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**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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*November 2009*

## **My Dear Friends in Christ,**

Yesterday I was driving up Route 40 after a long day, mulling a few things over, when the remaining foliage caught my eye, and I refocused. Just then I saw a glorious vivid red tree, and it took my breath away. I shuddered with delight and surprise as I kept my grip on the steering wheel, thinking, “What a gift to see that, really see that!”

My friend Alice used to tell me that red leaves were reminders of the kingdom of God among us, around us. It works for me! But it also reminds me of all the breathtaking beauty and love that we miss because we are distracted by our own little worlds and plans.

I remember a scene from “National Lampoon’s Vacation,” in which the Griswold family arrives at the Grand Canyon, and the addled dad just walks up to the edge of the grand view, glances over once, and then turns with a look of “Ok, been there done that—let’s go.” How much of what is precious, amazing, beautiful, tender,—and yes breathtaking—in this life do we miss because we are “glazed-over” with our own brain chatter?

Some of our scenery is about to go away—the leaves and green grass, and flowers. But in our sparer landscape we can see gloriously colored winter skies, trees silhouetted against coral sunsets, and warm light pouring out of homes into neighborhood streets. Perhaps these things will help us grasp the infinite wonder of our own breathtaking existence in the midst of the Kingdom of God.

Faithfully,

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### **Parish Register**

#### **Death:**

Dan Russ 10/29/09

*“May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.”*

Patty  
 Jackie Bollinger  
 Pat Breza  
 Judy Burkley  
 Helen Cornacchia  
 Donna Cottle  
 Jesse Cugini  
 Ray Eddy  
 Dan Edwards  
 Sue Fossler  
 Jason Gaffney  
 Irene Graff  
 Frank Grieten  
 Thomas E. Hitchcock  
 June Holt  
 Rosemary Hurley  
 Libby Keefer  
 Jeanne Licht  
 Hilda McAndrews  
 Martha Nichols  
 Orlando Otey  
 Thomas Paoletti  
 Linda Rawlings  
 Patsy Rouke  
 David Russ  
 Robert Schick  
 Mark Stein  
 Russell Stobaugh  
 Lisa Wiegand

**Men & Women**

**Serving Overseas:**

Chimene Grieten  
 Timothy Hickman  
 Matt Karras  
 Scott Morgan  
 Brandon Reasin  
 Kevin Savage  
 Sara Wells-Savage  
 Japeth Shaver  
 Michael Shrout  
 Michael Wells

**VESTRY MINUTES**

**Minutes:** Minutes from the last meeting approved as presented?

Yes with corrections

**Correspondence:** 1) Mickey Sprecher sent a thank you not along with donation for services for his mother. 2) Fall appeal from Meeting Ground Motion made & approved that we donate \$200. 3) Diocesan Asking—Diocese would like our funds by December.

**Ministry Areas – Team Reports as Available/Necessary:**

**A. Finance/Stewardship—1) Stewardship:** Sunday is October 18<sup>th</sup>. Dave Calladine & Rich Gilbert to speak at both services. Letter & pledge card will be available to take home. October 25<sup>th</sup> is commitment Sunday—when parishioners will hopefully turn in their pledges. We will again begin having pledge statements quarterly. 2) **Finance:** Investments being behind \$2650 is an alarm point for Finance Committee. Pledges fell behind in the summer, it is a cash flow rather budget issue. If it's a typical year, pledges will come back and off set the shortage of income. Outgo should be under a bit. **Treasure's Report Approved.**

**B. Leadership /Pastoral Care/Warden Report –Warden's Report:** None  
 2) Robanne is happy to serve remainder of Arnie's term(2 1/2 years). 3) Warden changes for 2010: Charlie to be Senior Warden. Allen Clay to be Junior Warden.

**C. Building/Grounds (Charlie/Frank) –** 1) Anonymous donor has given \$2500 and will give another \$2500 in January. 2) Grow Team \$500 in 3) New Sign/refurbish sign 4) Air conditioner, initial 2500 to Grow Team, then next installment will go to sign and then air conditioner. 5) No info yet on bids.

**D. Worship/Music/Adult Ed. & Spiritual Life (Beverly/Judy/Margaret) –** 7 people in Inquirer's Class. Worship Committee to meet in November.

**E. Youth/Sunday School (David)–** 1) Overnight retreat is October 30<sup>th</sup> for youth. 2) Attendance at Sunday School was low on Sunday—Boy Scout weekend; demographic have changed so overall enrollment has dropped. 3) Need Leadership help for Youth Group.

**F. Outreach (Susan/Gayle) —** Food moving along. Shelter Week for Trinity 2<sup>nd</sup> week in November.

**G. National/ Global Mission —**There will be a December dinner—for awareness of Global Mission.

**H. Church Growth—** Will meet in the next couple of weeks. Sign for Church is in the design stage. Hans is now working with Trinity website.

**I. Fellowship —** Trying to sign up more people for October 25<sup>th</sup> dinner.

**J. Brotherhood Report. —** Dinner is in November. Speaker will be Jean Moran, Volunteer Supervisor at Union Hospital.

## Sunday School

Our Sunday School program continues to charge forward. Our intimate class size affords the teachers and students to engage in some very interesting discussions. Pastor Beverly continues to visit with the students each Sunday morning for a few moments before she leads the morning church service.



Look for the students to lead the service for our first Youth Sunday, November 1st, during the 10 am service. They will be processing, greeting, reading and singing as we celebrate All Saints Sunday. Look for the names of some special Trinity Saints as the students enter the church.

Each month we ask members of the congregation to prayerfully consider a session of teaching Sunday School. We are in need of teachers for our next session. Sherri, Cheryl or Robanne are happy to speak with anyone with questions about teaching. We await your call! As always, thanks for your prayers for our program!  
Sherri Caladine, Cheryl Lee and Robanne Palmer~

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## Halloween Dinner

Sunday evening was the Halloween Pot Luck dinner and it was a fun evening. There were some very special guests. The Big Bad Wolf and Little Red Riding Hood, Dr. Flu Killer, our very own Appalachian Trail Hiker and some several very special hats. Miss "I'm a Little Tea (coffee) Pot" Beverly and Ali Baba Christopher. Ling Ling the panda, Cleopatra, Al Capone, Jr. and several other special people. A jack o lantern piñata rounded out the fun for the kids and special prizes for the best costumes. Dr. Margaret Russ, Flu Killer and Hans, "walk a mile or two down the Appalachian trail" won in the big kids contest and Ryan Taylor "Ling Ling Panda" and Jack, "Al Capone Jr." Fossler won in the Small adult contest. But it was Christy "Slugger" Mahoney who took out the Jack o Lantern piñata and sent candy every where. I am so sorry that some had to miss the event due to trips to the airport to collect a husband or an unplanned parade and then there were those who just had to make the unscheduled trip to Medical aid units due to flu like symptoms. We missed you all and we missed everyone else who could not come due to packing for a trip and other scheduling issues. We hope to see you in November for the Thanksgiving Pie and Coffee on November 25th after Thanksgiving Eve. services and if not then, maybe the December 6th dinner for the World Mission Outreach Dinner. That evening's sign up is already in circulation, please see Wendy or Rich Gilbert for information. Again Sunday was great fun and I hope all will come again as we gather for fellowship with our Trinity Family.

Mary Helen Atwood~

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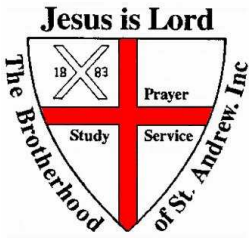
## TRINITY YOUTH GROUP

The second week in November is Trinity Week at the Rotating Homeless Shelter in Elkton. TYG is cooking and serving dinner for the residents on Monday, November 9, so keep the evening open. Shawn and Allen Clay have very kindly agreed to organize this (Thank You!), so you will be hearing more from them soon.



We also plan to sell pumpkin rolls again this year. The pumpkin rolls are always delicious and are an important source of funds for TYG events. The bake date will be Saturday, November 21, in time for Thanksgiving. This year we plan to split the proceeds with the Trinity Food Pantry and the World Mission effort. We will be taking orders every Sunday between now and the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Youth Group Leadership Team



All are invited to the  
**Brotherhood of St. Andrew Annual Dinner**  
Thursday, November 12, 2009  
**Bentley's Restaurant** Route 40, Elkton

Join the Brotherhood for an evening of fellowship. Jean Moran will be our keynote speaker. She is the head of volunteer services at Union Hospital. We will start the evening off at 6:30 PM with cocktails in the bar (on your own) followed by dinner at 7:00 PM. The menu and price per person are below:

**Chicken Chesapeake**

*Breast of chicken topped with shrimp and crab imperial \$30*

**Shrimp stuffed with Crab Imperial**

*Jumbo shrimp topped with lump crab imperial \$32*

**Roast Prime Rib of Beef**

*10 ounce prime rib of beef, with horseradish sauce \$33*

The prices above are per person and include salad and dessert, iced tea, coffee or water plus gratuity.

Please RSVP to Gene Clay (410-398-0465) or Hans Nafzinger (410-620-4644) with menu choices by November 5th. Please make checks payable to **Brotherhood of St. Andrew** and give to Gene or Hans by the reservation date.

**Brotherhood of St. Andrew Annual Dinner Reservation Slip**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Choices:

Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brotherhood Work Day**  
**Saturday, November 7th**



This day has been set aside to take care of the many things we need to do to keep our facility safe and attractive and prepare for winter. We plan to start at 8 AM, but whatever time you are available will be appreciated. We have gutters to clean, sump pumps to repair, lights to replace and plasterboard to fix. Mid-morning refreshments and lunch will be served. Please contact Charlie Davidson if you can attend, 302-328-5956. See you there!

**"Hold the Date"**

December 13th  
World Mission Outreach Dinner, 5pm in the Parish Hall, featuring live music, entertainment and family fun to raise awareness of world mission work and to raise funding to support Nets for Life, treated bed nets to repel mosquitoes and help stop the deadly spread of malaria in Africa. See Rich and Wendy to sign up and learn more.



Rich Gilbert ~

Ministry Schedule... November 2009

**8 a.m. Service**

**C-B/R**

Nov 1 Vickie Koslak  
Nov. 8 Karli Secor  
Nov. 15 Marilyn Wardle  
Nov 22 Vickie Koslak  
Nov. 29 Karli Secor

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Nov 1 Karli Secor  
Nov. 8 Mary Helen Atwood  
Nov. 15 Gordon Tozer  
Nov. 22 Karli Secor  
Nov. 29 Wayne Holt

**Usher**

Nov. 1 Mary Graff, Sam Smith  
Nov. 8 Mitzie Snyder, Frank Brown  
Nov. 15 Sam Smith, Paul Arbour, Jr.  
Nov. 22 M.H. Atwood, Gayle Mayo  
Nov. 29 Wayne Holt, Gordon Tozer

**Acolytes**

Nov 1 Jonathon Wood, Erin Clay  
Nov 8 Andrew Koenings, Joe Calladine  
Nov. 15 Christina Bello, Elizabeth Malley  
Nov. 22 Erin Clay, J.P. Fossler  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Eve. Jonathon Wood  
Nov. 29 Christy Mahoney, Carri Birdsall

**Altar Guild**

November  
Cheryl Lee  
Sherri Calladine

**10 a.m. Service**

**C-B/R**

Nov. 1 Ross Lee, Orville Potts  
Nov. 8 Kathy Davidson, Rich Gilbert  
Nov. 15 Heidi White, Allen Clay  
Nov. 22 Orville Potts, Margaret Russ  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving eve. Rich Gilbert  
Nov. 29 Ross Lee, Margaret Russ

**Greeters**

Nov. 1 M.K. Hitchcock, Kathy Davidson  
Nov. 8 Susan Weed, Libby Keefer  
Nov. 15 Kathy Davidson, Wendy Gilbert  
Nov. 22 Sherri & David Calladine  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Eve. Susan Weed  
Nov. 29 Sherri & David Calladine

**Usher**

Nov. 1 Wendy Gilbert, Rick Burkholder  
Nov. 8 Sherri & David Calladine  
Nov. 15 Ross Lee, M.K. Hitchcock  
Nov. 22 Barbara Anzilotti, Wendy Gilbert  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Eve. Rick Burkholder  
Nov. 29 Barbara Anzilotti, M.K. Hitchcock

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Nov. 1 Youth  
Nov. 8 Ed Evans  
Nov. 15 Janice Potts  
Nov. 22 Mike Fossler  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Eve. Beth & Matt Koenings  
Nov. 29 Margaret Russ, Ross Lee

**Lector**

Nov. 1 Youth  
Nov. 8 Bill Gorak  
Nov. 15 Regina Caffey  
Nov. 22 Hans Nafzinger  
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Eve. Ross Lee  
Nov. 29 Regina Caffey

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