







Friday, December 3, 2021

LISA'S BLOG

Halfway



Beloved friends-Advent Greetings! One week into this special season of waiting and watching and wondering and Sunday will mark our halfway mark as we travel towards the Feast of the Nativity culminating in the story of Jesus' birth. A couple years ago I received a beautiful gift; a book

titled, Mother of God: Similar [...]

CURATE'S CORNER

Ebb and Flow



Hello, my dear friends! As we begin the season of Advent, I find myself reflecting on spiritual practices that have been particularly sustaining for me, especially over

the past few years. And how when I lean into some of them now, I am finding that I experience them very differently. I am not finding them [...]

JOIN US!

This Sunday – December 5

Trinity@Home online worship will premiere at 9:00am every Sunday morning. Tune in on our website, Facebook page or YouTube Channel, A

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SUNDAYS*9:00 Trinity@Home Online Worship. *10:00 Zoom Coffee Hour. *11:00 Trinity@316 In-Person Worship.

WEDNESDAYS

*12:00 Noonday Prayer on Zoom.

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Christmas **Poinsettias- Order** Yours Today!

We will be ordering poinsettias again this year. The poinsettias will be 6 1/2" with multiple blooms, for \$12.00 each. All Poinsettias will be red with gold foil. If you are requesting a flower in honor or memory of a loved one, please include

their first and last name(s), which we will list in our Christmas Eve bulletin. We've extended our sale 1 week -Orders are DUE by Monday, December 6, 2021. Order HERE.



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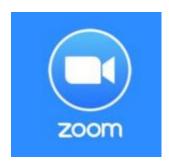
Zoom. We will gather for our Trinity@316 in-person worship at 11:00am every Sunday in our sanctuary.

Trinity@Home Coffee Hour



This Sunday, we will offer a 30-minute online Coffee & Conversation immediately following our 9:00 Trinity@Home online worship service. Click the image for the instructions to join our Zoom gathering.

Midweek Noonday Prayer



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participate is found in the order of service on our website. If you cannot join us, we hope that you find this page a useful resource for taking a moment during the day to center yourself in prayer. Then, beginning on Wednesday, December 8th, we will add a second, in-person Midweek Prayer service, to include Eucharist, at noon in the sanctuary. All are welcome and wanted.

Cultivating Sacred Space at Home



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Bread. [...]

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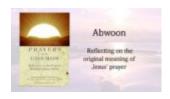


The Work of the Church: A Conversation with the Presiding Bishop and His Canons

Join us, Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 6pm EST, when **Presiding Bishop and Primate Michael B. Curry** discusses the year ahead for The Episcopal Church.

Joining him in this conversation are his Canons:

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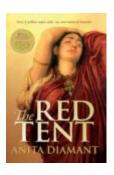
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their guests are welcome!

Trinity Book Club



The Trinity Book Club has decided to take a brief hiatus for the holidays. We will gather next on Sunday, January 30th to discuss The Red Tent by Anita Diamant. Book Club leaders Kyle Grefe and Becky Koskinen are working with Lisa to fill out and firm up plans to do a multiweek series in 2022 on women friendship in the Bible and as soon as we have a plan we will follow up.

The Rev. Cn. C. K. Robertson, Ph.D., Canon for Ministry Beyond The Episcopal Church

- The Rév. Cn. Stephanie Spellers, Canon for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Creation Care
- The Rev. Cn. E. Mark Stevenson, Canon for Ministry Within The Episcopal Church

The conversation will be moderated by the **Rev. Winnie Varghese**, Rector of St. Luke's Atlanta, Georgia.

The 60-minute event will include a moderated panel discussion, followed by a Q & A session. Registration is free, but required. Please click <u>Here</u>.

With diocese's support, Oregon parish continues feeding homeless despite city restrictions

12/02/2021 17:37

[Episcopal News Service] An Oregon parish that has been providing critical services to homeless people despite opposition from neighbors is now taking a stand against new restrictions on its feeding [...]

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BrownBag Concert at Trinity Cathedral

Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral will host a BrownBag concert on **December 8** featuring the Cathedral choir and harpist Jody Guinn for "A Ceremony of Carols." All concerts in the series take place every other Wednesday through December at 12:00 p.m. and are free of charge. This season, the concerts are offered as an in-person event as well as being livestreamed on <u>Facebook</u> and the <u>Trinity Cathedral website</u>. More details on the programs are available online.

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Friday, December 10, 2021

LISA'S BLOG

Trusting God's Timing



Beloved friends- Many years ago, in the LGBTQI community, the word "outing" became common nomenclature as the word describing what happens when

someone (usually without permission) decided to reveal the sexual orientation of another person. It happened to famous, infamous, and ordinary people and the emotional toll or wake it left behind was usually devastating. [...]

CURATE'S CORNER

Sacredness at Home



Hello, friends! What is sacred space? And how is sacred space created? We began our Wednesday night Advent workshop last

week on Creating Sacred Space at Home reflecting on these questions. At the core of our conversation was that sacred spaces are physical places where we have experienced or glimpsed the divine. And that a sacred space is then created simply through our ability to recognize our experience in that place - or another way to word it, we do [...]

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Greening of the Church Sunday, December 12th immediately following Trinity@316 service!

Immediately following Trinity@316 worship, we invite anyone who is willing to stick around for a short time to help decorate the sanctuary with greenery in preparation for Christmas.



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Trinity@316 in-person worship at 11:00am every Sunday in our sanctuary.

Trinity@Home Coffee Hour



We have made the decision that beginning this Sunday, Dec. 12th, we are moving away from a virtual coffee hour. We hope that at whatever time and in whatever way your share in the Trinity@Home worship experience, warm blessings find you on your week ahead.

TRINITY'S DAILY BREAD PRAYER ASSISTANCE, CONNECTION

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South Carolina Supreme Court holds hearing in case involving Episcopal diocese

12/09/2021 15:33

[Diocese of South Carolina] On Dec. 8, the South Carolina Supreme Court held a hearing concerning the appeal filed by our diocese and The Episcopal Church in regard to the [...]

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movie so we thought we'd gather at 6:00 at each home, share a meal and then watch an hour of the movie over the course of the 2 Sundays.

Remembering 40 years of AIDS ministry, Los Angeles Episcopalians share in rededication of monument

12/09/2021 15:13

[The Episcopal News (Diocese of Los Angeles)] When Canon Randy Kimmler, a founder of AIDS ministries in the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles, remembers friends whose lives have been claimed by [...]

Diocese of Pennsylvania reopens 3 in churches in 5 years by rediscovering their communities

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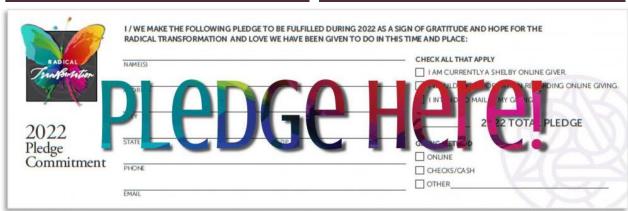
[Episcopal News Service – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania] By the time St. John's Episcopal Church in the Philadelphia suburb of Norristown closed in 2015 after 202 years, the parish's membership had dwindled [...]

Episcopal Church to reach 100,000 people served in 40 years of refugee resettlement services

12/08/2021 16:48

[Episcopal News Service] Episcopal Migration Ministries is nearing a milestone in the church's 40-year history of participation in the U.S. refugee resettlement program: Sometime this month, the church will have [...]

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Trinity Topics will take a short break during the holidays. Friday, Dec. 17th will be the final Trinity Topics to go out this year. Worship service reminders will still be emailed out. Trinity Topics will resume on Friday, January 7th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!









Friday, December 17, 2021

LISA'S BLOG

Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi: As we worship, So we believe, So we live



Beloved friends- Some weeks in ministry, as in life, are just harder than others: this was one of the hard ones. Earlier this week we learned that our beloved curate, Megan Allen made the decision to resign from

what we had hoped would be a three-year tenure with us. Megan began in July and during [...]

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Abwoon Advent Offering



We will gather for the final Saturday of our Abwoon Advent offering, tomorrow, December 18th. Even if this is your first time joining us, we invite you into this time and space to learn "The

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Upcoming Worship Schedule

Click within to find the schedule of services coming up over the next few weeks. Worship bulletins are also available for preview and download. [...]

Office Hours over the Holidays

The Trinity office will be closed Saturday,



YouTube Channel. We will gather for our Trinity@316 in-person worship at 11:00am

every Sunday in our sanctuary.

Cultivating Sacred Space at Home



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December 25th through Sunday, January 2nd. In the event of emergency, staff can be reached by email during that time.



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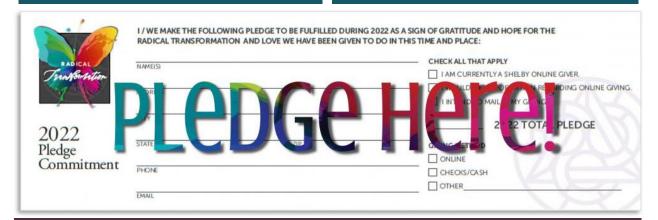
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*9:00 Trinity@Home Online Worship. *11:00 Trinity@316 In-Person Worship.

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A 2021 Pledge Drive Message

Dear Trinity Family, The 2021 Annual Pledge Drive has come to a close and the BIG love of Trinity is ever apparent. Your generosity and thought a contributions are so very appreciated and will support the work we will do together in 2022. The ever-present challenges that 2021 brought are not without notice. In some way, all of us have been touched by loss this year, whether personal, professional, spiritual, and/or financial,

extraordinary year demands an extraordinary response. The Trinity community has shown resolve on the way we speak to our mission. It is appropriate and righteous to give back in the way we have! The truth is we must be this way. We must give back to God that which was given to us! So, once again, thank you for exporting Trinity. As we introduced that the community has reminded of the contribution of the community of the community of the community has the reminded of the contribution. for supporting Trinity. As we journey together in the coming year, may we be reminded of the sanctity of our loving, inclusive, and radically welcoming community, our home, and our family at Trinity Episcopal.

Happy New Year, Karen Keune & Bob Meeker, Annual Pledge Drive Co-Chairs

| 2021 PLEDGE Drive UPDate | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| # of Pledges | 61 | 53 | 64 | 79 | 65 |
| Total \$ Pledged | \$152,339 | \$156,354 | \$167,950 | \$202,244 | \$151,760 |
| Average Pledge Value | \$2,497 | \$2,950 | \$2,624 | \$2,560 | \$2,335 |
| New Pledges | 12 | 13 | 19 | 26 | 11 |



Next To New Ministry Update

An important message to the Trinity community-

I write to you today as the Manager of our resale shop, Next To New. Over the last 6 months, Lisa, the faithful NTN volunteers, the vestry and I have spent time in conversation about the next right step to take as this ministry continues to change and evolve.

After significant discernment together, we have made the decision to refocus the ministry by entering into a season of transformation. The pandemic greatly reshaped the local community we serve and now realize the most faithful response we can take is to re-evaluate the focus and mission of our ministry to best meet the needs of downtown and greater Toledo.

A confluence of factors has led us to this point including:

- The greatest need in the community is a ministry to provide clothing for women, men and children during times of transition.
- The current footprint of NTN at Trinity has outgrown a viable configuration to maintain with inventory exceeding our capacity to manage.
- The current number of volunteers does not match our ability to staff a "store" with consistent operating hours.
- As of January 2022 NTN will no longer have a dedicated paid staff to oversee the ministry.

Moving forward we will take the next 6 months to gather more information exploring our vision to re-open a new free community closet. This ministry will relocate in the building to a space more accessible, safe and effective, while also freeing up the current footprint of disproportionate space that could be used to serve our community in other ways.

A deep bow of gratitude to the souls that have touched this ministry over the decades. Volunteers, donations, and spreading the good news that is Next To New has been so important to the incredible work this ministry has done in the community. Without the helping hands, warm smiles, and loving compassion, this ministry would not have had such an immense impact on our neighborhood.

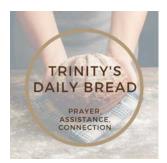
Thank you for all you have done to birth, nurture, support and sustain this ministry- it has truly been a labor of love. Stay tuned for further updates and invitations to be involved in this exciting transition over the next six months. At times like these we lean into the promise that with every door that closes another surely is getting ready to be flung open.

Lynzi Miller



Send in your Selfies!

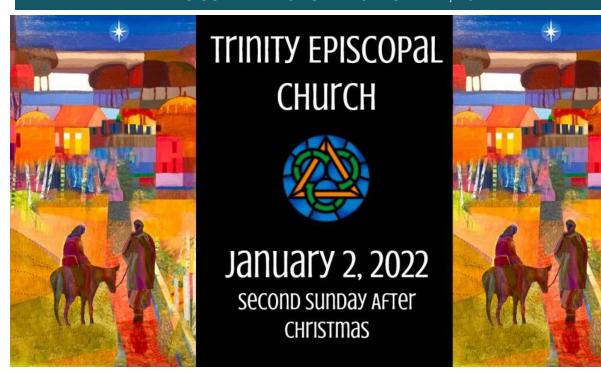
Next time you are wearing your **Trinity Love Mask**, snap a selfie and email it to Lynzi Miller in the office <lynzi@trinitytoledo.org>. We're planning to create a community collage for our Annual Report!



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THIS SUNDAY WORSHIP - JANUARY 2, 2022



This Sunday: January 2, 2021

9:00am Trinity@Home Online Worship
Join us at 9:00am for our Trinity@Home online worship service. You can click HERE to watch on our website, HERE to view from our YouTube Channel, or HERE to view from Facebook. Download and follow along to the service with our digital Bulletin.

11:00am Trinity@316 In-Person Worship
We will gather at 11:00am in the sanctuary for our in-person worship. You can preview the service Bulletin here.

On-Line Giving

You can make a regular Sunday offering or pledge contribution during the Offertory through our online giving page, by following these steps:

- 1. Go to www.trinitytoledo.org
- Giving Tab on the far right
 Select On-line Giving
- 4. Fund- January 2 & Amount
- 5. Name & Email
- 6. Click Submit & feel GREAT!

Text-To-Give

Trinity Text to Give is available! You can simply text the word "Give" to 419-OMG-LOVE (419-664-5683) to make your weekly offering.

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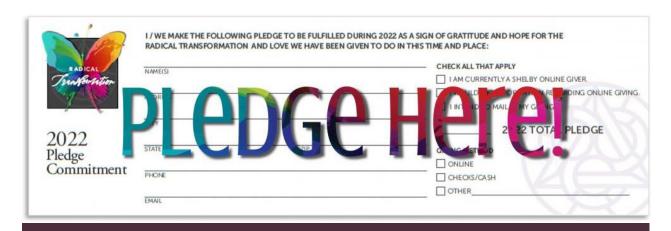
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