

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Interim Report on Progress of Trinity's Clergy Transition Process

November 4, 2009

Accomplished:

- Audit of 2008 Financial Status by Committee and accepted by Diocesan Controller
- 5-Year Financial Projection – included in a letter sent with your 3rd Quarter Statements
- Verification of existence of Parish By-Laws
- Transition Parish Profile: available on bulletin board in Undercroft

Ministry Summary: also available on bulletin board

All Vestry Meetings are open to any parish member. We encourage you to attend the following meetings to listen and to add your thoughts and prayers. These are important meetings, and you are most welcome to become a part of this process. Our meetings are held in the Trinity Room, and they begin at 7:30 PM.

In addition to the "Next Steps" below, this year's vestry urges you to carefully consider a 3-Year Ministry as a vestry member. We need to replace 2 of this year's members whose term will expire in December. Also, we welcome a young adult to fill a one-year term of office.

Next Steps and Deadlines:

- Develop Clergy Compensation options: to be completed during November 18th Vestry Meeting
- Set Strategy and Objective for 2010 based on Goals in Parish Profile: to be completed during December 16th Vestry Meeting
- Complete Ministry "match" during December Vestry Meeting
- Elect new Vestry members: January 24, 2010 Annual Meeting
- Appoint interview team: during Special Vestry Meeting following Annual Meeting on January 24, 2010
- Train interview team: during February Vestry Meeting, or sooner depending on people's schedules

Monday evening, November 16, St. Paul's 7pm

Rabbi Sasso will speak to the Greater Lansing community on the topic "*Nurturing the Spiritual Imagination of Our Children*". Schuler Books will be present offering Rabbi Sasso's books for sale, with the author available for signing during the reception that follows her presentation. All are welcome; there is no charge. For questions, please call 482-9454.

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

St. Michael's Episcopal Church will be hosting Fair Trade items from Threads of Hope, an organization that enables women artisans from South America to create better lives for their families. These items will be offered at our annual Arts and Crafts Bazaar on Nov. 21, 2009 from 9 am until 4 pm. They have added some new vendors to this event and hope that Threads of Hope as well as our other vendors will have your support. As always we also offer home baked cookies at our Cookie Walk.

St. David's Episcopal Church

The 6th annual shopping Extravaganza, a holiday shopping tradition for locals, is returning once again to St. David's Episcopal Church. Annually attended by hundreds of avid shoppers, the Shopping Extravaganza has been proven to be a great way to support local entrepreneurs and get a jump start on Holiday shopping. This event will take place on Saturday, November 21, 2009 10 am until 4 pm. St. David's is located at 1519 Elmwood Road, Lansing, 1/2 mile north of the Lansing Mall. Coffee, rolls and light lunch will be available for purchase.

UTO Ingathering

This year's UTO ingathering at Trinity will take place on Sunday, November 22.

UTO envelopes will be inserted, that day, in your weekly bulletin.

A check made out to Trinity, in the amount of your giving, with UTO in the memo line, would be greatly appreciated.

Thank You

A big Thank You goes out to all that helped with the Fall outdoor clean-up.

The front of the church looks great.

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

This years Community Thanksgiving service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran in Grand Ledge.

Our representative from Trinity this year will be Cliff Knaggs. Cliff will be participating in the service by giving a short sermon on "*What does God bring to the Table*".

This service begins at 7 pm, on Tuesday, November 24.

Thanksgiving Community Meal

Louis and Tracy Soma will be hosting a Thanksgiving Community meal at their dance studio, "Our Dance Studio" at 3543 Jefferson Hwy. Grand Ledge, on Thursday, November 26, 2009 from 1-3 pm.

Volunteers are needed for

this event. They are needed to help prepare the Thanksgiving meal on Wednesday or early Thursday, help serve, clean up or deliver the cooked meal from churches to Our Dance Studio. They also are in need of financial donations.

If you are interested in helping out in any way please contact Chris Richardson at 8crichardson@gmail.com.

Marsha Smith and Jill Knaggs have contacted Chris and have signed up to help make cakes on Wednesday, November 25 at the National Guard armory at 2 pm. They would love to have more Trinity people join them. If this is something you would like to do, please contact the church office by Tuesday, November 16.

Christmas Tree Decorations

Like for the past two years, when we decorated the Christmas tree in the Trinity room first with hats and mittens, then last years it was socks, this year our tree with be decorated with baby items.

Keep a look out for baby items on sale for the next

couple of weeks.

Anything a baby can use, can be put on the tree.

Have your items to the church by Thursday, December 3rd.

Consecration Sunday

Our 2009 Consecration Sunday will take place on Sunday, December 13.

A letter will be sent out to all of the Trinity members before that date, then on December 13th, you will be asked after the service, too fill out your pledge form and turn it in.

Food For Advent

As in the past, we will be collecting food during Advent for the Food Bank.

- 1 Advent—Breakfast Foods
- 2 Advent—Lunch Foods
- 3 Advent—Dinner Foods
- 4 Advent—Snacks

Advent begins on Sunday, November 29.

5th Sunday Potluck, November 29.

The young lady in the picture below, having her sheep blessed is Jayne,

Mary Jane White's granddaughter.

Breakfast at church, Sunday, November 22, 9 am.

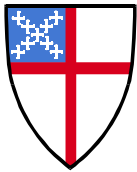


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Our Mission Statement

Trinity Episcopal Church is an inclusive environment, open to everyone, actively promoting God's love in our community and the world through liturgical worship and outreach.

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Service Schedule

Sunday: Holy Eucharist 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m..

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