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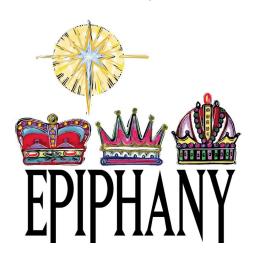
'After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed." Matthew 2:9-10 seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where



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Epiphany—The manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi

"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." Matthew 2:11



Wise men still worship Him!



Noah's Ark January 2018

From the Pastor



6 "I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, 7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. 8 I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. 9 Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

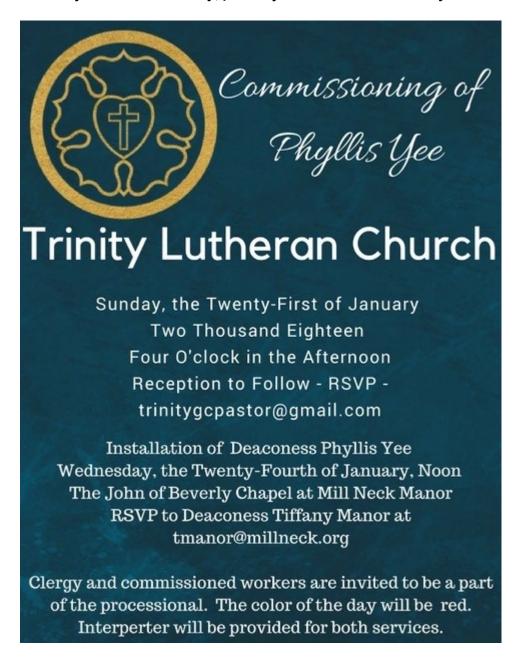
Reading this section from Isaiah 42 still brings me chills every time. For starters, I love when God reiterates that He is the LORD. Too many times churches, people, and even the world get a little confused about God. They like to insert themselves or even state that there is no God. How false is that? God says it right here in Isaiah. I am the LORD! Nothing false, it's not too hard to interpret at all.

This declaration isn't just words because God backs up His words by stating why He is the LORD. He calls you. Not just you but everybody, myself included. I love it! We who do not deserve to be called by God, He does call us and in His righteousness.

People expect God to do everything and always expect things with no questions asked. When He doesn't answer, we turn our backs and blame God. It must be easy to blame Him. Just as it must be easy to leave us and forsake us. Instead, He doesn't. He takes the harder route by giving us Jesus to sacrifice. By His hands, they are nailed to the cross in order for God to take our hands to keep us. By His feet being nailed to the cross, we now walk as God's people as one nation.

First, He is our God, second He saves us, third, we are free from the world and it's bondage. With God, darkness doesn't hold us and we're not shackled to the world. The world can try to trick us. The world might state that there's something better or something real that we can grasp. None of that is true. Only God is true and only His saving grace is true. Let the Word of God bring chill to you because the Holy Spirit is working in You. It's building your faith each and every day!

You are invited to attend the Commissioning of Deaconess Phyllis Yee on Sunday, January 21st at 4 PM at Trinity



and also Phyllis' Installation at Mill Neck on Wednesday, January 24th at 12 Noon in the Chapel at the Manor House

What's Happening at Trinity...

Our Mission Bottle

Help fill the water bottle with your spare change that is set up in the narthex for mission donations. Each month will be a different mission. Fill it up, watch it grow, see it help, watch God work! January Mission: Evergreen Lutheran Church and School in Detroit, MI



Thanks for last month's donations for Nicaragua. \$265.01 was collected and given to Elise Norelius for her mission trip.



Would anyone like to write for future issues of *What Trinity Means to Me?* Please submit a paragraph or two to Kay Charon at God4us11542@yahoo.com or to Pastor Travis at Trinitygcpastor@gmail.com

Church Council Meets Thursday, Jan. 18th at 7 PM Installation of Church Council will be on Sunday, January 21st at the 9:30 AM Worship Service.

2018 Church CouncilLucia CoffeyLisa BaadeGina DemetriouJanet BebryMike DemetriouRomy BennettBrian EdwinsGuy BrunelleKim FlowerBill CharonBette LippmannKay CharonTed Norelius

Pastor Travis attends all meetings as our spiritual head.

New members in boldface type

Thanks to outgoing members **Patrick Charon, Lauren Perotti** and **Cheo Teng** for their years of service. Thank you Pat for serving as Vice President. God's blessings to you all.



"For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

John 3:16, 17



Christmas German Service

Thanks be to God, we held another successful German Service on December 10th with 75 attending, about 10 of which were from Trinity. Our thanks to Pastor Schriever and Mike Jakob who filled in when Rolf Buchmann hurt his back and couldn't attend. Thanks to Iana Shapovalova who led the singing in German and a wonderful trumpeter, Bob Stainkamp, to bring a special fullness to the music. Faithful musicians Christie Callahan and Tony Mazzella, Jr. played beautifully. Thanks for all the rehearsals! \$253 was collected as our offering and was divided between Trinity's Pantry and the Atlantic District Hurricane Relief fund. A reception in the Fellowship Room bonded friends in Christ.



Ladies Guild: (Please Note: No meetings in Jan/Feb)

LWML Advent Breakfast was held at Calvary, East Meadow on Saturday, Dec. 2nd Five ladies attended from Trinity, starting Advent with worship, Holy Communion and breakfast was served afterward with a speaker from Nassau's Hempstead Pantry.





Ladies Guild Christmas Luncheon was held on December 4th at the Locust Valley Inn and Bistro. A nice time was had by all. Thank you Ann Olsen for organizing the event. New secret pals were picked for 2018.



The Food Pantry and Thrift Shop will be open on Saturday, Jan. 20th from 9:30 to noon. Please remember to bring in your food pantry items and place them in the blue trunk in the entranceway to church. Regular items needed include: Peas, Carrots, Beets, Mixed Veggies, Creamed Corn,



Pancake Mix, Canned Fruit, Coffee, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Chicken Noodle Soup, Tomato Soup, Tea, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce, Baked Beans, Chili, Stews, Cereal, Cookies and Spaghetti. Also needed are paper goods, such as toilet paper and paper towels. Thank you!

The tote grocery bags for the pantry were reordered. It is just another way to get our Church name out to the community. May God bless the volunteers that fill the bags and the people who benefit from the food given out through our pantry.



Homeless Shelter for Men On Saturday, Jan 6th at 3 PM volunteers will gather at church to prepare food for the men at the North Shore Inn Homeless Shelter. At 6 PM volunteers will serve the meal at the Presbyterian Church in Glen Cove. Think about spending time to help those less fortunate. Both men and women welcome to volunteer. Thanks for your help!

On Wednesday, Jan. 10th the Circuit Pastors will gather at Trinity for worship and monthly meeting.

On Monday, Jan. 29th, Long Island Harvest will meet at Trinity for the Food and Safety Class in the undercroft

Looking ahead to February...

Ash Wednesday is on the 14th with Worship at 12PM & 7PM

A Defensive Driving Class will be held on Saturday the 24th at 8:30 AM. Cost: \$40 per person.

Christmas Gifts Received with grateful hearts! Thank you to long-distant friends who mailed in gifts to Trinity.

Christmas Gifts were received from:

- —Anthony & Doris Petrella in loving memory of **Manny** who loved his Family at Trinity Lutheran.
- —Dick & Kathy Nordstrom for Altar Linens.
- —Janice & Erich Hilmer, Erich, Jr. and dog Chester. Janice is homebound and we miss seeing them on Sundays in Church.
- —Barbara Viglione for Altar Linens in Honor of Elsie Armstrong and in Memory of Frank Armstrong. Barb enjoys watching the Worship Service and seeing Auntie Elsie on Facebook Live each Sunday.
- -William & Elaine Hallett toward the Boiler Fund.
- —Astrid Hanzalek
- —Alexander & Marleisa Edelman

Altar Care Note: We are in need of new altar linens for the Holy Communion ware. If you would be interested in making a memorial or honorarium donation toward them, it would be appreciated. Thank you! We are also looking into redipping the inserts for the communion cups.



A note was received from the Reilly's, Maria, Tom & Colleen -previous word was that Maria had a stroke and was in rehab.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and Joyous Holiday Season from the Reilly's. Mom is back in her home after a very difficult year. She is doing well and has resumed some of her fun activities, such as watercolor painting and going out with friends for dinner. We are all very grateful for her recovery and feel blessed in many ways. Hoping that your New Year and 2018 brings many wonderful things for you and your family.

"With God all things are possible" the angel told Elizabeth!

Bell Choir Rehearsals under the direction of Kim Flower rehearses on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. Ring in the New Year with a joyful melody unto the Lord!



Stewardship - On Giving..."So that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you." Matthew 6:4
"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." v21

Did you forget your offering? Did you miss church? You can still help Trinity by donating online. A very secure way to offer your donations to God. http://www.trinitylutheranglencove.com/online-donations/ You can select where your offering goes into. Need more information - contact Pastor.

Did you know you can automatically make your weekly gifts to Trinity through a program called "Simply Giving," where money is directly transferred from your bank account to Trinity either weekly or monthly as you choose. Contact the church office for further info.

Another way to help your Church is by remembering Trinity in your Will. It is only because of generous bequests by former sainted members that we are able to provide a full-time active ministry. You can also put in a "Christian" Preamble.

God commands a tenth of what He has given us to be returned to Him for the work of the Church—to honor Him with the first-fruits of our bounty—not grudgingly, but willingly, out of grateful hearts.

He tells us in Scripture to test Him...

Malachi 3:10 "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. Test me in this" says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

God has been very faithful to Trinity; let us be faithful to God. Remember to pick up your 2018 offering envelopes at church in the narthex. If needed they can be delivered/mailed to you. Offerings may also be mailed in. If anyone would like a box of envelopes please see Kay Charon, Financial Secretary 671-0182.

Food for Thought: How about a reverse tithe...God taking what we give him as our offering and multiplying it by ten and making that our income? We can't out-give God!



Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Assistants' Schedule January 2018

Serve the Lord with joyful hearts. Please be at your assigned post 15 minutes prior to start of service



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Worship Assistants	1/7/18 Sunday 9:30 AM	1/14/18 Sunday 9:30 AM	1/21/18 Sunday 9:30 AM	1/28/18 Sunday 9:30 AM					
Chancel	George	Rob	Bill	Kim					
Assistant	Meyer	Edwins	Charon	Flower					
Acolyte/	Sebastian	Jorge	Lucas	Grace					
Crucifer	Baltazar	Rios	Rabanal	Miller					
Reader	Kay	Edith	Jane	Scott					
	Charon	Uhlendorf	Sorenson	Miller					
Ushers	*Ted Sitterer	*Ted Norelius	*Bob Bartlotti	*Will Flower					
	Cheo Teng	Brian Edwins	Rick Ranno	Scott Miller					
Greeters	Lucia	Bill	Roberta	Phyllis					
	Coffey	Edwins	Baade	Yee					
Nursery	Elise Norelius	Amelia Norelius	Ali Bebry	Elise Norelius					
Altar	Phyllis	Mim Edwins	Jane	Edith					
	Yee	Sharon Norelius	Sorenson	Uhlendorf					
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Flowers	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN					
Fellowship	Demetriou's	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN					

If you can't make your scheduled assignment please contact a replacement from your list and call the church office to let Carol know.

Call Kim Flower to be added to assistants' lists 1-954-224-1816

*Head usher responsible for elevator, head count/offerings;
other ushers tidying pews, refilling pew offering envelopes.

Sanctuary Light \$5/Sunday Flowers \$20/vase, 2 available each week.

Put your All on the Altar and help fill the OPEN Slots

What's Happening at Trinity...

Sunday Morning Bible Study at 8:30 AM Leader: Edith Uhlendorf in Pastor's office.



Monday Evening Bible Study with Deaconess Phyllis Yee



at PANERA BREAD LIFT—Ladies In Faith Together Women's Bible Study twice a month 1/15 & 1/29 on Monday nights at 7 PM studying "Ruth" Let Phyllis know if attending.



Bible Study at Sunrise Assisted Living Sunrise Bible Study meets the 2nd and 4th Monday at 3:30 PM on the 2nd floor at 39 Forest Ave in Glen Cove. Pastor Travis leads the group.

Men's Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 9 AM. Led by Bill Charon in the Upper Room. Starting January 17th, a study on Revelations.



Women's Bible Study meets Thursdays at 1 PM. Starting the Book of Revelation Leader: Pastor Travis in the Fellowship Room.

ALPHA PROGRAM AT TRINITY: Finishing up the Alpha Course on Thursdays at 7 PM with Pastor Travis. Come and enjoy the fellowship, meal, DVD with Nicky Gumbel and small group discussion.



Coming in February

New Book Study to start in February with Pastor Travis. Be sure to sign up in January.



News in the Pews

Welcome New Members:

On Sunday, Jan. 7th we will welcome into fellowship those who have completed instruction with Pastor Travis. Anthony & Nesha Cimorelli and Millie and Cassandra Rios, an official "welcome"!

Annual Congregational Voters Body Meeting was held Dec. 10th. We enjoyed a catered brunch with delicious soups made by Travis Lippmann. 18 adults in attendance and 5 children, we had inclement weather that morning. The Budget for 2018 was approved. Pastor was thanked for shoveling snow. We need someone for snow removal, if you have any suggestions please let us know. Pastor will start a new book study in February. The council members were discussed; those staying and leaving. Bette Lippmann was thanked for being the treasurer for so many years. Leaving council Patrick Charon, Cheo Teng and Lauren Perotti; coming on Romy Bennett and Mike & Gina Demetriou. The pantry wasn't wellattended in December due perhaps to earlier change of date. Deaconess Phyllis Yee's Commissioning Service discussed with Bishop Lecakes presiding. A reception will be held afterward that Janet Bebry is organizing. Floors need to be cleaned plus the Fellowship Room rug. Layperson Guy Brunelle was approved to represent Trinity with Pastor Travis at the District Convention. We voted on nominating Rev Derek Lecakes for AD President. Stewardship to be addressed in monthly newsletter. Committee reports were given. Thanks to Bill Charon for his presidency the past few years. Meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.



Christmas Pageant Wonderful Job kids telling His Story



Start each day with a grateful heart and have a happy, healthy and blessed New Year 2018 A.D.



January 2018



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Wise Men still seek Him!	I New Year's Day Happy New Year Office Closed 7:30PM AA	5PM Confirmation 6PM Confirmation	NO Men's Bible Study 6:45PM Think Thin	4 1PM Bible Study in Fellowship Room 6PM Worship 7PM ALPHA Series	5 Watch Trinity LIVE on Facebook Sundays https/www.facebook. com/trinitylutherangc/	6 12 Noon AA 3PM Prepare food for Homeless Shelter for 6PM Serving Presbyt Ch
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