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GROWING IN FAITH THROUGH SERVICE

*"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;
and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God
who activates all of them in everyone.
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."
I Corinthians 12:3-4*

Many years ago, I was interviewed by a bishop for a position in a Diocese that was new to me. I asked the bishop, in regard to the church for which I was interviewing, what the most important tasks of ministry would be at that place. The bishop was quiet for a long time, then responded: "to help them learn to serve for real."

That particular congregation had a lot of money, a lot of people, but not a lot going on for the benefit of anyone else. They were an especially gifted group, representing many disciplines of study, with vast years of extensive experience in all manner of professions and the health and vitality to use it. But they were moribund in their service to others; lackluster in reaching out to even those with the most basic and simple of needs. They were searching for a new ordained leader who could change all that. The bishop believed they would find the pathway to true joy, peace and love, through real service to others.

I don't know how all that went - I didn't get the job. But the bishop's words have stuck with me. I have come to the conclusion that just maybe, it's the task of all leaders of congregations to teach and encourage their members to serve for real.

But what is serving for real? Like great art, it may be hard to define, but you know it when you see it.

I saw it in one of my parishioners, a man named Jim.

Jim was a retired insurance executive who had led a very successful life in business and in the community. He was warm, funny, asked great questions and made everyone he met feel at home. He would have been the first to tell you, though - that his spiritual life was lacking. That all changed when he made his first Cursillo - a three day retreat designed to form Christian leaders for service. The program worked for Jim.

He left the experience with a nagging question - where was God imagining a use for his gifts? What could a retired guy with no prior involvement in serving others and with only a barely formed faith life do for God?

The answer came fairly quickly when a friend invited him to help with a weekend Cursillo retreat in the prison facility just down the road. Jim fell in love that weekend.

He fell in love with the inmates, the fellow seekers he met in the prison. They were struggling with their faith just as he was. Jim also fell in love with the idea that these men who had so done much to ruin their lives, could live differently; could experience redemption and resurrection, with support and care. What began as a casual volunteer excursion turned into the most important work Jim would do in his life. He cared for his prison brothers for nearly 30 years. Only multiple myeloma was strong enough to slow him down. He served those guys until his death.

Jesus told his disciples that he came to serve, not to be served. And he reminded them often that those who would be the closest to God would need to be a servant first. He wanted them to learn that when we use the gifts we are given by God and connect them with a cause that we care about, something beautiful happens...not only to the ones who are served, but to the one called into service. This is learning to serve for real - finding the things that make your heart sing, that strengthen your faith, as you do good for others. And serving for real is the pathway to a rich life in Christ, pressed down, overflowing, abundant with treasures far beyond what we could ever ask for or imagine.

Within this booklet are many invitations to get involved - they may be your invitation to serve for real. Take some time to review the descriptions. Pay attention to ones that catch your eye, your mind and your heart. The path of service you choose need not be grandiose, of immense proportions, life or heart changing. As Mother Teresa said so often, "what is called for is not doing something great; but doing small things with great love."

May you find your pathway to serving for real. May you be blessed with the joy, peace and love which come from sharing gifts in faith through service!



The Rev. Canon Patricia Grace
Interim rector

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COMMISSION

O God, as I start out today, remind me that life and love are found in relationships and that You speak to me through human voices and touch me with human hands. Help me to hear Your voice and feel Your touch as I meet those whom You send, hearing not only their words but also their deeper messages. Let me respond and bring Your presence to our midst.

Christian Formation is a lifelong path of seeking, participating in, and practicing the Christian life of faith. The Christian Formation Commission plans, provides and evaluates opportunities for every age to fully engage in their unique faith journey. One way we seek to accomplish this goal is through our Milestones Ministry. This ministry seeks to mark significant moments in the lives of children and youth while deepening the relationship with their church family. Sunday school is another vital component of this formation, education, and instruction on Sunday mornings.

Adult parishioners can choose from rich and varied classes designed to stimulate and enhance their spiritual lives. Holy Trinity offers children age-appropriate classes that empower them to receive and respond to God's love. Beyond Sunday school, Christian Formation includes activities for youth, confirmation preparation for youth and adults, summer programs for children and youth and opportunities to experience growth and support in small groups.

The Christian Formation Commission welcomes volunteers wherever you feel called to serve. There are one-time opportunities for leadership as well as ongoing commitments. Our varied and energizing programs are made possible by our large team of dedicated adult and youth volunteers. Tell us your passion, and we will plug you in!

FAMILY SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Prayer of Thanksgiving for an Acolyte

My everlasting Lord, as I extinguish the candles at Your table, may their flames burn brightly in my heart. May the words, deeds and actions of my daily life make clear to others that I know that I have been privileged to serve You, my God, and my brothers and sisters in the Community of Christ. May I be eager to serve Christ and others whenever I find them in need—in my home and family, in my daily activities—in every corner of life.

Contact: Marjorie Donnelly, Director of Christian Formation, 336-272-6149 ext 21, marjorie@holymtrinity.com

Special Family Event Coordinators are responsible for planning and recruiting volunteers for events such as Trunk or Treat, Birthday Party for Jesus, Circles of Light, Mardi Gras Carnival, and the Easter Egg Hunt. This is a fun way to volunteer for a one-time leadership role.

Trunk or Treat is a special Wednesday night family event where children wear their Halloween costumes and "trunk or treat" in the parking lot. We need as many people as possible to volunteer to decorate their trunk and hand out treats to our little ghosts and goblins. Providing a trunk is also a great service opportunity for various church groups (for example, ECW Chapters, Commissions, Vestry, etc.).

Vacation Bible School for children is a major annual event offered in June for children ages Pre-K through fifth graders. The primary focus is to teach important lessons from the Bible through activities, crafts, storytelling, music, snacks, movement and games. We need two persons to co-chair Vacation Bible School. In addition, many volunteers are needed during the week for various duties.



Milestones Ministry for Children and Youth

Milestones Ministry for Children and Youth marks the significant cultural and developmental milestones that we experience throughout our lives. There are easily identified developmental firsts of childhood such as steps and teeth, walking and talking. There are also firsts in our faith life such as baptism, receiving a Bible and confirmation.

Holy Trinity's Milestones Ministry invites and engages the entire congregation into a process of faith formation and spiritual growth. It encourages us to intentionally connect the events of our lives with God's grace, peace, forgiveness, hope, and love.

Age	Practice	Community Component
Birth–4	Knowing the Shepherd	Baptism
Pre-K/K	Being Beloved	Lead the All Saints Day parade
1st/2nd	My Place at the Table	Communion Celebration
	Praying Together	Learn and Lead Lord's Prayer
3rd/4th	Discovering God's Word	Bible Presentations
	Learning God's Law	Ten Commandments
5th/6th	Caring for Others	Summer Outreach Adventure
	Becoming Disciples	Installation of Acolytes
7th/8th	Claiming Identity	Rite 13
9th	Claiming Faith	Confirmation
10th/11th	Embodying Service	Glory Ridge
12th	Walking the Way	Pilgrimage
	High School Graduation	Bible Presentations



The Kanuga Family Retreat is a fall weekend of fun and fellowship for the whole family. Kanuga is an Episcopal Camp and Conference Center in Hendersonville, North Carolina. The weekend includes opportunities for social time, s'mores, hiking, canoeing, arts and crafts, sports, worship and music. We need a chairperson to coordinate specific details with Kanuga and volunteers to work on a retreat planning committee.

College Freshmen Friends keep Holy Trinity college freshmen connected to their parish family through their first year of college. Each volunteer is paired with one college freshman to contact via US mail early in the first semester to wish them good luck, then again during first and second semester exams with a small care package and on Valentine's Day and their birthday. There is a spring Care Package Party where the volunteers come together for fun and fellowship to assemble care packages.

Contact Carolyn Morazan, 336-855-5028, carolynmorazan@triad.rr.com

Children's Spiritual Formation

There are a wide variety of ways to volunteer within the children's program at Holy Trinity. The following list of weekly, monthly, and annual events allows for different levels of participation. If you feel called to help with the spiritual development of our children in any way, we invite your participation!

Children's Chapel Assistants share their love for children and worship by helping Marjorie Donnelly with the Sunday morning Chapel service for Pre-K through Second graders during the 9 a.m. service. Volunteers, who are each assigned one Sunday a month, can join their families in the worship service during the Peace.



Ministry Opportunities for Youth

Christmas Pageant Assistants help children don their costumes as donkeys, sheep, angels, shepherds, Kings and stars in our endearing and lively annual Christmas pageant, which takes place at 10:30 a.m. on Christmas Eve. Youth also serve as leaders for the various groups as they process into the Church.

Youth Teaching Assistants work with adults as members of a Sunday school teaching team or in Children's Chapel. High school students who enjoy working with children are encouraged to become Youth Teaching Assistants. Children love having teenagers in the classroom, and teaching a child can help teens learn a great deal about their own faith as well. We welcome youth to assist with Children's Chapel and with regular Sunday school classes.

Vacation Bible School is a fun way for youth 6th grade and older to help mentor younger members of the congregation. You can help with a specific class of children, with music, art or on the playground.

Special Family Event Helpers insure that the younger members of our congregation have a great time at special events such as Trunk or Treat, the Mardi Gras carnival and our Easter egg hunt. Volunteers can do a myriad of things, such as decorate for the event, paint faces, lead a game, give out candy at Trunk or Treat or hide Easter eggs.

Acolytes light the candles on the altar, carry crosses and torches in procession, and assist the clergy with preparations for communion. Youth sixth grade and older are invited to participate in the worship services of our parish by serving as acolytes. This important ministry is indispensable to the worship life of the church, and young people are encouraged to share in this privilege. Free job training is provided!
Contact: Annie Slaughter, annie@holy-trinity.com or the Rev. Nathan Finnin, 336-272-6149 x 269

Godly Play is the Sunday school curriculum for Pre-K through Fourth graders. Its purpose is to support, challenge, nourish and guide children's spiritual development. Sacred stories, our shared history and the liturgical workings of the church are the focus of this curriculum. Each week a Storyteller and a Doorkeeper facilitate the children's learning.

Sunday School Storytellers are people who love children and are willing to share their own faith with our young people, Pre-K through Fourth grade. This is an excellent way to learn more about the Bible and our Episcopal tradition by teaching others. Storytellers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient to them.

Sunday School Doorkeepers greet the children and assist the storyteller with snacks and activities. Doorkeepers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient to them.

Feasting on the Word is a curriculum based on the lectionary reading for the day, which is used with our fifth through twelfth graders on Sunday mornings in the Youth House.

Youth House Sunday School Teachers greet the youth and interact informally with them during a fellowship time and simple breakfast (donated by parents). Following this, they lead discussions and activities based on the lectionary reading of the day. The youth also make lunches for Prayers in the Park once a month. Teachers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient for them.

Youth Sunday Breakfast consisting of doughnuts, muffins or bagels is provided each Sunday for the participants in youth Sunday school. We need one volunteer each Sunday during the program year to drop off breakfast items prior to Sunday school.

EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMISSION

Rise up, take courage, and do it
Ezra 10:4

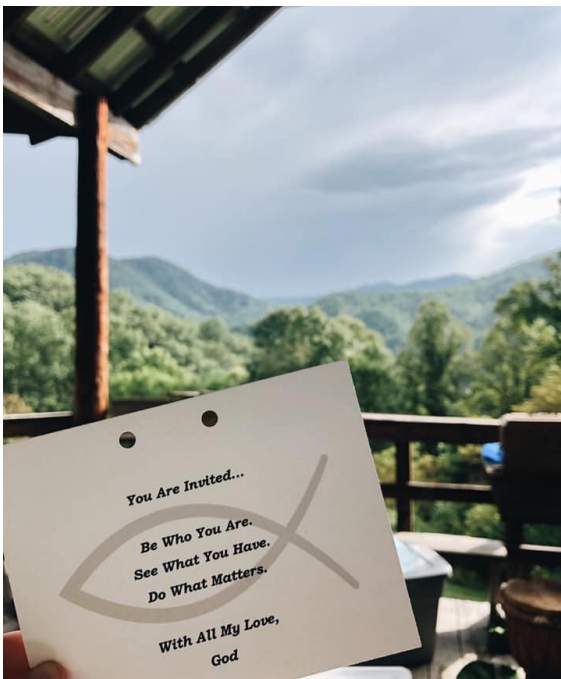
Let us give ourselves to service
Romans 12:7

Contact Meredith Scott, Director of Youth Ministry,
meredith@holy-trinity.com.

The youth in our church represent our future. Our program, known as EYC, is something every youth, in 5th through 12th grade, should explore. In a time when so many people are leaving religion, our program seeks to educate and love our youth, keeping them strong in their faith and connected to our church community.

Our mission is "To know Christ and make him known through an inward journey of faith and an outward journey of service, thanking God in all things." We provide a safe and loving environment where youth can build strong bonds with friends, develop a giving heart by making work worship, and utilize their experiences to create a positive future for themselves and the world around them.

We hold weekly Sunday night meetings during the school year that consist of Connection Sundays, Service Sundays, and Adventure Sundays, followed by a fellowship dinner. Our youth stay connected over the summer with our Pilgrimage trip, Glory Ridge mission trip, and Summer Outreach Adventure Week.



Want to help out? There are many ways you can volunteer your own hands and mind and support our youth in their journey!

- Fellowship Dinners: Sign up to help prepare and serve meals at EYC meetings
- EYC Transportation: Be available to assist in driving youth to and from activities
- Burrito Biker Underwriter: Cover cost of supplies needed to make breakfast burritos for homeless
- Administrative Assistant: Be available to help with paperwork, data entry, etc.
- Glory Ridge Assistant: Help with preparing for trip, packing up, & assisting on departure day
- Stand By Advisor: Be available to assist with youth group activities when needed
- EYC Photo Donor: Cover costs for developing photo boxes for our gallery wall

Visit the EYC Website at holytrinityeyc.com.



ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Preparation Prayer for a Teacher of Religion

Divine Source of All Wisdom and Truth, I come before You asking Your Blessed Aid as I prepare to teach in Your Name. I am aware that I have been called and selected by You and Your Church and that with that calling comes the necessary courage and grace, but I ask Your Special Help so that I may open myself to each situation in this class in such a way that I may truly be a teacher in the pattern of Jesus. Help me to reverence those I teach, as He did. Help me to love those whom I instruct, as He loved his disciples. Help me to speak to their hearts as well as to their heads and to touch them with the devotion and dedication of my own life lived in You.

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Adult Class Teachers help fellow parishioners expand their knowledge and deepen their faith. If you have an idea for a class or area of study, please let us know. Sunday morning classes run in four to six week terms from 10:15 – 11 a.m. Classes are also offered at other times of the week.

Covenant Group Leaders guide a small group of six to twelve people who gather regularly for prayer, study, spiritual growth and mutual support in the journey of faith. Covenant groups are a profoundly rewarding experience. Generally, two people co-lead a covenant group. Training is provided.

Cursillo is a "short course in Christian living," centering on the teachings of Christ. It includes the Three-Day Weekend, which lasts from Thursday evening to Sunday afternoon. The weekend is an opportunity to meet clergy and laity who seek to strengthen, share and grow in their faith. It provides an opportunity through shared prayer, worship, fellowship, study, laughter, tears and love to experience the reality of the gift of God's love freely and unconditionally given.

Contact: Cameron Cooke, 336.617.7517
cameroncooke539@gmail.com, www.nccursillo.org



Holy Trinity Pilgrimage Experience: A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey with a hallowed purpose. Every step along the way has meaning. A pilgrim knows that life giving challenges will emerge. A pilgrimage is not a vacation; it is a transformational journey during which significant change takes place. New insights are given. Deeper understanding is attained. New and old places in the heart are visited. Blessings are received and healing takes place. On return from the pilgrimage, life is seen with different eyes. Nothing will ever be quite the same again. Visit holytrinitypilgrim.com

The Labyrinth Keepers are dedicated to providing education and opportunities for people to experience transformation through walking Holy Trinity's labyrinth. The group meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in Smyth Library. The Labyrinth Keepers plan walks, advertise, train and provide facilitators for a variety of community-wide labyrinth offerings. New members are welcome. Contact Libby Haile at hailemartin@aol.com.



OUTREACH COMMISSION

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the King will answer them 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'"

Matthew 25:37-40

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Disabilities

Horsepower: Horsepower's mission is to provide therapeutic benefits through the use of horses in a safe and controlled atmosphere for people who are mentally, physically, emotionally, and/or socially challenged. Volunteers are needed around the site to mow, trim, paint and do other general maintenance. 336-931-1424, www.horsepower.org

Education/Jobs

Reading Connections provides literacy and life skills' tutoring for adults, including those learning English as a second language. Volunteer opportunities and training abound; no experience needed. 336-230-3222 122 N Elm St #920, readingconnections.org

StepUp Greensboro transforms lives with job readiness training, case management and life skills for those having difficulty finding and keeping a job. Volunteer opportunities available. 336-676-5871, 707 N. Greene St. 27401, stepupgreensboro.org

Partnership Village: A part of Greensboro Urban Ministry, Partnership Village is a transitional housing community for formerly homeless individuals and families. The goal of Partnership Village is to help clients become self-sufficient with permanent housing within two years through case management and supportive services. Holy Trinity volunteers provide a tutoring program for children living at Partnership Village.

www.greensborourbanministry.org/services/housing-assistance/partnership-village



blessings. We are located in the Triangle and Triad area. Our mission is to provide affordable, reliable transportation to economically vulnerable families and individuals who are referred to us by one of our partner agencies. Wheels4Hope exists only through the contributions of donors, volunteers, congregations and partner businesses who understand that reliable transportation is a vital component for self-sufficiency – a requirement for stable employment, the care of children, and the pursuit of education. 336-335-9130 www.Wheels4hope.org

Elderly Services

Mobile Meals: A program that delivers a nutritious meal to the home bound in our community. Holy Trinity provides volunteer drivers and deliverers for the third Monday of each month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Substitutes are needed for other days as well. Contact: Richard Cox , 336-274-8644, marcox2@earthlink.net

Senior Wheels Medical Transportation Program provides rides for ambulatory seniors age 55 and over to medical appointments in Guilford County and to regional medical facilities. Volunteer drivers from the faith community provide the transportation. The program is organized by Senior Resources of Guilford. 336-373-4816, www.senior-resources-guilford.org/medtransportation

HealthCare

Higher Ground serves as a day center, retreat, and learning center for persons infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS. Holy Trinity provides financial support, serves a monthly lunch, and assists with workshops, gardening, transportation, and office work. Servers for lunch commit to a two-hour time slot once per month. Contact: Jane Pearce, 336-272-9813

Hospice and Palliative Care of Greensboro provides care and support for terminally ill patients and their families. Various volunteer opportunities are available, from clerical assistance to public speaking to visiting families. Training is offered.

336-621-2500, www.hospicegso.org

Homelessness

Prayers in the Park is a group of volunteers committed to intentional connection with our neighbors in downtown Greensboro. Volunteers sign up to make sandwich lunches for fifty people, while others travel to Center City Park to connect with our neighbors and share lunches with them.

Contact Ken Keeton, keetonken00@gmail.com

YWCA: The YWCA Greensboro Emergency Family Shelter program provides shelter, food, case management and holistic support for families experiencing homelessness. Each family develops a plan to achieve educational goals, optimal health, financial stability, pay off debts and save money to move into permanent housing. Volunteers are needed to provide a hot dinner, assist with homework, play with children or just provide a listening ear.

336-273-3461

Interactive Resource Center (IRC) provides support for those experiencing homelessness. Has an inviting 22,000-square-foot community center at 407 E. Washington Street which offers, among other critical resources: showers, laundry, barbershop, phone bank, mailroom, computer lab, medical clinic, gardens and a bike maintenance area in addition to social services and case management. If you have a way to serve and solve that aligns with our mission, there's a spot for you here!

Contact: Krystal 336-332-0824, ext. 137,
www.interactiveresourcecenter.org

Greensboro Urban Ministry offers a variety of services. Programs include: food bank, winter emergency shelters, Potter's House, Partnership Village transitional housing, Pathways Center temporary housing, Weaver House shelter. Holy Trinity volunteers help serve meals on a regular basis.

336-553-2642, www.greensborourbanministry.org



Housing

Barnabas Network accepts new or gently used furniture and household goods (bed & bath linens, pots & pans, dishes, flatware) for families in need such as those coming out of homelessness, domestic abuse, refugees and immigrants. Volunteers needed to sort donations, furniture repair and shop with clients.

336-370-4002, 838 Winston St. 27405,
barnabasnetwork.org

Habitat for Humanity brings together people of all faiths to build quality, affordable homes and thriving neighborhoods where families can create better lives. Laborers of all skill levels are needed. Training is provided. Volunteers can help on Saturdays and during the week. The Habitat ReStore, which sells donated merchandise, also uses volunteers.

336-275-4663, www.habitatgreensboro.org

Mary's House provides transitional housing for women with children while they recover from addiction and establish stable lives and find jobs. Volunteers are needed to baby sit for the children on weekday evenings so that the residents can attend support groups.

336-275-0820





Jericho House: A residential transitional home serving men just released from prison. This ministry assists former prisoners in stabilizing their lives through gainful employment and daily support, Bible study, and transportation, clothing, and other life necessities. 336-275-9625

Hunger

The Servant Farm, located at 8128 E. Harrell Road in Oak Ridge, produces fresh produce, which feeds thousands of people during harvest season. The produce is distributed to non-profit organizations such as The Servant Center and the Second Harvest Food Bank, and many others. Volunteers of all skill levels are welcome to help plant, maintain, harvest and/or distribute the produce. *Contact: Muriel Inabnet, 336-404-8243*

G8 Breakfast at GUM: At 7 a.m. each Tuesday morning the overnight guests in Weaver House, gather for breakfast. A group of about 12-15, representing all of the eight Episcopal congregations in Greensboro, arrive early to cook breakfast. We also prepare 60 bag lunches for those who cannot get to GUM for lunch. Anyone who wishes to help prepare the food should try to arrive by 5:30 a.m.; those who would prefer to serve and clean up should arrive by 6:30 a.m. *Contact: Carla Ashley, 336-324-3854, carashley@gmail.com*

Food for the Hungry collects non-perishable foods and other items for distribution to Greensboro Urban Ministry, Triad Health Project, One Step Further, and Faith Action. Items can be placed in the collection boxes around the church. *Contact: Kathy Crowe, 336-855-2208*

Hot Dish and Hope has served a meal each Tuesday and Thursday since 2008 in First Presbyterian Church's Mullin Life Center. Anyone who is hungry is welcomed between 6 and 6:30 p.m. The meals include a brief program of music and/or a message of God's love and grace. The event needs volunteers to help serve meals and to provide other support. *Contact: Robin Farber, robinfarber339@gmail.com*

CROP Walk is a 3.1 mile community walk sponsored by Greensboro Urban Ministry and Church World Service, Inc., to raise money to fight hunger. Members of Holy Trinity serve as sponsors and/or walkers. Ten percent of the money raised in the walk stays in Greensboro to help fund Greensboro Urban Ministry's Soup Kitchen, which feeds over 135,000 people each year.

Contact: The Rev. Nathan Finnin 336-272-6149 ext 232 nathan@holy-trinity.com

Refugee/International

Church World Service provides comprehensive case management and employment services aimed at empowering newly arrived refugees. Volunteers needed.

336-617-0381, 620 South Elm St., www.cwsgreensboro.org

FaithAction International House serves thousands of new immigrants while educating, building bridges and developing leaders between our newest neighbors and our community. Its goal is to help Greensboro become a model multicultural, interfaith, and immigrant-friendly city. Volunteers needed.

336-379-0037, 705 North Greene St. 27401, www.faihouse.org



WORSHIP

Lord, invest me with Your power as I prepare to proclaim the marvel of Your message. I have prepared my readings, I have tried to take within me the meaning of what I am about to read; help me, I ask, to read not just with my lips but with my whole heart and soul. Lord, make me a hollow reed so that Your voice will be heard by all who will hear me. Free me of excessive concern over my performance, over the impression I create in this sacred action. Convert my feelings of nervousness, turn all my apprehensions into an energy for proclaiming Your word with power and authority.

Contact: Annie Slaughter, Liturgical Assistant, 336-272-6149 ext. 239, annie@holy-trinity.com

Chalicists: Chalice Bearers, also known as Chalicists, are men and women of the parish who assist the priests by serving the chalice of wine at communion. They vest in cassock and surplice and sit in the sanctuary (the area by the altar) during the service. Chalice Bearers require appointment by the Rector, licensing by the Bishop for a two year term, and four to five hours per month.

Altar Guild provides a great opportunity to learn more about the rich traditions of our Episcopal heritage. The Altar Guild makes the church and chapel ready for worship, including putting out liturgical items, linens and special hangings as the season requires; laying out vestments; keeping silver and brass polished; arranging greenery; and generally making all things beautiful for our worship. The time commitment is approximately three hours per month on Saturday mornings, before or after one of the Sunday services, and occasional time during the week for special services. A division of the Altar Guild, the Wedding Guild works with the clergy and engaged couples to choreograph wedding ceremonies and ensure they unfold in a smooth and beautiful way.

Lay Readers: Lectors come forward from the congregation and read scripture lessons at the lectern. Intercessors read the Prayers of the People. Lay Readers are instructed by the clergy and take turns participating in the Sunday morning services. (Lay Readers may also serve at special Lenten services.)



FELLOWSHIP & SPECIAL EVENTS

Prayer for a Servant Who Works at a Parish Event

Gracious God, your Son, Jesus, delighted in wedding feasts and in being invited to banquets. May he, our Lord and Saviour, be present to me as I serve in preparation for our parish events. On the surface, this work seems so ordinary, this event like so many mundane ones, that I can easily forget that it is prayerful service to all the community and so, also, to You. May the many concerns about the practical aspects and needs of this gathering not hide the fact that it is meant to be prayer. May we show respect to one another and bring glory to You, as we strive to work in harmony with each other. May I find pleasure in this preparation, and salvation in my service to the Church. I begin this work of service, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Holy Trinity Men's Fellowship meets in the Haywood Duke Room for fellowship, dinner and a speaker on the first Monday of the month. We gather at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

Contact: Jon Wall, 336-275-6158 or Jimmy King, 336-327-9693.

The Epiphany Feast

The Epiphany Feast is held on the first Sunday of Epiphany and features a dinner and festive entertainment.

Contact: Meredith Scott, 336-272-6149 ext. 237, Meredith@holy-trinity.com



Episcopal Church Women (ECW) offers a variety of opportunities for fellowship and service. Chapters meet monthly during the program year for fellowship and spiritual development and are open to every woman in the parish. Day and evening meetings are available. The ECW hosts special events throughout the year such as dinner meetings featuring insightful speakers and women's retreats. The Spring Soiree, the ECW's annual fundraiser provides funding for outreach to agencies and ministries that support the women and children of Guilford County.

Contact: Melody Young, 919-355-8013, melody.smith.young@gmail.com

Foyer Groups Foyer Groups are a fun and easy way for parishioners to gather for a meal on a regular but informal basis for purely social reasons, to enjoy one another's company, to strengthen community bonds, to meet new members and just get to know other people who share Holy Trinity as their spiritual home. They provide an easy means to develop new friendships and deepen old ones. Groups are made up of singles, couples, young people, retired people, everybody! New groups form each fall.

Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, Minister of Welcome, Engagement and Pastoral Care, 336-272-6149, mark@holy-trinity.com

TWIGS (Those With Infinitely Greater Sense) is an active and thriving ministry with leadership coming from many parishioners—the older, the younger, and the young-at-heart. The TWIGS meet weekly during the program year at 4 p.m. on Wednesdays. They study the lessons for the coming Sunday, and share the concerns of their lives. TWIGS seeks to realize and affirm the important ministries that older adults contribute to our parish community. TWIGS is open to all those 60 years of age and "moving forward."

Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver 336-272-6149 sarah@holy-trinity.com



PASTORAL CARE AT HOLY TRINITY

Occasions for Compassion, Presence, Celebration

In the same way Jesus loves you, you love one another.
John 13:34

The ministry of caring for one another as Christ cares for us is at the heart of Holy Trinity's life. Pastoral Care is a ministry of shared presence, listening, and support with people who are experiencing pain, loss, and anxiety or celebrating life's triumphs and joys. The Commission shepherds the Holy Trinity community to be actively aware of and sensitive to all people's needs and to care for one another within a loving and understanding community.

Sunday Altar Flower Arrangers: As a part of our Pastoral Care, every Sunday, volunteers remove the altar flowers and arrange them in smaller vases for delivery to our members who may be experiencing a sad or difficult time in their life. The flowers and a note are delivered by another team of volunteers. This is a special way to remind our parishioners that we are thinking of them even though they may not be able to attend services. Volunteer time is a maximum of an hour.

Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220,
sarah@holy-trinity.com

Altar Flowers Deliverers: Deliver altar flowers following 11:15 a.m. Sunday service to those in the Holy Trinity community who are in hospitals or who are ill and to those celebrating life's joys.

Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220,
Sarah@holy-trinity.com

Christmas Poinsettias: Deliver flowers during Advent to parishioners who are unable to attend church regularly.

Contact: Donna Rubenzer, 336-282-4539,
rubenzdk@aol.com

Circle of Friends: Deliver meals to families who have experienced a recent death or who have a family crisis.
Contact: Sally Millikin, 336-337-7230, asksally@aol.com

Condolence Note Writers: Write sympathy notes of support to bereaved parishioners who have suffered a recent loss.

Contact: Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220, sarah@holy-trinity.com

Funeral Reception Hosts: Assist families with funeral reception details including welcoming guests, arranging refreshments, and attending to the needs of the bereaved family and their guests.

Contact: Annie Slaughter, 336-272-6149 ext 239,
annie@holy-trinity.com

Celestial Choir is an "ad hoc" group of singers who sing hymns at funerals. If you like to sing with a group and have time available during the day, usually during the week, this is an excellent opportunity to minister to bereaved families. Funeral Choir members are contacted when their help is needed. They arrive 15 minutes prior to the funeral and vest in the choir vesting room. The total time required is usually about an hour per funeral.

Contact: Ann Cantrell, 336-314-2030,



eanncantrell@gmail.com

Intercessory Prayer: Pray for specific needs of people within the Holy Trinity community, while always maintaining confidentiality. Intercessors pray for those requesting private prayers and for those listed in the Sunday bulletin public prayer list.

Contact: Gale Robins, galerobins1946@gmail.com

Memorial Service Assistants: Held annually in All Saints Chapel, the service is to honor the memory of loved ones who died in the past twelve months. Assistants serve as ushers, assist with service preparations as needed, and care for families attending service.

Contact: Phillip Link, 336-632-8901,
phillipalink@gmail.com

Knit One, Pray Too Ministry provides service to our community with members knitting and crocheting prayer shawls, baby blankets, hats, and scarves to provide warmth and comfort to those in need. Knit One, Pray Too meets the first Monday of the month from 2-4 p.m. in Smyth Library. Materials are provided, and all levels of knitters/crocheters—women or men—are most welcome. Knit One, Pray Too is a collaborative ministry of Holy Trinity and Healing Ground.

Contact: Cindy Robbins, 336-295-6124,
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Eucharistic Visitors (EVs) share the Eucharist with persons who are unable to attend church, such as persons who are ill, families with newborns, and those living in an assisted care facility. EVs are caring and compassionate persons sensitive to the needs of others who connect members to the larger Holy Trinity community. All EVs are licensed by the Bishop and trained by Holy Trinity priests.

Contact: May Toms, 336-856-9308, maytoms@aol.com

Guild of the Christ Child: A new ministry of welcome of a child through birth or adoption. If you are expecting a child, we would love to know so that we can reach out for connection and support. And because this is an emerging ministry, we welcome all who wish to be a part of it. For more information on joining the ministry or to share the news that your family is growing, please contact Julie Buie at julie@holy-trinity.com.

Community of Hope: Do you want to grow in your relationship to Christ? Do you want to learn skills to handle different life situations in your every day journey? Do you have a call to walk with people pastorally? Then Community of Hope is for you! Community of Hope International (COHI) serves to create Christian communities of lay volunteer pastoral caregivers united in prayer, shaped by Benedictine Spirituality, and equipped for and serving in pastoral care ministries. COHI's training helps to awaken trainees to God's call on each of our lives by helping individuals better understand their own spiritual gifts for ministry. *Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, sarah@holy-trinity.com or Mark Lile-King, marklileking@gmail.com.*

Parish Nurse: Holy Trinity Parish Nurse Maureen Flak is a licensed RN employed by the church through the Congregational Nursing Program of Moses Cone Health System. Maureen visits hospitals and homes; offers wellness opportunities to congregation, staff, and Holy Trinity Day School; provides educational and health screening events; and talks with parishioners by phone and in person as a resource for health concerns and information. Parish Nursing Volunteers assist Maureen providing care to the Holy Trinity community. *Contact: Maureen Flak, 336-908-2123, maureen@holy-trinity.com*

Parting Ways Ministry: Support those going through divorce with caring presence, personal notes, and prayers.

Ministry Coordinator: Hattie Aderholt, 336-601-8643, jmaderholdt@gmail.com

Pastoral Visitors visit, phone and correspond with Holy Trinity parishioners in hospitals, assisted living facilities, or confined to home to provide care, support and connection to the Holy Trinity community. *Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, 336-272-6149, mark@holy-trinity.com*

Labor of Love: Care-givers support group for those caring for aging or chronically ill family members or friends meets third Thursday of the month from 12-1:30 p.m. in Roe Library.

Contact: Contact: Maureen Flak, 336-908-2123, maureen@holy-trinity.com

House Blessings: Moving into a new home is a joyous occasion. Clergy come to your home to offer a special blessing for your home. *Contact: the Parish office, 336-272-6149.*



STEWARDSHIP & ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES

Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded that Yours is "the earth in its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it." We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have and are and will be. Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen.

Administrative Commissions

Business and Finance Commission oversees the parish budget, designated funds, investments, insurance, endowments, bookkeeping, and long-range planning.

Contact: *Clarence McDonald, Parish Treasurer and Commission Chair,*
clarence.mcdonald@wellsfargo.com

Physical Properties Commission oversees the buildings, capital improvements, grounds, equipment, columbarium, and the Building Superintendent.

Contact: *Robin Tyler, Junior Warden and Commission Chair,* rtyler@naipt.com

Stewardship Ministry

Stewardship Ministry Contact: Lisa Boxley,
Stewardship Coordinator, 336-272-6149 ext. 269

Annual Giving Campaign is the annual appeal for funds to support the work of the parish and its worship, music, education, congregational care, children/youth, and outreach ministries. It is a time when we come together corporately to acknowledge all that God has given us and to pledge to return a portion, no matter how small or large, for God's work in and through our church.

Stewardship Commission strives to encourage throughout our parish the idea that giving our time, treasures and talents to God is an important part of our faith. Through year-round education, it promotes both annual and legacy giving and encourages giving directed to special initiatives and needs.



Gloria Deo Society is an honorary society of friends who have chosen to support the life and work of Holy Trinity after their earthly journey is complete through the use of bequests, trusts, or other deferred gifts. The legacy of the Society will be to provide for the future of our church in ways such as expanding our outreach, strengthening our youth ministry, maintaining our beautiful buildings, and better responding to the inner and outward care of our congregation.

Planned Giving is a ministry intended to assist parishioners with legacy giving. According to the Book of Common Prayer: "The Minister of the congregation is directed to instruct the people, from time to time, about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families, and of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses." The Stewardship Coordinator is available to discuss with you, confidentially, your estate plans and how you can help provide for the future financial and spiritual well-being of your church and your family.

WELCOME AND ENGAGEMENT

Prayer of Hospitality

Gracious and accepting God, may the doors of this church be wide enough to receive all who need human love and friendship, and hallowed to the presence and gift of the gospel. May we welcome all who have cares to unburden, thanks to express, hopes to nurture.

May the doors of this church be narrow enough to shut out pettiness and pride, envy and enmity. May our threshold be no stumbling block to young or old, to skipping, tired, or hurting feet. May our threshold be too high to admit complacency, selfishness and harshness. May we be always a place of love and grace, healing and restoration for all who enter, a doorway to Your eternal kingdom. Amen.

Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, Minister of Welcome, Engagement and Pastoral Care, 336-272-6149, mark@holy-trinity.com

The Holy Trinity community practices hospitality as part of our faith in Jesus Christ. We openly welcome all as God's beloved children. Wherever you are on their journey of faith, no matter where you have been or where you are going, YOU are welcome at Holy Trinity.

The Gateway Commission cultivates Christian hospitality by genuinely welcoming Newcomers to a safe place where they can explore God's movement in their lives; introducing and connecting New Members to ways they can live meaningful membership serving God through Holy Trinity; and building community through social gatherings, worship, and ministry together. We would love to have YOU as a minister! Join us and experience the spiritual energy that comes when joyfully using your Gift of Hospitality.

First Sunday Name Tags is a great way to get to know your Holy Trinity neighbors. Name tags refresh our memories and introduce us to new friends. Offering our names to Newcomers tells those new to Holy Trinity we want to get to know you. Gateway members welcome worshippers and assists with name tags.

Holy Trinity 101: This monthly Sunday School Class is for newcomers and members who want to connect for authentic faith conversation and to learn how people at Holy Trinity practice "an inward journey of faith and an outward journey of service." At the inaugural class in September, 2019, Rev. Canon Pat Grace led 27 people in a study of How to Use the Book of Common Prayer.

Parish Picnic: Gateway hosts the annual fall Parish Picnic. This year over 300 people enjoyed delicious BBQ, games, and the warm fellowship of the Holy Trinity community.

Gateway Gatherings are an orientation to the life and ministry at Holy Trinity for Newcomers and members seeking a deeper connection with the Holy Trinity community hosted by Holy Trinity clergy, staff, and members. Gateway hosts a social gathering, a Newcomer Party, with hors d'oeuvres and beverages that conclude the afternoon. The Gateway Commission hosts two gatherings, one each in the spring and fall.

Newcomer Socials are occasions to welcome Newcomers and New Members to the Holy Trinity community. Gateway members provide food and welcome guests. Gatherings are held throughout the year.

New Members are welcomed twice annually to the Holy Trinity community during worship at a special New Member Liturgy and at a New Member reception hosted by clergy. Gateway members serve as Shepherds to New Members, introducing them to ways to experience meaningful ministry at Holy Trinity.

Ushers minister by offering Christian hospitality to all who come to Holy Trinity. They warmly greet Newcomers and members, distribute bulletins, usher worshippers, assist worshippers with special needs, take up the offering, and assist parishioners during communion. Following worship, ushers reset the sanctuary for the next service. Ushers generally serve one Sunday every 6 weeks.

Bread Ministry is an act of Christian hospitality. Freshly-baked bread is a symbol of Christ who nourishes our lives. Two groups, bakers and deliverers, work together to provide a Welcome Gift to Newcomers. Gateway members coordinate bakers and deliverers.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Contact: Ben Brafford, ben-hrms@triad.rr.com and 336-272-6149, ext. 400.

The Chancel Choir, under the direction of Dr. Ben Brafford, welcomes all interested adults and teenagers who have some skill in music reading and singing. New members are welcome to join in September, January, and June each year. The choir provides musical leadership at the 9 and 11:15 a.m. services. In addition to traditional choral music, the choir sings a variety of choral repertoire, including Spirituals, Psalm settings, Celtic pieces, and Taizé music. Special services include Christmas Eve, all of Holy Week, the Service of Light in January, and a Black History Month celebratory concert in February each year. In 2018-19, the Chancel Choir was part of a new film created by Holy Trinity member Steve Spragg titled, *The Story of Jesus*. Rehearsals are every Wednesday evening from 7–8:15 p.m. in Broome Hall.

Trinity Voices: A small, select vocal ensemble at Holy Trinity, Trinity Voices includes music educators and professional singers from within the membership of the Chancel Choir. The 12 members of the ensemble perform at services and in concerts throughout the year. Many of the soloists who sing our Psalms, Taizé and Anthems sing with this talented group which rehearses weekly.

Taizé Choir is open to any interested teenagers or adults who want to provide leadership at the Wednesday evening Stillpoint services. Participation in this choir is an opportunity for anyone with a busy schedule who wants to participate in the music ministry of the church and strengthen his or her musical skills. Each service ends approximately at 6:15 p.m. New members are welcome throughout the year. Rehearsals are at 5:15 p.m. in the church prior to the Stillpoint service.

Holy Trinity Music School, located just south of Patterson Terrace, offers music instruction in piano, guitar, and violin for all ages including adults. We plan to offer a full range of Kindermusik opportunities for young children. We offer performing opportunities to students throughout the year.

Holy Spirit Choir: Open to children in Pre-K through 1st grade, the Holy Spirit Choir provides an introduction to basic musicianship through fun songs and games. The choir is invited to perform with the other children's choirs at the 9 a.m. service. Once a month, the Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs sing together at the 9 a.m. service. All the Children's Choirs will sing at the Wednesday evening services once a month during the program year. The Holy Spirit Choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 4–4:25 p.m. in the choir rehearsal room.

Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs: Children in grades 2–3 are invited to join the Good Shepherd Choir; and the All Saints Choir is open to children in grades 4 and above. Rehearsals focus on age-appropriate skills of basic musicianship (including rhythm, note reading, and vocal production) and preparation for services. The Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs rehearse on Wednesdays from 4:30–5:10 p.m., in the choir rehearsal room and in Broome Hall. Once a month, the Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs sing together at the 9 a.m. service. All the Children's Choirs will sing at the Wednesday evening Stillpoint services once a month during the program year. All the children are invited to sing at the 10:30 a.m. service on Christmas Eve and the Black History Month concert in February each year. We plan to go caroling in December, visiting some of our members who do not attend church and/or live in nearby Senior living communities.

What if you love sacred music, want to be a part of our music ministry and don't play an instrument or want to sing in a choir? Please let us know if you have a favorite hymn in our hymnal, and provide a short description why it is a favorite. It could be a meaningful family story, a symbol of a spiritual breakthrough, a hymn tune you sing all week long, or a hymn you just enjoy singing and hearing at church services. Let us know, and we will endeavor to include

your favorite hymn in our music at church and share your story with the Parish.



HOLY TRINITY DAY SCHOOL

Thank you, God, for happy hearts. For rain and sunny weather. Thank you, God, for everything and that we are together. Amen

**Contact: Julie Buie, Day School Director,
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Holy Trinity Day School provides quality early education for young children ages 3 months to 5 years through play-based learning and low teacher-student ratios. Founded in 1954, HTDS is dedicated to creating a safe, enriching, spiritually-grounded learning environment that educates the whole child; supports the individual gifts of each child; fosters a sense of caring and compassion; and teaches children respect for themselves and others.

The teachers are experienced, dedicated professionals who regard each child's natural curiosity and interest as important components in planning developmentally appropriate activities. Teachers in the 3s, PreK and Junior K classes incorporate Get Set for School: Handwriting without Tears, Readiness and Writing into the curriculum to help prepare young learners for success at the next level.

Because music naturally involves the whole child, Holy Trinity Day School incorporates a rich and vibrant music program into the daily routine of its classes. Students sing songs, move, and play instruments throughout the year. In addition, students enjoy monthly classroom visits from two music instructors, Ann Harwell and Riley Walker. Children 3 years of age and older attend weekly chapel and Godly Play classes where they engage with scripture through music, movement and story.

Throughout their time at HTDS, students learn about kindness. They learn about community and cooperation by participating in a variety of service activities that help our local and global community. Students come to know that we are all part of God's family and as such, means that we take care of one another.

Students participate in several programs and special chapels such as a Thanksgiving program, Christmas Chapel, Fathers' Chapel, Mothers' Chapel, Feet Washing, Week of the Young Child parade and program, and Graduation Chapel. Holy Trinity Day School's commitment to nurturing the whole child continues through its summer camp experiences which run several weeks in June and July.

HTDS runs Monday- Friday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m with extended hours available. Students enroll for 2, 3, 4 and 5 days depending on the class offering. Learn more at www.htds.org.





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