



November 15, 2020
The 24th Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer on Zoom 9 am
Vestry Forum Discussion after the service

Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Dr. Judith Lee

Members of the Vestry

Ginny Starkis & Susan Edmondson, Wardens

Edla Ann Bloom, Lucille Clinkman, Steve Ketcham,

Lisa Ruggiero, Wayne Stochaj, Peach Warren

Musicians: Randolph Bloom, Mary Johnson, Jeff Lukas

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. [Psalm 106.1]

Stewardship Reflection by Kevin Keppler

Among the many blessings we have at Trinity is leadership. From our Interim to our Vestry to the leadership of the various ministries, we are a very well led Christian community.

Today's example is the financial conscience of Trinity, our Treasurer Cheryl Eiding-Taylor. Cheryl has poured all the complexities of our transition into a spreadsheet and produced a number. The number includes the budget increase from an Interim to a Rector next summer. It is based on other assumptions which we won't go into here. The number is 16.5%. Our budget for 2021 must increase by 16.5% over this year.

What do we do with this? Cheryl has given us much, but our job is to take this farther.

First, we have to consider the people whose finances have been turned inside out by the pandemic. This reduces the number of those who can respond by increasing their pledge to meet our needs in 2021. For those of us who are unaffected by Covid, or whose business has increased, this means that we are called to increase our pledges by more than 16.5% in order to fill the gap left by those whose industries are shut down by the pandemic.

You may mail your pledge to Trinity in the stamped, self-addressed envelope that was included in the Stewardship mailing, or you may pledge on our website:

<https://www.trinitychurchmilford.org/2021-pledge>

This Weekend at Trinity:

8-8:30 am Service of Holy Communion

9 am Morning Prayer on Zoom

9:45 am Sunday School: Grades pre-K – 5

10:30-11:30 am Distribution of Holy Communion to individuals in the church

Sunday afternoon - Home Communion for those who cannot come to the church

This Week at Trinity

The Office will be open Monday – Thursday, 10am – 2 pm

Mother Judith is working remotely and can be reached by phone [716.949.8194] or email

Monday 7:15am-7:45am Zoom Meditation

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508751622?pwd=UXN6cytydm90amhvQU4xc0tyVWN3UT09>

Meeting ID: 865 0875 1622 Passcode: 787387

Wednesday 10 am Morning Prayer & Fellowship on Zoom

Meeting ID: 831-6113-8171 Password: 497792 Telephone: 929-205-6099

Thursday 4 pm: Grab n Go Meals prepared and distributed at Trinity

Thursday 7:30 pm – Profile Committee on Zoom

Friday Noon Lunch and Bible Study: Women of the Bible:

November 13th The Infirm Woman [Luke 13:10-17] &
The woman with hemorrhage [Mark 5:25-34]

November 20th Mary Magdalene [Luke 8; John 20]

Vestry Highlights: November 9, 2020

Resolutions:

- ✓ Approved the Quarterly Financial Report (as of September 30, 2020)

Discussion:

- ✓ 2021 Budget will require a 16.5% increase over 2020
 - ✓ Diocesan grants will reimburse every parish up to \$2000 for technology upgrades to facilitate virtual worship. A Vestry Committee will consult with a professional to explore Trinity's options
 - ✓ Magee Lambert was praised for handling her new responsibilities in bookkeeping and website management very well.
 - ✓ **Reports:** Stewardship Campaign; Christmas Fair; Community Meals; Profile Committee; Advent Family Project; Leadership for 2021
 - ✓ **What we have done well:** adapting to an online Christmas Fair; Profile Focus Groups; Worship; sharing noteworthy news about our parish family.
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The Trinity Christmas Fair is Online

<http://trinity-christmas-fair.shopify.com/>

You may also use the Order Form included with these Announcements. Order cookie trays, wreaths & cemetery boxes, knitted gifts, fleece blankets, gift baskets, and lunch. Share the link with your friends and post it on your Facebook page. Items and takeout lunches can be picked up at Trinity on **Saturday December 5th**. Plan to join our *12 Days of Christmas Fair Raffle*, which is a new take on our usual raffle table. One ticket for \$10 and you are qualified to win all the big prizes for a drawing every day for 12 days-December 5th-16th. If you prefer to sell paper tickets to your family and friends, please call Ann Marie Lockwood at 508-981-5223 and she will get you as many as you like! **SPREAD THE WORD!! OUR SUCCESS DEPENDS UPON SHARING NEWS WITH OUR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES!**

December Newsletter Deadline this Weekend:

November 15, 2020

Zoom Meditation: Mondays 7:15am -7:45 am

This is a time for conversation, reflection, and a meditation to begin our week.

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Thanksgiving Dinner: November 26th, 10:45 am

It's time to place an order and/ or sign up as a volunteer

Dave Scott is looking for 2-3 folks to help cut and prepare turkeys for serving. Helpers are needed on the three afternoons before Thanksgiving for about three hours. Additional help to prepare remaining dishes would be very helpful and appreciated. Give Dave a call at 781-864 7209 or email @ londavescott@gmail.com

If you will be alone on Thanksgiving, or if you know of someone who will welcome a Thanksgiving meal, please call the Parish Office at 508-473-8464 or send an email to office@trinitychurchmilford.org no later than **Wednesday November 18th** & leave the name of the person to whom the meal is to be delivered, the address, & the phone number. If you would like to volunteer to deliver a meal, please call 508-473-8464 or send an email to office@trinitychurchmilford.org & leave your name & phone number. We ask that all volunteers be at Trinity Church by 10:45 am. Because of public health precautions required by covid-19, we cannot accommodate volunteers who show up without notice. This project is made possible by Abundant Care, Inc. and by the volunteers of Trinity & St. Mary's.

The Search: Moving Forward

Please write your reflections and responses to the questions posed by the Profile Committee **by this coming Monday November 16, 2020**

The Jesse Tree 2020

There will be a Jesse Tree this year, if you, or someone you know, needs assistance this Christmas, please contact the office or Maryellen Yaroshefski (ayaroshefski@yahoo.com). Please follow these guidelines:

- A limit of 2 to 3 gift requests per person.
- Each gift request should have a cost of no more than \$25 to \$30.
- If requesting a clothing item, please indicate size, and if possible, color preferences.
- Age/Sex of child (if for an adult, need male/female/other, age not needed).

Please note: Given the current situation with Covid-19, while we will do our best to fulfill all requests, we cannot guarantee that all requests will be fulfilled.

Thank you - Trinity Mission Committee

Family Advent Activity Basket

Advent—the 4 weeks before Christmas—is one of the most important and meaningful seasons of our liturgical year. This year we are beginning a new tradition for observing Advent with prayers, activities, and crafts that you can do at home on each of the 24 days before Christmas. Watch for more information.

Our Prayers Are Offered For:

Parish Members & Friends: the Henneberry Family; Rita & Dick Cronan; Vivek Subramani; Ray & Enid; Elleana Shearer; Marco Weiss; Al Price; Mary Torian, Brad Gustavesen; Sharon Manoogian; Sal & Vas Ferreira; Laura Uretsky; Beth & Terry; Esther McKenzie; Lisa Wilson; Sandra Arbogast; Len Baird; Judy Shea; Robin Rowe; Skye Bayleigh Plaisted; Alex; Alisha Starkis Weddeke; Chrissy & Mark; Thomas Scano; the Canali Family; Sherel & Lou Frere; Craig Silverman; Justin Perkin; Dr. Stephen Janko; Tom Childs; Nancy Sharoogian; Bob Mezzadri; all those serving in the military and the Peace Corps, especially Avary DeRagon; Dan Consigli; Drew Beauchamp; Charles; Laura; Elena; Brendan Wood; Danielle & Joel Marsh; Tom Bento; Joel Joudrey; Justin Woessner; Chris Ketcham and their families.

Homebound Parishioners: Verna Parente, and Wayne Morey.

The Deceased: Betty M. Henneberry

Our Partner Dioceses: Kumasi and Asante-Mampong in Ghana

Those celebrating birthdays this week: Kimberly McCarthy; Jack Fumia; Lisa Nylander; Jay Abraham; Katy Taft; Cathryn Timpany; Pat Stafford; Ann Winslow; Erik Pekkala; Joana Rivera; Pat Keppler; Paul Adams; Gina Haddad; Heather Adams; Nathan Mascoll; Carolann Jennings; and Cosme Felipe.

**The Ministers of Trinity Episcopal Church
are
THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH**
led by

The Reverend Dr. Judith Lee, Interim Priest
Randy Bloom, Minister of Music, Rachel Carpenter, Sunday School Coordinator
Magee Lambert, Church Secretary, Paul Del Molino, Sexton
Ginny Starkis, Senior Warden; Susan Edmondson, Junior Warden
and the Treasurers, Clerk and Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church.

We serve our Lord as a part of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts
led by The Rt. Rev. Doug Fisher, Bishop of Western Massachusetts

Our Mission Statement:

*Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ
and the Power of the Holy Spirit,
through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

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