



# TRINITY TIMES

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## FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK:

The closest I have been  
to vision  
was a yellow  
tree, every leaf  
touched  
flame, angels  
apparition -  
but the saints  
say a sight of  
God happens  
in a moment,  
the beat of  
a moth's wings  
fold and open



Hannah VanderHart in the the Oct. 10 issue of *The Christian Century*

Shared by Pastor Heidi

## ALL SAINTS DAY NOV. 4



Our All Saints celebration this year will focus on our beautiful stained glass windows.

As most of you know, some of the stained glass windows have been damaged over time, and we will need to have them repaired. We plan to do this over the next few years. During that time we will have a number of activities- both fun and informative- to raise awareness of these amazing gems.

This Sunday, the kids will make their own stained glass windows out of wax paper and melted crayons. We will have some "stained glass treats" at coffee hour. Everyone is encouraged to wear colorful clothes.

Looking forward to seeing you all dazzle on Sunday!

Susanna Schindler

*Thanks to Susanna, who has taken on the daunting task of interviewing various organizations that specialize in the repair of stained glass!*

On November 18, the Vestry will host a specialist in stained glass repair who will review the painstaking process of removal, repair and reinstallation. All are welcome!

## FORGIVENESS WORKSHOP

Dan Gates, LMFT, a family therapist in our area (and husband of the Rev. Mary Gates) would like to know if Trinity Church would be interested in hosting a **Forgiveness Workshop** here at our parish, perhaps in the spring.

This is a workshop of understanding, healing and release using the techniques of Family Constellations, a therapeutic technique developed in Germany in the 1990s.

We might consider holding this workshop in the Lenten season, and Pastor Heidi would like to know if you have interest in attending. It would typically take place on a Saturday morning and last about three hours.

If anyone would like to contact Dan directly about details, please call him at 860-672-6773 or email him at [dan-gates48@gmail.com](mailto:dan-gates48@gmail.com).

## DONATE FROM YOUR CELLPHONE!!



Over the next few weeks we will be rolling out new ways to conveniently donate to Trinity, and there is one you can get ready for right now.

First step is to download the app from Google Play (for Android phones) or from the App Store (if you have an iPhone).

Simply search for "GivePlus Church" to find the app.

Once the app opens, look for “Trinity Lime Rock”.

Then, follow the prompts to establish an account. We'll let you know when everything is connected so you can actually donate from your phone, but you can get set up and ready to do it right now.

We plan to have options available for different “buckets” that you may choose for your gift, such as flower donations, music program, outreach, youth, capital improvements.

If you choose to donate with your app during the Sunday service, cards saying “I donated on line” will be available to put in the alms basin.



Geoff Brown  
webmaster

### THANK YOU, RACHEL!

Special thanks to Rachel Lamb, who is retiring from the Vestry for her service the past two years.

We are grateful for Rachel's thoughtful comments at Vestry meetings and particularly for her establishment of the Parish Helpers Committee. Rachel will continue to coordinate that group as well as send out the birthday cards.

## THANKSGIVING??? ALREADY?? INDEED!

A BOUNTIFUL TABLE FOR OTHERS...

Each year we celebrate Thanksgiving with plates laden with a variety of foods that we associate with this national holiday.



Sadly, food insecurity in our Northwest Corner means that not everyone

will have a hearty meal on Thursday, Nov. 22.

Trinity will help to obviate such an unacceptable circumstance in the richest country on earth by donations to the Corner Food Pantry.



Boxed (not cellophane wrapped, which may tear) stuffing, canned vegetables, canned broth, gravy mix, canned pie fillings, pie crust, brownie and cake mixes are all welcome in our food basket, as are bottles of juice.

Please “be gracious and generous to others, as God is gracious and generous to you” (Eugene Peterson, in *The Message*) and help Trinity make this a banner donation year to the CFP. Checks



made out to the CFP are welcomed as well.

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## COMMUNITY CELEBRATION...



At the Salisbury Congregational Church on **Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 PM.** Thanksgiving is the *one* holiday each year that Americans can agree on, no matter their faith tradition or lack thereof!

There will be traditional hymns of gratitude and prayers offered by community clergy and other leaders.

## DINNER TIME AT PILGRIM HOUSE!...



From **Noon until 2:00 PM on Thursday, Nov. 22.** Turkey and all the fix-in's will be offered at this annual community dinner.

Reservations for dinners to be taken to the homes of

those unable to attend may be made with Bev Becker, who leads Trinity's "delegation" to the Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

Wanna help with the preparations? Grab your vegetable peeler and come to Pilgrim House on **Wednesday, Nov. 21** in the afternoon. Get to know other members in our greater community while you peel and chop!

Thanks to the North Canaan Congregational Church, which sponsors the dinner, as well as all the community businesses and associations, along with a myriad of volunteers, who bring this special celebration to us each year.

## DIOCESAN CONVENTION



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PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S MISSION

The yearly Convention was held in Groton, CT the last weekend of October. Pastor Heidi, The Rev. Marilyn Anderson and Bev Becker attended on behalf of Trinity, as did Danielle Gaherty who serves on one of the Diocesan committees.

An abbreviated report from Bev (the full report will be in the Annual Report in January):

*Convention conversation revolved around "God's children being all colors and all genders."*

*The Episcopal church has a history of taking action to affirm that Transgender people are beloved children of God. As Christians, we are called to love and to put our love into action. We are called by our baptismal Covenant to respect the Dignity of EVERY human being.*

*The Second Sunday in February is going to be set aside as a day of Racial Healing, Justice and Reconciliation. Parishes are asked to begin a conversation about the sin of racism in our lives and in the world by hosting a forum on racial healing, Justice, and Reconciliation.*

*We are all created in the image and love of God, and through our baptism, we are in Covenant to respect the Dignity of every human being.*

# THE CORNER FOOD PANTRY NOVEMBER



BOXED Stuffing mix



vegetables



Pie filling



Gravy mix



Pie crust mix



Juice!



Cake mix



Brownie mix

## ANNUAL GIVING



If you were unfortunate enough to miss the world premiere of "The Stewardship Committee Meets at

3:00" presented by the renown Trinity Players, here is a quick synopsis!

Annual Giving is not a matter of funding the budget. The budget is simply the mechanism supporting Trinity Church's mission of offering Companionship along the Way.

We companion each other "inside" the church as we worship, learn (and eat!) together and encounter both joys and challenges.

We companion the "outside" world through Outreach Projects, Crescendo, the Misa and the Art Shows.

In both cases, we are following Jesus directive to "love your neighbor as yourself".

If you have not already returned your pledge card, please do so soon! Your Trinity family depends on your participation in our Annual Giving program to make possible this busy and vibrant church community!

And thanks to all those who have already committed to Trinity's mission and ministry for 2019; your leadership is greatly appreciated by not only the Annual Giving Committee and budget chair, but the Wardens and Vestry as well.

## MISSION AND MINISTRY IN 2018...



Bitterman Center dinner



Crescendo



Memorial Day



Art Show check in



Prayer Book instruction for Irish!