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Trinity Episcopal Church

Lenox, MA



A peak inside:

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SERVICES

SUNDAYS

8 a.m. - Holy

Eucharist

10:15 a.m. - Holy

Eucharist with Hymns,
Godly Play and J2A

5 p.m. - Evening

Prayer

DAILY

7 a.m. - Morning

Prayer (8 a.m. on first

Saturday of every
month)

RECURRING

EVENTS

Prayer Shawl

Ministry - 12 noon on
first Thursday and
third Tuesday of every
month

Taize Prayer - 5pm
on third Sunday of
every month

Saturday Morning

Prayer - 8am on first
Saturday of every
month

A Message from our Rector

Dear People of Trinity Church,

Summer is upon us! While things have calmed down a little around the parish, things are certainly picking up around town. I am delighted that we will once again be hosting several outside music groups this summer, and I hope you will be able to make that part of your summer recreation. We have been blessed to be live in a truly beautiful part of the world, and in a town with such a rich cultural tradition. We should enjoy it. One of our most important beliefs is that God created the world, and God made it good. We celebrate God when we enjoy his creation, so taking advantage of the opportunities around is us actually part of our Christian lives.

For many people, summer is a time of rest and recreation. As Christians, we believe that delighting on God is one of our most important tasks. So the simple act of taking a walk to enjoying the stunning views around us, or

relaxing with friends at a barbecue, or going for a swim are all acts of worship of the God who made all things.

At the same time, we should always keep in mind that this it is not a time for recreation for everyone. For many people in our community, this is their busiest time of the year, and they need to work. Many people cannot afford to get away. We should be grateful to those who work at this time, and we should keep in mind our ongoing responsibilities to help those who are in need. I hope we will be able to maintain our commitment to the Lenox food pantry this summer.

If you will be away during the summer, I would encourage you to find a church near where you will be. Unless you'll be out sailing or camping deep in the wilderness, you should be able to find a branch office of the Church somewhere nearby. Going to a new church can even be part of

your refreshment. It can be a great deal of fun to try new things and to get new ideas about things we might do here at Trinity. I look forward to hearing about your experiences.

In our next newsletter, I hope to share with you all a little more about our plans for the fall, and our upcoming events. I hope that you all can enjoy this time as much as you can. God's wonderful work is all around us, and I hope that this can be a season of refreshment for us all.

Yours in Christ,

Notes from Vestry

June 24, 2013

Youth Education: Godly Play and J2A is continuing during the summer with a break August 18 and 25 and September 1. Gathering Sunday will be September 8. The Rector thanked Miriam Carry and Matthew Heim for their reading of the J2A's sermon during the June 16th service. *Note: This sermon is included in this newsletter.*

Outreach: See report elsewhere in this newsletter

Building and Grounds: Projects continuing as planned.

Stewardship: The Junior warden reported that a mailing seeking to encourage interest in Legacy Giving through the **Third Century Society** went out recently. This Society was formed in 2009 to honor donors who make known their planned gift by bequest or other means to Trinity Church.

Memorials: The Rector reported contacting Watts & Co. of London with regard to Liturgical Vestments and Altar Frontals. Vestry wishes

to honor Mr. Young's bequest by enhancing, restoring, replacing Liturgical Vestment and Altar Frontals.

Rector's Report: The newly forming Parish Life Committee has met yet.

In planning for 2013/2014, Father Tuck and Anita Stewart are planning to set up Evensong events to enrich Parishioners' Worship experience, invite guest singers and groups as well as welcome visitors. Such events could also be followed by Fellowship gatherings.

The Bishop's visitation still to be scheduled.

Questions? Please contact a member of the Vestry.

Trinity's Vestry

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Jeff Kittross

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Gail Street

Eleanor Velez

Trinity Birthdays

July
7/3 Richard Burke

August
4 Pat Peters
9 Susan VanSickle
12 Linda Jackson
25 Claudia Wells
27 Lavinia Meeks





Family Barbecue 2013



Family BBQ photos courtesy of John Krahm.

Summer Godly Play

Day 1 - God created light and separated the light from the darkness, calling light "day" and darkness "night."



We created paper mache balls representing the darkness and the light.

Day 3 - God created the dry ground and gathered the waters, calling the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters "seas."



We made "mud" – chocolate pudding, crushed graham crackers and gummy worms and we created sand art crosses.

Day 2 - God created an expanse to separate the waters and called it "sky."



We experimented with clouds, had popsicles for snacks and created beautiful coffee filter art.

Day 4 - God created the sun, moon, and the stars to give light to the earth and to govern and separate the day and the night.



We created sun, moon and stars jewelry using washers and nail polish.

Spotlight on Outreach

During our last meeting we announced our team for the medical mission to the Dominican Republic. The team consists of Dr. and Mrs John DeBois, Susan Van Sickle and Jeanne Randorf. Both Susan and Jeanne are retired teachers and fluent in Spanish. They are excited to represent Trinity on our first medical mission endeavor.

A check has been mailed for \$1,551.00 for medical supplies. We set aside \$1,000 from the Christmas Fair of 2012 and the Godly Play group raised or saved \$551 from their Lenten Mite Boxes to buy medicines and other medical supplies. We are very excited about this very large and first venture. Please keep our team in your prayers.

The **Stop Hunger Now** church wide project is our opportunity to work together as a team and help feed thousands around the world. The date is Saturday morning, July 27th. We will meet in the parish house at 9:00am – Noon. There is something for all ages to do. Food is delivered by the Program Director. We pack it up and he takes it back to their headquarters to ship out to the neediest of our brothers and sisters. He even has packing music! Please, sign up on one of the sheets in the church or parish house and join the team for the morning. Hope to see you there!

The 22nd Thelma's Little Fund Ice Cream Social will be held on Monday, August 5th 6pm – 8pm in the Parish House. All money raised goes directly to help children

and families in Lenox who fall on hard times. Every year SoCo Ice Cream donates the wonderful ice cream to us and of course, all of your favorite toppings will be there. Pay what you can or what you will and enjoy your favorite sundaes with families and friends. All of the money raised goes into the fund which has helped so many families and children through the years.

Submitted by Gail Street

The next meeting of the Outreach Committee is Tuesday July 30 at 2:00pm.

All are welcome!



Stop Hunger Now at Trinity Church



As part of our mission as Christians, Trinity Church will be partnering with **Stop Hunger Now**, an international relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other life saving aid to the world's most vulnerable people.

Stop Hunger Now works with organization to package freeze dried, nutritious meals for people in need around the world.

They supply

- ⇒ The food and the supplies
- ⇒ The logistics of getting the food to those in need.

We supply

- ⇒ The funds for the food
- ⇒ The volunteers to package them (that's us!)

Our goal is to package 10,000 meals. With 30 volunteers this should only take us a few hours.

If you would like to make a contribution or if you have any further questions, please contact the rector or a member of the Outreach Committee.

Spotlight on Summer Music at Trinity

At Trinity Church, we are very happy to be part of the rich summer musical tradition of the Berkshires. Throughout the summer, we host musical events by two wonderful organizations – the Boston University Tanglewood Institute and the Curtisville Consortium.

The **Boston University Tanglewood Institute** (BUTI on our calendar) is a premier summer training program for aspiring high school-age musicians. Under the guidance of distinguished professionals, and in the presence of the Boston Symphony Orchestra (BSO), young people devote themselves to an artistic experience without parallel. The high artistic standards, rich culture of learning, and diverse programs make BUTI a unique opportunity for young artists, a starting point on the path to a future in classical music. All performances are free and open to the public.

The **Curtisville Consortium**, now in its 43rd year, was founded by Boston Symphony members and family and has continued over the years to include such musicians in its membership. The original and continuing intent is to provide audiences with an opportunity to hear chamber music – up close and personal. For more information about tickets, please see the [Curtisville Consortium website](#)

Musical Notes

On Sunday, June 16, members of the Children's Choir received their awards. Children who participated this year are Andrew Albert, Tessa Gamberoni, Teddy St. John, Holly Tuck, Cecelia Carry, Lucy Cooper, Sam Cooper, Ava Gamberoni, Siena Gamberoni, Benjamin Heim, Theo Maurino, Aurora Smedvig, Sofia Smedvig, Soren Smedvig, Claudia Maurino and Jacob Fanto.

We also began a handbell choir and those who participated are Miriam Carry, Matthew Heim, Zoe Nadig, Rosemary Pehlert, Julie Pehlert, and Toby Goodman. Everyone did a great job this year! !

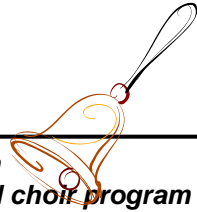
I would also like to thank Linda

Cooper, Kathy Gamberoni and Heather Heim for helping me this year.

Thanks also goes to all the members of the Chancel Choir who worked very hard this year. Our dedicated group includes Louisa Dugan, Tad Evans, Tim Geller, Jesse Goodman, Paul Van Sickle and Susan Van Sickle. We are always ready to welcome new members! If you would like to join us, please speak to me.

New, exciting musical experiences will be offered both this summer and this fall. Stay tuned!!

Submitted by Anita Stuart



This fall, we will begin an organized handbell choir program here at Trinity. In anticipation of this, I'm scheduling two introductory workshops for everyone who is interested in ringing. The workshops will be held on Monday, August 12 and Monday, August 19 from 10 to 11:30 in the choir room. Everyone should plan to attend both sessions.

Although the ability to read music is not required, it is very helpful. This is a serious commitment – much like playing on a team so attendance at rehearsals will be most important. Our rehearsals in the fall will be on Sunday mornings following the 10:15 service from 11:30 to 12:15.

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