

Tidings

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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April Showers Bring May Flowers!

The showers referred to in the familiar song are really blessings. They provide us the opportunity to demonstrate God's love to one another. Des Robertson said, "The Church is a way of life in which we pass the love of God to those around us so that they come to know God's love for them and pass it along to others in turn. The way we live our faith defines Church for others."

As we look back through the month of April, we had significant events to focus our love and energy as a church family.

On April 13th, Christina Bello represented our parish at the Virginia Theological Seminary Christian rock concert. Youth from all over our diocese gathered first at Camp Wright and then they travelled together to Alexandria to share joy and demonstrate diversity and oneness. I would especially like to thank Janice Flood, our Northern Convocation youth representative who organized the youth from our Cecil County.

Christmas in April is the annual event in which volunteers assist homeowners who need

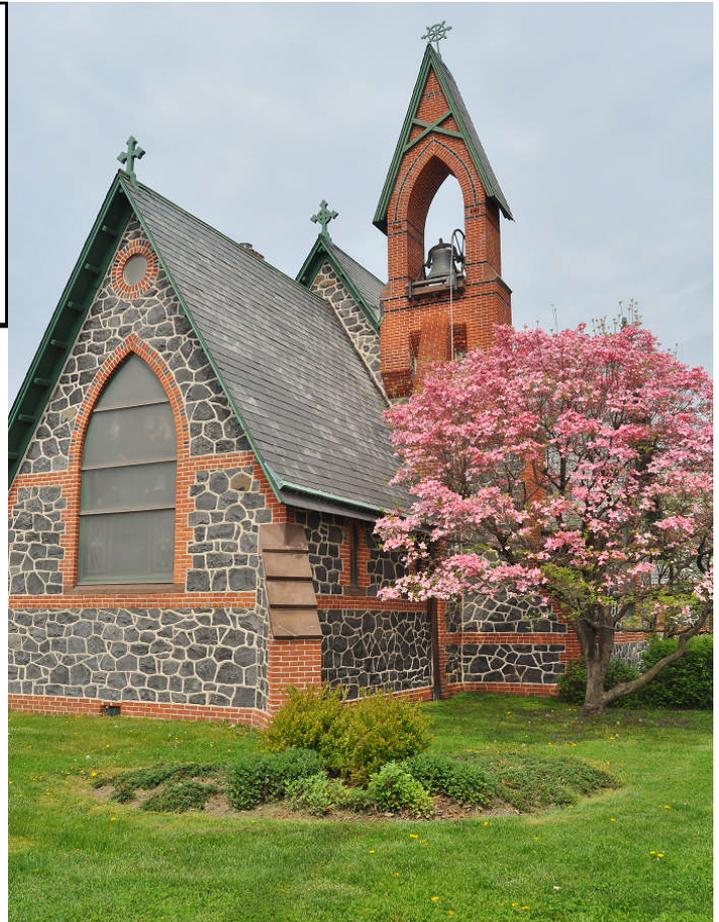
renovations to their dwellings. This is a significant opportunity to pass along God's love in a concrete way to a family right here in Cecil County. This year we worked side by side with Rev. Patricia Drost and her flock from St. Mark's, Perryville. Under the leadership of our group leaders, a deck was replaced, hand rails installed, as well as some light gardening that was accomplished. The homeowner was so happy with the work we did that she continually expressed her gratitude. But the greatest blessing was to those of us who participated. The two congregations got to know one another and expressed the desire for more joint activities, even pulpit exchanges.



The hard work of J.P. Fossler in building a magnificent brick walkway as his Eagle Scout activity has already brought honor to Trinity. It was an idea that he developed for members to purchase individual bricks to be meaningfully inscribed. On May 12th we will formally thank God for the walkway and for the creative mind of J.P. who carried it out.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all who join together to make Trinity a better place. Even as we gather to clean up our church, we literally open doors to let blessings flow in. In addition, Des Robertson concludes: "Thus the Church, at once "a visible association and a spiritual community. She serves as a leaven and a kind of soul for human society as it is renewed in Christ and transformed into God's family."

*~The Rev. Dr. Nicholas N. Sichangi
Priest In Charge*





Your Prayers are asked for:

- Jan Ackerman
- Jacob Asroff
- Dustin Bartow
- Angelo Brusnahan
- Sherri Calladine
- Helen Cornacchia
- Charles Cox
- Jesse Cugini
- Nancy Draper
- Rusann Foster
- Matthew Gaffney
- Margaret Graham
- Joe Heimberger
- Mary Katharine Hitchcock
- Madison Hoehn
- Dorita Jermyn
- Walter Jermyn
- Victoria Jubinski
- Libby Keefer
- Holli Krebs
- Louis Marion
- Richard Palmer
- Rose Perrone
- Vaughn Potts
- Linda Rawlings
- Mark Reeves
- David Russ
- Lou Russ
- Carroll Smith
- Russell Stobaugh
- Bunny Sturgill-Martin
- Brian Tozer
- Jill Truitt
- Lisa Wiegand
- Dr. Darcy Williams

MEALS MINISTRY OF TRINITY is a program to provide meals to those in our church family who need help in providing food for themselves and/or their families for a limited period of time. This includes after surgery or hospitalization, during times of crisis, etc. Please call if you or someone you know has a need. If you would like to be part of this new and wonderful ministry please contact us to put your name on the list of providers. This is a win-win ministry Join us! 410-398-5350 or email- trinityelkton@verizon.net

Food Pantry Volunteers needed.



The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to help with the distribution of food. The pantry is open on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:30. We always have two people staffing the pantry. This is not a difficult job but one that is extremely important in our efforts to reach out to those in the community who are in need. If you think that you might be interested in helping, please contact Ben or Goldie Cook at 410-620-0040.

AIR CONDITIONER FOR OUR PARISH HOUSE: Women of Trinity's Goal is to Air Condition the Parish House. Our First Friday Fare is our only source of money. **WE NEED YOUR HELP.** Please donated to this worthy cause in the "Little House" that is located in the back of the Church.

Mother's Day Breakfast, sponsored by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, will honor the women of Trinity Parish on Sunday, May 12 8:45 a.m. by providing breakfast between the services (and by doing the dishes). Please plan to attend in celebration of our moms!

United Thank Offering - Spring Ingathering: UTO Spring Ingathering will take place on Sunday, May 12th at both services. Envelopes are in the pews. Please make checks out to United Thank Offering.

WORK DAY SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST
Come join us to keep Trinity looking good!

Congratulations to our Graduates



- Joe Calladine
- Erin Clay
- Rachel Derby
- Elizabeth Malley
- Mike Rossi

8:00 a.m. service

Ministry Schedule May

10:00 a.m. service

May 12

CBR- Gordon Tozer

P of P- Mitzie Snyder

Ushers- Paul Arbour Jr. and Frank D. Brown Jr.

May 19

CBR -Gordon Tozer

P of P- Mitzie Snyder

Usher- Sam Smith

May 26

CBR- Mary Helen Atwood

P of P- Mary Helen Atwood

Usher- Mary Helen Atwood and Frank D. Brown

Nursery

5-12 Debbie McKeown

5-19 Tammy Cox

5-26 Tracy Mozier

**May 19th is
Pentecost Sunday
be sure to wear red!**



May 12

Acolytes- Aaron Derby and T.J. Taylor

Lector- Ross Lee

CBR- Orville Potts and Kathy Davidson

P of P- Mary Morrison

Ushers- Diane and Dwight Hair

Greeter- Libby Keefer

May 19

Acolytes- Marina White and Carri Birdsall

Lector- Susan Burkholder

CBR- Heidi White and Ross Lee

P of P- Judy Caffey

Ushers- Eugene Caffey and Charlie Davidson

Greeter- Kathy Davidson

May 26

Acolytes- J.P. Fossler and Jack Fossler

Lector- Matthew Cugini

CBR-Debbie McKeown and Allen Clay

P of P- Janice Potts

Ushers- Diane and Dwight Hair

Greeter- Jane Ayers

SUMMER SERVICE CHANGE BEGINS SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH,

WE WILL SWITCH TO ONE SERVICE ON SUNDAYS, AT 9:00 A.M.

WE WILL RESUME OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE ON SEPTEMBER 8TH.

Women of Trinity Meeting Minutes Monday, April 29, 2013

Present were Jane Ayers, Diane Hair, Mitzie Snyder, Tricia Smith, Millie MacMichael, Libby Keefer, Nancy Stevenson, Jean Mulford and Goldie Cook met in the Parish House. We were fortunate to have Father Nicholas join us.

Primary discussion was finalizing set up for May's First Friday Fare on Friday, May 3. Those involved will meet in the Parish House at 3:45pm. With warmer weather expected, a possible menu change was discussed for June's 1st Friday. No firm decision made.

It was agreed that taking the lead on involving the Parish in air conditioning in the Parish House was a worthwhile effort. We also recognized that it would need to be a long-term project and the Women of Trinity would need to vote on what portion of their ongoing programs would be set aside for air conditioning. We are fortunate to have a parishioner who is willing to give us a cost estimate and provide alternative solutions. While Women of Trinity may not be part of the final decision, we can take pride in getting the ball rolling.

Mitzie Snyder suggested that during times of crisis, the Church should be open to the public for personal prayer. It would require a roster of persons willing to be available at the Church and she suggested a reusable banner. Follow up with Father Nicholas.

The Women's Group plan to host a Breakfast for Father's Day on June 16. Details to follow.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 28 at 11:30 am. Topics for discussion: June 1st Friday Fare; Father's Day Breakfast; Interest in having Saturday morning Women's Group meeting. Please send items for agenda to: Tricia Smith at patriciardy@yahoo.com.

~Tricia Smith

Almost a year in the making, youth member JP Fossler has completed the construction phase of his Boy Scout Eagle project on Saturday, May 4, 2013. With the help of generous donations from the congregation of Trinity, who bought engraved bricks to fund a beautiful new pathway, a major milestone has been completed toward finalizing his project. The new walk replaces sunken flagstones with overgrown grass from the parking lot to the Trinity House lot, alongside of the storage garage.

JP worked with Trinity's Junior Warden Hans Nafzinger last summer, who together identified the need for an upgraded pathway. JP completed a project proposal that was then approved by his Troop leaders. Once it was approved J.P. was then able to begin fundraising in November 2012. JP presented the congregation with his idea during Sunday services and asked for their help. With the holidays upon us, Trinity family showed their full support completely funding the entire project by purchasing memorial and honor bricks for loved ones to be included in the pathway. Their generosity, especially during Thanksgiving and Christmas was overwhelming and inspiring.

In early Spring 2013, once the bricks were ready, JP scheduled a work day with his scout brothers of Troop 443, which also coincided with a Trinity work day. There was a flurry of activity that day. With the help of both Scouts and adults, the hard labor portion of the path began! Ultimately, a 7 inch trench was dug, leveled, layered with special gravel and sand, then the bricks were hand laid by JP in a pattern he designed during his planning stage.

Other aspects of his project included landscaping the space between the path and garage with decorative stones to keep the area low maintenance. Remaining soil was used to fill in a low area of the church yard from a tree that had been removed several years ago, making the area more level. A planned motion detection light, powered by a solar panel will be installed on the corner of the garage to light the pathway for night time use. Mr. Nafzinger volunteered his expertise in installing this portion of the project as planned by him and JP.

Although the intensive labor is complete, an Eagle project, is not fully completed until the entire project is formally written and presented with visuals, to the Eagle Review board. JP will have the opportunity to provide the board with a comprehensive report regarding his project from concept to completion, and reveal how he was able to take the primary leadership role in seeing this project to fruition. This review board meeting will most likely take place later this summer or early fall.

We are so pleased that JP took the opportunity to work with the leadership of Trinity and complete such a project that is not only a beautiful enhancement to our lovely church grounds, but a symbol of our congregation's family that will last for years to come. The Trinity family has had the privilege of witnessing JP's leadership, effort and determination in reaching the pinnacle of his scouting career. We are pleased he chose his home church on which to make a lasting mark that represents both his faith and career in scouting.

We've been with him every step of the way.
~~The Trinity Family



May 4, 2013



To see additional pictures go to-
<http://www.trinityelkton.org/slideshow.htm>

May 2013

Monthly Planner

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