



## Trinity Tidings

November 2025

### Commemoration of All Faithful Departed



Many of you have mentioned to me how much you enjoy recalling the meaning and purpose of this upcoming season – the three-day observance on the Church calendar known as Allhallowtide. Derived from the old English word, *hallow*, meaning ‘saint’ and ‘to make holy’, these three days offer us a time to remember those who have died: martyrs, saints, and all the faithful departed.

We are familiar with this time period of time, which begins the evening of October 31 and ends on November 2: All Saints Eve (Halloween), All Saints’ Day (All Hallows), and All Souls’ Day (All the Faithful Departed).

Halloween is a vigil the evening prior to one of the seven Principal Feasts, All Saints’ Day. It is also the night in which persons wear costumes of things that go ‘bump-in-the-night’, something unknown or frightening to us. But this custom began not for us to uphold such things. Quite the contrary. As followers of Jesus, we no longer have anything to fear. The act of wearing costumes is celebratory in nature.

On November 1, All Saints’ Day is of such importance that this day alone may be observed on the following Sunday, in addition to its observance

on its fixed date. This day is a time for us to commemorate the saints and martyrs of the Church throughout the centuries. The use of the liturgical color of white is appropriate, signifying for us victory and life. All Saints is one of the four days recommended in the Prayer Book for the administration of Holy Baptism.

On November 2, All Souls’ Day, we remember all the faithful departed, known and unknown to us, of the vast body of the faithful. It is a day for particular remembrance of our family members and friends.

May each one of us prepare ourselves for this meaningful three-day observance and recall the spiritual bond we have with one another and with God, by way of Christ Jesus. We are assured of this Divine presence in life with a belief that nothing can separate us from the love of God. As such, we continue to be in communion and fellowship with all those whom we love.

Our parish will observe All Saints’ Day on Sunday, November 2 at 10:30 a.m. with a service of Choral Eucharist.

*Peace, James+*

**Please note:** Beginning in November, the 8:00 a.m. Sunday service will only be held on the First and Third Sundays of each month.

## ***Important dates in November***

**All Saints' Day:** Sunday, Nov. 2.

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Christ the King:** Sunday, Nov. 23.

Morning Prayer at 10:30 a.m. with hymns.

**Sundays, Nov. 2 and 16:** 8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite I.

**Vestry Meeting:**

Tuesday, Nov. 18, at 5:30 p.m.

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## **Episcopal News Service**

### **London Bishop Sarah Mullally chosen as next Archbishop of Canterbury**

By David Paulsen

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London Bishop Sarah Mullally has been [chosen as the next archbishop of Canterbury](#), becoming the first woman to serve in the historic leadership role for both the Church of England and the worldwide Anglican Communion.

Mullally will succeed former Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, who [stepped down in January](#) under pressure from a scandal in which he was accused of [not appropriately addressing allegations of child abuse by a prominent church member](#).

The archbishop of Canterbury, as the most senior bishop in the Church of England, is seen as an “instrument of communion” among the 42 autonomous, interdependent provinces that make up the 85-million-member Anglican Communion, all of which, including The Episcopal Church, have historic ties with the Church of England.

Mullally’s nomination as the 106th archbishop of Canterbury was approved by King Charles III, a largely ceremonial step in a process overseen by the Church of England, though her selection

followed [months of deliberation](#) by the Crown Nominations Commission with input from Anglicans around the world. The selection now must be ratified by the College of Canons of Canterbury Cathedral later this year and confirmed at a ceremony in January, after which she will take office.

Mullally, 63, has served as the bishop of London since 2018. She was ordained to the priesthood in 2001 after a career as a nurse treating cancer patients. An installation service for the new archbishop of Canterbury is scheduled for March 2026 at Canterbury Cathedral.

“As I respond to the call of Christ to this new ministry, I do so in the same spirit of service to God and to others that has motivated me since I first came to faith as a teenager,” Mullally said in a written statement. “At every stage of that journey, through my nursing career and Christian ministry, I have learned to listen deeply – to people and to God’s gentle prompting – to seek to bring people together to find hope and healing.

“I want, very simply, to encourage the Church to continue to grow in confidence in the Gospel, to speak of the love that we find in Jesus Christ and for it to shape our actions. And I look forward to sharing this journey of faith with the millions of people serving God and their communities in parishes all over the country and across the global Anglican Communion.”

As archbishop of Canterbury, Mullally becomes the “first among equals” with the primates of the other 41 Anglican provinces, with responsibility for convening the Primates’ Meeting and Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops. Those two bodies make up the [Instruments of Communion](#), along with the Anglican Consultative Council and the archbishop of Canterbury, who serves as a “focus of unity” while also presiding at Anglican Consultative Council meetings.

Bishop Anthony Poggio, secretary general of the Anglican Communion, [issued a statement](#) celebrating the selection of Mullally and inviting Anglicans “to pray for her as she prepares to take up this important ministry. May God grant her wisdom and discernment, as she seeks to listen to member churches, encourage mutual support, and foster unity.”

And Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe [described Mullally](#) as “a wise and steady leader, a faithful advocate for the leadership of women in the church, and a bishop who will be committed to safeguarding vulnerable people and victims of abuse.”

“I have written to Bishop Sarah to send my warmest congratulations to her, her husband, Eamonn, and their family, and to tell her how much I look forward to working with her at the primates meeting and across the Anglican Communion,” Rowe said. “Please join me in praying for the Church of England, for all of the primates and churches of the Anglican Communion, and for Bishop Sarah at this momentous time.”

Mullally takes office at a fraught time for the Anglican Communion, which also is [poised to consider changes](#) to the archbishop of Canterbury’s leadership role in the communion.

[Two proposals](#), which will be taken up next year by the Anglican Consultative Council, would adjust how the [42 Anglican provinces](#) relate to each other — de-emphasizing the Church of England and the archbishop of Canterbury while elevating more geographically diverse leaders for the global network of Anglican and Episcopal churches.

The proposals were developed partly in response to longstanding theological divisions between some of the provinces, and it remains to be seen whether the proposed changes could mend what some conservative bishops have described as their “impaired” communion with provinces like The Episcopal Church that are more progressive on issues of LGBTQ+ inclusion.

Under one of the proposals, the archbishop of Canterbury would no longer serve as the ACC president; the presidency instead would rotate among leaders from the Anglican Communion’s five regions. And the Primates’ Meeting and Lambeth Conference would be newly convened by the Primates’ Standing Committee.

Fr. Clement will not be present on Sunday, Nov. 23.  
A service Of Morning Prayer will take place at 10:30 a.m., with hymns.  
Rod Geiben officiating; Peggy Tofil, lector.

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## Trinity Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes

September 16, 2025

**As approved at the October Meeting**

**Present:** Sally Ludlum, Warden; Ann Sullivan; Cathy Berner; Melisa Eichmann; Jenn Wilkins; Virginia Becker, Treasurer; The Reverend James Clement, Rector.

**Excused:** Jake Wilkins.

**Call to Order:** Father Clement 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 Sally Ludlum.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Melissa Eichmann, seconded by Ann Sullivan to approve the June 17, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

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

**Finance:** Written report prepared by Ginny Becker and presented. Sally Ludlum made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report, which was seconded by Ann Sullivan. Motion carried. (See attached document).

- **General Fund:** All monthly expenses were paid for August. This included Doyle Security Systems yearly monitoring fee and Concordia Publishing for 2026 pledge envelopes.
- **Building Fund:** A transfer in the amount of \$13,731.00 was made from Snowden Lane master cash for the upcoming HVAC project. Muck Electric received a down payment of \$1,242.50. The cash balance at the end of August was \$12,915.96. At one point, the fund balance fell below a certain amount for four days, which triggered an assessed management fee of \$12.
- **Memorial Fund:** Current balance: \$3,172.28.
- **Music Fund:** Current balance: \$1,118.36.
- **College Kitchen:** The amount of \$182.67 was raised during the event at the Farm Festival. The current balance of this fund is \$3,940.81.

- Snowden Lane Partners: In September, \$10,000 was transferred to the general fund for expenses.

Accountant Fees: Bookkeeping fees increased from \$200 a month to \$260 a month in January 2025. We also pay for tax preparation of 1099s. Last year the fee was \$156; this year is projected to be \$169.

Utilities – FYI:

- National Fuel balanced billing increased.
- Fredonia water and sewer bill for the first two quarters of 2025 was \$360; the amount paid for all of 2024. A rate increase is assured.
- National Grid has remained constant on balanced billing. However, a rate increase is expected.

Other Monthly Expenditures:

- DFT remains constant since the installation of fiber optics. This is about \$10-\$12 less than in earlier years and includes long distance. The service term is 36 months, which began on Feb. 11, 1025.

**Buildings & Ground:** Reported by Father Clement.

- A signed contract has been given to Gugino for the new HVAC system on the parish hall roof. Once completed, Muck Electric will rewire and connect the system, as well as remove the old generator/converter and all of its components.
- Hillside Painting worked on the front doors of the church building and applied a slightly darker color stain.
- Bonnie Liener is preparing the fall wreaths for the front doors.

**Congregational Ministries:**

Flower Guild:

- Prior balance was \$185.07. There was a deposit of \$100 made on Sept. 9, and a bill in the amount of \$120 was paid. The new balance is \$165.07.

TECW: The upcoming rummage sale will be held on Friday, Oct. 24, 9:00 am-3:00 pm and Saturday, Oct. 25, 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Drop-off time for items begins Sunday, Oct. 19.

The College Kitchen: Jenn and Jake Wilkins hosted a free Hot Dog lunch on the church lawn during the Farm Festival on Sunday, August 24.

**Rector’s Report:**

- We have begun the fall worship schedule of two services on Sunday.
- A big thank you to Rod Geiben and Peggy Tofil for leading the Morning Prayer service on Sept. 7.
- The Chancel Choir has returned this month to enrich our worship together. We welcome the new and returning students and members.
- Several new individuals will soon begin roles as service participants.

**Old Business**

- Autumn Harvest Luncheon: The event will take place in Garland Hall on Sunday, September 21, immediately following the 10:30 service. The church will provide the main entrée; attendees will bring a side-dish to share.

**New Business**

- Assistant Treasurer: A motion was made by Jenn Wilkins, seconded by Sally Ludlum: Be it resolved, that as Karin Wheelock is no longer serving as the assistant treasurer, her name is to be removed from all Trinity Episcopal Church accounts at Lake Shore Savings, which include the General Fund, Building Fund, Music Fund, Organ Fund, Memorial Fund, and the Snowden Lane Partners Financial Accountants. Virginia Becker, Treasurer, is to remain on these accounts. Approved.
- Building Fund: A motion was made by Melissa Eichmann to change the Building Fund account to a non-profit account offered at Lakeshore, with no minimum balance required, seconded by Cathy Berner. Approved.
- Organ Fund: A motion was made by Jenn Wilkins, seconded by Sally Ludlum to move the Organ Fund, which is used only for major repairs to the organ and not for general use, from its current money market account to a short-term certificate of deposit. The CD offers an increase in the earned interest rate. Approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17p.m. with a motion made by Melissa Eichmann, seconded by Cathy Berner. Carried. Vestry concluded its time together with prayer. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Wilkins.

## Parish Notes

## TECW



### **REMEMBER!**

Turn your clocks *backwards* one hour on Sunday, November 2.

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### **A Message from the Stewardship Committee**

Our parish committee recently sent out a letter with regard to the stewardship campaign for 2026. You should receive your letter in the mail soon.

We ask that you prayerfully discern your monetary gift towards next year's operating budget and mission of Trinity Church.

**Stewardship Sunday is November 30.**

Please return your pledge cards to the church on or before that date.

With gratitude and blessings,  
Ginny Becker  
Melisa Eichmann



### **Christmas Flowers**

The sign-up form for Poinsettias for Christmas will soon be posted on the bulletin board in Garland Hall.

Poinsettias are \$10.00 each.

The deadline to reserve flowers and for payment is **Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Also:** The Flower Guild is in need of volunteers to help with this important ministry. If you to inquire about how to help or if you have any questions, please contact Melisa Eichmann, Flower Guild.

No TECW meeting November 1 because of our Audrey's funeral. Plan on December 6 as our short meeting followed by our TECW Advent coffee. Please be thinking of possible memorial for Audrey Schafer. Tricky right

HUGE THANK YOU for all of the amazing treasures donated and all the long hours worked to make the fall rummage a terrific success. We collected \$1,350.23 for the TECW to use to support our meals for the Friendly Kitchen and other organizations.

### **November Thanksgiving Baskets**

It's almost November and that means it's time to fill the Thanksgiving baskets. If you can donate any of the following, please drop off in the marked box in Garland Hall vestibule by November 19. With the cut back in folks supplemental food programs this year the need is even greater.

If you are unable to shop for these items you may make a donation. (checks to TECW memo THANKSGIVING BASKET). Or cash to Doreen or leave with Ginny Becker in an envelope. Thank you for all your help to feed those in need.

Turkeys 11-14 lbs  
Bags of stuffing  
Tins of cranberry jelly /sauce  
Canned fruit  
Canned veggies  
Complete pumpkin pie can with a 5 oz can evaporated milk  
Pie crust mix ( not refrigerated ) (Jiffy mix is good )  
Tins of pie filling ( most need two tins each - apple, cherry, etc. )  
Complete boxed dessert mixes( just as water or egg type)  
Pie tin with graham cracker crust in it  
Large size boxed pudding mix  
Large size Jello box mix  
64 oz-100% juices ( not cranberry )  
Thank you for your help.

--- Doreen Gould

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## Lectionary Readings for Sundays in November: [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)

### Sunday, Nov. 2

*All Saints' Day*

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Psalm 149

Ephesians 1:11-23

Luke 6:20-31

### Sunday, Nov. 9

*22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 27*

Job 19:23-27a

Psalm 17:1-9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:27-38

### Sunday, Nov. 1

*23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 28*

Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3:6-12

Luke 21:5-19

### Sunday, Nov. 23

*Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King*

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm 46

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43

### Sunday, Nov. 30

*First Sunday of Advent*

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

## Birthdays in November

- 1 Stephanie Weatherlow
- 7 Amy Liener
- 8 Brenda Oldfield
- 8 Fred Liener

- 9 William Erick
- 10 Maureen Blackburn
- 13 Alice Jonus
- 14 Christopher Liener
- 15 Ann Sullivan
- 20 Abigail Sedlmayer-Rexford
- 25 Tom Annear
- 25 Wade Weatherlow
- 25 Rod Geiben
- 26 Jocelyn Berner

## Wedding Anniversaries in November

- 1 James and Emily Ivey
- 17 Jenn and Jake Wilkins
- 18 Alberto and Janeil Rey
- 22 Lauri and Wade Weatherlow
- 24 Linda and Michael Liener

## In Memoriam

- 21 Peggy J. Wallace
- 21 Aurel Ludlum
- 26 John D. Gould

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### **Parish Clergy and Staff**

The Revd. James Clement, Rector

Donald Fellows, Organist

Sara Jagoda, Custodian

### **The Vestry of the Parish**

Sally Ludlum, Parish Warden

Jenn Wilkins

Cathy Berner

Ann Sullivan

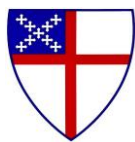
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