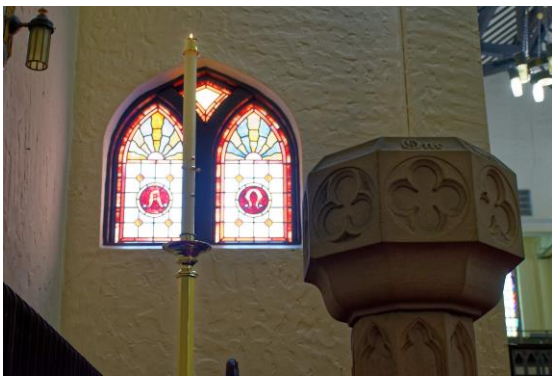


## Trinity Tidings

July 2025



### A General Thanksgiving

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying,

through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.* (Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 836)

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### *Important dates in July:*

#### Summer Worship Schedule:

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II.

Vestry Meeting: Tuesday, July 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Tea at the Episcopal Cottage, Chautauqua: Tuesday, July 15.



### **Congratulations, it's a boiler!**

We are happy to announce that Gugino Plumbing and Heating completed its work on the rebuilding of our furnace. A big Thank You to their crew!

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## Diocesan News

### Thank You, Tony Pompa

As part of our ongoing Partnership transition, we share that the Very Rev. Tony Pompa concluded his service on the Partnership staff as of June 15. Tony initially served as a staff consultant and, beginning in July 2024, held the role of Partnership Minister for Administration, Coordination, and Ministry Support. Throughout this last year, Tony worked closely with the governance committees of both dioceses, particularly the Standing Committees. He offered steady support to our staff, guidance to our committees, and visitations to many congregations across the Partnership, for which we are deeply grateful.

In his final letter, Tony wrote, *"I am grateful for the Bishops who have provided pastoral and sacramental presence and for your congregations who have continued on in faithful ministry. I am most grateful to Luke Fodor and Stacey Fussell for their authentic, thoughtful, patient, and prayerful leadership."*

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Tony for his leadership and ministry among us, and we wish him every blessing in the next chapter of his journey.

Faithfully,  
The Rev. Luke Fodor, WNY Standing Committee.

The Rev. Canon Stacey Fussell,  
NWPAs Standing Committee President.

As the Dioceses of WNY & NWPAs prepare to transition from their shared partnership to independent dioceses, your support and attention are crucial in ensuring a smooth and successful process. As announced in their [May 3rd letter](#), the Standing Committees of both dioceses plan to have separate operational resources in place by July 1st.

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## Trinity Episcopal Church

### Vestry Minutes

May 20, 2025

### **As approved at the June Meeting**

**Present:** Sally Ludlum, Warden; Jake Wilkins; Jenn Wilkins; Ann Sullivan; Cathy Berner; Melisa Eichmann; Virginia Becker, Treasurer.

**Excused:** The Reverend James Clement, Rector.

**Call to Order:** Sally Ludlum called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m., with an opening prayer.

**Meeting Agenda:** Agenda approved with a motion made by Cathy Berner, seconded by Melisa Eichmann.

- Add NEW Business – Volunteer Fredonia Fire Department Fundraiser.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Cathy Berner, seconded by Jake Wilkins to approve the April 15, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports: Finance / Building and Grounds:**

**Finance:** Report prepared by Ginny Becker and presented. Jake Wilkins made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, which was seconded by Jenn Wilkins. Motion carried.

- **General Fund:** All anticipated bills for April were paid, as well as Amherst Exterminators, The Observer, and The College Kitchen.
- **Building Fund:** The balance at the end of April was \$4,443.43, after an invoice for Vacanti Electric and downpayment for Gugino Plumbing and Heating were made.
- **Memorial Fund:** The balance remains \$3,172.28.
- **Music Fund:** The balance is \$239.56.
- **Snowden Lane Partners:** A transfer from Master account made to building fund in April for downpayment of furnace work. On 4/11/25, \$8,000 was transferred from Master Cash to the Building Fund to cover the down payment for the furnace. Additional \$15K was transferred to General Fund.

**Buildings & Ground:** reported by Ginny Becker.

- Gugino Heating and Plumbing began work on the furnace this week. The project is expected to be completed within a few days. The remaining balance for this work is due upon completion.
- Amherst Exterminators conducted its exterior protection.

**Congregational Ministries:**

**Flower Guild:**

- The previous balance was \$660.07. Payments made to Brigiotta's for \$397.00 and to Fresh & Fancy for \$188.00. Received two deposits totaling \$60.00, bringing the current balance to \$135.07.
- Updates were made to the Flower Guild Account. Ginny Becker was added as a signer, in addition to Melisa Eichmann.

The College Kitchen: Plans a Hot Dog Lunch for Farm Festival Weekend in August.

**TECW:**

- Additional funds were received to contribute to the Rummage Sale for a grand total of \$1,025.25 funds raised.
- Next meeting is in June; no meetings to take place in July or August.
- At the last meeting – discussion regarding baking for July at the Episcopal Service Chautauqua Institute (Tuesday, July 15). Additional information regarding sign-ups will be shared by Doreen Gould.

**Kitchen Krew**

- Accepting donations for sweet treats that can be stored in the freezer, or shared in advance. A sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board for anyone who would like to contribute to Sunday coffee hour.

**Old Business**

- The summer schedule for Sunday worship will begin on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am. Ginny Becker will change the sign in front of the church.

**New Business**

- Fredonia Fire Department: Jenn Wilkins made a motion for the parish to donate \$100 to the annual fundraiser, seconded by Melisa Eichmann. All approved.

- Conversation was held regarding a parish picnic or indoor meal gathering in autumn, possibly in September. Further conversation will take place at the next meeting.
- Parish Treasurer and Vestry discussed the rotation schedule for the counting of offerings on Sundays. Jenn Wilkins suggested a group training. A tentative schedule was made for the upcoming weeks. The Assistant Treasurer position will need to be filled as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. with a motion made by Jake Wilkins, seconded by Jenn Wilkins. Carried. Vestry concluded its time together with prayer. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Jennifer Wilkins

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**TECW**

THANK YOU to everyone who donated any items to the recent food drive to help Rural Ministry' Food Pantry.

I was able to deliver the following:

26 boxes pasta  
21 can opener  
64 cans baked/refried/green beans and other vegetables  
16 cans of fruit  
17 jars peanut butter  
8 cans tuna fish  
10 boxes cereal  
Misc-minute rice, instant potatoes, salad dressing. And a generous check.  
The shelves were very sparse!

July means TECW sponsoring a tea at the Episcopal Cottage on the Chautauqua grounds on Tuesday July 15 th. If you are able to attend, please sign the sheet on the notice board in Garland Hall. We need the attendees' names by July 6. We leave the church parking lot around 10:30am and return around 4:30.

At our last meeting we decided to provide cookies, sweet breads (banana, zucchini etc.) tarts and of course our signature Southern Sushi, thank you

Bobbe Kennedy. We also need to provide small plates and napkins so if anyone is unable to go and can donate that it would be most welcome.

Also, if you'd like to make something we can take to add to the tea table that'd be great. Please sign up on the same sheet.

Any items should be sent in a non-returnable container and labeled and brought to the church that morning. We served 50 guests last year! Thank you for your help and hope to see several more attendees.

Next TECW meeting is September 6. 9:30 a.m. in Garland Hall.  
Have a safe healthy happy summer.

--- Doreen Gould

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## **Lectionary Readings in July:**

[www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)

### Sunday, July 6

*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 9*

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalms 66:1-8

Galatians 6:7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

### Sunday, July 13

*Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 10*

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalms 25:1-9

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

### Sunday, July 20

*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 11*

Genesis 18:1-10

Psalms 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

### Sunday, July 27

*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 12*

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalms 138

Colossians 2:6-15

Luke 11:1-13

## **Birthdays in July**

2 Jack Torrance

4 Frank Pullano

6 Patti Cooper

7 Robert Maytum, Jr.

10 Rebecca Sedlmayer

13 Chris Eichmann

23 Sally J. Ludlum

24 Julie Maytum

## **Wedding Anniversaries in July**

31 Lee and Maureen Blackburn

## **In Memoriam**

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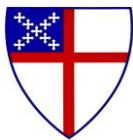




**Happy Independence Day!**

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