



HOLY TRINITY NEWS

APRIL 2026



Trash to Treasure - From the Rector

When my mom entered home hospice six months after being diagnosed with terminal cancer we began the job of going through the collected items of 55 years of life. I lived in a lovely and good sized one bedroom apartment that was furnished and decorated with love – so there was a lot to consider. And Mom wanted to be a part of all of these decisions for as long as she could.

We went through everything. Some items were tagged for specific people. Clothes were sorted through with some going to friends or family who wanted them. The rest were donated. While a large number of items were tagged for various people there was still a significant amount that didn't have a new "home". That meant trips to donation sites.

I think the people at Goodwill got tired of seeing my little rental car pull up because I always had a carload. One worker asked me where it was all coming from! I explained that my mom was dying and these were items that remained after rigorous sorting. The worker was amazed and said to me "And you are making multiple trips here instead of just tossing it all?" My response was "What would be the point of that?"

This is the way I was raised. If we could no longer use an item but it was in good shape then surely someone else might want it. We would have yard sales or make donations or offer it to someone we knew might need it. On May 22 and 23, Holy Trinity is hosting a Trash to Treasure sale (see another article for more information) and you are encouraged to bring any items in good shape (nothing broken or stained or torn please) and make it available for members of our community to purchase. All money raised will go to Rock Point Center – a beautiful space where our Diocesan office is located. If you want more information about it, come to church on April 19. Kelly Kimball, the Executive Director of Rock Point, will be joining us during Coffee Hour to talk about the history and the exciting things that are currently happening and how we can support their work. This is a space that holds significant meaning for members of Holy Trinity and it is a joy to support them.

So set up a bag or box in your house and spend the month of April and May going through some of your things. Perhaps there are books you can offer, or Lego sets, or toys, or kitchenware or clothes or.....you get the idea.

Kathleen+



HOLY WEEK

- ☐ **Palm Sunday, March 29**
 - o 10am Eucharist service
 - o 8pm online service with Presiding Bishop – see email from Rev. Kathleen for registration information
- ☐ **Monday, March 30**
 - o 6pm, Vespers
 - o 7pm online service of lament with Bishop Shannon and Green Mountain Online Abbey
- ☐ **Tuesday, March 31, 6pm, Vespers**
- ☐ **Wednesday, April 1, 6pm, Seder Meal**
- ☐ **Thursday, April 2, Maundy Thursday**
 - o 6pm: Eucharist and stripping of the altar
 - o 7pm – Midnight; Prayer Vigil in the chapel
- ☐ **Friday, April 3, Good Friday**
 - o Noon: Ecumenical Stations of the Cross (with Memorial Methodist Church)
 - ☐ Location is either Holy Trinity or the Village Park, weather dependent.
 - Memorial Methodist will be open after for silent meditations, hot/cold drinks and perhaps some music
 - o 6pm, Good Friday service
- ☐ **Saturday, April 4, Holy Saturday**
 - o 9am; outdoor service at Grace Sheldon – all are invited
 - o 8pm; Great Vigil of Easter – Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington
- ☐ **Sunrise Service, 6:30 am, Hard'ack**
- Easter Sunday, April 5: 10am Eucharist**

Please let Mary Wood or Ada Lyman know if you would like to have a table.



Dates: Fri & Sat May 22nd & 23rd, 9:00-3:00
 Trash to Treasure Sale Committee: Deanna Edwards, Ada Lyman, Laura Simon, Mary Wood, Joe Cava
 The monies from this fundraiser will be donated to the Rock Point Center. As you might not know, Holy Trinity has had a long history with the center. Several members of our church over the years, have been campers, camp directors, camp cooks, and participated in parish retreats, & have also been instrumental in working to clear trails and work on the Holy Trinity Trail that is located at Rock Point. It is our hope that these experiences can continue in the future.

Each person will have a table to share items for sale. Items to bring would include home and garden items, clothing, small electronic items in excellent condition, and antiques. Please note everyone is responsible for items they do not sell.



Bake Sale To Benefit Rock Point Center

May 22 and May 23 , 9:00-3:00

All baked foods welcomed!

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| Cookies | Breads | Sweet Breads |
| Donuts | Pies | Muffins |
| Cupcake | Sweet Bars | Cakes |

Items can be dropped off Wed, May 20, 10-1

Thurs, May 21 between 10-12

Friday, May 22 between 8-10



As part of our project to educate our parish about the resources of the Rock Point Center, we want to place an art exhibit of the history of Rock Point on the Art Wall for the month of May. We are asking people to be photo detectives and help us collect pictures of our times together at Rock Point. This will be a great opportunity to view Rock Point from the past to the future, as we explore new opportunities for the use of this valued resource for our Diocese.

There will be an envelope in the office for you to add your photos. Please make sure you add a copy of your photo or make sure your photo is marked so we can return it when we take them down from our display.

Easter Sunday 2026

Sunrise Service

6:30am

Hardack Lodge

(With treats from Red House Sweets)

Collaborative Event with

St. Paul's, UMC

St. Luke's, Episcopal

St. Martin of Tours, CACINA

First Congregational, UCC

Holy Trinity, Episcopal



Celebration of Holy Eucharist
Join us for music, Eucharist, and
ALLELUIAS!

10am

Holy Trinity Church

Fellowship

Members of the Fellowship Team are organizing the April 1st Seder Meal to be held Wednesday, April 1st at 6 PM. We'll reserve a chair for Elijah and hide something for the children to find.

Crafts, Cookies, and Tea have been meeting in the Chapel. The chairs are more comfy and the smaller space enhances communication for those of us whose hearing isn't as sharp as it used to be. In April we will meet on the 7th and 21st.

Don't forget to mark your calendars' for Fellowship at Rock Point from October 15th-17th. The 15th and 16th will be overnights in cabins, daytime exploring of the Rock Point trails, and campfires. The 17th will be structured with activities planned for everyone's abilities.

Thank you for all who prepare and serve coffee hours. Please let me know when you note supplies of 1/2 & 1/2, juices, coffee, and paper supplies are getting low. Call or text me at 802-752-5497. Helen Short, Fellowship Chair

Parking Awareness

Just a friendly reminder that when folks park in front of the church it is appreciated if we try not to park over the sidewalk area. There is plenty of room for most cars to be safely inside the lane line. Doing this keeps the sidewalk clear for anyone walking particular our neighbors with strollers, wheelchairs, or those riding bikes as the weather improves!

April Calendar

- Wed 4/1- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
- Seder Meal, 6pm
Thurs 4/2- Maundy Thursday Eucharist, 6pm
Fri 4/3- Stations of the Cross, noon
- Good Friday service, 6pm
Mon 4/6- Outreach meeting, 9am
- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Tues 4/7- Crafts & Teas, 1-3pm
Wed 4/9- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Mon 4/13- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
- Vestry meeting, 5:30pm
Wed 4/15- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Mon 4/20- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Tues 4/21- Crafts & Tea, 1-3pm
- Choir Rehearsal, 7pm
Wed 4/22- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Thurs 4/23- Open Door Dinner, 5:30pm
Mon 4/27- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p
Tues 4/28- Choir Rehearsal, 7pm
Wed 4/29- Diaper/Wipe Ministry, 10a-1p

BIBLE STUDY

Join Ada Lyman on a journey of biblical discovery every Wednesday evening at 5 pm starting March 4th in the upper room. Participants will read selected passages from Genesis to Revelation and meet weekly for lively discussion and interpretation. The curriculum is based on the award-winning book "The Path: A Journey Through the Bible," by Melody Wilson Shobe.

After School Program Collection

If you are cleaning out please save:

wire hangers	artificial flowers
large pine cones	plastic tablecloths
small jingle bells	yarn

Please place items in the box/bag in the Narthex.

Writing a prayer? Who? Me?

The United Thank Offering, a ministry of The Episcopal Church, invites Episcopalians of all ages and languages to submit written prayers for publication in its 2027-2030 prayer booklet. This could be an ideal activity for congregations or small groups during Lent. Don't know how to write a prayer? Read past examples, and download a prayer writing guide based on the collect structure found in the Book of Common Prayer here. If you are interested in participating in this either on your own or with a small group, speak with Rev. Kathleen. Writers are encouraged to submit their prayers online by Aug. 1.



Age Well Luncheon
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
April 16 (Third Thurs of each month)
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
To register 802-865-0360

Vestry Update

*We are moving forward with replacing the flooring in the kitchen. The project will take place Apr 8 -10.
*The replacement and upgrade of at least the camera portion of our Audio/Video system is still being explored. One quote has been received with one or two more to come. It will probably be done in stages. Part of this upgrade may result in a different strategy for our livestream and move us off of Zoom to a different platform. Please let Rev. Kathleen know your thoughts about that.
*The Fellowship Retreat has been scheduled for October 15-17 at Rock Point. There is availability for 12 people to stay at the cabins for the nights of Thursday, October 15 and Friday, October 16. The main events for the parish will be taking place on Saturday October 17 and there will be activities for all ages and physical ability. Please mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information.
*Holy Trinity will be hosting Open Door Dinners on April 23, May 28, and June 25 at 5:30pm. These are open to everyone so please spread the word!
*The vestry will be on retreat together on Sat May 9 at Rock Point. Please keep them in your prayers.



Open Door Dinners at Holy Trinity

Thursdays, Apr23, May 28th, June 25th at 5:30

Please contact the following people if you would like to help with one of the open-door dinners. We will need help shopping, cooking, setting up, serving and cleaning up. Thank You!

April: Shelley Robtoy and Deanna Edwards

May: Natalie Good and Helen Short

June: Laura Simon and Mary Wood

April's Angels by Linda B From the Heart

1-Life brings more blessings than anyone could ever count

2- You are 100% qualified to succeed when you have an angel nearby

3- Follow your heart; it knows best

4- Your angel always makes things better

5- There is always something to be happy about

6- Some days with your angel you have to think a little harder

7- It is easier than you think to make success your destiny

8- the secret? Dream bigger and reaching higher and hoping with your heart

When God created angels he created them as angels though angels are invisible they can appear to humans

Angels are localized and have to engage spatial travel to go from one place to another

Angels are obedient to God

Gods says all angels have wings

Angels are immortal – they do not die. And since they do not propagate holy angels, the number of angels is always the same

A grandfather was walking through his yard when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like a prayer. He asked her what she was doing. The little girl explained, "I'm praying but I can't think of exactly the right words so I'm just saying all the letters and God can put them together for me because he knows what I'm thinking.

When you believe -

Beyond what the eyes can see the Enhance of God and his angels, the love never ends.

When someone we love passes from mortality, it eases the pain to realize we have not lost a friend. But we gained an angel

If you pray truly ,you will feel within yourself a great assurance and the angels will be your companions

God committed the care of men and all things under heaven to angels

Angels are the unseen hands that applaud you and the heavenly voices that cheer you on. All you have to do is listen & look with your heart

If you ever feel your arms are too short to reach for the heavens, fear not, for there is an angel reaching out to meet you halfway.

The unfaithful say they will believe in angels only when they see them



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Rob Giroux
- 6 Erin Gagne
- 9 Barbara Trushaw
- 10 Dorothy Wootton, Annie Hartman
- 12 Shawn Robtoy
- 14 Stella Wood
- 15 Bellamy Greenia
- 16 Tim Lyman
- 19 Joe Cava
- 20 Linda Wirts, Oliver Gagne
- 21 Connor Nielsen
- 24 Sarah Hadd



Just Born

Mar 9 Winona Elinor Brown
Proud Parents: Abbey & Evan Brown



IN NEW LIFE

Mar 19 Ian Baxter
Jane Baxter's son

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