

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Adult Forum — TODAY @ 9:15 AM

Our weekly adult forum meets in Brooks Hall between our morning services, offering a time of fellowship, as well as a chance to exchange information or engage in deeper reflection.

Today we invite you to take some time to “think” about that for which we give “thanks.” We’ll use the Litany of Thanksgiving as our starting point, filling in the implied blanks with our own words, stories, and or images. (And consider the implications of this observation: the two words “think” and “thank” are etymologically related; can you really do one without the other?)

The Book of Revelation: End of the World or Heaven on Earth?

Next Sunday, we’ll begin a special five-part series on the Book of Revelation, using a video series from that other Trinity Church on Wall Street (the one in New York City). Here’s some information from the creators of this “online class” featuring priest, theologian, and seminary professor Michael Battle:

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... see Revelation like you’ve never seen it before: as a source of hope and inspiration. Over the course of five videos, Dr. Battle will guide participants through the Book of Revelation and illuminate how it reveals God’s dream for humanity.

The 2017 Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale continues — TODAY after the 8 and 10:15 services

A very special thank you to all who made yesterday’s Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale a success. Your efforts for Outreach will be appreciated by more people than you will ever know. There were so many folks who helped with this all-parish event: crafters; stitchers; knitters; photographers; jewelry makers; woodworkers; bakers and cooks; as well as all of you who made special items ... and, of course, the set up team and the clean-up team, along with the sales department and all who prayed that this event would be a success.

There are still a few items left that will be available after both services today in Brooks Hall. If there was something you forgot to buy – or maybe something you would like more of – it just might be available. Please come and check.

And if you’d like to purchase a raffle ticket, they are still available as well. We’ll pull the winning ticket after the 10:15 service, when everyone has all of their tickets purchased!

Children's Chapel — TODAY @ 10:15 AM

Children's Chapel is offered again this morning at our 10:15 service. We look forward to seeing you. Our program this year consists of liturgy, music and a corresponding activity.

If you are interested in being a part of this important ministry, please talk to Julie Lear or Karen Hauswald – or join us to see how it all works. NOTE: there will be no Children's Chapel next Sunday, owing to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Office Closed — Thursday and Friday

The church offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Obviously, Sunday bulletins for next weekend will have to be printed earlier than normal, so please submit any announcements for next Sunday as early in the week as possible. When the office is closed, please call Genie McBurnett @ (541) 317-8664 for any pastoral concerns.

Additionally, please note that Father Jed will out of the office this coming week. Most emergent concerns should be addressed to the church office (or Genie McBurnett, as noted above).

Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols — Sunday, December 3rd

Before we get caught up in the frenetic pace of Christmas, the Church invites us to celebrate this holy season of Advent. It has its own unique character – as well as music and biblical readings. To help us here at Trinity, we'll celebrate a special service of Lessons and Carols for our 10:15 service on Sunday, December 3rd. After the morning service, we'll enjoy a special time of fellowship in Brooks Hall – an English Tea we're referring to as a “low-key high tea”!

You may want to invite someone to come and join us. (A handy flyer is included with your bulletin this week for you to take home or share!)

St. Nicholas Dinner — Wednesday, December 6th

The Church celebrates the Feast of St. Nicholas in early December, recalling the 4th century bishop who is remembered across the world for his care for children and for his acts of generosity.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the St. Nicholas Dinner on his feast day, December 6th. We'll have a social hour, starting at 4:30 PM, followed by the dinner at 5:30 PM. Enjoy fellowship, a delicious meal, singing ... and a visit from St. Nicholas himself! Please sign up this morning to attend. (Your reservation should be made by December 3rd.)

Advent Opportunities ... and the 2017 Advent Calendars

We'll get a jump on some of our Advent giving opportunities, as well as ways to reflect on the season of Advent, in next week's bulletin (and the December newsletter).

This morning, you can pick up your own copy of “Slow Down. Quiet. It's Advent.” It's a gentle and fun way to be reminded of the true meaning of the season. Get your while supplies last!

Altar Flowers Chart for 2018

Flowers in the sanctuary add beauty to our services and provide a visual means of marking celebrations and commemorations. The 2018 flower chart is in Brooks Hall. You'll be contacted a week or so before your Sunday to ensure the dedication is correct in the bulletin.

CALENDAR

This following list of events is not comprehensive. To add your meeting or event to our calendar, please contact the parish office by phone - 541-382-5542, or email - ministry@trinitybend.org.

11/19	Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
		9:15 AM	Adult Forum: "A Litany of Thanksgiving"
		10:15 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
		11:30 AM	Coffee Hour
11/22	Wednesday	12 PM	Noon Eucharist
		2:30 PM	Sermon Reflections
		4 pm	Centering Prayer cancelled
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
11/23	Thanksgiving Day		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
11/24	Friday		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
11/25	Saturday	9 AM	Altar Guild
11/26	Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
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MINISTERING TODAY

CLERGY:	The Rev. John Collins The Rev. Gaye Lawson
LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	
8:00 AM	Joan Wellman, Suzanne Brady
10:15 AM	Ann Havill, Peggy Ziegler (non-vested), Cody English, Judy Warren, Cathy Ann Douglass (prayers)
ACOLYTE:	Brent Walters
USHERS:	
8:00 AM	Tom and Barb Lowery
10:15 AM	Mark and Deby Welch
MUSIC DIRECTOR:	Susan Evans
INSTRUMENTALIST:	April Lane
ALTAR GUILD:	Donna Young, Ann Havill, Joe Sharpe, Faye Sharpe, Sue McWilliams

IF YOU ARE SICK OR GOING TO BE HOSPITALIZED

Please call Genie McBurnett, Pastoral Care Team, 541-317-8664, or the parish office, 541-382-5542