

THE CHIMES

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Dear Trinity Community,
As I write this, the gut-wrenching images of devastation and horrific acts on the people of Ukraine are ever present.

It's hard to find the words to pray and it's even harder to see how these violent acts against humanity can exist in such blatant opposition to the commandment to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Nothing about the invasion of Ukraine is okay. Nothing about separating parents and children is okay. Nothing about destroying a nation and people is okay. Nothing about driving people out of their land is okay. Nothing about making a profit at the expense of those suffering is okay.

God bless our world leaders who are doing everything they can to stop the horrors and destruction while doing their best to avoid a third world war.

My heart is grieving at the loss of life and home and land. My anger, and even rage, against the spiritual forces and Russian leadership for the ruthless destruction on a people is real. My desire to do something to make a difference is just as great. I expect you are feeling some of these same emotions.

In the Book of Common Prayer, in the Catechism section on The Ten Commandments, we are offered some guidance. On page 848 it states that our duty to our neighbors is to love them as ourselves, and to do to other people as we wish them to do to us.

Focusing on the sixth commandment it states we are to *show respect for the life God has

given us; *work and pray for peace; *bear no malice, prejudice, or hatred in our hearts; *and be kind to all the creatures of God.

When everything is going along swimmingly, we can say, "Yes, of course I'll do that". When we are faced with such horrors it's much more difficult to accomplish.

And so, we do our best to love our neighbors as ourselves as we work and pray for peace. We pray for wisdom and discernment for our world leaders as they decide on the best measures to stop the violence against Ukraine and reduce the risk of escalation. We pray for peace in our own hearts, peace in our community, state and country. We pray for peace for Ukraine, Russia and the Middle East.

In order to bear no malice, prejudice, or hatred in our hearts, we pray for the aggressors, that their hearts and minds may be changed and that they turn and repent. We pray for the people in and from Russia who have no responsibility for these horrific decisions. And we pray for protection over Russians who live throughout the world from attacks by others in retaliation and anger toward those who are in control.

As a way to be kind to all the creatures of God, we can keep our eyes open for those we know, or with whom we come in contact, that are from Ukraine or Russia and offer our support and kind words. We can send money to Episcopal Relief and Development at <https://support.episcopalrelief.org>. And we can be kind to one another, remembering that we are all precious children of God.

In Christ's love, *Rev. Sue*

Our First 40 Days: A Reflection from Bishop Singh

In a blog post from the bishop, he greets the dioceses with gratitude

"Dear saints, I call you saints as the Apostle Paul did because we all aspire toward holiness in Christ Jesus. I greet you from the spring House of Bishops in Houston, TX. Thank you for your support and prayer for the people of Ukraine and Russia.

After over a month of beginning this journey, let me share a few brief observations and seek your prayer for a few things.

Your deep devotion to Christ and the church moves me. Your many new practices to connect with formation and creation inspire me. I suspect that this devotion translates into a hope-filled resilience that you practice seemingly effortlessly. Despite the pandemic and other challenges, you and the Holy Spirit have raised, discerned, and formed many leaders for Holy Orders. God willing and the people consenting, we will joyfully ordain five transitional deacons in April and three vocational deacons in June...."

THANK YOU

Bishop Prince Singh for joining us on March 13 and bringing God's message of hope and joy.

Marc Mulholland for running the sound and cameras for worship for the first time while Archie was away.

Shelley Anderson, Diane Rapson-Gabil and Ann Shea for buying, hanging and spacing the pictures of the bishops in the Bishops' Walk.

OUR SYMPATHIES TO

The family of Beatrice Cnudde who died on March 3, 2022, especially Phyllis Capp (sister-in-law) and Faith Culler (niece).

Faith Culler on the death of her aunt, Dorothy "Kathy" Cline, who died on March 7, 2022.

CONFIRMATION/RECEPTION/RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

We will be having a class with St. Alban's for those desiring to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church or to renew their baptismal vows. Please speak with Rev. Sue if you are interested.

FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE

Please make sure to like our Facebook page and YouTube channel and then share them on Facebook. We get lots of views when you share our posts and services!

SPECIAL APRIL WORSHIP DATES

- Palm Sunday, April 10, worship at 10:00am
- Sunday, April 10, at 4:00pm, Bob Sabourin Memorial Evensong
- Maundy Thursday, April 14 service at 7:00pm
- Good Friday, April 15 service at noon
- There will be no Easter Vigil this year
- Easter Sunday, April 17, worship and flowering of the cross at 10:00am

EASTER VIGIL IN SAGINAW

St. John's, Episcopal Church will be having an Easter Vigil at 8:00pm on Saturday, April 16

PALMS AND PIZZA

Join us on Saturday, April 9 at 11:00am to make palm crosses and eat pizza!

SAVE THE DATE - ORGAN CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 15 at 4pm

REMEMBER TRINITY IN YOUR WILL

As a way to offer enduring support ministry here, please consider putting Trinity in your will.

UPDATE ON TRINITY'S COVID PROTOCOLS

- Masks are:
 - Not required in the building but welcome
 - Required when coming to communion

- Contact Tracing
 - We will continue taking attendance at all worship services
 - Trinity ministry groups and outside groups that meet will be responsible to keep track of attendees and contact them and us if someone comes down with Covid
 - Signing in upon entry is no longer required
- Passing of the Peace will be done at a distance
- Hand sanitizer continues to be used before receiving communion
- Communion is now at the altar rail
- Communion will be bread only
- Online worship continues
- Coffee hour resumes with food served by gloved servers
- Additional information can be found at www.eastmich.org/coronavirus

WORSHIP AT TRINITY

It is understood that when out in public there is the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and we trust that each household will make the best decision for themselves as to attend worship in-person or online. Trinity's space is quite large and we have implemented safety measures above the diocesan requirements. Please note: Our virtual services are live streamed or recorded/preserved to be available to others by way of our website, social media, or other on-line platforms. Even though there is no deliberate attempt to include the congregation in the broadcast or publication, you are hereby notified there is the possibility of your image being shown and your presence and participation constitutes your permission for that to occur.

PRAYER LIST UPDATES

If you have someone you would like to add to one of our prayer lists, please email

trinitychurchbaycity@gmail.com or call 989-326-0469 (cell).

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Have you changed your address, phone number or other information lately? If so, please make sure that information gets to us! Thank you.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Your continued financial support of Trinity is greatly appreciated. Your Finance Committee and Vestry continue to work diligently to utilize all resources available to us during this unprecedented time.

Ways to provide us with your contributions:

- Write and mail a check to Trinity
- IRA contribution
- Go to www.trinityepiscopalbaycity.org, click on the online giving link which will take you to the diocesan webpage.



Birthdays

Janet Hool
 Elizabeth Moulthrop
 Cecilia Keeler
 Susan (Iannacchione) Fraser
 Phyllis Capp
 Amy Salazar
 Ellie Hartley
 Donald Middleton
 Ashley Suchodolski
 Thomas Anderson
 Amy Denay
 Terry O'Hare
 Emilee Sabourin
 Joyce MacGregor
 James Hoyle
 Maureen Leibrand
 Steven Anderson

Anniversaries

Bruce and Cindy Sherbeck

Trinity Church
Her People, Her Building
Then and Now

The Bishops' Walk

The Bishops' Walk is the hallway behind the Altar and Sanctuary of Trinity Church. It is usually called the ambulatory and allows a person to walk from one side of the church to the other without being seen and thus not distracting from the worship service.

For many years the ambulatory or walkway housed the photos of bishops who served the Episcopal Church. One could walk or "amble" and see the various bishops from 1860 onwards. Later, this area sustained water damage, and to preserve the pictures they were removed and stored. After repairs and repainting, there was again a place for "The Bishops' Walk."

A bishop leads a diocese and is the "shepherd" to the people. He or she makes pastoral visits to the churches in the diocese and confers rites such as confirmation and ordination.

A very special thanks to Anne Trahan who photo-shopped and did so many things to restore old photos, some of which were more than 100 years old. Previously, the pictures were of various sizes and condition. Thanks to her efforts we can see uniform-sized photos of the Bishops of the Diocese of Michigan, and since 1995, those of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Michigan.



The Bishops' Walk in the ambulatory behind the High Altar and Sanctuary of Trinity Church.



Kerry Brown was a devoted member of Trinity Church and lovingly served the Lord, especially on the Altar Guild and Historical Guild. The Bishops' Walk was a project to which she dedicated much time and effort. Kerry often took the Sunday School students on a "walk" and explained the bishop's role. She always had a smile and a loving heart. It is our great joy to honor Kerry and dedicate The Bishops' Walk to God's glory and in her fond memory.

Faithfully submitted by the Historical Guild

EASTER FLOWERS



Donations to Trinity’s Easter Flower fund provides the flower arrangements we enjoy during the Easter

Season. Please give a minimum gift of \$15.00.

DUE PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

Your name(s):

Contact #:

I would like to contribute \$ _____ to the Trinity Episcopal Christmas Poinsettia Fund.

_____ **In grateful thanksgiving for:**

And/or _____ **In loving memory of:**

Please make checks to Trinity Episcopal Church. Mark on the check “Easter Flowers.” Please seal your check and a copy of this form in an envelope and place it in Sunday’s offering plate or Trinity’s mailbox outside the office door or mail it to 815 N. Grant St., Bay City, 48708.

PLEASE USE OTHER SIDE OF FORM FOR FRIENDS OF MUSIC DONATION.

Office Use:

Date donation was received:

Cash \$ _____

Check \$ _____ # _____

Total Donation \$ _____

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Donations to Trinity’s Friends of Music fund help to support the fine music we enjoy at Easter and throughout the year. Please give generously.



DUE PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

Your name(s):

Contact #:

I would like to contribute \$ _____ to Trinity Episcopal Church Friends of Music.

_____ **In grateful thanksgiving for:**

And/or _____ **In loving memory of:**

Please make checks to Trinity Episcopal Church. Mark on the check “Friends of Music.” Please seal your check and a copy of this form in an envelope and place it in Sunday’s offering plate or Trinity’s mailbox outside the office door or mail it to 815 N. Grant St., Bay City, 48708.

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Office Use:

Date donation was received:

Cash \$ _____

Check \$ _____ # _____

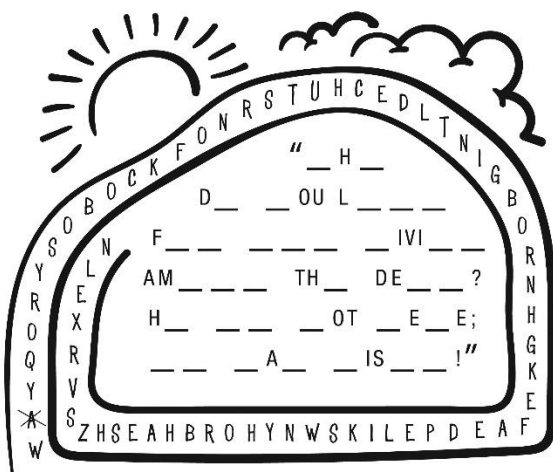
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PUZZLE

EASTER MORNING *message*

Early Sunday morning, some women who followed Jesus encountered a great surprise. Solve the puzzle to see what the angels told them.

Directions: Cross out every other letter in the maze. Write the remaining letters in order to complete Luke 24:5-6, NIV.



LUKE 24:5-6, NIV

Answer: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5-6, NIV

PUZZLE

A lasting promise

Before ascending into heaven, Jesus speaks a final promise to the disciples.

Directions: Use the picture clues to find the letters. Then write that word below to complete Acts 1:8, NIV.

Find a letter that's in  but not in . _____

Find a letter that's in  but not in . _____

Find a letter that's in  but not in . _____

Find a letter that's in  but not in . _____

Find a letter that's in  but not in . _____

"But you will receive _____ when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

ACTS 1:8, NIV

Answer: power

WORSHIP ON FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

In-person and Online:

Sunday-10:00 AM – Holy Communion

Online only:

Wednesday-11:30 AM – Morning Prayer

Tues & Thurs-9:00 PM – Compline

FOOD OF FAITH 2:30 P.M. on Sundays

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