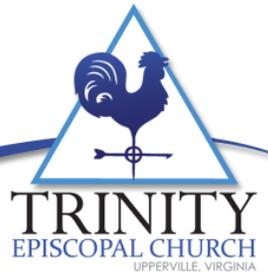


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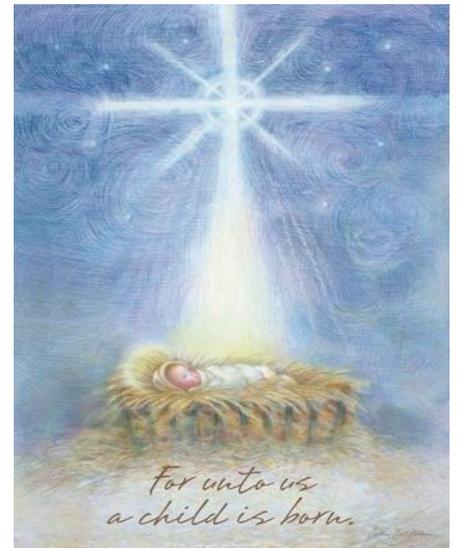
From The Interim Rector

By The Reverend Edward O. Miller, Jr.

Dear Friends,

A friend and her family are planning for Christmas for the first time in a new home in a new town. She described feeling unsettled despite trying to continue Advent and Christmas traditions from the past. She added that their children wished they could return to the place and the home they had left behind. Her experience is probably familiar to all of us at one time or another in our lives.

Advent can offer special meaning for those of us who feel anxious or unsettled. Our Advent lessons from Isaiah speak to those parts of our lives with promises of swords being beaten into plowshares, the wolf dwelling with the lamb, those with feeble knees being made firm, and the people who were walking in darkness seeing a great light.



We couple Isaiah's words in this season with our own imagining of the story of a family unsettled by a journey. Too late to return to the home they had left behind, they paused out of necessity. And there, at precisely the most unsettled moment, the birth of a child, the child Jesus, brought "tidings of comfort and joy" when most needed.

I hope you will join us throughout this Advent season to be guided to the Savior lying in a manger who is Christ the Lord.

Faithfully,

The Reverend Edward O. Miller, Jr.

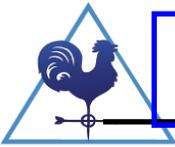
Christmas almost here.

The Toys For Tots box in Cox Hall will be picked up on Friday, December 6th.



Your donations of new toys are most appreciated. Please contact Dorothy Gow with any questions. 540-592-9559

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Christmas Auction



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS AUCTION

**PREVIEW PARTY from 5-7pm
Friday, December 6
Silent Auction Opens**

**Silent Auction Open 9:00am to 12:15pm
Live Auction begins at 12:30pm
Sunday, December 8**

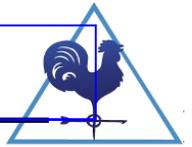
LIVE AUCTION

Feast with a Mystery Priest
A Day on the Chesapeake Bay
Bird Walk for 8 with Audubon Experts
1853 Club V.I.P. package at Upperville Horse Show
House for one week, Sawyer's Island, Boothbay, Maine
James Audubon "Trumpeter Swan" Print
Sun Valley Condo for one week
Cottage for one week, Doolin, Ireland

SILENT AUCTION

Gift Certificates at favorite restaurants
Stay in Prouts Neck, Maine
Airplane rides
Tennis Lessons
Crowell Hadden Photo Shoot
Wine -tastings, art, antiques, and more





Food Closet Requests

For the month of December, we invite all parishioners to make donations to our Food Closet. The picture below shows the common items most needed. These include canned meats (chicken, tuna, spam), canned fruits and vegetables, rice and pasta dishes, instant potatoes, soups, small condiment containers, small cereal boxes, peanut butter, jellies, evaporated milk, fruit drinks, spaghetti sauces, hashes and stews, and macaroni and cheese.



Currently we **DO NOT NEED** any boxes of dried pasta (spaghetti, noodles) or canned pinto or black beans. All other items are in high demand.

Persons visiting our Food Closet, are only able to take two plastic bags of food, and only one of each item. Please donate items in regular sized cans.

Plan on making a visit to your local supermarket or dollar store. With your help we can make the holidays easier for the less fortunate.

Please do not donate expired food.

Adult Forum

presented by Jerry Eisley

Images of Advent

Please join us for Adult Forum on Sunday, December 15 at 9:15 am

Advent is a season rich in images. Come to this special forum led by parishioner Jerry Eisley to learn about some of the images that have been important to the observance of this season.

Jerry will focus on pilgrimage in preparing for the birth of Christ and what it means to us today and the pre-modern understanding of incarnation and the sacred.





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WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 18
7:00 PM

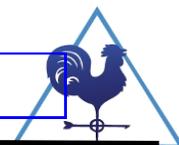
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Flower Guild Members – We will decorate the church for Christmas on Monday, December 23, at 10 am. If you have greens - magnolia leaves, holly, evergreen branches – that you can donate, please leave them outside the sunroom no later than Sunday, December 22.

Thank you.

Christmas Pageant

by Betsy Crenshaw

The Christmas Pageant will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 24th during the 4:00pm service. We would love every child to participate. Please join us on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 9:30am, for practice and to get your costumes.

On Tuesday, Dec. 24th we will meet in the Parish Hall at 3:30pm, in costume. We will all go over to the church together and after the pageant the children will sit with their parents for the remainder of the service. After the service they can return their costumes to the parish hall. Looking forward to seeing all the youth of the parish at the practice on Saturday, December 21 at 9:30am. Any questions, call the church office 540 592-3343.





There is no mightier way to sum up our service at SOME in 2019 then to share the handwritten card we received at our November feed from perennial visitor and gifted pianist, Jenny Yang.

Jenny has been one of our friends at SOME for several years. She always welcomes us in hugs, with recognition and appreciation. If there was any one guest who has shown us love, it is Jenny. These are the relationships that drive us to return to O street in Washington, D.C. time after time to serve. Jenny writes:

Dear Sisters and brothers in Christ at Trinity Church:

Another Christmas is on horizon. I want to thank God for all the love, grace and kindness through your congregation. Seeing you here at S.O.M.E. each time makes me feel the love of our Lord Jesus through your generosity, sincere and warm smile, and greeting. There is such a divine beauty in the family of Christian faith.

May God continue to bless you all and the families and His Almighty hand be upon your members.

**Love in Christ,
Jenny Young**

As we close our 32nd year of this ministry, we pause at a crossroads. Despite the love we feel from patrons like Jenny, we occasionally struggle with detractors who may misunderstand our mission.

With rising food prices, we were economically challenged to keep to our budget. (But we managed with a little over \$17.00 to spare). With subliminal criticism of our efforts and an expressed ignorance that Trinity church should stick to the Fauquier environs to meet the needs of the poor and hungry, we ended the year a bit bruised. (But we looked directly in the eyes of the 300 people we fed, many of whom lack a roof over their heads or a guarantee of their next meal and endured to move forward). With inconsistent support for our pleas for brownies and baked goods, we explored alternatives with mixed results. (We found delicious brownie and cornbread products at wholesale cost). With no available freezer space in the Cox Hall kitchen, we shuttled heavy boxes of goods amongst home kitchens. (But we relegated an old freezer to the other side of our church campus and created storage).

The bottom line is we carried on. And we grew stronger, largely thanks to a steady group of regulars who make this program work and a willing consortium of parishioners who answer the call when Ann MacLeod sounds the rallying cry for support. And then there are those who just step up every single time without an ask. Service to SOME is natural for them. It is all about the fellowship we create in giving.

For their November service, we would like to recognize the following in no particular order: Ken Knapp, navigation and expert fish preparation, Len Shapiro, navigation and green bean purveyor, Bob Appenzeller, jack of all trades, Carol Miller, beacon of light, Maggie New, dessert specialist, Jim Gemmer, perhaps the ablest, most purposeful pan scrubber on the planet, Josefina Hooker, our





energizer bunny, and Ann MacLeod, without whom this program would not have continued all these years. Robin Keys filled in where necessary and was afforded the opportunity to roam the dining hall and talk with the guests, one of the most rewarding experiences in our DC journey.

In the Cox Hall kitchen, we had one of the most extraordinary crews ever assembled. Among our cooks were: Ann MacLeod; Kelly Johnson; Ellen Hall; Carol Miller; Stephanie Knapp; John O'Donnell; Jolly DeGive; Sandra Markus; Barbara Augenblick; Gloria Armfield; Robin Keys and Pat Reilly.

Ellen Hall deserves special recognition. We landed at SOME with two large sealed boxes that Ellen had prepared. Inside were cartons and cartons of cookies and snacks as well as individually sealed bags of assorted candy. The guests were over the moon to walk out with a little treat for later. Ellen has stepped up to the plate and filled a need – the cold, lonely hours between lunch and breakfast when hunger strikes for the food insecure.

Another cog in the giant wheel that is the SOME Outreach mission is the inspirational Tommy Breeden. While on well-deserved vacation, Tommy came in early Friday and loaded our van. He had made a point of dropping in as the cooking process was winding down the day before just to chat and personally assure that he would be back the next morning.

Our ally Betsy Crenshaw has somehow managed in the midst of food inflation, to steady our milk prices with our DC wholesaler at the same amount for years. Betsy does not have to be reminded to order the milk. It is a task that she performs month after month without hesitation. Betsy is our angel on earth for this program.

Coretta Scott King said, “The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.”

God bless all of you that witness our efforts. We feel we are making an impact and welcome your suggestions for improvement as we consider future endeavors. We are a transparent function of Trinity Church and invite you to examine our utility and personally join us in the kitchen or to the District. Having served over 2000 people in 2019 at a cost of just under \$3.00 a person, we stand by our achievement.



Thank you for
your support.





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Do you shop at Amazon? Trinity Church is now recognized as a charitable organization under the **AmazonSmile** program.

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Trinity Church every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible **AmazonSmile** purchases, made each quarter of the year, to the church.

To participate in the program,

1. Sign in to **smile.amazon.com** on your desktop or mobile phone browser.
2. From your desktop, go to **Your Account** on the navigation bar at the top of any page, and then select the option: **Your Amazon Smile**.
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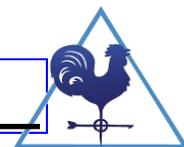
Please remember you need to sign on to **smile.amazon.com** when you make your purchases for the church to get credit.

The Treasurer will report quarterly the amount received from AmazonSmile. We appreciate your support of this program.

Christmas is right around the corner so make your list and Enjoy Shopping!!!



Mt. Pisgah's Annual Christmas Candlelight Service



Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church
1175 Delaplane Grade Road – Upperville, VA 20184
Rev. Philip C. Lewis, Pastor 540-592-3530

Annual Christmas Candlelight Service



The Mt. Pisgah Men's Chorus
will present
"Wise Men From The East"



Saturday, December 21, 2019, 6:00 pm

Repast following service

Admission Free





Christmas Flowers

Christmas Poinsettias Order Form (please print clearly)

Order Christmas poinsettias to be placed in the church in honor of or in memory of a loved one this Christmas.

Please enclose your contribution (in the amount of your choice) with this form (*for checks, be sure to write "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line*).

Complete this form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office no later than Monday.

December 16

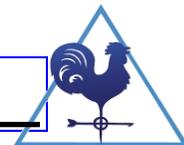
Given in memory of:

Given in honor/thanksgiving:

Your Name(s):

Phone:





	Jan 5	Jan 12	Jan 19	Jan 26	
Altar Guild	Jan 1 - Feb 5 Walta Warren, Elizabeth Courts, Bunny Shick, Shannon Stimson				
Flower Guild	Louise Crane Barbara Sharp Maria Eldredge Jimmy Hatcher Tracey Schmitt Lintott	Carolyn Smith Mary MacDonnell Alix Coolidge Josefina Hooker	Anne Coyner Barbara Augenblick Sally Fletcher Cindy Mullett Cathy Boswell Johanna Jackson Alex Woodson	Valerie Dove Beth Gibbens Susan Grayson Kelly Johnson Lynn Wiley Joan Eliot	
Memorial Flowers					
8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 1					
Chalice	Lewis Martin	Carol Miller	Jeff Millington	Ellen Hall	
Lector	Cheri Martin	Jeff Millington	Walta Warren	Greg Ellison	
Ushers	Robert Bonnie John Miller	Holy Bimba Chuck Bimba	Sarah Ellison Greg Ellison	Barbara duPont Duke DeFrane	
Healing Ministry	Cheri Martin Walta Warren				
Coffee Hour					
10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite 2					
Chalice	Ginny Fluet Gina Hammond	Ed Moore Johanna Jackson	Barbara Augenblick Marjory Serrano	Ken Knapp Randy Mullett	
Lectors	Margaret Hilliard Randy Mullett	Gray Coyner Arch Randolph	Penelope Yungblut Ray Ewing	Page Gravely John MacDonnell	
Ushers	Louise Crane Carey Crane Ken Knapp	Lisa White Barbara Augenblick Walt Hasser	The Benefield Family	Jim Hoecker Penelope Yungblut Ray Ewing	
Healing Ministers					
Ambassadors	Martha Williamson	Walt Hasser	Jessica Diday	Ed Moore	
Coffee Hour					

**If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please find someone to trade with.
Please remember to notify the church office of any changes. Thank you.**





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Christmas Services

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

4:00pm Family Service
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
Featuring the Children's Christmas Pageant

8:00pm Festival Service
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
With the full Trinity choir, soloists and strings

11:00pm Candlelight Service
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
A more quiet and contemplative liturgy, a cappella music

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

10:30am Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

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