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September 2019



FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Holy Trinity Congregation:

I am excited to be coming among you to be your Interim Rector. My official first day is September 3, 2019.

A little about me:

I am a widow (my husband died 23 years ago of lymphoma), and I have no children.

I'm a graduate of the General Theological Seminary in New York and have been a priest since 2003. I served ten years as rector of the Church of the Redemption in Locust Point (South Baltimore), and since then have done interim and supply ministry in our diocese.

Before entering the ordination process, I was professor of English and Dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Towson University.

My last name is pronounced like "chapel."

If you're in the habit of calling male priests "Father," then I am "Mother." On the other hand, I don't mind being just called Annette.

... and about the interim process:

During the interim period, I will not only be maintaining the worship and pastoral life of the congregation as your priest but will also be working with the vestry and with all of you to prepare for a

healthy transition to your next rector. We will have several points of focus in our transition work –

Heritage – exploring how the congregation has been shaped and formed over the years; telling our stories; coming to terms with our past in order to plan for the future.

Leadership – reviewing the needs and organization of the parish, examining types of leadership needed, tapping into the skills and interests of the congregation in order to develop more leaders.

Connections – exploring this faith community's relationships with the diocese, the community, and local institutions; assessing community needs and our ability to contribute to them.

Mission – defining and refining our sense of purpose and direction; discovering our special identity and role as a faith community.

Future – developing the ministry portfolio that will help us seek the best "match" in a new rector for Holy Trinity; tending to the practical issues that will smooth the way for the new rector.

... some practical matters:

My position with you is 3/4-time. That means I'll be working about 30 hours a week, but some of that work will be from my home office. I hope to announce soon a schedule of when I'll be in the church office; on Sundays I'll be here for both services and anything that happens between them or after the second service. I will also be here for scheduled meetings (vestry, etc.) and events (bazaars, dinners).

Beginning in October, I would like to have a discussion time of about 20 minutes between the

services, where we can begin to address the interim process. That time allows both 8:00 and 10:00 folks to participate, and will still leave time for fellowship.

Having a schedule of when I'm on-site does not mean I can't be available at other times for pastoral needs. I always want to know if someone is hospitalized or in other need of pastoral attention. If you want to meet with me during my regular office time, please call Leah in the church office to schedule a meeting. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call me on my cell at 410-812-4740.

Faithfully,
Mother Annette

FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Here it is, September already and our Interim Journey is at last underway. The Reverend Annette Chappell has graciously agreed to lead us on this adventure. Her tenure begins September 3 and she will be with us at least a year, maybe longer. I will let her introduce herself elsewhere in this newsletter. I ask you to understand that it will most likely be 2021 before we have a new, permanent rector.

Holy Trinity's leadership is well equipped to handle whatever might come up. There are five current and former Senior Wardens on the vestry, four of whom have previously led congregations through rector transitions! Between us there is probably not much we haven't seen or done.

I want to offer warmest thanks to our friend and companion on the way, the Reverend Josh Rodriguez-Hobbs for filling in as our supply priest until we could hire Annette+. His generosity has made this part of our transition that much easier.

Thanks also to Scott and Noah for sharing him with us.

On to more mundane things: We will soon resume backpack deliveries to our students at Sandalwood Elementary School on South Marlyn Avenue. We have a rotation of drivers who take turns dropping off the bags at the school. If you would like to help with this, please see me. The bags can be delivered to the school any day school is open. They ask that the bags be delivered no later than 2PM – on Fridays that becomes 12 noon. I have found that the best time for delivery is between 9 and 10:30 AM. If you can, we can always use individual sized instant oatmeal or cream of wheat, cold cereal, hot chocolate packets, fruit cups, applesauce, pudding cups, ramen noodles, macaroni and cheese, juice boxes, shelf stable milk (both white and chocolate).

We are still collecting toiletries for the seafarers; sample sized bottles of shampoo, hand lotion, and mouth wash; sample sizes of shaving cream, bath soap, and toothpaste; decks of playing cards, warm socks or hats, lip balm are also needed.

The Thanksgiving Food Drive is about to get underway as well. Lists of needed items will appear soon.

Chris

Church News

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who brought in items for the students at Sandalwood Elementary. Your donations are given to children who do not have the needed supplies to start the school year. So they actually help the student, the student's family, the teacher and the entire class to start the year on a good note. Thank you for your generosity.

International Seafarer's Ministry: Last year the ISM gave 1,600 seafarers on 75 ships a Christmas gift. Holy Trinity has set a goal of 20 Shoebox Christmas presents again this year. We have all the shoeboxes, postcards and New Testaments needed. We still need: personal size soap, shampoo, hand cream, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors and shaving cream, combs, chapstix, a warm hat/gloves/socks, playing cards, or other items that could fill our boxes. We will collect items through the month of September. Thank you for your help in filling these Christmas presents.

Sandalwood Backpacks: School starts on September 3rd, and we will begin filling backpacks of food for Sandalwood on Sept. 8th. We need individual serving size boxes of milk, chocolate milk, juice boxes, oatmeal, cereal, tuna, instant soups, cookies, granola bars, macaroni and cheese, popcorn, pretzels, chips, etc. to fill those bags. These foods help to provide for students who do not get a free lunch over the weekend. We have received only positive feedback from the school about the impact this food makes on the students. Please consider bringing in some items.

Denise Thatcher
Outreach Chairperson

WORKSHOP

The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland will be hosting a workshop on Friday, September 6, 2019. Please see the information below. If anyone is interested in attending this workshop, please click on the link and register. If you do not use the Internet or have trouble accessing the website, please call Stuart Wright at 410-467-1399 x 1384. There is no charge but there is the cost of transportation, parking and also navigating 495 on a Friday afternoon. Thank you. Chris Kinard

I invite you to a unique luncheon event hosted by the Church Pension Group at Washington National Cathedral. Join your colleagues in a discussion with current thought leaders regarding socially responsible investing and the strategies used to increase companies' focus on environmental, social, and governance issues.

[Learn more and register](#) for *Insights & Ideas: A Conversation On Shareholder Engagement*, Friday, September 6, 12:00 - 3:00 PM at Washington National Cathedral, Perry Auditorium. I encourage you to share this with others and join in this important conversation. There is no charge but registration is required since space is limited.
The Rev. Stuart Wright



Sunday School will begin again for the 2019-2020 school year on Sunday, September 8, for children age 3 (potty-trained) through Grade 5. Class meets during the first part of the 10:00 service. To register or if you have questions, please contact Christina Florentine.



We will be having a Potluck Dinner on Saturday, September 21, from 4-6 p.m. to welcome Mother Annette! Please bring a dish to share and join us for some fellowship and good food! If you have any questions, please contact Dave or Flo Florentine.



Fall Festival

Our Fall Festival is October 5, 2019. It will take place on the church grounds from 10am-5pm. Fun for the whole family. Food, beverages, games, vendors and crafters. SPCA event-Blessing of the Animals. Leashed pets are welcomed-owner clean up is a must. There will be raffle baskets and a 50/50 drawing as well. Crafters, vendors and volunteers are still needed. For further details email Pamgatchell85@gmail.com Hope to see you there.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Asa Seay is collecting funds to go toward his Eagle Scout Project. His project is to refurbish the Prayer Path at Holy Trinity. This will include replacing the mulch and wooden borders. He will also be replacing the angel statue; the current angel has a broken wing due to a tree branch falling on it. If you would like to donate toward this project, please use the "I Want to Help!" envelopes found on the table in the Narthex. If you donate cash, write your name on the envelope so you can get credit for the donation. If you write a check, make it payable to "Holy Trinity Episcopal Church" and write "Asa's Eagle Scout Project" on the memo line. If you have any questions, please talk with Asa during the 10:00 Coffee Hour. Thank you.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BEWARE OF SCAMMERS

Please remember never to give out payment or personal information over the phone unless you verify you are calling a number from an official document/invoice. These individuals are calling homes and offices (even Holy Trinity's office!). Instead of trusting that any telephone numbers they provide are legitimate, check you most recent bill or statement and call the telephone number listed to verify if you actually owe any money.

LET'S FIGHT HUNGER & POVERTY EVERY DAY!

The Hunger Site is part of "GreaterGood" which began in 1999 to provide support for worthy causes through easy, online actions. Since its launch, GreaterGood has contributed more than \$50 million to charities around the world. With donations, they have funded 712,845,133+ cups of food. When you click at The Hunger Site, their sponsors fund food for the hungry.

Simply go to the following link and click to donate food: www.thehungersite.com. You can also find additional information about the organization.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Anne Knott – 9/3
 Wes Thatcher – 9/7
 Randi Dawson – 9/9
 Steven Krenzer – 9/10
 Beverly McCormick – 9/11
 Sylvia Gray – 9/14
 Lisa Krenzer – 9/18
 Jeannie Morris – 9/19
 Richard Glendenning – 9/20
 Kaitlyn Ross – 9/24
 Sherry Pomraning – 9/26
 Lillian Grace Pirog-DeTTY – 9/29
 Ron Ross – 9/30
 Flo Florentine – 9/30



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Chris and Mary Acly – 9/4
 Don and Teresa Register – 9/17
 Wayne and Barbara Benson – 9/20

ANY ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS, SEE LEAH.



O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your goodness with your servants, that their weaknesses may be banished and their strength restored; and that, their health being renewed, they may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary Bogert
 Melody Magin (Mary Bogert's Daughter)
 Charlotte Nicholson (Janice's Sister)
 Bill & Angie Martin (Janice's son & daughter-in-law)
 Jim Wilson (friend of Wes and Denise)
 Alice Martin
 Carole Giordano (Maggie's grandmother)
 James Florentine (Dave's brother)
 Elizabeth Shifflett (Ron's aunt)
 Jack Acly
 Ellen Wallace
 Danny Mitchell
 Connie Waldron Careel
 Marie-Elena Riggio
 Connie Bitetto (Frank's cousin)
 Bill & Di Anderson (Joan's son and daughter-in-law)
 Chris Anderson, Sr. (Joan's son)
 Joan Anderson
 Joseph Reichert
 Elizabeth Patterson (Millie's sister)
 Ryan Perry (Helen's grandson)
 Debbie McCall (Helen's daughter)
 Ruth Anthony

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Cynthia Brown
 Joanne Piper
 Tina Barberia (Teresa's family friend)
 Denise Gregory (Alice Martin's daughter)
 Jennifer Burlock (Sue's daughter)
 James Baker (Millie's brother)
 Margaret Oduor
 Heather Hildebrand (friend of John and Jeannie)
 Tina Goins (niece of John and Jeannie)
 Vanessa Dick (friend of John and Jeannie)
 Kathleen Monroe (friend of John and Jeannie)
 Dewald Family
 Kathy Fields
 Jason Reynolds
 Janice Reynolds
 Donald Krenzer
 Valerie Mehl
 Dottie Robinson
 Rachel Nealis
 Jack Taylor (Leah's cousin)
 Stacy Lohrmann (Anne's granddaughter)
 Madi Novak (Anne's great niece)
 Gossman family (Anne's friends)

PLEASE ADVISE LEAH OF ANY ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS.



COFFEE HOUR

Please sign up on the chart on the wall in the hall to host a Sunday coffee hour. If you want to know what this entails, please see Millie Reichert.

PARISH HALL RENTAL

The parish hall is rented on a strictly first come, first serve basis. If you would like to rent the hall, you must speak with Leah Seay, Parish Secretary. All events are to end at or before 11:00 pm, and the hall is to be cleaned and ready for use the next morning.



FLOWER MEMORIALS/THANKSGIVINGS

If you would like to offer flower memorials or thanksgivings, please complete a form with your instructions, along with a check for \$30.00, and return them to Teresa Schutte-Regester.

The 2019 forms are on the table in the narthex. Memorials are on a per Sunday basis, not per name. More than one person may donate on any given Sunday.



LITTLE CHURCH HUMOR

Please join us for an all-you-can-eat dinner, followed by a sermon on gluttony by Father Bill.

“The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible.” *George Burns*

Weekly church is God's gift. Assembly required.

A letter from a 9-year-old:

Dear God,
 We read that Thomas Edison made light. But in Sunday School we learned that you did it. I bet he stole your idea.



MESSAGES

Anne Knott maintains the primary list of e-mail information. However, if you change your email address and you don't give the change to Anne, it is not possible for her to notify you of situations impacting the parish. Anne can be reached at anneews@verizon.net or see her on Sunday's after the 10:00 service.

For changes to your home address or phone number, call the parish office at 410-687-5531 or see Leah Seay or Jeannie Morris after the 10:00 service on Sunday.

If God Went on Vacation

What would all the people do
If God went on vacation?
If He climbed down from His throne
And said, "I need some relaxation".
Who would handle all the chores
That makes this huge world go?
Who would hang the sun in place
And let the soft winds blow?
Who would supply us with fresh air?
Who would provide the rain?
Who would turn darkness into light
And fill the fields with grain?
Don't worry though; God's on the job
He'll stay right at his station
He knows the world would not survive
If He went on vacation.

Submitted by Theresa Schutte-Regester



FINAL WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Items for the October Newsletter are due by September 15.



No Senior Eats Alone Day

September 12, 2019

Baltimore County Senior Center

Open Events

RSVP Due for all by Tuesday, September 3rd
Centers open Monday – Friday

No Senior Eats Alone Day

Arbutus Senior Center - 410-887-1410

855A Sulphur Spring Road, Arbutus, MD 21227

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch and Vintage Entertainment

Ateaze Senior Center - 410-887-7233

7401 Holabird Avenue, Dundalk, MD 21222

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch followed by live entertainment

Bykota Senior Center - 410-887-3094

611 Central Avenue, Towson, MD 21204

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m. - Breakfast sponsored by Home Helpers.

9 - 10 a.m. - Healthy snacks and a talk on Brain Boosting
Food from Shop Rite

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Nutrition Bingo and Trivia with
snacks and getting to know you fun games

Noon - Special Lunch followed by Dave Micelli and the
Doo Wop Era

Catonsville Senior Center - 410-887- 0900

501 North Rolling Road Catonsville, MD 21228

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Noon – Special Lunch followed by a Magic Show with &
Liam Laugherty

Cockeysville Senior Center - 410-887-7694

10535 York Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

11 a.m. - Guitars of Pikesville

Noon - Special Lunch

Edgemere Senior Center - 410-887-7530

6600 North Point Road, Dundalk, MD 21222

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch with a special dessert

All Day - free exercise classes

Essex Senior Center - 410-887-0267

600 Dorsey Avenue, Essex, MD 21221

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch followed by performer Mr.
Charisma

Fleming Senior Center - 410-887-7225

641 Main Street, Dundalk, MD 21222

Mon., Wed., Fri. 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Tues and Thurs
11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

10 a.m. - Breakfast sponsored by Clear Captions

12:30 p.m. - Special Lunch

4 p.m. - Dinner (Menu) TBD w/ a game of BINGO

Hereford Senior Center - 410-887-1923

510 Monkton Road, Monkton, MD 21111

Tues. and Thurs. - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

11:30 a.m. - Special Lunch followed by Music and a
Comedy Show with Tom Delaney

Jacksonville Senior Center - 410-887-8208

3605A Sweet Air Road, Phoenix MD 21131

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch followed by a Center Presentation

Lansdowne Senior Center - 410-887-1443

424 3rd Avenue, Halethorpe, MD 21227

Monday 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Tuesday -Friday 10 a.m. to
3 p.m.

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Liam Laugherty the Magician &
Comedian

Noon - Special Lunch followed by an Ice Cream Social

Liberty Senior Center - 410-887-0780

3525 Resource Drive, Randallstown, MD 21133

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

9:30 - 11 a.m. - Continental Breakfast sponsored by Councilman Jones (Meet & Greet)

9 - 10 a.m. - staff and volunteers will be handing out fruit at Liberty Rd. to encourage NSEAD

Noon - Special Lunch followed by center updates
Community Jam (Lunch): Dr J. (DJ) will be playing music throughout the day

4-6 p.m. - Dinner at Colin's Seafood and Grill - older adults will receive 10% off their meal at 3653 Offutt Road, Randallstown, MD 21133, 443-272-7818 Charisma

Overlea Senior Center - 410-887-5220

4314 Fullerton Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21236

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Noon - Special Lunch followed by music and dancing with The Reputations

Parkville Senior Center - 410-887-5338

8601 Harford Road, Parkville, MD 21234

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

9 a.m. - Continental Breakfast

Full Day - Try sample classes and activities

Noon - Special Lunch followed by musical entertainment

Pikesville Senior Center - 410-887-1245

1301 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville, MD 21208 (2nd floor) 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

9-10 a.m. - Continental Breakfast sponsored by BrightStar Home Care

Noon - Special Lunch followed by "Say it with Music," a musical afternoon with the group "Memory Lane Redemption"

Reisterstown Senior Center - 410-887-1143

12035 Reisterstown Road, Reisterstown, MD 21136

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

All Week Celebration

Munchie Monday, 9/9 - Snacks given out 9 and 11 a.m.

Taco Tuesday, 9/10 - Taco lunch for \$2

Wellness Wednesday, 9/11 - Salad lunch w/all the fixings & sparkling water for \$2;

Noon Special Lunch, 9/12 - all lunch participants enter a raffle

French FRYday, 9/13 - French fry, hot dog and drink, \$2

Rosedale Senior Center - 410-887-0233

1208 Neighbors Avenue, Rosedale, MD 21237

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Interactive "Pass the Plate" selfie booth: Participants will be provided a paper plate to write what their favorite food is and what they cannot do on an empty stomach. Photos will be taken of those who wish to participate in the "style" of a photo booth.

Noon - Special Lunch

1 p.m. - Participants will be invited to stay for a showing of "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs" after the meal. This will allow for further interaction and the movie is appropriate for all ages.

Seven Oaks Senior Center - 410-887-5192

9210 Seven Courts Drive Nottingham MD 21236

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8:30 a.m. - Free pancake breakfast at the center.

Our TOPS group is sponsoring the fruit trays and turkey bacon for some healthier options.

Noon - Special Lunch

4 - 6 p.m. - Monthly Meet-up/ happy hour at Liberatore's (5005 Honeygo Center Drive Baltimore, MD 21128) - All seniors will receive 10% off their meal

Victory Villa Senior Center - 410-887-0235

403 Compass Road, Baltimore MD 21220

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

9 a.m. - Breakfast Café

Noon - Special Lunch

1 p.m. - Ice Cream Social

Woodlawn Senior Center - 410-887-6887

2120 Gwynn Oak Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21207

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

9 - 10:30 a.m. - Continental Breakfast

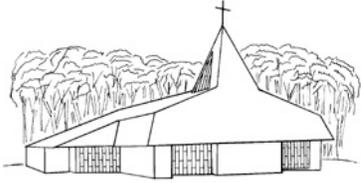
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Jazz Entertainment

12:30 p.m. - Special Lunch & Comedy

Entertainment-

1 - 2 p.m. - Ice Cream Social





SEPTEMBER 2019

		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Services 8 & 10 am AA - 7:00 pm	2 Labor Day Al-anon - noon	3 AA - 7:30 pm	4 Al-anon - 6:30 pm	5 Vestry-7:00 pm	6	7
8 Services 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am AA - 7:00 pm	9 Al-anon - noon	10 Annette away through September 20 AA - 7:30 pm	11 Al-anon - 6:30 pm	12	13	14
15 Services 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am AA - 7:00 pm	16 Al-anon - noon	17 AA - 7:30 pm	18 Al-anon - 6:30 pm	19	20	21 4-6 pm - Potluck to Welcome Mother Annette!
22 Services 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am AA - 7:00 pm	23 Al-anon - noon	24 AA - 7:30 pm	25 Al-anon - 6:30 pm	26	27	28
29 Services 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am AA - 7:00 pm	30 Al-anon - noon	31 AA - 7:30 pm				

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
SEPTEMBER 2019

	1	8	15	22	29
Chalicer	D&A Sample	K&R Ross	Chris A. Sylvia	Sylvia J Huber	Chris A. Sylvia
Lay Reader	Anne M.	R.Ross	Chris N.	Theresa	Anne M.
Intercessor	J.Huber	Chris N.	Theresa	J Huber	R Ross

10:00 A.M.					
Verger					
Thurifer					
Server	Kane	Daniel	Lily H.	Wesley	Kane
Crucifer	Kaitlyn	Asa	Asa	Kaitlyn	Tyler
Torch					
Torch					
Gospeler	Kane	Daniel	Lily H.	Wesley	Kane
Chalicer	Teresa	Chris K.	John M.	Chris K.	Teresa
Chalicer	Janice	John M.	Teresa	Jean B.	Janice
Intercessor	Mary Anne	Richard G.	Richard G.	Denise	Michele
Reader (OT)	Michele	Denise	Susan	Mary L.	Jason
Reader (NT)	Teresa	Mary Anne	Maggie	Gary L.	Richard G.
Usher	Joe	Jean B.	Chris K.	Leah	Barbara
Usher	Millie	Mary D.	Gloria	Asa	Wayne
Teller	Jean B.	Don A.	Anne K.	Chris K.	Jean B.
Teller	Millie	Scott	Jackie	Ellen R.	Anne K.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ANY OF THESE DATES, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND AN AUTHORIZED REPLACEMENT.