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# GROWING IN FAITH THROUGH SERVICE

*“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;  
and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God  
who activates all of them in everyone.  
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”  
I Corinthians 12:3–4*

“To each is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” As you look through this GIFTS Booklet, I hope you will be able to read it not just as a “catalogue,” but as a witness to the activity of the Spirit in our midst. I hope you will be able to catch a vision of the Holy Spirit alive and at work in our church, activating and calling forth the spiritual gifts of more and more of our members – in worship, in music, in teaching, in hospitality, in helping, in praying, in giving, in caring for one another, in serving those in need. And I hope you will be able to see a place where your own gifts might be called forth in a way that glorifies God. For together, at Holy Trinity, we are working to create an environment in which the gifts of each and every member are discovered and activated as a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. And that includes you.

Of course, this is the way the Church, the Body of Christ, has always worked, from the beginning. Scripture is very clear that the community of faith cannot be truly healthy, mature and fully alive if it has only a few outstanding leaders who exercise their gifts. The Apostle Paul, in particular, saw that it is the diversity of gifts within the community which must be activated, and the gift of each and every member, whatever it might be, called forth. Whether great or small, every single person who is in Christ is given some gift by the Holy Spirit necessary for the health and vitality of the whole community. This means that there is a particular task, a particular role, a particular piece of the puzzle that God has entrusted specifically to you. God has not created a single person whose essence and uniqueness are not eternally needed. As Gordon Cosby puts it, the new creation, the

new humanity in Christ, will be forever incomplete without you, without your particular gift. As you read through this GIFTS booklet, I hope you will do so with an awareness of just how important you are to the fulfillment of God’s mission for Holy Trinity.

Our mission as a church is both broad and bold: “To know Christ and to make Him known, through an inward journey of faith and an outward journey of service, giving thanks to God in all things.” The various ministries featured in this GIFTS Booklet represent the various ways we are working together to accomplish this mission. GIFTS, of course, is an acronym for “Growing In Faith Through Service.” GIFTS is a term that communicates our vision and understanding that the “inward journey of faith” and the “outward journey of service” are indeed connected. And that we do indeed grow in our faith through offering ourselves in service to God and to one another. As you browse through this booklet, I hope you will keep your heart open and listen for the invitation which holds God’s particular calling for you.

*Timothy J. Patterson*

The Rev. Timothy J. Patterson  
Rector



# CHRISTIAN FORMATION COMMISSION

*O God, as I start out today, remind me that life and love are found in relationships and that You speak to me through human voices and touch me with human hands. Help me to hear Your voice and feel Your touch as I meet those whom You send, hearing not only their words but also their deeper messages. Let me respond and bring Your presence to our midst.*

Christian Formation is a lifelong path of seeking, participating in, and practicing the Christian life of faith. The Christian Formation Commission plans, provides and evaluates opportunities for every age to fully engage in their unique faith journey. One way we seek to accomplish this goal is through our Milestones Ministry. This ministry seeks to mark significant moments in the lives of children and youth while deepening the relationship with their church family. Sunday school is another vital component of this formation, education, and instruction on Sunday mornings.

## FAMILY SPIRITUAL FORMATION

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for an Acolyte**  
*My everlasting Lord, as I extinguish the candles at Your table, may their flames burn brightly in my heart. May the words, deeds and actions of my daily life make clear to others that I know that I have been privileged to serve You, my God, and my brothers and sisters in the Community of Christ. May I be eager to serve Christ and others whenever I find them in need—in my home and family, in my daily activities—in every corner of life.*

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Adult parishioners can choose from rich and varied classes designed to stimulate and enhance their spiritual lives. Holy Trinity offers children age-appropriate classes that empower them to receive and respond to God’s love. Beyond Sunday school, Christian Formation includes activities for youth, confirmation preparation for youth and adults, summer programs for children and youth and opportunities to experience growth and support in small groups.

The Christian Formation Commission welcomes volunteers wherever you feel called to serve. There are one-time opportunities for leadership as well as ongoing commitments. Our varied and energizing programs are made possible by our large team of dedicated adult and youth volunteers. Tell us your passion, and we will plug you in!

**Special Family Event Coordinators** are responsible for planning and recruiting volunteers for events such as Trunk or Treat, Birthday Party for Jesus, Circles of Light, Mardi Gras Carnival, and the Easter Egg Hunt. This is a fun way to volunteer for a one-time leadership role.

**Trunk or Treat** is a special Wednesday night family event where children wear their Halloween costumes and “trunk or treat” in the parking lot. We need as many people as possible to volunteer to decorate their trunk and hand out treats to our little ghosts and goblins. Providing a trunk is also a great service opportunity for various church groups (for example, ECW Chapters, Commissions, Vestry, etc.).

**Vacation Bible School** for children is a major annual event offered in June for children ages Pre-K through Fourth graders. The primary focus is to teach important lessons from the Bible through activities, crafts, storytelling, music, snacks, movement and games. We need two persons to co-chair Vacation Bible School. In addition, many volunteers are needed during the week for various duties.

### Milestones Ministry for Children and Youth

Milestones Ministry for Children and Youth marks the significant cultural and developmental milestones that we experience throughout our lives. There are easily identified developmental firsts of childhood such as steps and teeth, walking and talking. There are also firsts in our faith life such as baptism, receiving a Bible and confirmation.

Holy Trinity’s Milestones Ministry invites and engages the entire congregation into a process of faith formation and spiritual growth. It encourages us to intentionally connect the events of our lives with God’s grace, peace, forgiveness, hope, and love.

Age	Practice	Community Component
Birth–4	Knowing the Shepherd	Baptism
Pre-K/K	Being Beloved	Lead the All Saints Day parade
1st/2nd	My Place at the Table	Communion Celebration
	Praying Together	Learn and Lead Lord’s Prayer
3rd/4th	Discovering God’s Word	Bible Presentations
	Learning God’s Law	Ten Commandments
5th/6th	Caring for Others	Summer Outreach Adventure
	Becoming Disciples	Installation of Acolytes
7th/8th	Claiming Identity	Rite 13
9th	Claiming Faith	Confirmation
10th/11th	Embodying Service	Glory Ridge
12th	Walking the Way	Pilgrimage
	High School Graduation	Bible Presentations



**College Freshmen Friends** keep Holy Trinity college freshmen connected to their parish family through their first year of college. Each volunteer is paired with one college freshman to contact via US mail early in the first semester to wish them good luck, then again during first and second semester exams with a small care package and on Valentine’s Day and their birthday. There are Care Package Parties planned where the volunteers come together for fun and fellowship to assemble care packages. *Contact Knox Barker, 336-255-5667, [knoxbarker@bellsouth.net](mailto:knoxbarker@bellsouth.net)*

### Children’s Spiritual Formation

There are a wide variety of ways to volunteer within the children’s program at Holy Trinity. The following list of weekly, monthly, and annual events allows for different levels of participation. If you feel called to help with the spiritual development of our children in any way, we invite your participation!

**Children’s Chapel Assistants** share their love for children and worship by helping Marjorie Donnelly with the Sunday morning Chapel service for Pre-K through Second graders during the 9 a.m. service. Volunteers, who are each assigned one Sunday a month, can join their families in the worship service during the Peace.



**Youth Sunday Breakfast** consisting of doughnuts, muffins or bagels is provided each Sunday for the participants in youth Sunday school. We need one volunteer each Sunday during the program year to drop off breakfast items prior to Sunday school.

## Ministry Opportunities for Youth

**Christmas Pageant Assistants** help children don their costumes as donkeys, sheep, angels, shepherds, Kings and stars in our endearing and lively annual Christmas pageant, which takes place at 10:30 a.m. on Christmas Eve. Youth also serve as leaders for the various groups as they process into the Church.

**Youth Teaching Assistants** work with adults as members of a Sunday school teaching team or in Children's Chapel. High school students who enjoy working with children are encouraged to become Youth Teaching Assistants. Children love having teenagers in the classroom, and teaching a child can help teens learn a great deal about their own faith as well. We welcome youth to assist with Children's Chapel and with regular Sunday school classes.

**Vacation Bible School** is a fun way for youth 6th grade and older to help mentor younger members of the congregation. You can help with a specific class of children, with music, snack or on the playground.

**Special Family Event Helpers** insure that the younger members of our congregation have a great time at special events such as Trunk or Treat, the Mardi Gras carnival and our Easter egg hunt. Volunteers can do a myriad of things, such as decorate for the event, paint faces, lead a game, give out candy at Trunk or Treat or hide Easter eggs.

**Acolytes** light the candles on the altar, carry crosses and torches in procession, and assist the clergy with preparations for communion. Youth sixth grade and older are invited to participate in the worship services of our parish by serving as acolytes. This important ministry is indispensable to the worship life of the church, and young people are encouraged to share in this privilege. Free job training is provided!  
*Contact: Boo Boo Watkins, 336-274-0815 or the Rev. Nathan Finnin, 336-272-6149 x 269*

**Godly Play** is the Sunday school curriculum for Pre-K through Fourth graders. Its purpose is to support, challenge, nourish and guide children's spiritual development. Sacred stories, our shared history and the liturgical workings of the church are the focus of this curriculum. Each week a Storyteller and a Doorkeeper facilitate the children's learning. We also have a special class for our Three-Year-Olds where they hear the simple stories about Jesus in a warm and nurturing environment.

**Sunday School Storytellers** are people who love children and are willing to share their own faith with our young people, Pre-K through Fourth grade. This is an excellent way to learn more about the Bible and our Episcopal tradition by teaching others. Storytellers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient to them.

**Sunday School Doorkeepers** greet the children and assist the storyteller with snacks and activities. Doorkeepers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient to them.

**Feasting on the Word** is a curriculum based on the lectionary reading for the day, which is used with our fifth through twelfth graders on Sunday mornings in the Youth House.

**Youth House Sunday School Teachers** greet the youth and interact informally with them during a fellowship time and simple breakfast (donated by parents). Following this, they lead discussions and activities based on the lectionary reading of the day. Teachers are asked to volunteer once a month, and can sign up for the weeks that are convenient for them.

# EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMISSION

*Rise up, take courage, and do it*  
 Ezra 10:4

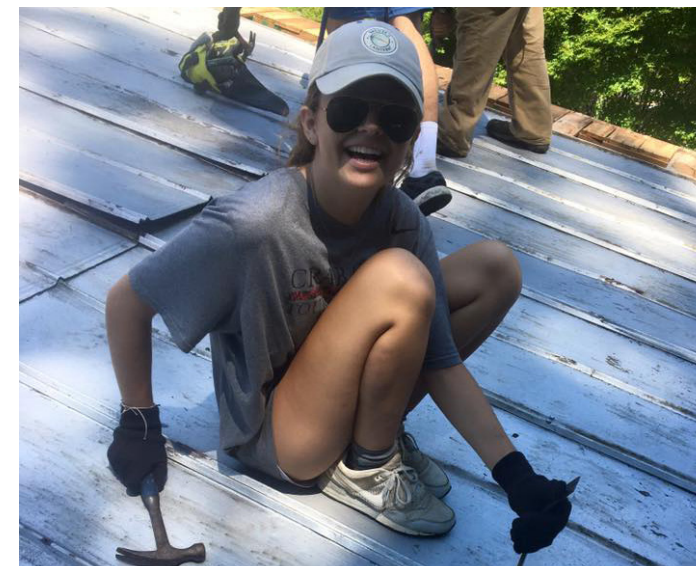
*Let us give ourselves to service*  
 Romans 12:7

**Contact Meredith Scott, Director of Youth Ministry, [meredith@holy-trinity.com](mailto:meredith@holy-trinity.com).**

The youth in our church represent our future. Our program, known as EYC, is something every youth, in 5th through 12th grade, should explore. In a time when so many people are leaving religion, our program seeks to educate and love our youth, keeping them strong in their faith and connected to our church community.

Our mission is "To know Christ and make him known through an inward journey of faith and an outward journey of service, thanking God in all things." We provide a safe and loving environment where youth can build strong bonds with friends, develop a giving heart by making work worship, and utilize their experiences to create a positive future for themselves and the world around them.

We hold weekly Sunday night meetings during the school year that consist of Connection Sundays, Service Sundays, and Adventure Sundays, followed by a fellowship dinner. Our youth stay connected over the summer with our Pilgrimage trip, Glory Ridge mission trip, and Summer Outreach Adventure Week.



Want to help out? There are many ways you can volunteer your own hands and mind and support our youth in their journey!

- Fellowship Dinners: Sign up to help prepare and serve meals at EYC meetings
- Brainstorming Committee: Meet to brainstorm for youth programming, fundraising and event planning
- EYC Transportation: Be available to assist in driving youth to and from activities
- Burrito Biker Underwriter: Cover cost of supplies needed to make breakfast burritos for homeless
- Administrative Assistant: Be available to help with paperwork, data entry, etc.
- Pilgrimage Preparation Assistant: Help with preparing for trip, supplies needed, assisting on departure day
- Glory Ridge Assistant: Help with preparing for trip, packing up, & assisting on departure day
- Youth House Building & Grounds Team: Help with upkeep of Youth House
- Stand By Advisor: Be available to assist with youth group activities when needed
- EYC Photo Donor: Cover costs for developing photo boxes for our gallery wall

Visit the EYC Website at [holytrinityeyc.com](http://holytrinityeyc.com).

# ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION

**Preparation Prayer for a Teacher of Religion**  
*Divine Source of All Wisdom and Truth, I come before You asking Your Blessed Aid as I prepare to teach in Your Name. I am aware that I have been called and selected by You and Your Church and that with that calling comes the necessary courage and grace, but I ask Your Special Help so that I may open myself to each situation in this class in such a way that I may truly be a teacher in the pattern of Jesus. Help me to reverence those I teach, as He did. Help me to love those whom I instruct, as He loved his disciples. Help me to speak to their hearts as well as to their heads and to touch them with the devotion and dedication of my own life lived in You.*

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**Adult Class Teachers** help fellow parishioners expand their knowledge and deepen their faith. If you have an idea for a class or area of study, please let us know. Sunday morning classes run in four to six week terms from 10:15 – 11 a.m. Classes are also offered at other times of the week.

**Covenant Group Leaders** guide a small group of six to twelve people who gather regularly for prayer, study, spiritual growth and mutual support in the journey of faith. Covenant groups are a profoundly rewarding experience. Generally, two people co-lead a covenant group. Training is provided.



**Holy Trinity Pilgrimage Experience:** A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey with a hallowed purpose. Every step along the way has meaning. A pilgrim knows that life giving challenges will emerge. A pilgrimage is not a vacation; it is a transformational journey during which significant change takes place. New insights are given. Deeper understanding is attained. New and old places in the heart are visited. Blessings are received and healing takes place. On return from the pilgrimage, life is seen with different eyes. Nothing will ever be quite the same again. *Barcelona, Spain December 1-9, 2017, Ireland May 17-26 2018, Tuscany August 30-September 9, 2018. Visit [holytrinitypilgrim.com](http://holytrinitypilgrim.com)*

**The Labyrinth Keepers** are dedicated to providing education and opportunities for people to experience transformation through walking Holy Trinity's labyrinth. The group meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in Smyth Library. The Labyrinth Keepers plan walks, advertise, train and provide facilitators for a variety of community-wide labyrinth offerings. New members are welcome. *Contact Libby Haile at [hailemartin@aol.com](mailto:hailemartin@aol.com).*



# OUTREACH COMMISSION

*"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the King will answer them 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'"*  
Matthew 25:37-40

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## Disabilities

**Horsepower:** Horsepower's mission is to provide therapeutic benefits through the use of horses in a safe and controlled atmosphere for people who are mentally, physically, emotionally, and/or socially challenged. Volunteers are needed around the site to mow, trim, paint and do other general maintenance. 336-931-1424, [www.horsepower.org](http://www.horsepower.org)

## Education/Jobs

**Guilford County Schools:** Community support is needed in many schools. They are currently welcoming volunteers. 336-370-8353, [gcsnc.com](http://gcsnc.com)

**Reading Connections** provides literacy and life skills' tutoring for adults, including those learning English as a second language. Volunteer opportunities and training abound; no experience needed. 336-230-3222 122 N Elm St #920, [readingconnections.org](http://readingconnections.org)

**StepUp Greensboro** transforms lives with job readiness training, case management and life skills for those having difficulty finding and keeping a job. Volunteer opportunities available. 336-676-5871, 707 N. Greene St. 27401, [stepupgreensboro.org](http://stepupgreensboro.org)

**Partnership Village:** A part of Greensboro Urban Ministry, Partnership Village is a transitional housing community for formerly homeless individuals and families. The goal of Partnership Village is to help clients become self-sufficient with permanent housing within two years through case management and supportive services. Holy Trinity volunteers provide a tutoring program for children living at Partnership Village. [www.greensborourbanministry.org/services/housing-assistance/partnership-village](http://www.greensborourbanministry.org/services/housing-assistance/partnership-village)



**Wheels 4 Hope** is a non-profit, faith-based car donation program that turns donated cars into blessings. We are located in the Triangle and Triad area. Our mission is to provide affordable, reliable transportation to economically vulnerable families and individuals who are referred to us by one of our partner agencies. Wheels4Hope exists only through the contributions of donors, volunteers, congregations and partner businesses who understand that reliable transportation is a vital component for self-sufficiency – a requirement for stable employment, the care of children, and the pursuit of education. 336-335-9130 [www.Wheels4hope.org](http://www.Wheels4hope.org)

## Elderly Services

**Mobile Meals:** A program that delivers a nutritious meal to the home bound in our community. Holy Trinity provides volunteer drivers and deliverers for the third Monday of each month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Substitutes are needed for other days as well. *Contact: Richard Cox , 336-274-8644, [marcox2@earthlink.net](mailto:marcox2@earthlink.net)*

**Senior Wheels Medical Transportation Program** provides rides for ambulatory seniors age 55 and over to medical appointments in Guilford County and to regional medical facilities. Volunteer drivers from the faith community provide the transportation. The program is organized by Senior Resources of Guilford. 336-373-4816, [www.senior-resources-guilford.org/medtransportation](http://www.senior-resources-guilford.org/medtransportation)

## HealthCare

**Higher Ground** serves as a day center, retreat, and learning center for persons infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS. Holy Trinity provides financial support, serves a monthly lunch, and assists with workshops, gardening, transportation, and office work. Servers for lunch commit to a two-hour time slot once per month. *Contact: Jane Pearce, 336-272-9813*

**Hospice and Palliative Care of Greensboro** provides care and support for terminally ill patients and their families. Various volunteer opportunities are available, from clerical assistance to public speaking to visiting families. Training is offered. *336-621-2500, [www.hospicegso.org](http://www.hospicegso.org)*

## Homelessness

**Prayers in the Park** is a group of volunteers committed to intentional connection with our neighbors in downtown Greensboro. Volunteers sign up to make sandwich lunches for fifty people, while others travel to Center City Park to connect with our neighbors and share lunches with them. *Contact Terri Cartner, [cartnerterri@gmail.com](mailto:cartnerterri@gmail.com) or Ken Keeton, [keetonken00@gmail.com](mailto:keetonken00@gmail.com)*

**YWCA:** The YWCA Greensboro Emergency Family Shelter program provides shelter, food, case management and holistic support for families experiencing homelessness. Each family develops a plan to achieve educational goals, optimal health, financial stability, pay off debts and save money to move into permanent housing. Volunteers are needed to provide a hot dinner, assist with homework, play with children or just provide a listening ear. *336-273-3461*

**Interactive Resource Center (IRC)** provides support for those experiencing homelessness. Has an inviting 22,000-square-foot community center at 407 E. Washington Street which offers, among other critical resources: showers, laundry, barbershop, phone bank, mailroom, computer lab, medical clinic, gardens and a bike maintenance area in addition to social services and case management. If you have a way to serve and solve that aligns with our mission, there's a spot for you here! *Contact: Krystal 336-332-0824, ext. 137, [www.interactiveresourcecenter.org](http://www.interactiveresourcecenter.org)*

**Greensboro Urban Ministry** offers a variety of services. Programs include: food bank, winter emergency shelters, Potter's House, Partnership Village transitional housing, Pathways Center temporary housing, Weaver House shelter. Holy Trinity volunteers help serve meals on a regular basis. *336-553-2642, [www.greensborourbanministry.org](http://www.greensborourbanministry.org)*



## Housing

**Barnabas Network** accepts new or gently used furniture and household goods (bed & bath linens, pots & pans, dishes, flatware) for families in need such as those coming out of homelessness, domestic abuse, refugees and immigrants. Volunteers needed to sort donations, furniture repair and shop with clients. *336-370-4002, 838 Winston St. 27405, [barnabasnetwork.org](http://barnabasnetwork.org)*

**Habitat for Humanity** brings together people of all faiths to build quality, affordable homes and thriving neighborhoods where families can create better lives. Laborers of all skill levels are needed. Training is provided. Volunteers can help on Saturdays and during the week. The Habitat ReStore, which sells donated merchandise, also uses volunteers. *336-275-4663, [www.habitatgreensboro.org](http://www.habitatgreensboro.org)*

**Mary's House** provides transitional housing for women with children while they recover from addiction and establish stable lives and find jobs. Volunteers are needed to baby sit for the children on weekday evenings so that the residents can attend support groups. *336-275-0820*



**Jericho House:** A residential transitional home serving men just released from prison. This ministry assists former prisoners in stabilizing their lives through gainful employment and daily support, Bible study, and transportation, clothing, and other life necessities. *336-275-9625*

## Hunger

**The Servant Farm,** located at 8128 E. Harrell Road in Oak Ridge, produces fresh produce, which feeds thousands of people during harvest season. The produce is distributed to non-profit organizations such as The Servant Center and the Second Harvest Food Bank, and many others. Volunteers of all skill levels are welcome to help plant, maintain, harvest and/or distribute the produce. *Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 or Muriel Inabnet, 336-404-8243*

**G8 Breakfast at GUM:** At 7 a.m. each Tuesday morning the overnight guests in Weaver House, gather for breakfast. A group of about 12-15, representing all of the eight Episcopal congregations in Greensboro, arrive early to cook breakfast. We also prepare 60 bag lunches for those who cannot get to GUM for lunch. Anyone who wishes to help prepare the food should try to arrive by 5:30 a.m.; those who would prefer to serve and clean up should arrive by 6:30 a.m. *Contact: Eddie Bass, 336-697-8489 (home), 336-587-1474 (mobile), [bassecov@gmail.com](mailto:bassecov@gmail.com)*

**Food for the Hungry** collects non-perishable foods and other items for distribution to Greensboro Urban Ministry, Triad Health Project, One Step Further, and Faith Action. Items can be placed in the collection boxes around the church. *Contact: Kathy Crowe, 336-855-2208*

**Hot Dish and Hope** has served a meal each Tuesday and Thursday since 2008 in First Presbyterian Church's Mullin Life Center. Anyone who is hungry is welcomed between 6 and 6:30 p.m. The meals include a brief program of music and/or a message of God's love and grace. The event needs volunteers to help serve meals and to provide other support. *Contact: Janet Bailey, [janetbailey1229@msn.com](mailto:janetbailey1229@msn.com)*

**CROP Walk** is a 3.1 mile community walk sponsored by Greensboro Urban Ministry and Church World Service, Inc., to raise money to fight hunger. Members of Holy Trinity serve as sponsors and/or walkers. Ten percent of the money raised in the walk stays in Greensboro to help fund Greensboro Urban Ministry's Soup Kitchen, which feeds over 135,000 people each year. *Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149*

## Refugee/International

**Church World Service** provides comprehensive case management and employment services aimed at empowering newly arrived refugees. Volunteers needed. *336-617-0381, 620 South Elm St., [www.cwsgreensboro.org](http://www.cwsgreensboro.org)*

**FaithAction International House** serves thousands of new immigrants while educating, building bridges and developing leaders between our newest neighbors and our community. Its goal is to help Greensboro become a model multicultural, interfaith, and immigrant-friendly city. Volunteers needed. *336-379-0037, 705 North Greene St. 27401, [www.faihouse.org](http://www.faihouse.org)*

**Cursillo** is a "short course in Christian living," centering on the teachings of Christ. It includes the Three-Day Weekend, which lasts from Thursday evening to Sunday afternoon. The weekend is an opportunity to meet clergy and laity who seek to strengthen, share and grow in their faith. It provides an opportunity through shared prayer, worship, fellowship, study, laughter, tears and love to experience the reality of the gift of God's love freely and unconditionally given. *Contact: Cameron Cooke, 336-603-6709 [rcamcooke@yahoo.com](mailto:rcamcooke@yahoo.com), [www.nccursillo.org](http://www.nccursillo.org)*



# WORSHIP

*Lord, invest me with Your power as I prepare to proclaim the marvel of Your message. I have prepared my readings, I have tried to take within me the meaning of what I am about to read; help me, I ask, to read not just with my lips but with my whole heart and soul. Lord, make me a hollow reed so that Your voice will be heard by all who will hear me. Free me of excessive concern over my performance, over the impression I create in this sacred action. Convert my feelings of nervousness, turn all my apprehensions into an energy for proclaiming Your word with power and authority.*

**Contact: Annie Slaughter, Liturgical Assistant, 336-272-6149 ext. 239, [annie@holy-trinity.com](mailto:annie@holy-trinity.com)**

**Chalicists:** Chalice Bearers, also known as Chalicists, are men and women of the parish who assist the priests by serving the chalice of wine at communion. They vest in cassock and surplice and sit in the sanctuary (the area by the altar) during the service. Chalice Bearers require appointment by the Rector, licensing by the Bishop for a two year term, and four to five hours per month.

**Altar Guild** provides a great opportunity to learn more about the rich traditions of our Episcopal heritage. The Altar Guild makes the church and chapel ready for worship, including putting out liturgical items, linens and special hangings as the season requires; laying out vestments; keeping silver and brass polished; arranging greenery; and generally making all things beautiful for our worship. The time commitment is approximately three hours per month on Saturday mornings, before or after one of the Sunday services, and occasional time during the week for special services. A division of the Altar Guild, the Wedding Guild works with the clergy and engaged couples to choreograph wedding ceremonies and ensure they unfold in a smooth and beautiful way.

**Lay Readers:** Lectors come forward from the congregation and read scripture lessons at the lectern. Intercessors read the Prayers of the People. Lay Readers are instructed by the clergy and take turns participating in the Sunday morning services. (Lay Readers may also serve at special Lenten services.)



# FELLOWSHIP & SPECIAL EVENTS

**Prayer for a Servant Who Works at a Parish Event**  
*Gracious God, your Son, Jesus, delighted in wedding feasts and in being invited to banquets. May he, our Lord and Saviour, be present to me as I serve in preparation for our parish events. On the surface, this work seems so ordinary, this event like so many mundane ones, that I can easily forget that it is prayerful service to all the community and so, also, to You. May the many concerns about the practical aspects and needs of this gathering not hide the fact that it is meant to be prayer. May we show respect to one another and bring glory to You, as we strive to work in harmony with each other. May I find pleasure in this preparation, and salvation in my service to the Church. I begin this work of service, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Holy Trinity Men's Fellowship** meets in the Haywood Duke Room for fellowship, dinner and a speaker on the first Monday of the month. We gather at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m.  
*Contact: Jon Wall, 336-275-6158 or Jimmy King, 336-327-9693.*

**The Epiphany Feast**  
The Epiphany Feast is held on the first Sunday of Epiphany and features a dinner and festive entertainment.  
*Contact: Meredith Scott, 336-272-6149 ext. 237, [Meredith@holy-trinity.com](mailto:Meredith@holy-trinity.com)*



**Episcopal Church Women (ECW)** offers a variety of opportunities for fellowship and service. Chapters meet monthly during the program year for fellowship and spiritual development and are open to every woman in the parish. Day and evening meetings are available. The ECW hosts special events throughout the year such as dinner meetings featuring insightful speakers and women's retreats. The Spring Soiree, the ECW's annual fundraiser provides funding for outreach to agencies and ministries that support the women and children of Guilford County.  
*Contact: Julie Longmire-Dauray, 336-708-0378, [Julie.longmiredauray@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.longmiredauray@gmail.com)*

**Foyer Groups** Foyer Groups are a fun and easy way for parishioners to gather for a meal on a regular but informal basis for purely social reasons, to enjoy one another's company, to strengthen community bonds, to meet new members and just get to know other people who share Holy Trinity as their spiritual home. They provide an easy means to develop new friendships and deepen old ones. Groups are made up of singles, couples, young people, retired people, everybody! New groups form each fall.  
*Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, Minister of Welcome, Engagement and Pastoral Care, 336-272-6149, [mark@holy-trinity.com](mailto:mark@holy-trinity.com)*

**TWIGS (Those With Infinitely Greater Sense)** is an active and thriving ministry with leadership coming from many parishioners—the older, the younger, and the young-at-heart. The TWIGS meet weekly during the program year at 4 p.m. on Wednesdays. They study the lessons for the coming Sunday, and share the concerns of their lives. TWIGS seeks to realize and affirm the important ministries that older adults contribute to our parish community. TWIGS is open to all those 60 years of age and "moving forward."  
*Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver 336-272-6149 [sarah@holy-trinity.com](mailto:sarah@holy-trinity.com)*

# CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMISSION

**Occasions for Compassion, Presence, Celebration**  
*In the same way Jesus loves you, you love one another.*  
John 13:34

The ministry of caring for one another as Christ cares for us is at the heart of Holy Trinity's life. Congregationl Care is a ministry of shared presence, listening, and support with people who are experiencing pain, loss, and anxiety or celebrating life's triumphs and joys. The Commission shepherds the Holy Trinity community to be actively aware of and sensitive to all people's needs and to care for one another within a loving and understanding community.

The Congregational Care Commission

- Supports the work of those engaged in congregational ministries.
- Assists the Poinsettia Coordinator in preparing Christmas Poinsettias for parishioners to deliver.
- Works with clergy and liturgical coordinator to host the annual Memorial service and provide volunteers to usher, read, and prepare the Honor Card Invitations to the Memorial Service that are sent to parishioners who have lost a loved one in the past year.
- Provides support for expressions of appreciation for the ministry of parishioners, clergy, and staff.
- Sponsors educational events and opportunities to inform the congregation and pastoral ministers about issues related to congregational care.

**Sunday Altar Flower Arrangers:** As a part of our Congregational Care Commission, every Sunday, volunteers remove the altar flowers and arrange them in smaller vases for delivery to our members who may be experiencing a sad or difficult time in their life. The flowers and a note are delivered by another team of volunteers. This is a special way to remind our parishioners that we are thinking of them even though they may not be able to attend services. Volunteer time is a maximum of an hour.

Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220, sarah@holy-trinity.com

**Altar Flowers Deliverers:** Deliver altar flowers following 11:15 a.m. Sunday service to those in the Holy Trinity community who are in hospitals or who are ill and to those celebrating life's joys.  
Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220, Sarah@holy-trinity.com

**Christmas Poinsettias:** Deliver flowers during Advent to parishioners who are unable to attend church regularly.  
Contact: Donna Rubenzer, 336-282-4539, rubenzdk@aol.com



**Circle of Friends:** Deliver meals to families who have experienced a recent death or who have a family crisis.  
Contact: Sally Millikin, 336-337-7230, asksally@aol.com

**Condolence Note Writers:** Write sympathy notes of support to bereaved parishioners who have suffered a recent loss.  
Contact: Donna Fairfield, 336-373-1421, dofair@aol.com

**Funeral Reception Hosts:** Assist families with funeral reception details including welcoming guests, arranging refreshments, and attending to the needs of the bereaved family and their guests.  
Contact: Annie Slaughter, 336-272-6149 ext 239, annie@holy-trinity.com

**Honor Cards:** The Congregational Care Commission sends cards to parishioners honoring a loved one who died within the past year. A donation is given to a local charity in honor of those who have died. Families are invited to a Memorial Service in December honoring their loved one.  
Contact: Kelly Pryzwansky, 336-254-3003, kellypryzwansky@tirad.rr.com

**Intercessory Prayer:** Pray for specific needs of people within the Holy Trinity community, while always maintaining confidentiality. Intercessors pray for those requesting private prayers and for those listed in the Sunday bulletin public prayer list.  
Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220, sarah@holy-trinity.com

**Memorial Service Assistants:** Held annually in All Saints Chapel, the service is to honor the memory of loved ones who died in the past twelve months. Assistants serve as ushers, assist with service preparations as needed, and care for families attending service.  
Contact: Phillip Link, 336-632-8901, phillipalink@gmail.com

**Knit One, Pray Too Ministry** provides service to our community with members knitting and crocheting prayer shawls, baby blankets, hats, and scarves to provide warmth and comfort to those in need. We have two groups: one meets the first Monday of the month from 2-4 p.m.; the evening group meets the third Wednesday from 6:30-8 p.m. Both groups meet in Smyth Library. Materials are provided, and all levels of knitters/crocheters—women or men—are most welcome. Knit One, Pray Too is a collaborative ministry of Holy Trinity and Healing Ground.  
Contact: Cindy Robbins, 336-295-6124, crobbins16@atriad.rr.com and Susan Storrs, 336-274-1805, sstorrs@atriad.rr.com

**Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEVs)** share the Eucharist with persons who are unable to attend church, such as persons who are ill, families with newborns, and those living in an assisted care facility. Levs are caring and compassionate persons sensitive to the needs of others who connect members to the larger Holy Trinity community. All LEVS are licensed by the Bishop and trained by Holy Trinity priests.  
Contact: May Toms, 336-856-9308, maytoms@aol.com

**Ministry of Heartfelt Appreciation:** The Congregational Care Commission thanks parishioners, clergy, and staff for their faithful ministry at Holy Trinity both publically and through church publications. The Commission hosts a semi-annual staff appreciation lunch. Genuine appreciation celebrates ministry and invites others to use their gifts in meaningful ministry.  
Contact: Kelly Pryzwansky, 336-254-3003, kellypryzwansky@tirad.rr.com and Jane Cooke, jane.cooke123@gmail.com

**MOMS (Mothers Offering Mothers Support):** Celebrate with and care for moms and their families, particularly during pregnancy and at the time of birth or adoption. Support moms in times of stress and provide opportunities for community with other moms.  
Contact: The Rev. Sarah Carver, 336-272-6149 ext 220, sarah@holy-trinity.com

**Parish Nurse:** Holy Trinity Parish Nurse Maureen Flak is a licensed RN employed by the church through the Congregational Nursing Program of Moses Cone Health System. Maureen visits hospitals and homes; offers wellness opportunities to congregation, staff, and Holy Trinity Day School; provides educational and health screening events; and talks with parishioners by phone and in person as a resource for health concerns and information. Parish Nursing Volunteers assist Maureen providing care to the Holy Trinity community.  
Contact: Maureen Flak, 336-908-2123, maureen@holy-trinity.com

**Parting Ways Ministry:** Support those going through divorce with caring presence, personal notes, and prayers.  
Ministry Coordinator: Hattie Aderholt, 336-601-8643, jmaderholdt@gmail.com

**Recovery Programs and Support Groups:** AA meets Mondays in Broome Hall 7-9 p.m.

**Congregational Care Visitors** visit, phone and correspond with Holy Trinity parishioners in hospitals, assisted living facilities, or confined to home to provide care, support and connection to the Holy Trinity community.  
Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, 336-272-6149, mark@holy-trinity.com

**Transportation Ministry:** Provide transportation to parishioners who need a ride to church services and functions. Must have valid driver's license and be insured.  
Contact: Joel Maycock, 336-545-8191, triadwheel@earthlink.net

**Worship Service DVD:** Deliver DVDs to those unable to attend worship.  
Contact: Eric Hoekstra, 336-272-6149 ext 227, eric@holy-trinity.com

**Labor of Love:** Care-givers support group for those caring for aging or chronically ill family members meets third Thursday of the month from 12-1:30 p.m. in Roe Library.  
Contact: Maureen Flak, 336-908-2123, maureen@holy-trinity.com

**House Blessings:** Moving into a new home is a joyous occasion. Clergy come to your home to offer a special blessing for your home.  
Contact: The Rev. Ginny Inman, 336-272-6149 ext 232, ginny@holy-trinity.com



# STEWARDSHIP & ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRIES

*Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded that Yours is “the earth in its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it.” We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have and are and will be. Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus’ name. Amen.*

## Administrative Commissions

**Business and Finance Commission** oversees the parish budget, designated funds, investments, insurance, endowments, bookkeeping, and long-range planning.  
*Contact: Clarence McDonald, Parish Treasurer and Commission Chair, [clarence.mcdonald@wellsfargo.com](mailto:clarence.mcdonald@wellsfargo.com)*

**Physical Properties Commission** oversees the buildings, capital improvements, grounds, equipment, columbarium, and the Building Superintendent.  
*Contact: Robin Tyler, Junior Warden and Commission Chair, [rtyler@naipt.com](mailto:rtyler@naipt.com)*

## Stewardship Ministry

**Stewardship Ministry Contact: Allison Cochran, Stewardship Coordinator, 336-272-6149 ext. 271**

**(EMC) Annual Giving Campaign** is the annual appeal for funds to support the work of the parish and its worship, music, education, congregational care, children/youth, and outreach ministries. It is a time when we come together corporately to acknowledge all that God has given us and to pledge to return a portion, no matter how small or large, for God’s work in and through our church.

**Stewardship Commission** strives to encourage throughout our parish the idea that giving our time, treasurers and talents to God is an important part of our faith. Through year-round education, it promotes both annual and legacy giving and encourages giving directed to special initiatives and needs.



**Gloria Deo Society** is an honorary society of friends who have chosen to support the life and work of Holy Trinity after their earthly journey is complete through the use of bequests, trusts, or other deferred gifts. The legacy of the Society will be to provide for the future of our church in ways such as expanding our outreach, strengthening our youth ministry, maintaining our beautiful buildings, and better responding to the inner and outward care of our congregation.

**Planned Giving** is a ministry intended to assist parishioners with legacy giving. According to the Book of Common Prayer: “The Minister of the congregation is directed to instruct the people, from time to time, about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families, and of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses.” The Stewardship Coordinator is available to discuss with you, confidentially, your estate plans and how you can help provide for the future financial and spiritual well-being of your church and your family.

# WELCOME AND ENGAGEMENT

## Prayer of Hospitality

*Gracious and accepting God, may the doors of this church be wide enough to receive all who need human love and friendship, and hallowed to the presence and gift of the gospel. May we welcome all who have cares to unburden, thanks to express, hopes to nurture. May the doors of this church be narrow enough to shut out pettiness and pride, envy and enmity. May our threshold be no stumbling block to young or old, to skipping, tired, or hurting feet. May our threshold be too high to admit complacency, selfishness and harshness. May we be always a place of love and grace, healing and restoration for all who enter, a doorway to Your eternal kingdom. Amen.*

**Contact: The Rev. Mark Lile-King, Minister of Welcome, Engagement and Pastoral Care, 336-272-6149, [mark@holy-trinity.com](mailto:mark@holy-trinity.com)**

The Holy Trinity community practices hospitality as part of our faith in Jesus Christ. We openly welcome all as God’s beloved children. Wherever people are on their journey of faith, no matter where they have been or where they are going, all are welcome at Holy Trinity.

**The Gateway Commission** cultivates Christian hospitality by genuinely welcoming Newcomers to a safe place where they can explore God’s movement in their lives; introducing and connecting New Members to ways they can live meaningful membership serving God through Holy Trinity; and building community through social gatherings, worship, and ministry together. We would love to have YOU as a member of the Gateway Commission! Join us and experience the spiritual energy that comes when joyfully using your Gift of Hospitality.

**First Sunday Name Tags** is a great way to get to know your Holy Trinity neighbors. Name tags refresh our memories and introduce us to new friends. Offering our names to Newcomers tells those new to Holy Trinity we want to get to know you. Gateway members welcome worshippers and assists with name tags.

**Second Sunday Coffee and Connect** follows the 9 and 11:15 a.m. worship services in the Hospitality Center. Over coffee and breakfast refreshments, Gateway members welcome Newcomers and New Members to Holy Trinity and answer questions about our vibrant community.



**Gateway Gatherings** are an orientation to the life and ministry at Holy Trinity for Newcomers and members seeking a deeper connection with the Holy Trinity community hosted by Holy Trinity clergy, staff, and members. Gateway hosts a social gathering, a Newcomer Party, with hors d’oeuvres and beverages that conclude the afternoon. The Gateway Commission hosts two gatherings, one each in the spring and fall.

**Newcomer Socials** are occasions to welcome Newcomers to the Holy Trinity community. Gateway members host the events by inviting Newcomers and providing food. Gatherings are held throughout the year.

**New Members** are welcomed to the Holy Trinity community during worship with a special New Member Liturgy. Also, twice annually Holy Trinity clergy, staff and vestry host a New Member Dinner and discuss what it means to be a Holy Trinity member. Gateway members serve as Shepherds to New Members, introducing them to ways they can experience meaningful ministry at Holy Trinity.

**Ushers** minister by offering Christian hospitality to all who come to Holy Trinity. They warmly greet Newcomers and members, distribute bulletins, usher worshippers, assist worshippers with special needs, take up the offering, and assist parishioners during communion. Following worship, ushers reset the sanctuary for the next service. Ushers generally serve one Sunday every 6 weeks.

**Bread Ministry** is an act of Christian hospitality. Freshly-baked bread is a symbol of Christ who nourishes our lives. Two groups, bakers and deliverers, work together to provide a Welcome Gift to Newcomers. Gateway members coordinate bakers and deliverers.

# MUSIC MINISTRY

**Prayer of Preparation for a Choir Member**  
*Lord of Life, I pause in prayer before the beginning of this service. Fill my voice with love for You. May the notes that will sound find their harmony as they pass through my heart. May the song of my mouth be a hymn of praise to You. May I seek by my voice to give glory to You rather than to bring attention to myself. May I seek humble service to the parish community by the sharing of this gift with which You, my Lord, have blessed me. Use me, Lord of Rhythm and Harmony, as You would play upon a hollow reed so that those whom I am called to serve may be attuned to Your Spirit and moved to prayer.*

**Contact: Ben Brafford, [ben-htms@triad.rr.com](mailto:ben-htms@triad.rr.com).**  
**Chancel Choir**, under the direction of Dr. Ben Brafford, welcomes all interested adults and teenagers who have some skill in music reading and singing. The choir provides musical leadership at the 9 and 11:15 a.m. services. In addition to traditional choral music, the choir sings a variety of choral repertoire, including Spirituals, Celtic and Taizé music. Rehearsals are Wednesday evening from 7–8:15 p.m. in Broome Hall.

**Trinity Voices:** A new vocal ensemble at Holy Trinity, Trinity Voices is comprised of music educators and professional singers from within the Chancel Choir. The 10–12 member ensemble will perform at services and in concerts throughout the year.

**Taizé Choir** is open to any interested teenagers or adults who want to provide leadership at the Wednesday evening Stillpoint services. Rehearsals are at 5:15 p.m. in the church prior to the Stillpoint service.

**Holy Trinity Music School** offers quality music instruction in a variety of instruments for all ages, including a full range of Kindermusik opportunities for young children and private instruction this semester in guitar, piano and violin.



**Holy Spirit Choir:** Open to children in Pre-K through 1st grade, the Holy Spirit Choir provides an introduction to basic musicianship through fun songs and games. The choir is invited to perform with the other children's choirs at the 9 a.m. service. Once a month, the Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs sing together at the 9 a.m. service. All the Children's Choirs will sing at the Wednesday evening services once a month during the program year. The Holy Spirit Choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 4–4:25 p.m. in the choir rehearsal room.

**Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs:** Children in grades 2–3 are invited to join the Good Shepherd Choir; and the All Saints Choir is open to children in grades 4 and above. Rehearsals focus on age-appropriate skills of basic musicianship (including rhythm, note reading, and vocal production) and preparation for services. The Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs rehearse on Wednesdays from 4:30–5:10 p.m., in the choir rehearsal room. Once a month, the Good Shepherd and All Saints Choirs sing together at the 9 a.m. service. All the Children's Choirs will sing at the Wednesday evening services once a month during the program year.

**Celestial Choir** is an "ad hoc" group of singers who sing hymns at funerals. If you like to sing with a group and have time available during the day, usually during the week, this is an excellent opportunity to minister to bereaved families. Funeral Choir members are contacted when their help is needed. They arrive 15 minutes prior to the funeral and vest in the choir vesting room. The total time required is usually about an hour per funeral.  
*Contact: Ann Cantrell, 336-314-2030, [eanncantrell@gmail.com](mailto:eanncantrell@gmail.com)*

# HOLY TRINITY DAY SCHOOL

*Thank you, God, for happy hearts. For rain and sunny weather. Thank you, God, for everything and that we are together. Amen*

**Contact: Julie Buie, Day School Director, 336-275-7726, [julie@holy-trinity.com](mailto:julie@holy-trinity.com)**  
Holy Trinity Day School provides quality early education for young children ages 3 months to 5 years through play-based learning and low teacher-student ratios. Founded in 1954, HTDS is dedicated to creating a safe, enriching, spiritually-grounded learning environment that educates the whole child; supports the individual gifts of each child; fosters a sense of caring and compassion; and teaches children respect for themselves and others.

The teachers are experienced, dedicated professionals who regard each child's natural curiosity and interest as important components in planning developmentally appropriate activities. Teachers in the 3s, PreK and Junior K classes incorporate Get Set for School: Handwriting without Tears, Readiness and Writing into the curriculum to help prepare young learners for success at the next level.

Because music naturally involves the whole child, Holy Trinity Day School incorporates a rich and vibrant music program into the daily routine of its classes. Students sing songs, move, and play instruments throughout the year. In addition, students enjoy monthly classroom visits from two music instructors, Ann Harwell and Riley Walker. Children 3 years of age and older attend weekly chapel and Godly Play classes where they engage with scripture through music, movement and story.

Throughout their time at HTDS, students learn about kindness. They learn about community and cooperation by participating in a variety of service activities that help our local and global community. Students come to know that we are all part of God's family and as such, means that we take care of one another.

Students participate in several programs and special chapels such as a Thanksgiving program, Christmas Chapel, Fathers' Chapel, Mothers' Chapel, Feet Washing, Week of the Young Child parade and program, and Graduation Chapel. Holy Trinity Day School's commitment to nurturing the whole child continues through its summer camp experiences which run several weeks in June and July.

HTDS runs Monday- Friday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m with extended hours available. Students enroll for 2, 3, 4 and 5 days depending on the class offering. Learn more at [www.htds.org](http://www.htds.org).





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