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FROM THE VICAR'S DESK:

The season of Advent may be the time when Christians are at their most counter-cultural. The rest of the country is ho-ho-ho-ing, and the shops are full, and the lights are blinking, but we are quietly preparing for the Main Event, the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. At least that's what we aim to do!



Have you ever heard the phrase "in the world and not of the world"? That's how I *want* to feel at this time of year. I want to enjoy all the preparations for Christmas without getting too caught up in the hoopla and the anxiety of decorations, cooking, and buying gifts. I have a practical suggestion for all of us to help foster serenity and keep anxiety at bay this season. I would like to suggest that every day in Advent you take a few minutes of quiet time, maybe when you first wake up in the morning, to take several deep breaths, open your palms face up and say aloud, "Oh come, o come Emmanuel." It's an easy thing. You can't say you don't have time to do it, and it may just give you a moment of peace in a busy day and a busy season. You may even find yourself taking an Emmanuel respite at more times than one during the day!



Trinity Church is making preparations for a beautiful Advent and Christmas season. Our Bazaar will get things off on a joyous note on Saturday December 4th. Our pageant will be a creative and funny retelling of some familiar

Bible Stories (different from last year, but in the same style), and we look forward, as always, to beautiful music offerings from our Director of Music, Christine Gevert and the talented and dedicated choir.

♪ O come, O come Emmanuel ♪

Pastor Heidi

HOLIDAY BAZAAR DEC 4



Trinity's annual Holiday Bazaar will take place on Dec. 4 from 10-2 pm. A light luncheon will be available to fuel hungry shoppers, as will be John Lloyd's famous warm donuts and lots of delicious baked goods to fill your pantry and your tummy!



Local vendors will be represented as well: John Dildine's pottery, Mary Anne Carley's cards, Dave Heacox's rustic furniture, Patricia Keilty's Bakelite jewelry, Jane Tuttle's baskets, Frigo's Body Shop's lotions and soaps, and Good Tidings decorative bird houses will all be on display. Wrought iron items by Battle Hill Forge and William Trowbridge, along with decorative wreaths, jewelry, books and toys will add to the selection.

Trinity's outreach ministry will be selling Java Joe Roasters coffee samplers, *Inherit the Mirth* books, calendars and refrigerator magnets, and travel vases. They will also have copies of *Episcopal Haiku* and a few copies of Greg Mortensen's *Three Cups of Tea* for



young readers, and *Listen to the Wind* for the preschool set. All proceeds from the outreach ministry's table will benefit the Central Asia Institute, whose mission is to support community based education in the tribal regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan. This is the organization our Sunday School has been supporting with their *Pennies for Peace* collection on Sunday.

A special display of ornamental angels created by our Sunday Schoolers and made from wool sheared from the sheep who live with the Hachmeister –Orzano family will also be available for sale.

Please plan to support your parish and its outreach efforts on Dec. 4! The holiday bazaar is a great place to get a jump on holiday shopping and enjoy time with friends.



GIFTS FOR RESIDENTS AT NOBLE HORIZONS

The Outreach Committee invites parishioners to donate gifts for residents of Noble Horizons who would not otherwise receive them at Christmas. Toiletries, stationery, paperback books, small decorations, jams, jellies and other non perishable items are especially welcomed. Please mark your gift as appropriate for a man or woman or either and bring it to Trinity on Dec. 19, when the gifts will be blessed and taken to Noble. (A great place to shop will be the Holiday Bazaar on Dec. 4!)

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The Cobble Christmas party at Noble will be at 4 pm on Dec. 22, and all of us “secret Santas” are invited to participate in the festivities.



**DING DONG
A NEW
CARILLON!**

Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of John Kuhns, Trinity will soon have a new carillon! We hope to have it up and ringing by Christmas. The previous one was hit by lightning and disabled a number of years ago, so we will be glad to have Trinity’s “voice” back again in the community. Plans for its dedication will be in the Trinity update.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Luis Francke for his recent donation of a Gospel Book Stand for the altar. Up until now, the Gospel Book lay flat and one could not see it from the nave. Now, thanks to Luis, it is restored to its appropriate place at center of this sacred place.



Thanks also to Luis for the Processional Cross bracket at the altar. Now we won’t have to worry about it toppling during the service and bopping an unsuspecting acolyte, MOC or choir member!

Thanks also to Al Dorf for underwriting the countersinking of the floor grates in the church and to Jeff Silvernale for undertaking the task! For too many years folks

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have tripped on the grates, which are now flush with the floor and of no further danger.



AND A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION for donating over **50 bags** of groceries to the OWLs Kitchen for our annual “feed a family of four for a day” project!

The Kitchen manager said that the cupboards there were literally bare before we arrived with our donation. Well done, parishioners!

ADVENT WORSHIP AT NOBLE HORIZONS



The first Wednesday of each month Pastor Heidi presides at a midweek Eucharist at Noble Horizons. On Dec. 1, she will be joined by music director Christine Gevert and some members of the Trinity choir who will sing Advent music for the residents. The service is at 11 am in the St. Luke’s chapel. Please come and join us that morning!

QUIET DAY DEC. 11

In the spirit of a time of quiet during Advent noted in Pastor Heidi’s monthly reflection , Trinity will offer a “Quiet Day” from 9 am to noon on Saturday, Dec. 11. Lunch will follow for those wishing to stay.

Sr. Mary Fahy, RSM, will facilitate the program, starting with a presentation and then offering time for personal reflection, reading or whatever participants find will feed their souls that morning. There will be a time for sharing for those inclined to do so as well.

Please advise Pastor Heidi of your intention to join the group that morning so that we may plan for lunch. There is no cost for the day, but donations are welcome.

GREENING THE CHURCH



The annual Greening of the Church will take place after the coffee hour on Dec. 19. Please plan to stay a few extra moments that morning to help the Flower Committee and Altar Guild decorate the church as we prepare to welcome the infant Jesus.



Donations to the Flower Committee will help defray the cost of our Christmas celebration in the church. ***Please make out checks to Trinity Church with "Flowers" on the memo line.*** If your donation is in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the flower donation sheet in Walker Hall.

68 TH CONSECUTIVE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!



Dec. 19 will mark the 68th Christmas pageant at Trinity. The script has been written by Pastor Heidi and the event will be directed by theater professional Betsy Howie. For further information on participation or the rehearsal day, please speak to Pastor Heidi.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT TRINITY

Friday, Dec. 24 at 3 pm—Holy Eucharist with Children's Homily

Friday, Dec 24 at 7 pm—Choral Christmas prelude: *Nino Dios*—Son of God - Hispanic and Italian Christmas motets and traditional carols with the Trinity choir and Vocal Ensemble.

Friday Dec 24 at 7:30 pm—Festive Christmas Eucharist with the Trinity choir

Saturday, Dec. 25 at 10 am: Festive Christmas Eucharist. Music: *Natus est Jesus*—Jesus is Born—German Christmas arias, duets, and carols sung by Janet Walker and Pat Barton

Sunday, Dec. 26 at 8 am —Holy Eucharist

10:30 am—Lessons and Carols

What Can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb.
If I were a wise man, I would do my part.
Yet what I can, I give him—give my heart.

-Christina Rosetti





DAY OF LIGHT

DAY OF BIRTH

HERE IS GOD

COME TO EARTH

-JOANNA WESTON

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