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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Come let us celebrate Emmanuel.

Advent is always a time of anticipation and hope. It is a season to prepare us for the coming of Noel.

Joy L. McDonald Colvet wrote in *Currents in Theology and Mission* (Dec.9, 2007) "So who is coming this Advent? Which Jesus? Is it Jesus the shoot from the stump, signal of hope and transformation into peace, or is it Jesus the one bearing the axe, the winnowing fork, the bringer of fire? The answer is Yes-both. At the same time, the answer is Neither. Jesus surprises people by what he does not do. Jesus does not conquer the earth with military force, become king, bring absolute order. Jesus also surprises people by what he does do- Jesus does bring diverse people together into one community, lead by going to the cross to suffer and die, send people out to transform the world."

On Christmas God sends us His son. In whom we become God's adopted sons and daughters. Jesus came to conquer the world, by bringing people together. Though he shed his blood for us on the cross, we must take up His legacy in our daily lives.

We are called to walk in the Light of God because we are the children of the light. Jesus whom we anticipate in this season of Advent, is already here. He is the light of the world. As we walk in the light of God, as Michael Houdmann wrote, We walk in the light of Jesus by "following His precepts, living in His power, and growing in His grace." Remember it is our duty to spread His love. Whether it is kindness to someone who needs encouragement or a Christmas toy to a needy child. Every act of love counts. As God's community, we ask ourselves, "What would Jesus do?"

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



Christmas Eve Services

7:00 P.M. *Family Eucharist

11:00 P.M. Choral Candlelight Eucharist

Special Music at 10:30 P.M.

* Nursery provided

Your Prayers are asked for

*Jan Ackerman
John Anderson
Jacob Asroff
William Atwood
Ellen Bonn
Dustin Bartow
Melissa Collins
Goldie Cook
Helen Cornacchia
Jesse Cugini
Nancy Draper
Eugene and Family
Rusann Foster
Matthew Gaffney
Bill Gilbert
Joe Heimberger
Madison Hoehn
Walter Jermyn
Libby Keefer
Kathy Koslak
Holli Krebs*

*Lasone
Rosemarie Scott Murphy
Richard Palmer
Justin Pearce
Rose Perrone
Christopher Porteus
John Potts
Vaughn Potts
Steve Radclif
Linda Rawlings
Al Renwick
Brooke Rollins
David Russ
Lou Russ
Carroll Smith
Ira Smith
Russell Stobaugh
Bunny Sturgill-Martin
Brian Tozer
Lisa Wiegand*



WOMEN OF TRINITY

FIRST FRIDAY FARE January 3, 2014

5:00 PM to 6:30 PM in the Parish House.

Soup and desserts \$5.00 per person

Chili and desserts \$7.00 per person,

***Trinity Gift Shop open during the
1st Friday Fare.***



EMAIL LIST SERVE

If you are not receiving our parish emails and would like to, please send your email address to the office at trinityelkton@verizon.net. Group emails from the office are sent blind cc for privacy.

**PLEASE HELP US OUT WITH OUR
PARISH PRAYER LIST**

If you have put a name on our prayer list, especially prior to a month ago, we would like to hear from you as to how that person is doing, whether they need to remain on the list, or may be taken off. We appreciate an update.

Please call the office this week 410-398-5350 or send an email trinityelkton@verizon.net



DONATION FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation to the decoration of the Altar and Church nave for the Christmas Eve Services, please complete this form and bring or mail it to the Church by December 19th.

Enclosed a check for \$ _____

for flowers in memory of _____

or as a Thank offering for _____

Signed _____

Phone # _____

Ministry Schedule December

8:00 AM

Date	CBR	P of P	Usher
12/15	Victoria Koslak	Gordon Tozer	Mitzi Snyder, Sam Smith
12/22	Victoria Koslak	Tricia Smith	Paul Arbour Jr., Susan Weed
12/29	Victoria Koslak	Mitzie Snyder	Gayle Mayo, Mary Helen Atwood

10:00 AM

Date	Acolytes	Lector	CBR	Ushers	P of P	Greeter
12/15	Marina White Carri Birdsall	Mary Morrison	Ross Lee Debbie McKeown	Wendy Gilbert Richard Gilbert	Debbie McKeown	Kathy Davidson
12/22	Jack Fossler Aaron Derby	Ross Lee	Heidi White Mary Morrison	Charlie Davidson MK Hitchcock	Mary K. Hitchcock	Jane Ayers
12/24 7 PM	Hunter Taylor T.J.Taylor Aaron Derby Marina White	Susan Burkholder	Gordon Tozer	Rick Burkholder	Heidi White	Libby Keefer
12/24 11 PM	J.P. Fossler Jack Fossler Carri Birdsall	Bill Gorak	Kathy Davidson Ross Lee	Diane & Dwight Hair	Mary K. Hitchcock	Jane Ayers
12/29	Aaron Derby Hunter Taylor	Mary Morrison	Allen Clay Margaret Russ	Ross Lee Charlie Davidson	Judy Caffey	Kathy Davidson



 Altar guild we will be decorating the church and setting up for Christmas Eve services immediately after the 10:00 AM service on December 22nd .
 All members are encouraged to attend.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS are needed to provide light refreshments (cookies, donuts, juice). We supply the coffee, cream and sugar) after the 10:00 a.m. service. Coffee hour is a critical ministry, not only for the fellowship of our regular members but also for the meeting and greeting of newcomers. PLEASE, if you can take even one Sunday a year, it would help a lot! **Sign-up sheet** is in the Parish House.



BIBLE STUDY
 &
MID-WEEK EUCHARIST
Wednesdays at 9:00 AM
in Trinity House.
 Join Us!

