

Announcements - September 3, 2023

First Sunday Brunch

TODAY following the 10:30 service, join Trinity friends for brunch at Mexican restaurant Taqueria Ranchos Dos. Located at 445 Delaware Ave (between Edward and Virginia Streets), the restaurant is north 1½ blocks walking distance from the church. Street parking on Delaware. No reservations required! Just come. Or even better, invite someone to join you. We'll gather in the back dining room to enjoy traditional Mexican dishes in a colorful, welcoming space in the good company of one another. Hasta la vista!

Wine Tasting, Lunch, and Shaw Festival

... add the Trinity Community, and it's a recipe for a great day.

Saturday, September 16. Meet at the church at 9:00am and travel to Southbrook vineyards for organic wine tasting and delicious pizza lunch (11am-1pm.) Then head to the Shaw Festival at 2:00 to watch the matinee of *The Amen Corner*. We are hoping to arrange a talk with the director after the performance, but those details are not confirmed yet. The estimated total is \$100. The exact cost will depend on the number attending. Please indicate your interest on the sign up by clicking [here](#) or scan the QR code.



Annual Meeting Update with Lunch!

Plan to stay after church on **September 17** for a delicious lunch and fascinating update on our journey toward a sustainable future. Since January, members of the vestry and other Trinity leaders have been grappling with the very challenging reality of financial hardship for the church at a time in American history when doing church better will not turn our fortunes around. This challenge calls for us to transform how we use our building and how we relate to the community in ways we have never before imagined. Opening ourselves to such transformation requires grounding in a thorough analysis of the particulars of our present situation while at the same time discerning what particulars can change. The leadership has been working thoughtfully, prayerfully and diligently to discover a path forward. Come hear from them about what they have found and share your thoughts and questions!

While enjoying lunch provided by Connie Ervin and Nina's Kitchen Committee, you will hear:

- a report on the survey we did in June, in which 89 people participated
- a report on the costs of maintaining and occupying the different buildings on our campus and how we can keep going until our plan can be realized and begin to sustain us
- what we have been able to learn from other churches tackling similar challenges
- several scenarios that are being explored, including some thrilling photos and artist's renderings.

Finally, you will be invited to think about how you can help us move along the path.

Trinity Discussion Group: When We Get Angry at God

Do you ever get mad at God? Anger at God can produce several emotions and can affect our relationships with people and with God. On Wednesdays starting **September 20** with Tim Lane and Jeffrey Tooke, we will watch a short video and discuss the anger we can feel with God and how it can have a transforming effect on our lives.

You are invited to join Tim and Jeff on **Wednesdays @7pm** using the zoom link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81668634672?pwd=eTVJZXFoNzVYdHZvSHZONG1NUUowZz09>

Meeting ID: 816-6863-4672. Passcode: trintalk

If you have questions, email Jeffrey Tooke at jeffreytooke@outlook.com for more information.

Explore Buffalo

Learn more about Trinity's windows and the impact they have had on American art history. Share this Buffalo treasure with your friends! Explore Buffalo leads tours of Trinity's windows as part of its Sacred Spaces series. Check the website listed below or scan the QR code for the schedule. You can help the wider community appreciate the resources Trinity has to share. Post this link on your social media or email it to friends. Better yet, invite someone to come on the tour with you. <https://explorebuffalo.org/sacred-spaces/trinity-episcopal-church/>



Worship Helpers Needed

Are you willing to be involved with reading from the altar or greeting people at the door and helping direct them with what to expect? Please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4fafa629a3f58-trinity2>. If you are interested in being more involved, but aren't interested in either of these roles, you can also plan on helping during services by bringing a device to connect to Facebook viewers and respond to comments during the service.



Comfort and Care Team

Please let the Comfort and Care Team members (listed below) know how we can be of help and support to you or someone you know who may be experiencing health or other life challenges. You may email anyone of us as we share with each other the information concerning the needs of those that reach out. Support may be offered in many ways such as a caring phone call, notes, information on resources, and a friendly visit. We can also assist with arranging needed meals. Our prayers are always offered.

Sincerely, the Comfort and Care Team.

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Computer Volunteer Ministry Opportunity

We are looking for a couple computer savvy volunteers who would be interested in volunteering as cyber sacristan to help with the livestream for the Sunday morning service and/or the Trinity @7 service. One only needs to be comfortable with using a computer and computer programs; the rest are easily learnable skills. If you'd like to know more or are interested in this volunteer ministry, please contact Jeffrey Tooke at jeffreytooke@outlook.com

Friends of Night People

We are looking for volunteers to help out at Friends of Night People, which provides food, clothing, medical care, counseling and other necessities to people in our community experiencing homelessness and poverty. We would love to have you join us on the **second Monday** of each month from 4:45-7. For more information, please speak to Emily Carlin or email: emily.g.carlin@gmail.com

Trinity Spaces for Rent

Our church has work spaces available for rent at 371 Delaware Ave. We hope to rent to groups or individuals that share our vision of community betterment. We also have coveted downtown parking space available on Franklin Street. We are hoping to rent the entire 75 spaces, which are available Monday-Friday until 5pm, to one group. If you know someone that would be a good fit, please share this QR code which links to a webpage description at <https://www.trinitybuffalo.org/trinity-center-rentals>.



Visiting Trinity

The church is open by appointment for private prayer or meditation. Contact our parish administrator, Colleen O'Neill, at coneill@trinitybuffalo.org to schedule an appointment.

Donations to welcome asylum seekers to Buffalo

Justice for Migrant Families is collecting supplies to welcome asylum seekers to Buffalo. We are currently in need of:

socks, underwear, shorts (adult, all sizes), children's toiletries, children's summer clothing and fun supplies, grocery cards (Wegmans, Tops, Walmart, etc.) If you would like to donate supplies, please contact jennifer@jfmfwny.org or EmilyRose@Jfmfwny.org to coordinate. You can also drop off supplies at Burning Books, 420 Connecticut St, Buffalo 14213, Monday-Sunday 11am-7pm. Thank you for your ongoing support!