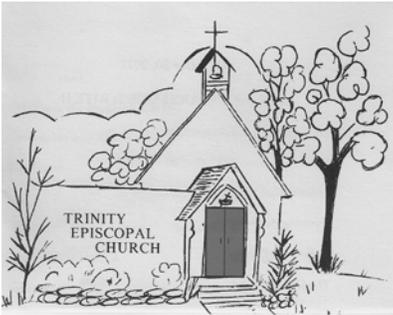


# TRINITY TIDINGS

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## Trinity's Annual Meeting

Following a potluck lunch, Trinity conducted its Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 26. The off-going Bishop's Committee members (Bill Schmidt, Amanda Perschall, and Bruce Headley) were acknowledged and thanked by those present for their accomplishments and years of good service. Bill Schmidt in particular was recognized for his many years of ministry as Treasurer (since the 1990s). Karen Miller and Richard Mount were elected to serve three-year terms on the Bishop's Committee, and Patti Brayfield agreed to serve on the Bishop's Committee as Treasurer.

After some discussion, Amanda Perschall volunteered to serve as Trinity's delegate to the

Southern Deanery and the Diocesan Convention. Karen Miller agreed to be the alternate.

The 2014 Budget for Trinity and the year-end financial statement for 2013 were presented by the Treasurer. The Junior Warden submitted a written report for 2013 (it is posted on the bulletin board) and talked briefly about the Altar Project for the church. He reported that the goal for completion of the project is February 23, which is the Sunday that Bishop Field will make his official visitation to the congregation. Reports from the Altar Guild and Outreach Committee were also presented at the meeting.

Father Miller concluded the meeting with remarks about his ministry at Trinity and the present state of the congregation. He was happy to report that Trinity gained 8 new members in 2013. He was also delighted to inform those present that 4 former members have returned to the life of the congregation.

For a more detailed account of the Annual Meeting, please see the minutes of the meeting

posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall.

## Bishop Field to Visit Trinity Church

On Sunday, February 23, our Father-in-God, The Right Reverend Martin S. Field, will make an official visit to Trinity.

On that Sunday, he will preside at the 10:00 a.m. Eucharist, administer the Sacrament of Confirmation, and receive into the Episcopal Church those who have already been confirmed in another branch of the historic Church.

Mark your calendars now!

## Altar Guild News

In 2013, the Altar Guild submitted a list of needs for the altar to the Bishop's Committee for their consideration. The list was approved for purchase from the Ken Miller Memorial Fund. Purchases made to date are processional torches, altar cross, white chasuble and stole, altar linens and candle lighters. Also approved by the Bishop's Committee was the installation of a new altar. The installation is scheduled to be installed by Easter 2014. With the addition of a Wednesday Eucharist service, the Altar Guild has

increased their activity in setting the altar for services. The Altar Guild has found that working as a team in setting and cleaning the altar has made their duties lighter and more enjoyable in the fellowship of working together.

Flowers are an important part of the worship experience and the responsibility of the Altar Guild in the altar set-up process. Donations by members of the congregation help in defraying the cost of flowers which are purchased with Church funds. A flower chart is displayed on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall to note donations to the flower fund. Donations of \$30.00 per Sunday can be made by check to the Church.

The Altar Guild members which include Karen Miller, Gloria Morque, Amanda Perschall, Denise Stockstill and Bonnie Daniels are dedicated to making sure Father Miller has the tools necessary to celebrate the Eucharist for each service and that the congregation has the worship experience they expect. We have a very capable group of volunteers serving now and new members are always welcome.

Karen Miller

### **January Crosslines News**

Crosslines relies on a wide variety of resources to supply the needs of our community. Community churches were thanked for their contributions of food, clothing, and blankets received during the year. The monetary contributions from fourteen churches totaled \$14,015.45 for 2013 which was short of the \$19,000 budgeted for church contributions. Crosslines was the recipient of a \$10,000 grant from Community Cares which was the largest Community Cares grant for 2014.

Other contributions came from the R-III school sports department of 100 pounds of food and \$523. Walmart, Act II, Smitty's, and VF store made several donations during December and January. During the KJEL radio broadcast at Sears, 800 pounds of food was collected. Several anonymous donations totaling around \$2000 were given to Crosslines account at Ozark Food Harvest and local utility company. In December the USDA truck brought 12,422 pounds of food and 16,823 pounds in January for distribution. Independent Stave Transportation Department donated \$750.

During December 534 families with 1560 individuals received assistance and 165 hours for volunteers working. January had a decrease due to the weather causing the closing of Crosslines on several days. There were 430 families served with 1278 individuals receiving assistance in January. The volunteer help time totaled 196 hours.

The special needs for this coming month are canned fruits, crackers, pancake mix, syrup, and jelly.

Peggy Graydon

### **Advent Open House**

On January 4<sup>th</sup>, members of Trinity traveled to Springfield to an Advent open house hosted by Father Miller and Betty. Betty had their home decorated beautifully for the Advent season. Everyone enjoyed her amazing collection of Christmas carolers. A delicious feast was served and enjoyed by all in attendance. Thank you Father Miller and Betty for your gracious hospitality, and most especially for your devotion to Trinity Episcopal Church!

Bonnie Daniels

## Iraq and surrounding Middle East countries.

A basic web generated geographic trivia quiz

### Questions:

1. Name the two famous historical rivers flowing through the middle of Iraq where the ancient Mesopotamian and Sumerian cultures once thrived? a. Indus & Jordan, b. Tigris & Euphrates, c. Shatt al Arab & Bosphorus, d. Oxus & Jordan.
2. Iraq shares most of its border with what country? a. Turkey, b. Israel, c. Lebanon, d. Iran.
3. Which of these Middle East countries does not border Iraq? a. Turkey, b. Jordan, c. Qatar, d. Syria.
4. Does Iraq border the Persian Gulf? a. Yes, b. No, c. Only in the winter when sea level rises, d. Only in the summer when sea level rises.
5. Which geographical neighbor did Iraq invade in 1990? a. Jordan, b. Syria, c. Lebanon, d. Kuwait
6. Baghdad, the capital, is the largest city in Iraq. What is the country's main port? a. Baghdad,

- b. Basra, c. Karbala, d. Al Mawsi
7. Where is Israel in relation to Iraq? a. North, b. West, c. South, d. East.
8. One of these Middle East countries is an island. Which one? a. Oman, b. Aden, c. Yemen, d. Bahrain.
9. Where is Afghanistan in relation to Iraq? a. North, b. West, c. South, d. East.
10. Islam dominates as the major religion in the Middle East. Islam's sacred city of Mecca is in this region. In what country would you find Mecca? a. Saudi Arabia, b. Jordan, c. Iraq, d. Iran

### Answers:

1. **Tigris & Euphrates** - The Sumerians were the first to develop a city-state government and and phonetic writing.
2. **Iran** - Most of Iran's border with Iraq winds through mountains, whereas the border with Saudi Arabia lies linear through deserts.
3. **Qatar** - Qatar is a peninsula off of Saudi Arabia some 350 miles south of Iraq in the Persian Gulf.
4. **Yes** - About a 30 mile strip lies west of the

- Tigris river delta between the borders of Kuwait and Iran.
5. **Kuwait** - Kuwait lies between Iraq and the Persian Gulf. Iraq would like to have more access to the sea.
6. **Basra** - Basra is the capital of Basra Province. It is found along the Shatt-Al-Arab waterway.
7. **To the west** - Israel lies about 250 miles west of Iraq's border with Jordan. Jordan shares a border with both countries.
8. **Bahrain** - Bahrain is just west of the peninsula of Qatar in the Persian Gulf. Oman is a land country south of Saudi Arabia and Sri Lanka is an island off the coast of India, which is not in the Middle East.
9. **To the east** - Afghanistan is about 750 miles east of Iraq. The country of Iran is in between the two nations.
10. **Saudi Arabia** - Mecca lies near the west coast of central Saudi Arabia, near the Red Sea.

Submitted by Dave Daniels

## **Youth Happenings**

Thanks again to everyone at Trinity for hosting the Youth Ministry Commission the first weekend of January. While we were all snowed out on Sunday, it was a productive and fun weekend. It was great to have our Diocesan youth in a church they hadn't been to before, especially such an historic one as ours. We were able to accomplish a lot of planning before running away from the snow.

Amanda Perschall

## **Articles for the Newsletter**

Articles for the Trinity Tidings Newsletter may be emailed to Bonnie Daniels, editor at [bonnieraydaniels@centurylink.net](mailto:bonnieraydaniels@centurylink.net). If you do not have email access, we will also accept paper submissions.