to discuss the findings in your area and develop a list of actions that could be taken to address the findings. The Vestry will be meeting in September to review the list of actions and define how to proceed. We are blessed to have members of the Vestry who have years of project management experience and are stepping up as servant leaders as we move forward. Please continue to pray for Holy Trinity Parish.

One of the joys of my time on the Vestry and this year as Senior Warden has been the opportunity to get to know more of you better. I love that we are seen as welcoming. As we look forward to Clemson's fall semester, I hope that each of you will take time before or after services to welcome those worshipping with us—old friends, Clemson students, faculty and staff, EDS families, people you have seen in services but haven't met before. We all appreciate the fact that we are seen by others and welcomed into the fellowship of Holy Trinity. If you have a Holy Trinity name tag, wear it so that all may know your name. If you need a Holy Trinity name tag we can make sure that you have one.

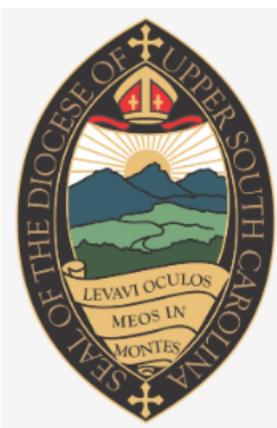
The stated Mission of Holy Trinity is To love with the heart of Christ, Think with the mind of Christ, and Act in the world as the body of Christ. My prayer is that Holy Trinity will continue to work to achieve our mission.

Mel Harriss, Senior Warden

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Holy Trinity Cares

Holy Trinity Cares Committee to Meet Tues, Aug 6 at 4 PM This ministry strives to serve the immediate needs of parishioners facing challenges. We welcome all who might be interested in finding out more at our next meeting on August 6 at 4:00 PM on Zoom. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to join the online meeting.



Discussion Forums of the 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church

The EDUSC deputation to the 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church invites you to participate in a forum to learn more about the work of the convention, which was held in Louisville, Kentucky, on June 21—June 28, 2024

Churches in the Upstate and the Midlands will host two forums. Each forum should last an hour to an hour-and-a-half depending on the amount of discussion and number of questions.

To assist you in formulating questions and to review the work of the General Convention, visit the GC '81 link on our diocesan website [here](#) or by scanning the QR code.



Forum 1: Upstate

Saturday, August 24, 2024

10:00 AM

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

400 Dupre Dr, Spartanburg, SC 29307

Forum 2: Midlands

Saturday, September 28, 2024

10:00 AM

St. Michael and All Angels, Columbia

6408 Bridgewood Rd

Columbia, SC 29206

Click [here](#) or scan to register for Forum 1.



Stewardship 2024

PIHSDRAWETS**

****STEWARDSHIP**, spelled backwards. No matter how you spell it though, you must conclude that Stewardship is the lifeblood in accomplishing our Parish mission. That Mission, as we conceive it through thought and prayer, and making the projection of that mission to our church family, our neighbors, and to the world. **Sept. 15th** will be our **kick-off Sunday** for our **2025 Stewardship Drive**, when we'll have a catered barbecue lunch in the Parish Hall, and project our Stewardship activities and Milestones planned for the Fall. We ask that in preparation for that event and the following drive that you open your heart to God's guidance in your part of our drive and Mission.

Our 2025 Drive Theme is built around the subjects of **Heritage, Home, Hope**. (see graphic below). The Stewardship Committee thinks our mission is defined by those subjects: **Heritage**: enthusiasm and courage from what we were able to accomplish in the past; **Home**: Remembering that Holy Trinity is not just a Parish, but a Christian Home, where we can always feel Christian love for each other, and learn to project that love to all people; **Hope**: Praying for God's guidance and help in determining our goals as a Parish as we look to the future.



ST. PAUL'S RESTORATION PROJECT

Here's the Latest...

The repainting efforts were halted in late November, 2023 by the construction company awarded the business to tackle this project (TRH Construction). The reason cited was due to temperatures being too low in the late Fall / Winter months for the new paint to bond properly. Then, our Parish received an insurance pay-out in January, 2024 to replace the roof at St. Paul's due to hail damage from a storm event earlier in 2023. This raised the basic question – does it make sense to re-start the restoration / repainting efforts, knowing there is also a roof project looming? After consulting with several historical restoration entities (Preservation South, Pendleton Historic Foundation, Clemson University – just to name a few) – the recommendation was pretty consistent. The church was advised to put the restoration / repainting project on-hold until after the roof gets replaced. This was presented to the Vestry and it was agreed in the Spring. Now we are exploring roofing material options that will hopefully mimic the original roof system from back in 1822. Unfortunately, the current roof at St. Paul's is sagging significantly on both sides, so weight and a structural analysis needs to be factored into our plans. We hope to see the roof project finalized late in 2024, which will then allow for the repainting / restoration efforts to resume (likely in the Spring of 2025).



The good news is we have been blessed by the generosity of members of our Parish / community. To date we have raised ~\$159,800 towards restoring St. Paul's (not just repainting, but also replacing old / rotted wood as needed amongst other things). We have paid \$31,860 towards the work completed thus far (most of which can be seen in the upper section of the exterior wall facing Queen Street). The process of removing the old paint has been proving to be more time consuming than originally expected. The majority of the work completed to date was done in 2023. Other needs of the property have also come into light over the past several months – especially the need for an arborist to address any aging trees that are showing signs of distress that can potentially damage the church +/- or historic tombstones in the churchyard. We have had 2 storm related incidents so far this year that impacted parts of the property at St. Paul's. We certainly don't want to see anything get damaged after spending time and \$\$\$ on a new roof or re-painting effort. The plan is to address issues of this nature in parallel with the new roof, and the intent is to preserve all of the \$\$\$ raised for the restoration tasks that were put on hold. The insurance pay-out should cover the costs to replace the roof with similar material. Time will tell if we will be able to utilize other material options mentioned above that would better resemble construction styles used in the 1820's. Funds for the restoration of St. Paul's will continue to be collected and will be held for the purposes of restoration

THANK YOU to everyone for your support on this huge initiative – a project that will allow St. Paul's to stand proudly for many years / decades to come. - **Chris Heerwagen**, Junior Warden

July 2024 Tempo Financial Report
Bob Taylor, Treasurer

Halfway through Holy Trinity’s 2024 Financial year, income and expenses continue to be close to operating and Trinity Place budgeting. Operating income to date exceeds operating expenses to date by \$3,028.93.

June 30, 2024 Operating Finances	June Actual	June Budget	Actual Year to Date	Budgeted Year to Date	Difference
Plate Offerings	\$6,150.87	\$5,000.00	\$40,891.14	\$30,000.00	\$10,891.14
Pledge Offerings	\$38,998.10	\$39,333.00	\$218,962.70	\$235,998.00	(\$17,035.30)
Total Income	\$45,148.97	\$44,333.00	\$261,953.84	\$265,998.00	(\$4,144.16)
Expenses	\$48,370.50	\$44,590.00	\$258,924.91	\$264,492.00*	(\$5,567.09)

* **Special Note:** Budgeted Year to Date Expenses less than Budgeted Year to Date Income reflects salary adjustments not going into effect until February 1st following the Vestry’s official approval of the 2024 Statement of Mission in January 2024.

A review of an anonymous spreadsheet of contributions showed several pledging households slightly behind schedule but revealed no areas of major concern. Expenses to date, which are \$5,567.09 less than the budget, reflect the good fortune of very few unexpected maintenance expenses and good work by our Junior Warden, Chris Heerwagen. With continued good fortune, cumulating income will continue to stay a few thousand dollars above cumulating expenses.

Trinity Place Loan Balance, January 1, 2024 \$678,709.26
Trinity Place Loan Balance, June 30, 2024 \$635,875.98

Most of the 2024 football parking revenues have been received from patrons for their season parking places in the Trinity Place area. Moreover, Doors contributions have been steady. Consequently, the Trinity Place funds are very adequate for the monthly payments of \$8,933.77 for the short-term. Since the 5-year Doors pledge campaign which began September 30, 2019 will end September 30, 2024, it is important to consider a sustainable long-term plan for the only remaining Holy Trinity loan.

An anonymous review of all Doors contributions through June 30, 2024, yielded the following observations:

- An overwhelming majority of Doors pledging units completed their pledges.
- A few Doors pledging units exceeded their pledges.
- A few Doors pledging units still need to complete their pledges.

This was an unbelievably successful capital campaign that attests to the generosity of the Holy Trinity Parishioners. The successes include:

- The original acquisition loan for the Trinity Place property was retired in April 2021.
- The demolition loan for the old Methodist church building was retired in November 2022.
- The original \$1,570,000 construction loan (taken in February 2022) has been reduced by 60 percent, and the payoff for this 20-year construction loan has been reduced by almost 9 years.

The interest rate on the current construction loan is 3.3% and must be re-negotiated in February 2027. With Holy Trinity’s excellent asset to debt ratio, no problems are anticipated in re-negotiating the loan except for the likelihood of a much higher interest rate. A higher interest rate would necessitate a higher monthly payment or an extending the life-time for the loan. Consequently, a wise course of action would be for Doors contributions to continue in support of an aggressive pay-down of the loan balance prior to February 2027.

Worship Committee Welcomes New Members



The Worship Committee works with the Rector to assess and plan for our public worship services at Holy Trinity and St. Paul's. There are several ministry teams involved in each act of worship, and they are all represented on the Worship Committee. Our Music Ministers, Rebecca Bowman, Trey Williams, and Cynthia Spejewski take turns attending meetings to provide insight on seasonal and occasional music for our liturgies. Our Altar Guild Chairs, Anna and Jack McKenna and Kathy Woodard represent the guild of behind-the-scenes servant ministers who set up, clean up, and take care of all the elements of our worship that are used at the altar. Our Head Usher, Beth Newton, organizes and recruits our ushers. The leaders of these worship support ministries have been meeting in an ad hoc fashion in recent years, and we are now reconvening as a full committee to respond to input from the parish-wide survey from last year.

In addition to these ministry leaders, we have at-large members who provide input on the perspective of worship from the pew. Cheryl DeSellier attends our 8:00 service, and Beth Gilmore attends our 10:30 service and brings the perspective of a parent of young twins. Mark Stokes is our Vestry Liaison, who will assist us in our work for the Vestry in response to the survey and to communicate our recommendations back to them.

Once this particular task is completed, we will continue to meet seasonally (following the seasons of the church's liturgical calendar) to plan together for worship that reflects the riches of our Episcopal/Anglican heritage. We would love to have someone representing the St. Paul's worshipping congregation on the committee. If you would be interested in serving on this committee, or if you have suggestions, please contact me, Mtr. Suz, or another member of the committee.



Seeking Singers: Come Join Us!

The Chancel Choir is recruiting new members for our new season beginning in August. We are a friendly group that enjoys learning together and takes pride in providing a music ministry for Holy Trinity. Drop by for a visit anytime; sing with us for the season or the whole year. There is no cost to participate and no experience is required. Minimum age requirement is 16. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. We will resume on August 14th.

“Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.” Psalm 100:2

For more information, please contact Rebecca Bowman: 864.506.2382



Children's Choir

Grades 4K, 5K, 1 st and 2 nd grade	4:00-4:20 p.m.
Grades 3 – 7 Boys	4:30-4:55 p.m.
Grades 3 – 7 Girls	5:00-5:25 p.m.

The schedule for the boys and girls groups will vary on the Wednesday before a performance Sunday.

With a few exceptions, the children sing on the first Sunday of the month. The schedule from Labor Day weekend through Christmas is:

- Sunday, September 1 - Children in grades 3-7
- Sunday, October 6 - ALL children (Day School Sunday)
- Sunday, October 27 - Children in grades 2-7 (Blessing of costumes) Children may wear their Halloween costumes instead of robes.
- Sunday, December 1 - Children in grades 3-7
- Sunday, December 15 - ALL children for Lessons & Carols at St. Paul's in Pendleton
- Tuesday, December 24 - ALL children for Christmas Family Service at 4:00 p.m.

All children are welcome to join the choir. Please contact Cynthia Spejewski at cspejewski@gmail.com or call her at 864-650-8480.



Clemson Community Care

It's hot a summer. We are often away on vacation, and, if we are home, It's hard to make ourselves get out of the house unless we absolutely have to! Then, before you know it, the kids are back in school, and the business starts all over again, juggling multiple schedules and all the craziness that life brings our way.

At Clemson Community Care, summer is one of our busiest times. Schools are closed, and free lunch and breakfast programs are shut down. Families are struggling to work, while needing additional child care. Power bills are extra high. Our families are strapped for cash and struggling to keep food on the table. CCC needs your support. Our food inventory is critically low and getting lower. We supplement by purchasing groceries, so our clients are fed, but we won't make up for the shortfall in the fall without your help!



There is now an easy way for you to share the wealth of your table with CCC without ever having to leave your house. Amazon.com Wishlist to the Rescue!



Just click [here](#) or scan the QR code and it will take you directly to CCC's Amazon Wish List. You can make a one-time delivery or, even better, make it a monthly subscription. Consider it a prescription for the health of another family in your Clemson, Central or Pendleton community. It's as easy as that!

Please consider donating!

Pendleton Community Center Seeks Volunteer Coordinator

Pendleton Community Center is seeking a volunteer coordinator for their after-school tutoring program for students in kindergarten through sixth grade. This person would be responsible for scheduling volunteer tutors and be present during the once-a-week, 4:00-6:00 p.m. program. If you are interested in this opportunity, click [here](#) to send an email to the secretary (secretary@pendletoncommunitycenter.org).

Save the Date

FAMILY PROMISE OF PICKENS COUNTY

BARN BOOTS AND BREW

TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 26 AT ARABELLA FARMS
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

Tickets Include

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7PM



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Growing in Christ

FAMILIES, YOUTH
AND CHILDREN

Holy Trinity Families,

As we finish out our summer months, we are looking forward to an exciting fall. We will have our traditional **backpack blessing during our 10:30am Children's Service on Sunday, August 4**. We will have a small fellowship afterward.

Every third Sunday, beginning on August 18 we will have our Youth Formation for **ages 5th through 12th grade** beginning at **9:30 am** in the Canterbury basement. We will break into classes according to ages and those going through confirmation prep. Youth classes will end at 10:15 am. We hope this encourages our youth to attend and participate in our services.

We will resume Nursery and begin our Children's Chapel and Sunday School on Sunday, August 25. We used careful consideration of feedback we received from families and our youth when planning our Children's Chapel and Sunday School schedules. **Each Sunday, excluding "First Sundays"**, we will have **nursery for ages infancy to 5 years, beginning at 9:30 am**. Our children ages **Kindergarten through 4th grade will meet in the Parish Hall for Children's Chapel and Sunday School beginning at 10:15 am**. Nursery and Children will join the service at the Peace.

Please see August and September calendars in Tempo for more information.

I look forward to seeing our families, youth and children!!
Peace,

Jerae

SUNDAY SERVICES
 RTE 1 8:00 am
 RTE 2 10:30 am

AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				01 Area Schools Resume	02	03
04 First Sunday Coffee Hour 9am Children's Service with Blessing of the Backpacks 10:30am Fellowship in Parish Hall 11:30am	05	06	07	08	09	10
11 Coffee Hour 9am	12	13	14	15	16 Red Door Dinner Planning Potluck Parish Hall 6-8pm	17
18 Full Breakfast 9am <small>*Acolyte Training 9:30 am-10:15 am Youth Formation 5th-7th grades Sunday School 9:30 8th-12th grades Sunday School 9:30 am</small>	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Welcome Back Sunday Coffee Hour 9am Nursery (ages Infancy-5yrs) 9:30am Sunday School w/Children's Chapel K-4th grades 10:15am Welcome Back Picnic Trinity Place 11:30am 5pm service resumes	26	27 Volunteer to Acolyte or Read!	28	29	30	31

SUNDAY SERVICES

RTE 1 8:00 am

RTE 2 10:30 am

*Contemporary Service 5pm

†Except First Sundays

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01 First Sunday Coffee Hour 9am Children's Service 10:30am Fellowship in Parish Hall 11:30am Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's 5pm	02 Labor Day Area Schools Out of School	03 Area Schools Out of School	04	05	06	07 Clemson vs App State
08 Coffee Hour 9am Nursery (ages infancy-5yrs) 9:30am Sunday School w/Children's Chapel K-4th grades 10:15am	09	10	11	12	13	14
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22 Coffee Hour 9am Nursery (ages infancy-5yrs) 9:30am Sunday School w/Children's Chapel K-4th grades 10:15am	23	24	25	26	27	28 Clemson vs Standford
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Holy Trinity and the Episcopal Day School—Growing in Christ Together



Holy Trinity Episcopal Day School is a true ministry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. For over 60 years, EDS has been the most outward-facing ministry of Holy Trinity, serving families from a diversity of elements of our community: generational residents of the Clemson area, graduate students, foreign students, and families connected to Clemson University.

The relationship between Holy Trinity and EDS is symbiotic, each enriching the life of the other. Holy Trinity provides space and pays for the utilities used in that space, but otherwise, EDS pays for salaries, supplies, equipment, and other costs of the operations of the school. In return, Holy Trinity benefits from the presence and energy of the school, as well as the knowledge that the significant investment in our Parish House of time, money, and effort is put to use for the benefit of the community and the spread of the Gospel.

At the Episcopal Day School, God is present in school activities. As a church school, The Episcopal Day School helps each student to understand that the knowledge and service of God and humankind lie at the heart of wisdom. Children attend daily chapel where they learn about God, Jesus and The Holy Spirit through stories, songs, and recitations. Over the course of the year, they hear the stories of the Old Testament and New Testament. One of the highlights of the week is when Mother Suz leads them in Chapel each Wednesday.

Enrollment has increased for the 2024-2025 school year with over 60 students set to receive an education in a Christian environment in 2K, 3K and 4K. Learning is fostered through daily lessons and activities as well as the play-based curriculum, Learning Without Tears, that addresses readiness and writing, language and literacy, and numbers and math. The feedback from area schools is that the students who received their preschool education at the Episcopal Day School are well prepared for 5K.



The expansion of our enrollment this year has necessitated the transformation of the St. Francis Chapel into a classroom to accommodate an additional 4K “Red Bird” class. The Chapel services will move to the Parish Hall. When you go into the Parish Hall, you will notice a small altar has been placed at one end. The space is designed to be flexible so that other functions in the Parish Hall will be affected minimally. That space will not only serve as the Chapel for EDS, but it will also serve the children of the parish as their Chapel for their Liturgy of the Word on most Sunday mornings. Many of the children who will attend services there on Sunday morning also attend Chapel there each weekday. This is another lovely way in which the symbiotic relationship between church and school is realized as these children grow daily in their love of Christ in at Holy Trinity.

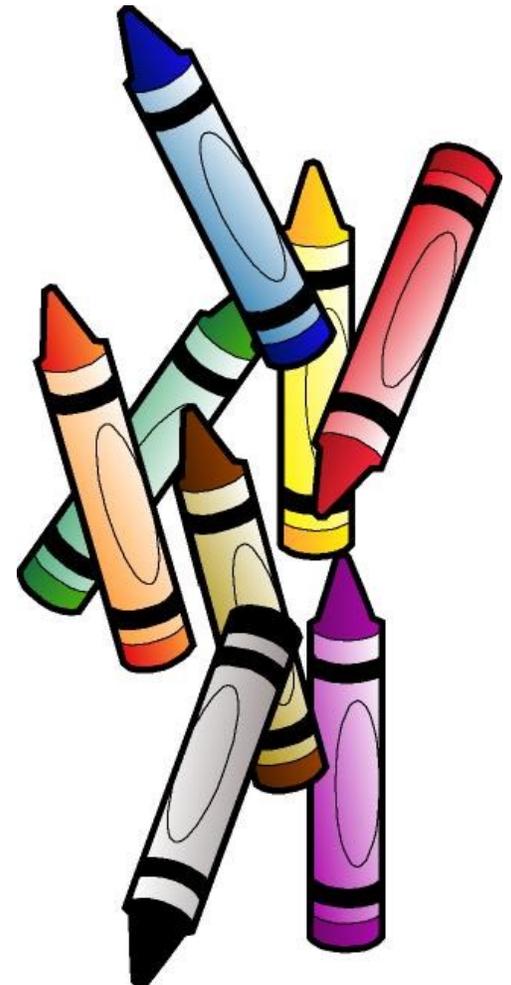


EDS Scholarship Assistance

Holy Trinity Episcopal Day has had a scholarship assistance program for several years. The program aims to ensure that no child is denied the opportunity to attend classes due to financial need. Unfortunately, the fund was depleted last school year. We are now seeking donations to help support the continuation of the program. Please contact the EDS Director, Stephanie La Guardia, for more information about how our scholarship program works and to arrange donations. slaguardia@holyltrinityclmson.org or 864-654-0298.

The following is a supply list for the Episcopal Day School 2024-2025 school year beginning August 7, 2024. If you would like to donate, you may leave the supplies outside of the director's office. Thanks for all you do for the Episcopal Day School!

- Crayons
- Washable Markers
- Dry-Erase Markers
- Dot Markers
- Cardstock - White
- Cardstock - All colors
- Construction Paper - All Colors
- Printer Paper - All Colors
- Glue Sticks
- Bottles of Glue
- Washable Watercolor Paint (The kind in the trays)
- Paint Brushes
- Coffee Filters
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Zipper Bags - Snack, Sandwich, Gallon
- Spoons
- Flushable Wipes
- Stickers

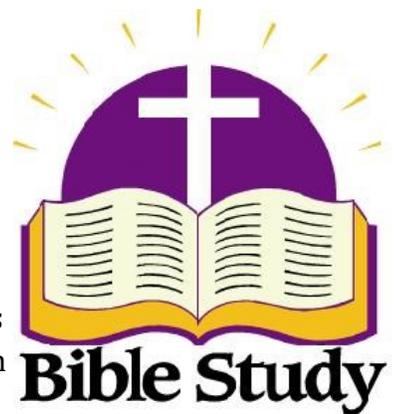




Adult Formation at Holy Trinity

We are always being formed into something—as Christians, we are exhorted to be transformed by our life in Christ. Adult Formation at Holy Trinity offers opportunities to learn and grow in community with other Christians to be equipped for loving and serving God and our neighbors. There are several weekly offerings, and some that occur monthly or seasonally or annually. The list offered below includes those Adult Formation opportunities that will either resume or continue as we begin our program year. Take a look and see how you might grow in Christ this fall.

- **Education for Ministry (EfM)** is a small group program for adults who desire a deeper knowledge of scripture, church history, and theology. Our 36-week seminar year begins August 26 and there are openings for enrollment. The weekly group meeting consists of prayer, discussion of the week's reading materials for each year and theological reflection. The participant fee for the 2024-25 year is \$350 plus \$50-\$75 for books. Scholarships are available—contact Mtr. Suz for more info. If you are new to EfM, year 1 is for you, and if you've completed some part of EfM previously, you can pick up after the last year completed and continue with our group. If you're a graduate of the program and used the Redbooks, consider choosing the year that interests you and enrolling in the new program. For information or to enroll contact Jim Beddow at 770-605-0954 or jim@naryatrace.com.
- **Tuesday Reflectionary Bible Study** meets by Zoom at 11:00 each week for an in-depth look at each of the three Scripture readings for the coming Sunday. This is informal and informed study of the readings led by Mtr. Suz, but the greatest insights come from the group. The Zoom link is provided in HT Notes each week.
- **Sunday Morning Bible Fellowship** Our ongoing mission is to seek Christian life skills in God's Word. This fall we will turn our focus to the Biblical theme of *"That which unites us."* God's Word provides the wisdom to find deep, meaningful peace in times of discord. As Jesus' disciples, the Gospel calls us to promote unity by sharing God's great and glorious love. Jesus lived and taught a message of unifying love across incredible social divisions. Join us starting Sunday, 25 August 2024, at 9:30 AM in the Tom Davis Library to explore the Bible's message of love, peace and unity. Led by Ellen Haase: Email – elleneddyhaase@gmail.com. Mobile – 917.972.6062.
- **Men's Book Group**—The Men's Book Group typically meets at 9 am on the third Saturday of each month to discuss books and other readings of varying content and genres but which virtually always have implications for the place of belief systems (religious or other ideologies) in history and society. Because the readings are usually provocative, discussions range freely and widely, inspired by the content but not strictly confined by it. Meetings are held at the Wheeler house, 201 Augusta Road in Clemson. Coffee and other beverages as well as pastries are provided. If you are interested in hearing more, please contact Hap and he will update you on our current reading and answer any questions you may have. Please know there is no obligation to finish the readings, as we welcome all to join in the discussions. Contact: Hap Wheeler; wheeler@clemson.edu; 864-506-6518. *See page 20 for info about this month's meeting.*



- **Food for Thought**– Holy Trinity's Episcopal Church Women invites all parishioners to share "Food for Thought". These gatherings, held three times a year in the parish hall, typically include a short presentation on topics of interest and lots of good food and fellowship! An electronic signup sheet is sent out shortly before the meeting, and those wishing to attend, sign up to bring food to share. Knowing that we all have busy lives, expectations for food offerings are reasonable, and store bought is fine! Fall dates are August 29 & November 21. Watch for details.
- **Cursillo** (Diocesan program)–The purpose of Cursillo is to help those in the Church understand the individual callings to be Christian leaders. Cursillo offers a time to experience living in a supportive Christian community through the Episcopal Cursillo Weekend, following a three-day schedule that begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday. The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend isn't a retreat. It's an opportunity to gather with clergy and laity, seeking to strengthen our faith. The dates for the Fall Cursillo weekend are Oct 3-6. Contact Mtr. Suz for more information.
- **Centering Prayer Workshop**—An introductory workshop with a trained facilitator from Contemplative Outreach. "Centering Prayer is a receptive method of silent prayer in which we experience God's presence within us, closer than breathing, closer than thinking, closer than consciousness itself. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship." The Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, from 9-3.
- **Discovery 201: Prayer Book Basics** for those who want to explore beyond the Eucharistic Rite. Offered by Zoom on Thursday nights (tentatively scheduled for 10/17-11/21). Led by Mtr. Suz & Jim Beddow, using Vicki Black's excellent book, *Welcome to the Book of Common Prayer*.



Mary Chapel in Sewanee. Photo by Mother Suz Cate.

What's Happening

A Sampling of What's Coming Up! See the Aug.-Sept. Calendar, Pg. 27.



Backpack Blessing: Sun, Aug 4, 10:30 AM Join us during our Rite II service of Holy Eucharist as we offer prayers for our students who are returning to the classroom. Light refreshments will follow.



Red Door Dinners Kickoff: August 16, 6 PM, Parish Hall It's time to make plans for our next round of Red Door Dinners. Parishioners have enjoyed this time to gather and get to know one another at each others homes and in local restaurants. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to view and complete the form. All are welcome!

Men's Book Group Returns: Sat, August 24 at 9 AM, Wheeler Residence 201 Augusta Rd. in Clemson. The book for discussion is "The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe" by Richard Rohr. Coffee, other beverages and pastries will be provided. New participants welcome. Contact Hap Wheeler for more info: wheeler@clemson.edu, (864) 506-6518.



Welcome Back Sunday: August 25 Join us for worship at 8 and 10:30 AM, followed by a picnic lunch on Trinity Place as we celebrate the start of the Fall 2024 semester and the beginning of our program year. We will be joined by the 73 Ice Cream truck! Our 5 PM casual but reverent service of Holy Eucharist returns on the 25th as well, followed by our Canterbury Campus Ministry gathering at 6.



Liturgical Leaders Needed!



We want **YOU** to consider serving in worship as Lector, Intercessor, Eucharistic Minister, or Usher. Contact [Wesley](#) if you are interested. An Acolyte orientation session will also be held on Sunday, Aug 18. Other opportunities for service will be covered. All ages are welcome to attend.

"That Which Unites Us"

Sunday Adult Bible Study & Fellowship Fall 2024

Sunday Adult Bible Study's ongoing mission is to seek Christian life skills in God's Word. Join us starting Sunday, 25 August 2024, at 9:30 AM in the Tom Davis Library to explore the Bible's message of love, peace and unity. **Ellen Haase** - Sunday Adult Bible Study & Fellowship leader. Email - elleneddy-haase@gmail.com. Mobile - (917) 972-6062.



FORT HILL: Through the Eyes of Anna Maria Clemson



Anna Maria Clemson lived from February 13, 1817 to September 22, 1875. She stated that the luxuries and splendors of Europe were nothing compared to her “dear old Fort Hill.” “She lived a model, Daughter, Wife, Mother and Friend. Her intelligence and accomplishments made her an ornament of every sphere in which she moved,” as stated on her tombstone in St. Paul’s Church-yard. The product of a famous family, this exceptional woman was very much a gracious southern lady. Her story and life’s journey gives us a glimpse of the importance of family in the midst of heartbreak, trials, temptations, and difficulties.

The above is from the talk presented by Sheri Belk at St. Paul's in Pendleton in 2022. Sheri has many credentials in the SC school system and referenced the book by our own Dr. Ann Russell ([Anna Calhoun Clemson-Legacy of a Southern Lady](#)).



Sheri will again present this very interesting talk at 10:00 am on October 17 and October 24, 2024 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Pendleton. You are invited to attend.



Holy Trinity Bazaar & Artisan Market

Please save the date – Sat. November 16 from 10 AM to 2 PM for our ECW 81st Annual Holy Trinity Bazaar and Artisan Market. We are

looking for volunteers to help set up on the day before and to assist on the Bazaar day. Please contact Nanine Hartzenbusch Fox at naninephoto@gmail.com. If you'd like to join the team of volunteers. Proceeds benefit local food banks. We thank you for your support!

Let's Make Marmalade!

Eunice Waddington, our resident marmalade maker, is going to need some help this year getting ready for the Bazaar. She has offered to teach any one interested in learning how to make marmalade. It's quite the labor of love! Call, text or email Cindy Thackham at 864-280-0539 or cdjpt@att.net.



It's Christmas Stocking Time Again!

Get your orders in now for our gorgeous, traditional hand-knit and hand-embellished woolen Christmas stockings ready for sale with the name of your choosing. The price is a bargain at \$75 for these treasures that will last a lifetime. Call or text Amy Agosti at 864-650-3145 or email her at akagosti@yahoo.com. Contactless delivery is available.



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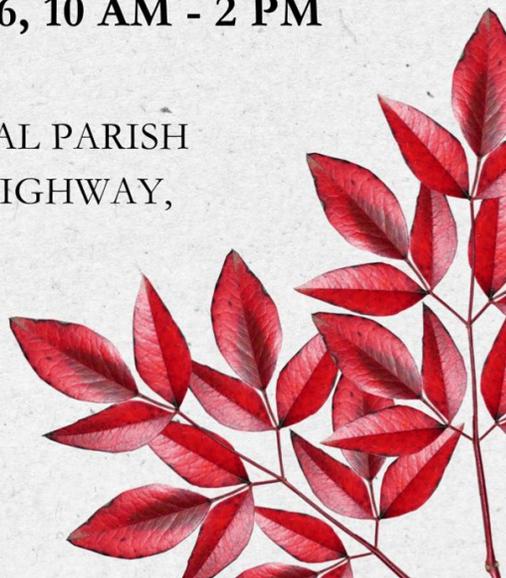
Artisan Market

Local Artisans, Themed Gift Baskets, Baked Goods, Plants, Stained Glass Ornaments, Holy Trinity Crafts, St. Paul's Thrift Shop Items, Heirloom Christmas Stockings, Delicious Lunch, Soups, Frozen Meals, Silent Auction and much more

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16, 10 AM - 2 PM

HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL PARISH
193 OLD GREENVILLE HIGHWAY,
CLEMSON, SC

Proceeds Benefit
Local Food Bank
Charities



Parish Life at Holy Trinity



On July 14th we celebrated Seersucker Sunday in honor of the late General Ben Skardon, who was a beloved parishioner at Holy Trinity. This marked the occasion of his 107th birthday, which he often referred (or deferred) to as Bastille Day. The processional cross pictured was given by Ben in memory of his brother, the Reverend Steven Skardon. Thank you to Iris Reed for the photo and to Carolyn Wheeler for providing the caption.

Parish Life at Holy Trinity



Emma Harrington joined us in the garden this spring and harvested her first candy roaster squash, which tastes like a cross between a sweet potato and butternut squash.

S.A.M.E. "So All May Eat"

'Tis the season for fresh vegetables! So far this year, the SAME Garden at Trinity Place has produced nearly 400 pounds of fresh produce for donation to Clemson Community Care. That's 58% more than the same time last year, according to Farmer Mike (Michael Diemer), who leads our effort to grow tomatoes, squash, bell peppers, carrots, okra, potatoes, and more to help those in need in our community.

We appreciate our small group of dedicated volunteers, including Mtr. Suz, Emma Harrington, Anne Bryan, Rebecca Eidson, Mims Catherine McTigue, and Andrew Baker.

Volunteers meet most Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. For more information or to lend a hand, contact Michael Diemer at 864.590.4248



Andrew Baker and Michael Diemer tend to the tomato and squash beds.



Rebecca Eidson and Michael Diemer were pleased at the size of this cucumber!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

August Birthdays:

2 - David Johnstone
2 - Judy Surak
5 - John Nieman
6 - Jane Hamilton
6 - Carl Redd
8 - Amelia Linvill
8 - Antonio Burch
10 - David Robb
11 - Jerae Wallace
11 - Barbara Witmer
11 - Frank Johnson
11 - Libby Woodell
12 - Jack Davis
14 - Bill Hurst
14 - Cindy Thackham
15 - Charlie Curtis
16 - Crawford Robb
16 - Sharon Lane
18 - Erecia Hepburn
18 - Serena DuBose
20 - Melanie Beddow
20 - Eric Crouse
24 - Nancy Pate
25 - Nanine Hartzenbusch Fox
26 - Terri Mayberry
26 - Byron Harder
27 - Muriel Kaye
28 - Michael Crouch
30 - Jean Jameson
31 - Nigel Kaye

August Anniversaries:

1 - Carmen & Bill Purkerson
14 - Jerae & Craig Wallace
20 - Marjorie & Don Campbell
22 - Libby & Harold Woodell

September Birthdays:

2 - Kaleb Ellison
2 - John Warner
3 - Matt Huddleston
7 - Mason Johnstone

8 - Lori Graham
9 - Stephen Evans
12 - Wendy Longo
15 - Flossie Ellison
15 - Jim Reed
16 - Hap Wheeler
17 - Laura Henry
19 - Mel Harriss
22 - Jim Fairey
22 - Harold Woodell
22 - Chesley Rowe
25 - Henry Mayo
26 - Cara Robb
29 - Anna Crouch
30 - Jude Cox

September Anniversaries:

3 - Kimberly & Matt Huddleston
3 - Elizabeth & James Gilmore
10 - Cheryl & Jim DeSellier
17 - Anita & Charlie Arms
23 - Michele Paoleschi & Clem Watson
30 - Cariza & Christopher Burch



Aug Sept

SCHEDULE

~**Sunday, 8/4 10:30 am** Children's Service with Back Pack Blessing, Fellowship in Parish Hall following, **5:00 pm** St. Paul's Service

~**Tuesday, 8/6 11:30 am** Thrift Shop Luncheon for volunteers in the Parish Hall

~**Wednesday, 8/7 10:30 am** Holy Eucharist at Clemson Downs in the Corley Center

~**Wednesday, 8/14 6:30 pm** Choir rehearsals resume

~**Friday, 8/16 6:00 pm** Red Door Dinner Kickoff in the Parish Hall

~**Sunday, 8/18 9:00 am** Full Breakfast Fellowship in the Parish Hall, **9:30 am** Youth Formation: Opportunities for Serving in the Nave

~**Sunday, 8/25 10:30 am** Welcome back Clemson Students, Children's Chapel/Sunday School K-4th resumes, **11:30 am** Welcome Back Picnic for everyone, **12:00** Vestry in Conference Room **5:00 pm** Cozy Church resumes, **6:00 pm** Canterbury resumes

~**Thursday, 8/29 6:00 pm** Food for Thought in the Parish Hall

~**Sunday, 9/1 10:30 am** Children's Service, **5:00 pm** St. Paul's Service

~**Monday, 9/2 All Day** Office Closed

~**Wednesday, 9/4 10:30 am** Holy Eucharist at Clemson Downs in the Corley Center

~**Sunday, 9/15 9:30 am** Confirmation Preparation & Sunday School for Youth in the Canterbury Center, **All Day** Tempo Deadline

~**Sunday, 9/22 after 10:30 am service** Vestry Meeting in the Conference Room
