



TRINITY Bay View

Apalachicola, Florida.....December 15,
2018

Advent Greetings!

The next time you hear from me (in the Bay View) it will be 2019! It's hard to believe another year has gone by. You have had many changes in 2018, everything from the retirement of The Rev. Martha Harris, the arrival of me, as your Priest in Charge/Interim Rector, and a huge fire in Eastpoint that affected our friends and families, to Hurricane Michael that devastated part of our Beloved "Forgotten Coast". It will take several years to recover from the physical destruction and the emotional impact a storm of that magnitude leaves behind.

Some of you lost beloved spouses and family members that make 2018 and 2019 a tender and uncertain time for you. I, and your Trinity family, stand beside you to support you and carry you through the year of firsts and to help keep your beloved's memory alive.

In the midst of what is so much pain and loss, there have been many highlights in 2018. The Rev. Martha Harris retired after serving 13 years as your Rector. You sent her off with a beautiful party, memory book, and well wishes.

You shared your generous spirit in caring for your neighbors in Eastpoint by donating items such as clothing, diapers, and personal care items. Over \$7000 was collected and given to the Eastpoint Fire Relief Fund, much of it coming from you directly.

The Blue Grass Eucharist and community picnic welcomed Episcopalians, Baptists, Methodists, and the curious. People came from Navarre Beach, Dothan, Carrabelle, and Apalachicola.

A Pop-Up Daycare provided much needed relief to working parents in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael. "*Beginning to Heal*" was hosted by Trinity and Sarah Madsen Psy.D., for those who needed a place to talk about their experiences of Hurricane Michael. Again, you shared your generosity by contributing to Trinity's Outreach fund for local assistance and to the Diocesan Hurricane Relief Fund.

In the wake of the massacre of 11 members of Pittsburgh's Tree of Life Synagogue, Trinity held a candlelight service on All Soul's Day with a special remembrance of those killed on October 27th. Many members of the Jewish community attended and David Adlerstein read Psalm 130 in Hebrew.

Finally, we enjoyed a beautiful Thanksgiving Dinner on the day we did our Stewardship In-Gathering, and a lovely dinner to celebrate our Annual Meeting. Hard copies of the Annual

Report are available in the office.

It has been a very good year. Our stewardship pledges are continuing to come in so we will continue strong mission and ministry in Apalachicola.

Together, we are reminding Apalachicola that Trinity Church is a safe and sacred place to gather when people want to celebrate and mourn.

-- *Blessings and Peace, Donna+*



CHRISTMAS WORSHIP AT TRINITY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16:

- ADVENT 3 – services at 8 & 10:30 am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23:

- ADVENT 4 – services at 8 & 10:30 am.
- GREENING OF THE CHURCH – at 1 pm. Come and bring your ladders; enjoy light refreshments afterwards.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24:

- CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE – at 6:30 pm.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25:

- CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE – Rite II (*no music*) at 10:30 am.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30:

- 1st SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS– services at 8 & 10:30 am.

Trinity's Church office will close at noon on December 21st and will remain closed until January 1st for the Christmas and New Year Holidays. The office will reopen on Tuesday January 2nd at 8:00 am.

AROUND THE CHURCH

**Young Voices fill Benedict Hall
with Christmas Joy**

A Children's Choir of seven happy voices sang Christmas songs and jingled bells under the direction of Nancy Totman with accompaniment by Randy Mims. The choir, an outgrowth of the successful popup child care service provided by Trinity following Hurricane Michael, practiced weekly for about a month prior to the performance. Close to 50



members, as well as Trinity parishioners enjoyed the songs, followed by a spaghetti dinner featuring George Rudo's delicious pasta sauce. Thanks also to Karen Kessel, Carole & Mike Seibert, Bella Rudo, Briana Wheatley, Caroline Kienzle, and Marlene & Bob Seaborn who coordinated logistics and food prep.



New Vestry Members Elected at Annual Meeting

At Trinity's annual meeting on December 2, five new Vestry members were elected. Pictured above (l to r) are Susie Wagoner, Betty Fugate, CT Ponder, Charlie Galloway, and Landy Luther. Charlie and CT will be serving two-year terms, while Susie, Betty, and Landy will be serving three-year terms.

The annual meeting also included reports from The Rev. Donna Gerold, 2018 accomplishments & activities; Ralph Wagoner, budget & finance; and Tom Edwards, search committee. And, of course, everyone enjoyed the fried chicken dinner with tasty sides, and an abundant array of delicious desserts. Copies of the 2018 Annual Report are available in the church office.



Update from your Search Committee

Now that the Parish Profile has been completed and published, the next step will be identifying potential candidates for priest.

The Diocese will provide names of some individuals who they are aware of having an interest. There is also a national register at the Office of Transition Ministry at the main church office in New York where our search will be advertised as well. Individuals from our parish may offer names of priests of whom they think may be a good fit but only if those priests have been contacted by our parishioner and agreed to be included in the search.

All priests from the above three sources who show interest must be vetted by our Bishop prior to our examining their application in depth. This search will be a time-consuming process. The Search Committee will continue to work as diligently and expeditiously as possible in this process. However, please be aware that because this is time-consuming, there are no time limits to get the job done in a hurry. The most important thing is to try to make the best choice for the parish.

-- Tom Edwards, Co-chair, Trinity Search Committee

Thank You, Trinity Friends

Dear Friends at Trinity,

I truly appreciate all of your kind thoughts, prayers and good wishes during my recent incapacitation due to my ruptured Achilles tendon. Thank you for all of this visits and meals that were showered upon us. Candace and I are fortunate to be a part of such a caring and generous congregation. Trinity is truly a blessed and loving community. We are so happy to be a part of it. Thank you for all the cards and phone calls. I really felt that we were never alone in our trials.

-- Ed Springer

Eugenia Harris Bowles Watkins

Eugenia Harris Bowles Watkins was born on August 23, 1921 in Jacksonville to the Rev. Samuel Presley Bowles and Eugenia Harris Bowles. She died on Saturday, Nov. 17 in

Indianapolis, Indiana. A devoted wife and mother, Eugenia possessed a driving energy, which she poured tirelessly into her deep and abiding love of music and the life of the churches she served. A memorial service for Eugenia will be held on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019 at Cumberland First Baptist Church, Indianapolis, preceded by a visitation. Eugenia's ashes will be interred at Trinity Episcopal Church, Apalachicola, on Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019. [Eugenia Watkins](#)

May Eugenia Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Candace Wilson Watson

Candace Wilson Watson, 65, passed away in Jacksonville at Community Hospice on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2018 after a brief illness. A distinguished attorney and resident of St. George Island, Candy was a spiritual person who was smart, beautiful, kind, and loving. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 29 in Trinity Episcopal Church. [Candace Watson](#)

May Candace Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.



*2018 Franklin County High School
Girls Basketball Team.*

Trinity Supports Girls Basketball Team

Trinity's Outreach Committee provided financial support for the Franklin County High School Girls Basketball Team, enabling them to acquire new equipment this year. In a letter to Trinity, Coach Tydron Wynn stated, "You have put smiles on each of the girls' faces. For the first time in six years, the girls have travel jerseys, travel gear, balls, and equipment. Without you, none of this would have been possible".

PLEASE NOTE:
**Penny's Worth will be closed for Christmas
December 16 to January 4, reopening on
Saturday, January 5.**



IN CONCERT

Sunday, December 16
Begins 4pm - Apalachicola



ALLIANCE BRASS QUINTET FROM CHICAGO

A VERY SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
6TH STREET & AVENUE E (HWY 98)
OPEN SEATING - NO RESERVATIONS
DOORS OPEN AT 3:30 PM - DONATION \$10

MORE CONCERTS SCHEDULED FOR 2019

Jan 13, 2019 - Sammy Tedder

Jan 27, 2019 - Leon Anderson Group

Feb 10, 2019 - Piano & Violin (Brahms)

Feb 24, 2019 - Classical Guitarist

Produced by Ilse Newell Fund for the Performing Arts
Supported in part by Franklin County Tourist Development Council

OUR GREATER COMMUNITY



HOLIDAY FRESH MARKET

On Saturday, December 15th from 10am to 4 pm the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Presents the Holiday Fresh Market.

Why fight the crowds and traffic at the malls? Come for the day or the weekend

and find one-of-a-kind unusual presents. Shop in a relaxed, hassle free environment in an outdoor setting. Buy hand crafted Apalachicola specialties such as baked goods, artwork, wood carving, pottery and hand knitted goods. Your gift shopping has never been easier!

Located in front of the Dixie Theatre on Avenue E and Market St.

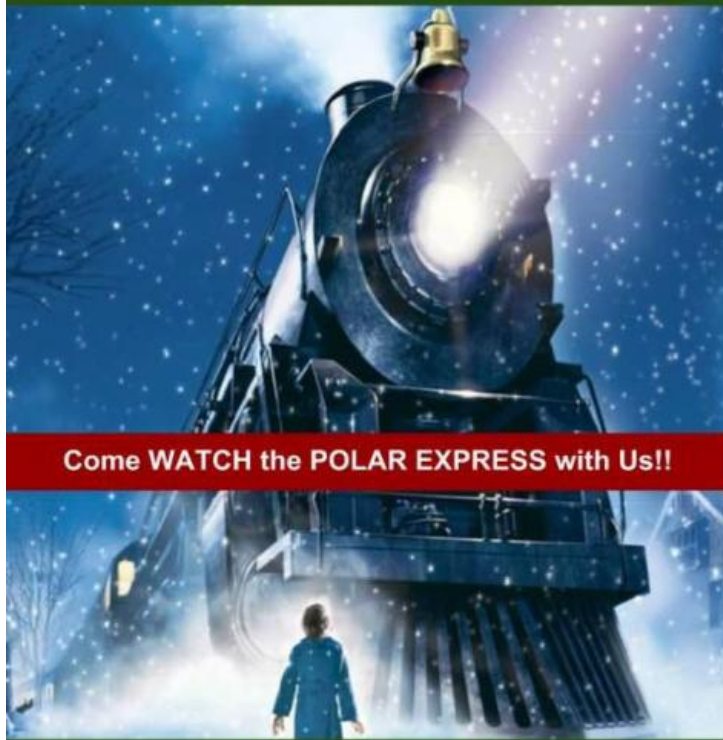
Tools needed for the Butterfly Garden



The Elder Care Community Council of Franklin County (www.ecccfanklin.org) is pleased to announce that the Butterfly Garden at Holy Family Senior Center has Monarch Caterpillars. In addition, Arnie and Bridgett Miesch of St. George Island, who are working on their Master Gardening certificates, have adopted the Butterfly Garden as their volunteer project, and are in need of gardening tools.

If you have any extra tools or supplies that could be loaned or donated to the garden, drop them off at Holy Family Senior Center between 10 and 2pm, Monday through Friday, or call 850-509-5009. Here is the wish list: **garden hoe, shovel, rake, wheelbarrow, mulch, weed cloth barrier, hose, plants, and seeds.**

CHOO.. CHOO.. All Aboard the Tabernacle of Faith Christmas Express



Come WATCH the POLAR EXPRESS with Us!!

Christmas Eve Community Festival

Monday,
December 24

5 pm - 7 pm

Tabernacle of Faith
International Ministries
148 8th Street
Apalachicola, Florida

MUSIC * FAMILY
FUN * GIFTS &
PRIZES * SWEET
TREATS



This event is sponsored by Tabernacle of Faith International Ministries and Collaborative Partners

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
850.370.0116

All Children **MUST** Be
Accompanied By An Adult!

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

December 2018

If you have a conflict, please get someone to cover for you
and call the office with the changes.

December 16

Acolyte: 8:00 - Susie Wagoner
10:30 - Debbie Flowers
Lectors: R. Edwards & A. Pierce
Prayers: Nancy Totman
Greeters: Ralph & Susie Wagoner
Chalice: P. McCartney & C. Springer
Healing: Kristin Anderson
Flowers: Wesley Chesnut
Altar Guild: A. Dolan & N. Totman
Hospitality:

December 23

Acolyte: 8:00 -
10:30 - Bill & Fisher Van Der Tulip
Lectors: A. Eason & C.T. Ponder
Prayers: Susan Galloway
Greeters: Jim & Geri Anderson
Chalice: S. Wagoner & B. Jones
Healing: Kristin Anderson
Flowers: Evie Bettis
Altar Guild: A. Dolan & N. Totman
Hospitality: Choir

December 30

Acolyte: 8:00 - Nancy Luther
10:30 - Cindy Clark
Lectors: S. Galloway & N. Totman
Prayers: Kristin Anderson
Greeters: Gloria Austin & Lee Bettis
Chalice: C. Springer & B. Jones
Healing: Kristin Anderson
Flowers: Wesley Chesnut
Altar Guild: A. Dolan & N. Totman
Hospitality: ECW

CALENDAR

Trinity Episcopal Church

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
						Hathcock-Bruening Wedding @ 4 Penny's Worth 10-3
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Advent Lessons & Carols @ 10:30 Annual Meeting & Luncheon @ 12 Children's Songs & Dinner @ 5	St. Ben's 9-3 Monday School @ 10 Bridge @ 3:00 BH AA @ 7:30 BH	St. Ben's 9-3 Penny's Worth 10-4 AA @ 12 CF EIM @ 3:30 Al-anon @ 5:30 BH	Beginners Tai Chi 8 BH Tai Chi 9/Chair Yoga 10 Penny's Worth 10-4 Dream Group @ 10 Centering Prayer 5:15 Faith Sharing 6:30 AA @ 6:30 & 7:30 BH	St. Ben's 9-3 Natural Spirituality 9:30 AA @ 12 CF Outback Bible 6:30	Office Closed AA @ 5:30 BH	Penny's Worth 10-3 Farmer's Market 9-1 Chair Yoga 9-10:30
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
HE Rite I 8 am Christian Ed 9 am HE Rite II 10:30 am Coffee hour to follow OA Meeting @ 5:30	St. Ben's 9-3 Monday School Christmas Brunch @ the Seaborns Bridge @ 3:00 BH Vestry Party @ 5 AA @ 7:30 BH	St. Ben's 9-3 Penny's Worth 10-4 Worship mtg @ 10 CF AA @ 12 CF EIM @ 3:30 CF Al-anon @ 5:30 BH Beginning to Heal 5:30-6:30 Part 1	Beginners Tai Chi 8 BH Tai Chi 9 / Chair Yoga 10 Dream Group @ 10 Centering Prayer 5:15 AA @ 6:30 & 7:30 BH Beginning to Heal 5:30 - 6:30 Part 2	St. Ben's 9-3 Natural Spirituality 9:30 AA @ 12 CF TOH Mtg @ 2 CF Outback Bible 6:30	Office Closed Isabelle Nichols Visitation 5-7 pm w/Trisagion at 7 pm AA @ 5:30 BH	Penny's Worth 10-3 Isabelle Nichols Funeral Service @ 11 am
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
HE Rite I 8 am Christian Ed 9 am HE Rite II 10:30 am Coffee hour to follow OA Meeting @ 5:30 Alliance Brass Christmas Concert @ 4:00	Monday School @ 10 Bridge @ 3:00 BH AA @ 7:30 BH	AA @ 12 CF Al-anon @ 5:30 BH	Beginners Tai Chi 8 BH Tai Chi 9 Dream Group @ 10 Centering Prayer 5:15 AA @ 6:30 & 7:30 BH	Natural Spirituality 9:30 AA @ 12 CF Outback Bible 6:30	Office Closed AA @ 5:30 BH	Farmer's Market 9-1
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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30	31	1	2	3	4	5
HE Rite I 8 am Christian Ed 9 am HE Rite II 10:30 am Coffee hour to follow OA Meeting @ 5:30	Monday School @ 10 Bridge @ 3:00 BH AA @ 7:30 BH Office Closed					

Sunday Services are 8 am & 10:30 am, Eastern time

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