

Dear Friends in Christ:

I'm writing this letter a few days ahead of the Joint Special Convention of the Dioceses of Eau Claire, Fond du Lac and Milwaukee on May 4. If all goes as expected, the dioceses will vote to reunify as the Diocese of Wisconsin. This decision will then be ratified at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church next month in Louisville, Kentucky. While this is a necessary step in doing our best to grow the mission and ministry of the Episcopal Church across the state, not much will change for us here at Trinity. We will continue to do our part to be witnesses for Jesus in Wauwatosa and beyond.

For many churches, including Trinity, the month of May is a time to finish out the program year, give thanks to and for those among us who work so hard to make all of the various ministries happen, and begin to anticipate and plan for the opportunities that may lie ahead for us in the upcoming program year. This year, we plan to celebrate the end of the program year and all of our volunteers in a truly classic Trinity fashion. Please join us on Sunday, May 19 (the Day of Pentecost) for a trademark Trinity potluck brunch immediately following the 10:00 am liturgy! There are details elsewhere in this newsletter about how you contribute to the success of that event. We hope many of you can attend! By the way: WEAR YOUR RED (for

the tongues of fire on Pentecost!).

As you may recall, we have been in the process of producing a video which will assist all of us helping to tell the good story of Trinity Church to our friends, neighbors and the wider community. We anticipate being able to share that video with you towards the end of this month. In addition, to the video, the Examen(ed) Church Group will be making available, for every household in the parish, yard signs which will hopefully serve as a simple means of spreading the good word about our parish to folks simply passing by our front doors. Watch the E-News and Sunday bulletins for more information in the coming days and weeks.

I know that in the midst of the ebb and flow of parish life it can be easy to overlook the many blessings we enjoy as a parish. We continue to greet visitors. We continue to strengthen our bonds of friendship. We continue to serve our neighbors near and far. We continue to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Trinity Church has been at this work for 137 years, with no end in sight. For all that has been and all that will be, we can say a hearty, "Thanks be to God!"

Faithfully,

The Rev'd Gary B. Manning, Rector

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First Friday Fellowship



This fellowship group is open to everyone and will meet on Friday, **May 3** at 6:00 pm at Trinity Church. Please bring a dish to pass. If

you have questions, please contact the First Friday coordinator Emily Watkins at jimandemily@gmail.com.

Episcopal YOUTH Community (EYC)

Details are sent via email. If you would like to be on the email list for EYC, please contact Gary Manning at tosapriest@gmail.com or Liz Paulsen at liz.paulsen@yahoo.com.

May 5 Trinity EYC – Afternoon Outing, TBD, 3-5 pm

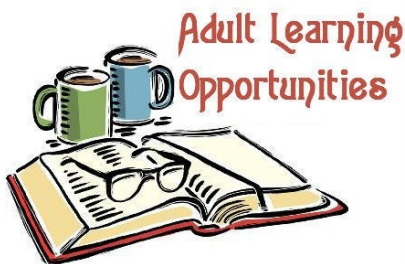
May 19 Trinity EYC – Cookout w/ Parents, Siblings and “Rising” 6th Graders! @Trinity Church, 5-7 pm

Men's Fellowship

The Trinity Men's Group will gather for its monthly meeting on

Monday, May 6 at 6:30 pm.

All men of the parish are invited. Please text or call Gary Manning at 414-899-9004 or e-mail (tosapriest@gmail.com) to let him know if you are planning to attend so he can procure the correct amount of food for the evening.



Adult Forum

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
in the
Parish Hall

Join the Adult Forum for an Eastertide series on Creation Care from April 21 through May 19.

We will be exploring what the Bible, the traditions of St. Francis of Assisi, and the teachings of Christ have to say about how the act of caring for creation draws us into deeper relationships with God and others.

On May 12, we will be joined by special guest Damien DeBuhr from Groundwork Milwaukee, who will introduce us to his organization's efforts to address the climate crisis by creating climate safe neighborhoods and supporting projects such as community gardens and green infrastructure. All are welcome, whether you attend Adult Forum regularly or just want to drop in one Sunday!

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

Please join Gary Manning for another edition of Zoom Bible Study on The Book of Jonah

Wednesday, May 8, Chapters 1 & 2

Wednesday, May 22, Chapters 3 & 4

The study sessions begin at 7:00 pm.

The login information for the Wednesday

Zoom Bible Study

is as follows:

Meeting ID: 850 3195 1433

Passcode: 354418



Trinity and St. Matthew's Combined Choirs.

On Sunday, May 12, Trinity's choir will sing at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church at their 8:30 am service. The St. Matthew's choir will join Trinity's choir for its 10:00 am liturgy. John Paradowski, St. Matthew's Minister of Music will direct the choir while Curt Sather will accompany them. The two musicians will also play a duet for the Prelude at both churches.



Trinity Sunday, May 26 is Legacy Sunday!

The Helen Hodges Walker Legacy Society encourages members of Trinity Church to provide a legacy gift benefiting Trinity or the Trinity Foundation. Gifts may be in the form of a designation in your will, naming Trinity as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy or retirement plan (401k or IRA), or in the form of a charitable remainder trust or other estate planning vehicle.

If you are interested in more information about the Legacy Society you may contact Dave Lorenz at 262-442-0693 or dlorenz1@sbcglobal.net.



PENTECOST SUNDAY POTLUCK BRUNCH MAY 19

WEAR YOUR RED!

A Potluck Brunch to celebrate the end of the program year with particular thanks to the Choristers, Sunday School Teachers, Altar Guild Members and Nursery Volunteers who contribute so much to our Sunday Worship experience!

Following the 10:00 am Liturgy!

Sign up sheets are on the Ministry Center outside the parish library. Please bring a dish to pass!



Sunday, June 2 is Graduation Recognition Day!

Calling All High School and College Students!

If you are or know of anyone who is graduating from high school or college this year, please call the parish office at 414-453-4540 or e-mail Blair at churchoffice@trinitywauwatosa.org by Sunday, May 19. Please share as many details of graduation as you can and if you plan to be present at the 10:00 am Liturgy on June 2.



The Phoenix Boys Choir will be at Trinity Church on Thursday evening, June 6, 2024. Come on out and enjoy a free concert. Watch the bulletin and e-news for more information.



Sunday, July 14, 2024

**Following the 10:00 am Liturgy
Watch for further details in the
bulletin and newsletter!**

Trinity Church's 25th Awesome Auction 2024 Saturday, November 2

Trinity's annual auction is the first Saturday in November. Please put it on your calendar. This is Trinity's main fundraising event that supports outreach ministries.

We are hoping to see many costumes this year. It should be easy to choose a costume since this year's theme is:

Trinity Church's 25th Awesome Auction for Outreach; a Trip down memory Lane

Stay tuned for a list of past auction themes and pick your appropriate costume. Some of the past themes have been from the 20's, sports, western, etc.

Donations are always welcome from now to the end of October. Auction questions can be directed to Jill Paradowski at jill.paradowski@gmail.com



Hospitality

Please volunteer to help with the clean up after coffee and fellowship time on Sunday mornings. Contact Jill Paradowski at jill.paradowski@gmail.com if you are willing to help.

The coffee is purchased directly from Haiti. Donations of sugar, tea and creamer are always welcome as well as snacks including cookies, bars, muffins, cheese and sausage, etc. Thanks for supporting hospitality hour through your donations.

HELP THE CHILDREN OF GAZA: LENTEN APPEAL UPDATE



Thank you to all who contributed to our Lenten Appeal to assist with food and other vital supplies for the care of children in Gaza.

A check for \$2,865.00 has been sent to Save the Children. Please pray for peace and healing for the people of Gaza and all those suffering strife around the world.



Blankets for Children's Cath Lab and Kathy's House

The blanket ministry has been given a grant from the Diocese of Milwaukee to continue tying blankets for Children's Cath Lab and Kathy's House. A faithful group of volunteers gather once a month on a Monday from 10:00 am to Noon to tie blankets. They will not be meeting in May but will resume blanket tying on June 3rd. The following



prayer is said before the blanket tying begins.

"Thank you for giving us gifts and talents to use in service and share our love for others. Place in our hearts a desire to live faithfully and do the things you have prepared in advance for us to do. Today we pray that you would bless the work of our hands. May we be good stewards of your blessings and may many lives and hearts be impacted today. May all honor and glory be yours. Amen."

This is a fun activity and the recipients of the blankets are so pleased to receive them. If you would like to join us at church, or prefer to tie some blankets at home contact Jill Paradowski at jill.paradowski@gmail.com or Jane Johnson at trinity18j@gmail.com.



Trinity Garden Club

The grass is green and the birds are singing! Springtime is here!

Are you getting the gardening itch? Well, Trinity is offering you a chance to work on your gardening skills. Over the years, we have had a few parishioners graciously working to keep our gardens looking great. We would like to give them an assist by forming a Garden Club/Guild to help plant and care for the gardens surrounding our church property from spring planting to fall cleanup. You don't need to be a certified "Green Thumb" gardener. All that's needed is some free time, a love of the outdoors, and a desire to help keep our gardens green and growing. We are hoping to get individuals to prepare the soil and plant the flowers, spread some mulch, pull some weeds, and keep things watered. You don't have to do it all. You can pick the times that are convenient to you and fit into your schedules. Join with a friend or all by yourself. If this sounds like something for you, please reach out to Jack Udovich by phone (414) 507-5792), by email (jackudovich@yahoo.com) or in person. We're looking forward to hearing from you soon!

Easter Brunch March 31, 2024

Thank you to everyone who attended the Easter Brunch on March 31. Thank you also to those who brought a dish to pass. The parish hall was filled with a celebration of thanks and fellowship.



May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 6 Easter SCRIP 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Christian Formation & Adult Forum 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 3:00 pm EYC	6 6:30 pm Men's Fellowship	7	8 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study	9 Ascension Day	10 6:00 pm First Friday Fellowship	11
12 7 Easter 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Christian Formation & Adult Forum 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Fellowship	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Christian Formation & Adult Forum 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Potluck Brunch 11:30 am Vestry Meeting 5:00 pm EYC	20	21	22 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study	23	24	25
26 Trinity Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:00 am Holy Baptism 11:00 am Fellowship	27 Memorial Day Parish Office Closed	28	29	30	31	

TIDINGS

Trinity Church
1717 Church Street
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May, 2024



Reminders!

Zoom Bible Study
7:00 pm—May 8 and May 22

Pentecost Potluck
Sunday, May 19
Following the 10:00 am Liturgy

Phoenix Boys Choir
Thursday, June 6

Parish Picnic
Sunday, July 14