

The Messenger

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From the Rector

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Dear Friends,

This month I have a quartet of articles for you:



MEN'S GROUP — It has been a while since we've had a functioning men's group at Trinity. I believe that we really need one as an opportunity for the men of our church to get together and be known. Recently we had a successful and fun gathering at Nonic around the corner on Broadway. So, I am hosting another simple gathering this month. All the men of Trinity are invited to come to Nonic Beer Bar & Kitchen downtown on Broadway on Thursday, August 23 at 5:30 pm. Nonic is one of my favorite places in downtown Columbus and they always have a nice selection of craft beer to choose from. If you don't drink beer, you can have a soft drink and order something to eat too. This is a "drop in" event. You may come and stay long enough to drink one beer, or stay longer if you want. There will be no preaching, no lecture, no Bible study, and nothing required of you. There will only be good beer and good conversation. Just show up and get to know the other men of your church. That's the whole idea. Bringing a friend is a nice idea too. See you there!

PASTORAL INSTITUTE — Our church partners with the Pastoral Institute to help provide affordable counseling to our church members. If you find yourself in need of professional counseling, please call the Pastoral Institute to make an appointment with one of their licensed counselors, and identify yourself as a member of Trinity Church. Our participating Congregational Plan will allow you a limited number of visits with a therapist at a significantly reduced cost of only \$25 per visit. This program has been a great help to a number of our members, and one of the best ways that we can help our members in times of need.





LUNCH BUNCH – I'm trying to eat healthier, and I would also like to have lunch with some of you. Last month we had a wonderful gathering for lunch and enjoyed the time together over a delicious meal. So I'm organizing another one! The next **Lunch Bunch** gathering will be **Monday**, **August 20** at **12:00 pm** in Trinity's parish hall. I will provide a variety of salad toppings and lots of lettuce and spinach. If you'd like to come, please call Whitney in the parish office at (706) 322-5569 and let her know. If you'd like to bring something to contribute to the salad bar, that would be fun, but it's not necessary. I'll have plenty of "rabbit food" for everyone and we'll have a good time eating a healthy meal together. See you then!

Building a Spirit-empowered community that serves and celebrates Christ.

"Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;" Psalm 88:2

We pray God's protection for those serving in battle.

In Our Prayers:

- Bishop Curry
- George Wade
- Aldine Pound
- Bill Batastini
- Jim Fay
- Rudi C. Pierson
- Ethan Scarlett
- Steve Davidson
- Priscilla Solomons
- Aiden Elias
- Fleur Stearns
- Bryan Wright
- Col. Bob Robinson
- Dr. Lloyd Hudson
- Don & Nancy Bloebaum

- Mackenzie Etheridge
- Ginger Calhoun
- Ann Sturkie
- Lucius Morton
- Charlie Morgan
- Cammy Marchetti
- Jessica Taylor
- Margaret Quintard
- Family and friends of Dr. Beth DesPortes.
- Family of Caroline Gordy
- Family of Jill Marquis
- Family of Sara Siefferman
- Family of Mary Martha (Howard) Phillips

In Thanksgiving:

- For the marriage of Eve Williams Pearson & Robert Brown Marcus, Jr. on Saturday, June 2, 2018.
- For the marriage of Lara Allan Goldsmith & John Randall Lasseter on Saturday, July 7, 2018.

If you know of a Parishioner who is in the hospital, has had a child, or is facing some crisis, please let the Parish Office know so our Parish family can respond.

DISCRETIONARY FUND -

We are often asked to provide financial assistance to individuals and families. Sometimes circumstances make paying the bills difficult for individuals and families. Often, people



transitioning out of homelessness need assistance to get set up in new apartment. Unexpected medical expenses can be a huge burden. Our discretionary fund has helped many people - from the homeless and transient, to our own parishioners. It really should probably be called the "blessing fund," because that is exactly what it does. These funds are distributed at the discretion of the Rector, but it is also managed by our Parish Administrator, Mary Hurley. The beneficiaries of the fund are kept confidential. The help that we have been able to provide has been life changing for some and helpful for all. The money in this fund comes from individual donations from our church members and is not supported by our operating budget. Please consider making an extra gift to the Discretionary Fund when you feel you are able. Although used wisely, this fund balance is currently low and in need of donations. Any amount you are able to give will be greatly appreciated and it will help many people. Thank you so much for considering this fund for your charitable giving.

I hope all of you are having a great summer! Sunday School for all ages resumes on August 19 at 9:30 am, and I hope to see you in church. God bless you all.

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The Linen Guild is Recruiting!

If you have a few hours just a few days of the year (YES - that's *ALL*!) you can dedicate to helping Trinity's Linen Guild and beautifying the Lord's table, please call Delores Berry at (706) 527-1020. This ministry really doesn't require much of your time and while the duties are *very* simple, it is an *extremely* vital part of our worship. Please call Delores for more info!



TRINITY SPOTLIGHT: Get to Know... The Goldsmith Family



Allan Goldsmith was born in Roanoke, Virginia, the youngest of five sons. He graduated from Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Virginia, and is a graduate of the University of Georgia. He currently manages the UPS store at Ft. Benning.

Some interesting facts about his family history are that he is related to Sam Houston (Remember

the Alamo!) and is also related to Sarah Monroe, sister of James Monroe, who married Lund Washington, a cousin of George Washington, at Pohick Church on Mt. Vernon. William Grayson, the first senator of Virginia, was friends with George Washington, and is also related.

Becky Goldsmith graduated from Hardaway High School, and in 1985 received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interior Design degree from the University of Georgia. Becky loves all aspects of design, especially space planning, merchandising, and buying. One position she's held and loved in particular was overseeing five furniture stores in southwest Virginia. Buying, space planning, and merchandising on this level was like Christmas every day! She also enjoys pottery, sewing, and repurposing furniture and architectural detailed fragments. Becky's latest interest involves learning the benefits of using essential oils as they are related to the healing of both the body and soul. She invites anyone who is interested to study and learn with her.

Becky will have the privilege and honor of taking a trip with her father, Ron Klein, to South Korea in the fall. Her father served as a spy, decoder, and translator during the Korean War. He speaks and writes fluent Korean which makes him the ideal travel companion, plus he is an excellent teacher, full of information, and has a way of explaining things easily understood. She is very excited about this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Perhaps Becky will share details with us when she returns!

Allan and Becky met at UGA and were married by Allan's oldest brother, an Episcopal priest. They married in St. Mark's, a small church in Fincastle, Virginia. Interestingly it was a small Episcopal Church original to King George. It even had the original pews and was one of his first establishments. The county was Botetourt, governed by Lord Botetourt. This county was very large and extended all the way to both sides of the Mississippi.

Their newly wedded daughter, Lara Allan, was confirmed at Trinity, graduated from Northside High School and Georgia Southern University and is currently teaching at Clubview Elementary. Her husband, John Randall Lasseter, is currently teaching and coaching at Columbus High School. The two were married at Trinity in early July of this year, also by Lara Allan's uncle, the same priest who married Allan and Becky.

Julianna, their youngest daughter, was confirmed at Trinity and graduated from Northside High School and will

soon graduate from Columbus Tech in Surgical Technology. She has been employed by Rice and Lake Urology for seven years.

The Goldsmith's youngest, **Gabe** (Gabriel), graduated from Northside and has worked for Kia Auto Sports for four years. He looks forward to being confirmed at Trinity.

On coming back to Trinity, Becky says, "My children grew up attending Trinity and love the beautiful dark wood, marble floors and stained glass windows. I love the traditional style services and feel right at home here. The organ, hymns, prayers, and sermons just make a better week for us. Feeling the empty nest, we have only attended on major holidays. Now that everyone is back in town, we love attending as a family again. Some of you may remember our three little towheaded blondes, wiggling and giggling during services. We are glad to be back and look forward to gathering with friends, both old and new. Thank you for sharing this beautiful church with us."

We congratulate Lara Allan and John on their marriage and wish them well. We look forward to this family becoming active members of this parish once again. Welcome back!

Thank You, Thank You, THANK YOU!

Joseph Golden & Aesook Moon – Our Trinity family has responded so kindly and generously to our appeal for our Choir Scholarship Fund during recent weeks. We have almost reached our goal, and



we are all so very grateful and blessed by the gestures and gifts that we have received. We offer *many* thanks to everyone who has given to this worthy endeavor!

We now have two specific choristers who hold named sponsorships provided by two individuals. We will make a formal announcement regarding these singers in the fall. This is a milestone in our history.

Solos and Ensembles for Summer: Throughout the summer months, we are enjoying featuring solo singers, duets, and different ensemble combinations at the 10:30 service. These are memorable moments when our choir members can present more unique offerings in worship of our God.

Exciting news for Fall: The Trinity Choir has been working on Christmas music since April! The preparation of favorite anthems, traditional carols, and instrumental music of the Christmas season is in anticipation of a new recording to be made in late September. The finished CD will be available for purchase as truly unique Christmas gifts. Plan now to include this very special and personal gift for family, friends, employees, and associates. It will be one of a kind!

Soli Deo Gloria.



A Camp Rushing River Recap

Deana Graham - Our VBS 2018 "Camp Rushing River" was a raging success, and it wouldn't have happened without so many of YOU! I'm afraid if I began naming people, I would inadvertently leave out someone, and I can't bear to do that. Over thirty of you helped make this week so special in so many ways - through monetary gifts, snack and art supply donations, and working with these precious kids. You were AMAZING! How proud I was to be representing Trinity Church, as we hosted families from churches all over town. So many of our youth helped tirelessly, and we had young people serve as "camp counselors" from at least four other churches. They had a ball and have already asked me to make sure they were signed up for next year! Watching these teens and preteens working with the tiniest among us was inspirational. We packed more love into one week than I could have ever imagined!

Our Rushing River theme allowed us to use the river, and the ways we use it for fun, to serve as an analogy of how God protects us. To go down the river, you need a helmet, a life vest, and a paddle. We used each item to symbolize a way that God protects us during regular days, dangerous times, troubled waters, or tough times. It was a fun way to use tangible items to symbolize God's love for us.

What struck me most during the week was the pure joy of the children. They felt safe, loved, engaged, and excited. They were up for anything and everything! Without a doubt, their favorite part was the singing and dancing, and they performed with reckless abandon. I wish every single one of you could have seen them, celebrating God's love, life, and being young. It was truly wonderful.

I shared this during worship the Sunday after VBS wrapped up, and just before the children sang a few of our songs to the parish, but I think the info is worth putting out again. So, here is Camp Rushing River "by the numbers":

- © 1 camper arrived and departed each day on a scooter.
- The number 1 most popular snack was s'mores in a cup.
- We learned 3 Bible verses on how God watches over us.
- ② 3 human trains were formed during singing and dancing times.
- We went through 4 huge cartons of goldfish crackers.

- © 6 elaborate cardboard cabins were built, all named after Georgia rivers.
- © 7 large rolls of duct tape were used.
- © 8 different churches were represented (perhaps more, as a few of our youngest claimed the name of their church was "church").
- We took 9 teenage counselors rafting down the river.
- © 10 dance parties started as we sang.
- 11 beach balls were completely put to death.
- © 17 Band-Aids were used (only one was for something closely *resembling* a tiny injury).
- ② 21 pieces of equipment were lent to us from our friends at White Water Express.
- Over 45 people helped run Camp Rushing River.
- © 62 kids registered for VBS, but our number grew to 70 on the first day.
- © 450 cups of water were slurped down.
- ② Over \$550 was raised to help White Water Express with their efforts to help Kenyans have clean drinking water.
- ② An infinite number of smiles, hugs, laughs, lap sits, piggy back rides and the like made for the *best* week of summer!

What a special week for the children of Trinity and for our church family, as a whole. Thank you to each and every one of you who made Camp Rushing River a success!













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Prayer B'fast	Lucy Sheftall	Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter	Jill Hiers	Margaret Barber
Prayer Intercessors	8:00 am Barbara Rivers, Patricia Poston 10:30 am Barbara Korzan, Bill Stahl	8:00 am Jean & Bob Miller 10:30 am Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter, Christina Stahl	8:00 am Mona Thorington, Barbara Rivers 10:30 am Kevin & Marcie Topping	8:00 am Patricia Poston, Ellen Cameron 10:30 am Autumn Grimes, Nell Hudson
Eucharistic Ministers P - Prayers † - High Altar * - Lower Altar	8:00 am Bill Perkins 10:30 am Mollie Smith/P, Wayne Hadden/†, Bill Stahl/* Jo Myers/*II	8:00 am Gary Cason 10:30 am Joe Smith/P, Mary Johnson/†, Trip Parker/* Wayne Hadden/*II	8:00 am Malcolm Cooper 10:30 am Barbara Korzan/P, Bill Stahl/†, Sarah Riddick/*	8:00 am Bob Miller 10:30 am Muffy Schladensky/P, David Fox/†, Mollie Smith/* Muriel Fish/*!I
Lectors	Kristen Hedden	Wayne Hadden	Parker Swift	Trinity Youth
Greeters	Muffy Schladensky, Debby Kemp	George & Judy Wilkinson	Connie Armstrong, Kathleen Bishop	Jonathon, Emily, Lilly, & William Myers
Verger	Carlo Thorington	Muriel Fish	Sydney Smith	Glenn Fish
Ushers	Team I – John Holt & Bill Scrantom	Team II – Brooks Yancey	Team III – Chuck Staples	Team IV – Carlo Thorington
Clothes Closet	Lucy Sheftall	Dr. Peggy Augustine-Shorter	Jill Hiers	Margaret Barber

August Birthdays



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*If your birthday is missing or listed incorrectly, please call the Parish Office at (706) 322-5569.

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SPREADING THE LOVING MESSAGE OF GOD'S WORD



It's all Relative!

Lauren Blanchard – In the scheme of life, how important is it to plant flowers? Weed a flower bed? Paint a lych gate? Sing in church? An initial reaction might be, "In what context?" or, "What is this for?" Well, it's all relative!

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This July a group of 18 youth went on a mission trip to Fruitland Park, Florida to visit Fr. Greg Wilde, his wife, Jan, and their parish at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Right from the start this trip was different from last year's Atlanta trip; we would be at Disney World for two days and spend one day working and helping the parish. That doesn't seem to be "fair" in comparison. Last year we were working for four days and took one day of adventure at the Georgia Aquarium and had a night of indoor skydiving at iFly!

Here's a quick breakdown of what we did during our work portion of this trip:

- Weeded the flower beds surrounding the church
- Planted new flowers
- Mulched flower beds
- Weeded sidewalks and paths around the church
- Cleaned and painted a lych gate (one of the oldest left in the state of Florida!)
- Added decorative rocks to a walkway
- Broke down and hauled a large mound of tree limbs and debris

- All around yard work for a home owner recovering from surgery
- Sang during a church service

In addition, we simply spent time with host families and made memories with them. When you break down those individual tasks, they may not seem like much. All of the work that we did would have had to be done by one individual – John, the Sexton at their parish. He was so welcoming and eager to have us be with him and share in the workload that would have easily taken him over a week to complete alone. That seems simple, but it went a long way.

For the parishioner who was recovering from surgery, a group of us helped get her yard under control so she wouldn't have to worry about taking time to heal. Again, it may seem simple but it meant the world to sweet Sharon.

At the end of the trip, our youth had prepared a worship song to share during the service. This may have been the hardest part of our trip for some, but it was so well received and loved by everyone during the service.

We all have gifts to give and when they're shared in a selfless, caring way it is a very special thing! I'm so proud of our youth and the time and energy they shared with the members of Holy Trinity. When we remember that things are relative, even the smallest tasks can mean the most!











