

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.

This week, we'll begin a special two-part preview of this year's Annual Meeting. We'll offer an overview of all of what's on this year's agenda, but the focus this week will be to offer a snapshot on our parish finances. We'll also review an amendment to our parish bylaws proposed by the Finance Committee and our Vestry.

Then return next week for more time, picking up on whatever loose ends are left after this morning, and particularly open for any questions/concerns.

Rooted. Open. Growing. —

A half-page insert with your bulletin this morning invites you to be part of an ongoing conversation about three words and an image that may help us describe who we are at Trinity ... and what matters most to us. Please take a moment to offer a quick response to "open" this morning.

Community Pints at Deschutes Brewery Benefit Family Kitchen — Tuesdays in January

Each Tuesday during the month of January from 11 AM – 10 PM, Deschutes Brewery will donate \$1 for each pint of brew sold to Family Kitchen. This is a Big Deal! Bring your friends, family, work groups, book club, neighborhood association ... bring 'em all! Tuesdays are the day!

Women's Group Quarterly Potluck — Thursday @ 5 PM

All women are invited on Thursday, January 24, at 5 pm, in Brooks Hall for our Quarterly Women's Group Salad Potluck. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Beverages and bread will be provided. We'll gather for fellowship at 5 pm and eat at about 5:30.

We'll review the events of 2018 and brainstorm ideas for 2019, including providing a meal each month at Grandma's House.

Jane Davis is the point of contact for this fun evening. Please RSVP to Jane @ 858-337-7756 (call or text) or janedavis6150@gmail.com. If you can help with set up or clean up, please let her know when you RSVP.

If you do not drive at night and would like a ride, please contact Jane Davis (above). We will see if we can arrange a ride to and from the potluck. Hope to see you on January 24th!

Trinity Men's Breakfast — Saturday @ 8:30 AM

All men of the parish (high school and older) are invited to Brooks Hall for friendship, fellowship, fun and connection. We gather at 8:30, with breakfast served at 9. The suggested donation is \$5. Volunteer help in the kitchen and with setup and breakdown is always needed and welcome!

Please RSVP by noon Thursday to Brian Douglass @ bdouglass2014@centurylink.net.

Trinity's Annual Meeting — NEXT Sunday after the 10:15 service

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.

We're planning to enjoy a light lunch together – sandwiches and cookies – to power us through the meeting. The sandwiches will be provided, with coffee from Strictly Organic. If you'd like to help with the cookies, please find one of the sign-up sheets and add your name.

In addition, if you can help with the final setup of chairs, etc. – over at St. Helens this year! – please join us at 1 pm on Saturday, January 26.

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 our Senior Warden, Joan Wellman, our Junior Warden, Karen Hauswald, as well as four members of the Vestry who retire this year: Jim Allen, Julie Lear, Donna Young, and Jeannette Beeger.

We'll learn about new Wardens appointed/elected to serve. And, as a congregation, we'll also elect new members to our Vestry to fill the vacancies. See the January issue of *The Trumpet* (our monthly newsletter) for more information about the individuals who have been nominated to serve on the Vestry. In the meantime, here they are ...



Bill Carrington



Greg Hedger



Paula Pyron



Mark Williams

We'll also elect five (5) delegates – plus some alternates – to the 2019 Diocesan Convention, which will meet in Cove, at Ascension School, October 18-20. Please let us know if you're interested!

And we're being asked to approve an amendment to our parish bylaws, as well. Come and join us.

Sing Noel 'til Candlemas

Perhaps you've noticed that some of our Christmas decorations, including figures for the Holy Family in our crèche, are still on display.

Though not widely observed in modern times, there is a tradition of celebrating Christmastide for 40 days (rather than merely 12), culminating in the Feast of the Presentation on February 2, a day also called Candlemas in some circles ... hence, the slightly obscure expression, "Sing Noel 'til Candlemas." Some of us delight in carrying some of the Christmas cheer well into the New Year.

As an aside, though, Advent is well and truly past. Thanks to those who brought in your Advent Calendars for "show and tell" recently. They've come down off the walls in Brooks Hall, so if you want yours back, please stop by the reception area today.

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.

1/20	Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite I
		9:15 AM	Adult Forum: 2019 Annual Meeting Preview
		10:15 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
		11:30 AM	Coffee Hour
1/21	Monday		Martin Luther King Day – Offices Closed
1/23	Wednesday	9 AM	Sermon Reflections
		12 Noon	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
		2:30 PM	Community Book Group: <i>White Fragility</i>
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
1/24	Thursday	5 PM	Women's Salad Potluck
1/26	Saturday	8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast
		9 AM	Altar Guild
1/27	Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist: Rite II
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		12 Noon	2019 Annual Meeting (St. Helens)