

## TRINITY BELLS SEPTEMBER 2022

As stewards of Trinity, we are called by God to engage in the creation of a stable, self-sustaining church. Trinity is the vineyard we tend and the field we sow. Every Sunday, we participate in the Eucharist. The elements are brought forth to the table by members of the congregation. These elements symbolize the labor of our lives in the vineyard and the field. In today's modern world, we buy our bread and wine and give money as the fruits of our labor, but the symbol of bread and wine is an ancient symbol of labor and the first fruits we bring to God.

Think with me about the labor it takes to produce the bread and wine we bring forth. We plant a vineyard; it takes three years for the vines to produce the first fruits. In those three years, the vines must be tended, weeded, fed and pruned. All this just to produce the first fruit! Once the fruit is ripe, the laborers go into the vineyard and hand-cut each bunch of grapes to go to the presses. This is incredibly labor-intensive, and great care must be taken not to damage the vine or other unripe fruit. The grapes are then pressed, filtered and put into casks for the fermentation process to begin. This begins the process of changing the grape juice to wine. Again, this process takes about a year from the time the grapes are fermented until the wine is ready to be brought forth to the table as the symbol of labor from the congregation.

The bread begins life at the hands of the sower, who plants the fields of wheat. After a season of tending, the wheat is harvested by the workers and sent to be processed. The chaff is separated, and the grain is shipped to the miller. Once it is ground into flour, the baker takes over, and the wheat is mixed with yeast and water to be baked into bread. And only then does it make it to the table to be blessed and distributed as Eucharist. All these people are critical to the formation of the bread and wine. Without even one of them, the bread and wine would not make it to the table as symbols of our sacrifice and labor.

So it goes with us. In this church, we are the laborers of the vineyard and the workers of the field. We are the miller and the baker. Without each of us, none of this is possible. Our labor takes a different form but is symbolically the same as the others. We pledge our hard-earned money. We volunteer. we counsel and support one another in joy and sorrow. We do myriad things to bring the fruits of the church to the altar of God. Please don't think that any of us is unimportant to the task of being the Church or that someone else can take care of it.

If you are already in the thick of it and giving all you can, we thank you from the deepest recesses of our hearts. If you can give more, your gift will go far in helping the church sustain itself through the year. Raising your pledge, even modestly, will combine with others who do the same and, like Miracle-Gro, will fertilize the ground of the vineyard and the field.

If you have never given, I encourage you to begin. Start anywhere you like but give. Tithing is a spiritual discipline, just as prayer is, and it takes time and effort to do. The rewards of giving are great, and the results are visible.

Unlike many denominations, we are called to be self-sufficient. Our diocese is there for guidance and support, but the totality of fiduciary responsibility rests solely upon our shoulders.

We need your help.

Peace and All Good, George+

## WARDENS LETTER- SEPTEMBER 2022

With Vestry meetings cancelled for the months of July and August, you might think that nothing was going on at Trinity. Not so!!

- On June 19, we had a wonderful Welcome Summer Barbecue on the front lawn. Sarane Ross, visiting from her new home in Florida, was the honored guest. The weather was perfect, and with Mike Callahan as barbecuer-in-chief and all the delicious dishes from parishioners, a grand time was had by all.
- Summer services were held in the air-conditioned Fireplace Room for the first time since 2019. Thanks to Ken Bongort and Jim Crawford for scheduling special music and to all those who brought goodies for coffee hour.
- Many thanks to Kathy Mendall for urging, goading and prodding our way forward with the Invite-Welcome-Connect program. Many ideas were discussed throughout the summer for a big Open House-Homecoming Sunday tentatively scheduled for October 2—watch for details!
- Negotiations were ongoing with the Day School (co-op) to work out a new lease to take effect this fall, and our Child Care Center prospered despite staffing and Covid challenges.
- Under Alexis Alexander's leadership, the Blessing Bags distributions continued throughout the summer on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. Despite many folks away on vacation and recordbreaking heat, 100 bags were distributed every month to the needy at the Hempstead Transit Station.
- The Chairperson of our Trinity Talks series, Lisa DeBruin, has been in touch with the Director of the Roslyn Historical Society to work on details for the fall lecture, which will be announced soon.
- Thanks to Barbara Holzkamp and all others who spent some time weeding or cleaning up the grounds, always a huge and thankless job.

There are so many things to be involved with at Trinity this fall, and we need YOU to make them happen. Please get in touch with any of the people mentioned above or with me or Father George if you want to know how you can help. See you in church!!

Sheila Platt, for the Wardens and Vestry



## JUNE CONCERTS AT TRINITY CHURCH



**The North Shore Community Chorus** (including our own Helen Oehrlein and Ken Bongoft) performed Franz Joseph Haydn's Oratorio, *The Creation*, at Trinity on June 11.



The North Shore Madrigal Singers held their spring concert at Trinity on June 12. They are the premier vocal ensemble from NS High School and performed under the direction of David Catalano, who is completing his first year with the group. They performed works by Debussy, Monteverdi, Mozart, and other composers in a beautiful afternoon concert.

On Sunday, June 5, Trinity parishioner/choir member **Jim Crawford** regaled us with his expert bagpipe playing. It was quite amazing!



## **ART GUILD EXHIBIT**





Our very own **Aleta Crawford** will have two paintings in The Art Guild's show "Home is where the Art is" on display at the Art Guild, 200 Port Washington Blvd, in Manhasset from Sept 8 to Sept 22. The two paintings are "Quarantine Table for One" and "A Bowl of Cherries". Please consider going to see the show. The Gallery is open on weekends 1PM to 5PM both Saturday and Sunday. The reception is Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 pm.



I have been serving at the 8:30 service here in Michigan all summer. They use Rite I at 8:30 and Rite II with music at 10:30. The choir is paid and is from the Bayview Association about 5 miles away where they have a summer music institute. This year they have a quartet, and some Sundays they also have instrumentalists. The congregation loves the music. However, most of the times the anthems do not complement the readings or gospel of the day. Hope all are well and hope to be on Long Island next year in June.

Sarane Ross

## **PARISH HAPPENINGS**



**Retired organist becomes Grandma!** 

Louis Roland Regelmann was born to Keith and Amy Regelmann on July 27. Grandma Martha couldn't be happier, especially since little Louis likes singing songs with her!



Julia Carvalho (daughter of Kristin Kutscher and granddaughter of Paula Johnson) in her dorm room at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. She is settled in for her first year of college.



Rob & Alexis Alexander and Helen Oehrlein celebrate their June birthdays

## PLATTS CELEBRATE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Sheila and John Platt celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 2 with a bash at the American Legion Hall in Glen Head. They renewed their vows with Father George officiating (taking the place of Nils Blatz, who did the honors back in 1972) and their daughters Emily and Sarah doing the readings. Along with food catered by Grassroots, there were multiple toasts and full-tilt dancing.



## TRINITY BBQ JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>



Helen Oehrlein, Barbara Holzkamp, Dennis Farro, Sarane Ross & Bill Holzkamp



Mike Callahan, Larry Arnold, Alexis & Rob Alexander



Karen & Fr. George Sherrill

## FICKS CELEBRATE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



Ruth and Peter Fick celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with their family at Skytop Lodge, a Poconos, PA resort. The weekend gathering included lots of outdoor activities such as swimming, hiking and biking, along with lots of eating and drinking!

## **BURNING BOOKS**



Our next Burning Books selection is *Apeirogon* by one of our favorite authors, Colum McCann. In the unconventional narrative of *Apeirogon* Amazon says, "McCann unfurls the story of two fathers, one Palestinian and one Israeli, who have both lost their daughters to the violence that surrounds them." The New York Times, where it was a bestseller, called it, " powerful and prismatic . . . *Apeirogon* is an empathy engine, utterly collapsing the gulf between teller and listener."

We will meet online on Monday, Sept. 19 at 7:30 pm. (Details at johnplatt@optonline.net.) At that time we'll choose the books for the 2022-2023 season. If there are books you'd like to be considered, send an email to Jean Henning (jdshenning@gmail.com).

John Platt

### **ARIANN'S WEDDING**



On Friday, August 5th Ariann Miller and Ed Huether were married at the Fire Island Lighthouse in an intimate ceremony attended by immediate families, followed by a wedding dinner at the Red Snapper Inn located in Oakdale.

On Saturday, August 6th there was a fun and festive wedding celebration on board the Moon Chaser party cruise! It was a beautiful evening filled with food, drinks, music, and the beautiful scenery of the Fire Island Inlet and Oak Island Channel along with the Fire Island Lighthouse. Love and joy surrounded the happy couple and many Trinity parishioners attended the celebration witnessing the happiness of Ed and Ariann.

May they have a lifetime of happiness, love and laughter!





## FALL OPEN HOUSE / BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

The Invite Welcome Connect Team is excited to announce that we are having a special Fall Open House combined with a Blessing of the Animals Service on **Sunday, October 2 at 10am**. This special service will be a time for all of us to join together to celebrate Trinity and to have an inaugural Blessing of the Animals service.

There will be a <u>special potluck luncheon</u> <u>immediately following the service</u>, planned for the church lawn (inside if the weather does not cooperate). We would love to have all members of Trinity attend this service and to reach out to our friends, family, neighbors, coworkers and anyone else who might enjoy this service and have a furfamily member they would like to have participate in the service. Please share the Blessing of Animals flyer included in this newsletter with your networks and post on Facebook etc. There is an Eventbrite link that everyone should use to register for the service so we can keep an accurate count of who will be attending. This is also a way to invite others by sharing the link on our social media.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/blessing-of-theanimals-fall-open-house-tickets-384336108647

Stay tuned for more information on the potluck sign up!

Invite Welcome Connect Team



This has been a very fun and eventful summer for our Child Care.

Two staff members had babies this summer. Miss Joanna had a baby boy, and Miss Alexis had a baby girl. They have both been home enjoying the new additions to their family. Miss Joanna is returning as Director in September and Miss Alexis will be taking an extra few months off. We are so happy that the babies will be joining our Child Care family.

The children had a great summer. We purchased new water tables and sprinkle pads, thanks to Barbara Holzkamp donating money to our Center. It was a perfect summer for cooling off in the water as it was so hot almost every day. We also purchased children's golf clubs so that the children can begin to learn about the sport and develop eye-hand coordination.

We had a petting zoo come, and the children were able to pet and feed the animals. They also learned about their various jobs on the Farm.

We had a Foam Party, which is like being in a huge bubble bath without the water, and in bathing suits. The children didn't want it to end.

The ice cream man came and the children got to order their own ice cream. They felt very grown up. Our annual luau was as fun as always.

Thank you, Mike for watering our garden during this drought. Parishioners, please help yourselves to anything you would like from the garden. We have basil, mint, and tomatoes, to name a few items.

Our school year will be starting on Wed Sept. 6. Our Miss Ari has decided to leave the Child Care as a F/T employee, but she will continue coming in weekly for music. Thank you Miss Ari for your dedication to the Child Care.

Happy Fall!

Leslie Weible, Consultant











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Thursday, September 15, 2022 6PM TO 9PM

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Celebrating RMM's partnership with New York's first farmworker unions

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Dear Trinitarians,

Thank you to those who have attended this event in the past either in person or virtually and for everyone who has supported **Rural and Migrant Ministry** in the past with the Christmas Toy Drive, Justice Walk, Back to School Supply Drive etc.

We are very excited to announce that we are having an in-person dinner on **Thursday September 15** at the Sisters of St. Joseph Campus in Brentwood (see above). We really hope you can purchase a ticket or a table and join us! If you have a prior commitment and are still interested in supporting the various programs we have on Long Island, please consider sponsoring a student or farmworker to attend.

Honorees for this year's dinner include Mary Beth Welsh, Executive Director of Episcopal Ministries as well as the Pindar Vineyard workers who are the first NY State certified farm laborer union! Join us in honoring these amazing people!

Looking forward to seeing you!

http://ruralmigrantministry.memberhub.gives/cultivatingjustice2022

Kathy Mendall P.S. It is not too late to take out an ad or sponsorship!

# CURIOUS? JOIN US FOR

# BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS October 2 10:00 AM

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1579 NORTHERN BOULEVARD ROSLYN, NY 11576

WWW.TRINITYROSLYN.ORG HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/BLESSING-OF-THE-ANIMALS-FALL-OPEN-HOUSE-TICKETS-384336108647

## OUTREACH

#### **Blessing Bags for the Homeless**



Mary LaSala & Alexis Alexander

Trinity Church continues its mission of delivering bags of food and other items to the less fortunate at a train station in Hempstead. To date, over 1,000 bags have been delivered. This joint effort of Trinity Church and Salem AME Church welcomes all interested volunteers to help, either with packing up the bags or delivering the bags (or both) on the fourth Saturday of each month. For more info, email <u>office@trinityroslyn.org</u> or you can call the church office at 516-621-7925.

#### **Faith Mission**



Faith Mission in Mineola serves about 225 families in need every Thursday and Saturday. Trinity has been having an ongoing food drive for them. Last year Trinity participated in their back-to-school drive. Here is their link for more info:

https://www.faithmissioninc.org/

Alexis Alexander

## Lunch Box Drive

Food insecurity is a fact for so many children on Long Island. To help alleviate that and to contribute to the excitement of returning to school, we are inviting Trinity to participate in the LICH (Long Island Coalition for the Homeless) Lunch Box Drive.

Our donation box will be in the back of the church until **September 25**<sup>th</sup>. See more info below.

Many thanks for your generosity!





Trinity rhododendron photo sent in by Lisa deBruin



## The Mission Statement of Trinity Episcopal Church

Trinity Church is a community where all are welcome. We seek to love God, To learn and practice Jesus' teachings and to answer the call of those in need.





Sunday Services 10:00 Eucharist (in person & via Zoom)

> The Rev. George Sherrill, Priest in Charge

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Larry Arnold, Organist Ariann Huether, Minister of Music Michael Callahan, Sexton Ronit Meyers, Office Mgr. Office Hours: 8:00 am- 2:00 pm (Mon-Thurs)

<u>Vestry</u>

Wardens: Alexis Alexander & Sheila Platt

James Crawford Bob deBruin Ruth Fick Mary LaSala Ann Mingorance Helen Oehrlein

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