

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Sunday Forum — TODAY @ 9:15 AM**

Our weekly adult forum meets weekly 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.

At the start of a new year, our focus is divided between the year just past and what lies ahead for us. This morning, we'll have some open-ended conversation about 2017 – perhaps with a special focus on Advent and Christmas just past here at Trinity – and then open it all up for a chance to share some of your hopes for the year to come.

Next week, we'll offer an introduction to the Gospel according to Mark. (And in the following weeks, we'll share some important information about this year's Annual Meeting.)

### **Community Book Conversations — Beginning Tuesday @ 10 AM**

Once again, during the 2018 Season of Nonviolence, Trinity is hosting a series of conversations exploring race consciousness.

The focal book this year is the autobiographical *My (Underground) American Dream: My True Story as an Undocumented Immigrant Who Became a Wall Street Executive*, by Julissa Arce, available online or at Dudley's Bookshop Café. Sessions run from 10-11:30 AM on Tuesdays: January 9, 16, 23 and February 13 and 20.

Please contact Mary Ann Mays @ 541-815-8413 or [cntrygrl1947@gmail.com](mailto:cntrygrl1947@gmail.com) to sign up or with questions. Chuck Johnson is co-facilitating this series.

### **Condega Project Meeting – Next Sunday @ 11:30 AM**

Anyone interested in the church's work in Condega, Nicaragua is invited to a Condega Project meeting on January 14, right after the 10:15 service. We will review this year's budget and make some preliminary spending plans for this year. We will also discuss the plans for our February trip. Question, contact Rick Negus at 541-480-4229

### **Second Sunday Cinema — NEXT Sunday @ 6 PM**

*WHERE IS GOD IN THE MIDST OF WAR AND PESTILENCE?* This is the question that famed Swedish film director Ingmar Bergman asks in *The Seventh Seal* (1957).

Although he was the son of a conservative Lutheran minister who became chaplain to the King of Sweden, Bergman lost his faith at a young age. Many of his films articulate the struggle between the desire and the inability to believe.



*The Seventh Seal* is set in Sweden in the time of the crusades and the Black Death. A knight is on his way home from the wars when he meets Death himself. They begin to play chess as the knight continues home. He moves through a country riven by disease, superstition, and violence but finds some hopefulness in the relationship he witnesses among a group of actors, including a husband and wife named Mia and Jof.

The movie is on most "Top 100 Films of All Time" lists and is an example of what was called an "art film" in Mid Century. It is also one of most heavily parodied films of all times. Look for references to it especially in *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* and *Bill and Ted's Bogus Journey*.

The film will be introduced by retired film professor Kake Huck who also leads the discussion following the film.

### **Trinity's Annual Meeting — Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Once each year we gather to look back at the highlights of the previous year even as we look ahead at the year to come.

As part of the business at our Annual Meeting, we'll give thanks for those who have served in leadership positions this past year, most notably the three members of the Vestry who retire this year: Bill Silliman, Bill Swarts and John Lawson.

And we'll also elect three new members to our Vestry to fill these vacancies. See the January issue of *The Trumpet* (our monthly newsletter) more information about the individuals who have been nominated to serve on the Vestry. They are Chris Bell, Jennifer MacHaffie and Mark Welch.

NOTE: If you're responsible for a written report, please email your report to Jan Stalker by Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Send it to [jan@trinitybend.org](mailto:jan@trinitybend.org).

### **Trinity Women's Retreat: Weaving Connection – Opening, Exploring, Nurturing**

Registration for our March 2-4 Trinity Women's Retreat is now open! Flyers, with the registration forms, are in Brooks Hall and in the office and more details are in the January *Trumpet*.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any one of the planning committee members:

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### **The Spirit of Giving—an all-year thing!**

This summer, plans are afoot for a fundraiser for some special children near and far! What is needed now: as you are putting your Christmas decorations away, please put aside any "like new" decorations that you are ready to pass along to others.

And then watch for more about "Christmas in July: the Spirit of Giving" in monthly newsletter, *The Trinity Trumpet*, and Sunday bulletins.

### **Epiphany Potluck (and leftover stars?)**

Thanks, again, to Julie Lear and her crew of helpers for organizing this year's Epiphany Potluck. And thanks, too, to those who came out last evening for the food and the fellowship ... and your "word stars" for the New Year.

As supplies last, there may be more available for you!



## 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](mailto:ministry@trinitybend.org).

1/7	Sunday		<b>First Sunday after the Epiphany: Baptism of Our Lord</b>
		8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
		9:15 AM	Adult Forum
		10:15 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
		11:30 AM	Coffee Hour
		11:45 AM	Peace and Social Justice Meeting
1/9	Tuesday	10 AM	Community Book Conversation
		2 PM	Women's Retreat Planning Meeting
		3:30 PM	Liturgy Team Meeting
1/10	Wednesday	10 AM	Building and Grounds
		12 Noon	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
		12:30 PM	Library Hours
		2 PM	Sermon Reflections
		4 PM	Centering Prayer
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
1/11	Thursday	4 PM	Education for Ministry (EfM)
1/13	Saturday	9 AM	Altar Guild
1/14	Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
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