# Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



2016 Annual Report

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Annual Meeting: January 22, 2017

# **AGENDA**

Call to Order
Opening Prayer
Election of Secretary
Minutes of 2016 Meeting
Report of Nominating Committee

Election of New Vestry Members
Presentation of Retiring Vestry
Treasurer's Report for 2016
Presentation of 2017 Budget
Senior Warden's Report

Co-Rectors' Report Further Business Closing Prayer Adjournment

# Minutes of the 130<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting, January 17, 2016

The Rev. Steve Easterday and the Rev. Pam Easterday, Presiding.

- Call to Order and Opening Prayer: The 130<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting was called to order at 10:33am by The Rev. Steve Easterday who the opened with prayer.
- Election of Secretary: Fr. Steve asked retiring Vestry Clerk, Faye Bottomley, if she would record the minutes. She agreed and a motion to affirm the nomination was made by Kevin Bartczak, seconded by Rick Beverley and passed by the congregation. Fr. Steve further noted that the Co-Rectors have asked Faye to serve as Senior Warden and she accepted.
- **Minutes of 2015 Annual Meeting:** The congregation was asked to review the minutes of the previous years' meeting. There being no additions or corrections, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Pat Thomas, seconded by Chuck Pierce, Sr. and unanimously passed.
- Report of the Nominating Committee: Retiring Sr. Warden, Mike Crews, thanked the other retiring Vestry persons, Bob Riley, Nancy Trezza and Rich Franck as well as Vern Lester and Linda Edwards for reviewing the nominations and developing the slate. Those nominated were as follows: Kevin Bartczak, Barbara Brotherton, Frank Dawson, Janet Gray, Joe Libasci, Jack Morton and Bob Smith. Following the election, straws will be drawn to determine who will complete an unexpired two-year term. With no further nominations made from the floor, a motion to close the nominations was made by Milt Miller, seconded by Bob Fontaine and unanimously passed.
- **Election of New Vestry Members:** After Rev. Pam gave instructions for voting, the ballots were distributed then collected as completed. The meeting continued while tellers counted the ballots.
- **Presentation of Retiring Vestry:** Fr. Steve recognized and expressed deep appreciation to the following Vestry persons who have completed their term of service: Mike Crews, Bob Riley, Nancy Trezza and Rich Franck. He also thanked Gail Pearson who served as Parish Treasurer for three years.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Gail Pearson reviewed her report for 2015 and noted that once again, Holy Trinity finished the year in the black.
- Presentation of 2016 Budget: The budget as approved by the Vestry for 2016 was presented. Fr. Steve asked
  for a motion to receive the budget. Motion was made by Alan Smith, seconded by Joye Jennings and passed by
  the congregation.
- **Senior Warden's Report:** In Mike Crews' report, he focused on the sense of family, fellowship and commitment to outreach demonstrated by the Holy Trinity congregation.
- Election Results: Having counted the ballots, the tellers reported that Kevin Bartczak, Barbara Brotherton, Frank Dawson, Janet Gray, and Joe Libasci were elected. In the drawing of straws, Kevin Bartczak will serve the remaining two years of an unexpired term. Others elected will each serve three years.
- **Co-Rectors' Report:** The report of the Co-Rectors was presented as the sermon on January 17, 2016. Copies were given to parishioners.
- Further Business/Closing Prayer: There being no further business, Rev. Pam closed the meeting with prayer.
- **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pat Franck, seconded by Anne Fay and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:22am.

# **Statistics for 2016**

Average Weekend Attendance 373
Baptisms 9
Marriages 5
Funerals 43
New Members 46

# Treasurer's Report (Mike Crews)

ASSETS					
Operating Accounts					
Checking	\$136,617				
Memorial Funds	\$80,995				
General Building (reserve)	\$31,626				
Elder Fund (reserve)	\$11,505				
Chapel/Kitchen Remodeling Fund	\$356,527				
Boyer House Repair/Maintenance	\$251,343				
Total Operating	\$868,613				
Endowment (Market Value)					
Scottrade Endowment	\$530,785				
Total Endowment	\$530,785				
Investments					
Mortgage Receivable	\$4,300				
Limited Partnership	\$0				
Total Investment	\$4,300				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,403,698				
LIABILITIES	\$0				

# STEWARDSHIP RESULTS as of January 18, 2017

	2016	2017	If you have not yet
Pledges: Totaling: New pledges: Increased pledges:	252 \$505,330	274 546,178 50 106	pledged for 2017, we invite you to do so. Pledge cards are available in the Narthex.

# Treasurer's Report (continued)

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Summary Operating Budget vs. Actuals for Year 2016 Summary Operating Budget for Year 2017 Adopted by Vestry on January 12, 2017

REVENUES Pledge and Plate	P	Actual 2015		Budget 2016		Actual 2016	E	Budget 2017
Pledges & General Donations	\$	501,902	\$	515,062	\$	523,281	\$	547,458
Regular Contributions	Ψ \$	21,470	\$	22,400	\$	30,558	\$	28,000
Loose Plate	Ψ \$	25,233	\$	26,000	\$	28,616	\$	28,500
Reimbursements	\$	60,134	\$	65,603	\$	64,781	\$	76,754
Foundation Income	φ \$	169,070	Ψ \$	259,443	\$	254,903	\$	263,765
Endowment	φ \$	25,364	Ψ \$	27,000	\$	27,231	\$	27,060
Thrift Shop Donations	φ \$	45,000	φ \$	45,000	\$	45,000	\$	36,000
Other Income	э \$	36,144	Ф \$	48,429	Ф \$	32,636	Ф \$	33,029
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Auction	\$	20,439	<b>c</b>	1 000 027	Φ.	1 007 007	φ	1 040 EGG
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EXPENSES								
Outreach								
Church-Related	\$	54,652	\$	58,638	\$	59,544	\$	62,496
Community	\$	7,670	\$	11,500	\$	9,497	\$	12,100
Subtotal Outreach	\$	62,322	\$	70,138	\$	69,041	\$	74,596
Ministries & Worship								
Ministries	\$	20,493	\$	20,600	\$	16,039	\$	21,500
Worship	\$	7,360	\$	9,400	\$	6,687	\$	9,400
Subtotal Ministries & Worship	\$	27,853	\$	30,000	\$	22,726	\$	30,900
Personnel Expenses	\$	554,462	\$	642,562	\$	654,260	\$	675,305
Operations								
Office/Administration	\$	32,459	\$	38,870	\$	35,805	\$	29,620
Maintenance	\$	38,380	\$	29,700	\$	33,004	\$	30,400
Capital Improvements	\$	29,975	\$	25,000	\$	25,000	\$	25,000
Utilities	\$	61,792	\$	61,390	\$	60,262	\$	58,780
Taxes & Insurance	\$	72,178	\$	86,608	\$	79,955	\$	92,732
Contracts	\$	20,169	\$	19,721	\$	22,864	\$	20,137
Convention & Retreats	\$	2,350	\$	4,900	\$	4,045	\$	3,050
Subtotal Operations	\$	257,303	\$	266,189	\$	260,934	\$	259,719
Total Expenses	\$	901,940	\$	1,008,889	\$	1,006,962	\$	1,040,520
NET	\$	2,816	\$	48	\$	45	\$	46

# Co-Rectors' Report (The Revs. Pamela & Stephen Easterday)

The Co-Rectors give their Annual Report as the sermon at each service on the Annual Meeting weekend. A print version is available.

# Assistant Rector's Report (The Rev. Meghan Farr)

It's hard to believe it has been almost a year and a half since I accepted the call to serve as Assistant Rector for Pastoral Care here at Holy Trinity. I have now completed one full liturgical year and I continue to be blessed by this ministry and all of you. This past year has been busy and full with both parish and diocesan events. I continue to work to meet the pastoral care needs of the parish which grow and change and are met differently each and every week. We had 43 funerals this past year, many were long-time members of the parish, others connected through family and friends and some we didn't know but were called by families in a time of need to provide a Christian burial.

My relationship with Trinity Towers continues to grow. At the request of the residents in the East Tower, we have added a monthly bible study to the service of devotions and healing prayer. In the South Tower we meet monthly to "color" the psalms, sing gospel hymns and pray. I plan to meet with the social worker in the West Tower to start something there in the new year. Aside from these monthly gatherings, I also led an Ash Wednesday service and Christmas Eve service in the East Tower. The Elder Care Fund provided goodie bags and gift cards for a Christmas party at the South Tower at which our own CW Sorrows led a Christmas music sing-along and even Santa and Mrs. Claus made an appearance! Funds were also given to the West Tower to provide gifts for their residents' Angel Tree.

In addition to pastoral care, I share in the worship life of Holy Trinity preaching and celebrating at the services on Saturday and Sunday as well as Wednesday mornings. I co-led a group during our Lenten Program, participated in the Women's Retreat (and now sit on the planning committee), was installed as Chaplain to the Diocesan Altar Guild and enjoyed time at our parish family camping weekend. This summer I had a wonderful week as chaplain for a middle school camp week at Camp Wingmann. In September I was blessed to officiate my first wedding and in October I became a member of the Daughter's of the King and was installed as the chaplain for Holy Trinity's chapter. As the year came to a close Reverend Pam and I led a great Advent Bible Study with close to 60 participants. Holy Trinity held our first Blue Christmas service for the parish and the community. Thank you to Carolyn Wilt and the Health Ministry Team for their work in putting the service together and, along with the Daughters of the King, and so many of you, for a successful Parish Christmas Caroling event. We visited and sang to more than 70 parishioners and then enjoyed Evensong and a potluck supper afterwards.

I look forward to all the ways God will use the people and ministries of this parish in 2017. God bless you.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Meghan Farr, Assistant Rector for Pastoral Care

# Sr. Warden's Report (Faye Bottomley)

A Senior Warden is to work collaboratively with the Rectors, but is there to serve in an advisory capacity as well. I have been privileged to function in both of these roles with Fr. Steve and Rev. Pam throughout 2016. With the Vestry acknowledging that the "head" of Holy Trinity is Jesus Christ and our mission is to **seek** His will for our parish and **do it**, the tempo for and exciting and productive year was set. You will see that whenever Vestry members are listed, an area of ministry is noted next to their names. Those are areas of ministry at Holy Trinity in which the Vestry person is **actively** involved.

A highlight of 2016 was achieving, actually exceeding, the monetary goal of the Nourishing Body and Soul Campaign. The total kitchen renovation is nearing completion and the Chapel restoration has begun. In July, the parish celebrated the 10 year anniversary of our Co-Rectors Godly and loving ministry at Holy Trinity. In her first full year as Assistant Rector, Meghan Farr has developed a variety of programs and ministries to older adults in our parish and beyond.

Wouldn't you agree that Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is a thriving and vibrant parish?! Our Vision of Every Member in Ministry is more than a phrase printed in the bulletin and newsletter. This is a parish actively striving to fulfill its vision. Opportunities for ministry exist at Holy Trinity, in the greater community and even in mission fields abroad and a majority of our parishioners... children, youth and adults... continually seek ways to serve and honor God.

Looking forward, the Vestry is exploring additional opportunities for reaching out to the neighborhood in which the church is situated. We also want to maximize our resources... human, financial and property.

# Jr. Warden's/Buildings & Grounds Report (Milt Miller)

It has been a busy year for the Jr. Warden.

- Ten minutes after being appointed Jr. Warden we sprang a major water leak in the bathrooms in the Parish Hall, which required trenching under all three bathrooms to find the leak.
- After several water leaks in Lewis Hall we had to repair the entire roof.
- The phone system for the church went bad and had to be replaced.
- We had the sewer line in the Parish Hall bathrooms collapsed and again we had to trench under the bathrooms to repair it.
- We had another water leak in the area next to the flower room and we had to trench out that area to find and repair the leak.
- The seal around the stained glass windows was settling and we had to have them repaired.
- Next, the sewer line in one of our houses collapsed and we had to trench through the entire house to repair it.
- We had a leak on the roof of the Parish Hall that had to be repaired.
- The air conditioning system on top off Lewis Hall had to be replaced, along with several units being repaired.
- The roof of the church sprang a leak and had to be repaired.

Thank you for all the help I received this year serving as Jr. Warden and looking for other ways I can serve this wonderful church.

# Stewardship Report (Susan Seybold)

With humble and full hearts, our parish Walked the Gratitude Path theme for our 2017 stewardship campaign. We examined our lives, our blessing, and yes, even our challenges - and gave thanks to our Father with grateful hearts, with grateful song, and blessed fellowship.

Our walk began the first week of October with a guiding video message from presiding Bishop Michael Curry the first week. The following week everyone was encouraged to write down a blessing on a Post-It note and share it on a huge Grateful Heart board. Later, dozens of volunteers fanned out across the county to deliver pledge packages to parish households that included a special Gratitude Journal. Our annual outside In-Tents service included wonderful music and fellowship.

The month long journey wrapped up with a testimonial by Captain Winston Scott at the 9:00 service. Captain Scott is a former NASA astronaut, retired US Navy test and fighter pilot, university administrator and educator, and musician. He shared a humble message of gratitude about his own amazing journey from segregated schooling as a youth in Miami... to space... and back.

Your Vestry intended for this month-long journey on the Gratitude Path to highlight how blessed we are as individuals and as a church family. We are loved by our Father, we are blessed, and we are grateful! We asked that when financial commitments were made for the coming year, they were prayerfully considered in gratitude for the many blessings received, and pledged forward.

We are pleased to share that through the generosity of our parish family, our 2017 stewardship campaign has met our projected needs for the coming year!

# Nourishing Body and Soul Campaign (Joe Libasci & Mike Crews)

2016 has been an exciting time for the Nourishing Body and Soul Campaign. Fundraising to renovate the Historical Chapel and the kitchen was rebooted in the fall of 2015 with a goal of \$550,000 for both projects. The Vestry approved to renovate the kitchen first while the plans for the Chapel were being finalized. A kitchen committee was formed consisting of Dina & Rick Beverley, Rich & Pat Franck, Frank Crawley, Ted Peters, Frank Dawson, Daniel Farr, Becky & Mike Crews. There were meetings held with all the various groups that use the kitchen to get input. As with any project there have been many bumps in the road to get to completion with plumbing, electrical, A/C units (3), damaged equipment & other problems. The kitchen should be completed in early January 2017.

The renovation of the Chapel was also started with the signing of contracts to repair the stained-glass windows and restore the doors. A grant from the state will help cover the cost of these two projects. The actual renovation of the Chapel with the addition of new A/C units, new electrical, porches and a bell tower should start in first quarter of 2017.

Thank you to everyone for your support, input, patience and payers.

# Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Foundation, Inc. (The Rev. Steve Easterday)

Annual Report of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Foundation Inc. (HTECF), by Fr. Stephen Easterday, prepared on January 16, 2017

The total assets of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Foundation as of December 31, 2016 were:

Elder Endowment Funds Invested with Raymond James: \$3,776,057 \*
General Endowment Funds Invested with Raymond James: \$3,802,644 \*\*
TTE Owner Financing Note held by HTECF \$1,691,116
TTW Owner Financing Note held by HTECF

In new "POAH Trinity Loan Holding Company LLC" \$2,043,123

Total Assets of HTECF \$11,312, 940

The officers of the Foundation were elected at the Annual Meeting of the Foundation on February 1, 2016 and are as follows:

Fr. Steve Easterday, Chair of the Board and Vice President

Ron Meehan: President Tom Stallard: Treasurer Bill Thornburg: Secretary

Other members of the Board include: Bob Merrill, Dr. Jay Olsson, Alan Smith, Anneke Bertsch, Jack Ryals and Steve Lacey.

Alan Smith was elected to the Board, by the Board on February 1, 2016, after the resignation of Barbara Whitley in November 2015. As required, Alan Smith was approved by the Vestry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on February 11, 2016.

The By-Laws of the Foundation state that, "Persons serving on the Board of Directors at the time of the adoption of these Bylaws shall continue to serve on the Board of Directors. Upon the death, retirement, resignation or removal of a member of the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors shall nominate a replacement who must be approved by the Vestry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church." The By-laws also state that "in no event shall the Board of Directors consist of less than seventy percent (70%) of confirmed communicants in good standing of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church."

There are two parts to the Foundation. The General Endowment is the remainder of the money from the sale of Trinity Towers. The Elder Endowment is the money that came from the Boyer Trust. In both cases the income that comes to the church is to "enhance and supplement the ministries of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church." The Elder Endowment has the additional restriction that the money should be used to serve "seniors affiliated with Holy Trinity Episcopal Church."

To these ends, the Board met on November 2, 2015. At that meeting the Board authorized the "Elder" distribution of \$146,185 to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in 2016 in twelve equal monthly installments. The Board also authorized the "General" distribution of \$132,330 to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in 2016 in twelve equal monthly installments. Those distributions were received in 2016. The major expenditures by the church from the "Elder" distributions were the compensation packages for the Assistant Rector for Pastor Care and the Faith Community Nurse. Elder program expenditures were also funded.

The "spending rule" currently in use by the Foundation is that 4% of the assets invested at Raymond James on October 31 of a given year go to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church for the following year. Since the assets are segregated into the "Elder fund" and the "General fund" two different distributions are made, one from each source. To that end, the Board of the Foundation met on November 7, 2016 and approved a total "Elder" distribution of \$145,939 to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in 2017 in twelve equal monthly installments of \$12,162. At the same meeting the Board approved a total "General" distribution of \$134,357 to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in 2017 in twelve equal monthly installments of \$11,196.

Camp Wingmann, the church camp of the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida received a total of \$15,948 from the Foundation in 2016. The Holy Trinity Episcopal Foundation Board has an ongoing commitment to tithe on the gross proceeds of the sale of the three Trinity Towers Buildings. So whenever an owner financing payment comes into the Foundation, 10% of the payment is sent to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, which then forwards it on to Camp Wingmann after approval by the church Vestry. All told, as of this writing, the camp has so far received over \$440,000 as the tithe on the sale. Camp Wingmann will be undertaking renovation of the old camp Mess Hall (now named Yates Hall) with part of this money.

2016 was also a very important year in terms of restructuring the owner financing loans owed the Foundation so that all three Trinity Towers buildings could be refinanced in such a way that the buildings could be remodeled for the well-being of the residents. What follows is an extended quote from the publication, "Affordable Housing Finance." The article is by Christine Serlin and is titled, "POAH Preserving, Rehabbing Seniors Portfolio in Florida." It was published on December 8, 2016 at: http://www.poah.org/news/poah-preserving-rehabbing-seniors-portfolio-florida

The first of the three buildings to close on financing and undergo rehab was the 192-unit Trinity Towers West, which was originally built in 1972.

The \$9.6 million rehab of the 17-story building was completed in spring 2016 and included new kitchens and bathrooms, new windows, roof replacement, flooring upgrades, and energy-efficient features, including a new HVAC system. It also added 10 new fully accessible units and other accessibility changes to the common areas.

The acquisition and rehab of Trinity Towers West was made possible with an allocation of 9% low-income housing tax credits from the Florida Housing Finance Corp. The housing tax credits were syndicated by Boston Capital, with Citi Community Capital as the investor. Citi also provided the construction loan as well as the permanent loan with Boston Private Bank & Trust Co. through the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLBank) of Boston Affordable Housing Program subsidized advance. Additional financing included a FHLBank grant from Boston Private, seller financing from the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, and 20 new project-based Sec. 8 vouchers from the Housing Authority of Brevard County.

The 156-unit Trinity Towers East closed on financing at the end of November, and the 162-unit Trinity Towers South is closing on financing this week; rehab work is expected to start immediately.

"On Trinity Towers West, \$10 million in equity was to brought to the deal; on Trinity Towers East, \$5 million in equity was brought to that deal; and we're bringing in \$5.6 million in equity for Trinity Towers South," says Mian. "The LIHTC is a critical tool, without which we wouldn't be at the table."

For the purposes of this report the important things to note are:

- 1. The refinancing made possible over \$20,000,000 of improvements in the three buildings.
- 2. In 2016 the refinancing resulted in \$300,000 coming into the Foundation General Fund.
- 3. The Foundation entered into an agreement with POAH that placed its Trinity Towers West financing note into a holding company called, "POAH Trinity Loan Holding Company LLC.
- 4. The new holding company arrangement should result in a yearly payment of \$185,000 in owner financing payments to the Foundation (on both the TTE and TTW notes) if there is sufficient available cash flow.

I am grateful to all the Board members who participated in meetings of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Foundation in 2016. <u>I am especially grateful to Tom Stallard for his many hours of work as Treasurer</u>. There were several late nights when Tom worked closely with me to sort through very complex issues, especially those involving the restructuring of the owner financing and the formation of the holding company.

I continue to thank God for his incredible grace in providing the resources to both endow the parish and to remodel the buildings. It is one of the great privileges of my life to have served as a steward of these resources as God has multiplied his blessings for the well-being of our church and community.

Faithfully,

Fr. Stephen W. Easterday

<sup>\*</sup>Elder Endowment Funds Invested at RJ Total as of 12/31/2015 was \$3,671,085.

<sup>\*\*</sup>General Endowment Funds Invested at RJ Total as of 12/31/2015 was \$3,361,888.

# Children's Ministry (KC Crawley)

- We offer three Sunday School classes for ages 3 years 6th grade
- In fall of 2016 we began teaching Bible study skills to grades 4 6 during Sunday School
- Children's Chapel, during the 9:00am service, moved to the church nursery and was adapted for children ages 7 and under offering a Bible story from the lectionary, song, and free play.
- We continue to have a Family Easter service in the gym, followed by our Annual Easter Egg Hunt, as well as our Children's Christmas Eve service complete with a Christmas pageant presented by the children.
- There are other special events such as Palm Sunday Craft day, Advent Craft day and others
- Vacation Bible School was again a huge success with 100+ participants
- Treasure Kids Club continues to thrive thanks to Fr. Steve, Rev. Pam, Brent Libasci (crafts) and the addition of Phil Nunez (leading a class for tweens)
- The Treasure Kids Choir continues to sing at least once per month and presents a variety of musical styles

# Youth Ministry (Phil Nunez)

Holy Trinity's Youth Ministry continues to be a group for Middle and High School students to come and explore their own faith and learn about God in an encouraging environment. In 2016 we continued to grow but said goodbye to a large group of graduating students who went off to college. This year we continued to meet every Thursday at Youth Social Night which is designed to give the youth room to talk about their life and faith. After much consideration we decided to meet on Wednesdays in 2017 while keeping the schedule the same. Sunday School met every Sunday morning after church and had a focus on Old Testament teachings until we switched to the Gospels toward the end of the year.

We continued traditions in the church such as hosting a Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper in February, a Youth-run church service after Easter, and a Survivor themed lock-in the summer. In September we brought a large group to Rock the Universe where, despite some speed bumps, everything fell into place and we had a great time worshiping alongside thousands of Christians. We hosted our second Trunk-or-Treat in October and lent our voices to the Children's Christmas Eve Service. The Youth have also been a great help through the year helping at Parents' Night Out every so often, but also serving as acolytes and Lay Eucharistic ministers.

We are looking forward to 2017 and all God has planned for us. It is truly a blessing to watch these kids grow and own their faith.

# **Discipleship/Adult Education**

# **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** (Jack Bottomley)

**Purpose**: Encourage a closer walk with Christ by the understanding of Christian basic principles through the study of scripture. In 2016, we completed a study of 1 John and the book of Daniel to round out studies in the Old Testament and New Testament. I have been trying to provide a setting for all of the adult studies to the plan of God as articulated in scripture. So we began the study of Daniel with a repeat of the Old Testament Walk Through that provided a historical setting for the book. For 2017, we will return to the New Testament where we will begin a series of 10 lessons on the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

During the past year we had an average attendance of 20 people and had as many as 40 for some classes. We continue to have a loyal and enthusiastic group of attendees that are eager to learn scripture and how it affects their Christian walk.

# **CURSILLO** (Chuck Pierce Sr.)

Cursillo is a short course in Christianity and a call to leadership. 2016 was a good year for Cursillo. We have 68 Cursillistas as members of the parish, about 32 are active. The new dates for the 2017 weekends are:

- Coed Cursillo #123: 16 -19 March 2017 at Canterbury. We will have 2 Pilgrims
- Men's Cursillo #123: 30 March to 2 April 2017 at Camp Wingman. This is the replacement for the weekend lost to the Hurricane.
- Women's Cursillo #124: 23 26 March 2017 at Canterbury.
- A new Two day Cursillo: 23 24 June 2017 at Canterbury.
- Coed Cursillo #124: 5 8 October 2017 at Canterbury.

For the Ministry to grow we need to add new people every year. I would like to see at least 12 parishioners sign up and attend a weekend.

If you have been to Cursillo, Walk to Emmaus or Via De Cristo and are not on the list of Cursillistas, or if you are interested in attending any of the weekends please contact Charles Pierce – 772-318-9290

# **INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF ST. LUKE** (Pat Franck)

The International Order of St. Luke the Physician (OSL) is made up of clergy, health professionals and all people who feel called to make Jesus' Ministry of Healing a regular part of their vocation. We believe Christian Healing and competent medical care are not averse, but complement each other.

Several members of our group attended a Healing Conference in October led by the OSL Chapter of St. Gabriel's in Titusville. Excellent speakers gave us much to think about and act on. Reggie Anderson MD is an emergency room and family practice doctor in Nashville, TN, "When I practice medicine, I can't separate my faith from my training. To me, it all comes from the same source." Rev. Dr. Jack and Anna Marie Sheffield also spoke and have co-founded Christ Healing Center in San Antonio. The call they felt was to help establish centers where healing encounters, training and growth could flourish. Rev Dr. Sharon Lewis's two great topics were: Inner Healing Promotes Physical Healing and A Strategy for Thriving – Not Just Surviving. "We can only live the resurrected life with Resurrection Power!"

Our group meets twice a month for study and prayer. We continue to study and pray for healing and other needs of family, friends and parishioners. Many of us also pray for healing for those who come to the Healing Altar at the rear of the sanctuary during the 9:00am service – a rewarding and grace-filled service. You are always welcome to join us and/or become a member of OSL.

# MEN'S RETREAT (Fr. Steve Easterday)

The Men's Retreat is held in the fall on the grounds of Camp Wingmann Retreat and Conference Center in Avon Park, FL. The 8th Annual Retreat was held in November 2016 with 45 men from around the Diocese in attendance. The theme was "Fathered by God: Six Stages of a Man's Life", based on the book by John Eldredge. The Men's Retreat is open to all men (and friends) in the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida, and is a time for the men of our churches to come together for great food, exploring the masculine side of God, hanging out with the guys, renewing a friendship with God, climbing on a ropes course or low-impact activity, fixing/building things around the camp, praying for healing and help, laughing around the campfire, making music, and much more! Men's Retreat 2017 will be November 10 - 12.

# LIBRARY (Susan Mann)

Holy Trinity Lending Library contains about 2,000 books. Several donations were processed last year. It is maintained for the religious education and convenience of parishioners and staff.

# **WOMEN'S RETREAT** (Anna Bourne & Sandy Hillyer)

The 2016 Women's retreat entitled "Chosen and Beloved" was held at the Canterbury Retreat and Conference Center in Oviedo, FL on April 1-3, 2016. The retreat committee chaired by Anna Bourne and Sandy Hillyer with 8 additional committee members, planned and hosted this year's event with approximately 80 women from multiple churches of the Diocese of Central Florida in attendance. Clare Toy, our speaker, used Bible study and the imagery of the Jewish wedding to deepen participants' relationships with Christ. With Rev. Pam Easterday as officiant and music leader, participants enjoyed a meaningful worship experience and close encounters with the Holy Spirit.

Plans for the 2017 Women's Retreat are already underway. It will again be at Canterbury Retreat and Conference Center and the speaker will be Rev. Phyllis Bartle.

# **Guilds & Fellowship Groups**

# FOYER GROUPS MINISTRY (Linda Edwards)

Foyer Groups continues to be well-liked ministry by new-comers and old-comers. We gather as Christian's in small groups in one another's homes and do a short reading. Then get to fellowship and share a meal. Foyer is a wonderful gathering to meet your pew mates that maybe you only share the sign of peace with.

October 2016 Foyer Super Supper had all participants (54) in the Parish Hall for a pot luck dinner. That evening we met our new groups and continue to host them in our homes. I welcome all parishioners to sign up for Foyer Super Supper this calendar year 2017.

### **KEENAGERS** (Rose Himmenger)

We are a lively group of seniors, young at heart, here at Holy Trinity. We enjoy getting together for pot luck luncheons each month, September through May. We meet every third Tuesday at 12:15pm in the Parish Hall, and everyone is welcome and encouraged to bring a guest. The more, the merrier. There is always plenty of food. Ask anyone who comes, and they will tell you we are all good cooks; of course store-bought works well, too.

There are two special luncheons each year, our Christmas celebration in December, and our indoor picnic in May, where we always have fun making ice cream sundaes and fried catfish. So come join us and enjoy the good company. For more information, call Rose Himmenger, 951-7320.

# PARENTS' NIGHT OUT (PNO) (KC Crawley)

- In the fall of 2016 PNO began meeting every other month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month beginning in September
- Many thanks to Phil and the Youth Group for providing excellent childcare, and to our nursery staff who care for children under age 4.
- In December 2016 PNO raised \$400 that was donated to the "Gifts from the Heart" Christmas shop, run by the Brevard Neighborhood Development Coalition

### ST. CATHERINE'S GUILD (Janet Autio)

St. Catherine's Guild is now in its 56th year of Christian fellowship and service to Holy Trinity Church and the communities surrounding Melbourne, Florida. St. Catherine's Guild meets the second Tuesday of each month, September-May at 9:30 a.m. in Lewis Hall, except for December and May when they have their luncheons. This year, 2016, the May luncheon was at the Olive Garden. The Christmas luncheon was catered by Petty's Catering and held in Lewis Hall. Refreshments are served at all the meetings followed by a business meeting, then either a speaker or a Christian video. In Feb. the video "Billy: The Early Years of Billy Graham": March and April the video "The British Invasion" (God's Greatest Hits); Sept. Judy Henderson and members made "Refrigerator Magnets" to distribute to parishioners to promote UTO; Oct. the second grade teachers Catherine Koo and Nancy Morgan arranged for their students from the Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy to demonstrate their use of lessons designed to learn the basics of computer code; Nov. Kristen Snyder from the Genesis Houses explained how and why Mary Allen, the founder of the Genesis Houses decided Melbourne needed it; Dec. Sr. Maureen Cannon, OP, Dominican Sister of Peace, speaking about "St. Catherine of the Dominican." Every February and April the Guild members make up large fruit baskets for each of the three Genesis Houses. At Christmas they give food gift cards; Christmas stockings, hats, and booties made by Polly Adams and stuffed with toys for the children with cosmetic bags filled for the mothers. Another St. Catherine's project is the Fall and Spring Ingathering for the United Thank Offering. This year Guild members promoted the UTO and helped collect \$521 in the spring and \$992 in the fall. The monies collected go out in grants throughout the United States and the world. At each meeting Guild members give for the Fellowship of the Least Coin, which is donated to the Church Women United in April of each year, from there it's disbursed internationally. This year \$150 was collected. All women of the church are invited to share with us as we learn and grow together in fellowship and caring. Contact: Janet Autio 321-266-0266.

# ST. MARGARET'S GUILD (Barbara Dillery)

St. Margaret's Guild was formed by Fr. Alex Boyer over 60 years ago. Fr. Boyer encouraged the members to care for each other, serve Holy Trinity and support the community. Those same rich traditions still hold true today. Our goal last year was to expand our group and enlarge our vision while maintaining our valued traditions. God has blessed us with many new members in 2015 and 2016 and we have more than met our goal! With the influx of new members we are focusing on forming new friendships while maintaining the old. We have been having monthly themed luncheons which have been a lot of fun. St. Margaret's Guild is stress free! We are revitalized and we are renewed! We offer a wonderful opportunity to meet some awesome ladies! We generally meet on the third Thursday of the month at 11 am in either the Parish Hall or Lewis Hall. All ladies of their church and their friends are invited to attend. Please come and join us! Contact: Barbara Dillery: 321-676-2062

# Hospitality

# **COFFEE HOUR** (Janeen Merrill)

The social hour, held in the Parish Hall between the 9:00 and 11:15am services on Sundays, offers an opportunity for general fellowship and light refreshments. It is hosted by 11 different ministries and groups from our church, including Daughters of the King, Family Choir, Health Ministry, HT Academy Families, Home Bible Fellowship, Newcomer Ministry, Order of St. Luke, St. Cuthbert's, St. Theresa's, Vestry and Youth Group.

### **HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE** (Joye Jennings)

2016 was a tremendous year of fellowship and fun. In January we hosted the 46<sup>th</sup> annual Diocesan Convention dinner. We planned the menu, and served a scrumptious meal that was exuberantly enjoyed by all who attended. On March 26 after the Easter Vigil, ice cream and champagne were served and enjoyed by approximately 150 people. On October 23 the annual church picnic was held on the school field. The church service was held under a tent. The weather was great, the music inspirational, amenities were wonderful and delicious food and fun was enjoyed by about 198 people. November 23 after the Thanksgiving Eve service we held a wine and cheese reception where 40 people attended. Many thanks to all who contributed and participated to make this an eventful and blessed year.

# **NEWCOMERS MINISTRY** (Betty Shanks)

The Newcomer Ministry welcomed over I00 individuals during the year. A dedicated group of volunteers make a personal welcome visit, delivering information regarding Holy Trinity along with a jar of Florida Jelly. Welcome dinners are held twice a year and the annual Newcomers Appreciation Weekend will be held on February 4 & 5, 2017. The ministry hosts the coffee/social hour after the 9:00 service every other month, inviting the newcomers to participate in bringing food. A huge "Thank You" to all who volunteer to make Holy Trinity a truly warm and friendly church to all who enter its doors.

# **Music Ministry**

### MUSIC REPORT (Eloise Evans)

In 2016, Family Choir and the Bell Choir continued to meet regularly and add new members. Our worship was enriched by the addition of a new...keyboard. After a busy Epiphany, Lent and Easter, we enjoyed eating together at a fellowship meal from August through October between bell and choir rehearsals. (We may reinstitute this meal in 2017 when the kitchen is open and ready for business.) Our annual Christmas party was held once again at the beautiful home of Sandy and Rich Hillyer on December 8. Many current and former Family Choir members (and directors!) came out to sing for the five, eight and eleven o'clock Christmas Eve services. David and I were blessed to serve on Christmas Day when Aiden, the son of Family Choir member on hiatus, Maxime Suchowski and her husband Matt, was baptized and welcomed to the Holy Trinity family!

The Family Choir, directed by Eloise Evans and accompanied by Organist David Vogeding, rehearses in the music room every Wednesday from 6:45-8:00 PM. New singers are always welcome. The Choir leads congregational worship and sings anthems at the 9:00 AM Rite II service and at other special times. The Treasure Kids (under the direction of KC Crawley) have joined us several times this year for multi-generational anthems. Bells have also enhanced the singing of our Psalms and Family Choir anthems.

The Bell Choir, the Trinity Ringers, which expanded to a three-octave set on permanent loan from First Baptist of Indialantic, is actively seeking new members, particularly those who might like to try their hand at the larger bells (which David currently rings beautifully all by himself!) Christmas Eve, a brand new three-octave set of hand chimes was introduced and blessed by Fr. Steve. The chimes are a gift from George and Jane Fenicle in memory of Helene & John Pryslak. The bell choir rehearses every Wednesday in Pearson Hall from 5:30 to 6:30 PM and plays once or twice a month at 9:00 AM and at special services.

CW Sorrows continues as the worship leader at the 11:15 AM Rite I service leading the Chancel Singers. The Singers hold a brief practice session between 10:45 and 11:00 AM on Sundays in the church. CW plays guitar and sings the offertory solos. He continues to play most of the 11:15 AM service with his guitar-midi technology.

Barbara Bayley has returned to faithfully play at the 7:30 AM service.

Thank you to all the talented musicians who serve in these groups or provide special music on a regular basis!

# SATURDAY PRAISE TEAM: "ACCIDENTAL GRACE" (Randy Wouters)

### **Accomplishments:**

- We have learned many new songs (around 20)
- Grown tighter as a band.
- Adapted to a new leader and way of doing things.
- Created new arrangements of some older existing songs.
- Invited many guest musicians and worship leaders.

### Goals for 2017:

- Grow the team
- · Find a suitable replacement for Will who unfortunately passed away this year.
  - 1. Adding a sound person (every week)
  - 2. Adding an electric guitarist
  - 3. Adding a back up bassist to the back up list.
- Learning one new song at least twice a month.
- Getting Sarah acclimated back in.

# **Pastoral Care & Healing**

# EVERYONE'S COUNSELING CENTER (Sharon Jones, Ph.D.)

It has been another exciting year for Everyone's Counseling Center here at Holy Trinity. We have welcomed an additional therapist to the staff, Cynthia Koppler, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. In addition, she has been an RN for 40 years. Cynthia comes to us from a long career as Executive Director of the Bright Star Center for Grieving Children of Health First Hospice. An added to delight to her coming to the Center is the fact that part of her education was at Holy Trinity School.

This office has been involved in the development of a Critical Incident Stress Management program in Indian River County for their Fire/Rescue Services. We continue to act as a consultant with the Indian River County Commission to bring this project to full operation.

There is continued consultation with Melbourne Police department as well as other first responder service throughout Brevard County. Two CISM trainings were held this year with students from Brevard, Indian River, Volusia, Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties.

The WORSHIPPING IN SAFETY program, initially presented here at Holy Trinity, was invited to both Delaney Street Baptist Church in Orlando and to Resurrection Episcopal Church in Longwood in this past year. There is interest in presenting it throughout the diocese.

Referrals continue to be received through local physicians, attorneys, clergy, insurance companies and EAP services. The most meaningful referrals come from within Holy Trinity and the Episcopal community.

On March 1, 2017, we will celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of your counseling center at Holy Trinity and now, as throughout those years, we ask your prayers that we may continue to provide needed services to the parish and our community.

# FLOWER OUTREACH MINISTRY (Maureen Hamilton/Betty Shanks)

Flowers from the altar are rearranged into smaller containers on Monday mornings. Another team of approximately 50 volunteers have delivered over 500 arrangements to parishioners and friends who have birthdays, anniversaries, are home bound, or hospital patients and "just because". This is a "pay it forward" ministry and if you would like to be a part of the team, please call Maureen Hamilton (723-2132) or Betty Shanks (728-2703).

# **HEALTH MINISTRY** (Carolyn Wilt, RN)

This marks the sixth year the Health Ministry has been functioning in Holy Trinity. Our team is dedicated to informing and providing ways to bring health and wholeness to our church community. During 2016 this was accomplished by the blood pressure screenings, forums on such subjects as New Hope for Dementia, and review of CPR and AED procedures. Dr. Terry Cronin gave a wonderful presentation on Our Skin and Cancer. Jeanne Hakkila-Wills told us the way Aging Matters in Brevard works in our communities. Yoga and excises classes met weekly. Twelve people attended a 4-week yoga instruction for bone health led by our very own Peggy Snead.

As the Faith Community nurse I visit, listen, support, teach and pray with parishioners on an individual basis with the utmost confidentiality. The members of the health team visit at rehab centers, assisted living facilities and individual homes providing prayers and encouragement to the home bound.

The health team meets once a month on the third Thursday at 6:00pm in Lewis Hall. We always welcome new members (and you do not need to be in health care to join, just a wilingness to work toward a parish that is well in body, mind and spirit.

We welcome your input. If you know of someone needing the services of the health nurse or team, pease call 723-5272. We also welcome any suggestions for continued improvement of the Health and wholeness for our church community.

### **HEALTH LENDING CLOSET**

Connected to the Health Ministry is the Health Lending Closet that makes available personal hygiene supplies and medical equipment. We have wheelchairs, walkers and many other medical products to not only our church members but also the community. The way this works: if you have a clean workable piece of medical equipment and want to give it away, let us know. It becomes part of the "stock" and when we hear of a need it is passed on to that person free of any charge. Phone 723-5272 for more information.

# LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (Deacon Stacey Westphal)

Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV'S) bring communion from the Sunday Service of worship to those who are incapable, due to infirmity, of attending the regular service in church. A Eucharistic Visitor represents the church to those they visit by being living reminders that the sick and infirm are integral parts of the community, which is the Body of Christ.

"We who are many are one as we share one bread and one cup," is the constant reminder that what takes place when we eat the bread and drink the wine of communion something more than bread and wine enters our bodies. In some mysterious way, the Holy Spirit moves through the elements and nourishes our souls, making us one with God and each other.

Every year there are more parishioners that are no longer able to attend church, but still want a continued connection with Holy Trinity. We have added several new licensed ministers this year. Each home bound parishioner that is visited is included in the Prayers of the People the week that they are visited. Our Lay Eucharistic Visitors also go to the hospital to bring communion to admitted parishioners on Sundays after church.

LEVs: Vern Lester, Carolyn Wilt, Barbara Brotherton, Dolores Faughnan, Sherry and Jack Ryals, Elsie Amos, Linda Edwards, Dinah Beverley, Mary Jo Chisler, Barbara Clarke, Susan Mann, Ann Lorelle, Dawn Shanks

# **Service**

# **DAUGHTERS OF THE KING** (Dinah Beverley)

The Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) is a spiritual sisterhood of women dedicated to a life of Prayer, Service and Evangelism. We have made a commitment to Jesus as our Savior, and we follow Him as Lord of our lives. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our vision as Daughters of the King is to know Jesus Christ, to make Him known to others, and to become reflections of God's love throughout the world. This year we have continued to pray for our clergy and congregation as well as on going bible study. Our service projects have been dedicated to helping our community nurse as needed including making and putting together gift bags for our parish shut ins. Our ministry also made the contact calls to our entire parish shut ins list and helped organize our parish Christmas Caroling Project. Several of our members are busy crocheting barrier mats for the homeless made out of plastic bags and knitting hats for the cold `night shelter. This year we installed 3 new members and reinstated one of our own back into the fold. I encourage all women of the church to consider being empowered to profess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and join us at our monthly meeting on the third Tuesday of every month at 10:00am in Lewis Hall.

### **HOLY TRINITY THRIFT SHOP** (Dean Wesenberg)

The Holy Trinity Thrift Shop had another fantastic year for 2016. Sales were super and all our expenses got paid. We were also able to reach our goal of \$45,000 for Outreach to Holy Trinity Church. We have helped families, singles, the elderly and the homeless in need, the churched and the unchurched. And we also help people that are not in need, that just want a good product at a decent price. © Clothing continues to be donated to Daily Bread and His Place. These are just a few of the places we donate to, and continue this service.

All our many volunteers continue to serve, with new faces coming aboard all the time. The Shop would NOT survive without our many volunteers, I remain extremely grateful for each and every one.

# ST. JOANNA'S GUILD (Church Office)

At Holy Trinity, when a family has lost a loved one, the family has the support of St. Joanna's Guild in the form of a reception at the church following the funeral. The members of St. Joanna's Guild host the reception, prepare and serve the food, as well as set up and clean up before and after the reception. This ministry serves our parish families when they are most vulnerable and in need. Currently, the St. Joanna's Guild has 64 members who are divided into 4 different teams. In 2016, these wonderful teams took turns hosting 27 receptions. More teams and team members, women and men, are needed. Please call the church office (723-5272) if you are interested in participating in this ministry.

# Worship

### 9:00AM GREETERS (Evelyn Corry)

A big thank you to all our Holy Trinity members who willingly give of their time to welcome new and old members to church on Sunday mornings. This is an awesome job filled with love for the Lord. A big thank you to all! If interested in being a part of this special ministry, contact Evelyn Corry at 321-777-2334.

### **ACOLYTE MINISTRY** (Chris Arter)

We have been blessed this past year with several new Acolytes, as well as three who have stayed on, even though they are busy young adults. Two of our high school aged Acolytes were honored this year as Master Acolytes. The role of Master Acolyte has many added responsibilities and we are so grateful for their dedication to the church and this wonderful ministry. We anticipate more children working towards this goal of Master Acolyte and it will be an honor and a joy to help them.

### **LEMS AND LECTORS** (Janet Gray)

A Licensed Eucharistic Minister (LEM) is a lay person licensed by the Bishop to administer the consecrated elements of the Eucharist. Here at Holy Trinity, the LEM is the chalice bearer at the service and serves the wine during Communion. Our LEMs are: Hooper Adams, Polly Adams, Chris Arter, Dinah Beverley, Barbara Clarke, Frank Crawley, KC Crawley, Julie Derrick, Dolores Faughnan, Jim Fletcher, Rich Franck, Heather Goodwin, Janet Gray, George Henderson, Carla Hughes, Vern Lester, Ann Lorelle, Lee Ann Meehan, Jackie Menzel, Marv Meyers, Philip Nunez, Chuck Pierce, Margot Reed, Geri Riley, Fred Ruddle, Jeannette Russell, Steve Russell, Dawn Shanks, Nancy Trezza, Stephanie Rubin, Melissa Euziere, Mary B Stallard and Susan Welch.

A Lector is a lay person trained in reading scripture who is appointed by the clergy person in charge of the congregation to read Lessons, Psalms or lead the Prayers of the People during a service. Lectors have a critical role in the celebration of the Liturgy as they proclaim the Word of God. The ministry of the Lector calls for a person to grow in a warm and loving knowledge of Scripture, the living word of God. There is no license required for this lay ministry. Our Lectors are: Polly Adams, Kevin Bartczak, Tim Brown, Julie Derrick, Connie Dow, Sandra Drummond, Babs Ervin, Dolores Faughnan, Jim Fletcher, Pat Franck, Rich Franck, Heather Goodwin, Janet Gray, Sue Hills, George Henderson, Carla Hughes, Harrison Jachec, Randy Jacobson, Grant Kilps, Mark Kirschner, Nora Kirschner, Mitch Kreher, Sharon Lester, Vern Lester, Ann Lorelle, Susan Mann, Jenifer Marx, Lee Ann Meehan, Jackie Menzel, Bridget Morton, Jack Morton, Marv Meyers, Amanda Peters, Grace Peters, Margot Reed, Geri Riley, Tommy Rogers, Fred Ruddle, Jack Ryals, Dawn Shanks, Peggy Snead, CW Sorrows, Mary B Stallard, Gill Streatfield, and Nancy Trezza.

We are grateful to Barbara Brotherton, Tom Ottesen, for their past participation in both these ministries. A special remembrance to Melanie Bartczak, Guy Cummings, and Betsey Marcotte who have passed through this life to celebrate an eternal life with Jesus. We remember their dedication to sharing the word of our Lord. "Through their own sacrifice of time, effort, and preparation, God's living Word continues to be proclaimed to all of his people. May the Lord be in their hearts and on their lips that they may worthily proclaim His Holy Word."

# ST. ANNE'S ALTAR GUILD (Judy Henderson)

Altar guild members faithfully prepare the altar and care for the linens, silver, gold, brass, glass and wood used in the sacraments at each worship service. The majority of their work is "behind the scenes." We are the "Guardians of the Sacred Spaces and Sacred Elements." We have the privilege of handling holy things as we clean and maintain the elements and sacred space. The Flower Guild, Linen Guild, and Wedding Guild are all parts of the Altar Guild, and each has its own responsibility.

- The Flower Guild prepares the Altar flowers each Sunday (except during Advent and Lent, when no flowers are on the Altar). Christmas and Easter are especially busy for the Flower Guild, as they decorate the church, chapel, and the gym (for the Easter services in the gym). Some volunteers help with Christmas and Easter flowers, even if they can't help weekly. Besides the weekly Altar flower arrangers, we have a group of members called the "Re-arrangers"; these members arrange the Altar flowers into smaller arrangements that are delivered to the sick and shut-ins, as well as birthday and anniversary celebrants.
- The Linen Sewing Guild hand sews and embroiders the many linen cloths we use each week. This includes the fair linens used on the Altars.
- The Wedding Guild helps keep weddings stress-free and on schedule weddings are a happy occasion and a terrific opportunity to show people what a wonderful church we have to offer the community.

After many years as Co-Director of the Altar Guild, Mary Anne Jury stepped down this year as Co-Director. She continues on the Altar Guild and orders material, as needed, and she's available to share her extensive knowledge of the Altar Guild. Her service has been much appreciated.

Altar Guild is not a difficult ministry, and we train new members to be sure you feel comfortable in your position. We are always looking for new members; if you would like to volunteer for the Altar Guild, the Flower Guild, the Linen Sewing Guild, or the Wedding Guild, please contact Judy Henderson at 327-3175 or the church office.

# USHERS (7:30 & 9:00am) (Vince Angleton)

Thank you to all of our ushers for your dedicated service to Holy Trinity. If anyone wants to join the usher ministry, please contact the office or Vince Angleton at 723-9203.

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# Outreach & Missions (Fr. Steve Easterday)

Outreach efforts were strong at Holy Trinity in 2016. Thank you to all who worked so hard on Outreach in 2015, especially to those who were involved in hands-on activities such as: volunteering at Daily Bread; organizing special collections for UTO and the Least Coin; making Christmas stockings for Devereux and prayer shawls; and giving personal belongings such as socks, T-shirts, food and toiletries. I am sure that I am leaving out many acts of kindness, but these actions listed are enough to illustrate the great heart of Holy Trinity in Outreach. I extend a special thank you to our Deacon, The Rev. Stacey Westphal, who through her prayers and leadership constantly keep before our parish "the needs, concerns and hopes of the world."

Monetary Donations	Amount	From/Comments
Community of Hope	\$1,200	
United Thank Offering	\$2,142	St. Catherine's, Congregation
Fellowship of the Least Coin/CWU	\$196	St. Catherine's, St. Margaret's
Good Friday Offering	\$130	
Tract Ministry	\$2,903	
Brevard Neighborhood Development Coalition	\$ 170	
EFSC Center for Performing Arts	\$100	
Holy Trinity Academy scholarships	\$2,000	
Men's / Women's Retreat scholarships	\$170	
Camp Wingmann scholarships	\$3,250	
Acolyte Fest scholarships	\$96	
Cursillo scholarship	\$80	
Yarn for Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$523	
Thread for Needlepoint Group	\$362	
Gifts from the Heart Christmas Shop	\$400	Parents' Night Out
Solar Light for Africa	\$2,845	•
Eagle Scout Project	\$370	
Orlando Pulse	\$349	
Rectors' Discretionary Fund	\$3,270	
Camp Wingmann (from Foundation)	15,948	
Total	\$36,504	

### **In-kind Donations**

- Yarn donations for Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Knitted stockings, hats, and booties for Genesis House
- Personal Care Items for the Lighthouse "BIN" for the Sharing Center
- Socks/T-shirts for Homeless Count
- · Knitted hats for His Place
- Food and clothes for Daily Bread
- 2 Elizabeth Street houses for Community of Hope
- Christmas gifts for Gifts from the Heart Christmas Shop
- Fruit baskets for Genesis Houses (St. Catherine's)
- 130 Christmas stockings made, \$2,500 cash and in-kind donations for Devereux
- Use of parish property rent-free for the classrooms, offices, and athletic facilities of Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy Lower School (valued by HTEA audit at \$246,154 per year)

### BUENA VIDA MINISTRIES (Deacon Stacey Westphal)

We hold monthly Deacon led communion services and monthly home communion offerings at Buena Vida. A Lenten series was also held, and well attended.

# **DAILY BREAD** (Rich Franck)

All we can say about the Daily Bread serving program and our team is that God is Good, all the time! For each of our four annual opportunities to serve those who come to Daily Bread for their one guaranteed warm meal each day, God provides just enough. That's just enough food, and just enough people. We always have just the right number of team members for each situation, and the situation is never the same. The one Saturday that we ended up with a very short crew this year, Daily Bread was having their annual cleaning day, and the kitchen was closed for cleaning. We served the clientele a sack lunch which required many fewer hands than a regular meal. God is always on top of it, and our volunteers are always the best. Congratulations and thanks to each of them. New volunteers are always needed and welcome, and we especially appreciate those who newly joined us this year. We also continue to collect non-perishable food in the little red wagon in the Narthex. Some of this food is used to feed those at the Daily Bread kitchen, some is distributed directly to the needy, and some is actually re-donated to other agencies in the County. Thanks and blessings to all who have contributed to the little red wagon in 2016, as well.

### **DEVEREUX MINISTRIES** (Mike & Becky Crews)

Christmas Stockings: For 10 years Holy Trinity has supported Devereux at Christmas time. Eleanor Doherty (our stocking angel) made another 130 stockings this year. The generosity of our church members with cash, candy, crackers, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, hair brushes, candy canes, coloring books, crayons and colored pencils and gift cards totaled around \$2,500 this year! We thank everyone for their support and help in making another wonderful Christmas for the children of Devereux.

# SOUTH BREVARD SHARING CENTER BRING IN NECESSITIES (BIN) PROGRAM (Rich Franck)

Once again, through 2016, Holy Trinity has stepped up to the challenge to help the less fortunate by participating in the South Brevard Sharing Center's BIN (Bring In Necessities) program, although our donations this year were a little fewer than last year. The need for hygienic necessities still looms large, as homelessness still continues here in Brevard. We would remind you that the items need to be unused and unopened. Thank you to all who donate at the Lighthouse in the Narthex.

### HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL ACADEMY (Academy Staff)

Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy, a school founded and sustained in the Episcopal tradition, offers an academically challenging environment that reflects the joy and peace of Christian values. The Lower School serves students in Preschool through 6th grade at 50 West Strawbridge Avenue. The Upper School serves students in 7th through 12th grade at 5625 Holy Trinity Drive.

The 2016-2017 Operating Budget is \$13,819,550. Of the school's 840 students, 20 percent received need-based financial assistance with more than \$1,200,000 awarded this school year.

Students were offered 29 Advanced Placement courses with 92 percent of students taking one or more AP courses. In addition to academic excellence, students excel in athletics and the arts. Between 2012 and 2016, fourteen percent of graduates went on to play collegiate athletics.

As well as fostering academic success, Holy Trinity strives to develop responsible, caring, compassionate and connected young people. This success comes through the school's daily chapel services, character education and meaningful outreach in our local community and beyond. The Class of 2016 completed more than 17,710 hours of volunteer service during their time at Holy Trinity.

Since its founding in 1957, Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy has grown to become the premier independent school in Brevard County – building a tradition of high academic and spiritual programs that focus on developing the whole child. The school has established an environment that encourages every child to reach his or her highest potential.

For additional information, please view the Class of 2017 school profile: http://www.htacademy.org/page/college-and-beyond/college-placement

# TRINITY TOWERS MINISTRIES (The Rev. Meghan Farr, Deacon Stacey Westphal)

Our ministry to Trinity Towers residents is fivefold:

- Coloring the Psalms: A monthly gathering at Trinity Towers South where participants pray, sing hymns, and enjoy
  fellowship. We also read and reflect on a different psalm each month. Participants are given a coloring sheet containing
  a verse from the psalm to color during our time together. Coloring has been proven, much like meditation, to work as
  a calming tool and a means of relaxation. It reduces stress, helps with anxiety and even PTSD and other mental and
  emotional health disorders.
- **Bible Study, Daily Devotion and Healing Prayer:** Rev. Meghan leads a Bible Study followed by Daily Devotions and Healing Prayer on the second Tuesday of the month at Trinity Towers East.
- Vespers: Deacon Stacey Westphal regularly leads this Wednesday evening interdenominational worship service which incorporates hymns, prayers and inspirational teaching.
- Health Care: Our Faith Community Nurse and our Deacon monitor and minister to the health and spiritual concerns of our Holy Trinity residents.
- Lunch Tray Volunteers: Volunteers from Holy Trinity also carry lunch trays for residents in the South Tower. You can volunteer for a specific day each week or month for this ministry. Contact Judy Henderson for more information at 321-254-8878.



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