

Trinity Tidings

Trinity Episcopal Church

Fredonia, New York

PENTECOST THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



The Sunday that is seven weeks (50 days) after Easter Day is the Feast of Pentecost. This year it is on May 20th. Pentecost is often regarded as the birthday of the Church. It's the day when the disciples received the Holy Spirit.

On this day we remember the story given to us in the second chapter of the Book of Acts.

The story is told:

"When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them ability." (Acts 2:1)

Why we wear RED on Pentecost Sunday:

The clergy wear **RED** vestments to signify the work of the Spirit. It is also a custom in many churches for the people in the congregation to wear **RED** on the Day of Pentecost as well. We wear **RED** to remind us of the fire of the Spirit.

Dedication:

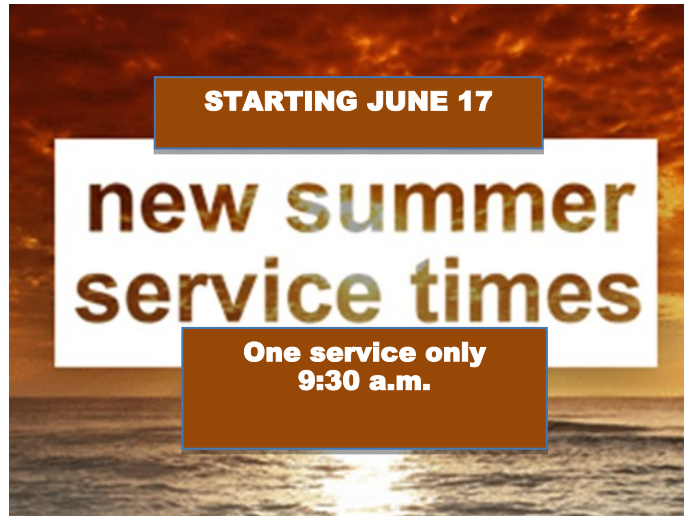
A new Pentecostal altar cloth, (super frontal) has been purchased and will be dedicated on May 20th at the 10:30 service.

Choir



We thank you, Trinity Choir, for your beautiful voices that fill our hearts.

May 13th will be the last day for our full choir.
Join us in celebrating the choir at a special reception following the 10:30 service.



Dear Congregation,

At the last vestry meeting it was voted to change our summer worship hours. Trinity will offer one service at 9:30 a.m. from June 17th – September 9th. The 9:30 service will observe RITE II with hymns and Holy Eucharist. Lemonade fellowship will follow the service.

This decision was made to facilitate the supply clergy who will be coming from the Buffalo area.

Thank you for your patience with this change.

There is always the possibility that we will have a new rector arriving later in the summer but this certainly can not be counted on! God bless!



We have a problem, folks.
We need more people to sign up for coffee fellowship. *The fellowship of coffee hour helps to hold a church together.*
Please help to keep this ministry going and sign up for May and June.



May Outreach



Breakfast Food for Food Pantry of Rural Ministry

Cereal Pancake Mix Oatmeal
Cream of Wheat Breakfast Bars

Please consider bringing one per week.
A list of these foods can be picked up in Garland Hall.

THANK YOU for your continued generosity.



A Note from Chautauqua County Rural Ministry

Dear Friends,

The Friendly Kitchen opened in 1984 serving five meals a week. It immediately became apparent that hunger is not retroactive and people were hungry on the weekends, too. So CCRM began to serve a noontime meal seven days a week. Several decades later, we are now serving three meals a day Monday through Friday and a noontime meal on the weekend.

The Friendly Kitchen, a mission-based program operated by CCRM, serves a very important role in our community providing nutritious meals for the hungry, social interaction, health screenings, nutrition education, cooking workshops, as well as an offsite controlled learning environment for volunteers, placements, interns and community service individuals.

Last year, the Friendly Kitchen and emergency food pantry (opening in 1979) operated at a significant shortfall. However, we were able to distribute 74,440 meals through the pantry and served 34,000 meals through the soup kitchen.

Your support is deeply appreciated and I'm once again asking that you consider having a food drive or monetary collection during the month of April and May to benefit these two wonderful programs.

Thank you for your consideration.

With a grateful heart,
Kathleen G Peterson
Executive Director

Trinity ECW

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MAY 19th at 9:30 AM

TECW Meeting
Garland Hall

JULY 17th
Episcopal Tea
at Chautauqua Institute

RUMMAGE SALE INFORMATION

PLEASE DO NOT drop off items on Tuesday May 1 as the hall is in use all day—please make sure all donated items are Clean, tobacco and wood smoke free, no stains, and in good working order. If items have been stored in garage or basement, please wipe off.

Please, we need help sorting and pricing on Thursday, May 3rd.

Finally, please continue to collect your quarters for the Christmas Stocking Project. If you do not have a container they are available in Garland Hall and at the front door.

FROM THE STAINED GLASS WINDOW COMMITTEE
 James Ivey, Melisa Eichmann, Rodney Geiben, Emily Ivey, Fred Liener, Fr. Bob Arnold

The response has been tremendous. We thank you, thank you for your continued support in this important project. Honestly, we had visions of baking and selling cupcakes for the next five years!

The week of April 23rd – 27th is going to tell us many things about our projected budget. Once the stained glass windows are removed we will have a better idea of the true condition of the wooden frames and how many will need to be completely replaced. We are still waiting to close on our line of credit at Lakeshore Savings. There will be unknown costs of lawyer fees, closing costs for the loan, memorial plates, and plaques.

Luckily, through your generosity, we have enough cash to cover the payments to our contractors until September. Though it appears that we are close to receiving the three year pledges to meet our goal of \$180,000, the final figure most likely will be higher. We hope that we have enough contingency funding but some of our costs may not be known until we are further into the project. We wanted to keep you updated on our progress and hope this gives a clear picture of our plan.

FOLLOW OUR PROGRESS	GOAL \$180,000	
	\$180,000	
	\$175,000	APRIL 29, 2018
	\$172,000	April 1, 2018
	\$152,845	March 18, 2018
	\$145,010	March 11, 2018
	\$130,000	March 9, 2018
	\$120,000	March 6, 2018
	\$117,130	March 4, 2018
	\$90,000	February 25, 2018
	\$80,000	February 23, 2018
	\$70,000	February 22, 2018
	\$60,000	February 21, 2018
	\$50,000	February 20, 2018
	\$40,000	February 19, 2018
	\$30,000	February 18, 2018
\$20,000	February 17, 2018	



Trinity Search Committee Report

In April, your search committee received résumés and profiles for five candidates in the latest round of priest applicants. We carefully reviewed their information and interviewed four electronically. Three in-person interviews were offered, two were scheduled and one has not responded.

Since the start of our search we have assessed fourteen candidates, interviewed eight electronically, scheduled five visits, and have had three in-person interviews. One candidate scheduled interviews twice, but eventually pulled their name from the search due to personal reasons. We have had to schedule around Thanksgiving, Christmas, Lent, and Easter, which are prime times for priests in their current parishes, as well as around our own schedules and those of the Vestry and Bishop. This has been challenging.

We called one priest candidate in the first round in the fall. The offer was declined, not because of our parish and our members or what we offer, but because of the region of the country in which we are located.

The search committee has learned many things on this journey, recently the term "discernment." Discernment means "perception in the absence of judgment with a view of obtaining spiritual direction and understanding." We have found that discernment takes time and patience.

It may seem like this search is taking a long time and some parishioners might be feeling anxious. However, we are following the protocol laid out by the Diocese and carefully weighing the prospects. Our parish profile is available on our website and can also be obtained through the National Episcopal Church for any priest looking to find a new parish home. Rev. Vicki Zust, working with transition ministries, has been "headhunting" for us and encouraging priests to apply. Keep in mind, it is a rector's market. There are more churches looking for priests than there are priests available. And, some parishes can offer more monetarily than Trinity. Even with that being said, we know there is someone out there for us, and us for them.

We faithfully continue the search. Thank you for your interest, patience, and especially your prayers!

Andrew Wheelock, Janeil Rey, Sue Torrance, Jack Torrance, Meredith Wheelock, Ginny Becker
Trinity Search Committee



Date	Counters	Crucifer	Ushers	Lectors	Prayers of the People	Chalicians	Altar	Coffee Fellowship	
Sunday, May 6	Emily & James Ivey	Lucille Bryant	Andrew Wheelock Nash Delcamp	James Ivey Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6	Susan Dilks	Rodney Geiben	Bobbe Kennedy	You ???	
Sunday, May 13	Melisa Eichmann Ginny Becker	Lisa Schultz	Judy Reynolds Dominic Schultz	Maxine Hovencamp Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13	Lisa Sedlmayer	Doreen Gould	Lisa Schultz	Reception TECW	
Sunday, May 20	James Ivey Doreen Gould	Rodney Geiben	Bonnie Liener Emily Ivey	Andrew Wheelock Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:25-35, 37 Romans 8:22-27	Karin Wheelock	Diane Sercu	Sally Ludlum	Reception	
Sunday, May 27	Rodney Geiben Lucille Bryant	Lisa Schultz	Lucille Bryant Susan Dilks	Judy Reynolds Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8: 12-17	Bobbe Kennedy	Sally Ludlum	Emily Ivey	You ???	
	<i>Need to Cancel?</i>	<i>Want to Serve?</i>		<i>Contact person for each ministry is below.</i>					
Contact:	Emily Ivey 672-2463		Dominic Schultz 785-8379		Lisa Schultz 679-8102		Rodney Geiben 673-1483		

Birthdays in May

- 4 Kathy Niedbalski
- 10 David Kramer
- 11 Nathan Sercu
- 13 Mary Lou Sherman
- 14 Kate Levy
- 15 Jillian Mosier
- 17 Ray Chin
- 21 Elizabeth Roberts
- 21 Catherine Graves
- 22 Tom Kennedy
- 23 Jon Weekly
- 23 Aaron Smith
- 24 Samantha Niedbalski
- John Murphy
- 30 Lee Blackburn

Anniversaries in May

- 15 Walt & Lisa Sedlmayer
- 31 Fr. Otis and Maxine Hovencamp

Dearly Departed

- 5 Carrie Mancuso
- 12 Jim Johnson
- 14 Elizabeth Crocker
- 20 Harry Reiff
- 22 Kathleen Cerrito
- 28 Harold Beckwith
- 30 Nerissa Shaw
- 31 Joseph Cerrito

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