



Trinity Times

Monthly newsletter of Trinity Episcopal Church, Washington, VA

The Rambling Rector

By Miller Hunter

As recorded in the Celtic Daily Prayer book from the Northumbria Community, the New Year was given much importance. People would go from house to house wishing each other a good year ahead and celebrate their good wishes with food and plenty of drink. This song asks Christ himself to come into the celebration. The door is opened to welcome Him in and invite His blessing whether He comes in silence or in the company of other guests.



This day is a new day
That has never been before.
This year is a new year,
The opening door.

Open the door

Enter, Lord Christ –
we have joy in Your coming.
You have given us life;
And we welcome Your coming.

I turn now to face You,
I lift up my eyes.
Be blessing my face, Lord;
be blessing my eyes.
May all my eye looks on
be blessed and be bright,
my neighbours, my loved ones
be blessed in Your sight.

You have given us life
and we welcome Your coming.
Be with us, Lord,
we have joy, we have joy.
This year is a new year,
the opening door.
Be with us, Lord,
we have joy, we have joy.

May we also welcome Christ into our hearts, homes and lives more fully in this new year.

Faithfully,
Miller

Inclement Weather Policy:

With winter upon us, if in doubt, about services or other church activities, please check our website and church phone message for cancellations. If possible we will continue with all scheduled activities, but if conditions are icy and dangerous we will cancel or reschedule.

Outreach: Moving Toward Sustainable Ministry in Haiti

By Russ Collins

Three programs in 2019 will help us move just a bit closer to our ideal of helping our Haitian friends become better able to help themselves.

An Agricultural Consultant, Renee Anderson, will spend several months working with the Village Farm in Trouin to suggest ways to improve production and reduce costs. She is a recent graduate of Mississippi State Agricultural School with a specialty in animal husbandry. Renee visited Haiti and the Village Farm last year and has volunteered her time to help. Trinity Outreach is assisting with Renee's expenses.

The Solar System at St Marc School will be expanded to provide electrical power to the Village Farm and local community. St. James Episcopal Church in Leesburg, VA has provided funds for this effort. The expansion will provide St. Marc with a source of income and electrical power for the Village Farm.

Solar Technician Training will be conducted at St. Marc as part of a Solar Partnership with DigitalKap. The Partnership will establish a "Solar Academy" with classes at three sites that will train Haitians to meet the need for skilled solar technicians. We are part of a broad Solar Academy coalition that includes:

- DigitalKap & Patrick Eugene
- Episcopal Church Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism
- Episcopal Partnerships with Schools
- - BTI Les Cayes, Haiti & Making Your Business, Atlanta, GA
- - St. Andre's, Hinche, Haiti & St. Dunston's, Carmel Valley, CA
- - St. Marc's, Cerca la Source, Haiti & Virginia Haiti Collaborative, Diocese of SW Virginia
- - St. Marc's, Trouin, Haiti & Friends of St. Marc in Trouin
- Zondervan Family Foundation
- Kinship With Haiti
- Solar Under the Sun Presbyterian Ministry

Next trip to Haiti is planned for March 13-19, 2019. Our visit will review progress on these programs. Contact Russ (russcoll@comcast.net) if interested.



Sharon, Dom, and Rich were crowned this year, winners of the Epiphany kings cake celebration! Carolyn Emerick and helpers prepared a wonderful spaghetti dinner for everyone with garlic bread and salad. Decadent chocolate cupcakes followed the meal with a hidden pecan inside for three lucky winners.



Trinity Episcopal Church Presents

A Love Song Sing-Along

Hal Hunter, Pianist

Mimi Forbes, Emcee



February 22 at 7pm

Trinity Episcopal Church's Parish Hall

www.trinwash.org

Fun & Fellowship for the Rappahannock Community

ALL are Welcome!



Scout Sunday February 10, 2019

Trinity proudly celebrates being the charter organization of Boy Scout Troop 36 for 28 years, Cub Scout Pack 123 for 43 years, and Venture Crew 36 for 18 months.

All are welcome, and if you are a current or former scout, please wear your uniform!





Spaghetti Dinner to benefit the
Rappahannock Benevolent Fund
Clergy Talent Show

Reynold's Memorial Baptist Church
Saturday, February 23, 2019
6:00pm

* LOVE OFFERING *
Everyone Invited!



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Sunday Schedule:
8:30am Quiet Service HE Rite I
9:15am Breakfast
9:45 am Christian Education
10:30am Traditional Service HE Rite II