

Dear People of God:

One of the spiritual gifts about this parish is our understated faithfulness to the “work given us to do.” Day by day, week in and week out, month by month, and year after year, the people of this congregation worship God, serve the community beyond our doors, care for each other, and attend to our buildings, grounds and financial resources. As you will see and hear at our 2024 Annual Meeting, we simply go about our business with a straightforwardness that is truly inspiring.

A few of the highlights of 2023 include:

1. The ongoing commitment of folks to provide “grab-and-go” meals to the Gathering and prayer blankets to Kathy’s House.
2. Trinity continues as a collection site for Fr. Gene’s Clothing Ministry.
3. Trinity parishioners filled scores upon scores of backpacks with school supplies for children at Sojourner Family Peace Center.
4. Our Annual Awesome Auction broke another record with over \$20,000 raised which we distributed to the many outreach efforts we support in Milwaukee County and beyond.
5. The Annual Christmas gift-giving effort to benefit Meta House was another success.
6. Our Sunday School has continued to be staffed by committed teachers who greet each child with the love of God, and do their best to teach them the stories of our faith.
7. An Adult Christian Formation Committee was formed last fall, and currently plans all of the Adult Forum topics, as well as providing leadership for those gatherings.
8. Our youth group has benefitted from consistent gatherings, and we’ve been fortunate to receive a diocesan grant which has enabled us to join with youth groups from other area Episcopal parishes to strengthen our sense of Christian Community.
9. Opportunities for fellowship continue to pop up here and there – including a successful Thanksgiving Dinner in the Parish Hall last November as well as our recent Twelfth Night Party. Plans are in the works for the reestablishment of the Foyer Dinners this spring.

Meanwhile, we said farewell to Tom Koester after nearly ten years of service as our Minister of Music, and we said, “Hello!” to Dr. Curt Sather, who joined us at the beginning of October, and has already contributed immensely to our worship life. Through Curt’s efforts we also had a Taizé Service and an Organ Recital that drew 50 and almost 100 persons respectively.

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He is already planning another Taizé Service in Lent as well as a Spring Organ Recital featuring the music of his beloved J. S. Bach (you won't want to miss it!).

We have reinstated Lay Prayer Ministers on two Sundays per month at the 10:00 am liturgy, and we now have a designated "YouTube Greeter" who monitors the chat during our Sunday livestreams. And speaking of livestreams, we continue to benefit from the faithful work of John and Eli Washbush, who have served relentlessly as our digital support team since March 2020.

In and around all of this, our Buildings and Grounds group has overseen not only the usual upkeep and repairs that are a part of managing a property like ours, but also facilitated a major roof repair project over the sacristy. While they had also planned to have our parking lot rebuilt in 2023, a few unexpected twists and turns with the City necessitated a change of plans, but everyone is in high hopes that this project will be completed in 2024.

Like every parish, there is always more to do. Like every parish, our aspirations often bump into the limitations of time, energy and finances. Like every parish we are sensitive to the changes in our culture around us and how those changes impact our ongoing ministry to bring the Good News of the Gospel to the world.

In the meantime, we continue to greet new people into our midst, and not only do we greet them, but we work to connect them into the opportunities and ministries that are a part of our parish. One shining example of this ongoing effort is the fact that four out of the five parishioners on today's slate for Vestry service have been part of Trinity for less than seven years, and in a couple of cases, less than four.

I know that to write a litany like this is to risk overlooking PLENTY of people who work so hard to support the many efforts of this parish. Please accept my apologies for any oversights – they were not intentional!

Finally, I want to offer a word of information to everyone. This coming July 15, God willing, I will observe my twentieth anniversary of being Trinity's priest. In 2004, when Tabitha, Matthew and I arrived in Wauwatosa, we could have never imagined that this place would become our home, and so many of you, our friends. Over the past several months, I've had a few folks inquire about my retirement plans. The truth is, I don't have any such plans at this moment. I will be 65 on my birthday in a few weeks, but the mandatory retirement age in the Episcopal Church is 72.

So, while I don't plan on retiring anytime soon, neither do I plan to stay in place for another seven years. That's about as "exact" as I can be at the moment, but I prefer to err on the side of sharing information, even when there's not much information to share. I know I'm looking my age these days, but I can honestly say that I'm as energized about Trinity Church as I've ever been, and I think this excitement about what God is up to in our midst helps me stay as young-at-heart as an old guy can be.

It continues to be a high privilege to serve here as your rector. I am grateful for the myriad of ways everyone of you support me in this work. Thank you all.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary B. Manning", with a small cross or plus sign at the end of the signature.

The Rev'd Gary B. Manning, *Rector*



The First Friday Fellowship Group is open to everyone and will meet on Friday, February 2 at 6:00 pm at Trinity Church. Please bring a dish to pass. If you have questions, please contact the First Friday coordinator Emily Watkins at jimandemily@gmail.com.

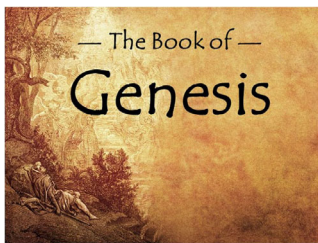


SCRIP

Orders are due on February 4!



The Trinity Men's Group will gather for its monthly meeting on **Monday, February 5 at 6:30 pm.** All men of the parish are invited. Please text or call Gary Manning at 414-899-9004 or e-mail (tosapriest@gmail.com) to let him know if you are planning to attend so he can procure the correct amount of food for the evening.



Wednesday Evening Zoom Bible Study continues!

February 7 at 7:00 p.m., we will discuss Genesis, chapters 42-45.

February 21 at 7:00 p.m., we will discuss Genesis, chapters 46-50

Zoom Meeting Bible Study Credentials are:

Meeting ID: 850 3195 1433

Passcode: 354418



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Indulge in pancakes at Trinity's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 13!

Enjoy pancakes, sausage and fruit from 5:30pm -6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The meal is free. However, a donation is encouraged. All proceeds will benefit the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

Volunteers are needed to help set up, cook and clean up. If you are interested, please contact Liz Paulsen at liz.paulsen@yahoo.com or 414-367-9750.

Ash Wednesday 2024



The season of Lent begins with **ASH WEDNESDAY** **February 14!**

Liturgy for this Holy Day of Obligation will be observed in the Nave at 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 5:30 pm Family Service 7:00 pm

Each observance will include the Imposition of ashes and a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Gary's Lenten Diary

Gary Manning's Daily Audio Diary begins on Ash Wednesday and will continue everyday through Lent including Easter Day. Gary offers a brief meditation on some aspect of the Daily Office readings assigned for the day. Click on the following link to hear these reflections. <https://audioboom.com/channels/4945371>

The Gospel of Mark

Ash Wednesday - February 14 Mark 1:1-13
 February 15 Mark 1:14-28
 February 16 Mark 1:29-45
 February 17 Mark 2:1-17

1st Sunday in Lent - February 18 Mark 2:18-28
 February 19 Mark 3:1-12
 February 20 Mark 3:13-20
 February 21 Mark 3:31-35
 February 22 Mark 4:1-9
 February 23 Mark 4:10-20
 February 24 Mark 4:21-34

2nd Sunday in Lent - February 25 Mark 4:35-41
 February 26 Mark 5:1-20
 February 27 Mark 5:21-34
 February 28 Mark 5:35-43
 February 29 Mark 6:1-13
 March 1 Mark 6:14-29
 March 2 Mark 6:30-56

3rd Sunday in Lent - March 3 Mark 7:1-23
 March 4 Mark 7:24-37
 March 5 Mark 8:1-13
 March 6 Mark 8:14-26
 March 7 Mark 8:27-9:1
 March 8 Mark 9:2-13
 March 9 Mark 9:14-32

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| 4th Sunday in Lent - March 10 | Mark 9:33-49 |
| March 11 | Mark 10:1-16 |
| March 12 | Mark 10:17-31 |
| March 13 | Mark 10:32-45 |
| March 14 | Mark 10:46-52 |
| March 15 | Mark 11:1-11 |
| March 16 | Mark 11:12-19 |
| 5th Sunday in Lent - March 17 | Mark 11:20-33 |
| March 18 | Mark 12:1-12 |
| March 19 | Mark 12:13-27 |
| March 20 | Mark 12:28-37 |
| March 21 | Mark 12:38-44 |
| March 22 | Mark 13:1-8 |
| March 23 | Mark 13:9-23 |
| March 24 - Palm Sunday | Mark 13:24-37 |
| March 25 - Holy Monday | Mark 14:1-9 |
| March 26 - Holy Tuesday | Mark 14:10-31 |
| March 27 - Holy Wednesday | Mark 14:32-65 |
| March 28 - Maundy Thursday | Mark 14:66-72 |
| March 29 - Good Friday | Mark 15:1-39 |
| March 30 - Holy Saturday | Mark 15:40-47 |
| March 31 - Easter | Mark 16:1-20 |

Stations of the Cross & Holy Eucharist

7:00 am Friday Mornings
Friday, February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22
 Enter through the chapel door along Milwaukee Avenue.



Dinner-to-Go

Join the faithful crew on Friday, February 16 beginning at 6:30 pm to prepare bagged lunches for The Gathering's Saturday evening meal. Questions? Contact Jill Paradowski at 414-704-7840.



RETREAT ON 2 FEET

CONTEMPLATIVE WALKING & WELLBEING

February 17, 2024, 9:00 am—3:00 pm

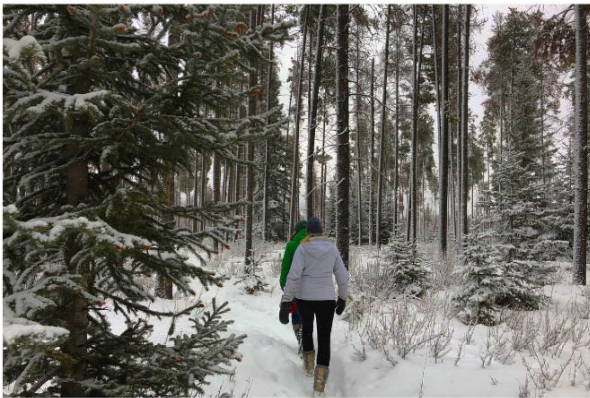
Walking with The Spirit In Lent

A Contemplative Walking Retreat

at Holy Wisdom Monastery

4200 County Road M.

Middleton, WI 53562



Through a series of 4-5 short meditations, followed by 30-minute walks (outdoor or indoor) with options for sitting, too, we will explore the spiritual, emotional, and physical dimensions of walking with the Spirit through the season of Lent.

Who: Open to everyone, from all (or no) spiritual traditions, who is interested in a contemplative approach to wellbeing. Our co-facilitators are Kris Gorton (Pastor, Memorial United Church of Christ Church, Fitchburg), Gary Manning (Pastor, Trinity Episcopal Church, Wauwatosa), and Scott Stoner (Living Compass Director).

When: We will gather at 8:45 AM, and our retreat will start at 9:00 AM. Lunch is included, and we will conclude at 3:00 PM. The retreat will happen regardless of the weather.

Cost: \$15/person, which includes lunch. Guest rooms (singles and doubles, each with a private bath) have been reserved for Friday night for those who want to come Friday and stay overnight (there will not be programming, but there will be time for conversation and fellowship. The cost if you stay overnight is \$75 (this includes lunch on Saturday but not dinner on Friday). Payment can be made at the retreat by cash or check.

How: To register, please go to www.LivingCompass.org/Ro2F and click on the link. For more information or help registering, email Scott at Scott@LivingCompass.org. Wear comfortable shoes and warm clothes if you plan to walk outside.

Registration deadline is February 5.

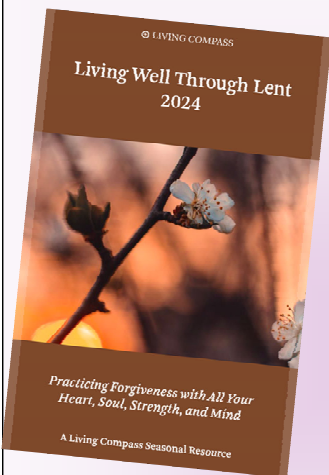
Lenten Appeal to Help The Children of Gaza

The war in Gaza is having a catastrophic impact on children in Gaza. Children have been dying at an alarming rate – thousands have been killed, thousands more injured. They do not have enough access to food, water and medical care. Their homes have been destroyed and families torn apart. Please consider donating to the “Save the Children” Fund’s Emergency Relief Fund. This organization has operated in Palestine since 1953.

Please make checks out to Trinity Church with Lenten Appeal in the memo line. An envelope will be available on the glass window outside the library during Lent for your convenience. It will also include a QR code for paying via Vanco, Trinity’s online giving platform.

Contributions can also be made on Trinity’s website “trinitywauwatosa.org.”

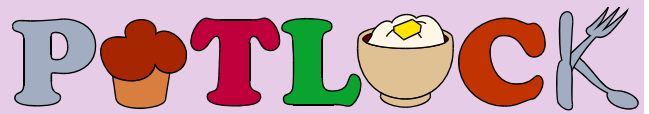
Lenten Devotional



A limited number of *Living Well through Lent 2024 - Practicing Compassion With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength and Mind* devotional booklets will soon be available in the Narthex and on the tables in the Parish Hall.

This devotional provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent, an experience that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter.

Come to the



Brunch

Sunday, February 18 following the
10:00 am Liturgy for food
and fellowship.

Please bring a dish to pass!

Offering for Palms and Easter Flowers

Help defray the cost of palms and flowers used to adorn the church for the Easter Season by offering flowers in memory of and/or in thanksgiving for loved ones.

Suggested donation \$30

Please complete the form and return it to the parish office.

Name _____

Phone/email _____

In Thanksgiving for:

In Memory of:

Enclosed is my check to Trinity Church for

\$ _____



Blanket Tying in the Fellowship Hall

The next blanket tying date is February 19 from 10:00 am to Noon in the parish hall where we will be tying blankets for the Children’s Cath Lab and Kathy’s House. Please contact Jill Paradowski at 414-704-7840 or email at Jill.paradowski@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

Episcopal YOUTH Community (EYC)

Details are sent via email. If you would like to be on the email list for EYC, please contact Gary Manning at tosapriest@gmail.com.

Trinity Youth Group Calendar—February—June 2024

- February 25 MKE Youth Collab – Meet at St. Paul’s Church, 5-7 pm

- March 17 MKE Youth Collab – Meet at St. Paul’s Church, 5-7 pm

- April 7 Trinity EYC – Activity TBD – @Trinity Church 5-7 pm
- April 21 MKE Collab – Meet at St. Paul’s Church, 5-7 pm

- May 5 Trinity EYC – Afternoon Outing, TBD, 3-5 pm
- May 19 Trinity EYC – Cookout w/ Parents, Siblings and “Rising” 6th Graders!
@Trinity Church, 5-7 pm

- June 14 & 15 MKE Collab Service Project – Overnight Event. Details to Follow



Lenten Taizé Service Sunday, March 3 4:00 pm At Trinity Church

All are welcome to a Lenten service in the style of the French monastic community of Taizé on Sunday, March 3 at 4:00 p.m. There will be a rehearsal at 3:15 p.m. that day for anyone interested in helping to lead the singing. This will be an opportunity for chant and silence and meditation in the candlelit sanctuary. God speaks to us in the silence. This program will last about 45 minutes.

Bach Birthday Events

For nearly 40 years organist, Curt Sather has celebrated the birthday of composer J. S. Bach (1685-1750) with a recital of organ music. This year there will be two events. The Bach Birthday events are part of the Milwaukee Symphony's Citywide Bach Festival.



Organ Recital - Sunday March 17, 4:00 pm At Trinity Church



Trinity Church will host a recital on our pipe organ on Sunday, March 17 at 4:00 p.m. Curt Sather will perform a variety of pieces

by Bach to show off the organ, and the wide range of the composer's style. The music will be accompanied by verbal explanations of Bach, his life, and his importance to Humanity. This program will be one hour in length.

Organ Recital - Wednesday, March 20, 12:00 pm

At St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church (diagonally across from Trinity) will host a Bach birthday event on Wednesday, March 20 at 12:00 pm featuring St. Matthew's Director of Music & Organist, John Paradowski, and Trinity's musician Curt Sather. This hour-long program will feature familiar solos and duets on the pipe organ and piano, as well as speaking about the facets of Bach's life, music, and spirituality, accompanied by a slide show.

Lenten Organ Music at Trinity

The Postlude at the 10:00 a.m. liturgy during Lent will feature examples of the musical form "Toccat". Since the Renaissance, the term toccata has been used to define a piece for keyboard instruments designed, basically, to show off. Each Sunday in Lent, Curt Sather will conclude the service with a Toccata from various countries and time periods. These pieces, often in a tragic or sad minor key, may be interpreted as a dramatic representation of the Passion. Listen especially to Bach's famous Toccata & Fugue in D minor on Palm Sunday, March 24. Easter Sunday will conclude the series with the jubilant Toccata by French composer Charles Marie Widor.



The Outreach Committee met December 10th and made the decision to continue support for the following organizations that Trinity has had a special relationship with throughout the years: The Haiti Partnership, Hunger Task Force, Trinity Christian Mission in Kenya, Wisconsin Anti-Violence Effort, Exploit No More, Eras Senior Services, Project Return, The Gathering and the Street Angels.

A new nonprofit organization this year is Groundwork Milwaukee, which is concerned with the environment, growing food for and beautifying the inner city and work force development. Also new is Forward Scholars, an in-school tutoring program for first through third graders.

Funds were also designated for: The Rector's Discretionary Fund and SCRIP cards for the office to answer requests for financial support for groceries.

The Humane Society and Forward Scholars were beneficiaries of the Ask Me portion of the Awesome Auction.

Finally, Habitat for Humanity and Sojourner Family Peace Center benefited by the proceeds of the rummage sale.

Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity in 2023!



It took two good sized hand trucks to contain all of the gifts for Meta House, a nonprofit drug and alcohol addiction treatment program for women. At Meta House,

women are allowed to bring their children. Many women refuse treatment because of their children. So, there were many gifts intended for children, assuring them a nice Christmas.

Here are some pictures as Kathy Longway tackled the task with gusto.



Twelfth Day of Christmas Celebration!

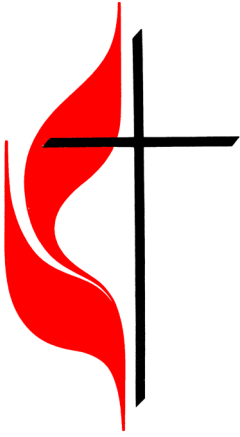
Friday, January 5, 2024

Photos by The Rev. Martha Berger



Chili Cook-Off - We had 14 delicious chilis and 35 people in attendance on Saturday, January 20, 2024 to choose their favorite chili. The first place winner was Karla Wyse for her white chili, coming in second was Nicole Waites for her traditional chili and third place was Marlene Udovich for her white chili. Thank you to Steve Poser for his electrical hook up of the crock pots. Thanks to Jonah Paulsen and Dara Toro for their willingness to call out the bingo numbers, however the Green Packer game preempted bingo. Thank you to everyone who made chili and helped with clean up of the parish hall.

Haiti Partnership



“For many years the people of the Diocese of Milwaukee and the people of St. Marc's, Jeanette, have shared in a mutually life-giving relationship through the Haiti Project. I am very happy to see that relationship is now being revitalized in the formation of the Haiti Partnership, and I encourage

every member of our diocese to actively support it, as we jointly renew our commitment to our risen Lord and to His people in Jeanette”.

These words from the Rev Stephen Capitelli, DOM Executive Council member, are happy news for Trinity parishioners who have a history with the Haiti Project - the sponsorship of students or classrooms, the art, the mission trips, etc. To those newer to Trinity, little or nothing may be known. Later this spring there will be an opportunity to learn more about the work that continues and progresses at the school, clinic, and community of Jeannette, Haiti.

Cathy Parrill serves as a consultant to the Haiti Partnership for the Diocese of Milwaukee. She has offered to hold as many information sessions as we would like. Her decades of working in Haiti, where she focused on training and empowering Haitians, make her uniquely positioned to do the work previously performed by a large body of volunteers that made up the former Haiti Project. As you might imagine, It also makes it difficult for that one person to reach as many people as the army of passionate volunteers did previously. There are quarterly newsletters, and resources on the diocesan website, (diomil.org look under “Mission and Ministry”) but if you are

not on the mailing list or don't frequent the website, you can learn more about this impactful ministry by attending an upcoming zoom meeting hosted by Trinity Church with Cathy.

I have had a deeply personal connection to this ministry and am heartened to see the Diocese continue it's support of our brothers and sisters in Haiti. In a country where almost nothing works, this partnership is a testament to the strength of the relationships, longstanding commitment to, and myriad successes experienced along the way with St Marc's parish and community.

“Our goal is to strengthen the sustainability of our support, to build on relationships we already have in Jeannette in ways that will empower their self-sufficiency to the greatest degree possible, and to broaden support for the Haiti Partnership among our diocese and beyond.” — Bishop Jeffrey Lee

Please watch the bulletin for details. I hope you will plan to join us when the invitation comes your way.

~ Ann Brophy



Beth Vogel and Jill Paradowski had the pleasure of visiting long time parishioner Genny Daas!

Genny's late husband Dick was the “clerk of the works” who maintained the building and

grounds at Trinity Church for many years. Genny says “hello” to everyone at Trinity Church. She is an amazing 91 year old lady.

Buildings and Grounds Updates

A HUGE Thank You

As we end a year and look forward to the next year, it is always a great time to reflect on the past. As I looked back on 2023, I am humbled by all the amazing efforts of so many parishioners as it related to maintaining and improving our Buildings and Grounds. I find myself thankful and astounded at what a small group was able to accomplish.

It is always challenging, and often dangerous, to name specific people to thank over a year long period. The worry of forgetting someone becomes more and more concerning (and likely) the older I get. However, I would like to specifically thank a few people:

- Chris Jeske and Rick Wood for their efforts in “keeping the lights on”. Chris and Rick have helped with many church repairs and have literally walked through the church to replace burned out light bulbs.
- Steve Poser who has helped with all things electrical in the Church and the Rectory. We are so glad that he is retired and has more time on his hands. Steve is Electrifying.
- Deacon Judy who has become our plant and weed whisperer at the church and the rectory. Judy has developed a rapport with all things “green” at the church. I am not positive, but I do believe that the weeds and the flowers count on the Deacon showing up around the same time every day for her visits. I even thought I heard some of weeds straighten up and say “Deacon - Pick me! Pick me!”
- The office personnel in Blair Craig-Barlow, Barb Neils, and Barb Thompson for keeping a watch over the building and making the calls when a repair, replacement or building need arises. The old motto is “we cannot fix it if we don’t know about it”. In all honesty, I have also known this group to just fix things themselves.
- The huge group that helps out with Spring and Fall cleanups including our youngest helpers being Auggie and Milo, to our more experienced helpers in Brendon, Jenice, Judy, Barb, Cindy, Patrick, Anna, Luke, Rick, Dave, Bo, Bill, Brook, Ann, Jessie, Jill, John, Betsy, Tabitha, Liz, Keith, Joe, Rafael, Laura, Dara, Jack, and so many others. Thank you for your ministry of God’s Creation.

Thanks, and Blessings to the Buildings and Grounds Executive Board

I would also like to give thanks and praise to the Buildings and Grounds Executive Board who has helped direct the Buildings and Grounds efforts this past few years by helping to prioritize projects, select vendors and manage the gifts that have been given to the parish over the years.

This board, through their contemplation, creative efforts, and pure magic, has been able to accomplish some major renovations and remodeling without a Capital Campaign Fund. Some of these projects include the complete remodeling of the sacristy, the installation of a sump pump, the waterproofing of the sacristy outside walls, the replacement of the roofs above the chapel and the sacristy, a clean-up and reset of our landscaping, and preparation for a new parking lot to occur in the Spring of 2024.

Please take time to thank these amazing board members for their commitment to watching over the gifts that God has given us.

The board is comprised of Bo Jermyn, Patrick McSweeney, Deacon Judy Thayer, Betsy Jeffery, Tom Mackenzie, Beth Vogel, Jack Udovich, Barb Neils, and Luke Schleif.

Buildings and Grounds Accomplishments for 2023

As a congregation, we often are running very fast and hard. We are constantly taking note of all the things that we have not done or not completed. However, sometimes we need to sit back and rejoice for the things we have accomplished. The following is a listing of some of the accomplishments that we have been blessed with for the last two years.

- Waterproofed the west walls of the sacristy, reset the window wells, and added a sump pump to hopefully avoid future water issues.
- Put a new roof over the chapel and came in under budget for the project.
- Completely remodeled the sacristy with new cabinets, a new floor, new paint, and new electrical services. All work performed by volunteers saved Trinity Church approximately \$20,000+.
- Professionally trimmed the bushes and trees at the church and the rectory.
- Completed a “hard restart” of the landscaping surrounding the church and the rectory grounds at minimal cost to Trinity Church.
- Installed a new roof over the sacristy with the project coming in under budget.
- Completed a Spring cleanup of the grounds with 14 volunteers saving Trinity Church over \$1200.
- Completed a Fall cleanup with 12 parishioners saving the Trinity Church over \$1500.
- Installed gutter guards on the rectory at no cost to Trinity Church.

Gifts from Heaven

Faith! What a wonderful feeling to embrace. So often we are not certain how we will accomplish a task, how we will find resources and how we will ever pay for it all.

Well, this has clearly been a year where faith has played an important role in Buildings and Grounds. We have been blessed with many active hands and feet helping with cleaning, raking, sweeping, repairing, installing and so much more. Many parishioners have helped in different ways to keep our buildings and grounds functioning properly and looking nice.

We have also been blessed with some unexpected financial support.

- Over the years we have received many different funds from parish members, friends of Trinity Church, and bequests or estate monies. We were able to use these funds to help do the repairs, renovations, and upkeep of Trinity Church and the rectory.
- A couple in our congregation had an unexpected windfall and immediately decided to tithe 10% of their winnings to Trinity Church, and specifically to the Buildings and Grounds initiatives.
- Another couple had met their pledging obligations before year end and decided to continue their giving but redirect their last monthly payments to the Buildings and Grounds Fund.
- Finally, a very unexpected check was received at year end from the company, Noffke Roofing Co, that installed our roofs over the chapel and the sacristy. Noffke is a Christian based company that is constantly giving back to the community, but the \$1,000 gift/contribution to Trinity Church was completely unexpected. What a blessing!

Please consider ways you might be able to help to improve our Buildings and Grounds.



Bob Love, *Interim Building & Grounds Chair*

February 2024

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TIDINGS

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February, 2024

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Reminders For February

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm, Tuesday, February 13

Ash Wednesday - Liturgy for February 14

7:00 am

12:00 pm

5:30 pm Family Service

7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross & Holy Eucharist

7:00 am Fridays

February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22