

Dates to Remember

January 2023

1	Happy New Year!
6	The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ
7	Women's Group
8	Worship 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin SUNDAY SCHOOL
15	Worship 10:00 am Rev Tom Roy VESTRY MEETING
22	Worship 10:00 am Rev Kathleen Galvin SUNDAY SCHOOL
29	Worship 10:00 am Rev Mark Moore 10:00 am

February 2023

4	Women's Group
5	Worship 10:00 am
12	Worship 10:00 am SUNDAY SCHOOL All Parish Meeting
19	Worship 10:00 am
26	Worship 10:00 am SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pray

How to Reach Us

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Search Team Update

At this time, the search committee has completed all of the preliminary work necessary for a search for a Priest-in-Charge for our parish. The CAT (Church Assessment Tool) was employed and well responded to by all of you. Canon, Karen Olson, presented the findings to all of you after service. We developed a package for ECMN to make available to potential candidates. This included an overview of Holy Trinity, a brief history of our parish, annual parochial reports, our web site,

information about Guardian Angels and Elk River and the surrounding community. We are fine tuning interview questions. The first candidate referred to us by ECMN is Rev. Kathleen Galvin. The search committee, along with the Vestry will interview Rev. Galvin on January 8th after the Sunday service. Thank you for your patience with us during this long and difficult process. We want to get it right! Please continue to pray for us and a good result.

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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SEVERAL VESTRY MEMBERS' TERMS WILL BE EXPIRING IN FEBRUARY.

Sr. Warden Daryl Herrmann; Jr. Warden Gary Wedl; Service Dave Raitz; Evangelism Wes Gadsden.

Please prayerfully consider a leadership position for your church.



SR. WARDEN

DARYL HERRMANN

It is hard to believe that another year in the life of Holy Trinity has passed. It has been quite a year as well. I don't think the wonderful happenings of the past twelve months will cease any time soon.

First of all, I must recognize and thank Emily, our Office Administrator. I don't know what our community would have done without her presence, help, innovations, and continuity. She is also welcoming and has a beautiful smile! Many thanks for everything Emily.

Next we have been blessed with a wonderful group of supply priests since early June when Father Rob left as our priest-in-charge. Every week we were surprised again with the quality and enthusiasm of that week's celebrant. We did have a number of "repeats" on Sundays, and these familiar faces became special to us. Yes, we did have a couple of Morning Prayer Sundays, but even those were welcomed by the attendees. Thank you to all who participated.

Quietly behind the scenes, our outstanding Search Team has been working for us in preparing materials to help in our pursuit of a new priest for Holy Trinity. Do you remember who these folks are? Dustin Campbell, Mary Dare, Dan Krieger, Joyce LeClaire, Jeanne Simonsen. Their work has been meticulous, and the end product very worthy of praise. As I write this, they and the Vestry are getting ready to interview our first candidate. As I have said before, the process and people involved need all the prayers you can spare.

As we are moving into 2023, we hope to have a new part-time priest-in-charge and some new Vestry members to move Holy Trinity forward into a more complete and sustainable holy community doing God's work in this area. Sincere thanks go to all Vestry members, especially those "retiring" in February: Gary Wedl, Dave Raitz, Wes Gadsden, and me. Without the assistance and perseverance of all of you, we would not have been able to accomplish all that we did.

Happy New Year, blessings, and peace to all.

Daryl

JR. WARDEN

GARY WEDL

The Quinn house #2 has passed inspection, and is ready to be rented. Looking for tenants now. If you know of anyone who might be interested in renting, please contact me or the church office.

Thank you for those who helped get the house cleaned and ready.

Still working on a date for a refresher class for AED training. Stay tuned for more details.

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

SERVICE

DAVE RAITZ

Welcome to 2023! Spring is on the horizon, hope it arrives sooner than later. Some Vestry member terms will be expiring, including myself. Anyone interested in filling this position please see me. I'm not a tough act to follow! Thank You!

Dave Raitz

EDUCATION

EMILY SCHROEDER



Sunday School continues the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month: 1/8, 1/22, 2/12, 2/26. We will be learning about Epiphany and how to continue the lessons of Christmas in the new year. Thank you to the students who participated in our Christmas Program with a special note of appreciation to Bea and Gail!



PASTORAL CARE

LYLA AALAND

Prayer Requests

Please remember to use the prayer request forms near the wooden church near the Sacristy, and in the pews. Just drop into the wooden church! Your request will be distributed to our Prayer Chain Warriors, and listed in the Sunday bulletin. Our loving God answers prayers!!



Birthday and other cards

We will be trying something new with cards to our fellow parishioners. In light of the inconsistency and cost of USPS delivery, we will be sending E Cards if we have your E mail address. This will also allow for more personalization and timely delivery. If you would like E Cards, please be sure Emily has your Email address. Remember, you can also receive our Newsletter via Email.

Visitation and Communion

Please contact Lyla Aaland, Pastoral Care, Vestry if you would like to be visited, and or provided with communion. If you know of someone in need, let us know.

TREASURER

MARY BRUGGER

Jottings from your Treasurer

As the year draws to a close, Emily and I are working to close the 2022 books and prepare for 2023. At this point, with December not yet reported, our church operating revenue is ahead of budget and our expenses are below budget, mostly due to the use of Supply Priests for over half of 2022. Thank you all for your support this year. I will not report numbers this newsletter since they will be in the Annual Report.

We did send out a donation summary for each of you, covering donations to HTEC through November 30, 2022. This format will be sent again before the end of January, covering your donations for all of 2022. As usual, if something does not look right, please contact the office or your Treasurer.

Mary Brugger, marybrugger@icloud.com or 320-267-3343.



HTEC Women's Group

The Women's Group is open to all women of the parish. There is no membership fee, annual dues or contract to sign! We gather the first Saturday of the month, currently at 9:30 a.m., in the parish hall and enjoy a cup of coffee and a treat. The meetings are conducted using an agenda.

The mission of this group is to serve others whether it is within our parish, our local communities, our state and throughout the world. The group holds two major fund raisers during the year which allows us to carry out this

mission. A few examples in which the group has given support are: On-going support of quarterly gas cards to the Priest, the purchase of coffee and lemonade for coffee hours, provide baptism and graduation cakes, purchased Christmas poinsettias for the altar, purchased sets of tablecloths and the stove for the parish hall, donated funds for the church's technology, on-going support for the annual Gala and Golf Tournament for Guardian Angels, as well as birthday gifts for residents at the Care Center. We continue to support CAER food shelf, Open Doors for Youth, Episcopal Relief fund, Heifer International, Feed My Starving Children, the Priest's Discretionary Fund and have provided

treats for Confirmation and Mother's Day. In the past funds were used to assist in paying the property taxes, provided nutritional supplements for a church member, provided assistance for a parish family who incurred major medical bills and purchased a riding lawn mower for the church.

We have a fun time when we get together, enjoy conversation and share a laugh or two. We're a friendly, welcoming bunch who extend a warm invite to come a check us out!

Linda Krieger
Chair

People Helping People



Mirzada Family Update

The Mirzada family left Afghanistan when the US pulled all troops out of that country. Any Afghani and their families working with US forces were in grave danger when the Taliban took control of Afghanistan. They were evacuated under an emergency provision from Congress which failed to grant these evacuees immigrant or even refugee status. Now here, they have two years to apply for and receive official status either as Asylum seekers or Refugees, at which point they may be granted legal residency and begin to work toward permanent US residency and Green Card status. They came to Elk River on November 1st. They had been in Minneapolis and helped by the Minnesota Council of Churches and three Episcopal churches in the Twin Cities. Another Afghani family in Otsego brought them up here so they could help them.

We were contacted by one of the Episcopal churches in Minneapolis to see if we could provide some help for them. You may recall a couple of announce-

ments on Sunday. Our Women's Group bought and delivered three twin beds for them. We contacted United Church of Christ and Elk River Lutheran and asked them to join us in helping this family. So far UCC has donated several items. Last Wednesday, December 28th, Nancy Ingram planned and organized bringing much needed furniture, household items and other needed items to the family. Nancy, with the help of Ben Bastyr, Dave Raitz and Sandy Sisson brought the family additional beds, living room furniture, TV's, rugs, winter clothing, dishes and much more.

The family is so grateful! They insisted upon feeding those who brought things. The younger children hugged the helpers and one told Nancy "I love you". The adults helped and said thank you over and over. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nancy Ingram for more information.

Another positive outcome of this effort is that the United Church of Christ people we have been working with have told us how much they miss working and worshiping with our congregation as they used to do in years past. Something to think about!

Special Blessings to all our January Birthday Trinitarians!

01 – Kylie Sheck

08 – Victoria McHome

08 – AP Hopper

12 – Ben Bastyr

13 – Mikayla Warner

17 – Sherry Tyler

22 – Dan Krieger

26 – Stephanie Krieger

29 – Eloise Krieger

30 – Tammy Whiteoak

If your birthday is missing or incorrect
please let Emily in the office know!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY AT HOLY TRINITY

The Prayer Shawl group is still meeting every Thursday afternoon, between 1 and 3 at a minimum. We promise to be there by 1 each week, weather permitting. We have had several folks join us just for the fellowship, including the famous Sky Nichols. We work on our projects, bulletins, mailings, and other general topics plus have a weekly

check in.

Please feel free to join us any Thursday! If the weather looks like a spoiler, please don't hesitate to check with Mary Brugger or Joyce LeClaire to see if we are meeting.

The numbers for 2022 are impressive for our small group and will be revealed in the annual report. One practice we found in other churches is the

offering of shawls for use during services with them either returned or taken, depending on preferences. We would like to offer that at Holy Trinity. To do so, we need a drying or blanket rack capable of holding 6 – 12 shawls.

If anyone has an item that would work for this purpose and would like to donate it, please contact the office.

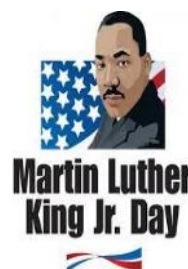
HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH			HTEC VESTRY MEMBERS		
Priest-in-Charge:			Senior Warden:	Daryl Herrmann	269-580-9040
Parish Admin:	Emily Granlund	763-441-5482	Junior Warden:	Gary Wedl	763-427-0776
Music:	Bea Bastyr	763-441-4068	Assisting:	Dustin Campbell	
Head Usher:	Dan Krieger	763-441-7072	Service:	Dave Raitz	763-280-0786
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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
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			Vestry Clerk:	Ann Wedl	763-427-0776

Liturgy Ministry Rota January 2023

Altar Guild: Jane Lindenfesler

Ministry	Jan 1	Jan 8	Jan 15	Jan 22	Jan 29
Greeter	Dan Krieger	Jeanne Simonsen	Jane Lindenfesler	Dan Krieger	Jeanne Simonsen
Usher	Ben Bastyr	Jerry Waite	Dave Raitz	Dustin Campbell	Dan Krieger
Acolyte	Morning Prayer	Lyla Aaland	Mo Campbell	Lyla Aaland	Mo Campbell
1st Reader		Gail Weber	Dustin Campbell	Jane Lindenfesler	Emily Arseneau
2nd Reader		Gail Weber	Dustin Campbell	Jane Lindenfesler	Emily Arseneau
Prayers	Mary Dare	Jane Lindenfesler	Mary Brugger	Linda Krieger	Mike Arseneau
Chalice 1		Mary Brugger	Julie Raitz	Larry Brugger	Mary Brugger
Chalice 2		Mo Campbell	Linda Krieger	Mo Campbell	Linda Krieger

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



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Happy New Year Worship Service 10:00 am	2	3	4	5 Prayer Shawl 1:00	6 The Epiphany	7 Women's Group
8 Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School	9	10	11 Online Bible Study	12 Prayer Shawl 1:00	13	14
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