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ANNOUNCEMENTS: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

The SECOND Day of Christmas — TODAY @ 8 and 10 AM

In our tradition, Christmas is more than just a single day. We celebrate 12 days of Christmas, which means that today's celebration is just the beginning.

Unfortunately, some of our regular times for fellowship are not good options in the midst of the ongoing pandemic. We look forward to resuming both the weekly Adult Forum and Coffee Hour at some point in the future ... but that future is not yet here.

Livestream on YouTube — TODAY @ 10 AM

As always, we'll be streaming the 10 am service on YouTube: https://youtu.be/5CpN1vr5T_w. If all goes well, you just need to click on the link at 10 am on Sunday to join us live. Please subscribe to our YouTube channel to ensure you're always able to keep up with our latest videos.

You can stop by Trinity and pick up a printed copy of the bulletin, left outside the office doors.

Sermon Discussion Groups — Tuesdays @ 8 AM and Wednesdays @ 9 AM

There are opportunities to gather during the week for fellowship and/or prayer and reflection. Some of those times are interrupted this week, but others continue in their familiar pattern.

Contact Ken Sandine @ kasandine@hotmail.com to get the link for "The Tuesday Gang," a Zoom sermon discussion group that meets every Tuesday @ 8 am.

The weekly "Sermon Reflections" group meets every Wednesday @ 9 am. Join the conversation on Zoom:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/837943460?pwd=Mm5DMFpPV2tvNoNsbC5vVWlkbFduUTog>.

Prayers in the Evening — Tuesdays @ 4 PM ... BUT NOT THIS WEEK!

Two of our weekly gatherings are on holiday this week. Please note that weekly "Prayers in the Evening" virtual gathering on Zoom will NOT be offered this week. We will resume this gentle gathering after the first of the year – on Tuesday, January 4.

Midweek Eucharist — Wednesdays @ Noon ... BUT NOT THIS WEEK!

Our weekly in-person gathering for Eucharist (in the Chapel) is also on holiday and will NOT meet this week. We will resume after the first of the year – on Wednesday, January 5.

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Hope to see you there ... as our Christmas cheer carries into the new calendar year! For more information, please contact Karen Hauswald at 540-272-3388.

Year End Contributions

Based on IRS regulations, all contributions you intend to claim on your 2021 tax return be postmarked or received at Trinity Episcopal Church by Friday, December 31. The parish offices will close at noon, so plan to bring all last-minute contributions before then. Contributions for 2021 either received or postmarked *after* December 31 will be recorded as 2021 pledge contributions, but will appear on your 2022 Charitable Contributions Statement. If you have questions about your pledge balance, please contact Joan Wellman, our Contributions Secretary, at 541-408-5435 or email her at contributions@trinitybend.org.

Traditional IRA distributions may have changed. Please consult your investment advisor for details.

Epiphany Stars

In what's become an annual tradition at Trinity, we will have a new batch of stars – with your word for 2022 – available soon. If you will not be attending in-person worship in the near future, you can stop by the office starting on the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6, and reach into a bag. (The first star you touch is your word for the New Year!)

Advent Calendars

All those who colored/decorated Advent calendars these past few weeks are encouraged to bring them back for “show and tell”! Or, if you'd prefer, just take a picture of your calendar and post it directly to the Trinity Facebook group.

Alternative Christmas Giving

There is still time to donate before the end of the year! (Please see the note above regarding the year end donation deadline.) The easiest way to donate is to go to www.trinitybend.org and click the DONATE button, or contact Joan Wellman with your credit card information. Be sure to include a note about where your donation should go!

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- Family Kitchen serves free meals every day to those in need here in St. Helens Hall (and in other locations in Central Oregon, as well).

Thanks

Another round of thanks to those who did so much to enhance our celebrations of Christmas again this year. So many people do so much week in and week out all through the year ... and then they step up and do more for these special celebrations.

Thanks to Christian Clark and the Trinity Choir, and to musicians Julie Geveshausen, organ, and Jo Booser. Thanks to our technical support, Todd Cary most typically at the proverbial helm of the livestream ... and all the work Bill Brisson has put into making it all work. And thanks to Carol Spongberg and Helen Brisson – and the whole Altar Guild – for their dedicated service.

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 8 AM Holy Eucharist at Trinity
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- 12/27 Monday **Parish Offices closed for the Christmas holiday**
- 12/28 Tuesday 8 AM The Tuesday Gang ... a sermon discussion group (*online*)
- 12/29 Wednesday 9 AM Sermon Reflections (*online*)
- 12/31 **New Year's Eve** **Parish Offices close at noon**
- 1/2 **Second Sunday of Christmas (Day 9 of the 12 Days of Christmas!)**
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