

The Trinitarian



JANUARY 2015

BREWSTER, NEW YORK

Pastoral Reflections-CHURCH

How would you define "church"?

- + Community of faith?
- + Believers gathered?
- + Family?
- + A place to worship and learn?
- + (your own answer here)

How is that definition reflected in your experience and participation at Trinity?

We talk about Church being more than the building or place of gathering; though we still talk about "going to church."

When people have shared with me their experiences with Trinity what I hear more often than not is their relationships with others. They speak of particular groups or individuals that have made an impression or an impact on their lives.

In this ever changing world, "church" has become just one more thing in people's lives. It is one group or activity among many others. And often, church is the first thing that gets removed from people's stressful schedules.

What difference does the Church and your understanding of Church mean in your day-to-day life?

This is not a criticism or a guilt trip, but rather the opportunity for us to each reflect on our relationships as a part of Trinity Lutheran Church.

In a time when all churches are struggling as well as closing or joining with others, we are called to a time of reflection and refocus. And the pervading question is what does it mean to

be the Church in this day and age? (This question in other forms was asked during the Reformation, the Great Schism as well as in the early church; see writings by Phyllis Tickle or Diana Butler Bass for details).

We can no longer take Church for granted, that we will always be here. We can respond in desperation to maintain the status quo or we can reexamine what it means to be the Church and seek the ways in which God is calling us to live as the Church today.

For as we sing in the familiar hymn, "The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord/she is his new creation by water and the word..." (ELW #654) – God continues to create and renew us as the Church for today's world. The Church will not disappear. We are called to reclaim our understanding and faith-filled relationship with God as we gather as God's people to be the Church of today.

I invite you to join with Trinity as we pray for God's vision of a new creation of the Church and how we are called to carry forth this vision into the future.

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Jen

Annual Congregation Meeting

Sunday, January 25, 2015
following the 8:30 AM service at
approximately 10:30 AM
(no 10:45 AM service)

See pages 2 & 3 for more information

The Annual Meeting of the congregation is the primary legislative session of our life together. Although it may seem odd to be voting on ministry, we are governed and led by the decision-making that happens at this assembly each year.

There will be **one worship service only at 8:30 AM**. Following worship, our Affirmation students will serve their delicious egg sandwiches, and we will reconvene at 10:30 am for the Annual Meeting.

There will be NO 10:45 worship service on January 25th.

Annual reports will be available to pick up on Sunday, January 18 and at the meeting on January 25. The agenda for the meeting includes the election of Council and Nominating Committee members and approval of the budget for 2015.

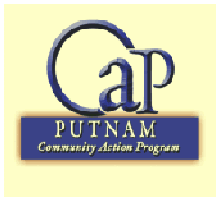
Voting members are confirmed members who have communed **and** made a contribution of record in 2013 or 2014. Beginning on this page of the *Trinitarian* is a list of our current voting membership, to the best of our knowledge. Please speak with council co-presidents Don Icken and Dawn Morello, Pastor Jen, or Amy Finney in the church office if you have any questions about voting membership. Ten percent of our voting membership will constitute a quorum for the meeting. At the time of the writing of this report (December 26, 2014), there are 239 voting members, meaning a quorum of 24 is required. The vote on the budget and election of Council and Nominating Committee members each require a simple majority vote.

Your presence at this meeting is important. Please read the Bulletin of Reports carefully, prepare questions and comments, pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and attend ready to fulfill the joys and responsibilities of congregational membership.

Michelle Aaronson
 Sigrid Allen
 Dawn Andren
 Inez Arrigo
 John Baggetta
 Joy Baggetta
 Victoria Baker
 Jeanette Baldanza
 Joseph Baldanza Jr
 Lauren Baldanza-Giacomelli
 Dorothea Baratta
 Ellen Bell
 Laurie Bell
 Cyndi Bertone
 John Bertone Jr
 Jessi-Ann Bettcher
 Joseph Bettcher
 Lorie Bettcher
 Constance Boldish
 Mark Boldish
 Jennifer Boyd
 Joan Bradley
 Elisabeth Briggs
 Robert Briggs Sr
 Carol Brooks
 Claire Brusie
 Lynn Byrnes
 Fred Carlson
 Pamela Carlson
 Delores Ceasrine
 Julius Cesare
 Loretta Christiano
 Hilde Christofori
 Carrie Cioffi
 Franklyn Commisso
 Mary Beth Commisso
 Amy Conroy
 Liam Conroy
 Erin Corbi
 Patricia Corbi
 Linda Cowen
 Thomas Cowen
 Heather Coyle
 Lamorna Coyle
 Albert Cuomo II
 Angela Cuomo
 Donald Cuomo
 Emmy Curcuruto

Carrie De Marchi
 Laura Defilippis
 Kathren Devine
 Jeannette Doellgast
 Christopher Donovan
 Daniel Donovan Sr
 Gertrude Donovan
 Paul Doster
 Christian Duben
 Heather Duben
 Steven Dudowitz
 Ariana Dzibela
 Joanne Dzibela
 Scott Dzibela Sr
 Scott Dzibela Jr
 Alfred Eberhardt
 Lillian Eberhardt
 Debbie Efferen
 Richard Eng
 Juliette Faulkner Dudowitz
 Carol Fendt
 Eric Fendt
 Fred Fendt
 Robert Fendt
 Nicholas Fertig
 Bruce Foley Sr
 Maxine Foley
 Aldona Gasiunas
 Rosemary Gebhardt
 Robert Gentile
 Wendy Gentile
 Gary Gerfen
 Kemi Gerfen
 Mary Gerhardt
 Charles Germain Jr
 Irene Germain
 Barbara Goos
 Jennifer Graham
 Kenneth Graham
 Robert Grillo
 Shari Grillo
 John Hagedorn
 Eric Halbekath Jr
 Eric Halbekath Sr
 Joanne Halbekath
 Veronica Hansen
 Debra Harlin
 Claudine Hayes

Eric Heinecke	Kristopher Markert	Maureen Sergio
Lawrence Henry	Alicia Maston	Helga Siebern
Connor Heuschkel	Karen Matteo Yates	Cynthia Simon
Lynne Heuschkel	Anita Mc Elroy	Anna Stathis
Alison Hildreth	Susan Megaro	Dunlin Stathis
Joseph Hildreth	Ursula Merolla	Nicholas Stathis
Donald Icken	Erin Minieri	Carl Steike
Joanne Icken	Ken Mongold	Lucile Steinberger
Beatrice Jacobsen	Dawn Morello	Edward Stoecker
Nina Jacobsen	Jeananne Moscato	Lynn Stoecker
Edward Johnson	Frank Nagel	Audrey Stone
Dorothy Kafalas	Karen Nagel	Brian Stringer
Rita Karlsson	Danielle Nestor	Michael Stringer
Daniel Kenny Iii	Jo-Ann Nestor	Michael Stringer
Nancy Knapp	Megan Nestor	Susan Stringer
Louise Koenig	Barbara Nicoletti	Barbara Sullivan
Robert Koenig	John Nicoletti	Grace Tadler
Frederick Kolar	Douglas Noah	Juergen Tempel
Susan Kolar	Linda Noah	Rosanna Tempel
Emily Kovalec	Karen O'Leary	Andrea Tiersch
Lynda Kraus	Russell O'Leary Sr	Maisa Tompuri
Heidi Kuhland	Doris O'Toole	Agnes Torlish
Joseph Laird	Anne Oswald	Mary Torlish
Sharon Laird	Bruce Oswald	Deborah Torlish-Kovalec
Marisol Langke	Gail Pease	Halsey Tuthill
Charles Larocchia	Thomas Pease	Dawn Ulrich
Holly Larocchia	Debiane Peter	Lisa Ulrich
Kristyn Larocchia	Marilyn Platt	Lorraine Van Vlack
Lois Lawrence	John Powell	Barbara Von Bargaen
Jane Lee	Joan Quinn	Henry Von Bargaen
Robert Lee	Patrice Ranellone	Jeffrey Von Bargaen
Tyler Lee	Muriel Rapp	Kenneth Von Bargaen
Dolores Lockshiss	Dolores Renaud	Marie Von Bargaen
Heather Loftus	Christine Rice	William Von Bargaen
Stephen Loftus	William Rieg	Lorraine Walzer
Linda Lund	Edna Robertson	Karl Westerville
Robert Lund	Barbara Roden	Margaret Westerville
Carol Ann Lutz	Patricia Rudolph	Helga Whalen
Raymond Lutz	Ralph Rudolph	Patricia Wills
Debra Lyon	Kathryn Ruhs	Cecilia Winters
Peter Lyons	Lawrence Ruhs	Richard Winters
Stephanie Lyons	Anna Ruopp	Lawrence Wund
Dawn Marinich	Kristina Russell	Lindsay Wund
Barbara Markert	Linda Salinger	Dorothy Yessian
Bruce Markert	Arnold Schuff	James Yessian
Danielle Markert	Lisa Schuldt	Christopher Young
Erik Markert	Christopher Sciarra	Maria Young
James Markert	Sandra Sciarra	† † †



December 2, 2014



**BESP—Brewster
Emergency Shelter
Partnership**



Trinity Lutheran Church

Dear Rev. Boyd,

Our Thanksgiving Basket Program was a great success this year thanks to your hard work and generosity. We were able to prepare baskets for the 448 households who sought assistance this year. This is an unprecedented number of families who registered for the program, surpassing last year by 45. We are grateful to you for helping us meet this need and ensuring that everyone enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

On behalf of everyone here at Putnam CAP, please extend my thanks to the Confirmation Teen Group and the adults from Trinity Lutheran Church who did an outstanding job on Sunday, making sure that everything was ready for the food distribution the next morning. There was a lot of heavy work to do during that last shift, and I truly appreciate everyone's efforts. The team went above and beyond in ensuring that the program was a success.

Through your support of Putnam CAP, please know that you made a real difference in the lives of many local people. All of us truly appreciate your awareness of the value of our programs.

Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,
Judy Callahan, Director

This year the temporary shelter runs December 8, 2014 through March 29, 2015 (Palm Sunday). Our ecumenical partnership has worked together, being God's hands for greatness. Trinity, with John Hagedorn, chair, Don Cuomo, treasurer, Gail Pease, board member, and Irene Germain, co-coordinator, are central to this ministry.

Trinity's dates for providing a hot meal and overnight volunteer hosts (along with the paid overnight host) are: January 19-25, February 23-March 1, and March 16-March 22. The first two weeks will be using the Brewster Baptist Church and the March week will be at St Andrew's Episcopal Church.

Contact Gail Pease at 845-225-8921 or gpeasesoar@aol.com or Irene Germain at 845-225-4698 or Irene6174@comcast.net for questions or to volunteer.

**Attention All Knitters, Crocheters,
and Yarn Aficionados!**

One of our un-sung ministries at Trinity is our Prayer shawls. They are created by a variety of people and given out to those who are in need of prayer. Sometimes they are prayers for healing, strength, comfort as well as for times of joy, celebration and transitions in life. There are times when we need to physical feeling of being wrapped up in prayer and shawls provide that tangible sense of God's presence surrounding us.

We are always looking for additional people to create these shawls. Patterns vary and you can use whatever one that you like best. Also check out www.shawlministry.org for examples. Shawls will be made available in the narthex (look for the shawl bin)

- for people to use during worship when they feel they need to be enrobed in prayer (or if you are just cold)
- to take for themselves or to give to someone who is need of prayers (you can use one of the cards in the notecard box with the shawls that has various kinds of prayers)
- for you to leave a shawl for others to use.

FAITH FORMATION

SUNDAY MORNINGS

(9:45-10:30 am)

Faith Formation for Adults—
TWO NEW COURSES start in
January—see the descriptions to
 the right. Sign up sheets in
 narthex. Rooms to be
 determined.

High School Faith Formation—
 Pastor’s office; led by Albert
 Cuomo and Kristi Torlish

Affirmation—General Meeting
 Room; led by Pastor Jen

Sunday School in Shepherd’s Hall

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

(7:00-8:00 pm)

Wednesday Bible study will begin
 looking at the book of Judges as
 we explore the faith experiences
 of such biblical characters as
 Samson, Gideon and Deborah. All
 are welcome to join us. (Does not
 meet Wednesdays when there is
 a council meeting)

FIRST THURSDAY OF MONTH

Transforming Life and Faith Bible
 Study at WELCA meetings at
 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall led by
 various leaders

Transformation: Holding the Hands of God

Marcus J. Borg, in his book, *The Heart of Christianity*, asks the question, “What can Christians do together and individually as ways of paying attention to God and his creation?” How do we nourish ourselves in order to reach out in compassion and affect social Justice in our community?

Beginning in January we will look at messengers such as Moses and Jeremiah and innovators like Daniel and Jesus to learn how we take on these roles in today’s society in order to “include loving what God loves” by affecting changes wherever they are needed.

Starting date is to be determined.

Dee Lockshiss, 279-7256

Challenges for Faith Formation

In January, Deacon Charlie Germain will present a Faith Formation series for adults focusing on the challenges of doing faith formation in the 21st century. What’s different now? Why is it different? What are issues facing the institutional church? Charlie will explore some of these issues and provide opportunity for dialog. Please let us know if you are interested in attending. If there are specific items you would like addressed, e-mail Charlie at Charlieg424@comcast.net.

January 4 – The Changing Church

January 11 – Cultural Shifts

January 14 – New Approaches to Faith Formation

January 25 – Annual Meeting

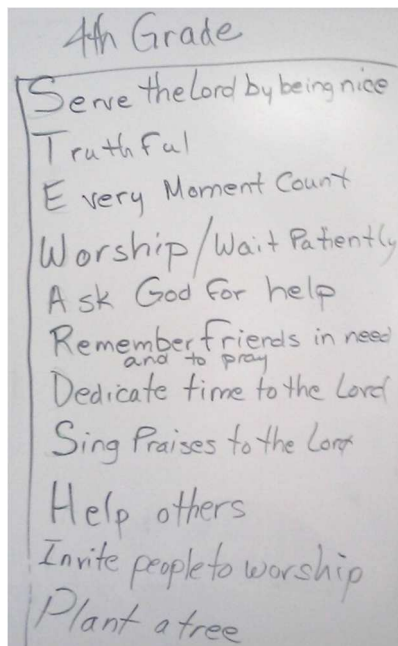
February 1 – Out of town at the ELCA Youth Ministry
 Network Extravaganza

February 8 – Feedback – Your chance to tell us about the
 challenges that you face relating to Faith Formation

Note: While people are welcome to attend selected sessions, each session will build on the previous sessions, and so it would be most advantageous to attend all.

STEWARDSHIP

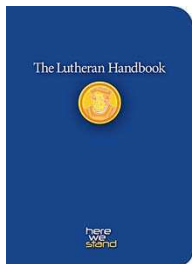
This month, we share with you the following picture that was done by our 4th grade Sunday school class with thoughts about STEWARDSHIP.



OFF THE SHELF

The Lutheran Handbook (published by Augsburg Fortress)

Have you ever wondered...?



- Five things you should know about the Lutheran Reformation
- How to share your faith with someone
- How to tell a sinner from a saint (with diagram)
- Seven funniest Bible stories (or the five grossest)
- Five Biggest misconceptions about the Bible

These categories and more can be found in this handbook which has some basic information about the Lutheran faith, the Bible, Church and more (including a few tongue-in-cheek items)

See also companions to this book with *The Lutheran Handbook II*, one on marriage, one for pastors and more.

Sunday School January News

Happy New Year! As we start the new year, we remember how wonderful it was to hear the children's voices in song at the December 21st 8:30 am service, when they sang "Joy to the World" for the congregation and the Joyful Noise Choir at the 4 pm Christmas Eve service, when they sang "Silent Night." Our plan is to continue to help WELCA and Lutheran World Relief with the layettes, and we will have the older children in SCS help put these items together to send to where they are needed most. Before you know it, we will be gearing up for our annual Mardi Gras Sunday before the start of Lent—more news on that event to come. Again a Happy and Healthy New Year to you & yours.

Jeanette Baldanza,
Sunday School Superintendent

P.R.A.Y. PROGRAMS

This year we are offering God and Me for grades 1, 2 and 3, beginning January 11, with Irene Germain as counselor and the God and Family Program for grades 4 and 5, beginning January 4, with John Bertone as counselor. The programs will be on Sundays in January and February at 10:30 (right after Sunday school)

All parents of children in grades 1 to 5 should have received registration forms in the mail for these programs.

Please see Irene Germain
 845-225-4698, Irene6174@comcast.net
 or John Bertone 845-279-8240,
 jbertone@portmorrill.com
 if you have questions.

*Assisting Ministers, Readers,
and Ushers*

NEW SYSTEM FOR SCHEDULING

Now there is a sheet for January/February. **Please sign up** and check it regularly to see where volunteers are needed so it becomes self-monitoring.

ADDITIONAL SERVERS ARE NEEDED

Trinity is blessed to have a number of people who enrich our worship services by acting as ushers and assisting ministers—but **we need more help in those areas.**

Do you think you might be called to give a little of your time to serve in one of these roles? It's not difficult. It doesn't require a big commitment of time. You come to worship anyway, so why not think about participating in a new way!

Please keep this ministry in your prayers and consider it in your heart. If you have questions about what's involved, speak with Mary Beth Commisso.

Server Training will take place on the 2nd Sunday of every month between services. If you'd like more information, contact Mary Beth Commisso, Dawn Morello, or Pastor Jen.



WELCA January schedule

Thursday January 8 business meeting and Bible study, 10 AM, Fellowship Hall

Thursday January 15 lunch, 1:00 PM, Cutillo's

For more information, contact Irene Germain Irene6174@comcast.net or 845-225-4698 or Marge Westerville at Margerw@yahoo.com or 845-855-5593.

WELCA's second group will meet on **Sunday, January 18** after Faith Formation. Contact Joanne Icken jicken@yahoo.com

Senior Handbells

Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Interested? Contact Mary Beth Commisso

Senior Choir

Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:45 PM in the Choir Room. Interested? Contact Franklyn Commisso

Altar Flowers 2015

The chart for 2015 will be posted in the narthex. Flowers may be taken home after Sunday worship or left to beautify the altar. You may designate the gift as a memorial or thanksgiving gift. Sundays may be shared with other donors, reducing the \$30/week cost. You may also give a general gift to the Flower Fund. Contact Kathie Ruhs at 845-277-8012 or Linda Salinger at 845-277-5345 for more information.

January Worship Schedule

- Thu, Jan 1 No worship at noon—New Year's Day
- Sun, Jan 4 Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
- Thu, Jan 8 Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
- Sun, Jan 11 Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
- Thu, Jan 15 Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
- Sun, Jan 18 Holy Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
- Thu, Jan 22 Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon
- Sun, Jan 25 Holy Communion, 8:30 a.m. ONLY (followed by annual congregational mtg)
- Thu, Jan 29 Holy Communion/Spoken Worship, noon

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Laura DeFilippis 1/2 | Heather Eng 1/17 |
| Declan Howard 1/2 | Eric Halbekath Sr 1/17 |
| Dawn Marinich 1/2 | Robert Lee 1/18 |
| Maxine Foley 1/4 | Stephanie Dudowitz 1/20 |
| Dylan Torlish 1/4 | Kylie Baker 1/22 |
| Zachary Duben 1/5 | Caitlyn Parise 1/22 |
| Sara Corbi 1/6 | Jake Groundwater 1/23 |
| Julius Cesare 1/9 | Erin Markert 1/23 |
| Bradley Guszack Jr 1/11 | Penny Litchfield 1/24 |
| Luke Morello 1/11 | Jennifer Morello 1/24 |
| Donna Porta 1/12 | Ryley Matos 1/25 |
| Alex Alam El Din 1/13 | Kristina Nagel 1/25 |
| Dunlin Stathis 1/13 | Kyle Steike 1/25 |
| Jennifer Rota 1/14 | Gail Emery 1/27 |
| Jeffrey Brown 1/15 | Heather Larocchia 1/29 |
| Jessica Griesinger 1/15 | Anna Stathis 1/31 |
| McKenzie Callahan 1/16 | JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES |
| Sarah-Marie Alam El Din 1/17 | Connie & Mark Boldish 1/13 |

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary in January and aren't on this list? Please contact the church office with the complete month-day-year information. Thanks!

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Media Release Opt Out Form**

In this digital age the church takes many pictures of baptisms, worship services, special events, activities, Sunday school, youth groups, etc. We use these pictures to record, promote, and celebrate our church ministry through many different venues including, but not limited to, our church website, slide shows, publications, etc.

We understand that some people may choose not to have their photos used and we want to respect their wishes. Therefore, on our website we have provided an "Opt Out Form" for those individuals or families who may prefer NOT to have photographs of themselves used by the church. **YOU NEED ONLY COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE FORM IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR PHOTOGRAPH USED BY THE CHURCH.**

IF YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE CHURCH USE OF YOUR PHOTOGRAPH DO NOT SIGN OR SUBMIT THIS FORM.

Paper copies of the form are also available in the narthex.

Thank you! 

WELCA thanks everyone who helped out with the Christmas fair this year. Thanks to all who helped with the set-up, including the Affirmation class and their parents, the youth group, all those who cooked for the café and brought in baked goods, all who donated items for the white elephant table, and silent auction, and those who donated craft items and toys. Thanks also to our new evening WELCA group for making crafts and helping out the day of the fair.

Special thanks to Sharon Laird and Scott Dzibela for doing a stellar job with advertising and organizing of the event. We acknowledge the generous support we have received from Thrivent Financial in the amount of \$600.00.

Thank You to

- + A special thank you goes to our Minister of Music, Dr. Franklyn Commisso, for coordinating special music
- + All those who helped beautify our Sanctuary
- + Kathie Ruhs and Linda Salinger, Trinity's Flower Fund Secretaries
- + Special music director Ray Lutz for the Folk Choir
- + Trinity Brass musicians: William Lemak, Thomas Lemak, Jack Titcomb, Edward Herko, and Nicole Daskalakis
- + Joy Baggetta for forming and rehearsing with the Joyful Noise Children's Choir and to Jeanette Baldanza for assistance in directing the group
- + Those who performed special music: Mary Beth and Franklyn Commisso, Emily Kovalec, Ethan Kovalec, Erin Minieri, Brian Stringer, and Michael Stringer
- + The Trinity Youth Orchestra: Luke Morello, flute, Brian Stringer, clarinet, Jennifer Morello, violin, Michael Stringer, violin, Will Groundwater, oboe, and Lisa Schuldt, directing
- + To Trinity's office volunteers for the additional work at this time of the year

Pledges for 2015

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE A PLEDGE. As of December 21, 79 pledge cards have been received. If you have not completed one, there is still time! Blank cards are available in the narthex or contact the church office to have one e-mailed to you.

CUT-OFF FOR 2014 CONTRIBUTIONS IS DEC 31, 2014

2014 STATEMENTS will be prepared at the end of January.

Comments

GENERAL ACCOUNT INCOME—Total income is \$3,172 more than projections.

GENERAL ACCOUNT EXPENSES—Total expenses are \$436 less than projected.

MORTGAGE FUND—Contributions are \$2683 behind through November.

TARGETED BUDGET—In order to achieve the desired benevolence and custodial care, Trinity needs \$3,956 per week. As of the end of November, we need \$9,483 per week, or \$5,527 more than the normal weekly contribution to make up the deficit.

2015 Offering Envelopes are in the narthex. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR BOX EVEN IF YOU CONTRIBUTE ELECTRONICALLY. PLEASE USE your envelopes and complete ALL the requested information so your contributions can be correctly credited. Please discard any unused envelopes from 2014 and earlier.

Your envelope number → 000

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
2103 Route 6 • Brewster, NY 10509

Please fill in a dollar amount for each appropriate fund:

GENERAL FUND \$ _____

MORTGAGE FUND \$ _____

(SPECIFY) _____ \$ _____

TOTAL OFFERING \$ _____

Check # _____ or

Cash →

AUGSBURG FORTRESS NY

Indicate cash or your check number Fill in ALL relevant amounts

YEAR TO DATE BUDGET REPORT (through November 30, 2014)

GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

Category	Budget	Actual	Variance
INCOME			
Contributions	\$163,948	\$166,301	\$2,353
Other Income	\$19,282	\$20,102	\$820
Total Income	\$183,230	\$186,403	\$3,172
EXPENSES			
Benevolence	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0
Pastoral	\$100,106	\$97,338	(\$2,767)
Education	\$4,262	\$4,308	\$47
Evangelism	\$116	\$227	\$111
Worship & Music	\$20,126	\$19,337	(\$790)
Administration	\$43,888	\$48,385	\$4,497
Property	\$28,918	\$27,399	(\$1,519)
Stewardship	\$463	\$489	\$26
Social Ministry	\$21	\$0	(\$21)
Fund Raising	\$20	\$-	(\$20)
Total Expenses	\$203,420	\$202,984	(\$436)
NET INCOME	(\$20,189)	(\$16,581)	\$3,609

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCES (includes \$15,000 in loans)

January 1, 2014 balance	\$19,086
Current balance	\$5,732

MORTGAGE FUND

Contributions	Payments	Variance
\$36,542.56	(\$39,226.00)	(\$2,683.44)

Memorial Gifts

We are grateful to contributions to the Memorial Fund from Thea Penny Daday and family, in loving memory of Uncle Bunky Penny.

A Christian memorial gift is a contribution of money or property to some Christian cause in loving memory of a relative or friend. We give such memorial gifts on the occasion of a loved one's being called to Eternity, on an anniversary of the "Gift of Life," or on the remembrance or celebration of an event in the life of the departed one. Such gifts, given lovingly, honor the Living Lord, Jesus Christ. If you would like to contribute a monetary memorial gift to Trinity, there are forms available on the credenza in the Narthex. If you are interested in sponsoring an item, please contact the office for a list of suggested gifts.

We remember in prayer those who are

In the hospital, ill, recuperating from surgery, or undergoing medical treatment:

Brigitte, Lee, Nan Bader, Lisa Bagnati, Kitty, Joe Basara, Jack Baum, Jeff Bertone & Ruthie Parker and Alexandria Grace, Joe Bettcher, Nicole Bettcher, Mark Boldish, Amy Booth, Michael Boyd, William Brown, Lilly Browne, Betty Buckmaster, Lynn Byrnes, John Cannon, Gail Cardella, Tamara Casablanca, Christine, Erin Conroy, Helen Conte, Jon Cope, Linda Cowen, Eileen Dahlia, Ben Dalecki, Karen Delduco, Kathren Devine, Dilynn, Gert Donovan, Joanne Dzibela, Altjie Egmon, Priscilla Elz, Wayne Farber, Bea Fieldstadt, Linda Fitzgerald, Christine Gallegher, Avril Gelder, Robert Glad, Barbara Goos, Karen Goos, Eleanor Greene, Eric Halbekath Sr, Jeannine Harris, Johanna Honsch, Jean Hnatow, Walter Jakymiw, Joe, Dick Kittle, Karen Krebs, Joe Laird, Justin Larocchia, Michael, Beth Maley, Dan McGill, Bill McMahan, Mary Jane McMahan, Ziggy Mignanelli, Oliver Milton, Michael Montana, Karen Myerwold, Mike Nicholson, Barbara Nicoletti, John Noone, Pr. Paul Nordeen, Bob Obuck, Pr Garry Patrylo Jr, Ed Ranieri, Ronnie, Rosaleen, Larry Ruhs, Marilyn Schoeller, George Schwarz, Marian Schwarz, John Simon, Theresa Smith, Joe Stark, Curt Stiles, Walter Straub, Meranda Sue, Grace Tadler, John Torlish, Mary Torlish, Greg V., Henry Von Barga, Katherine Waldvogel, Mary Wilkat, Jessica Wilkson, Gina, Cele, Marv, Arthur, Richard Yessian, Chris Young, Jeff

Wrestling with long-term health issues:

Moshen Alamedin, Morgan Andren, Malcolm Beal Sr, Gloria Bretone, Christa, Janet Canor, Tony Cardella, Deena Cox, Tom Curran, Glen DiSanto, Al Eberhardt, Donna Ficara, Jim Fiore, Mollie Fitzpatrick, Margaret Fowler, Amanda George, Chuck Helvig, Sue Kaufman, Raymond Kiernan, Ryan Lee, Reneé McElroy, Thaine Manske, Virginia Mead, George Miller, Tanya Murgai, Regina Paulson, Katie Ray, Betty Rodda, Riley Rushia, Sindy, Zack Small, Kenneth Strawn, Audrey Stone, Kathy Sullivan, Josephine Talley, Gina Venezia, Glenn Wagner, Elizabeth Waugh, Cecilia Winters, Stephanie, Donna

Facing life's challenges: Daniel Baggetta, the Banuelos/Cable/Lyon family, Wanda & Cliff, Della Arndt, Danielle Blummer, the Bueti family, Catherine, Jeannie Graham, Terry Gregori, Larry Hampson, Logan Keane, Austin King & family, Matt, Bill & Debbie Logan, Anita Luhrs, Isabel Ranieri, Sue Rodriguez, Alex Smith, Barbara Sparkes, Katelyn Stufano, Kristen Sullivan, Michael Talarico, Jennifer West, Helga Whalen, Dave, Lisa, Jaimie Zeola

Giving thanks for the life of: Thelma MacBrien, friend of Ken Mongold

Serving in the Armed Forces:

Michael Caitney, Dylan Cumpston, Adam Elliott, Phillip Gerhardt, Ron Hansen Jr., Dylan Kinsella, Pr Anthony Stephens, Adam Vieux, Jessica Woodall, all those in the service of our country, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan, and their chaplains

Restricted to home/nursing home:

Marge Christie, Frank Cucinella, Gerrit Franssen, Lucy Hillers, Heddie Kessel, Marian Langlois, Horatio Massatti, Marge Popham, Edna Robertson, Scott Werner

Attending seminary: Dawn Morello

Partnership Ministries: The Northwest Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; the Brewster Soup Kitchen (Brewster 1st Baptist Church) and Brewster Food Pantry (St. Andrew's Episcopal), Brewster Ecumenical Service Partnership (BESP); local small business owners in challenging economic times

Servants of the Church: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, and the Churchwide staff; Bishop Robert Rimbo of the Metropolitan New York Synod and staff; Pastor Jennifer Boyd, Deacons Charles Germain, Jr. and Dorothy Kafalas; Minister of Music Franklyn Commisso; Council members; Sunday School teachers, and worship leaders

DIGITAL MINISTRY—Did you know that you can support Trinity by using Good Search and Amazon Smile (just designate Trinity as your selected charity)? How about checking in when you come to worship on Foursquare, Facebook, or other social media sites? Or tweet something that you find especially meaningful—like a scripture or hymn verse. Or maybe during the passing of the peace, take a “Sunday Selfie” with someone and share it with others. Here is a Quick Response (QR) code created specifically for our organization. Feel free to use it to connect to the mobile version of our web page.



ANNUAL REPORTS are due on or before **Monday, January 5, 2015**. Please e-mail them to the church office at: trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com or drop a hard copy off in the staff mailbox. If you need a copy of your report from last year, please let Amy Finney know. Thank you!

HELP/SERVICES AVAILABLE or WANTED

Full-Time Job Needed—Amy Buchoff (845-249-8600) has owned a bakery opposite Carmel Diner for one year. She had to close at the end of September due to building problems. I can vouch for her ability as a pastry chef, generosity, hard-working nature, and skill with people. Over the year she donated yummy items to the shelter four times a week. Call her or me if you have any job possibilities for her. Gail Pease 845-225-8921 or gpeasesoar@aol.com.

Electrician—Licensed in Westchester, Putnam, & Connecticut; also available for work in Dutchess—Brian Van Vlack, 845-724-3621

Remodeling & New Construction—Kenstruction; Kenneth von Bargaen, 845-222-5045

Finish and All Phases of Carpentry—Jacobsen Carpentry, Insured—Lloyd Jacobsen, 845-729-1287, trislloyd@verizon.net

Zumba® Fitness—Erin Kenny leads fun exercise classes locally. Contact her for more information/schedule: zumbawitherin@gmail.com

Piano Lessons for Beginners—Children and Adults—With introduction to basic concepts of music and musical notation; Introduction to playing the cello available—Juergen Tempel, 917-935-1142

French Horn Lessons—Also baritone; Kyle Kayler, 845-228-4167

Realtor (Associate Broker) with Houlihan Lawrence, Brewster, NY—Linda Salinger, cell 914-282-1243

Realtor (Exclusive Buyer Broker) Laurie Bell with Balch Realty—Putnam/ Westchester/ Dutchess/Fairfield Counties; cell 914-490-4841; lauriebel2@aol.com

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WEATHER OR NOT

Listen to WHUD (100.7 FM) for closings due to weather

AWAY THIS WINTER?

Please let the church office know your alternate address and effective dates to continue receiving the *Trinitarian* and

PLANNING AN EVENT?

Please contact **Pat Wills** regarding any **PROPERTY USE** at 845-259-3138 or e-mail her at p.wills@comcast.net

Yoga is at Trinity!! Thursday nights 7:30-8:45pm. Just bring a yoga mat and an open mind! All abilities welcome. Cost: Suggested donation of \$10. Donations exceeding \$10 will be donated back to Trinity. Contact Cyndi Bertone, RYT, at 279-8240 for more info.

Articles for the February *Trinitarian* are due Mon, **January 19**. Please email articles to Amy Finney at trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com

Office Hours: Mon to Fri, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Office closed Thursday, January 1 and Friday, January 2

PASTOR JEN'S CONTACT INFO

Here is my personal contact information, in case of emergency.

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Home phone (203) 616-5207

Home address: 17 Filmore Ave, Danbury, CT 06811; Email: revjedyer1@yahoo.com

WE'RE ONLINE!

Current issues of Trinity Weekly, the monthly calendar, and the *Trinitarian* are always available at www.trinitybrewsterny.org

JANUARY 2015

Sunday Services

8:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

Spoken Word Worship Thursdays at noon

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JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

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| Mon, Jan 5 | Annual reports due |
| Wed, Jan 7 | Youth Ministry workshop at Yale |
| Sun, Jan 4 | God & Family starts |
| Sun, Jan 11 | God & Me starts |
| Wed, Jan 14 | Council mtg, 6:30 PM |
| Sun, Jan 25 | Annual Congregational Meeting, 10:30 AM |

Remember to see the full January calendar enclosed as well



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