

The Feast of Pentecost May 23, 2021 Morning Prayer on Zoom 9 am Followed by a Vestry Discussion

Living God, eternal Holy Spirit, you have filled your people with the Spirit who rested first on your Son and united us in your Church; let your intoxicating energy which fired those first disciples fall on us to turn the world again. Amen.

- The New Zealand Prayer Book

Ministers of the Liturgy Peach Warren

Your Vestry: Beth Moeller & Lisa Ruggiero, Edla Ann Bloom, Steve Ketcham, Wayne Stochaj

Musicians: Randolph Bloom, Mary Johnson, Jeff Lukas, Beth Stochaj

In-Person worship will resume in the sanctuary next Sunday May 30th – Trinity Sunday: Holy Eucharist @ 9 am

Please fill in the RSVP form on our website or call the office so that we can plan for social distancing. https://www.Trinitychurchmilford.org

This Weekend at Trinity:

Sunday:

9 am – Morning Prayer on Zoom Link will be sent on Saturday evening

This Week at Trinity

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday

Mother Judith will be away through Tuesday May-25th. She can be reached by phone [716.949.8194] and email.

Wednesday 10 am – Morning Prayer on Zoom: the link will be sent by email on Wednesday morning **Thursday 4 pm** – Grab n Go meals at Trinity



Celebrating our Youth Ministries & Our Graduates: Mark your Calendars

June 6^{th} – Celebrating our Children & Youth: Sunday School students and youth will be our Readers. We will celebrate their accomplishments this year, and we will celebrate the ministries of Rachel Carpenter as Church School

Coordinator & Dr. Sarah Prevelige as Youth Group Mentor.

June 13th – Honoring our Graduates: We will celebrate our youth and young adults graduating from 8th grade, high school, and college. Please contact Beth Moeller if someone in your family is graduating from 8th grade, high school, or college.

The June issue of The Trinitarian will be posted and mailed this week.

Vestry Highlights: May 17th 2021

Resolved

- ✓ Approved Quarterly Financial Report as of March 30, 2021
- ✓ Extended Mother Judith's contract through June 30, 2021
- ✓ Appointed Peach Warren to fill Gayle Ruscitti's Vestry seat through January 2022

Discussion

- Planning: Honoring our Graduates on June 13th
- ✓ Planning: clearing out storage spaces in preparation for new ministry
- ✓ The Search: discussion with the Search Committee & Canon Rich Simpson

Altar Flowers: Summer

Now that we will be gathering for Holy Eucharist every Sunday, we would like to have fresh flowers at the altar every week. However, our florist reports that prices have increased significantly as a result of the pandemic. We invite donations from your gardens. Please contact Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski if you wish to contribute. This may be an opportunity for thanksgiving or memorials.

The Good News Gardens



We have been encouraging container gardening, but if you long to have your hands in the earth, you are invited to volunteer at "Garden of Hope" on the bike/walk rail trail in Milford. Mary Johnson is collaborating with Lisa Trussis to manage the garden at Christopher's Corner, near Fino Field Pool, directly off the bike path. On June 5th we will have a garden-work party at 9am. If you are interested in shoveling dirt or planting or watering you are welcome to join us! We will have a table with containers for those who want to garden but cannot get down on their hands and knees to do the work. You can

still plant, water and weed. The earth is amazing! Gardening can be a chore, a healing process, nurturing, wearying and uplifting – all at the same time. And it is like alchemy, instead of creating gold, it produces food. And I do love to eat!

If you have a plant, nurture it and share the harvest. If you don't have one yet, but want one, we are going to give more plants away after Memorial Day. Charlie has been transplanting the plants and helping them to grow. Stayed tuned for the next few give away dates.

- Mary Johnson





The JULIETSs, who have not been meeting due to the pandemic, plan to get together on **June 2, at 12:30.** If you would like to join us for lunch at New England Steak and Seafood in Mendon, please let Pat Keppler know: 508 966-0003 or 508 246-9703 or <u>pat_keppler@yahoo.com</u>. This restaurant is indoors but usually not crowded at lunch, and we should be able to reasonably socially distance there. All women from the parish are welcome to join this group. It should be fun!



Meditation for the Feast of Pentecost

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When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

John 16:13

I want to begin with a story about the Desert Father Abba Joseph:

Abba Lot went to see Abba Joseph and said to him, 'Abba, as far as I can I say my little office, I fast a little, I pray and meditate, I live in peace, and, as far as I can, I purify my thoughts. What else can I do?' Then the old man stood up and stretched his hands towards heaven. His fingers became like ten lamps of fire and he said to him, 'If you will, you can become all flame.'

What does the church look like when its fingers are like lamps of fire? When the Holy Spirt has swept through like the rush of a violent wind? When a community is alive in the Spirit of God?

The Spirit of God is alive at Trinity, shining within us, and all around us.

We see Trinity's "fiery fingers" in our Good News Gardens and Laundry Love, in our weekly community meals and Grab n Go lunches on major holidays, in our collaborative Sunday School and our Youth Group mission projects, in building our community through innovative worship.

As Annie Dillard puts it, [in *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*]"

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Let us trust in the "solar wind" of the Holy Spirit to carry us into the new ministry to which God is calling us.

Let us light each other's way with the fiery fingers of truth.

Our Prayers Are Offered For:

Parish Members & Friends: Bitsy; Darlene Young; Marian Smatt; Darius; Karin Tourtellotte; Paul Langlois; Sharon Manoogian; Sal & Vas Ferreira; Laura Uretsky; Lee Kalns; Michael Lambert; Michelle; Stephanie; Ron Taylor; Kim Liquori; Peter Lee; Gloria Falcone; Barbara; Valerie; Ray & Enid; Clinton Clark, III; Marco Weiss; Al Price; Robert; Mary Torian, Beth & Terry; Esther McKenzie; Lisa Wilson; Sandra Arbogast; Len Baird; Judy Shea; Robin Rowe; Skye Bayleigh Plaisted; Alex; Alisha Starkis Weddeke; Chrissy & Mark; Thomas Scano; the Canali Family; Sherel & Lou Frere; Craig Silverman; Justin Perkin; Tom Childs; Nancy Sharoogian; Bob Mezzadri; all those serving in the military and the Peace Corps, especially Avary DeRagon; Dan Consigli; Drew Beauchamp; Charles; Laura; Elena; Brendan Wood; Danielle & Joel Marsh; Tom Bento; Joel Joudrey; Justin Woessner and their families.

Homebound Parishioners: Verna Parente, and Wayne Morey.

Our Partner Dioceses: Kumasi and Asante-Mampong in Ghana

Those celebrating birthdays this week: Mackenzie Viens; Benjamin Manoli; Robert Côté; Stephen Ward; Melissa Person; Maria D'Ascenzo; Bill Gladwin; Carrie Brandt; Lois Leverock; Bruce Palmer; Riley Lynch; Lee Kalns; Cody Fletcher; Rachel Garay; John Cook; Lauri Pekkala; Heather Olson; Susan McDonald; Kirstin Ferreira; Wendy Goddard; Pamela Welter; Theodore Pekkala; Bryan Dow; Alina Piacente-Perez; Jessica Piatt; Pascal Viens; Jack O'Neill; Michael McNally; Paula Kollman; and Debbie Harrison.

The Ministers of Trinity Episcopal Church are THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH

led by

The Reverend Dr. Judith Lee, Interim Priest
Randy Bloom, Minister of Music, Rachel Carpenter, Sunday School Coordinator
Magee Lambert, Church Secretary, Paul Del Molino, Sexton
Beth Moeller, Senior Warden; Lisa Ruggiero, Junior Warden
and the Treasurers, Clerk and Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church.

We serve our Lord as a part of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts led by The Rt. Rev. Doug Fisher, Bishop of Western Massachusetts

Our Mission Statement:

Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit, through worship, ministry and fellowship.

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