

THE MESSAGE

The Newsletter of **Trinity Episcopal Cathedral** *A House of Prayer for All People* • September 2017



"Christian Faith and Modern Science," Led by Dr. Chris Keller and Dr. Stefanie Leacock Starts September 6 (see page 3 for details)

Sundays at Trinity

Dean's Sunday Breakfast Class Fall 2017



Sundays 10:15 a.m. to 11:05 a.m. in Morrison Hall

Sept. 3: Elizabeth Jacoway, author of *Turn Away Thy Son: Little Rock, The Crisis that Shocked the Nation*, will talk about the integration of Central High School, in anticipation of its 60th anniversary.

Sept 10: Rally Day and Ministry Fair. Come and see where and how you can become more involved in the life and ministry of Trinity Cathedral.

Sept. 17: Cathedral Clergy: "Everything you wanted to know about the Episcopal Church but were afraid to ask" (see page 9)

Sept. 24: Cathedral Clergy: "Everything you wanted to know about the Episcopal Church but were afraid to ask" (see page 9)

Living the Questions

Living the Questions meets 10:15 – 11:10 a.m. in the Library/Lounge of Cathedral House (except when joining the Dean's Class). Led by Dr. Robert Johnston, the class is a quick-moving discussion in which each person is invited, but not required, to participate. Bring your brunch.

Sept. 3: Join Dean's Class

Sept. 10: "Herod and His Temple - The 3rd Temple? What about the 4th Temple?"

Sept. 17: Join Dean's Class Sept. 24: Join Dean's Class

Parents' Group

Looking for a place to share the joys and trials of parenting? Join us each Sunday at 10:15 a.m. in Lower Mitchell House to share knowledge, be creative, and exchange ideas and strategies for parenting. This is a time to network, socialize, and encourage one another. Babies welcome! Feel free to join us anytime. Questions? Contact Mercedes Clements - mercedes.clements@gmail.com.

Pilgrim's Progress

September 17 - November 19

Our group delves deeper into what we do as Episcopalians. This fall, we are starting "Conversations with Scripture - The Parables." What did Jesus mean with all of those stories he told crowds at every opportunity? Join us in the Bishop's Conference Room for some great conversations. Led by Randy Irwin and Shep Miers.

Evensong Service

Evening Prayer with Holy Eucharist continues through September 3. Evensong will return September 10. This sung service of Evening Prayer offers music in praise of God by the Cathedral Schola choir. It begins with an organ prelude (there is no sermon) and ends with an elegant tea in Baker Parlor.

Full Breakfast Every Sunday Morning and Supper Every Wednesday Night

We will serve breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in Morrison Hall and supper on Wednesday evenings from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. The price per person is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12. The maximum charge for a family is \$20. You can purchase tickets with cash, check, or credit/debit card.

Wednesdays at Trinity

The Cathedral has started a new formation evening for all ages. This is a time to stop; to come together as a parish and as a community; to worship, socialize, learn, and go forth in peace.

The schedule is as follows:

3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Cherub Choir (Choir Room, Ages 4-7)

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Seraphim Choir (Choir Room, Grades 3-7)

5:05 p.m. Service with Healing Unction in the Cathedral

5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Dinner in Morrison Hall (for those attending the service, there is still plenty of time to eat!)

6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Classes for all ages

7:15 - 8:45 p.m. Cathedral Choir (Choir Room, Ages 14-114)

Sign up for a class by going to www.trinitylittlerock.org/wednesdays. Classes you may choose from are:

- Art Journaling (Staff Lounge)
- Christian Faith and Modern Science (Morrison Hall)

Art Journaling (Staff Lounge)

September 6-27

No artistic talent or experience needed. We'll explore art journaling techniques as a form of spiritual practice. Let's tap into the creative process with color washes, collaging, and other mixed media. Drop in for one class or attend them all. Led by Mercedes Clements and Terri Bennett.

Christian Faith and Modern Science (Morrison Hall)

Part 1: September 6 - October 18 Part 2: November 8 - December 20

The split of science from faith is a problem in our culture because, as Albert Einstein is reported to have said, religion without science is blind. Einstein also knew that, left to its own devices, science leaves important truths untouched. "Science without religion is lame," is how he put it.

To address these problems, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral is offering a two part series, "Christian Faith and Modern Science," led by a scientist and a theologian who both have had significant experiences with science-religion dialogue.

Dr. Stefanie Leacock holds a B.S. in Biological Sciences from Florida State, and a PhD in Genetics from Yale. Formerly, she taught biology, genetics and developmental biology at UT-Austin. Currently, she is a consultant for biology higher education, working on content for undergraduate genetics textbooks. Dr. Leacock was a Sinai and Synapses Fellow (2015-2017), participating in a community of religious leaders, scientists, educators, and researchers seeking to elevate the discourse between science and religion.

The Very Rev. Dr. Christoph Keller, III is Dean of Trinity Cathedral. He holds a Doctor of Theology (ThD) in Anglican Studies (2009) from General Theological Seminary. His field was systematic theology, with a focus in theology and science. His dissertation, "Darwin's Science in Chalcedonian Imagination: Barth, Double Agency and Theistic Evolution," explores and affirms compatibility between Christian faith and evolution.

The class is divided into two parts, and people are welcome to participate in either part or both.

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Christian Faith and Modern Science (Cont.)

The classes are in Morrison Hall at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 310 West 17th Street in Little Rock. Classes are free and open to the public, including clergy, youth leaders, science teachers, and students. Dinner, served at 5:15, is \$7 for adults. Students with ID may eat for free.

The schedule is as follows:

Part I: September 6 through October 18

September 6: Religion and Science: Enemies or Allies?

September 13: About the Bible. (Dr. Keller)

September 20: Religion and Science: New Conversations (Dr. Leacock) September 27: About the Cosmos: Is it Designed for Life? (Dr. Keller) October 4: About Darwin: The Man and His Science (Dr. Keller)

October 11: Incarnation, Passion, and Evolution (Dr. Keller) October 18: Atheistic Darwinism and its Challenge (Dr. Keller)

Part II: November 8 through December 20

November 8: Process of Science (Dr. Leacock)

November 15: Genetics: Myths and Facts (Dr. Leacock)

November 22: No Class

November 29: Kinship of all Life (Dr. Leacock)

December 6: What does it mean to edit a genome? (Dr. Leacock)

December 13: God's creation, Our creations (Dr. Leacock)

December 20: About God: In Christian Understanding (Dr. Keller)

Trinity Lessons and Carols Pilgrimage to Sewanee December 2: Save the Date!

Sewanee's Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols in All Saints Chapel is rightly renowned as a stirring Advent anticipation of Christ's nativity. The writer Jon Meachem loves this service, described as "a moment of eternity in the rush of temporal things."

It is also a very tough ticket: four services, each full to the brim with students and their families, faculty and staff with theirs, and a few honored churches that have been offered seats in recognition of their connections with and support of the University.

This year, Trinity has been honored with an invitation, and we are going. It will be a December pilgrimage to Tennessee. We have chartered a bus from Arrow Coach Lines. It seats 56, and we have 56 tickets to the service.

The bus will depart from Trinity on Saturday, December 2 at 8:00 a.m., stopping for lunch en route and arriving Sewanee with time to look around the campus before the service begins at 5:00 p.m. We are working out details for lodging and other arrangements, so stay tuned!



Music at Trinity

Music Notes from Victoria



Dear Trinity Family,

We have an exciting fall right upon us! Last week (August 23) we had our first choir rehearsals for the season. All 3 choirs, Cherubs, Seraphims, and Cathedral... all these singers all sounded like heaven.

One of the most exciting things last week was the addition of three Wilson Choral Scholars to the Cathedral Choir. These college and high school students are funded by a generous grant from a Robert Wilson Memorial which promotes participation in the Cathedral Choir. We also officially welcomed some new section leaders and some new

Trinity Parishioners into the Cathedral Choir. It was a great evening.

Jason and I are working on a Music Brochure for handy reference as there are many exciting events scheduled for fall, too many to mention here. We'll have these brochures at the back of the church starting the first of September so you can pick one up on your way in or out of the Cathedral.

But I do want to highlight our first Chamber Music concert to be held on October 2 at 7:00 p.m. and will feature our friend Kiril Laskarov. This concert called 'More Brahms' will follow a weekend of Johannes Brahms' music performed by the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra and the only thing better than that would be 'more Brahms'. Tickets for this concert will be \$10, available at the door. Students are always free with ID. And special seating will be available for Trinity Organ Improvement donors.

Also early in October, Bethel AME will join forces with our Trinity Cathedral Choir for a hymn festival to celebrate our faith and our common musical heritage. It's free, open to the public, and will be at Bethel on October 8th at 6:00 p.m.

The organ work is more than half complete. The first phase is finished (coming in \$4 under budget) and the electrical improvements are almost finished. The second phase of pipe work is on-going off site but will again take over the Cathedral pipe space in late September with completion expected before Christmas. Thanks to all of you for your great patience during this construction/repair.

The donor plaque design is also almost finished. Everyone will have a chance to check that their donations are recorded on the plaque as they have prescribed. The design will be in the back of the Cathedral for your perusal starting the first of September.

Much is happening so be sure to check out not only the music brochure mentioned above, but also the program guide for the fall which will arrive in your mail box very soon. And if you know of children or adults who should be singing in one of our choirs or ringing hand bells or tower bells, please let me know. As the choirs grow, we will all grow.

Choir Rehearsal Times

Wednesdays:

Cherub Choir: 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Seraphim Choir: 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Cathedral Choir: 7:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

Handbell Choirs:

Jubilation Ringers: Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. starting Sept. 12 Cathedral Handbell Choir: Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. starting Sept. 14



Spotlight on Service

Spotlight on Service is a way for us to acknowledge individuals who work diligently behind the scenes to make a difference in the lives of others, both within Trinity Cathedral and in our community.

This month, we are recognizing the Altar Guild. Here is some information about their service to Trinity:

The Altar Guild at Trinity continues a long-standing tradition of Cathedral members preparing and setting up for various services that include communion (all four Sunday services, the Wednesday service, and funerals/weddings when communion is included). For each such service that includes communion, the Altar Guild sets out a sufficient amount of wine and wafers as well as an appropriate number of patens, cruets, and chalices. The Guild vests the chalice on the High Altar in the appropriate color for the church season. Typically at least one Altar Guild member will remain in the sacristy during the service in the event additional services are needed. At the close of each service, the members refill the candles, polish all brass, wash the silver and crystal and make preparations to reset for the next service. It is also the responsibility of the Altar Guild to be sure a sufficient supply of wafers and wine is available as well as washing and ironing linens used in each service. Current members of the Altar Guild are Janet Robb, Barbara Head, Jackie Travis, Herschel Cast, Melonese Clarke, Nina McIntyre, Linda Pneuman, Myra Kinnebrew, Susie Bridges and Catherine Bridges. These ladies (and Herschel!) are responsible for being sure everything is properly prepared for communion over 260 times a year! Their gift of their time and talents to Trinity is much appreciated. Serving on the Altar Guild is a wonderful way to be

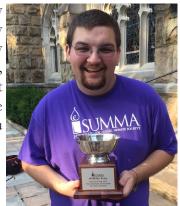


involved in the Cathedral and we are always in need of additional hands to help out. Our goal for 2017 is to get more individuals (men and women of all ages) to participate in serving on the Altar Guild. Whether a "cradle Episcopalian" or a newcomer to the Cathedral, it is a wonderful way to learn or be reminded of the various traditions we use in the Eucharist and the powerful symbolism of the elements used in our worship services. Whether you can be there each Sunday or once a month, your participation would be most welcomed and appreciated. Training and guidance is provided and anyone interested should contact Janet Robb.

Next time you see a member of the Altar Guild, be sure to thank them for everything they do at Trinity.

Trevor Larkowski Wins the SUMMA Prize

SUMMA: A Student Theological Debate Society, is a summer program of the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Bright and curious high school students come literally from coast (California) to coast (New York, Miami) to explore their faith intellectually and spiritually. At the end of camp a prize is given, voted by student and adults at camp, to recognize the camper who has distinguished him or herself as a debater while best exemplifying the spirit of "speaking truth in love." The prize is a \$1,000 scholarship. The winner this year was Trinity Cathedral's Trevor Larkowski. Congratulations Trevor. You make us proud!



We're Looking for a Full-Time Communications Officer

Josiah Wheeler, our current Communications Officer, is transitioning to the Early Childhood Education Program as their Director of Operations. We are seeking a creative, detail-oriented, and reliable person to fill the position of Communications Officer.

Primary responsibilities include:

- Team player: Work closely with other employees of Trinity Cathedral in order to promote the many ministries and programs of the church through its various means of content production.
- Communications and branding: Develop a strategic communications plan to support Trinity Cathedral's mission, goals, and objectives, while establishing an attractive and consistent brand for all parish communications.
- Front desk receptionist: Exhibit a helpful and friendly manner to all. Answer the telephone and direct calls. Receive, greet, and direct visitors, vendors, mail carriers, and others. Manage and maintain communications equipment.
- Graphic print and web design: Develop monthly church newsletter, weekly MailChimp e-mail campaigns, weekly announcements, and annual report. Print and place worship booklets for all weekly and special services. Prepare mail-outs for delivery.
- Detail management: Keep communication avenues current. Maintain calendars of parish events, on- and off-line. Must be able to manage information coming from a variety of sources, to initiate when more information is needed, and to see jobs through without micromanagement.
- Content management: Manage website, online directory, Facebook page, and other social media. Write and disseminate press releases. Write articles and content. Proofread and edit all received content.
- Supplies and equipment: Order paper and office supplies; maintain copiers and schedule maintenance as needed; assist others in using features as needed.

The successful candidate will possess the following qualifications and capacities: a commitment to Trinity Cathedral's mission; skilled in Adobe, Microsoft Office, Canva; proficient in web design, MailChimp, Facebook; familiarity with copy machines, postal meters, and audio-visual equipment preferred; familiarity with the Episcopal Church preferred; superior interpersonal skills; excellent organizational skills; and experience writing.

Time and Compensation

Salary is \$33,000 annually, with benefits including individual medical and dental insurance per diocesan standards. Working hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 5:00, including a one-hour lunch break per day. The Communications Officer will report to the Canon of Program.

Interested parties should e-mail a resume to: The Rev. Canon Amber Carswell, Canon of Program acarswell@trinitylittlerock.org (501) 372-0294

Opportunities for Service in September

Interested in helping at the Cathedral, but don't know who to ask? Here are some ways that you can help this month:

- 1. Give someone a ride to church. *Contact Russ Snapp, 870-664-6404*
- 2. Help fold, seal, and label the Message on September 27. *Contact Josiah Wheeler, josiah@trinitylittlerock.org*

Announcing AV Coordinator Sheton Harden

We are pleased to announce that Shelton Harden has accepted appointment as the "Audio-Visual Coordinator" for the Cathedral. Along with his talents as a singer and musical theater director, Shelton has had years of experience in the music and sound business and is supremely qualified to bring order out of the hi-tech confusion that too regularly afflicts us. Thank you Shelton!



EYC News

Kick Off Event:

September 10, Sunday - EYC KICKOFF at Botsford House 5:30 p.m.: Dinner and games on the quad for youth and families

Weekly Gatherings:

- Sunday mornings: Formation Hour at 10 a.m. for 6th-12th Grades: Iona Room
- EYC Sunday evenings Location: TBA
 - 4-5 p.m. 6th -8th grade
 - 5 p.m. Dinner 6th-12th Grade
 - 5:30-6:30 p.m. 9th-12th Grade
- High School and Junior High Mid-week programming throughout the year: TBA

Confirmation:

Any youth beginning 6th grade or older this fall are eligible to be confirmed next May on Pentecost Sunday. What it involves:

- Confirmation is a sincere public commitment of decision to follow God and contribute to God's purposes in the Episcopal Church therefore we have an intentional approach to preparation inclusive of:
- Fall Retreat at Camp Mitchell September 29-October 1
- 10 classes that are topically connected to The Lord's Prayer: Time/Date TBA through consideration of student/family schedules
- Monthly meetings with a Mentor the student chooses. We'll provide questions for discussion from our class settings
- A brief meeting with one of the clergy a time to tell one of them why you want to be confirmed
- Three Sunday morning outings to learn about ourselves by looking at other faith practices: TBA

Retreats and Special Programs:

- 9/29-10/1, Confirmation Retreat @ Camp Mitchell
- 10/20-22, AYE: Diocesan fall weekend retreat at Camp Mitchell open to 6th-12th grade youth Registration has begun!
- 11/17-19, Weekend Happening: a renewal weekend for those in 10th-12th grade
- 11/20-26 Fall Break
- 12/17, Sunday EYC CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 12/21-1/2 Winter Break

IMPORTANT FALL INFORMATION FOR EYC:

In order to participate in EYC programs, youth must first be registered – forms are in the back of the church. Please return filled out forms to either Lisa Corry or Olivia Goza.

Everything you wanted to know about the Episcopal Church but were afraid to ask!

Have you have wondered something about the Episcopal Church?

- About something, for example, in the creeds we say on Sundays?
- About something that we do in worship?
- About our beliefs concerning right and wrong?
- About our differences with other churches or religions?
- About anything at all?

Well now is your chance to ask that question!

How do you ask your questions? There are many ways to ask them!

- A Question Box with index cards is in the back of the Cathedral, ready for your questions
- A Question Box with index cards is in the back of Morrison Hall.
- Email any member of the clergy with your question. Put "A Question" in the subject line
- At the Ministry Fair (September 10) there will be a table just to take your questions

What will happen with your questions?

In the Dean's Class, for <u>three weeks beginning September 17</u>, we will project your questions on a screen and a panel of Cathedral clergy will scratch their heads, dig into their books, check google, ask Michael McNeely, and give the best answers they know how. This may lead to some entertaining disagreements on the panel!

Strategic Plan Steering Committee Named

Beginning this fall and continuing into next spring, we will be engaging the broad Cathedral Community in a strategic planning process, to develop a shared vision of our life and ministry as a Cathedral parish for the years ahead. That vision will guide us in establishing priorities and shaping plans. Two consultants with the Episcopal Church Foundation will work with a Steering Committee to lead us through the process. The Steering Committee members are: John Stanley, chair, Rachael Borné, Canon Carswell (secretary), Mary Starr Brock, Ben Hussman, Jack Harvey, Dean Keller, Clarke Tucker, and Eric Wippo. Stay tuned for announcements about how you can, and hopefully will, participate in this important strategic venture that will shape us for the next generation!

Trinity Heritage Sunday: Welcome Back Dean Hudson

We are delighted to announce that our guest preacher on October 29, Trinity Heritage Sunday, is the Very Reverend Henry Lee Hudson, the eighteenth Dean of Trinity Cathedral.



The Arts Outreach calling for volunteers

The Arts Outreach is a ministry of Trinity to our neighbors across the street at Little Rock Preparatory Academy, a charter school that serves some of the most disadvantaged youngsters in Little Rock.

On Wednesday afternoons from 1:15-2:15, teachers and assistants teach a group of 8 or so elementary school children in an arts subject: painting, drawing, music, cooking, sewing, poetry, and more. They also go on the occasional field trip to the ballet, theatre, and museum.

Students love this program, but only a limited number can participate. The number of students involved depends upon the number of teachers and assistants who volunteer.

If you have the ability to spend an hour a week this fall with an eager group of children, please let Amber Carswell know. Volunteers with a range of experience and expertise are encouraged to participate. An orientation will be held on Wednesday, September 27 at 5:30 p.m. at Trinity.

Insights Lecture Series: Tavis Smiley, October 19

The Insights lecture series is poised for another season of lectures and talks on faith from some of America's leading writers and speakers.

October 19: Tavis Smiley Sponsored in partnership with Philander Smith College

From his celebrated conversations with world figures to his work to inspire the next generation of leaders, Tavis Smiley — broadcaster, author, publisher, advocate,

and philanthropist — has emerged as an outstanding voice for change. Smiley is currently the host of the late-night television talk show "Tavis Smiley" on PBS, as well as "The Tavis Smiley Show" from Public Radio International (PRI).

His lecture at Trinity will be called "Keep the Faith," Smiley's long-time mantra that he says at the end of every episode of his show.

Smiley recommends that our book study preceding this event be of *Death of a King*, which examines the mental courage, spiritual fortitude, conviction, and commitment to his calling that Dr. King held in order to face the storm he experienced in his final 365 days leading up to his assassination. This is a timely conversation with the advent of the 50th commemoration of Dr. King's assassination in 2018.

More information and tickets available on our website.

Mark your calendars for the spring speakers!

February 8: Bob Goff April 5: Nadia Bolz-Weber

Children and Family Information



Children's Formation (Sunday School) Begins on Sunday, September 10

3 year olds – 1st Grade: Good Shepherd Atrium

(Parish House down hall near nursery)

2nd & 3rd Grade – True Vine Atrium – Upstairs Parish House (near choir room)

4th & 5th Grade – Covenant Atrium – Upstairs Mitchell House (Carriage house in Garth)

Let Christ be the Light of your child's life this year and always.

Contact Dawn Howe (372-0294 or dhowe@trinitylittlerock.org) for more information.

Children's Formation Program Info

Classes are held for people of all ages (three year olds through adults) during the school year. Our children will meet on September 10 immediately following the 9:00 a.m. service so the adults can attend the Rally Day Ministry Fair in Morrison Hall. Beginning on September 16, we will push back our start time to 10:30 and finish at 11:15 so we can have a quick breakfast with our parents before class.

Three years old – 5th Grade

These groups use the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. The children's classes are each taught by teams of dedicated volunteers. Catechesis for the Good Shepherd is a Christian Formation curriculum designed for children ages 3-12. It is a religious education program grounded in scripture and liturgy, and enriched with prayer, worship and a spirit of celebration. Catechesis is an "experiential" Christian formation curriculum designed for children ages 3-12. Catechesis helps the child "come close to God all by myself." Using Montessori techniques, the catechist explores with the children: Jesus' life, Kingdom Parables, Prophecies, the meaning of the words and actions of the Eucharist, ways of worship, and growing into being the church.

"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." Isaiah 35:5

The Townsend and Brooks Wolfe Hearing Charitable Trust was established with the Arkansas Community Foundation by Brooks Wolfe to honor the memory and philanthropic spirit of her late husband Townsend. The Community Foundation will partner with Trinity in the distribution of these funds to needy and deserving recipients. The trust has already supplied hearing aids for adults with limited fixed income; it has installed sound-field systems in the kindergarten classrooms of Little Rock Preparatory Academy and fitted nursing home residents with assistive listening devices. If you know of someone who could benefit from such services, contact Brooks Wolfe at 501-450-4455 to inquire further. If you would like to contribute to the fund, contact the Arkansas Community Foundation and ask how to contribute to the Townsend and Brooks Wolfe Hearing Charitable Trust.

Email Addresses Needed: Can't wait for The Message to arrive? Want to know what is happening at Trinity? Make sure we have your email address so you receive the weekly Trinity Update. It contains a brief look at the many events on the block. Send your email address to dhowe@trinitylittlerock.org and we'll make sure you are added to the update list.

Matthew 25 Committee

The Matthew 25 Committee was instituted by Dean Keller with a mission to explore and develop ways for the parish to fulfill the charge of the gospel. The gospels are quite simple on this matter as we are asked the question; "what are you doing to feed the hungry, comfort the lonely and prisoners, shelter the homeless, clothe the naked and live out making the world a better place?".

Trinity parishioners have responded to this challenge in a wonderful fashion. You have provided gifts for children living in shelters to give to their mothers thanks to the A Purse for My Mother Drive. Shoes for Stewpot has helped many of our poor and homeless have good footwear. The Manna Bags filled with water, nourishment and other supplies are available to give out to those who have a need. The veterans in residence at Saint Francis House have had evenings out with food and companionship. Dorcas House received a complete Thanksgiving dinner for all of the residents and their children. The Warm Fuzzy Tree has provided gifts of clothing and other winter gear for children. Volunteers have worked with the students at Little Rock Preparatory Academy to bring art and music into their lives. The vestry has pledged \$1,000 a month to Saint Francis House to be used for copay for the residents' medical expenses/medication. Special clothing requests have gone out and been fulfilled by your generosity. Volunteers helped with the Stewpot Christmas gift drive and distribution. The list goes on thanks to you.

As we continue through this year the opportunity for Christian service will continue. Please watch the various parish communications to learn what will be your next opportunity for service. Already in planning are:

- Replenishment of school supplies for Little Rock Preparatory Academy
- Winter dinner for veterans with bingo and other activities
- Thanksgiving at Dorcas House
- Winter Manna Bags
- Warm Fuzzy Tree for children in various shelters
- Shoes for Stewpot to help the homeless
- Clothing requests from Stewpot
- Bus Tokens for the working homeless at Our House

The above list is just an example of how you and your family can help. What is also needed are additional members of the committee to help plan and conduct these events. If you would like to become a part of this ministry please contact the parish office, a member of the clergy or a committee member.

Members include Jerry Shurgar, Chairman, Sheila Mehaffy, Gay Hathaway, Jauan Massie, Jean Harper, Michael McNeely, Angela Hale, Mary Margaret Wippo, and Brooks Wolfe.

Please remember Trinity Cathedral in your will.

Congratulations Mary Smith on Receiving the 2017 Pioneer Award



Parishioner and Cathedral Choir member Mary Smith received the 2017 Pioneer Award from the Arkansas Seed Dealers Association. The article below is from their press release:

Mary Smith of the Arkansas State Plant Board (ASPB) is the recipient of the 2017 Pioneer Award from the Arkansas Seed Dealers Association, a distinguished recognition for an individual with many years of outstanding service to the seed industry and a significant impact on seed business in Arkansas. Association members presented her with the award on August 4 at the annual Seed Dealers Convention in Rogers.

"Mary is an asset to the Arkansas State Plant Board and to Arkansas. In her 36 years here, she has been a true pioneer for excellence in laboratory standards, research, and

regulations that enable and strengthen the seed industry in Arkansas and across the U.S. We are proud of this award and deeply appreciate Mary's continued expertise and dedication," says ASPB Director, Terry Walker.

Mary graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville with a Master of Science in Plant Pathology in 1974. Mary came to the ASPB in 1981, hired as a seed analyst, later on the germination supervisor, and then as head of the seed lab from 1988-1990. Since 1990, as Seed Division Director, she has served as Seed Control Official for Arkansas and directs the Seed Regulatory Program. Overseeing and coordinating activities of the Arkansas Seed Certification program and Official State Seed Laboratory are also included in her duties.

Mary has served the industry in other ways as well. She was President of the Association of American Seed Control Officials from 2003–2005; also, was President of the Southern Seed Control Officials Association (SSCOA) from July 1993-July 1995; and currently serves as Secretary/Treasurer for SSCOA. Mary also served as a member of the Plant Variety Protection Board, appointed by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture from May 1995-1999. She was a contributing author to the Arkansas Soybean Handbook.

The mission of the Arkansas State Plant Board is to protect and serve the citizens of Arkansas and the agricultural and business communities by providing information and unbiased enforcement of laws and regulations thus ensuring quality products and services. The Arkansas State Plant Board is an agency of the Arkansas Agriculture Department.

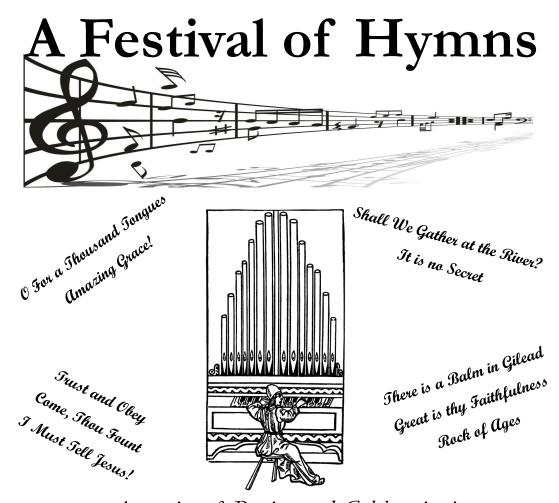
Bliss 2017 Update

Bliss is quickly approaching! We're getting so excited for this fun event on Thursday, October 26. Invitations will be mailed out in the next couple of weeks so please be on the lookout. We're still taking donations for the live and silent auction, so please consider donating to this wonderful event. You can find a donation form on page 15 or in the back of the Cathedral. Some newly donated items include: A sunset dinner cruise on Lake Ouachita, a box for 6 at the finish line at Oaklawn, and a week at a Crested Butte, CO home. All money raised will go to St. Francis house. Donation forms are available at the back of the church on Sundays or you can contact Eliza Gaines (elizagaines@gmail.com) for more information on how to donate. Tickets are \$35 and can be bought at the event or beforehand at www.bliss2017. eventbrite.com. We hope you can join us!



Bethel AME Church Little Rock, Arkansas

Present



A service of Praise and Celebration! **Hymn Singing** and **Hymn Histories** offered by

The congregations of Bethel AME and Trinity Cathedral.

Sunday, October 8, 2017 6:00 p.m.

Bethel AME 815 W. 16th Street, Little Rock

All are welcome! No Charge!



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Weekly Worship Schedule: Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m., Evensong 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday Morning Prayer at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday Healing Eucharist at 5:05 p.m.

The Cathedral is open for visitation, prayer, and meditation weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

