

From the Rector

All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. (John 1:3-5 NRSV)

The Advent wreath, common in many Christian communities during the season of Advent, is a symbolic representation of two important aspects of this season. The first is it acts for us as a countdown or a calendar, inviting us to prepare ourselves to receive the coming of Christ. Each Sunday that we light a new candle we mark our progress on the journey towards Christmas, the day on which we celebrate Christ's first coming into the world. This marking of time also reminds us to prepare our hearts and souls for Christ's second coming. The second aspect is the symbolism of the increasing light. As the candles are illuminated one after the other from week to week, concluding with the center white candle which represents Christ, we observe how the growing light shines to overcome the darkness in this world.

These two symbolic actions of the wreath have their origins in Germany, when in 1839 a Protestant pastor and urban missioner of the poor by the name of Johann Hinrich Wichern constructed the first out of a ring of wood with nineteen small

Save the Date

Sunday Worship 8 am & 10 am Live Stream on YouTube at 10 am

Mondays Women's AA Meeting

Wednesday Brown Bag Bible Study 12 pm

December 7, 14 & 21 Advent Soup & Study

December 13 Vestry Meeting Parish House 7 pm

> December 20 WHT Meeting Zoom 7 pm

December 24 Christmas Worship 12 pm, 4 pm & 9 pm

Rector Report Continued

red tapers and four larger white candles for the children he taught. Each day a small candle was lit and each Sunday a large candle. Today's Advent wreath is a pared-down version of the first retaining only the four large candles.

For nearly two hundred years, the Advent wreath has called us to prepare and to rejoice. Prepare ourselves to receive God's incredible gift of love that redeems and, saves us and to be glad with incredible joy for such love. So may this season of preparation bring you much joy in God's love found in the light that is Jesus Christ.

Fr. Joe+

Phristmas Eve Worship Schedule

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

12:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST

Virtual and In Person

4:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST

Children's Service Virtual and In Person

9:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST

Evening Service Virtual and In Person



Wardens Report



Last Friday I started to write about "positive anticipation." I was so excited to think about coffee hour and the happy chatter in the parish house. THEN I heard the news...a new variant, OMICRON. How to have "positive anticipation" with the possibility of another dark cloud on the horizon?

I could be Scarlet and worry about this tomorrow or I could have a move ahead attitude. We will have our coffee hours and soup suppers. We know how to be safe. Yes, we have a lot of positive anticipation. The bell will be repaired. WE can return to church to see and hear Fr. Joe. With hipe, joy, love and peace we can anticipate the arrival of baby Jesus. We can light the advent candles and be thankful we have one another.

MERRY CHIRSTMAS! Penny Schmidt



Outreach Report

First let me say a big thank you to our congregation for donating the foods including turkeys that we needed for our ten Thanksgiving families. And another thanks to all who helped with packing the bags and delivering the food both to schools and to private homes: Jean Bloyer, Bill de Rosset, Linda Eilman, Toni and Lilly Gillich, Linda Michel, Liz Pratt, Betsy Sayre, Nancy Ann Sayre, and Penny Schmidt.

In December we will be helping twelve families with Christmas food and gifts. Diane Quarles has prepared a list of gifts needed on Sign-Up Genius. She emailed the list to the congregation on November 28. If you did not receive the email, please contact Diane (732-610-2695) so she can make sure you receive a copy. After our December 4 Bake and Craft sale, we will assemble boxes for each family in the Parish Hall where you can drop off the gifts you are donating. Be sure to identify the gifts with the name, age and family for which the gift is intended. We will be looking for help with assembling the gifts and packaging the foods by December 18 and for volunteers to deliver everything early the following week.

Women of Holy Trinity



The Women of Holy Trinity continue to meet via Zoom. We have changed our meeting time to the third Monday of the month at 7 pm, please join us.

DATE and TIME December MEETING:

Monday, December 20th at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Hope you can join us.

Our Craft and Bake Sale with Santa was a fun morning. Please enjoy the pictures.















Thank You Notes from Thanksgiving Outreach

Please extend a massive thank you to anyone who helped out with getting Thanksgiving food for our families! I can't tell you how appreciated it was. The gift cards! The Christmas cards WITH STAMPS!!!! SO wonderful.



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October 25, 2021

Holy Trinity Church Outreach Committee PO Box 25 Churchville, Maryland 21028

Attn: Jane Scocca

Dear Ms. Scocca:

On behalf of the Bakerfield Elementary School, we would like to extend a special thank-you to the Outreach Program from Holy Trinity Church for the generous contribution of school supplies to Bakerfield Elementary School. Thank you for the kindness and generosity the Outreach Committee shared with Bakerfield Elementary School.

Sincerely,

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Tara Dedeaux, Principal

25 Days of Christmas Bible Verses

| JOHN 3:16 | 2 Phillipians 2.8-10 | ISAIAH 7:14 ³ | 4 Zechariah 9:9 | 5 Isaiah 9:6-7 |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Acts 5:31 | Romans 5-1 | ISAIAH LOI-I | 9 Luke 1:1-17 | Luke 1:18-25 |
| 11 Luke1:26-38 | p 12 Luke 1:39-45 | ^{miruj} 13 Juke 1:46-56 | 14 LUKE 1:57-66 | Luke 1: 67-80 |
| 16 Luke 2:1-12 | 17 LUKE 2:13-21 | 18 Luke 2:22-35 | 19 19/19/19/19 | Luke 2:41-51 |
| 21 Matthew 7:78-25 | 22 Matthew 2:1-12 | Matthew 23 2:13-18 | 24 МАПНЕW 2:19-23 | 25 Isaiah 53 :5 |

Christmas Trees Wanted

Are you looking to rehome a Christmas tree you don't want any longer? Are you downsizing? Do you want to brighten someone's Christmas?



DONATE YOUR ARTIFICIAL TREE TO A SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE FAMILY

All trees will be delivered to the Salvation Army of Central Maryland. Christmas trees of any size are welcome. (no live or fresh cut trees) Contact ChristmasTreeShare@gmail.com or 302-494-7789.





The last two years have upended many of the assumptions about what The Episcopal Church is and where it is going. Join Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his

canons for a conversation about how the past two years will inform the ministries and mission of The Episcopal Church in 2022 and beyond. There will be time for questions, and the event will be recorded for later viewing. Registration is free, but required.

Participants: Rev. Chuck Robertson, canon for Ministry Beyond The Episcopal Church, Rev. Stephanie Spellers, canon for Evangelism, Reconciliation, and Creation Care, Rev. Mark Stevenson, canon for Ministry Within The Episcopal Church

Moderator: Rev. Winnie Varghese, rector of St. Luke's, Atlanta, Georgia

Date: December 9, 2021

Time: 6:00 pm

Please visit <u>https://www.episcopalchurch.org/development/work-of-your-church-webinar/</u> for more information.

Annual Meeting Notice Sunday, January 16, 2022

One Service at 9 am followed by the meeting, in-person in the Fellowship hall.

Please notify the parish office if you'd like to participate virtually.

December Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday in faith and blessings be upon you! On your birthday, remember that you were wonderfully made by God and rejoice in his love.



| 2 | Betsy Wasson | 17 | Virginia Brice |
|---|----------------------------------|----|-----------------|
| 3 | Jim Wollon | 19 | Elizabeth Pratt |
| 4 | Carol Gilmartin Emily Streett | 20 | Janet Dettwiler |
| 4 | Nancy Kittle | 29 | Dave Warder |
| 8 | Barbara Kreamer | | |

Christmas Poinsettias



Remember your loved ones this Christmas Season with a beautiful Christmas Poinsettia. Envelopes are at the back of the church and can be placed in offering plate. Or you can mail your check along with this slip to PO Box 25, Churchville, MD 21028.



6" Red Pots \$7.25 6" White Pots \$7.25 7" Red Pots \$ 10.50

____ Single Blooms, Red 6" (\$7.25 each) _____

____ Single Blooms, White 6" (\$7.25 each) _____

____ Single Blooms, Red 7" (\$10.50 each) _____

Donations for Swags _____

In Memory of _____

In Thanksgiving for _____

Given by _____

ROTA Schedule December 2021

| 12/5/2021 | Eucharistic Minister | Lector | Live Stream Assistant | Usher |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 8:00 AM | Lawrie Sayre | | | Peter Huryk |
| 10:00 AM | Keith Quarles | Jane Scocca | Nancy Ann Sayre | Penny Schmidt Jean Wilson |

| 12/12/2021 | Eucharistic Minister | Lector | Live Stream Assistant | Ushers | |
|------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 8:00 AM | Betsy Sayre | | | Gerri Huryk | |
| 10:00 AM | Janet Dettwiler | Carl Owens | Jane Scocca | Gerry Wolff Jean Bloyer | |

| 12/19/2021 | Eucharistic Minister | Lector | Live Stream Assistant | Ushers | |
|------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 8:00 AM | Linda Michel | | | Walt Rowe | |
| 10:00 AM | Keith Quarles | Penny Schmidt | Carl Owens | Nancy Ann Sayre Jean Wilson | |
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| 12/26/2021 | Eucharistic | | Live Stream | Ushers | |
| | Minister | Lector | Assistant | Ushers | |
| 8:00 AM | Minister Lawrie Sayre | Lector | | Ushers Peter Huryk | |

Altar Guild: 12/5 Barbara Webster, 12/12 Jane Scocca, 12/19 Sally Carnohan, 12/24 12:00 pm Janet Dettwiler, 12/24 Children's Service 4:00 pm Jean Bloyer, 12/24 Evening Service 9:00 pm Sally Carnohan and 12/26 Liz Pratt

Please note: If you are unable to serve on the assigned Sunday, please arrange for a substitute and call the office as soon as possible so that the worship bulletin can be updated accordingly.

December 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 9:15 & 10:15 am Do Re Wee 12:00 pm BBBS | 2 | 3 7 pm Beautiful Church | 4 Craft & Bake Sale with Santa |
| 5 8 am Holy Eucharist (in person) 10 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1 pm Beautiful Church | 6 12 pm Women's AA Meeting | 7 9:15, 10:15 & 11:15 am Do Re Wee 10:00 am Beautiful Church 6:30 pm Advent Soup & | 8 9:15 & 10:15 am Do Re Wee 12:00 pm BBBS | 9 | 10 5:30 pm Lower Crossroads Stitch-In 7 pm Beautiful Church | 11 |
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