

August 9, 2020 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish Notes

The predicted thunderstorms held off and our outdoor worship in the churchyard launched last Sunday. We will continue celebrating the Eucharist in our churchyard at 8:30 on Sunday morning. **Registration for the service is required** to help with spacing and contact tracing, and you must register by 8 a.m. on Saturday. The registration form is available on our website. This service will be informal – dress for the weather and comfort; bring lawn chairs if you have them – and masks and distancing will be required. Our online services continue "on demand" through Labor Day, and our telephone worship takes place at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday.

As we make changes in our worship schedule, it's important to remember that however we are worshiping – by phone, online, inperson – we are praying together as one community. Whichever way you can join in this prayer, you are an essential part of our wholeness as we bring our hearts and souls to God.

It remains essential that we continue to check in on one another, strengthen relationships without physical meetings, and BE the church in scattered places while this time of distancing continues. This difficult separation is an act of love, a sacrifice we make as a community to help protect the most vulnerable, and the health of the whole state.

Please check in regularly through our website (click "COVID-19 updates" on the right side of the front page) for parish updates, resources, and how you can help. That section of our website is updated continuously. We'll also post prayer and updates on our Facebook page. Bookmark that link! It will show you news from Trinity even if you do not have a Facebook account. If you do use Facebook, follow us! (And still check the page regularly for updates – Facebook does not automatically show you all our content.)

Worship for Sunday, August 9:

"On demand" video service available from our <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u> any time after 7 am.

8:30 am Outdoor Eucharist in the Trinity churchyard. Registration required.

9:45 am audio-only call in service (862-799-9987) – **note time change**. Download the program for the service from <u>our website</u>.

On **Tuesdays at 7 pm** Bob Litsinger offers a service of <u>Evening Prayer by Zoom</u>. You can join the service from a landline phone as well as online, but you will need a password. Contact Bob Litsinger <u>by Email</u> or 856-571-0008 for the password, details or directions. It's a wonderful way to add connection, prayer, and peace to your week.

Office hours: Under guidance received from the State and Diocese of New Jersey, we will be limiting our office hours. The office will be partially staffed on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays for telephone inquiries and contactless drop-off/pick-up where necessary. If you need to pick something up or drop it off, please call before coming to the church, as our office hours will vary some from week to week.

Food pantry hours: Food Pantry hours are <u>Wednesday mornings from</u> 9-11 am.

Upcoming Worship Schedule:

August – Labor Day:

8:30 a.m. informal outdoor worship service (pre-register online, come early, dress for the weather, bring a chair, and wear a mask) 9:45 a.m. Call-in worship service

On demand: Simplified video worship service

Registration for August 9 in-person services will open on Tuesday, August 4 at 8:00 am and close Saturday, August 8 at 8:00 am.

Registration for August 16 in-person services will open on Tuesday, August 11 at 8:00 am and close Saturday, August 15 at 8:00 am.

September 13 – further notice

Limited indoor in-person worship resumes in the sanctuary, with livestreaming video. Schedule TBD; call-in and on demand worship will also be available.

See more details on our website.

Spiritual Growth Online:

If you usually pick up **Forward Day by Day** devotional booklets at church and want a copy of the current booklet, please <u>contact Deacon Leslie</u> to arrange to pick one up or have it mailed to your house. You can also subscribe by email, or get e-books for your daily devotions <u>through Forward Movement online</u>. Also check out the app for your phone or tablet. It has the daily reflection and links to daily readings, daily prayer and to keep a journal.

Sunday School Lessons: We invite you to join us for Children's chapel each week accompanied by activities to do at home. <u>View Activities and Chapel Resources on our website</u>.

Stay connected:

We have **gathered faith and prayer resources** on our website to help you pray at home, and stay connected to Trinity. <u>Visit our website</u> to access these resources.

We invite you to share the prayers, songs, or scriptures that are helping you in these days with your Trinity community. Email <u>Mother Emily</u> or <u>Lauren Evans</u> a video or message about how that hymn, prayer, or scripture is helping you connect with God right now and we will post it on our website and Facebook page for our church community to enjoy. While we can't physically be together, let's share our spiritual resources, help others and ourselves to grow in faith and love, and stay connected!

Parish and Community Announcements:

Email scammers are especially active while we are all depending more on online communications than ever. if you ever get an email or text that claims to be from Deacon Leslie, Mother Emily, or our church staff asking you for an unspecified "favor", or asking you to urgently get gift cards or cash for an emergency, or anything else that seems unusual, **do not reply!!** If you get an email or text you are not certain about, especially one asking you for gift cards, money, or personal information, you may simply and safely ignore it. If you think a message asking for your help might be legitimate, reach out to the person who is supposed to have sent it using a method you know is safe: start a new email to that person, using the email in the directory or the contact form on our website (*not* a reply), or call us.

The Outreach Commission sincerely thanks everyone for not only meeting the "Replace the Rummage Sale Challenge" but for exceeding it! Thanks to our "Super Star" parishioners and friends we have been blessed to send out over \$10,000 to continue funding organizations that are serving those in need of food, shelter and other necessities of life during this difficult time. It is truly wonderful that we were able to send donations to the Christian Caring Center, Camp Faith St Paul's Camden, Good Counsel Homes, Inter Faith Hospitality Network and The Food Bank of SJ. Sustaining our commitment to education, we were able to renew scholarships for this coming school year for children at Sacred Heart School of Camden, Camden Forward School, and our own Trinity Pre School. A Good education whether on line or in person is the first step forward out of poverty and we should all be proud to be able to help these students take that step! Thank you all so much for all your help!

Thank you to everyone who has made an extra effort to keep up with your pledge! In this challenging time, we understand that many will not be able to keep their pledged commitment to Trinity at their intended level. If it is financially possible, however, please keep your pledge current. Even though we are not gathering in person the work of the church goes on in many ways and places, and your ability to stay current with your spiritual commitment to generous giving makes it possible for us to focus on the church's spiritual and pastoral work in this crisis.

There are many ways that you can pay your pledge or make an outreach or discretionary fund donation. You can mail your check or have your bank mail your check through online bill paying. Paying by check or online banking are the preferred payment methods. If you have PayPal, you can send money to trinity@trinitymoorestown.org. Add a note or message designating what your gift is for. Be sure to choose "Sending to a friend" or "Friends and family" not "Goods and Services" or not "Paying for an item or service." This will save Trinity from being charged fees. In order for you to not be charged fees you can link your bank account instead of a credit card. You can also contribute through our website. Please note on your check what your payment is for. Trinity's mailing address is: Trinity Episcopal Church, 207 W. Main Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057.

Intercessions - August 9, 2020

Parishioners are asked to pray for the people listed below. Persons prayed for will be kept on the prayer list for three weeks. If you would like to have someone put on the prayer list, or if you want them to remain on the list after three weeks, or if someone is on the list who should be removed, please notify the Church Office at 856/235-0811.

Those suffering from the corona virus, and all healthcare workers. Students, teachers, parents, and school administrators and staff

The Scanlan and Paul Smith Martin Lavengood Donnelly families Anne LeDuc Alexandra **Ed Hands** Rita Webster Cassie Rivera Steven Wolfe Ka'Li Barnville and Ken Fitzgerald Denise Cohan Gerri Smith family Elizabeth Holland Murray Alderfer Suzanne Jonathan Loeb Shakir Ali Kathy Griffin Ingrid Wolfe Francesca Steve Libbi Hatfield Martha Bouchard Phil Flanders Cann **Eddie Armstead** Jane & Herb Hale Roger Anderson Chuck Pearson Liz Webster Steve Wenzler **Barry Houston** Tom Scientists working on Morgan Strauss Jacqueline Leis Covid-19 Vaccines Darlene Ford Laundre Carmen Principe **David Connolly** Deva Gattinella **Betty Beard** Christine L. Maddie Harris Grace Allen Dixie Jack Salmon Sherry & John Ellis Jen Williams Lamar Morris Elvy Williams Doreen Derlin Alison Sprague

Health professionals and those on the front lines of COVID response:

Olivia Demmler

Suzanne Anderson Lin	Janet Bader	Tammy Solitro
Tom	Tom Bader	Drew Luebbert
Jennifer Rudolph	Matt Solitro	Elizabeth Luebbert

Those actively serving in the armed forces

Alyssa Elliott Robert Cuthbertson Darius Moore
Douglas Sandburg II Tanguy Balou Peter Mazzone
Sean Donato Leah Harvey Nick Mazzone
Jason Merriweather Lynn Peace Kevin Davis

The clergy and parishioners of churches in our Diocese

St. Elisabeth's Chapel-by-the-Sea [Ortley Beach]

Christ Church [Palmyra]

Helen

St. James' Church [Paulsboro]

About Trinity Church

Trinity Episcopal Church in Moorestown, New Jersey is a broad and inclusive church serving Moorestown, Mount Laurel, and surrounding communities. We have room under our roof for people from different backgrounds and cultures, with a wide variety of customs, points of view, lifestyles and talents. People of every gender, race, age, orientation, and identity share equally in leadership and in the sacraments, in fellowship and service. Our call is to strengthen relationships with God and one another, serving Christ in all persons and loving our neighbors as ourselves. We invite you to worship with us, learn with us, serve with us, to grow spiritually and to make new friends here.

Trinity Church was established in 1837 by the rector and members of St. Mary's Church in Colestown, now Cherry Hill, New Jersey. In 1928, the present complex of church, chapel, parish house, and offices (formerly the rectory) was given by Eldridge Reeves Johnson, the founder and president of the Victor Talking Machine Company of Camden and Moorestown resident (though not a Trinity member, nor even an Episcopalian!). The altar and some of the windows of the original 1939 Trinity building are preserved in our chapel, which is open all week long for private prayer. Our congregation has also developed our cloister garden into a place that attracts residents and visitors to enjoy the peaceful beauty, and our education wing hosts Trinity Preschool, a lively, joyful, growing community, five days a week.

Meet one of Trinity's greeters in the bell tower (the entrance that leads to the cloister garden and to Main Street) after the service, or visit trinitymoorestown.org/get-involved/ to learn how to connect with and participate in Trinity's ministries of service, music, worship, and education for all ages.



TRINITY STAFF AND VESTRY

The Reverend Emily A. Mellott, Rector
The Reverend Leslie G. Mazzacano, Deacon
The Reverend John F. Salmon, Jr., Assisting Priest
The Reverend Canon Jayne J. Oasin, Assisting Priest
Nancy Matthews and Elizabeth Louie, Wardens
Joan Dighton, Audrey Henry, Eric Hoversen
Mark Leis, John Murray, Christopher Norris
Amy Paglione, Joan Reid, Anne Scheideler Sweet,
Vestry Members

Mr. Vernon H. Williams, Organist and Choirmaster
Mrs. Geri Trost, Financial Administrator
Ms. Lauren Evans, Programs Administrator
Mrs. Nancy Johnson, Preschool Director
Mrs. Christine Andonie, Sunday School Director
Mrs. Maris W. Williams, Director of Cherub
and Carol Choirs
Ms. Franshely Rivera, Nursery Caregiver
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