

Dates to Remember

November 2022

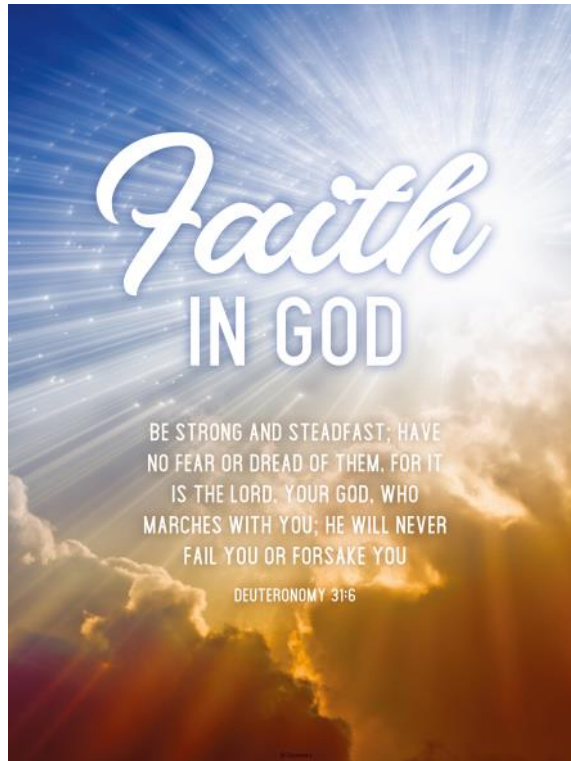
6	Worship 10:00 am Rev Nate Castens
11	Veteran's Day
12	Holiday Church Bazaar 9:00-3:00
13	Worship 10:00 am Rev Elaine Barber SUNDAY SCHOOL
20	Worship 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin VESTRY MEETING
23	Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00 pm Rev Nate Castens
24	Happy Thanksgiving!
27	Morning Prayer Worship 10:00 am SUNDAY SCHOOL

December 2022

3	Women's Group
4	Worship 10:00 am
6/7	<i>Blue Christmas Service</i> TBD
11	Worship 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin SUNDAY SCHOOL
18	Worship 10:00 am
24	Christmas Eve Service 4:00 pm Rev Wanda Copeland
25	Christmas Day! NO SERVICE!

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Search Team Update

Sunday, October 16th, the search team took their work to the Vestry for approval which was granted. It was sent to Canon Olson at ECMN for her review and suggestions. We heard back from her with some suggestions. The committee will meet to discuss implementation of those suggestions and resubmit the proposal to Canon Olson. The final document will be available from the church office if anyone wishes to see it.

In the meantime, we will keep you informed about the search at Sunday announcements. Your delegates to the convention, Mary Brugger and Joyce LeClaire, will have the search information with them in Rochester, at the convention, should there be priests there who are interested in Holy Trinity. Stay tuned!

In the meantime, keep us and this process in your prayers and if you have questions, ideas or recommendations contact any one of the Search Team. They are:

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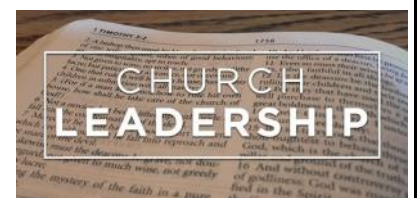
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Thank you!

SEVERAL VESTRY MEMBERS' TERMS WILL BE EXPIRING IN FEBRUARY.

Sr. Warden, Jr. Warden, Treasurer, Clerk and...

Please prayerfully consider a leadership position for your church.



SR. WARDEN

DARYL HERRMANN

The last few months, my Newsletter articles have dealt with the steps Karen Olson recommended our Search Team follow to find a new priest. Let's pretend for a few minutes that we are fairly large business/company rather than an Episcopal church.

If we, as a business, knew we needed to replace an administrator within our company, we would begin by describing the vacant position, explaining the necessary duties, and setting the salary range. We would then advertise the position in appropriate media, gather applications, and begin interviewing. Next would follow offering someone a contract. Generally, right?

Not so with an Episcopal church. Yes, we would appoint a team and define all the necessary details. This is where things change. That information is sent to ECMN where it is disseminated within the ECMN area and possibly outside that area. ECMN would then collect responses and applications, and send appropriate ones back to the church. Think of this as early screening or sorting.

One major portion of ECMN's work is determining what dollars the church has that could sustain a new priest, full time, part time, and what % of time. The key word here is sustain. Simply put, that means we have money today to start employment and will continue to have the necessary funds to continue employment in the future.

Once we have completed the interview process with appropriate candidates, the church/Team does not "offer a candidate a contract." Instead, we issue a "call." This means that the church, the candidate and ECMN all acknowledge the presence of God in all our actions and decisions, and know that it is God who makes the final decision. After praying and discerning all information about the situation, a candidate "accepts the call." The church then, instead of offering a contract to the candidate, offers the candidate a "covenant" between ECMN, the church, the candidate and God. This covenant assures all of us of God's continuing presence and influence in our lives, in and out of church.

My request to you now is that you pray for your church, ECMN, the Search Team and candidates that we may find a suitable and appropriate candidate to call to Holy Trinity.

(Thanks to Rev. Kathleen Galvin for mentioning the last portions of this process and inspiring me to share this information with you.)

JR. WARDEN

GARY WEDL

Jeff Nagorski is progressing through paperwork for Holy Trinity to acquire the property next door; **nothing** is finalized yet. I would again like to stress that **NO pledges or donations** would be used to acquire this property. All the funds would come from securing a loan, renting out the property, and possibly some funds from the Quinn house, which is kept in a separate account. We feel if this is done right, it could be a real asset to Holy Trinity, as the Quinn house has been and will keep you updated as we progress.

As for the Quinn house, the vestry approved a plan for all new windows for the Quinn house, as they were the original windows, and were sorely needed. The windows were completed in mid October.

Thank You, Gary

LITURGY/WORSHIP

GAIL WEBER

Fellow Trinitarians:

Please contact me if you have ideas about improving any aspect of Sunday worship. Thank you, My email is gailweber1234@gmail.com

Gail Weber
Liturgy/Worship



Sunday school continues the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Reminder that all are welcome! If there are youth or families that have an interest in participating in an Advent or Christmas event, program, service etc. please email me at emfschroeder@gmail.com.

I am brainstorming how we can make Advent and Christmas more meaningful for the children and families of Holy Trinity. Stay tuned!

PASTORAL CARE**LYLA AALAND**

Be a Prayer Warrior! We would love to have you join our prayer chain! Sign up on the sheet by the church office or contact me at createart@charter.net



Thank you for your generous donations to the CAER Coat Drive. We will keep collecting through the end of November. The collection box is in the entryway.

Prayer Requests are Welcome!

Do you have a special prayer request? Please fill out a request form and drop off in the wooden church located on the table outside the Sacristy. There are also request forms in the pews and at the entrance doors.



OGR/EPPN

Have you heard about OGR/EPPN? What on earth does that stand for? It is the Office of Government Relations/Episcopal Public Policy Network. The Office of Government Relations (OGR) represents the policy priorities of The Episcopal Church to the U.S. government in

Washington, D.C. OGR aims to influence policy and legislation on critical issues, highlighting the voices and experiences of Episcopalians and Anglicans globally. Check this out at: www.episcopalchurch.org/ogr

The Office of Government Relations has a range of advocacy resources and tools available, including action alerts, tips for communicating with your elected officials, voter engagement, a civil discourse curriculum, and more! Check it out at: www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/office-government-relations/advocacyresources

These activities include: Vote faithfully – “getting souls to the polls; Civil discourse – “Make me an instrument of peace; Improving your advocacy; Postcard Project – writing to your elected officials; and, Misinformation, Disinformation, Fake News: Why Do We Care?

There are many ways to be involved and/or informed through OGR. There are Action Alerts to inform you about critical matters of policy and legislation that you may write about to your members of Congress. You may participate in various programs to expand your knowledge. You can volunteer to help promote and facilitate local non-partisan voter engagement efforts. You could volunteer in the EPPN Ambassador Program. To find out more about these activities go to the web sites cited above.

All work of the Office of Government Relations is grounded in the resolutions of The Episcopal Church General Convention and Executive Council, the legislative and governing bodies of the church.

TREASURER

MARY BRUGGER

Jottings from your Treasurer

We are entering the "home stretch" of our Financial Year with a lot going on.

Income is running slightly ahead of our budget in many areas, primarily due earlier payment of pledges with several people donating more than their pledge amount. Expenses for Church Operations are down due to the use of Supply Priests during our Search and Transition. If we continue through the end of the year in this manner, the Clergy Expenses lines will finish \$14,000 under budget which will help our bottom line which was estimated to close with a deficit over \$20,000.

As a Vestry, we are also changing our thinking on our rental property. Income and expenses for that investment are kept separately to allow us to focus on what it truly costs to operate the Church annually.

Below are the current operating income and expenses, as of September 30, 2022. As you can see, we are currently running a deficit of \$2,000.

	Annual Budget Amount	Percentage of total cash revenue budget	Amount to date
Open Plate	\$500	0.6%	\$780
Pledges	\$62,534	71.4%	\$52,460
Non-Pledge Donations	\$24,595	28.1%	\$18,773
	\$87,629	100.00%	\$72,013

	Annual Budget Amount	Percentage of total church operating budget	Amount to date
Clergy Expense	\$37,140	33.5%	\$20,293
Education	\$150	0.1%	\$46
Evangelism	\$3,550	3.2%	\$2,324
Office & Administration	\$28,482	25.7%	\$18,536
Pastoral Care	\$200	0.2%	\$67
Properties	\$19,500	17.6%	\$16,334
Service	\$10,928	9.9%	\$9,111
Worship	\$10,795	9.7%	\$7,302
	\$110,745	100.0%	\$74,013

Feast Days

November

1st All Saints Day
2nd All Souls Day
Nov 20th Feast of
Christ the King
23rd Thanksgiving Eve
24th Thanksgiving Day
30th Feast of St.
Andrew the
Apostle

December

21st St. Thomas the
Apostle
26th St. Stephen,
Deacon & Martyr
28th Holy Innocents

Make A Difference

Volunteer

WANTED: People who like to play with numbers or would like to learn more about Church Finances! Our Financial Committee has openings for additional people to review and provide input to forecasts, budgets and trending. We will meet monthly after a church service, Interested: Please contact Mary Brugger or Emily G in the office.

Liturgy Ministry Rota November 2022

Altar Guild: Daryl Herrmann & Kate Hansen

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Nov 6</u>	<u>Nov 13</u>	<u>Nov 20</u>	<u>Nov 23</u>	<u>Nov 27</u>
Greeter	Daryl Herrmann	Jeanne Simonsen	Dan Krieger	Jane Lindenfesler	Jeanne Simonsen
Usher	Ben Bastyr	Jerry Waite	Dave Raitz	Dustin Campbell	Dan Krieger
Acolyte	Lyla Aaland	Daryl Herrmann	Mo Campbell	Daryl Herrmann	Morning Prayer
1st Reader	Mary Dare	Gail Weber	Emily Arseneau	Larry Brugger	Mike Arseneau
2nd Reader	Mary Dare	Gail Weber	Emily Arseneau	Larry Brugger	Mike Arseneau
Prayers	Linda Krieger	Mary Brugger	Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Dare	Dustin Campbell
Chalice 1	Daryl Herrmann	Mo Campbell	Daryl Herrmann	Lyla Aaland	
Chalice 2	Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Brugger	Mary Dare	Linda Krieger	

Liturgy Ministry Rota December 2022

Altar Guild: Gail Weber & Joyce LeClaire

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Dec 4</u>	<u>Dec 6/7</u>	<u>Dec 11</u>	<u>Dec 18</u>	<u>Dec 24</u>
Greeter	Jeanne Simonsen	BLUE Christmas TBD	Dan Krieger	Jeanne Simonsen	Jane Lindenfesler
Usher	Ben Bastyr		Dave Raitz	Dustin Campbell	Dan Krieger
Acolyte	Daryl Herrmann		Mo Campbell	Lyla Aaland Morning Prayer	Mo Campbell
1st Reader	Mary Dare		Dustin Campbell	Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Brugger
2nd Reader	Mary Dare		Dustin Campbell	Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Brugger
Prayers	Linda Krieger		Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Dare	Dustin Campbell
Chalice 1	Mo Campbell		Larry Brugger		Mary Brugger
Chalice 2	Jane Lindenfesler		Linda Krieger		Linda Krieger

If you are unable to fill your volunteer position, please make your own substitution and leave word with the office. ~~Thank you!~~



Special Blessings to all our November Birthday Trinitarians!

03 - Wesley Gadsden	12 - Jon Lloyd	17 - Matt Krieger
05 - Ian Ngoye	14 - Raelyn Jean Krieger	23 - Megan "Mo" Campbell
07 - Paula Hall	14 - Amy Wiskur	26 - Katharine Wilson
12 - Jane Lindenfesler	15 - Wally Kaminsky	29 - Shirley Isaacson



Special Blessings to all our December Birthday Trinitarians!

01 - Mariatu Andersen	12 - Jerry Olmes	20 - David Fensch
02 - Camden Marquette	12 - Carol Weber	25 - Happy Birthday Jesus!
05 - Jackson Stewart	13 - Lindsey Latteman	31 - Ginny Anderson
11 - Julie Raitz	18 - Matt Krogman	

HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH			HTEC VESTRY MEMBERS		
Priest-in-Charge:			Senior Warden:	Daryl Herrmann	269-580-9040
Parish Admin:	Emily Granlund	763-441-5482	Junior Warden:	Gary Wedl	763-427-0776
Music:	Bea Bastyr	763-441-4068	Assisting:	Dustin Campbell	
Head Usher:	Dan Krieger	763-441-7072	Service:	Dave Raitz	763-280-0786
Altar Guild Chair:	Gail Weber	612-850-4250	Liturgy:	Gail Weber	612-850-4250
Women's Group Co-Chairs:	Linda Krieger	763-441-7072	Education:	Emily Schroeder	763-227-8269
Men's All Parish Group Chair:	Dave Raitz	763-441-4068	Evangelism:	Wes Gadsden	813-992-9949
Youth/Sunday School:	Emily Schroeder	763-227-8269	Pastoral Care:	Lyla Aaland	763-218-6076
Little Free Library Steward	Ann Wedl	763-427-0776	Treasurer:	Mary Brugger	320-267-3343
			Vestry Clerk:	Ann Wedl	763-427-0776

Report from your Convention Delegates

As this is written, Joyce LeClaire and Mary Brugger are planning to attend the Diocesan Convention which will be held October 28th and 29th in Rochester, MN. In preparation, the pair met with other delegates from the West Metro Mission Area Group on September 29th, 2022.

We were joined in the Zoom session by representatives of the Central Metro Mission Area Group.

As with many of these sessions, the meeting opened with time spent Dwelling the Word. We were moved to small groups to get to know each other and to discuss the readings.

The primary presentation was designed to prepare us for what we would see and vote on at Convention. Canon Kelsey Schuster, Canon for Operations and Chief of Staff, walked us through the Elected Bodies for which we will vote, through Canonical Changes up for approval and the two resolutions currently on the Agenda for our consideration. One is titled "Expressing Support For Reproductive Rights and Bodily Autonomy". The second is titled: "Urging ECMN Faith Communities to Pray for Creation". We will also recognize Good Courage Farm as an Episcopal-Affiliated Organization.

Most of the time in the meeting was spent reviewing the 2023 Financial Statement of Mission, also known as the Diocesan Budget. If anyone wishes to review the details of this, please let your delegates know.

Holiday Church Bazaar

Holiday Gifts, Silent Auction, Bake Shoppe
Saturday, November 12th
9 am - 3 pm
Chili, Chicken Noodle and Sweet Potato Soup
Lunch Available

Three \$100 Gift Card Raffle Drawings!
\$1.00/Ticket






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ONGOING HOLY TRINITY
BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays at 1:30 pm
& Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

In the Holy Trinity Moyer Parish Hall
Please join us as we delve into the Word of God and understand the true meaning of our weekly Liturgy Lessons.

Please contact Mary Brugger with questions at: 320-267-3343
Or e-mail: marybrugger@icloud.com

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday School Nov 13th & 27th		1	2	3	4	5
6 Worship Service 10:00 am Rev Nate Castens	7	8 Office Hours 10-3	9 Office Hours 10-4	10 Office Hours 10-3	11	12 HOLIDAY BAZAAR 9-3
13 Worship Service 10:00 am Rev Elaine Barber	14	15 Office Hours 10-3	16 Office Hours 10-4	17 Office Hours 10-3	18	19
20 Worship Service 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin VESTRY MEETING	21	22 Office Hours 10-3	23 Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00 pm Rev Nate Castens	24 Happy Thanksgiving! <i>Office Closed</i>	25	26
27 Morning Prayer Worship Service 10:00 am	28	29 Office Hours 10-3	30 Office Hours 10-4			

December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday School Dec 11th				1	2	3 Women's Group
4 Worship Service 10:00 am	5	6 Office Hours 10-3	7 Office Hours 10-4	8 Office Hours 10-3	9	10
11 Worship Service 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin	12	13 Office Hours 10-3	14 Office Hours 10-4	15 Office Hours 10-3	16	17
18 Morning Prayer Worship Service 10:00 am	19	20 Office Hours 10-3	21 Office Hours 10-4	22 Office Hours 10-3	23	24 Christmas Eve Service 4:00 pm Rev Wanda Copeland
25 No Service Today! Christmas Day	26	27 Office Hours 10-3	28 Office Hours 10-4	29 Office Hours 10-3	30	31 New Year's Eve
Jan. 1 Happy New Year!						

