

Mission Statement

Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.

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SERVICE TIMES FOR JANUARY 8 – JANUARY 15, 2017		
<i>Today, January 8 Epiphany 1/ Baptism of the Lord</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	10:30 a.m.
<i>Thursday</i>	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	9:30 a.m.
<i>Sunday, January 15 Epiphany 2</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
	Morning Prayer (BCP)	10:30 a.m.
	Prayer & Healing	7:00 p.m.

Readings: **Isaiah 42:1-9**
Ann Shears

Acts 10:34-43
Gordon Shears

Matthew 3:13-17
Patricia Hammond

Welcome. Welcome to anyone who is visiting with us this morning. If this is your first time at Holy Trinity, please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy. We do ask that you sign our guest book in the foyer.

Tuesday Evening Chapel Prayer Group. The group will resume this Tuesday, January 10 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to come along any week.

Monday Morning Bible Study Group. The group will meet again next Monday, January 16 at 10 a.m.

Happy New Year Ladies! Our first regular meeting for 2017 will be this Wednesday, January 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Vestry Room. Looking forward to seeing everyone and enjoying more fellowship with each other during the New Year! *Sandra and Dale (Co-Chairpersons)*

Annual Altar Guild Meeting, The meeting will be held on Monday, January 30 at 6:45 p.m. in the Vestry Room. Any ladies of the congregation interested in serving on the Altar Guild are always welcome. The main focus of the Guild is to care for the altar and the sanctuary of the church, to ensure that it is always prepared and adorned for worship. It is indeed a very important and sacred work that the ladies of the Altar Guild do on a regular basis. If you would like to share in this special work, you are always welcome!

Parish Reflection. 2016 was a very good year for our parish as we were able to meet all of our financial commitments. It was the faithful and generous hearts of the members of the congregation that made this possible. Each year we worry about being able to meet these commitments. However, each year we are able to come through successfully. We thank God that He finds a way. As long as we are faithful and trust in God's guidance and providence, we will be blessed by Him. The Rector, Wardens and Vestry wish to thank you for your support of your parish in 2016 and ask for that continued support in 2017. The ministry and worship of the church can only happen when, together, we are committed to God and His Church. As the verse of scripture on each envelope in your box says - "*All things come of Thee O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.*"

Annual Meeting of the Congregation, The meeting will be held on Sunday, February 26, starting with a short worship service at 6:30 p.m. The Rector asks that all reports be submitted to him by February 15, in preparation for the meeting. The coming together of the congregation for this meeting is to reflect on the past year and to set direction for our parish for the coming year. Decisions made at the annual meeting by the congregation are then followed up by the Vestry. We hope that many members of the parish will come out for this very important meeting.

Anniversary of Our Parish. 2017 will mark 110 years for Holy Trinity as a parish! It seems such a short time ago that we were busy celebrating the centennial year of our parish (2007)--hard to believe that was 10 years ago. No doubt at some point in the year, we will want to celebrate this milestone for our parish. We are so thankful that God has led us in these 110 years. We are grateful for those who are currently members of our parish and for those who have faithfully served Him here in the past 110 years that have gone on to their higher calling. God calls us to be faithful, and if we can do that, we are confident that God will continue to be our guide into the next 110 years. It is because of what we do today, future generations will call this parish their home. Glory to God for the past 110 years!

New Members of Vestry are Needed! Each year so many of our vestry members complete their 3-year term and move off to allow for new vestry members. If you would like to offer your time to serve on Vestry (the governing body of the parish), please let us know. The names for new members will be put forth and accepted at the annual meeting in February

Volunteers Required for the Sound Booth. Additional volunteers are needed for the sound booth! This entails learning to operate our sound system and then taking your turn on a particular Sunday morning. Training is provided. We welcome teenagers as well as adults. If you are interested, please speak to George Dominex, Rev. Randy or one of the church wardens.

New Worship Schedule/Readers. If you would like to be added to our readers list, please let Rev. Randy know. A new schedule will be available next Sunday.

Worship Services This Afternoon. A service will be held at Golden Years Estate at 1:30 p.m. and at the Carmelite House at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome to join with us.

Confirmation for 2017. Confirmation is scheduled for Sunday, May 7 at 10:30 a.m. Anyone wishing to be confirmed at that time must let Rev. Randy know before January 22. Anyone being confirmed must be at least 11 years of age by May 31, 2017.

Church Bulletins in Memoriam. A new chart is now available. Anyone wishing to donate a bulletin for a particular Sunday may do so by entering the details on the chart located in the main foyer. The cost of a Memorial Bulletin is \$35. Please place your money in an envelope and mark it **Memorial Bulletin**.

Greeters: Bill Reid, Roy Earle, George & Margaret Thorne, Phyllis Woolfrey

Items for the Messenger. Please have your submissions to Linda by Thursday. You may contact her at 489-9801 or e-mail linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com.

*A New Year Blessing
Especially for You*

May the road you walk be a smooth one.
May your troubles be few – if any.
May the days and years that lie ahead
Be healthy, happy, and many.
May you have friends in abundance.
May the sun shine bright around you.
May the world be a wonderful place to live.
And may God's love always surround you.