



# TRINITY NEWS

## A Letter From the Rector



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It's Peter who reminds us that Jesus Christ is the true foundation of the Church. In his epistle, Peter describes Jesus as the Church's chief Cornerstone. That is a good thing to remember when we look back at the events of this past week. The Capital Region has experienced the occasional hurricane before. But, Irene seemed to be particularly malicious. Roads have been destroyed and communities have been devastated.

On Monday morning, authorities called for a mandatory evacuation of downtown Lansingburgh beginning at 8:00 AM. Thankfully, things improved and as the time approached the evacuation had become voluntary. Sadly, the waters of the Hudson would damage home on 1st

Ave. But, further west was okay. Our church was safe. Yet, I realized that even if the flood waters had risen to historic levels Trinity Church would have continued on. Over the past two hundred years, our parish has survived other floods. We even continued on following a devastating fire which destroyed our original church structure. Whatever challenge we face, we know that we will meet it. We will because Trinity's true foundation is Jesus Christ.

We are about to begin a Capital Fund campaign to repair our roofs and to make our buildings handicap accessible. The campaign will help to keep our Church intact for the next generation. It will allow our disabled to worship



*Shawana Bulloch poses inside her church after a service in Savannah, Ga. Bulloch recently convinced her congregation to get a ramp that allows her wheelchair access to the church. (AP Photo/Stephen Morton)*

with us and to ensure a Christian welcome to those who can no longer manage stairs. We want everyone, strong limbed or not, to worship Christ with us. I know you would agree that this plan is a wise one as our building is built on our Lord Himself.

Our house is built on the Rock. Neither storms nor winds will prevail against it. Let's keep it strong, safe, and open for the future generations.

The Rev. F. John Kelly+

### Capital Fund Campaign

put in a long needed handicap access.

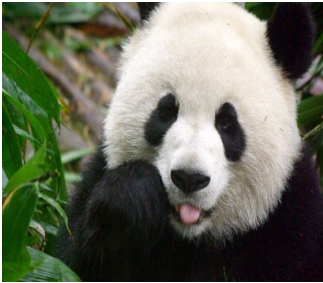
Too many parishioners over the last decade have not been able to attend Trinity Church due to the lack of access to our building. A handicap access enables us to enter Trinity safely and allows guests and visitors

to join us as well.

While pledges will be sought, the Capital Fund Committee is suggesting families or an individual may want to fulfill their pledge over a two year period. Thank you for your prayers and your responses.



Chairperson Dave Jones announces the start of our Capital Fund Campaign beginning Sunday, September 25th. Following the 9:00 AM service, a brunch will be served followed by a presentation describing the work that is planned. We believe God is calling us to raise \$100,000 to repair our roofs and to



## Panda-mania

Trinity's Fourth Annual Vacation Bible School ended this past Friday, August 26th. We were again blessed with a great group of kids. This year's theme asked them all to "Watch for God." The kids sure did as they witnessed the stories of Jonah and the Whale, Elijah and the priests of Baal, and on the last day Jesus on Easter morning. Attendance was at an all time high, with 30 children attend-

ing, 6 teen helping, and 16 adults laughing, singing, and herding. Thank you to all the teens and adults that made this a great week.

## Welcome Back Sunday

Third time's the charm. This past Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, was a doozie. Yes, the Parish Picnic was postponed for a second time. The Pandamania

celebration was also postponed. Both will take place on SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>- incorporated with our Welcome Back Sunday. Come to the Church Service, a time of song and recognition for Vacation Bible School. This will be followed by a Picnic/Welcome Back Sunday Breakfast/Pandamania Celebration. It's a triple-hitter. Sign-up will be available in the back.

## Holy Cross Day

Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, is Holy Cross Day, an important feast day in the Anglican calendar. The origin of Holy Cross Day is traceable to the discovery of the true cross by Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine. As we commemorate this special event, a Solemn Evensong

will be offered at 7:00 PM. You are invited to join your fellow parishioners for a simple potluck of soup and bread at 6:00 PM. As we consider the cross, we fix our eyes on Jesus who died for love of the world, and we say yes to his call to take up our crosses and follow Him.

## Blood Pressure

### Clinic

Parish Nurse Chris Silk will be at Trinity on September 14<sup>th</sup> for our monthly Blood Pressure Clinic at 11:00 AM. Join us for the Eucharist at 10:00 AM. Take care of your body and spirit!

"Holy Cross Day Celebrates the day St. Helena found the true cross of Christ."

## 9/11 Memorial

Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, is the tenth anniversary of the four al-Qaeda terrorist attacks on the United States. There will be remembrance events throughout the United States this day. Each one of us has been touched by this event.

We have lost

friends or relatives in the Twin Towers, friends who were workers or police and responders. We have family who are in the military or in support personnel as the nation has responded to this act. A time of reflection is important.

As part of the service on this day, Prayers of the People will

include intercessions for the 2,753 victims and their families. We will also be using a special Eucharistic Prayer for the day.

Gracious God, in Whose presence we all live and die, receive the victims of 9/11 into the arms of Your mercy. And welcome them into the joys of your heavenly home.



## Annual Harvest Fair

Your Rector knows preparations are being made for the Harvest Fair when five things begin to happen:

- People start to drop off “next to new” items at the Parish Hall.
- Our crafters knit during Coffee Hour (though with coffee mugs nearby.)
- Crispin prints up his Turkey raffle tickets. (You’ll find yours to sell with your newsletter!)

- Gift Certificates begin to arrive for Nancy’s Silent Auction.
- John Rustin rushes through the Parish Hall almost as if he were running for political office.

(BTW, best wishes for John on his election campaign.)

You can help by bringing in your own rummage and next new to items. (It’s best to place that 27” TV on your curb or alley.)

Your baked good and crafts are always appreciated. Gift baskets are always popular. Don’t forget to put in your soup orders! This is a big help for Cindy as she makes her purchases.

The Harvest Bazaar is held Saturday, October 1st, from 9AM to 3PM. Remember— people arrive early.

Set-up will begin on Wednesday, September 28th, can you can us a hand?



Pies are a wonderful baked good items, made especially for hungry Rectors.

## Fair

Trinity’s Wellness Ministry is hard at work lining up speakers and resources for our first Health Fair. The Fair is free and is for everyone. Everyone in Troy is invited. Please spread the word.

Here are some of great things we are planning:

-Finger stick testing for Diabeters

-Cholesterol checks

-No cost flu shots

-Ask the Doctor, which a surgeon, cardiologist, pulmonologist, and physiatrist on site.

-Reflexology

-Massage

-Demonstrations on Acupuncture.

## October Health

Workshops will be offered on such topics as Soaking Prayer, Christian Meditation, Mindfulness, Parenting, etc.

We hope to sell “health snacks” to the community, too. Thank you to Angela Sheehan and Seton Health who are helping us out on this one. If you would to help, let us know! Fr. John &

*NOT a Snack idea for the Health Fair!*

**Surprise!**

There is a Honey and Locust muffin recipe on the internet.

Along with the honey, eggs, etc., 6 locusts are required. Out of the

oven, they are described as

“mouthwatering muffins!”

Bon appetit, St. John the Baptist.

## Reservations will go fast.... Judith MacNutt

We are please to announce a wonderful opportunity. Internationally known speaker, Judith MacNutt, will be coming to speak at the Spiritual Life Center. Francis and Judith MacNutt have been

leaders in the Healing ministry for years. Be aware that seating will be very limited. Also, if seats are reserved by October 1st, the cost is at a better price of \$35. We would like to have a couple car

loads of Trinitarians attend. If interested please speak to Fr. John. The web address for reservations is: [www.christ-the-kingcenter.org/downloads/MacNutt.pdf](http://www.christ-the-kingcenter.org/downloads/MacNutt.pdf)



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Don't Forget!

Sunday School Begins on September 18th!

Trinity will be participating in this year's Uncle Sam Parade, September 18th. Plan to march with us or ride on our float!

One of Trinity's Best Kept Secret's

Mid Week Holy Eucharist

Wednesdays, 10 AM

Come and worship the Lord!

"Pray for one another so that you may be healed."

Using the Word of God to Pray for the Restoration of Your First Love

REMEMBER His Love for Us!

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10

RESPOND to His Love by Loving Him!

-If you love me, you will obey what I command. John 14:15

14 For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. 2 Cor. 5:14-15

REFLECT His Love by Loving Others!

The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these. Mark 12:31

34 A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:34-35

Love Your Enemies!

But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Luke 6:27-28

Read all of the Love Chapter

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. 11 When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. 12 Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. 13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13