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Above: the Trinity Artist Series presented a St. Patrick's concert with Kathy Estes & Friends

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## Stations of the Cross & Holy Week Schedule 2014

### **APRIL 6: Stations of the Cross**

10:30am. A music-rich observance of the Stations of the Cross. Using scripture and the poems of Paul Claudel, we will walk the way of the Cross with Jesus. Choral and instrumental music, including that of **Alan Black**, principal cellist with the Charlotte Symphony, will be interspersed among the vivid and thought-provoking readings.

### **APRIL 13: Palm Sunday**

10:30 am. We will gather outside for the Liturgy of the Palms, culminating with our procession into the church singing “All Glory, laud, and honor.” Quickly though, the parade turns into the passion, as we will read the gospel story together and acknowledge our part in Jesus’ death.

### **APRIL 14-16, Mon-Wed.:**

5:30 pm Evening Prayer service.

### **APRIL 17: Maundy Thursday**

7:00 pm. On Maundy Thursday night we will celebrate the Holy Eucharist and observe the ceremony of the washing of feet. This service follows the story in John’s gospel, in which Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, “to love one another as I have loved you.” In fact, “Maundy” Thursday comes from the Latin *mandato*, meaning “command.” The service concludes with the stripping of the altar. As candles and linens are removed piece by piece, the hymn “Go to dark Gethsemane” invites us into the garden with Jesus to wait “one bitter hour.” We will leave the church in silence.

### **APRIL 18: Good Friday**

12:00 pm: The Good Friday Liturgy will begin at noon. Our focus during this liturgy is on the cross and on the love shown to us in the crucifixion: we will pray for all God’s children “everywhere according to their

needs,” for which needs, of course, Christ died; and, we will venerate the cross upon which Christ was hung. Good Friday is the one day in the year when there can be no celebration of the Eucharist.

### **APRIL 20: Easter Sunday**

6:30 am: On Easter morning, we keep the Great Vigil of Easter, one of the oldest services of the Christian Church. On this night, (for the sun is not quite up) the exsultet proclaims, “Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.” Sitting in the light of candles lit from the Paschal Candle, we hear the record of God’s saving deeds in history. After renewing our baptismal vows, we will share the first Eucharist of Easter.

9:45 am: Bring your children and join us for an Easter Egg Hunt! And, at 10:30 am, we will again celebrate the Eucharist at our regular worship time.



————— | *new beginnings at Trinity* | —————

**T**he title of this month's Topics is "Following Jesus, New Beginnings." Behind that title is our walk with Jesus to the cross on Good Friday, and the new beginning we are all given in the resurrection. That's where we are in the year, and that's what we want to convey with this month's publication.

Barbara Lundblad points out that John's gospel seems to end with chapter 20. Read it and see. But it doesn't. There is another chapter, which Lundblad calls something of a "postscript," which finds Peter and several other disciples fishing and Jesus on the shore, asking them if they have caught anything.

Of course they haven't until just now, when their nets nearly

burst with a miraculous catch, and Jesus calls these fishers to follow him. The story is very similar to one early in Luke when Jesus first enlists his disciples.

But this story is after the res-

*"Easter is not an ending; it is a beginning."*

urrection, after that encounter in the upper room when doubting Thomas was convinced, after they must have wondered if their time with Jesus really happened and they

have returned to life before they met him. Here he is again, calling them again, just like at the beginning. That's what happens in the postscript, says Lundblad. We find Jesus still with us, calling us, giving us new beginnings.

Easter is not an ending; it is a beginning. I encourage us all to view it that way this year. I invite us all to step out into that exciting world of the postscript and go where God takes us. Please let me share a few new beginnings the vestry and I have in mind.

First, beginning Monday, April 28, I will be leading an Adult Inquirer's Class in anticipation of Bishop Curry's visit on September 7. If you are new to the Episcopal Church or to this community of faith,

I encourage you to consider this class. It is a great way to meet other people and to learn about the Christian faith in the Episcopal tradition.

Second, on Thursday, May 15, we will be participating in a diocesan-wide evening called Go! Speak!, which invites us to gather in small groups for a time of sharing and listening to each other's faith stories. These groups will meet in homes and be facilitated by trained moderators. Please refer to **Kim Dockery's** story on page 7 about this event,

and offer yourself as a host or moderator if you can.

Third, beginning in early June, we will offer regular Sunday evening services at 5:00 p.m. Regular may not mean every week, but there will be a schedule. And the service may vary between Eucharist and Evening Prayer. But stay tuned, so that during the summer when you are out of town on Sunday mornings, you may make 5:00 church.

Fourth, we will be changing

our Seniors Lunches, offering them in the parish hall and including a program with them. We are still working on a date for the first one, so look forward to an announcement about our first of these new offerings.

Those are four new beginnings among us at Trinity. What are the new beginnings God is bringing into your life? Be open to what God is doing as we follow Jesus out into that big postscript together. —Brad Mullis



## — | *liked, loved & Shared* | —

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### **Kathy Estes Concert Pleases the Crowd**

“ A wonderful St Patrick's Eve at Trinity. Thanks to Jane Getsinger, Anne Rhyne, Agnes Schneider, Nick Harknett, and Kim Dockery for your work with Trinity Arts. Thanks to the amazing Kathy Estes and her fine group. A great afternoon of rousing jigs and reels, slow airs, harp tunes and sing alongs.— Sarah Borders, via Trinity Talks. March 17, 2014

### **Topics Redesign**

“ The new Topics is awesome! What a wonderful job. I am very, very impressed with what's been done. Thanks a lot! —Dee Ham, via email

### **Ash Wednesday Sermon Hits Home**

“ Loved the symbolic connection between Jesus and the Phoenix [in Brad's homily, 3/5/2014]. Ash Wednesday is one of my very favorite liturgical services! Some people think it's dark, but you have to have darkness and light. —Lisa McBroom, via Trinity Talks, March 6, 2014



Trinity preschoolers enjoy a festive St. Patrick's Day party, including green snacks and drinks. Photo by Mary Carol Wagner.

### **Flipping Out Over Pancakes**

The pancake supper was a huge success! Thanks to everyone who came out to support us. We totaled 99 adults and kids for the event. After expenses, we raised \$600 for youth programs. I would like to thank **Jeff Holland, Ellyn Mullis, Chuck Dockery, Kim Dockery, Bill Balatow, and Ginger Hester** for all of their help.

The J2A class has been busy planning their Urban Adventure that will take place in Washington D.C. from June 14<sup>th</sup> to June 17<sup>th</sup>. Ellyn Mullis and **Scott Rankin** are going to be the chaperones for the trip. Please keep us in your prayers. We have 8 youth going on the trip: **Cameron and Sarah Kate Rankin, John Gilbert, Quinn Payne, Meredith Dockery, Sally Mullis, Aston Johnson, and Jackie Warren**. Keep them in your prayers also. — *Scott Rankin*

### **Rite 13 Ceremony Honors Three Young Adults**

Trinity celebrated and welcomed three youth members into a new part of their journey to adulthood March 2 during their Rite 13 Ceremony. Participating in the ceremony were **Salem Haire, Charlie Mullis, and Carter Payne**.

Guest Priest Trawin Malone assisted in the services so Father Brad could participate with Ellyn and Charlie.

Each participant shared a brief biography, which is reprinted here.

Salem Haire was born in Statesville on September 6, 2001. Her parents are Trevla and Durant

Haire. She has a younger brother, Stokes. Salem is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade at American Renaissance School, where she is a member of the Junior Beta Club and Chorus. Salem is a member of the TYDE swimming team at the YMCA. Her favorite hobbies include playing the guitar, caring for her pets, and hanging out with her friends.

Charlie Mullis was born

Carter Payne was born in May of 2001. He has one sister, Quinn, who is 15. He also has a brother, Davis, who is 8. Carter attends Northview IB, where he is currently in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Carter is in the Junior Beta Club, and his favorite subject is math. From the time he was young, Carter has shown a profound interest in sports. They have become his passion. He has played about every sport he could play in Statesville, but his focus has centered on soccer and golf. He plays soccer for ICRD in the Elite West league, and his team is ranked in the top 25 for U-13 boys in the state.

Once the soccer season is over, he will spend his days swimming and walking the golf course with his friends. For the past five summers, Carter has enjoyed going to Camp Cheerio in the North Carolina mountains with his siblings and friends. This year, he has chosen to give up his Camp Cheerio days and attend McCallie Sport Camp in Tennessee for two weeks, where he will play every sport one could imagine.



*The Rite 13 Ceremony on March 2*

June 6, 2001 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He is the son of Brad and Ellyn Mullis and the brother of Sally Mullis. He attends school at Northview IB, where he plays in the jazz band, runs with the running club, and participates in Odyssey of the Mind. He is a Boy Scout in Troop 175. He serves as an acolyte at church. He will turn 13 in June.

### **Making the Palm Crosses**

At the Palm Sunday service, we are welcomed with beautiful palm crosses to pin to our lapels. Have you wondered about how those crosses came about?

They are not ordered from Amazon, but are made by a faithful group of parishioners! That group will meet at 7:00, Monday, April 6 in

the Hospitality Hall, and from long palm branches once again will make those little crosses. All materials and instructions will be provided. Much fun and fellowship are enjoyed, as we create these symbols of the Easter season. Join us!

### **Sponsor Flowers for a Sunday**

Please consider honoring or remembering a friend or family member with altar flowers. Sign the poster in the narthex to indicate your choices.



### **Children's Choir Inspires**

Our children's choir continues to inspire all when they sing during worship! We've welcomed several new singers and encourage all children ages three to ten to join. Rehearsals are Tuesdays, 4:00-4:30. For any families having an issue with transportation, please contact **Anne Rhynes**--arhynes01@bellsouth.net.

### **Yard Sale May 3rd!**

It'll be here before you know it! Get your goods ready for our annual Trinity Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 from 6:30 to 11:00 AM**. Proceeds from this year's event will be donated to Fifth Street and Yokefellow Ministries.

Now is a great time to go through your seasonal clothes, holiday decorations, used appliances, and knick-knacks that you're ready

to part with in support of two terrific programs in our community.

The committee will be receiving the donated items on Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 to 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Also we are always in need of plastic and paper bags as well as hangers for clothes.

Due to problems experienced in the past couple of years, the Outreach Committee decided

that we can no longer allow people to preview the inventory or buy items before 6:30 AM on the May 3<sup>rd</sup>. For those who come from outside our church to purchase items from the Yard Sale, it would be unfair to them to have the inventory already "cherry picked" before start of the event. Thanks for your cooperation and your faithful support for this terrific event. We're looking forward to it!—*Layton Getsinger*

## — | *from the Senior Warden* | —

As Easter quickly approaches, I want to say what a tremendous success we had with our four Lenten groups that met on a weekly basis. Some liked the movies more than others, but the real purpose of the gatherings was to get to know one another better, to share our stories and faith, and to worship. This is what our time together was all about. I also would like to especially thank Brad for his tremendous effort in attending and helping to lead the discussion and worship in so many of the different group gatherings.

Your Vestry continues to meet monthly and to work diligently in our various ministry areas. A special thanks to our new Junior Warden, **Rob Hites**. With the bad weather—snow, ice, etc.—Rob had to jump into his new position quickly, and he has done a great job clearing fallen debris and keeping our buildings and grounds in good shape. Thanks, Rob! We also discussed in the last Vestry meeting that we are starting to see some newcomers again, and I hope everyone will be on the lookout for visitors and be sure and greet them and welcome them to Trinity. I think of Trinity as being a very warm and welcoming Church, and we all want to make sure that all visitors and newcomers feel the same way. In closing, I want to wish you all a very happy and fulfilling Easter! —*Will Fanjoy*

## — | *faith sharing at Trinity* | —

On Thursday, May 15, small groups of 8-10 Episcopalians will gather in homes or other informal settings across our Diocese. Under the direction of a trained moderator, participants will share personal stories in matters of faith with fellow parishioners.

These gatherings will include a simple meal, but will primarily focus on sharing and listening. Trinity hopes to have 75 participants. Beginning on April 6th, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the narthex, or you may sign up with Trinity's coordinator, Kim Dockery, at [k.dockery@att.net](mailto:k.dockery@att.net) or 704-880-0264.

We are also seeking hosts for the gatherings; contact Kim Dockery if you are interested in that as well.

**W**e've certainly been busy at Trinity these last several weeks. March brought us an art presentation by local woodcutter **Noyes Capehart Long**, who discussed his Stations of the Cross exhibit (top, right). His talk was sponsored by the Trinity Artist Series, which also presented **Kathy Estes and Friends** in concert on March 16. (left, bottom: Scott Simonson plays cello.) The group played a number of Irish jigs and reels for a crowd of over 100 people.

Trinity kicked off the last night before Lent with a Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper, which packed the Parish Hall and raised more than \$600 for youth programs. Friends and families came out for fellowship (**Brittany Dearman, Thomas & Amanda Clendenin**, right, third from top); **Jeff Holland** (left, top) put on his chef's hat for the night; **Father Brad** (right, second from top) and Trinity youth put the "Alleluia Banner" in the freezer, where it'll be banished until Easter; and young and old alike enjoyed pancakes (right, bottom). One of these ladies was born in 1911, the other in 2013.







————— | *how do I Belong?* | —————

**A**s I look out among you each week, I see many new faces. There are other faces I'm seeing more often than I used to. No matter if you're a regular "visitor" or not, we welcome you—and to answer the question in my title, through your presence and participation here, *you belong*.

Many folks wonder how to become a member of Trinity and the Episcopal Church in general, though. Since we have a visit from Bishop Curry coming in September and an Inquirer's Class beginning just after Easter, let me try to explain how one "joins" Trinity.

One way to join Trinity is to be baptized. We all enter God's family through the waters of baptism. If you have never been baptized, receiving baptism here at Trinity makes you a member of this church. That applies to adults or children or youth.

If you have already been baptized and are a member of another congregation or denomina-

tion, you could join Trinity by requesting a transfer of letter from the congregation with which your membership currently resides. To do that, simply call the church office and tell Susie Medlin that you would like your membership transferred to Trinity and whom she should contact to inquire about your letter.

If you're interested in confirmation, please be sure to join our Adult Inquirer's Class, beginning April 6.

Please know that occasionally other churches do not respond to our inquiries—in which case, after doing our due diligence, we will simply declare you a member here. (But if you have your baptismal certificate that makes things easier!)

If you come to Trinity as a baptized, confirmed Episcopalian

from another parish, then your letter of transfer makes you a baptized, confirmed communicant (BCC) here. If you come from another denomination, we welcome you as a baptized member until you are confirmed or received by the Bishop. Confirmation or reception welcomes you into the Anglican Communion, into the Episcopal Church of the United States, and into communion with the Diocese of North Carolina. Baptized, Confirmed Communicants 16 and older may serve on and vote for vestry, and serve as delegates to the Diocesan Convention.

This explanation always feels complicated. I don't mean it to be. What I want you to know is that we value your presence here and invite you, as the Spirit leads, to consider membership and/or confirmation. If you are interested in Inquirer's Class, or if you have further questions about joining Trinity, please contact me at any time. — *Brad Mullis*

*Turning Something*

Old

*into Something*

New



Trinity's wooden service items have a history — and some age.

It has been twenty years since I made my first woodturnings. It all started with a casual conversation with the Rev. Doug Dailey in late 1993 when he was thinking of doing something different for Lent. He was thinking earthen ware or glass for the Communion services. He mentioned that Red Park was working on turning candle sticks



Clockwise, from left: the book stand, made by Red Park; the large collection plate, made by Sam McDowell out of circa 1875 heart pine; a close-up of the chalice's base.



Opposite cover: the chalice and bread paten on display during Lent.

out of wood and making a wooden cross, etc.

I was working on wood projects at home. I had done some simple woodturning in junior high in D. Matt Thompson's shop class. I had inherited a 1940s era Woodsmith multi-use woodshop saw drill-lathe from my father; as it turned out, Red was using the exact same model Woodsmith.

So I told Doug that I would take a stab at making a chalice. Things developed that Red and I would make the items out of walnut because of the connection to the original church on Walnut Street.

Not having a clue what I was doing, I gradually chewed a chalice out of walnut. It took about three days to make the first chalice. The final result was that Red made the candle sticks, book stand, acolyte torches and processional cross. I made the two chalices, two bread bowls, a paten, and flower vases. In later years I added two cruets for wine & water.



I have also updated the lids on the bread bowls so that they will stay on. The bread paten was so slick the wafers would slide off, so I refinished them with added saw dust for grip. This was the start to my ongoing love for woodturning. I added an intinction chalice later. It took me about an hour to make.

Doug found and bought a pew that someone at the old church had

refinished and never claimed. He had it cut in half to fit his house. When Doug left, he gave me the wood from the cut-off part of the pew bench. This is circa 1875 heart pine. I eventually used it to make the large collection plate you see now. The base is one piece and the rim is 12 segments glued together. One of the Alter Guild ladies pointed out that there are three nail holes on it.—Sam McDowell



————— | *minding the Gap* | —————

**T**here was a moment, just as the workers were pushing back the Airbus jumbo jet from its gate, when my heart sank into one of its deepest ruts in some time.

My wife had just sent me a picture message of our two children out for a walk in our neighborhood—bright, sunny, full of life, our son in his red wagon, our daughter mid-stride, mouthing words I couldn't hear. Meanwhile I was in the window seat on a plane to London, the agony of a red-eye flight ahead,

the prospect of the long trip ahead weighing down on my chest.

Eleven days, more or less, away from home. I did the math in my head, over and over, as the jet engines roared and we hurtled down the runway.

I'd never been away from our kids for so long before. I travel for my job quite regularly, but I try hard to limit my trips to three or four days. I kept finding my heart going back to the quick goodbye I'd shared with my son and daughter and wife. It hurt.

The miracle of technology helped a little. Throughout the week, I could video chat with my family as I trekked across Europe. I'd dial in late at night, the lights of Paris glistening outside my hotel window while the sun tracked high in North Carolina, and watch my children at play, stare at Kelly's face, catch up on our days. When it came time to hang up, the silence in my hotel room was heavy.

The week passed in its own time, though, and soon I was bounding westward across the At-

lantic. I landed on a cold, raw, rainy afternoon, but it didn't matter: there was good clay dirt under my feet. I pointed my car northward and zipped back up the interstate to Statesville.

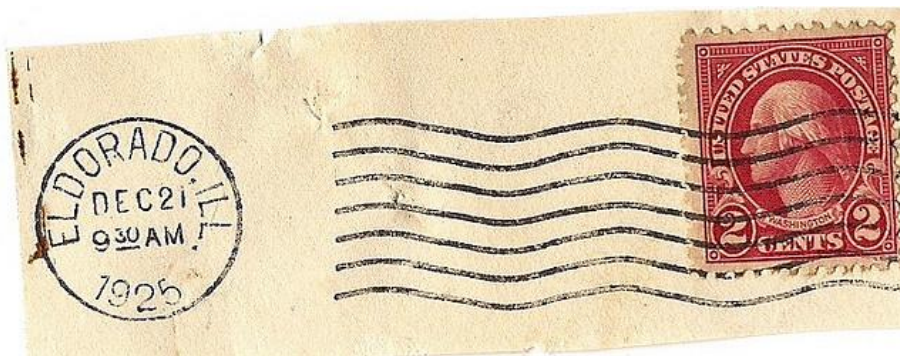
Our reunion was sweet, especially with my daughter, who was napping when I stepped in the door and whom I gently roused from her slumber. She rubbed her eyes, grinned, and wrapped me up in a hug. "I missed you," she said into my shoulder.

There was a gift in that long valley of separation: my perspective shifted through the course of the week. Things felt new again. The children seemed different. Our son babbled more than when I'd left. Our daughter had learned new words and phrases, new poses, new gestures.

Aside from video chats in the evenings, my wife and I wrote to each other, little emails back and forth throughout the day. Some were heartfelt, others totally light-hearted. We vented to each other, and we flirted with each other. We'd stopped doing that at some point—writing to each other, that is—but now we were dashing off little hellos and longer whatnots every day.

The regular marathon that is life with two kids in the suburbs had left me empty and flat, and I didn't even know it until I packed up and left the continent. I didn't realize that I'd been so drained of the simple faith that spins the world, or that I needed a booster shot to remind me who I was as a husband, a parent, a participant.

When I was in London, I chuckled every time I heard the iconic phrase "mind the gap." Back home, my wife and daughter and son in my arms, I realized that gaps can be helpful, especially when you have the means to mind them. —James Hogan



## — | *a stamp of Approval* | —

Trinity's Outreach Committee decided at its March meeting to begin a new effort to help purchase materials for churches in Latin America. The "Alliance Stamp Ministry" in Fort Myers, Florida that accepts cancelled postage stamps of any denomination and sells them to stamp dealers. The money collected goes towards purchasing Spanish language Sunday School materials and distributing them to congregations in need.

Now, the committee needs your help in collecting used stamps! When you save your stamps, please don't attempt to remove them from the paper and leave a third of an inch of paper around the stamp.

A container will be placed in the narthex for your contributions after Easter and will be emptied at least monthly. Ask your friends and neighbors for stamps, and help us make our donations as large as we can. —Michael Coltham

## — | *vestry Minutes* | —

### **Overview of Vestry Meeting, February 16, 2014**

Layton Getsinger made a motion, seconded by James Hogan to approve December and January minutes as amended.

A motion was made by Will Fanjoy to transfer the exact excess amount of the Dalehite bequest to cash reserve from the Memorial Fund. Clay Crouch seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Anne Rhyne made a motion that the March Vestry meeting be moved from March 16 to March 23. Kim Dockery seconded. The motion passed.

The housing allowance for Brad is \$25,000 for 2014.



## Call House Calls!

We stand ready to assist church members who need assistance with small work projects around the house — downed limbs, small repairs, etc. Please contact the church office or Jim Rhyne with your needs.



As a result of the unusually cold winter, continued unemployment, changing government policies, etc. Yokefellow Ministries in Statesville, like all Iredell charities, is experiencing an unusually high demand for assistance.

In an attempt to assist Yokefellow, the Outreach Committee decided to donate the food collections in the narthex for March and April to Yokefellow. We will continue with our monthly donations to ICM in June. This donation will also help Yokefellow qualify for matching grant funds from the Alan Shawn Feinstein Foundation.

As we continue our journey through the Lenten Season, please keep those around you in mind. The mission of our Outreach Ministry is to feed our fellow man with food for the body and soul. Lent is a time to be especially vigilant of those suffering among us.



**A Can-Do Update**

Thanks to everyone who has been participating in our aluminum can recycling program. According to **Doug Stobbe**, we collected 22 pounds of cans in February 2014; bringing our total for the year to 62 pounds.

Our Grand Total since September 2001 is 5,754 (just 246 pounds shy of our third ton). In combination with our regular blue recycling container downstairs, we have a red box container upstairs on the left side of the bench on the front walkway.

Please consider saving your cans at home and bringing them to church on Sundays. The proceeds from the cans come back to the Rector’s discretionary fund to be used to assist those in need. —*Layton Getsinger*

Pledges are in great shape, reporting collections \$18,119 higher than budgeted. This typically occurs in the first part of the year as some members choose to pay annual pledges early, and it’s greatly appreciated, as it helps us with cash flow management.

Plate collections are also influenced by timing, with a natural skew toward our religious holidays, especially Christmas and Easter. Through February, plate collections were \$988 less than Budget.

Expenses for the first two months are \$40,255 versus a budget of \$38,706 or an overage of \$1,519. All together, the financial picture through February is healthy!

**Lenten Thought:** I never realized the significance of the open collection plate in relation to our budget... until now! Plate collections are budgeted to contribute almost 8 percent of our entire Operating Fund income this year. That is indeed significant. This Lenten season, I have promised to make the collection plate an integral part of my financial giving...and to make that a habit throughout the year. Though it may be only a buck or loose change at times, I know that when combined with so many others, it will be significant! —*Nimocks Haigh*

	Total YTD	Pledges	Plate	Other
Actual	55,144	52,707	1,929	508
Budget	37,855	34,588	2,917	350
Variance	17,289	18,119	(988)	158

— | *around the Grounds* | —

The winter weather was not kind to Trinity's tree canopy. Many large limbs fell due to the weight of ice and snow. Limbs blocked the entry way to the front parking lot during both storms. We were able to move and cut the limbs after the snow but had to hire our yard maintenance company to clear the limbs after the ice storm.

Many of the limbs remained connected to the trunk and our volunteers would not have had the means to get to the limbs. The crews cleared the limbs and carried them away by late afternoon on Friday after the storm. We are very pleased that we did not discover any leaks in the roof while it was covered in ice and snow. —*Rob Hites*

## Milestones

### Birthdays

2 | Michael Coltham, Vicki Holland  
3 | Julia Holland  
4 | Ellyn Mullis  
5 | William Cardwell, Tanner Marko  
7 | Jack Devine  
8 | Jeff Holland  
9 | Lucy Hites  
12 | Bill Holland, Natalie Marsh  
14 | Adana Davis  
16 | Jean Keiser  
20 | Barbara Crouch, Buddy Johnson  
21 | Bill Leach  
23 | Katelin Allison  
24 | Thomas A. Allison  
28 | Madison Peters  
29 | Patricia Bosshart

30 | Thomas A. Fanjoy, II

### Anniversaries

3 | Sam & Judy McDowell  
5 | Don & Joan French  
11 | Bill & Julia Holland  
12 | Joe & Laura Peters  
14 | Joe & Danielle Abbott  
19 | Richard & Jean Tatum  
27 | Phil & Mary Dulin

### Births

Jennifer & Richard Griggs welcomed a daughter, Stuart Anne Griggs, born March 1.

### Deaths

Christopher "Chris" Alan Davidson, 55, passed away on March 22. Services were held following a private burial on March 27.

Please send any obituaries or birth notices to [trinitychurchnc@bellsouth.net](mailto:trinitychurchnc@bellsouth.net) for inclusion in Topics.

## service Schedule

**SUNDAY, 4/6:** Lectors: Sam McDowell (8), Amy Lawton; Chalice: Roger Davidson (8), Kim Dockery, Will Fanjoy\*; Greeters: Jim & Lynn Lawton; Ushers: Chuck Dockery\*, John Dulin, Dee Ham Jeff Holland; Oblation: Katie Payne, Sonny Rankin; Nursery: Rowdy Armistead, Kelly Hogan; Acolytes: Gray Lackey S, Quinn Payne C, Stokes Haire T, Hailee Mitchell T; Assistant: Pat Henley

**SUNDAY, 4/13:** Lectors: Roger Davidson (8), Natalie Marsh; Chalice: Roger Davidson (8), Bill Balatow, Chris Shoobridge\*; Greeters: Will & Susan Fanjoy; Ushers: Elliott Harwell, Scott Rankin, Bob Foster, Andrew Rutter; Oblation: Joe & Laura Peters; Nursery: Heather Harwell, Lauren Rutter; Acolytes: Alexandra Martin S, Jackie Warren C, Blair Warren T, Ali Warren T; Assistant: Bill Balatow

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, 4/17:** Lectors: James Hogan; Chalice: Margaret Johnson, Anne Rhyne\*; Greeters: Judy McDowell; Ushers: Sam McDowell, Sonny Rankin; Oblation: Scott Rankin & family; Acolytes: Buchanan Deter S, Sally Mullis C, Sarah Alexander T, Mary Alexander T; Assistant: David Alexander

**GOOD FRIDAY, 4/18 (NOON):** Lectors: Trudy Goodman; Chalice: Harriette Andrews; Greeters: Bob Foster; Oblation: Rowdy Armistead, Anne Rhyne

**EASTER SUNDAY, 4/20:** Lectors: Clay Crouch (8), Sarah Borders; Chalice: Roger Davidson (8), Will Fanjoy\*, Kaye Taliana; Greeters: Lula Cheatham, Kim Dockery; Ushers: Tommy Allison\*, Bill Balatow, Thomas Clendenin, Haydee Patterson; Oblation: Chuck & Kim Dockery; Aco-

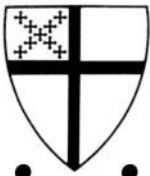
lytes: Tessica Martin S, Aston Johnson C, Salem Haire T, Ellison Johnson T; Assistant: John Deter

**SUNDAY, 4/27:** Lectors: Roger Davidson (8), Andrew Rutter; Chalice: Roger Davidson (8), Nick Harkentt\*, Anne Rhyne; Greeters: Walter & Haydee Patterson; Ushers: Will Fanjoy, Don French, Jim Lawton\*, Andrew Rutter; Oblation: Evie Caldwell, Clay Crouch; Nursery: Kim & Meredith Dockery; Acolytes: Meredith Dockery S, Sarah Kate Rankin C, Kaid Mitchell T, Hailee Mitchell T; Assistant: Margaret Johnson

### Altar Guild:

April 1-15: Francie Fanjoy, Julia Scott, Susan Cardwell, Alice Hunsucker, Joanne Schinaman

April 16-30: Allison Hughes, Heidi Goldstein, Billie Bourgeois, Jerrie Greene, Jennifer York

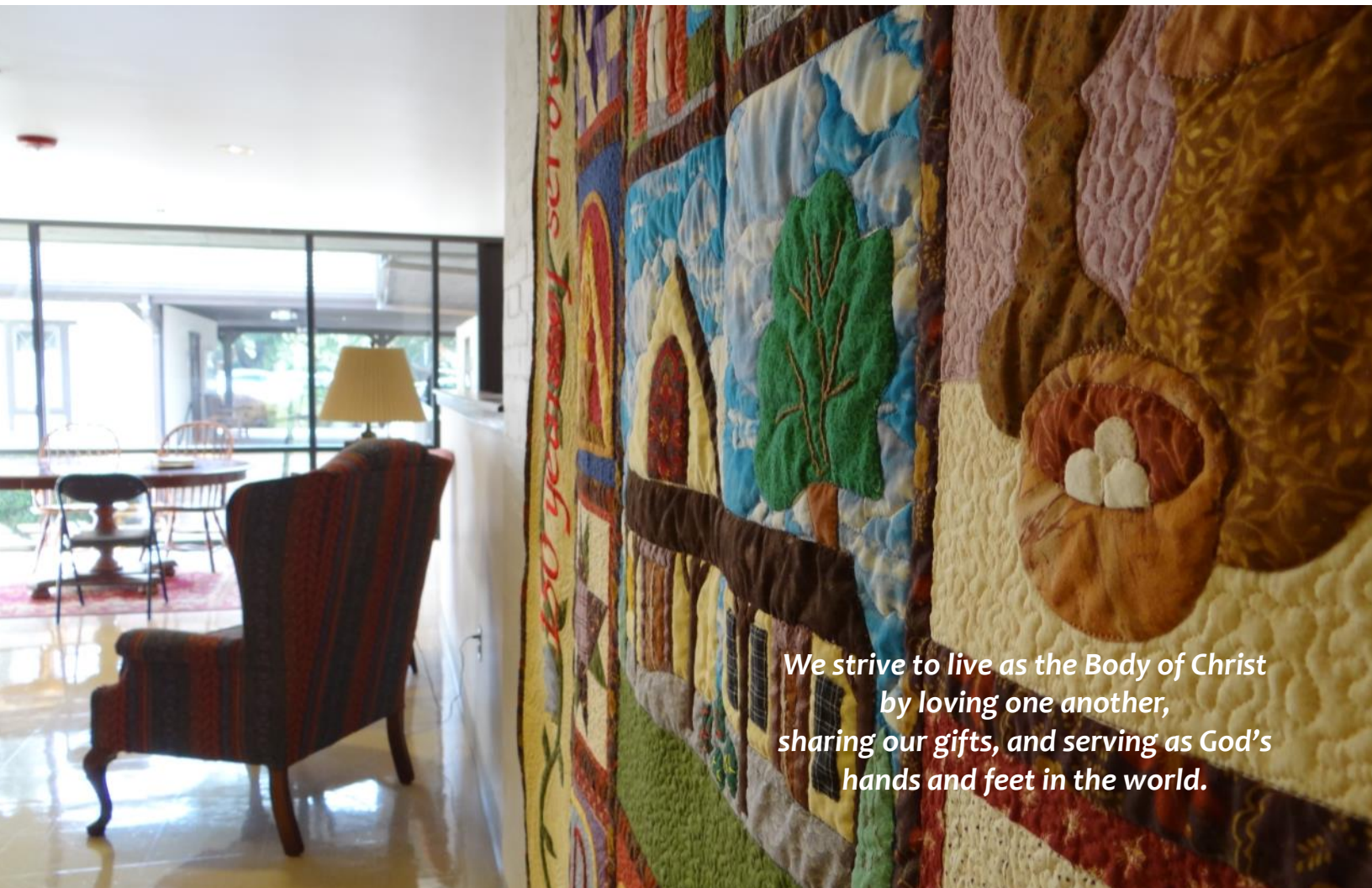


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