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Rector's Reflection

Love: Specks & Logs

February: Love Month with Valentine's Day and Black History Month as well to remember leaders like Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, Sojourner Truth, Fr. Absalom Jones and many others who gave of themselves spiritually, emotionally, mentally, socially and physically for our freedom. I sit here writing for February and realize that I am affected by the January tragedy in Arizona when many people were injured; six people were killed at a political rally, including a child and a judge. Judgments come pouring in assigning blame to liberals and conservatives and others who have created a climate of hate where to yell "fire" falsely in a crowded theater would be dangerous but acceptable behavior. I get this feeling of tension where socially, politically, religiously a rubber band is stretched one way, snapped back suddenly, and is then pulled extremely another way to compensate for the former stretch. Folks try to solve problems out of impulse so "it won't happen again," and to get on with life because the incident is overwhelming, hurts, and creates fear because that could have been anyone of us to suffer death or it's grief. We pause briefly, say "aint it awful, bow & shake our heads until the physical and emotional blood is cleaned up or dries.

Lent begins March 9 this year as Easter is celebrated as late as it can be on April 24. A neglected question about judgment for Sunday readings but included in Weekday readings is posed by Jesus in Matthew's Gospel (7:4-5): "Why do you see the speck in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?" I believe Jesus asks that to instill self-reflection first. Then Jesus challenges even more by asking "How can you say 'Let me take the speck out of your eye when there is a log in your own eye?'" There are those who would try anything without thinking about the other, the circumstances, and the effect of what they say or do: that's self-righteousness. Jesus final primary direction "First take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye." Jesus does not propose to ignore or not discuss or not engage issues, but he proposes self-judgment

and self-reform first. That's a loving act to do in order to love more or go out of one's self more for the other.

When thinking about giving one's judgment or correcting others or are corrected by others, I like to think about that divided heart symbol. Some engaged to be married give half of a metal heart to the fiancé/fiancée to wear on a chain as they wear the other half. They want to be united in body, mind and spirit. Spiritually in the Church that divided or broken heart symbol could mean that I need to be aware when speaking to others how my words affect them as they really affect myself as well. How do I and do I speak Christ's words from the heart?

As a Church community we break the bread because Christ broke it & was broken. Then we are his broken Body whom God uses to give and share God's life in the world. It's not just "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," but it's doing unto the other because I really am the other to someone else: that's great selfish selflessness. Those are the kinds of speckifications for a spiritual log home of interlocking relationships in the Church - a church where all are welcome and invited to build on one another in Christ, the loving Judge of all.

-Fr. Mike Herman,
Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Who is that familiar face?
Parishioner Profiles
by: Nancy Weber Taylor

Chris and Elise Shannon had their civil marriage blessed at Trinity on April 29, 2001.

Their daughter, Sydney, who is eight years old, was baptized at Trinity on July 7, 2003. As a cradle Episcopalian, Elise values the Book of Common Prayer, the liturgical church calendar and the history and traditions of the church. Chris is comfortable in the Episcopal Church because the service is so similar to the Roman Catholic service. Both Chris and Elise value the openness and warmth of all Episcopal Churches and the offer of communion to all who are baptized.

Elise has a BA from SVSU in Art and Design. She is a certified K-12 art teacher and works as an adjunct professor at SVSU, and is in charge of theatrical costuming at SVSU.

Chris has an English and History BA from SVSU and obtain his credential as a Certified Public Manager from SVSU. Chris works as a Business Solutions Professional in Work Force Development for SVRC and is the lead singer and guitarist for the band, *The Swaggering Rogues*. He is the current mayor of Bay City.

The Shannons are a family of many interests and hobbies! Elise loves homemaking, cooking, sewing, painting, walking, camping, reading, and spending

time with her friends and family. Chris love music, old books, home restoration and yard work, football and sports, and antiquing. Sydney loves piano, tennis, arts and crafts, cooking and animals.

Chris is a board member of Bay Future, Salvation Army, and River's Edge Development Corporation. In addition he is a member of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Initiative, Downtown Development Authority and the Certified Public Managers Advisory Board.

Elise does painting for parishioners interested in decorative Trinity roof tiles, is a member of the Trinity Think Tank Task Force and has agreed to co-chair the Trinity Wedding Music Event. She hopes to begin serving at Food of Faith. Chris is the Historical Committee liaison with the city of Bay City.

Elise and Chris value the members of Trinity, who always have made them feel welcome and unconditionally accepted. They value the beauty of the church and Father Mike, who they believe is one of Trinity's many blessings. Most of all, they value Jesus Christ who is a constant and who is always working in all of our lives. For them, Trinity is a place where members have the opportunity for growth to fulfill their purpose in Jesus Christ. Chris and Elise believe that Christ is working through Trinity. They have hopes and anticipation for their own growth and for the growth of their brothers and sisters in Christ. They are eager for new members and new ways for Trinity to reach out and serve the community.





We will learn a new hymn tune and text in February. The text is “Go forth for God; Go To the World In Peace” sung to the tune Litton. It is Hymn NO. 347 in “The Hymnal 1982”.

“Go Forth for God” is a wonderful parting hymn of encouragement. It exhorts believers to “go forth for God” to the world in peace (st. 1), “in love” (st. 2), “in strength” (stanza 3), and “in joy” (st. 4), using phrases from Romans 12:9-21 and 1 Thessalonians 5:13b-22-biblical texts containing Paul's instructions about how Christians should act in the world.

This hymn amplifies the petitions of the Eucharistic post communion prayer “send us now into the world in peace ... to love and serve you” and the dismissal “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord”. The author of the text is British priest and poet John Raphael Peacey.

John R. Peacey (b. Hove, Brighton, Sussex, England, 1896; d. Brighton, Sussex, 1971) wrote the original text to this hymn in 1968. “The Hymnal 1982” version of the text, however, is a result of revisions made by Peacey in 1970 and by the editors of the *English Hymnal* supplement, *English Praise* (1975). Educated in theology at Selwyn College, Cambridge, Peacey was ordained in the Church of England in 1923. In addition to serving several churches in England, he was also headmaster and principal of the Bishop Cotton School in Simla, India (1927-1945), and principal of Bishop's College in Calcutta, India (1935-1945). Peacey concluded his career at Bristol Cathedral (1945-1966). Written mainly during his retirement years, his hymn texts were published posthumously in *Go Forth for God* (1981).

The tune “Litton” was one of the last works composed for this text by the late Dr. Erik Routley. It was commissioned in July 1982 by the Choir of Trinity parish, Princeton, NJ, to honor Mr. James R. Litton upon the end of his tenure there as organist and choirmaster. Dr. Routley and Mr. Litton were close personal friends and colleagues on the faculty of the Westminster Choir College, Princeton.

Dr. Routley is a very important person in the history of hymns and hymn singing. Other tunes by Routley in “The Hymnal 1982” are:

No. 402 Let All the World In Every Corner Sing

No. 605 What Does the Lord Require For Praise

No. 639 Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown

Here is some information I found on the internet about Routley. I encourage you to explore some of the books listed. I own several of them if anyone would like to read them.

Erik Routley

ERIK REGINALD ROUTLEY (1917-1982), was a scholar and an authority with keen insight, wit, grace and style.

Pastor, musician and hymn writer in his own right, he was the catalyst for much that helped produce “The Hymn Explosion” of the 1970s. His influence as an editor, beginning with *Congregational Praise* (1951), *Dunblane Praise* (1962), *Cantate Domino* (1968), *New Church Praise* (1972), *Ecumenical Praise* (1977), and *Rejoice in the Lord* (1985), was profound.

Dr. Routley was born in Brighton, England, on 31 October 1917, four hundred years exactly (give or take eleven days for the new style calendar) after Martin Luther nailed his theses to the church door at Wittenburg. Erik once said that this was the only autobiographical fact about himself of which he was proud. His degrees were all from Oxford.

His move to Princeton, New Jersey, in 1975 as Professor of Church Music at Westminster Choir College helped export the fruits of the British hymn explosion, which significantly influenced hymnals and hymn singing in the United States during the last quarter of the twentieth century. His lectures, filled with delightful humor, were lucid, informative and rich in the understanding of a specialized subject important to all who love and sing hymns and psalms. His lasting influence as a theologian of music, and mentor to American church musicians, cannot be underestimated.

Dr. Routley deserves full credit for halting the dreary practice of singing “Amen” at the end of each hymn sung in American churches. A collection of his texts and tunes was published in 1990 under the title *Our Lives Be Praise* (Hope Publishing Company). Two of his texts have become standard fare in all new hymnals. They are “All Who Love and Serve Your City” and “New Songs of Celebration Render.” Dr. Routley has seven hymn credits in *The Hymnal 1982*.

You too can learn from Dr. Routley, through his many wonderful books. Many are still in print, others available used:

- Church Music and the Christian Faith
- The Divine Formula
- Words, Music, and the Church
- Rejoice in the Lord: A Hymn Companion to the Scriptures
- Short History of English Church Music
- Music Leadership in the Church
- A Panorama of Christian Hymnody
- The English Carol
- Exploring the Psalms
- The Gift of Conversion
- Hymns and the Faith
- Music, Sacred and Profane
- The Musical Wesleys
- The Wisdom of the Fathers
- Twentieth Century Church Music
- Christian Hymns Observed
- Hymns Today and Tomorrow
- Music of Christian Hymns



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Judy Laskowski.....	1
Robert Hayhurst.....	2
Camden Garcia.....	4
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Elise Shannon.....	8
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Arlene Stremming.....	12
Robert Laidlaw Johnson.....	15
Ryland Trahan.....	15
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Laura Meisel.....	18
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Michael Herman.....	19
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Kathryn Ann Garcia.....	25
Kyline Gray.....	25
Kathryn Middleton.....	25
Susan Hoyle.....	27
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Mildred Owen.....	28
Muriel Reif.....	28



Happy
Anniversary!

Frank & Gloria Davenport.....	3
Guy & Jane Moulthrop.....	11
Sean & Dawn Brady.....	14
Jeff & Nancy Taylor.....	14
Ray & Jeanette Luebs.....	16
Guy C. & Stephanie Moulthrop.....	19



Michael Trecha

ST. ELIZABETH'S GUILD

St. Elisabeth's will be held
on Tuesday February 8th at 12:30p.m.

Bring a sandwich or salad
Dessert provided by hostesses.

We look forward to seeing you all.
St. Elizabeth's is open to
all women of the church.

SEE YOU THERE

Giving Thanks for More Unity in Christ

In January to celebrate the Week of Christian Unity, Pastor Trina Holmberg from Unionville Moravian Church preached and presided at Trinity's Sunday Services and our Fr. Mike went to her Church to do the same. In 2009, the Episcopal Church voted to enter into full communion with the Moravians, and in 2010 the Northern and Southern Synods of the Moravian Church did the same. The National celebration of the two denominations New Covenant "Let us Delight in the Lord" will take place in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania on February 10, 2011. Fr. Mike will be going as Bishop Ousley's representative to participate in the Holy Eucharist Celebration. The Episcopal Church has a similar agreement with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to which Messiah Lutheran with Pastor Andreas Teich belongs. Similar work and discussion is occurring with Dr. Val's Presbyterian Church in the USA at this time. Let us continue to pray for and work for our unity in Christ, and give thanks for how God has changed hearts.



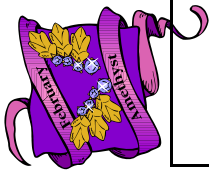
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Annual Meeting after 10 AM Worship 8:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery, Coffee Hour 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM FOF (St. Mary's)	31 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM N. A. Meeting in Parish Hall	1 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM Bible Study	2 9:00 AM Goal Seekers	3 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal	4	5 5:00 PM Worship
6 8:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Worship, Noisy Offering, Sunday School, Nursery, Coffee Hour 11:00 AM Sunday School - Shrine Circus 1 PM - Leave after church 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM FOF (St. Luke's)	7 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM N. A. Meeting in Parish Hall	8 12:30 PM St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting 4:00 PM Bible Study	9 9:00 AM Goal Seekers 6:30 PM Finance Com. Meeting	10 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal	11	12 5:00 PM Worship in Church
13 8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Fellowship Breakfast 10:00 AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery, Coffee Hour 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM FOF (Essexville Baptist)	14 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM N. A. Meeting in Parish Hall	15 Chimes Articles Due 4:00 PM Bible Study	16 9:00 AM Goal Seekers 5:30 PM Vestry Meeting (T)	17 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal	18	19 5:00 PM Worship in Church 7:00 PM Saginaw River Marine
20 8:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery, Coffee Hour, Health Screening 11:00 AM Friends of Music Meeting in Guild Room after 10 AM Worship 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM FOF (First Presbyterian - Youth)	21 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Historical Committee Meeting 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM N. A. Meeting in Parish Hall	22 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM Bible Study	23 9:00 AM Goal Seekers	24 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal	25	26 5:00 PM Worship in Church
27 8:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery, Coffee Hour to celebrate Bridge Curriculum Class 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM FOF (Unionville Moravian)	28 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Historical Committee Work Session 6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM N. A. Meeting in Parish Hall	1 6:30 PM Sandwich Supper & Easter Card Making for Bay Medical Care facility residents	2 9:00 AM Goal Seekers	3 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal	4	5 5:00 PM Worship in Church



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Saturday/Sunday Ministry



	<u>2/05/11 – 2/06/11</u> <u>5th Sun after the Epiphany</u>	<u>2/12/11 – 2/13/11</u> <u>6th Sun after the Epiphany</u>	<u>2/19/11 – 2/20/11</u> <u>7th Sun after the Epiphany</u>	<u>2/26/11 – 2/27/11</u> <u>8th Sun after the Epiphany</u>
1 st Lesson:	Isaiah 58:1-91	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18	Isaiah 49:8-16a
Psalms:	Psalms 112:1-9	Psalms 119:1-8	Psalms 119:33-40	Psalms 131
2 nd Lesson:	1 Corinthians 2:1-12	1 Corinthians 3:1-9	1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23	1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Gospel:	Matthew 5:13-20	Matthew 5:21-37	Matthew 5:38-48	Matthew 6:24-34
Altar Guild	Sally Skillman, Hope Shimabukuro & Bruce McVannell	Sally Skillman, Hope Shimabukuro & Bruce McVannell	Sally Skillman, Hope Shimabukuro & Bruce McVannell	Sally Skillman, Hope Shimabukuro & Bruce McVannell
5:00 PM				
L.E.M.	Carol Semerau	Monica Borrello	Monica Borrello	Jett Whitehead
8:00 AM				
L.E.M	Dave Maxim	Gary Hadden	Marty Foss	G Gary Hadden
10:00 AM				
Lector(s)	Mickie Leibrand	Sally Skillman	Jeff Taylor & Nancy Taylor	Frank Serresseque
L.E.M.(s)	Nancy Mayhew & Jeff Taylor	Jeff Taylor & Tony Hunsberger	Nancy Mayhew & Bruce McVannell	Debra Walker & Tony Hunsberger
Acolyte(s)	Pam Middleton	Adam Culler	Danny Middleton	Candace Spoonas
Ushers	Guy & Jane Moulthrop	Roberta Hunter & Susan Hoyle	Eric Mulholland & Robert Hartley	Nancy Taylor & Taylor Langstaff
Coffee Hour Host(s)	- OPEN -	- OPEN -	- OPEN -	- OPEN -
Counters	Steve & Emilee	Shelley & Rita	Steve & Elisabeth	Shelley & Emilee
Nursing Home LEMS 10 AM		Carol & Dan		Monica & Dan

PIECES OF LOVE



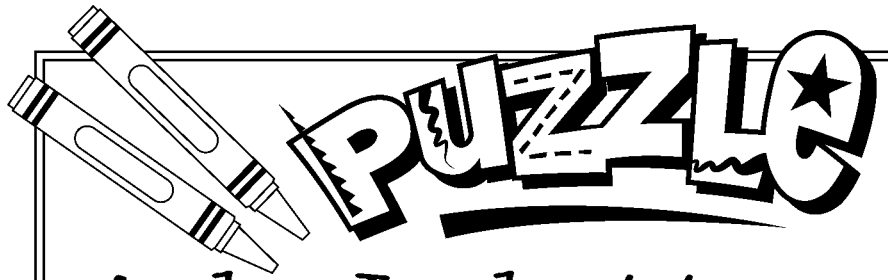
Send special reminders of your love by creating messages that people can assemble and enjoy.

What you need:

- Large wooden craft sticks
- Tape
- Permanent markers
- Scissors
- Zippered sandwich baggies

What you do:

1. Make a rectangle out of seven craft sticks by placing them next to one another, long side against long side.
2. Tape the sticks together.
3. Turn the sticks over and draw a special picture or message. You can include this Bible verse: "We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19, NIV).
4. Cut through the tape to separate each craft stick.
5. Put all the sticks in a baggie.
6. Give your special messages to family members, friends or teachers — along with directions for viewing them.



A Love Letter

In the New Testament, John writes a letter about God's love and the love we should show to other people.

DIRECTIONS: Working from left to right, write down all the 1's in the word blanks. Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's. Then read about love, from 1 John 4:11-12, NIV.

lives 3	in 3	us 3	Since 1	and 3	God 1	so 1	loved 1	his 3
us 1	love 3	we 1	If 2	also 1	is 3	made 3	we 2	ought 1
to 1	love 2	love 1	one 1	complete 3	one 2	another 1	in 3	us 3
another 2	God 2							

1 John 4:11-12, NIV

Answers: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.



First Corinthians 13 is a popular Scripture reading at wedding ceremonies. The so-called "love chapter" provides an extended definition of what Paul calls "the greatest" gift (verse 13).

Which of the following characteristics of love isn't found in 1 Corinthians 13?

- A. Love is patient.
- B. Love rejoices in the truth.
- C. Love believes all things.
- D. Love is childlike.

Answer: See 1 Corinthians 13



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