



Dear Trinitarians,

My favorite radio station is WFUV, not just because John works there, though that's a plus, but because it is a radio station that meets my musical needs. There is more good music than not so good (we can't always bat 1000), and I can always count on them being there when I tune in my radio. Therefore, I support the station, as a member, with my dollars, and extra this year with a car donation.

WFUV is my radio station.

My favorite church is Trinity, not just because my vocation is here, but because it is a community that meets my needs. There is more joy than pettiness (we can't always bat 1000), and I can always count on the community being there when I need them. Trinity represents a loving community where all are accepted and respected for who they are. The community is open minded and excels in critical thinking in areas of theology and social justice. Being part of a community like WFUV or Trinity means there is a need for people to support the community. We sell nothing. The love of Christ we offer to each other and to the world is given freely from our hearts and that's what we are all about. We further the Kingdom of God here in the world, but in doing so we have to play by the world's rules. The people we employ need to be paid a living wage, the church needs to be maintained, and mission supplies need to be procured. All of this needs to be funded for a healthy Trinity to thrive.

Trinity is our Church.

I ask that you give. I ask that you don't think of money as just money. The money we have is a symbol of the sweat and work of our labor. I hope that this labor is to the Glory of God in the furtherance of God's kingdom here on earth. Therefore, I ask that the money we give is the first fruits of our labor, given back to God for the work of the church. I ask that you remember Trinity in your will, as so many loyal members of this community have already done. Together we make Trinity a stronghold of the love of Christ in this disheartening world, and an island of joy in the sea of loneliness and despair. Please help me in keeping Trinity strong.

Peace and All Good,
George+

ADVENT STUDY WITH ST. LUKE'S
 IN PERSON
 Thursdays @ 12:00 PM- Bring your lunch!
 Program: *Sabbath* – Video & Discussion
 Thurs, Nov 30- at Trinity
 Thurs, Dec 7- at St. Luke's
 Thurs, Dec 14- at Trinity
 Thurs, Dec 21- at St Luke's

BIBLE STUDY
 VIA ZOOM
 Mondays @ 7:00 PM
 Program: *The First Christmas*
 Mon, Dec 4
 Mon, Dec 11
 Mon, Dec 18
 Mon, Jan 8
 (Jan 15 as makeup day)

WARDENS LETTER– December 2023



Here is a little of what your Vestry has been doing over the last three months:

- In a process that began with our retreat in July, the Vestry adopted a new mission statement: Trinity's mission is creating community that seeks to live and serve more joyfully through loving God and each other.
- With the closing of the Child Care Center, we are actively looking for a tenant for the space in Penson Hall. We have engaged a local real estate agent and will actively pursue finding the right business/organization to occupy the space.
- After prolonged negotiations, a new lease has been executed with the Roslyn Trinity Cooperative Day School with provisions to carry us well into the future. The Day School has been a tenant at Trinity for over 50 years in what has been a mutually beneficial relationship that we pray will continue for many years to come.
- The Vestry voted at its retreat to increase Trinity's visibility using more banners and possibly another sign near the front door. In the meantime, Mary LaSala and Joanne Gentile are donating a new colorful flag with a design that represents the inclusiveness of Trinity. It will be suspended near the front entrance of the church.
- After a couple of false starts, a contractor has finally been secured to build the new glass doors planned for the east end of the church at the entrance to the Memorial Garden. Construction will begin in the New Year.
- Saving the best news for last, the Vestry voted unanimously on October 2 to elect The Reverend George Sherrill as the next Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church. We submitted our decision to Bishop Provenzano, who approved our decision on October 21, 2023, saying: "I believe that the vestry has made a good, faithful and determined choice for a strong, collaborative rector to lead and shepherd the congregation and school into the future." We look forward to an official installation some time in early 2024.

"Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh!" So sang the Trinity Choir a few weeks ago. It is time to prepare for the coming of Christ. It is time for us to continue our dedication to be faithful stewards of Trinity by turning in our pledge cards for 2024. It is time to support the Christmas Boutique, Adopt-a-Family and Blessing Bags by donations of labor and goods. It is time to remember the hungry, the homeless, the lost, the lonely. And it is always time to pray for peace and justice in the world.

See you in church!

Sheila Platt for the Wardens and Vestry

PARISH HAPPENINGS

The Childcare Center area is being cleaned out. Many toys and childcare items were donated to Guardian Angel in Sea Cliff, as well as Rural Migrant Ministry (see Lionel and friend below).



Shelving from the former Childcare Center is now available for the asking! Please see Ruth, Mary or George for further details. Bring a big truck!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BILL HOLZKAMP



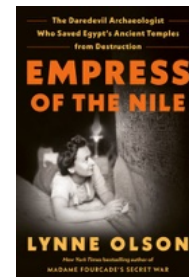
Can you believe this guy is 85???

THE NEW SHERRILLS!



Congrats to George and Karen Sherrill on the recent marriage of their son Henry to Braylin. What a good-looking couple! Best wishes to all...

BURNING BOOKS



Thursday, December 14 at 7:30 pm is the date for the next Burning Books meeting. We'll be discussing *Empress of the Nile*, by Lynne Olson, the author of *Citizens of London*. Subtitled *The Daredevil Archaeologist Who Saved Egypt's Ancient Temples From Destruction*, *The Guardian* called it "a female version of the Indiana Jones story."

Our on-deck selection, for a date TBD in January, is *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus, which has been turned into an Apple+ series starring Brie Larson. As always, we welcome anyone to join us on a one-time basis. For more info, contact johnplatt@optonline.net.

OCT 26 CONCERT

The renowned **University of Delaware Chorale** and the North Shore High School Chorus presented a superb concert on Oct 26 at Trinity Church to a packed house. The finale was both choirs doing “Danny Boy”—just beautiful! Both Jordan and Julia Price (grandchildren of longtime parishioner Ann Mingorance) were singing with the NSHS chorus, so it was really very special!



HOLZKAMPS CELEBRATE 60TH ANNIVERSARY AT HOME WITH FAMILY ON NOV 23 & RECEIVE BLESSING FROM FATHER GEORGE ON SUN, NOV 26



Looking good!





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ALL SAINTS DAY BRUNCH

On Nov 5 Trinity parishioners were treated to a delicious hot meal and enjoyed each other's company. Thanks to all those who helped set up, provide the dishes and desserts and helped clean up afterwards.



Kudos to Lauryn Holzkamp, granddaughter of Bill and Barbara Holzkamp, who has just been accepted to the University of Alabama.



Paula Johnson's 4 month old puppy, Fia, placed second and third recently at her first dog show in Westchester. She won best female puppy in Toronto at her second show. Fia is the grand niece of Paula's former beloved pet, Bogie, and she is following in his footsteps.



TRINITY TRANSITIONS

Grant Eternal Rest Unto Them...

MERRITT RANDALL

OUTREACH

Adopt a Family:

We have adopted a family of four from the Faith Mission for the holidays. Thanks to everyone who made the holidays special for this family by buying a gift or contributing a donation or gift card.

Blessing Bags for the Homeless:

Our next collection and distribution will be on Saturday, **December 16** at 11:00. In November we brought hot dogs and hot chocolate which was much appreciated! Please join us.

Food Pantry Collection:

Please remember we have an ongoing food drive for Faith Mission. Suggested items: cereal, oatmeal, pasta, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, rice and basically any other non-perishable foods. Also needed are diapers, wipes, and feminine products. Collection bin will be in the back of the church.

Invite Welcome Connect:

Meetings will be held every third Sunday of the month during coffee hour. Contact Kathy Mendall at kat1228@verizon.net for more information.

Holiday Tree and Menorah Lighting Ceremony:

Come join us on Thursday December 7th at the Clock Tower in Roslyn Village (5PM) to sing Christmas carols and usher in the season.

Art Supplies needed:

Art teacher Suzan Carola in Hempstead, says she has very few supplies for the children, and now they have gotten many new immigrant children. If you would like to help, please plan to donate some items that she can use, such as paper towel tubes, egg cartons, newspapers, magazines, yogurt tubs, yarn, wire, pipe cleaners, little wood scraps, markers, crayons, etc. There will be a box in the rear of the church for the supplies.

RMM (Rural Migrant Ministries):

Unwrapped toys have been collected for this deserving organization, and a "Roots of Gratitude" Toy Drive and Concert was held at Trinity on Dec 3. Thanks to all who contributed gifts or attended the concert (or both)!



CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

Sat, Dec 9, 9-3

Sun, Dec 10, 12-3

We are collecting clothing, jewelry, pocketbooks, seasonal items, housewares & other new or lightly used articles. Please leave your donations in the Childcare Center area.

Volunteers needed for set up and sale days!

Please contact Alexis at alexis@robaudio.com

(All proceeds to benefit local charities)

NERFA AWARD

From a board member at NERFA (North East Regional Folk Alliance) upon presenting an award to John Platt:

"It is my absolute honor to be here tonight to introduce and present NERFA's Lifetime Achievement award to a man who has dedicated his career to supporting and promoting folk music. John Platt has been a friend, mentor, and champion of folk artists for over four decades. His open heart, generosity of spirit, and belief in others have made him a beloved fixture of the folk community. But more than supporting the music itself, John lifts up the people behind it. He forges genuine connections with artists. He mentors rising talents. And, he creates a strong sense of community among all who share a love for folk."



John was quoted as saying afterwards, "I was moved beyond belief."



SAVE THE DATES 2023

ADVENT STUDY NOV 30-DEC 21- *Sabbath*, THURSDAYS AT **NOON IN PERSON** (byo lunch)
11/30 at Trinity; 12/7 at St Luke's; 12/14 at Trinity; 12/21 at St Luke's

BIBLE STUDY DEC 4- JAN 8- *The First Christmas*, MONDAYS **7 PM VIA ZOOM**
12/4, 12/11, 12/18 and Jan 8 (Jan 15 as makeup day)

SUN, DEC 3 **DEADLINE TO BRING IN ADOPT A FAMILY GIFTS**

RURAL AND MIGRANT MINISTRIES CONCERT/TOYS PRESENTATION 4-6 PM

THURS, DEC 7 **HOLIDAY TREE & MENORAH LIGHTING CEREMONY**
Clock Tower, Roslyn Village- 5 pm

THURS, DEC 8 **BURNING BOOKS- *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury**
(see info elsewhere in this newsletter)

SAT, DEC 9 &
SUN, DEC 10 **CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE- SAT 12/9, 9:00-3:00; SUN 12/10, 12:00-3:00**
(signup sheet in back of church to volunteer; or email Alexis)

SUN, DEC 10 **FESTIVAL OF ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS- 10:00 am**

THURS, DEC 14 **BURNING BOOKS** will discuss *Empress of the Nile* (7:30 pm on zoom)
(contact John at johnplatt@optonline.net for more details)

FRI, DEC 15 **DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL DONATIONS***
(Send in your donation with names of loved ones to be remembered)

SAT DEC 16 **OPEN HOUSE AT SHERRILL'S**, 5-7 in Whitestone (see flyer elsewhere in this
newsletter)

SAT, DEC 17 **HOMELESS OUTREACH** (pack up Blessing Bags at Church at 11:00 & proceed to
Hempstead Train Station to distribute)

SUN, DEC 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE- 8:00 pm** (Choir begins at 7:45 pm)

MON, DEC 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY, NO SERVICE**

SANDY CONNORS

By Don Kavanagh

When you pick up your Sunday Bulletin as you walk into Trinity Church, pause for a moment to notice the pen-and-ink sketch of our beautiful house of worship on the cover. This sketch has adorned our Bulletin since 1992. Unless you are a long-time parishioner, you may not be familiar with the origin of the sketch or the artist. I am proud to inform you that the artist is my beloved sister, Sandy Connors. She sketched Trinity Church as a favor to me and a contribution to the Church that she has long loved and admired.

Sandy is a prolific artist and wood engraver. She learned the art of letterpress printing as an apprentice to Morris Gelfand, the proprietor of the Stone House Press which operated at one time in Roslyn Harbor. Professor Gelfand taught Sandy to print using the letterpress process devised by Johannes Gutenberg. This technique, developed in the 15th Century, uses moveable lead type which is pressed into the page. The paper is individually hand-fed into a letterpress printer. The resulting letters and images have a dense, textured feel on the page.

While working at the Stone House Press, Sandy also became acquainted with John DePol, a well-known and exceptionally talented wood engraver who inspired Sandy to expand her artistic repertoire and try her hand at wood engraving. She immediately took to wood engraving and moved from pen-and-ink to engraving as her primary medium. The practice of wood engraving originated in 1767 at the dawn of the Industrial Revolution. It was invented by Thomas Bewick, apprentice to an ornamental gunstock engraver who lived and worked in a village near London. In creating a picture that could be printed in the typical wooden press of the day, Bewick unwittingly created the method by which every wood engraving was made for the next 100 years. Bewick's method is used to this day by a small group of artists in the United States and Britain.

In wood engraving, pictures and designs are cut on the end grain of a type of hard wood called box. Boxwood blocks are used because the fine, dense surface and grainless texture provide excellent carving properties and a perfect medium for exquisitely detailed images and illustrations.

In the early 1990s Sandy founded the Honeybee Press, which is located in Chatham, New York. Using the techniques of letterpress and wood engraving and elevating them to a fine art, Sandy and the Honeybee Press create limited edition books which bring Sandy's art and sensitivity to a beautiful and time-honored medium. All her work is printed on fine archival papers and the books are individually hand-bound by craftsmen in England.

The Honeybee Press has engraved and published limited edition books collected by bibliophiles and libraries throughout the United States and England. Sandy's works include *A Farmers Arms*, Sandy Connors, engraver, 1995; *Wildflower Wedding*, Judy Staber, author, Sandy Connors, engraver and printer, Honeybee Press, 2001; *A Wedding Tale*, by Mark Batty, Sandy Connors, engraver, 2001; *Busy as a Bee*, Sandy Connors, author and engraver, Whittington Press, 2002; and *A Year at the Sorbonne*, Oliver B. Pollak, Sandy Connors, engraver, Yellow Barn Press, 2002.

Her most recent works are entitled *Borrowed Seeds*, published by the Whittington Press in 2019, and *Seasons*, published by Honeybee Press in 2022.

Her engravings also appear in editions of *The Raven & Berenice* by Edgar Allen Poe, *A Visit from St. Nicholas* by Clement Clark Moore, and works by



Julian Symons, the British mystery writer. Sandy also did a lovely sketch of one of Trinity's

stained-glass windows and a sketch of one of the carved angels which embellish Trinity's supporting joists which were printed for notecards and might still be available at the Church office.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE RECIPES



Mini Linzer Cookies

- ¾ lb unsalted butter, room temp.
- 1 c. granulated sugar
- 1 tps vanilla
- 3½ c. flour
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¾ c raspberry preserves
- Confectioners' sugar, for dusting

Preheat oven to 350.

Mix together the butter & sugar in bowl of an electric mixer till just combined. Add the vanilla.

In a medium bowl, sift the flour & salt, then add them to the butter/sugar mixture. Mix on low speed till dough starts to come together. Dump onto a surface dusted with flour & shape into a flat disk. Wrap in plastic & chill 30 min.

Roll dough ¼" thick & cut 2¾" rounds with plain or fluted cutter. With half of the rounds, cut hole into middle of each round with a heart or other shaped cutter. Place all cookies on ungreased baking sheet & chill for 15 min.

Bake the cookies for 20-25 min, till edges begin to brown. Allow to cool to room temp. Spread raspberry preserves on the flat side of each solid cookie. Dust the top of the cut-out cookies with confectioners' sugar & press the flat sides together with the preserves in the middle & the confectioners' sugar on the top.



Christmas Crack

- 35-40 saltine crackers
- 1 cup unsalted butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- Red & green sprinkles

Preheat oven to 400. Line a 10" x 15" baking sheet with aluminum foil and spray with cooking spray.

Place your saltine crackers in even rows in pan and set aside.

In a saucepan over medium high heat melt the butter and brown sugar and whisk it together, bringing it to a boil. Continue to let it boil for 3 minutes without stirring. Mixture should be a deep caramel color.

Immediately pour over the saltines and spread out to cover crackers completely. Bake in the oven for 5 -6 minutes. It will get all bubbly. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with chocolate chips and let it sit for few minutes to melt.

Spread the chocolate over the saltines and sprinkle with chopped pecans and/or red & green sprinkles, pressing down a bit if desired. When cooled completely, place whole pan in refrigerator and let it harden for at least 1 hr. Cut or break apart into pieces and serve.

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