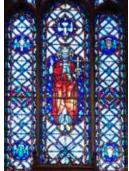
# Trinity Episcopal Church The Messenger



#### FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

Love, Life, Renewal, Resurrection

"So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord." -2 Corinthians 5:6-8 (NRSVUE)

The Easter Season finishes with a Celebration of the day of Pentecost, the day the Spirit manifested in a way that varieties of peoples who spoke different languages all heard: I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. – Acts 2:19 (NRSVUE)

Through the gift of the spirit, the people comprehended that the depths and heights of existence were unified with the past and the future. Through our resurrected Christ, we are saved to live in love as Christ loves us. Reinhold Niebuhr in The Irony of American History writes: "Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope. Nothing which is true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone; therefore we are saved by love. No virtuous act is quite as virtuous from the standpoint of our friend or foe as it is from our standpoint; Therefore we must be saved by the final form of love which is forgiveness."

This month as we celebrate the day of Pentecost, and we then begin living through the longest season of the year. Pentecost is sometimes called ordinary time. May we be mindful of the Holy Spirit leading us to the next right action. In living faith and love God has us right where we are, just as it should be.

In Christ,

Friar Tuck/Pastor Carl Rosenberg

### Senior Warriers Report

According to the Book of Common Prayer (p. 855), "The mission of the church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ." The Catechism further notes that this mission can only be accomplished through the ministry of all its members, with members defined as lay persons, bishops, priests, and deacons. On the same page of the BCP, we find the ministry of the laity (lay persons) as "The ministry of lay persons is to represent Christ and his Church; to bear witness to him wherever they may be; and, according to the gifts given them, to carry on Christ's work of reconciliation in the world; and to take their place in the life, worship, and governance of the Church." (Italics added.)

How do we at Trinity carry out this mission and charge? We represent Christ and his Church when we care for and protect others. We bear witness when we share the gospel's impact in our lives and by having faith that His will be done. When we commit to using our different gifts, we are assuring the work of Christ is carried out in our families, community, and world. We take our place in life, worship, and governance as we participate in stewardship, serve on committees, provide food at fellowships, and faithfully come to the different services.

In the past week, we have witnessed many opportunities to carry out the laity's mission. We will continue to have many opportunities in the next months as we select the members of Trinity's Rector Search Committee, participate in the parish survey, pray for the selection of the Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina and the rector for Trinity, and attend the opportunities to interact with candidates for the Bishop. We are only as strong in our work as laity as we all participate.

Hopefully, there is no job too small or too large for you to consider and be willing to participate in educating yourself, engaging in dialogue, holding each other in prayer, and making our voices heard. The Vestry asks for your prayers and participation.

For Christ's Sake Cherry

### Musically Speaking

I was so pleased with the handbell choir as they played in our morning service this past week! They have come a long way, in a short time, and we all look forward to their future concerts and service additions.

Both our handbell choir and our voice choir are out of rehearsals now for the summer months, but our voice choir will still be with us each Sunday morning as we worship together.

We will hold a few Handbell Workshops over the summer, so if any of you know of anyone who would like to join us for next season, please let us know so we can be in touch and welcome them into our little group. We could definitely use a couple of additional ringers.

Likewise, if any of you would like to join our voice choir, we also could use a few more voices in that group as well. You will be welcomed with open arms!

Have a lovely summer!!!

Mark Andersen □



### June Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8am - 11am,
Wednesday filming 4pm
Please send all e-mails to
trinityepiscopal1202@gmail.com

Rector Carl will be in the office: Mon 9:30am-12pm & 1pm-3:30pm Wed 3 pm-5:30pm & by appt.

His # is 910-635-9545.

He will be out of town June 8, 11, 22, 25

## June 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
f	2 Chair Yoga 9am	3	4 Staff Mtg 3pm Film 4pm for 8 Healing 5:30	5 Fr. Carl OOF (Out of Office)	6 Chair Yoga 9am	7
8 Fr. David Davis Film 8:30am Day of Pentecost Whitsunday 10am	9 Chair Yoga 9am	10 Vestry 7pm	Staff Mtg 3pm Evening Prayer 5:30	12	13 Chair Yoga 9am	14 Episcopal 101 9am
15 Fr. Rosenberg Ist Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday IOam UTO Sunday	16 Chair Yoga 9am	17	Staff Mtg 3pm Film 4pm for 22 Healing 5:30	19	20 Chair Yoga 9am Film IIam for 29	21
22 Fr. Rosenberg 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 10am	23 Fr. Carl OOF Chair Yoga 9am	24	25 Staff Mtg 3pm Evening Prayer 5:30	26  JESE 5:30pm Williams home	27 Chair Yoga 9am	28
29 Fr. Rosenberg 3rd Sunday after Pentecost IOam	30 Chair Yoga 9am					

#### REPEAT PERFORMANCE THRIFT SHOP

On May 22, we celebrated the opening of the Thrift Shop 43 years ago with a special \$1.00 sale, also serving punch & cookies for our customers, and a \$25 gift certificate drawing for the winner to use in the shop.

During our 43 years, the Thrift Shop has donated approximately \$450,000 back to our community from our profits. Each month we donate \$500 to the Lumberton Christian Care Center to help feed the homeless. As a mission of Trinity Episcopal Church, we are proud of our service to the community for 43 years!

If you would like to join our volunteers , call Tina McLamb, Repeat Performance Thrift Shop Manager -910-739-5626

Store Hours
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 10 am - 4 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 2 pm

United Thank Offering

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box. UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings,

and to distribute the 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church, and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

Blue boxes are available for you in the track-rack at the front/back of the church. Our next diocesanwide UTO Ingathering will be **Sunday**, **June 15**, **2025**. Thanks be to God for the United Thank Offering!





### Jim & Eleanor Social Event

Save the Date! The June JESE will be **Thursday**, **June 26**, **at 5:30** pm at **206 E 20th St**, **Lumberton**, hosted by **Susan Williams & Jesse Davis**. Bring your favorite wine or beverage to drink. All are invited to attend our monthly social gathering!!

Server Schedule for June 2025: If you cannot serve as shown here, please arrange for someone to replace you.



### Servers Schedule



Sun 10am	Lector	Intercessor	Eucharistic Minister	Acolyte	Reps of the Congr	Ushers/ B & W	Vestry Person of the Day
Jun 1	Katherine	Tammi B	Lisa D Denice L	Cody C			Eva S
Jun 8	Stan K	Cherry B	Stan K Holt M	Rosemary			Marilyn T
Jun 15	Lisa B	Jef L	Tammi B Kathy H	Cody C			Anne T
Jun 22	Charles A	Denice L	Lisa B Anne T	Rosemary			Cherry B
Jun 29	Stan K	Lisa D	Lisa D Stan K	Cody C			Stan K
Wed 5:30							
Jun 4	Х	Х	Holt M	Х	Х	Х	
Jun 11	Х	Х	Dencie L	Х	Х	Х	
Jun 18	Х	Х	Stan K	Х	Х	Х	
Jun 25	Х	Х	Rosemary	Х	Х	Х	

2025

Cherry Beasley, Senior Warden

**Tammi Biggerstaff**Communications/Publicity

**Lisa Donovan** Fellowship

**Dencie Lambdin**, Worship **Vestry 2025** 

<u>2026</u> **Holt Moore** Junior Warden

Sam Currin Christian Education

> John Rozier Finance/Clerk

**Marilyn Teague** Pastoral Care

> **Anne Todd** Fellowship

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Rosemary Gibson Pastoral Care

> **Stan Knick** Stewardship

Eva Skuka Outreach

### Altar Guild

Altar Guild Members serving in June are: Candy Borbet, Mark Andersen, Donna Gage, Mary Lou Herring

An offering of 50.00 is needed for  $\bigcirc$  and 10.00 is needed for



Gary Hause

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Flower Offerings for May					
Month	Given by	Memory/Thanksgiving	Dedication		
June 1					
June 8					
June 15					
June 23	Cherry Beasley				
June 29	Juli Hauser	in memory of	Gary Hauser		
Candle Offe	erings for <b>May</b>	<u> </u>			
Month	Given by	Memory/Thanksgiving	Dedication		
June 1					
June 8	Sharon Leary				
June 15					

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Juli Hauser

June 23 June 29

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July 20	Cox		
July 27			

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PLEASE FILL OUT A FORM LOCATED IN THE PARISH HALL AND TURN IN FORM AND CHECK IN THE DESK ORGANIZER.



#### Our prayer List is divided into two parts:

Those we pray for during Prayers of the People are placed on the list for immediate need and stay on for four weeks.

Those with long term needs are placed on the Daily Prayer Intercessions. Each person listed is followed by the relationship they have to the church.

Please call the office to update.

#### **DAILY INTERCESSIONS**

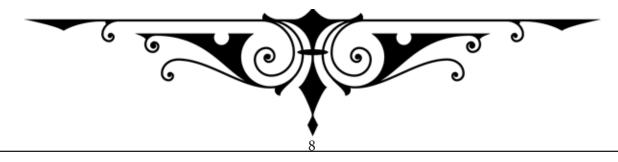
Mark Andersen (parishioner) • Jonna Baker (Rosemary Gibson friend)
Angel Bales (Tammi Biggerstaff sister) • Don Billington (Stan Knick Father)
Victoria Cole (Anne Todd niece) • Willie Craig (Terri Biggerstaff father)
Brooke Donovan (Donovan) • Mary G Hester (Lynn Noble friend)
Norma Baird Hoffman (past parishioner, Scotty Thompson friend)
Evie Hyde (Biggerstaff great niece) • Tina Kinlaw (Lynn Noble sister)
Stan Knick (parishioner) • Grant Lewis (parishioner)
Helen Odom (church friend) • Leggette Odom (parishioner)
Elisabeth Oxendine (parishioner) • Sally Sellers Pennington (Odom friend)

**Joe Rosenberg** (Fr. Tuck Father) • **Harold Teague** (past parishioner)

Nels Anderson (Susan Anderson son) • Zeb Beasley (Cherry Beasley son)
Adam Biggerstaff (parishioner) • Terri Biggerstaff (parishioner)
Christian Cummings (Stan Knick friend) • Kevin Dyda (Stan Knick friend)
Antwone Gainey (Shane Donovan friend) • Brian Gibson (Cherry Beasley son-in-law)
Addison Larson (Cody Cruise's friend) • Justin Locklear (Meaghan McDonald fiancé)
Patrick Morge (Biggerstaff Student) • Charlie Noble (Lynn Noble son)
Kelvin Oxendine (Stan Knick friend) • Samantha Saffery (Friend)
Chris Simmons (Shane Donovan friend) • Sean Taitt (Anne Todd relative)
Zachary Vickers (Gidget Vickers son)

#### SUNDAY INTERCESSIONS

Gene & Jo Wayman (former parishioners)
Sean McLellen (Doares friend)
Susan Anderson (parishioner)
Theresa Clark (Biggerstaff friend)
Jennifer Short (Biggerstaff friend)



#### **Election for the Diocesan Delegates**

Each year, Trinity selects three **delegates** and three alternates to the annual **Diocesan convention**. We did not elect these during our annual meeting in December 2024. It you would like to run for one of these positions, please submit your name to the senior warden (cbeasley1709@gmail.com). We will have the **election on June 1** (the first Sunday in June.)

#### **Interested in Outreach**

Fr. Carl and Cherry Beasley met with **Monica and Mike Dores** to begin a discussion about our outreach plans. Thanks to the Dores for opening their home and sharing their experiences with us. **Dr. Eva Skuka**, **Chair of Outreach**, has met with them, and will be hosting another meeting in early summer. Please let them know your interest and plan to attend the meeting.

#### **Episcopal 101**

June 3, 9am Walk in Love ,Chapters 9-12 and 21-23. June 14, 9am Chapters 17-20 and Chapters 24-26

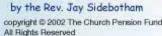
Episcopal 101 is being offered for anyone interested. Please invite friends, neighbors, strangers, and foes (they may become friends.) We are using a curriculum based on the book, "Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices." EVERYONE is invited to participate. We have sessions scheduled on Saturdays in April through June. Let Friar Tuck <a href="mailto:carl.w.rosenberg@gmail.com">carl.w.rosenberg@gmail.com</a> 910-635-9545, know if you want a copy of the book ordered. They are \$22 each. The book is optional for those who are not seeking membership, but just interested in learning more about Episcopalian theology and polity. Let your friends and neighbors know!

The sessions are in a casual small group setting. You do not need the book to participate. The sessions include a short video, some reflection questions, and group discussion. People are invited to any session. Just show up. Anyone interested in becoming a member of Trinity is expected to participate

in at least five sessions of the course. If they miss a session and are still interested in membership, we will find a way to get them included.

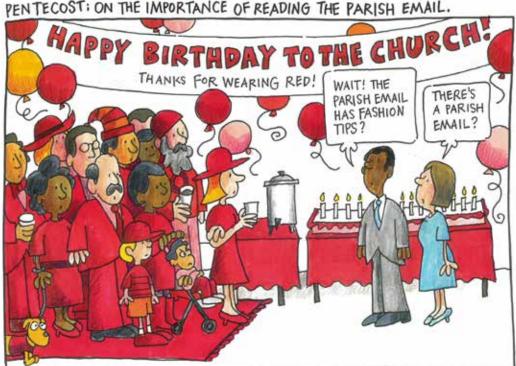
As we see who is interested in becoming members, we will schedule a visit from the Diocese of Eastern Carolina Bishop for a service of laying on of hands.

### St. Swithin's





This cartoon is published by the Episcopal Church Pension Fund. You can see the calendar on the wall in the church office.



Please continue to bring nonperishable food items such as peanut butter, canned foods, etc each Sunday & leave in the parish hall for Robeson County Church & Community Center Food Pantry. Our church family participation in this outreach program is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Vestry Outreach Committee.

#### Notes from Pastoral Care Committee:

The Pastoral Care Committee would like to send notes to folks on our prayer lists. If you have someone listed, and would like them to receive an occasional "thinking of you" card from the



congregation, please submit a complete name and address to the office, or by text to Anne Todd, 910 258 6279. Thank you. Marilyn Teague & Rosemary Gibson.

#### **Trinity Episcopal Church Information**

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