




TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH


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TRINITY HERALD




The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the **Glory of God.**

Trinity Church is a community of followers of Jesus Christ, welcoming all people who come to our doors as fellow pilgrims, without regard to race, gender, or sexual orientation. We strive to be an inclusive and diverse group of people. The congregation is both multi-cultural and multi-racial. Together we aspire to be a people of hope, justice and love.




The Greens on the Altar are given this week to the **Glory of God** and in loving memory of **Karl & Bernice Perkins**




Lay Readers


<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	All:	Oderah Obukwelu
<u>7:30 p.m.</u>	Readings:	Gladys Obukwelu
	Chalice:	Any Available
	Prayers:	Paulina Heywood



The Birthday Prayers are given this week in celebration of **Frank Morrissey, Noel Howell and Akachi Echebiri**



Servers & Acolytes: **Nia Greenidge, Mukosolu Obukwelu, Ifeanyi Obukwelu, Oderah Obukwelu, Obumneme Obukwelu and Nnamdi Obukwelu**



Full Altar Guild: **Janet Butz, Andrew Butz, Diane Hennessy, Brittny Hennessy, Mary Burke, Marlene Roachford**

Calendar of Upcoming Events

TODAY - Sunday, December 24 9:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. services



9:00 a.m. Service: We celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent.



7:30 p.m. Service: We celebrate Christmas Eve. Please welcome organist Susan Bill.

Upcoming...

Dec. 26- January 2: Office Closed for Christmas Vacation.

Sunday, December 31: 8:00 am & 10:00 am Service of Lessons and Carols

* Please note: there is no sermon preached at a service of lessons and carols. Also no Eucharist will be celebrated, however, Fr. Phil will distribute the Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

Adult Bible Study: January 4 & 18 / February 1 & 15.

Annual Meeting: Sunday, February 4 following the 9:00 a.m. service (ONE service this day).

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER PHIL

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In St. Matthew's Gospel we read,

"And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it stood over the place where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." (Mt. 2: 9,10)

God presented the world with the gift of His Son, Jesus, and the three Magi presented gifts to Jesus as expressions of worship and gratitude. Already this season, my family and I have received cards, gifts, and many expressions of your kindness and Christmas wishes. I am so very grateful. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and warm generosity!

The joy and peace which come to us with the presence of the Holy Spirit, are not joy and peace as the world gives or understands. The joy and peace of Christ's presence in our lives through the dwelling of the Holy Spirit do not remove from us the cares and anxieties of the world, but they do remove us from those worries and frustrations, they enable you and me to somehow rise above the troubles around us and make it through with the conviction that God is at work and

He has, in Jesus, conquered the world. Even now in what are often confusing times of political and social divisions and anxieties, economic uncertainties, frustration with crude, immature and inappropriate behavior even from our highest officials and social personalities, God is at work. The Christmas story tells us that God is at work not outside the regular and natural workings of the world and society, but within this familiar framework. His power and work is so often expressed in the quiet things of every day life that you and I easily overlook them!

I find strength and hope, the assurance of God's presence and power at work, when I am here, at Trinity Church, with you, a very special congregation of God's family, my brothers and sisters in Christ! I thank God for this, and each of you as well. May you have a very blessed Christmas whether you are with family and friends or even alone, knowing that God is always present. May you find blessings in unexpected places and ways in the coming New Year, the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen. And I pray that each of you will be blessed with at least one moment to experience "exceeding great joy" for which you can return worship, praise, and gratitude to Almighty God, through our Lord Jesus.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with the Blessings of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Pastor Phil +



The Poinsettia Plants

are given in thanksgiving for the birth of our Lord
and in loving memory of



- ◆ The Boynton Family: Helen, Louis, Bob, Richard and Beverly
 - ◆ Edward Chambers
 - ◆ Suzanne Choumitsky
 - ◆ Donald Gillis
- ◆ Agatha Harris-Clarke & Edna Harris
 - ◆ George & Winnie Jackson
 - ◆ George III, Bill & Steve Jackson
 - ◆ Sally & Crystal Jackson
 - ◆ Robert & Edith Johnson
 - ◆ Joann Johnson - Brown
 - ◆ Pamela Nordberg Kowalewski
- ◆ The Deceased Loved Ones of the Kuhn & Clarke Families
- ◆ The Lutz Family: Marion, Warren Sr., Warren Jr., Florence, Dick, Charlie
 - ◆ Andrew Lynch, Jr.

- ◆ Edward Meehnan
- ◆ Katherine Mendez
- ◆ John Messina, Mabel Messina, William Messina
- ◆ Prentis M. & Tracey M. Moore
 - ◆ Flora Morash
 - ◆ Sharon Murphy
- ◆ Sylvanus Nri, Clara Nri, Grace Nri, Clement Nri, Julian Nri
 - ◆ Phoebe Okafor
- ◆ Richard Paul & Richard Paul, Jr.
 - ◆ Vivian Stewart
 - ◆ Albert D. Swanson, Jr.
- ◆ Donald & Dorothy Watson
- ◆ Dorothy Wilcox & boys
 - ◆ Edward Wilson
 - ◆ Tom & Jessie Wilson
 - ◆ Carmen Wright

The Poinsettia Plants are also a thank-offering for:

- ◆ For Good Health by the Osuagwu Family
- ◆ Lord Jesus Christ & Love for the Church by Uche Okwu

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FINANCIAL UPDATE @ NOVEMBER 30, 2017

	YEAR TO DATE		YTD VARIANCE
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	
PLEDGES	53,330.00	59,583.00	(6,253.00)
USE OF HALL	32,796.00	33,212.00	(416.00)
TOTAL INCOME	103,825.00	103,914.00	(89.00)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	117,460.00	120,214.00	2,754.00
EXCESS INCOME / EXPENSES	(13,635.00)	(16,300.00)	2,665.00
Withdrawal from DIT (Diocesan Investment Trust)	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
NET INCOME / EXPENSES	(3,635.00)	(6,300.00)	2,665.00

as of:
NOVEMBER 2017

TREASURER'S
Report