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FROM THE **RECTOR**

We didn't start the fire/It was always burning since the world's been turning. "We Didn't Start the Fire," Billy Joel, 1989

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. (Acts 2:3)

The first Sunday of June, this year, is the Feast of Pentecost—the end of the Easter Season and the day we remember the Holy Spirit coming down from heaven and inviting us into God's work, love, and transformation of the world.

Pentecost is the day we remember the world being set aflame—not in a destructive way but in a life-giving, grace-proclaiming way.

In a tiny upstairs room, the Holy Spirit sets the world on fire through 12 men. For the first time, God's work was complete and finished—there were no longer standards to be maintained or rules to be followed or expectations to be met. For the first time, these disciples are free to fully love God and their neighbor—and they couldn't HELP but tell the world.

We've been talking a lot about **Core Values at Holy Trinity.** In the Pentecost edition of The Banner, it seems appropriate to talk about the work of the Holy Spirit and what it is calling us to do. This idea is captured under our *Mission/Outreach core value*.

Being a Christian means having the privilege to participate in God's work in the world. Whether that means helping to feed families in need or experiencing poverty with Kitchen of Hope, or if it means volunteering to make families experiencing homelessness feel comfortable at our church through the Interfaith Hospitality Network—both are great examples of how Holy Trinity is



The Rev. Ben Maddison Rector

already participating in God's work in our community—a part of God's mission to and for the world.

Mission/Outreach are central to who we are at Holy Trinity. As we continue to talk about core values, try to keep mission/outreach at the center of what we do and say. We participate in God's work by, first, identifying where God is already at work and to respond and articipate in it. In your prayers, ask God where he is calling you, listen and look for clues, and when you think you can hear/see it: participate!

As we remember and celebrate Pentecost, may you be set-aflame like the disciples—given eyes to see and ears to hear where God is working and calling us, and then be inspired by the same Spirit to participate in that work. It is in those times where we are truly the hands and feet of God.

And the Good News is: just like the Disciples, the Holy Spirit will inspire the gifts, the talents, and the creative ideas that will make our participation in God's work a success.

In Christ,

The 39th Annual Holy Trintiy

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q



39th Annual Holy Trinity Chicken B.B.Q.

Saturday, June 3, 2017, from 4 to 7 PM Pick-up at the Church

The Chicken BBQ is June 3 from 4-7 and includes Smilski's barbeque chicken, Emma's famous beans, potato salad, and a garden salad. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children (one-half portion). Pre-order by visiting the online order form at

http://bit.ly/chickenbbq39.

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q UPDATE

On the eve of Holy Trinity's 39th annual chicken barbecue, it's appropriate to thank the many volunteers and donors that have once again brought this Holy Trinity tradition to life. As I write this, we don't know what the weather will be. We don't know how many people will walk through the door, especially in view of the many new signs sprinkled on lawns throughout the area. And we really don't know how many meals we'll have left over to sell when the doors close late Saturday.

But what we do know is that through the generosity of some friends, we'll be able to serve free meals to all of the IHN families that have moved on from us at IHN to the Zion United Methodist Church in Clarksboro, giving one of their volunteers a night off from cooking. And we also know that the whole Holy Trinity community has come together for another successful chicken barbeque.

So—thanks in advance to the barbecue committee, especially the Hendersons for chairing the event, and to everyone else that took part. That includes the ticket maker and the ticket sellers, the pot scrubbers, the bean makers, the produce and potato salad procurer, the pit crew, the runners, the line servers, the chicken stand builder, the cake cutters, the cake makers, the salad preppers, the cleaner-uppers, our Sexton, the deliverers, and all the people who donated lima beans, bacon, and other ingredients, as well as tickets for us to give away. And to anyone, or any group that I may have missed.

Thank you to everyone who helps make the chicken barbeque a success. It's always a fun time to come together and labor for a common cause.

Gar Miller

Save the Date

JUNE 3

39th Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

JUNE 4

Pentecost Sunday at 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Be sure to wear red!

JUNE 11

Last Sunday School before Summer schedule

Baptism at the 10 AM Service

JUNE 25

Baptism at the 10 AM Service

Youth Event End of School Celebration 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

JUNE 26

Lector Summer Party 6:30 PM, Parish Hall It's a potuck, so bring a dish!

JULY 14-15

Youth Event Summer Lock-In 6:00 PM to 9:00 AM

AUGUST 25

Youth Event Holy Trinity Goes to the Drive In, Times TBD

NOTES FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Holy Trinity has some of the best lectors and Eucharistic ministers in the Diocese. I am sure that you would agree that, for the most part, the lessons are read in our church in an interesting and understandable manner. One reason they do such a good job is because they meet regularly with Ben Maddison, our rector, to go over the month's readings. He helps them to understand the readings, and I help them with using their voices and vocal patterns to help with the interpretation of any problem passages.

To celebrate these excellent readers, and to make everyone's lives a little easier over the summer, we will be having a celebration meeting on the fourth Monday of June. Both lector teams will be invited, and we will go over the readings for both July and August. This means we will not have to meet again before the end of the summer. To make it a celebration, we will do the meeting as a pot-



Mrs. Melissa Semmes-Thorne Senior Warden

luck! A main dish will be provided, and we will ask everyone attending to bring something to go along with it. We will eat, discuss, and enjoy each other's company, in thanksgiving for this amazing ministry in which you participate.

If you are already a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, please put this date on your calendars! However, a notice will also be sent out to all of you in advance of the gathering. If you are interested in becoming a lector or a Eucharistic Minister, and would like to see how the process works, please join us at 6:30 on Monday, June 26 for the party. We would love to see you!



RUTGERS SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Once again, Rutgers University will be partnering with Holy Trinity to offer its "Summer Reading Program." They will be using the Parish Hall on Thursdays, Fridays, & Saturdays, from June 22 to July 22.

We have three scholarships available! If you are interested in a scholarship for your child to attend, please contact Ben Maddison at rector@holytrinitywenonah.org for more info.

NEW THINGS ARE COMING THIS FALL!

You may have noticed some changes already: the weekly email, The Banner, some of our other print materials. Holy Trinity is working on the core values identified by the Vestry and the church in your discernment meetings. This means that new things are happening!

Keep an eye out for those changes in our weekly email, our Facebook, and *The Banner*. And be sure to check out the Vestry minutes in the Parish Hall.

NOTES FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

The vestry is working to modernize the church where we can find benefit, and two aspects I'll touch on in this article are a) a new website, and b) online giving. When people are searching for a church, they often use the internet to find churches in a certain location, and then visit the church's website to decide if they'd like to visit in-person. We do get a good number of people who have told us that they visited the website before joining us for worship. And that's a good thing! With that said, we want to make sure the website is modern and easy to navigate.

We're working on a brand-new website with updated content and an approachable layout (including plenty of pictures!). We'll give more updates as the site is further developed.



Mr. Steve LoCastro, Jr.

Junior Warden

Now to giving: People are slowly carrying less and less cash on them. In some cases people don't carry cash on them at all. Millennials often have only their phone, ID, and credit card on them at any given time. That's why we're working on the ability to offer electronic donations. That way, if you don't have cash to drop in the collection plate, you can give by sending a text message! There will also be the option for members to fulfill their pledge through the website. As more and more bills are paid online, we want to give the same modern amenities to our members.

These upgrades are just some of the ways that we're working to make the church as approachable and functional as possible. There will be more to come!

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW)

PARISH UPDATES

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN)

From May 21 to May 28, Holy Trinity hosted four families through IHN. Seven dinners were served (and devoured by over 13 guests), and two classes were put on for the guests: an art class and a self-defense class.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and helped make our IHN guests feel welcomed and at home.

If you would like to get connected to IHN, or find out ways you can volunteer, email Sean Garvin at ilvmaine@comcast.net.

IHN will return two more times this year:

August 20-26 December 10-16



IHN & Holy Trinity kids watching a movie together.

KITCHEN OF HOPE (KOH)

Our work with KOH at St. Thomas' in Glassboro continues. Remember, on the second Friday of each month, we need volunteers to deliver the food (8:45 AM). Then the next day (Saturday, at 9 AM), we help pack the food at St. Thomas. For more information, contact Jackie Gouold at jegould771@comcast.net.

Our next KOH days are June 8 & 9.



As our year winds down, we are grateful for so many things, especially for the people who work so well together to make our mission actually happen. Phyllis Joslin has been at our helm for many years, and much of what was accomplished is due in great part to her organizational skills. As has been previously published, she is "retiring" as of the June meeting, so an election will be held. Two members have expressed interest in the offices of President and/or Vice President. That means this is the final opportunity for any others who would also be interested to come forward.

Please call Phyllis (468-3712) if you want to be on the ballot, and—Thank you Phyllis!

Please join us on Monday, June 12 at 7:00 in the Parish Hall, when we will also be distributing the funds we raised to a whole bunch of outreach areas. And then have a very happy and healthy summer!

Joan Munyon

We'll be having a pizza party for the kids on June 11 right after church. They will be singing (and ringing) for the last time this year on June 4. That would seem like the logical day for the party, but my student recital is that day. Anyone who has participated in the music program this year, including siblings and parents, are welcome to join us. I have been given express permission to have it back in the Sunday School area despite the "no food" policy there. I will be asking around to find out how many will be coming.

Thanks to all for another great year. The children's choir rehearsal after church has been good to me. We had nine kids singing on Youth Sunday in May!

The last Sunday for the adult choir will be June 18. We will have a brief rehearsal on the 15th, followed by our annual party. Please join us if you have been involved in any way with our music program, or if you are interested in becoming involved in the future.

Have a blessed summer.



Mrs. Margie MacWilliams

Director of Music

MEN'S MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the All Parish Brunch on May 7. We had an excellent turnout and it was a great time for fellowship with one another.

Men's Ministry is on break for the summer, but look forward to the return of Sunday Brunch and new activities in the Fall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School ends June 11.

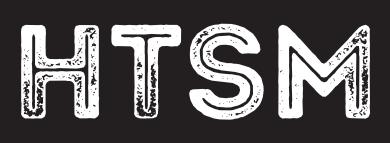
Thank you to all the teachers who make Sunday School possible. We appreicate your hard work and dedication to our children.

Stay tuned for some exciting changes to our Sunday School program coming this fall.

Summer Youth Events at Holy Trinity



HOLY TRINITY



STUDENT MINISTRY

JUNE 25

End of School Celebration

JULY 14-15

Summer Lock-In 6 PM to 9 AM **AUGUST 25**

A Trip to the Drive-In

PARISH LIFE



Emily Provine	6/3
Carl Carlamere IV	6/4
Chris Therkildsen	6/6
Jennifer Fratini	6/8
John Eckert, Sr.	6/8
Catherine Cimino	6/9
Dan Mettinger	6/13
David Walls	6/13
Patrick Myers	6/16
Dennis Coralluzzo, Jr.	6/18
Sam Hoffman	6/20
Judy Traynor	6/20
Margie Newkirk	6/20
Alice Carter	6/20
Sarah Traynor	6/22
Gary Henderson, Sr.	6/22
Brunny Roldan	6/23
Tyler Valentino	6/24
Stephen McAlister	6/25

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants who celebrate birthdays this month as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

"Prayer for Birthdays," BCP 830



Thomas & Kathy Dreger	6/4
Chris & Christine Therkildsen	6/5
Ernest & Nomita Bajpai	6/6
Dex & Jane Whittinghill	6/10
Charles & Melissa Semmes-Thorne	6/13
Stephen & Heidi LoCastro	6/14
Ben & Ashley Maddison	6/17
Patrick & Suzanne Swoyer	6/19
Bruce & Margie MacWilliams	6/21
Darren Provine & Nancy Tinkham	6/30

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

"The Blessing of a Marriage," BCP 431

WORSHIP

SUNDAY WORSHIP



June 4 Feast of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:25-35, 37 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 John 20:19-23

June 11

Trinity Sunday with Baptism First Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

June 18

Second Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 6)

Exodus 19:2-8a Psalm 100 Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

June 25

Third Sunday After Pentecost with Baptism (Proper 7)

Jeremiah 20:7-13 Psalm 69: 8-11, (12-17), 18-20 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39

WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PRAY FOR

IMMEDATE NEED

Poppy Dejesus
Michael DePola
Toni H.
Jane & Doc Hendrick
John
Chiara Law
Leonard Mikulski
Joan Munyon
Sarah Peroli
Judy Stewart
Diedre Tice
Donna & Allie Ungrue

Bill Wernig

Mary West

Jeanette Zeppel

Gail 7.

CONTINUING NEED

John, Nadine, William, Greta, Willie, Gabby, Sally, Emma, Roger, Debbie, Brian, Rod, Carol, Stephan, Davon

ARMED SERVICES/ DIPLOMATIC CORPS

Matt Elizabeth Christina Bernard Jonathan Brian



JUNE CALENDAR



HTSM Kick-Off Event! 6 to 8 PM, Location TBD



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XII Bishop of New Jersey



Proclaiming the Good News of God's grace to a broken world, and letting God transform us in the process.

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HOLY TRINITY'S SUNDAY WORSHIP