

Trinity Tidings

April 2024

Holy Week and Easter Day Schedule

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday March 24

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (Rt. II) and Liturgy of the Palms.

The 10:30 service will begin in Garland Hall.

The Paschal Triduum

Maundy Thursday March 28

7:00 p.m. – The Holy Eucharist of the Institution.

Good Friday March 29

Noon – Liturgy of Good Friday, a said service.

Holy Saturday March 30

10:30 a.m. - Liturgy for Holy Saturday, a said service.

Everyone is invited to decorate the church immediately following this service.

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day March 31

Please note the special service time

10:00 a.m. – Choral Eucharist (Rt. II) and Lighting of the Paschal Candle.



Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

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Important Upcoming Dates:

Sundays:

8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rt. I; 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rt. II; Godly Play Program, 10:30 a.m.

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Decorating the Church: March 30, at 11:00 a.m.

TECW Meeting: April 13, at 9:30 a.m.

Vestry Meeting: April 16, at 5:30 p.m.

Episcopal News Service

Episcopal delegates engage in a wide variety of activities in New York during UNCSW.

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By: Melodie Woerman

The <u>10 women</u> selected to represent Presiding Bishop Michael Curry at the 68th meeting of the <u>United Nations Commission on the Status of Women</u> have been busy in a wide variety of activities since the annual event began on March 11.

Most of them have spent time in sessions and side events in New York, as they engaged with the meeting's priority theme, "accelerating the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls by addressing poverty and strengthening institutions and financing with a gender perspective."

The Commission on the Status of Women is the largest event hosted by the U.N. in New York, and it is one of the largest gatherings of women globally. Last week, during an opening-day coffee, Episcopal delegates welcomed the <u>delegation from the Anglican Communion</u>, led by Martha Jarvis, the Anglican Communion permanent representative to the United Nations. Together the delegations hosted a Eucharist that day at the Chapel of Christ the Lord in the Episcopal Church Center.

One delegate, the Rev. Lilo Rivera from the Diocese of Long Island, was able to attend the opening session at the U.N. headquarters that included remarks by Secretary General António Guterres. He told the assembled delegates and guests, "Our world is going through turbulent times, and women and girls are being hit hardest in conflict zones around the globe. Women and girls are suffering most from wars waged by men."

The breadth of the delegation's work is highlighted in information provided to Episcopal News Service by Lynnaia Main, The Episcopal Church's representative to the United Nations, and posts to The Episcopal Church and the United Nations Facebook page.

Every day, Episcopal delegates spend time observing official UNCSW meetings in person and online, as well as advocating for the priorities outlined in the <u>presiding bishop's statement</u> to the UNCSW, which he submitted in October as part of the formal process for nongovernmental organizations.

The delegation also has been gathering for daily worship in the Church Center for the United Nations with Ecumenical Women at the U.N.

On March 13, some of the delegates joined in a pilgrimage of lament for Gaza, as they and others wore black as they circled the block in front of U.N. headquarters 25 times to recall the 25-mile length of the Gaza Strip. They also took part in the weekly "Thursdays in Black" campaign of the World Council of Churches, wearing black to highlight the problem of gender-based violence.

Along with others, delegates gathered on March 15 to watch a webinar, "The Africa Six: Pioneering Anglican Episcopal Women Leaders Transforming Poverty in Africa," that was cosponsored by the Anglican Communion and The Episcopal Church. It featured six Anglican women bishops serving in Africa: Bishop Filemona Teta of Bom Pasteur, Angola; Bishop Vicentia Kgabe of Lesotho, Southern Africa; Bishop Dalcy Dlamini of Eswatini, Southern Africa; Bishop Elizabeth Awut of Rumbek, South Sudan; Bishop Rose Okeno of Butere, Kenya; and Bishop Emily Onyango of Bondo, Kenya.

The delegation also has met with government officials from the United States, the United Kingdom, Guatemala, Cuba and Brazil to share the presiding bishop's proprieties and learn more about those nations' needs and.

After returning home to Los Angeles after being in New York for the first week of the gathering, delegate Faith LeMasters said in a <u>blog post</u> that her time there had been "nothing short of a roller coaster" as she learned more about the extent of suffering experienced by women and girls around the world.

She had learned the most about gender equity intersecting with environmentalism and women in agriculture, she said. "I had no idea that, on a global scale, so many women worked as farmers and relied on the agricultural industry for stability and income," she said. "On the same hand, I didn't realize that climate change impacted women at a much greater rate than men."

Long an advocate for women and girls facing exploitation in the garment industry, LeMasters said that after learning that up to 80% of people displaced by climate change are women, she will "shift some of my work toward advocating for initiatives to combat climate change."

Along with Main, assisting the delegates are former Episcopal UNCSW delegates the Rev. Annalise Castro Pasalo and Coromoto Jimenez de Salazar. The UNSCW ends on March 22, and the delegation will have an online wrap-up meeting on March 25.

+ + + The Partnership News

Memorial Gift spurs rebirth of feeding ministry at St. Peter, Westfield.

www.episcopalpartnership.org Posted: March 6, 2024

At St. Peter's, Westfield, the generous donation of a new refrigerator has jump-started a renovation of the parish's commercial kitchen — the first since the Truman administration — and a once-dormant feeding ministry.

After the death of Margaret Beckman, a longtime parish member, her sons asked the Rev. Deacon Pat Guinn to suggest a gift they could make in their mother's memory. "We needed a new refrigerator," Guinn said. "Ours could no longer be repaired."

Once the Beckman's gift was in place, the congregation, led by Deanna Scharf and Janice Gaither, began thinking about reviving its former meal program. That hope spurred the kitchen renovation, which included a freezer, new cabinets, flooring, and additional appliances, all made possible by other gifts including funds given by another late parishioner, Daniel Millet.

"Put it all together and you get a dream," Guinn said.
"The biggest thing has been seeing the enthusiasm and excitement for the project within the congregation. People have dedicated thirty hours a week or more to overseeing the renovation efforts."

When Guinn began her ministry at St. Peter's in 2022, Sunday morning attendance was about seven. That number has now doubled. The food ministry and a growing awareness of food and housing insecurity in Chautauqua County, she said, "has brought the congregation alive again."

The congregation plans to host its first dinner from the new kitchen next month.

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Trinity Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes February 2024 As approved at the March Meeting

Present: Sally Ludlum, Warden; Ann Sullivan; Melissa Eichmann; Jake Wilkins; Cathy Berner (via conference call); Mary Lou Vercant; Jenn Wilkins, Clerk; Virginia Becker, Treasurer; and The Reverend James Clement, Rector.

Excused:

Call to Order: Fr. Clement called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., followed with an opening prayer.

Meeting Agenda: Agenda approved with a motion made by Mary Lou Vercant, seconded by Cathy Berner.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Jake Wilkins, seconded by Mary Lou Vercant to approve the January 16, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

<u>Committee Reports: Finance / Building and</u> Grounds:

Finance: Report prepared by Virginia Becker. Ann Sullivan made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, which was seconded by Cathy Berner. Motion carried.

- <u>General Fund</u>: All anticipated monthly bills were paid. Cash flow was healthy for the month of January.
- <u>Building Fund</u>: The balance at the end of January was \$611.17.
- <u>Memorial Fund</u>: The balance remains \$3,072.28.

• <u>Music Fund</u>: The Music Fund cash amount at the end of January was \$779.37. An additional amount of \$210 from the Shrove Tuesday Supper was deposited in this account.

Buildings and Grounds: No report.

<u>Additional Reports: Congregational</u> Ministries:

Flower Guild: Melisa Eichmann reported.

• The current balance in the Flower Guild account is \$324.70. Palm branches have been ordered for the upcoming Palm Sunday service.

Rector's Report: Fr. Clement reported.

- Thank you to everyone for their participation at the annual meeting and for everyone who contributed their reports and provided meal items for the brunch.
- Thank you to Jake Wilkins for coordinating the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. The free-will offering was issued to the Music Fund. Unopened food items not used at the event were donated to the Family Kitchen.
- And, thank you to Sally Ludlum and Jenn Wilkins for leading the Morning Prayer services while he was out-of-town on behalf of The Partnership Dioceses.
- A Lenton Supper and Program will begin on Wednesday, February 21, for a six-week course from Adam Hamilton's book, <u>24</u> <u>Hours That Changed the World</u>. A Lenten supper will be provided for participants. Additional information will be placed in the upcoming parish newsletter and the service bulletins.
- Ash Wednesday services went well.
- Fr. Clement recently officiated a funeral at St. Peter's Church, Westfield.
- Jonah Albert, a regular attendee at church and a SUNY student, will play the cello during our Sunday service on February, 24.
- Fr. Clement shared with Vestry a written note and donation to the church he received from a former parishioner. This person currently resides out of the State and is hearing good things about events taking place at Trinity.

Old Business:

 Melissa Eichman inquired about the parking lot. Vestry previously approved and signed an agreement with a contractor, but this was cancelled by the paving company some time ago. Vestry agreed that work should be done this year. Jake Wilkins will contact S. Tabone Paving for a job quote for this work, which will be sent to the parish office in writing.

New Business:

- 2023 Parochial Report: Per the canons of the Church, parish parochial reports are due. Fr. Clement and Virginia Becker presented to Vestry this report. A motion was made by Sally Ludlum for Vestry to approve the 2023 report and issue it to the Church and to the Diocese. The motion was seconded by Mary Lou Vercant. Motion carried.
- Jenn Wilkins shared a thank you card (attention: Doreen Gould) from Debbie Dibble, R.N., Director of the Health Center at SUNY Fredonia. She was speaker for the Epiphany Tea event. During her presentation she shared details regarding Fredonia's Basic Needs Center. Attendees of the event collected single serve items that were donated to the college students.
- The College Kitchen: Jake Wilkins discussed an ongoing conversation with a student group that would like to host a meal for The College Kitchen event on Sunday, May 5, for Cinco de Mayo. This event will be a fundraiser for their annual trip to conduct health services to children in an orphanage and family medical brigades in Honduras.
- Melissa Eichman shared the tentative TECW Rummage Sale dates that are being considered, either April 20 or 27. The date will officially be set at the March meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. with a motion made by Melissa Eichmann, seconded by Sally Ludlum. Carried. Vestry concluded its time together with prayer. The next meeting will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 19 at 5:30pm</u>.

Respectfully Submitted by: Jenn Wilkins, Clerk.

TECW

IT'S HERE SPRING RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAY APRIL 27 9-am-2pm

Get your spring cleaning going as you now have the perfect place to take your **still usable items** for someone else to discover and enjoy.

Bring your **CLEAN** items to Garland Hall any time after service **April 21 until Friday April 26 at noon**. Items can be left in the vestibule if hall is not open.

Looking for kitchen items, nick nacks, Books (including children's) jewelry, usable bedding and other linens, curtains, towels (no holes please) clean gardening tools/items, any seasonal decorations, summer clothes, shoes, belts, children's toy/clothes, puzzles (complete), small appliances, small furniture pieces, purses, decorating items ...

PLEASE CLEAN ALL CLOTHES (SPRING/SUMMBER ONLY) CHECK FOR STAINS, MISSING BUTTONS, RIPS. – and leave those at home :)

PLEASE WIPE OFF DIRT FROM ITEMS LONG STORED. PLEASE CHECK THAT ELECTRONICS WORK AND CLEAN THE KITCHEN ITEMS. PLEASE ASK FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS IF THEY HAVE ITEMS TO DONATE and offer to drop the bits off.

Sign up for those that can help will be in Garland Hall, Sunday APRIL 14 - Can you help in setting up, organizing, pricing, packing up, cleaning up, taking boxed left overs. Just one hour of help makes so much difference.

Thank you TECW

Birthdays

- 7 Holly Gould
- 7 William Weatherlow
- 8 Graciela Rey
- 9 Michael Liener
- 11 Judy Reynolds
- 14 Andrew Wheelock
- 16 James Ivey
- 17 Kirsta Wheelock
- 19 Megan Kyte
- 20 Karin Wheelock
- 23 Robert Weatherlow
- 24 Benjamin Kyte
- 24 Charles Cinque

Wedding Anniversaries

- 11 Melisa and Chris Eichmann
- 18 Dave and Mary Lou Sherman
- 18 Fr. Bob and Patty Arnold
- 20 Russell Kyte and Bridget Russell
- 25 Marilyn and Bob Maytum

In Memoriam

- 4 Dorothy Reynolds
- 4 Virginia Maytum
- 9 Marjorie Hamann
- 15 Connie Van Scoter
- 30 Beth Parker

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"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" Ephesians 1:2