



Trinity  
Episcopal  
Church

Annual  
Report  
2013

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# YOUR KINGDOM COME ON EARTH

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Our Vision is to be true to the legacy that is Trinity Church, to be good stewards of our traditions, and to increase our work and mission in the world, giving more generously of Trinity's treasure to bring help and hope to God's people.

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## Preface

The annual report is a joy to create. Pouring through hundreds of photos, searching for the best one to bring life to each story, can be hours spent with warm memories revisited, or seeing for the first time what was missed in the rush of the year. We cannot be with each other all the time, to witness the many acts of kindness, labors of love, and gifts of smiles and touch freely given, so these wonderful photos and reports help to tell our collective story and show us what we may not have noticed at the time. Take a few moments to soak it all in, and appreciate how *com-passionate* this community is.

May you be inspired by what you see here.



Thank you Peter C. Otis for your excellent photographs, and to other parishioners who also contributed.

*Cover photo: Holy Family By The Sea, Debora Coombs @ 2013*

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## January 27, 2013

The 229th Annual Meeting of Trinity Church was called to order in the sanctuary at 10:21 AM, following an opening prayer by Rev. Sharon Gracen.

### Initial Business

James Atkinson was appointed clerk of the meeting, and Senior Warden Mark McElrath declared a quorum for necessary business. The 2012 Annual Meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

### Table of Chairs

Junior Warden Sherry Jones introduced the chairpersons of the Council of Ministries as follows: Outreach, Janet Constantino; Worship, Sandra Baldwin; Parish Life, Peter Hayes; Education, Martha Monico; Communication, Ann Freeman; Building & Grounds, Michael McGuinness; Finance, William Baskin; Stewardship, The Vestry; and Administration, Rev. Sharon Gracen. Sherry thanked retiring Outreach chair Kim Humphrey and Spirituality chair Bob Barnett for their dedication; and they were given a standing ovation.

### Recognition

Mark thanked retiring Vestry and Junior Warden for their services: Sherry Jones, Maureen McGuinness, Mitchell Rucinski and Stephen Sharma.

### Nominations

Mitch Rucinski introduced the new slate of officers: Mark McElrath, senior warden; Rodney Hayes, junior warden; Michael Freeman, interim treasurer; Katherine Rowe, assistant treasurer; Ellen Shirey, parish clerk; Terry Kron, vestry; Ed Monico, vestry; and Kathy Sanchez, vestry. There were no nominations from the floor, and the slate was accepted as nominated.

### Finance Ministry

**The Eli Goodrich Fund's principal and accumulated income as of Dec. 31, 2012, was \$449,931. The fund's** income is managed by trustee Michael Dodd, for the benefit of the poor of Trinity. During 2012, gifts totaling \$4,178 were given to four recipients. The principal and accumulated income for the Mary Bartholomew Fund, also administered by trustee Michael Dodd, as of Dec. 31, 2012, was \$27,102. During 2012, no disbursements were requested or made. Rev. Sharon noted there are several other funds listed in the Annual Report, and in the interests of financial transparency,

questions are welcomed at any time.

### Ministry Reports

Sandy Baldwin moved that the various Ministry Reports be accepted as presented, second by Dru Dodd. Acceptance was unanimous.

### 2012 Budget

Mark noted that 2012 was a year of transition from former Treasurer Regis Conlon to Assistant Treasurer Katherine Rowe. Katherine was complimented on the work she has done, with support from William Baskin of the Finance Ministry. It was noted that pledges increased over projections. An insurance reimbursement of \$7,674.30 helped defray mold treatment costs at the Rectory. Regis still handles payroll, which has been a great help. There was no curate in 2012. It was explained that there have been difficulties with the program's insurance, pension fund and related financial issues. Perhaps we might obtain a seminarian. Utilities costs were lumped in the budget, but broken out by the software. It was pointed out that Parish Life expenses are for fellowship and events, not fundraisers. We ended the year with a balance of \$12,664.12, to be applied to the 2013 Budget. Thanks and appreciation was given to Katherine, Regis and Bill.

### 2013 Budget

For the 2013 Budget, Mark noted staff salaries have been increased 2 ½%. The presentation is also different for pledges; with \$220,000 anticipated in pledges and \$26,000 for other giving, which had previously been categorized as soft pledges. The net income from the Trinity Fair is a record \$16,269.87, a remarkable achievement since attendance seemed to be down, but income increased. Mark explained that the \$2,500 painting fund is planned for exterior painting, while other maintenance funds would come from the Dese Fund. Our Diocesan support has increased to \$35,278. It was also noted that banks are now charging to maintain the church checking accounts, resulting in service charges of \$300. The Archie Hanna Funds have been combined for the window project. Rev. Sharon explained that \$24,000 for rent of the rectory, under clergy compensation, is a formality to assist in calculating her pension. In response to a question, the plan is to repay the Diocesan loan before planning starts on an elevator.

### Praise and Thanksgiving

Mark thanked Kim Humphrey for all her work in Outreach, and she continues to be an important part of that ministry. He also noted Regis continues to be a vital resource. He also thanked Sandy Baldwin and Martha Monico for their advice and support as former wardens. He said we are blessed with a terrific staff in music director Ronald Baldwin, Nancy Williams and Jane Dougherty. Sandy thanked Mark for his efforts, and the congregation gave him an ovation.

Rev. Sharon thanked the wardens, describing them as

the ears for the congregation so we can address issues. It is helpful to hear how things are perceived in the congregation. She thanked Sherry for her work on the Shepard Fund. She also praised the choir for a **“powerful contribution in support of our ministry,”** and Jen Zehler for her work with Sunday school, and the coffee hour crew.

Rev. Sharon gave the closing benediction; and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*James Atkinson*



*Left to right, back: Francis Kelley, Jack Dougherty, Mike Carnaroli, Dawn Henry, Nancy Gillette, Bonnie Murphy & Joann Goeler*

*Mid: Bob Williams, Ron Baldwin (Choir Director), Gayle Wylie, Taegan Williams*

*Front: Bill Baskin, Ron Henchcliffe, Cheryl Hyder, Roz Jones, Patti Kron, Rev. Sharon*

*Missing from photo: Steve Sharma*



	One-year term expires January 2014
Senior Warden	Mark McElrath
Junior Warden	Rodney Hayes
Treasurer	Michael Freeman
Assistant Treasurer	Katherine Rowe
Parish Clerk	Ellen Shirey
Vestry	Three-year terms expire January
Class of 2014	Janet Daley
	Stanton C. Otis, Jr.
	Carol Schaller
Class of 2015	Andrew J. Campbell, Sr.
	Dru Dodd
	Kelley Esposito (vacant as of November 2013)
Class of 2016	Terry Kron
	Ed Monico
	Kathy Sanchez
Diocesan Convention/Deanery Delegates	One-year terms expire January
Term expires 2014	James Atkinson
Term expires 2014	Jay Pottenger
Term expires 2014	Lois Lehr
Table of Chairs	
Outreach Ministry	Janet Constantino
Worship Ministry	Sandra Baldwin
Parish Life Ministry	Peter Hayes
Spirituality Ministry	Open
Education Ministry	Martha Monico
Communication Ministry	Ann Freeman
Buildings & Grounds Ministry	Michael McGuinness
Finance Ministry	William Baskin
Stewardship Ministry	Open
Administration	Rev. Sharon Gracen





ELECTED OFFICERS



MARK MCELRATH  
SENIOR WARDEN

Mark McElrath has been an active member of Trinity Church since 1960. Mark has served two terms on Vestry,

Columbus House ministry, usher, lector, youth group advisor, and Search Committee chair. Currently Mark is serving on the Memorial and Gifts committee, and is the current Senior Warden.

Mark grew up in Branford and now lives in North Branford with his wife Lynn and daughter Shelby (when she is not attending Ithaca College). Mark is employed as Vice President of Sales for OFI in Newington CT.



RODNEY HAYES  
JUNIOR WARDEN

Rodney has been a member of Trinity since 1987. Over the years she has had many **'jobs' at Trinity, including Vestry, chalice bearer, lector, usher, coffee hour coordinator, bell ringer (!), bible study groups, First Sunday Breakfast Crew, and Annual Fair Chair;** and she instituted the program of Stop and Shop discounted cards. Rod served on the Diocesan Board of the Episcopal Church Women of Connecticut for over 12 years.

Having had a Congregational upbringing by a Baptist mom and a Catholic dad, she and husband Peter (a catholic with parochial schooling) found a middle ground in lovely Trinity Episcopal Church.

A graduate of Centenary College for Women in New Jersey and the University of Denver in Colorado, in 1999 she began her small business, *The Weedin' Woman, etc.* Off season she works at H & R Block.

Rodney said, *"I just have to walk through these wonderful red doors and I'm at peace. The beauty, the friendships, the feeling of belonging and the awe of God, is overwhelming. In short, I can't imagine life without Trinity Church."*



MICHAEL FREEMAN  
TREASURER

Mike has served as Junior Warden for several terms, as well as serving on the Vestry, Co-Chaired Stewardship, and participated on the Search Committee. He continues to help at the First Sunday Breakfast, maintain the Trinity computer system, and usher. He has been a member of Trinity for 10 years.

Mike lives with his wife Ann in Branford, and has two sons and three grandchildren. He was born and raised in Bath, Maine. He is retired from the behavioral health field. He last served as clinical and administrative Director of Connecticut Counseling Centers in Waterbury.

Mike now spends his time gardening, volunteering at the Branford Senior Center, and providing companion care.



*Nominating Committee continued*

KATHERINE ROWE  
ASSISTANT TREASURER

I have been a member of Trinity for approximately 20 years, and a long-term member of the Video and Knitting Ministries. Previously, I served a term on the Vestry, and as Outreach's treasurer. Currently, I am in my second term as Trinity's Assistant Treasurer, responsible for accounts payable and general ledger entries.

In late August of 2013, I retired from Anthem BCBS. Past work included IT Application Developer, accounts receivable bookkeeper for a local pharmacy's nursing home patients, pharmacy technician, and medical insurance claims examiner. I am looking forward to another chapter in my life as a part-time retiree.

A 20-year Branford resident, I have a daughter in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and a son, daughter-in-law and their 3 children, in Song-do, Korea. Spare time, when it exists, is spent in classes at Canoe Brook Center, walks near salt water, with friends, reading books, and knitting.



ELLEN SHIREY  
PARISH CLERK

Ellen has been a member of Trinity since 1995. She has been active in church ministry on many levels, including Vestry, Capital Campaign Executive Committee, Capital Campaign Follow-up Committee, bread baking for visitors, and pledge/donation processing.

A native Californian, Ellen moved to Branford in 1994 with her husband Bill and their son Ian. All three are charter members of the Branford Community Garden, where they spend many summer hours and donate their harvest to the Branford Food Pantry. Ellen is currently the Office Manager at Kinder Sprouts Child Care Center, in Guilford.

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JUDIE CAVANAUGH

Judie Cavanaugh has attended worship at Trinity for several years. Previously, she was a member of St. Rose of Lima Church (Roman Catholic), in Newtown, CT, where she grew up. After being a mentor last year to one of Trinity's youth in the confirmation class, she was received into The Episcopal Church. She serves as an usher, helps with First Sunday Breakfast, and The Fair. Judie attended Newtown High School and Albertus Magnus College, in New Haven. She teaches art in the New Haven School District and at Creative Arts Workshop, also in New Haven. Judie has lived in Branford for 18 years, where she enjoys kayaking, reading, taking care of her two cats, and creating her own artwork.



MARY MACDONALD

Mary MacDonald has been a member of Trinity Church for 2 years. Mary and her husband John moved to Connecticut from Burnt Hills, NY, in July of 2011. They live in the Pine Orchard neighborhood of Branford, and have one son John, who is in his last year of graduate school.

Mary has enjoyed many volunteer positions prior to moving to Connecticut: President of the Historical Society, and Garden Club, as well as a Boy Scout Leader. She looks forward to serving as a member of the Vestry.

She currently works for Advanced Radiology Associates in Trumbull, as their Chief Mammographer.



*Nominating Committee continued*

MARYANN ALLEN

I was baptized a Roman Catholic, and grew up on Long Island, New York. I moved to CT in the late sixties, and started work in healthcare with disadvantaged youths. I realized the system was not working well, so I enjoyed sit-ins and other social justice demonstrations, including workers rights. In 1978 I went to work for a progressive healthcare workers union, and loved my job until I retired in 2008 after 30 years.

In 1971 I met Josie Brown, who became my life partner until her death in 2011. It was Josie who asked me to come to Trinity prior to her death, for a healing service. After my first Sunday here I realized what a wonderful rich, spiritual, and great community of members this is. It is filled with the spirit of Christ, love, and the fellowship of giving help to so many people through the missions of the Church. Since coming to Trinity, I have joined in the spirit here by: becoming a member of the Outreach Ministry; working on our Trinity Fairs; serving breakfast with others from Trinity at Branford Community Dining Room; helping **with Trinity's Closet; joining the Altar Guild, and ironing for the Quilters.** I have met so many great people by providing a meal when needed after an illness or birth. I look forward to being a Vestry member.



JOHN SEIBYL, MD

John Seibyl has been a Trinity parishioner for 26 years, serving most recently as a

Sunday school teacher. In the more distant past he was Senior Warden, and chaired a Search Committee **for Trinity's penultimate Rector.**

John is a graduate of Yale College and currently serves as the vice president of the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Church at Yale. At the diocesan level he is a member of the Commission on Ministry, which supports the discernment and priestly formation of those considering ordained ministry. In his secular life he is

president of Molecular NeuroImaging LLC, and the Institute for Neurodegenerative Disorders, where he does clinical research. Formerly, he was Chief of the Section of Nuclear Medicine at the Yale University School of Medicine, having been on full-time academic faculty for 11 years. John is a board-certified physician in nuclear medicine and psychiatry. Most important, he is married to Catherine and has a daughter Jennifer, both active at Trinity.



They came together to celebrate Archie: family members, **Trinity's stained glass window committee, and the artist.**



*Left to right, back row: Morgan Hanna, grandson, Linda Larson, wife of Eric (brother of Jeffrey, Archie's son-in-law) Front row: Jeffrey Larson, Debora Coombs, Briann Greenfield (wife of Morgan), Jean Larson (Archie's daughter, wife of Jeffrey)*



*Left to right, back row: Perdita & Otty Norwood, Sandy Baldwin, Barry Schaller, Mark McElrath, Peter Schuller. Front row: Debora Coombs (stained glass artist), Carol Schaller, Rev. Sharon*





Rev. Sharon

2013 was a year with which any church would feel satisfied. The program church structure that is in place with the Council of Ministries continues to work well. The dedicated leadership of this congregation is a delight to work with, and they are very good at what they do. They make my job a delight.

Outreach continues to be the heart and soul of Trinity. It is more than a program; it is a big part of this congregation's spiritual journey. We reach out, reflect, pray, and understand our lives in a larger context. This work keeps us connected to God's mission and ours. The relationship with the Crow people in Montana was a big development, one that has touched the hearts and imagination here. The visit by Peggy White Wellknown Buffalo and Susan Kelly was a highlight, and it continues to echo in our thoughts and prayers. That is exactly what good outreach work does. It isn't simply about money. The number of people here who are engaged in our Outreach—from donating cans of vegetables, to mission trips worlds away—accounts for a huge percentage of our membership.

That the people of Branford know that they can count on Trinity to be compassionate and creative in response to their needs, is a blessing all around. *Trinity's Closet* and the other times when people are invited in, help us to connect. Lives are changed and often, it is we who are changed the most.

*The Archie Hanna Window* is a glorious addition to our historic church. It is enjoyed from the inside and by the greater community around us. At night, it looks like a jewel in a lovely setting. The work of the committee was also a spiritual journey. We grew as we learned.

The continued development of Trinity's music program is one of the most remarked upon facets of our common life. It brings beauty to our worship, and now reaches beyond our doors with the *Music at Trinity* concerts.

Trinity has grown considerably this year. There are new faces everywhere you look. Welcoming people into a congregation must be intentional and well-organized. We welcomed new leadership to the Newcomer Ministry, and have begun to strengthen that program this year, so that we will continue to be blessed by the presence and gifts of those who have made Trinity their home.

If there is a place of challenge, it is the continual balancing act for our families with schedules that are complicated and full. We have so much to offer, through Godly Play, First Friday Family Nights and other activities; but it is hard to find the little time that isn't already scheduled. Here we need grace to do our best with the realities of 21st century life, and continually share the message of God's love.

We are a congregation blessed with so much. May we continue to be good stewards of all that we have.

Peace,

Rev. Sharon +



*Angel of Hope, Alice Jourdan Window*





MARK MCELRATH

Our Lord continued to Bless Trinity in 2013. Trinity consists of 550 baptized members (includes children), with an average Sunday attendance of 150-200 parishioners. It is financially sound, and full of positive energy and enthusiasm, with an abundance of the Holy Spirit. One of the reasons for the health and vibrancy of **Trinity is our active laity, supported by Sharon's leadership.** There are many opportunities, large and small, **that contribute to Trinity's running smoothly.** I encourage everyone who walks through those red doors to jump in with both feet. You will be amazed at what you will receive in return.

In March, the Council of Chairs and Vestry participated **in a daylong retreat at St. John's Episcopal Church in North Guilford.** We spent time on master planning for the upkeep of our historical and expensive buildings, **and talking about Trinity's future.** We intend to make this an annual leadership event.

Working closely with our Finance Chair, Bill Baskin, I called upon many of our legal and financial experts from within the parish to form a Super Committee to look at our endowment. It has been well over ten years since we last reviewed our portfolio. My goal is to look at how the funds are invested, asking are they earning the best rate of return in a socially responsible way? Secondly, I asked our legal team to look at the wording of the trusts to be sure we were honoring the original intent. The overall endowment has not really grown for the last ten years; even given the recent economic downturn, with an eye toward the future, I think we can do better. We will share the findings of this committee with the parish at-large. If any adjustments are recommended, they would require approval by the Officers and Vestry.

Wardens and Bishops Partnership Dinners Our Bishops have started this new program. These dinners are held twice a year, at various host parishes around the state. They are open to all Wardens in our Diocese, and are a time for Wardens and the Bishops to break

bread and talk. Both Rodney Hayes (JW) and I have been able to attend. I took advantage of the forum to **request help connecting 'like parish' leaders together to share 'best practices'.** It is my hope that this type of exchange would provide both an opportunity to share some of our successful initiatives, and maybe learn a trick or two which I can bring back to Trinity.

Mike McGuinness—Chair of Buildings & Grounds—and I, have a very ambitious list for 2014. First, is to replace the flooring and refurbish the restrooms in the Godly Play area. Then, the furnace that heats the Parish Hall and Undercroft is in desperate need of replacement. This will be done once the heating season is over. Also, the Undercroft needs a coat of paint and new light fixtures. Finally, we will begin a process to restore the three Tiffany windows.

The most visible success story in 2013 is our fabulous new stained glass window honoring Rev. Archie Hanna. This project was three years in the making, and was a parish-wide effort. The project was fully funded by generous donations from the Foote Family Foundation, parishioners, and friends.

**There isn't adequate space to thank everyone who contributes to the success of our beloved parish.** My job is made so much easier by the help and sharing of the load with the Ministry Chairs and Rodney Hayes, our Junior Warden. I would be remiss though, if I did not thank our wonderful staff-- Nancy Williams, who looks after our facilities, Maestro Ron Baldwin, our Music Director, and Jane Dougherty, Parish Administrator.

The best part of my job is working closely with Sharon on all aspects of **Trinity's parish life.** We share a love for Trinity and all of you, which I think you see as you reflect it back on us every day. It remains a great joy and honor to serve as your Senior Warden.

Respectfully,

*Mark*





RODNEY HAYES  
JUNIOR WARDEN

The Junior Warden is charged with Chairing the Council of Ministries and administering the Shepard Scholarship Fund application process.

The Council, composed of the ministries of Buildings & Grounds, Communication, Christian Education, Finance, Outreach, Parish Life, and Worship, along with the Rector and Senior Warden, met in June and October. The goal this year was to unite the activities of each ministry as much as possible to present a more compact, integrated program for all of our Council undertakings.

Shepard Scholarship Fund

Trinity was blessed by the donation from Mabel Shepard, a long-time educator in Branford, with monies to be used for what is known as the *Shepard Scholarship Fund*. We are thankful to good stewardship that this academic year we were able to grant \$1,000 to each of eight Trinity, post-secondary education students.

We look forward to another productive year in 2014!

Respectfully submitted,

*Rodney*



*Recipients Left to right:*

*Julius Feniola, Jr., attending Gateway Community College*

*Patrick Monico, attending University of Connecticut*

*Jenny Seibyl, attending Skidmore College*



*Missing from photo:*

***Jillian Denhardt, attending St. Michael's University***

*Alyson Humphrey, attending Western New England University*

*Will Pottenger, attending Occidental University*

*Adam Williams, attending Quinnipiac University*

*Sarah Williams, attending Southern Connecticut State University*



**“THE HOLY FAMILY BY THE SEA”**

CAROL V. C. SCHALLER  
CHAIR, STAINED GLASS  
WINDOW COMMITTEE

IN MEMORY OF THE REV. ARCHIBALD HANNA  
PERPETUAL DEACON ~ 50 YEARS

As if it were meant to be, a uniquely compelling new stained glass window now graces the Trinity Church entrance above our iconic red doors. It is an object **d’arte et religion, bringing to Branford our Christian epic.** The entire parish contributed to its evolution. And a committee of leaders—clergy and lay—brought those contributions to life.

We, the people of Trinity, mean to beckon Branford, as beacons (and Deacons) do, to comfort and to inspire, to support and to guide; to be there for each other, and all others. To give. To care. To love. To share.

The project was dedicated to the memory of the Rev. Archibald Hanna, Perpetual Deacon. He was a beloved figure at Trinity for more than 50 years, serving as Assistant Minister before becoming ordained as a Dea-



con. He bequeathed a special starter fund to repair or replace the badly leaking, unattractive window that our new one has now replaced. The original project was abandoned for a complexity of reasons.

As a brand new Vestry member, I suggested we re-open the window project by writing a grant proposal to the Foote Family Foundation for much needed funding. Also brand new to the post, Sr. Warden, Mark McElrath, welcomed the idea. From that moment, some three years ago, to the present Christmastime, when we stood on the Branford Green with Debora Coombs—the glass artist—for the inaugural window illumination, we have had an amazing adventure.

After the Foote Family Foundation Trustees responded generously to the grant proposal, we gathered a committee of nine. The undertaking was joyful. We regularly got together for business meetings by a cozy fire, and enjoyed each other, business, wine and dinner. We worked together, prayed together, recognized the impossibility of pleasing everyone, then set about to doing it anyway, exchanged bountiful ideas and laughed a lot. We agreed upon design goals. Eventually we found the



right artist in Debora Coombs, and worked with her phenomenal artistic creativity. The Committee brought a variety of perspectives to the mix, which combined tradition, responsibility of stewardship, diversity, scriptural concepts, compromise and negotiation, understanding of fine art, common sense, modernity, and rich color assessments. The artist, Debora Coombs, sometimes joined our festive meetings with her husband Richard Criddle, making us all feel rewarded by their contagious exuberance throughout the creative process. Our time together felt like a celebration.

Subtle, Meaningful Symbolism

As to the window, it has brought tears of wonder to the eyes of many, with its compelling beauty and subtle, meaningful symbolism.

The eye goes straight to the Star of Bethlehem at the top of the arch, and then the trefoils, or Borromean

rings. They are the three interlocking rings of the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in each of the two lancets. The rings, or circles, are a symbol of wholeness and unity. They have no beginning and no end. They represent the infinite possibilities of creation.



God’s tears were shaped underneath the trefoil in each lancet, inadvertently noticed by the artist after the fact; and we feel they acknowledge the sorrows that we experience in life.

The star, the Bible tells us, traveled to the East until it rested there at the place of the holy birth. So, we added a meaningful sunrise, with colors to relate to our Church doors, regarding the East, the dawn, and the beginning.



The Holy Family is standing by a Branford river estuary, with indigenous seagulls above, not doves. Archie’s famous Thimble Islands (he authored the monograph on their history) are suggested along the horizon.

The mariner’s cross (anchor), angled on the shore near the feet of the Holy Family, is the earliest of Christian symbols, even preceding the Cross. It symbolizes **Christianity, faith in Christ, and God’s message of hope** in the eternal life that comes with faith. An additional perspective is that we mean *to be* (as well as *to have*) an anchor here in Branford, called Trinity Church. Bran-

ford is on the sea, and Branford people identify with **that symbol of security. And scripturally, the anchor’s crossbar is aimed toward Mary’s heart, like a dagger foretelling of her grief and the pain of her son’s later death on the Cross.** And yet the Resurrection is represented in the nature of his swaddling clothes and their relation to the clouds.

The worshippers are multicultural, varied, perhaps ancient, perhaps merely timeless, and the little girl in a sundress is 21<sup>st</sup> century.



There are rosa rugosa (beach roses) and thimbleberries native to our Thimble Islands. The apple blossoms above Mary’s head symbolize purity.

Likewise, looking to modern times, Joseph, the dad, is the one holding the baby. We felt the Trinity children would be pleased to see the lamb, and the adults would know that the worshippers are shepherds.

Now the window will do its work for generations to come, freely sharing the light, the story, and the love.

*Morgan Hanna, Archie’s grandson, with artist Debora Coombs, at the Archie Hanna Window Celebration.*







JANET  
CONSTANTINO  
CHAIR

Trinity's Outreach Ministry has grown in new directions while maintaining many of our traditional relationships. We make our pledge to the Diocese of Connecticut, \$32,000+, which supports mission work in our state, in the nation and the world.

In 2013, the Trinity budget allocated \$16,000 for our work. To honor the congregation's clear concern for our local neighbors, the Ministry settled on a 60% Branford/New Haven, and 40% national/international split. Throughout the year, the Outreach budget was augmented by contributions of around \$4,000, and a Vestry approved transfer from the Outreach portion of The Trinity Fund, of \$2,800. The members of Outreach are committed to the good stewardship of all funds, and work to help as many people as possible. Here is what we have done, both financially and in-kind. (see the budget report, page 41)

IN BRANFORD

† a labyrinth made of 1,860 cans of food for the Branford Food Pantry, plus food all year round



- † 100 Thanksgiving Dinners on Branford tables
- † Donation to Branford Fuel Assistance through the Senior Center.
- † The Giving Tree made Christmas merry for five Branford families, referred by the Branford Counseling Center. The 5 families were some of the most challenged families to come through the BCC, including a

Mission Statement

*The mission of the Outreach Ministry of Trinity Episcopal Church is given to us by Jesus Christ in Matthew 25:31-46; to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, care for the needy and poor among us. We do this on local, national and international levels.*

couple of the children had special needs. The BCC trusted us to care for them well. We provided 75 gifts of clothing, school supplies, and toys, as well as grocery gift cards.

† **Cooking and serving breakfasts at the Community Dining Room**, and other contributions to keep their shelves stocked



† *Branford Cares* (BC) continues it's important work of energizing the community around basic needs. In 2013, nearly \$40,000 was distributed to Branford agencies to meet their growing needs. The funds that were sent to the Basic Needs Fund at the Counseling Center helped many people with housing, utility, medical expenses and other challenges that occur when people don't have resources.

*Branford Cares* has been working behind the scenes on access to dental care, partnering with the East Shore Health Department, Branford Early Childhood Collaborative, and local dentists. A survey was completed to provide good data; and a plan is in the works to improve dental health awareness and access. BC is also planning translations of information about available help for the growing diversity in our population.



*Trinity's Youth Group selling hamburgers to raise funds for Branford Cares.*

† **Trinity's Closet served over 90 people in both April and October**, with donated new personal and household items, and some gently used clothing.

#### IN NEW HAVEN

† **Our good friends at Loaves and Fishes at St. Paul and St. James**, provide a safety net for 200-300 families a week, with food, clothing, blood pressure and medical screenings. We are glad to support them.

† **Trinity's Columbus House team is the longest active group of volunteers at the New Haven shelter.** Our monthly beef stew supper has long been a favorite.



† **Life Haven is a temporary shelter for homeless women with children.** Trinity has a long relationship with this important program.

† **The Trinity Trekkers raised money for the Connecticut Food Bank**, and then we added some more.

Three new projects that we joined with this year are:

† *Your Place Youth Center*, a program for at-risk youth in the Newhallville neighborhood.



† *Liberty Community Service*, which provides Sunday breakfast when all of the other feeding ministries are closed.

† *Caring Cuisine*, a meal program by AIDS Project New Haven.



#### AND BEYOND OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

† Guatemalan children are able to go to school through the *Common Hope* program. Our Outreach Ministry supports two children, and a number of Trinity families have their own Common Hope kids. John and Cathy Seibyl, and Loretta Merlone, made the trip down to visit.



† Episcopal Relief and Development was our means of helping the people of the Philippines after the horrific typhoon.

† The Crow Reservation in Montana is home to some of the poorest people in our country. There are many obstacles in the way of making real change for this tribe. We work with the founders of The Center Pole, Peggy Wellknown Buffalo and Susan Kelly. Trinity's contributions have enabled them to reopen their food pantry and receive distributions from the Montana Food Bank. At Christmas time, warm clothing and toys brought lots of smiles. We look forward to continuing this important relationship.

† Trinity's continuing mission in Haiti began with money wired to the village of Kayimet to purchase school uniforms and extra for other needs. 60 children got uni-



forms, and food was purchased with the remainder. School supplies were purchased and delivered by Jen Zehler for a month-long camp in Gros Morne. 100 children had activities and regular meals. For the 3rd year, we **"Filled the Font for Haiti"**, with medicines for the Global Health Ministry trip in November. Janet Constantino and Rev. Sharon made the trip. The medical team saw 800 people in five days.



There was a side visit to Kayimet to see the children in their uniforms - smiles all around. And they learned that Kayimet hopes to build a school for the community. Stay tuned!

The Outreach Ministry was present at the Branford Festival with a Bake Sale, and at the Trinity Fair with the Labyrinth,



and held an Alternative Christmas Fair on the night of the Town Christmas Tree Lighting. Shoppers chose among Heifer Project, the Kayimet School,



Branford Fuel Assistance, The Center Pole, Community Dining Room, and the Giving Tree, to *shop for a cause*.





Paul, Kim, Alyson & Adam Humphrey offered the hospitality of their home to Peggy White Wellknown Buffalo and Susan Kelly of The Center Pole.



Children of The Center Pole



Cathy and John Seibyl visiting with their sponsored child and family, in Guatemala



Jen Zehler dosing out tons of love in Haiti



Several hot hours in the sun, selling lemonade to support our neighbors through Branford Cares





SANDY BALDWIN  
CHAIR

LITURGY

To ensure that parishioners have a variety of experiences during worship, we offer several different ways to do the Prayers of the People. Some seasons we do the traditional prayers from the Prayer Book, at other times we do a Christmas set of prayers and response, and in many seasons we do a Prayer Meditation.

This year we introduced the congregation to the New Zealand liturgy, by using one of their confessions and prayers of consecration, for a month.



*New acolyte Alex Freeman*

ALTAR GUILD

† The directresses and rector are in the process of selecting new green hangings for the altar. They are also developing an instruction manual with pictures for use by the altar guild members as they prepare the altar for both Sunday services and all special services.

VIDEO

† **Our 10:00 AM** Sunday service continues to be broadcast on the local cable network each week. Some of our special services are also broadcast. The video team also makes copies of services available to parishioners for services such as baptisms.

MUSIC

† **The choir sang two beautiful pieces from the Messiah** for the Community Good Friday worship, and ended the Easter services with a rousing Hallelujah Chorus, which is becoming a tradition. The Easter service was enhanced with the trumpet accompaniment by Matthew Montagna

† **On Christmas Eve, the choir performed a concert** prior to the late service.

† **Through generous donations, the choir has both red and green cassocks**, so that they are always vested in proper liturgical color.

† **With other donations, Ron Baldwin, Choir Director**, has been able to purchase more challenging music to enhance our worship and give our choir an opportunity to further develop their musical skills.

† Several times during the year we were fortunate to have parishioners as instrumental musicians perform during services. Jennifer Conlin - violin; Ed Hull—voice, Diane Hull (*middle photo*) – piano; Artemis Simerson - violin, Gabriel Simerson—piano, Taeghan Williams - oboe (*left photo*), and Matt Montagna - trumpet (*right photo*).

MINISTRY MEMBERS

To accomplish the goals of the Worship Ministry, the groups listed on page 19 are represented. We thank these people for their dedication to the weekly worship at Trinity.

We welcome those who are new to our ministry, and we thank Alison and Leo Barbaro, Eileen Cavanaugh, Ann Collier, Nancy Richmond, Donna and Paul Robinson, Cheever Tyler, Mark Williams, and Sarah Williams, who have retired from this ministry. We welcome those who are new, and we invite any parishioner to join our ministry team. We will train those who are interested in any aspect of worship.



MINISTRY MEMBERS

Acolytes: Corrine Daley, Robert Denhardt, Julius Feniola, Alex Freeman, Ryan Monico, and Gabriel Simerson.

Altar Guild: Maryann Allen, Sue Atkinson, Betsey Bray (Directress), Ann Collier, Gail Collins, Nancy Collins (Directress), Janet Daley, Doreen Denhardt, Dru Dodd, Rodney Hayes, Mary McCarthy, Jeanne McParland, Martha Monico, Sally Monroe, Sue Rowan, Kathy Sanchez, and Cathy Seibyl.

Chalice Bearers:  
 Jim Atkinson, Sandra Baldwin, Janet Constantino, Lisa Davis-Rucinski, Dru Dodd, Rodney Hayes, Nanci Henchcliffe, Kris Lockwood, Maureen McGuinness, Peter Otis, Wiley Rutledge, Peter Schuller



*Cathy Seibyl created beautiful step-by-step guides to assist those children who wish to follow worship.*

Choir: Bill Baskin, Mike Carnaroli, Jack Dougherty, Nancy Gillette, Joann Goeler, Sharon Gracen, Ron Henchcliffe, Dawn Henry, Cheryl Hyder, Roz Jones, Francis Kelley, Patti Kron, Bonnie Murphy, Becky Paul, Steve Sharma, Bob Williams, Taegan Williams and Gayle Wylie.

Lectors: Jim Atkinson, Sandra Baldwin, Pat Barbis, Janet Constantino, Diane Doran, Jack Dougherty, Peggy Esposito, Julius Feniola, George Fouser, Patrick Freeman, Bill Gilpatrick, Terry Haight, Rodney Hayes, Jeff Kron, Patti Kron, Peter Otis, Wiley Rutledge, Barry Schaller, Carol Schaller, Samdaye Sharma, Gabriel Simerson, Robert Stosse, Jen Zehler and Frank Zemina.

Ushers: Neil and Sara Anglemire, Sandra Baldwin, Judie Cavanaugh, Janet Daley, Dru Dodd, Ann and Michael Freeman, Peter and Rodney Hayes, William Holohan, David Howell, Ruth Knowlton, Blake and Lois Lehr, Kris Lockwood, Mary McCarthy, Otty and Perdita Norwood, Bobbe Otis, Paul and Susan Rowan, Kathy Sanchez, Cindy Sheppard, and Frank Zemina

Video Team: Katherine Rowe, Wiley Rutledge, and Ron Henchcliffe



MUSIC @ TRINITY: A CLASSICAL CONCERT SERIES

The inaugural concert was a musical triumph and a fellowship success. Neil Fitzpatrick, classical guitarist, and Mooretet, a Yale-based string ensemble, provided exquisite music; and Ken Sause (*below*) put on a reception afterwards that we still talk about.

The success of the first concert encouraged us to schedule three concerts for the 2013-2014 season, the first of which was held in November. Manhattan Soloists—two violins, a cello and piccolo trumpet (David Glukh in photo)—were talented, lively, and a whole lot of fun. And the after-party was festive, too!



We look forward to growing this cultural offering for Branford, and enjoy welcoming those from the community to our lovely church.





*With thanks to Ken Sause, who championed the fundraising for the Ron Baldwin Music Ministry Fund, Ron was presented with the green cassocks (top left), modeled by very happy choir members.*



*Rev. Sharon shared a sermon with visitors Peggy White Wellknown Buffalo & Susan Kelly, of The Center Pole.*



*Altar Guild recruitment starts early in life!*

*Hallelujah  
Chorus on  
Easter  
Sunday*





Peter Hayes  
Chair

In 2013 Parish Life continued to bring people together, and add new programs while enhancing existing activities. Parish Life Ministry includes:

- † Hospitality—Coffee Hour, Branford Jazz Concerts, and Community Free (Disaster) Suppers;
- † Fellowship—Book Group, Craft Group, First Sunday Breakfast, Newcomer Ministry, Tuesday Night Quilters, and family events such as Christmas pageant;
- † Community Events—First Friday Family Night, Lobster Dinner @ The Branford Festival, Trinity Fair, and Advent/Tree Lighting Night.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

† A new program, First Friday Family Night dinners, debuted this year. It provides families with younger children a break from making supper, and a chance for the adults to share tips, stories, and fellowship, while the children are entertained with games and other diversions. One of our young families came up with the concept — the best ideas are borne out of need.

† Another new group this year is the Trinity Craft Group (left, below). And, what a hardworking group they proved to be! They made all sorts of original gift ideas, which were offered for sale at the May *Branford Arts & Crafts*, and *The Annual Fair*. Thank you, ladies!



† The Tuesday Night Quilters produced another beautiful handmade quilt, called *Love Song*. The ladies enjoy fellowship, and continue a long tradition supporting this important fundraiser for the church. Thank you!

† **Both the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Lobster Dinner** at the Branford Festival, and **The 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Fair**, surpassed all previous results. Under terrific leadership, these community events are gaining more participation each year, both from the community and parishioners. We look forward to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 107<sup>th</sup>!



*The (in)famous Lobster Dinner cooking crew!*

† **Sara & Neil Anglemire took on the newcomer program**, which will strengthen how well we connect with newcomers to help them feel accepted and part of the Trinity Church family.

ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTS

† Coffee Hour continues to run smoothly. So much so that it just seems to happen as if by magic, or the work of elves. However, it takes the hard work and dedication of Jen Zehler and our youth in the *Trinity Grounds Crew*. Good job, everyone!

† Once again, Trinity celebrated Twelfth Night with an evening of food, fun and fellowship. There was a good turnout, delicious food, and great fellowship. My thanks go to the crew who worked in the kitchen, the servers and cleanup crew.

THE FUTURE

Parish Life will grow, and hopefully adapt to meet changing times and needs of the parish, in the coming year. New ideas and activities suggested by new or existing parishioners are encouraged and welcome. In so doing, the Parish Life Ministry will be a living ministry that is responsive to the members of Trinity Church.



## THE 106TH FAIR



DOTTIE PACKER  
FAIR COORDINATOR

The Fair was held on a beautiful, sunny day, Saturday, Sept 7th. The Town was dotted with new red Trinity Fair yard signs. From my perspective, the energy was at an all-time high. We introduced and welcomed: music all day, the labyrinth of canned goods, outside vendors, face painters and children's games sponsored by local banks. As a result, with the new income from vendors and banks, plus great results from everything else, we had the highest fair gross income, and net income after expenses, ever!

I look forward to new energy, ideas, and direction. We need continued input. Lets pour on the love for the church and community again. Come and join us and feel the compassion and spirit of the Trinity tradition! Our 107th fair will be held on Saturday, Sept 6th, 2014.

Enthusiastically,

*Dottie*

See The Fair income and expense report on page 44.



*Even Ben Cormany helped to move cans of food!*

## SCOUTING



PATRICK FREEMAN  
CHARTERED ORGANIZATION  
REPRESENTATIVE

Trinity Church sponsored three Scouting programs for 2013:

Cub Scout Pack 424 (boys age 6-10)  
Boy Scout Troop 424 (boys age 11-18), and  
Venture Crew 424 (boys and girls age 14-21)

All of the units have been active in the Branford Community, participating in various activities including: the placing of flags for Veterans Day and Memorial Day; Food Drives for Branford Food Bank; visiting Orchard House to sing carols; **organizing children's games for the Trinity Church Fair**, and helping with *Trinity's Closet* by moving the donated supplies into the Parish Hall.

Also during this time, as Chartered Organization Representative and Lighthouse District Chairman, I was in a position to vote in favor of the Connecticut **Yankee Council's (CYC) position on the membership standards** for our Council. CYC took the bold position to be non-discriminatory toward all youth and adult leaders, which is one step beyond the current Boy Scouts of America national policy.

The Scouting units are continuing to grow and be successful, due to the many active leaders and the support of Trinity Episcopal Church.

Respectfully submitted,

*Patrick*



*Jen Zehler & Frank Zemina huggin' in the kitchen, while Bobbe Otis, of First Sunday Breakfast Crew, keeps working!*



Tag Sale is a major money maker for The Fair. Items are donated and sold from May to October. Pam Bold (It) and Dottie Packer collecting a donation from Mike Freeman.



The Silent Auction is a top money maker for The Fair. Chair Peggy Esposito (It) with crew Cindy Coote & Kathy Sanchez to her right, and a good customer, Tony Schmitt.



Martha Monico taking food orders at The Fair.



Twelfth Night Dinner chefs: left to right, Mike Dodd, Peter Hayes, & Mitch Rucinski



Left to right, back row: Cindy Lewis, Donna Robinson, Lois Lehr, Carol Brunt; front & mid rows: Sue Atkinson, Pam Bold, Chris Baird, Ruth Knowlton, Jane Dougherty, Nancy Olson, Ann Collier. Missing from photo: Cathy Seibyl, Peg Slubowski, Glee Miner, Dru Dodd

TUESDAY NIGHT QUILTERS SHOWING THE 2013 QUILT, LOVE SONG

ACTIVITIES

Although currently operating without a Chair, the Spirituality Ministry continues its work of Pastoral Care, the Prayer Chain, occasional Meal Trains, sending greeting cards, and the beginnings of the Parish Health Ministry. A survey was completed to discern the interests and needs that might be addressed by parish health volunteers. The group will begin its work in 2014.

† The college care packages went out again, supplying Trinity's students with goodies and necessities to remind them they are loved and cared about.

† Lay Eucharistic Visitors Bill Gilpatrick and Ruth Buell continued their dedicated home-visiting service to bring communion to those who cannot make it to church.

† The weekly prayer emails keep the Trinity community in touch with the needs of the world, thanksgiving for the ministries of the church, as well as Trinity's prayer list.



*Painted on a wall in Haiti*

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Maryann Allen, Bob Barnett, Ruth Buell, Bill Gilpatrick, Rodney Hayes, Winnifred Judge, Mary McCarthy, Jeanne McParland, Bert Rowe, Sue Rowan, and college student parents.



A WAY OF LIFE

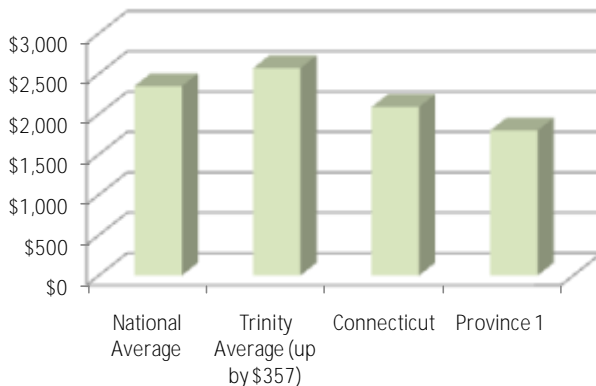
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

† Part of being an Episcopal Church means that we are in communion with the other congregations in our diocese, with our bishops, and with the greater Episcopal Church. It is a venerable institution. Belonging comes with responsibility, and part of that is found in the formula for our pledge to the Diocese of Connecticut. Last year, Trinity paid its full apportionment of \$35,000 (rounded) which went to support the work of this diocese, the national church and our mission in the world. It is money well spent.

ANNUAL APPEAL

While total pledge dollars fell slightly below last year's total, the overall average pledge rose. Membership is steady, and pledgers continue to be faithful and committed. Trinity leadership will continue to educate newcomers about the spiritual practice of giving.

\*EPISCOPAL CHURCH AVERAGES  
BY PROVINCE  
(Trinity is in Province 1, New England)





MARTHA MONICO  
CHAIR

### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

**Godly Play** This is a Montessori-based spiritual curriculum that is in its 14<sup>th</sup> year at Trinity, meeting weekly during the school year during the 10:00 AM service. We have two Godly Play Worship Centers serving pre-k thru 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Each room has a story teller **and doorkeeper to assist the children in 'getting ready'** to hear the stories of the Bible, and to learn about Episcopal traditions. Godly play staff is trained by certified Godly Play instructors, and participate in safe church practices.



*New Godly Play stories were added this year.*

**Youth** Middle school youth in grades 5-8 meet weekly during the 10:00 AM service for spiritual development and socialization. A curriculum called *Witness* follows a school/academic calendar. The youth have taken ownership of their room by painting and decorating it in previous years, using monies from car wash fundraisers. Yearly, they establish the room rules and have weekly snacks, pow-wow sessions, listen to music, view movie clips, and play games in a carpeted area with oversized pillows. Extra-spiritual activities are fostered, such as being an acolyte, ringing the church bell, assisting at Branford Community Dining Room, and other social outreach projects.

The Youth Group of middle and high school ages met once per month during the academic year, on Sunday evenings, to think about something, do something and eat something.

Adult Education Monthly Adult Forums between the two Sunday services continued during the academic year: along with a Lenten series, an Advent program and Bible study were offered.

### HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2013

- † Godly Play had 20 children registered for its program, with 6 committed teachers and doorkeepers.
- † **Middle school had 6 youth registered for its program**, with 3 dedicated teachers.
- † **Good Friday/Snuggly story Children's program**, facilitated by Jen Zehler and other education teachers, was attended by 8 children and their parents.
- † **Christmas Pageant**, held the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, had 15 children participate, followed by a dinner.
- † **Lenten Program of soup and discussion on violence** was held on five Wednesday evenings
- † **Adult Forums with topics ranging from mission trips to Haiti**, by Rev. Sharon, Janet Constantino and Jen Zehler, **to Alzheimer's disease by Dr. John Seibyl**, and authors and their books/research from Justice Barry Schaller, Perdita Norwood, Bob Barnett and Peter Schuller.



We also had a special visit from Peggy White Well-known Buffalo, who came dressed in traditional Crow Indian attire to discuss the needs of her people on their Montana reservation.



Adult Forums had interesting guests and topics: left, Peggy White Wellknown Buffalo & Susan Kelly of The Center Pole, and (right) Dr. John Seibyl of Institute for Neurodegenerative Disorders.



Rev Sharon & Janet Constantino, on their visit to Kayimet.

The Godly Play Worship Center brightened with color.



Julius Feniola & Ryan Monico, helping to Raise the Roof (Habitat) in Madison



ANN FREEMAN  
CHAIR

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

† Website The facelift and reorganization was completed, to better reflect the present Ministries structure. Technical improvements included encrypting the whole site to improve security, and the ability to display the content appropriately depending on the type of device used to access the site—computer, tablet or smart phone. Upon request, a blog, *Trinity Talk*, was added to the parishioner site.

† **An online pictorial membership directory** was custom-fitted with Trinity members' contact information and ministry group membership. A smart phone app version is also available, making web-based information convenient and easily accessible.



† **Created a playbill for *Music at Trinity* concerts**

† **Created a self-guided walking tour brochure, *Lit by God's Light, The Windows of Trinity Church.***

#### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- † **Web site** Freshen time-sensitive content weekly.
- † *Messenger* newsletter Produce ten issues that **communicate what's going on throughout Trinity.**
- † Special Event Publicity & Promotion
- † Annual Appeal campaign materials
- † Annual Report **It is a privilege to share Trinity's story for this and future generations.**

#### MINISTRY MEMBERS

My heartfelt appreciation goes to the people below, without whom much less would be achieved.

##### *Messenger*

*Content:* Rev. Sharon, Bill Baskin, Jane Dougherty, Wardens, all the Chairs *Production:* Lynn Aspland, Ruth Buell, Dru Dodd, Jane Dougherty, Bill Gilpatrick, Mary McCarthy, Judy Nelson, Roberta Rowe

*Membership Directory Administrators* Sandy Baldwin, Jane Dougherty, Martha Monico, Nancy Williams (II), Jen Zehler

Web Site Marty of Sherman Communications

Photos Peter C. Otis, Rev. Sharon

Pew Stock Diane Hull

Bulletin Board Many thanks to Judie Cavanaugh, who has stepped down, and welcome Janet Daley!

Exterior sign messages Jim Atkinson



*Cross and Rings of Ivy, Eli Rogers Window*



ONGOING ACTIVITIES

† The day-to-day workings of Trinity remain in the capable hands of Jane Dougherty, the Parish Administrator. Sunday bulletins, record keeping, electronic communication, database management, membership directory maintenance, and everything else that comes through the door, are managed by Jane from 9 to 1:00 PM, weekdays. There is volunteer help to cover the afternoons, and prepare the monthly bulk mailings. All of the office equipment continues to serve us well (knock on wood).

Office volunteers: Bill Baskin, Mary McCarthy, Ann Freeman, Ruth Knowlton

† The Trinity Archives, carefully stewarded by Jeanne McParland and Winnifred Judge, provided help to research Archie Hanna information, and the existing stained glass windows history. With their help, a new color brochure was produced that gives the history of each of our treasures.

† The Parochial Report, which is the annual facts and figures filing with the Episcopal Church USA and the Diocese of Connecticut, was completed by Bill Baskin, the Chair of the Finance Ministry, and Rev. Sharon.

Sharon+

Administration Ministry Team  
 Rev. Sharon, Rector  
 Jane Dougherty, Administrator  
 Ron Baldwin, Music Director  
 Nancy Williams, Sexton  
 Juno, Church Dog!



*Adult Forum topics inform people to live better lives. The speakers were interesting. The audience was engaged.*



MIKE MCGUINNESS  
CHAIR

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

- † Repaired Brownstone steps at the front entrance.
- † Removed the septic tank and connected to municipal sewer via Town Hall connection to Montowese Street.
- † Relamped spotlights in the Choir area, and other high places.
- † Dusted and washed windows on a very efficient Spring Work Day.
- † Gave the loft a complete makeover! Painted the walls



adjacent to the new stained glass window to better reflect the new illumination for the window; covered the old tile floor with new carpet; removed and re-secured the pews; and added new lighting to accentuate the new window.

† Resolved complications of the water system, which was making strange noises attributed to the boiler in ‘the pit’. **Explored options to replace the boiler and the water heater, converting to gas, with much greater efficiency.** Will recommend replacement after the heating season.

RECTORY MAINTENANCE

- † Secured the gutters and added a downspout at the rectory.
- † Removed fallen trees and brush at the rectory.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mike McGuinness*

2013 HIGHLIGHTS



*Work Day was a perfect spring day to wash windows, clean up the landscape, and more. Many thanks to the willing hands!*

*As the window was installed, much preparation of the loft began. Mike, and Sandy Baldwin (of the Stained Glass Window committee), met to discuss what is needed to refurbish the area.*







BILL BASKIN  
CHAIR

**Responsible for stewardship of Trinity's endowment resources and oversight of its budget and all expenditures.**

#### 2013 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**The Ministry's membership includes a lawyer, a financial analyst, the Stop & Shop program chair, and the Trustees of The Trinity Fund .** During 2013, the Ministers supported the mission of Trinity Church by managing the investment and use of all of its cash, securities and receivables, and by soliciting gifts to the church. In these regards, the Ministers considered and recommended to the Vestry several timely uses of Trinity's trust and investment funds.

**But the Ministry's most significant accomplishment in 2013** involved the creation of an Investment Review Committee. In April, at the call of the Senior Warden, a group of interested and knowledgeable parishioners commenced a review of the management and uses of **Trinity's investment portfolios and assets.** This Committee met in April and, following an open discussion and exchange of ideas and views regarding the history of, the past and present investment and use of, and the investment and expenditure limitations on, the **Church's various operational, trust and investment funds,** it was agreed that the work of the Committee should be performed by two subcommittees - an Investment Review Subcommittee, and a Legal/Ethics Subcommittee - and that the goals of the Investment Review Subcommittee would be to (1) develop an investment philosophy suited to each of the several **endowment and investment funds' missions** – including consideration of socially responsible investment, (2) describe the appropriate use of each fund to fulfill its mission, and (3) prepare expenditure rules and guidance for the Vestry.

The Legal/Ethics Subcommittee is chaired by Peter Schuller, and its membership includes Andrew Camp-

*The principal impact on Trinity has been an increase in the congregations' knowledge and understanding of the operation and management of the church's fiscal resources, and a strengthening of The Trinity Fund.*

bell, Jay Pottenger and Bill Baskin. The Investment Review Subcommittee is chaired by John MacDonald, and its membership includes Reverend Gracen, Stephen Hooker, Yve Larrieu, Martha Monico, Cathy Seibyl, and Peter Schuller. Michael Freeman and Michael Dodd are Observers on both subcommittees.

After a plenary session of the full Committee, in May, for a general conversation about ethics and stewardship, the Legal/Ethics Subcommittee met in June; and, following an extended discussion and exchange of opinions and ideas, this subcommittee prepared and submitted to the Investment Review Subcommittee a comprehensive summary of the Legal/Ethics Subcommittee's recommendations and ideas regarding the ongoing management and use of Trinity's trust and investment funds. At year-end, the Investment Review Subcommittee had not completed work on its challenging goals. But the Finance Ministers anticipate an excellent result.

#### 2013 ACTIVITIES

Assisting the Assistant Treasurer and the Vestry in reviewing and managing the annual budget and expenditures, examining all requests for the disbursement of **the church's monies, and recommending the funding of** disbursements from specific resources where appropriate.

Overseeing the functioning and administration of the **church's Stop & Shop program.**

Engaging, and overseeing the annual review of the **church's balance sheets and related statements of activities** and cash flows by, David Zuber, C.P.A., an independent auditor.

Compiling, and distributing to all affected officers and ministers, monthly and year-to-date summaries of the **activities in each of the church's funds and investment accounts.**

Meeting when appropriate, to review, discuss and act on programmatic progress and issues.

## MINISTRY MEMBERS

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William Baskin, Chair

Cathy Seibyl, Chair, Stop & Shop program

Stephen Hooker

Rev. Sharon Gracen, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

Julie Anderson, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

Perdita Norwood, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

David Pearson, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

Mitchell Rucinski, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

Carol Schaller, Trustee, The Trinity Fund

## FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS SUMMARY FOR 2013

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### The Eli Goodrich Fund

In 1882, Trinity Church received, from the Estate of Eli Goodrich, his home. The Eli Goodrich Fund was created, and is supervised, by the Branford and North Branford Probate Court; and it is currently administered by Trinity's Michael Dodd, as its Trustee. The fund is invested in a conservative allocation of stocks, bonds and cash accounts at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc. **The fund's income is given, in the discretion of the Trustee, to the poor of Trinity. Its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$449,931. During 2013, gifts totaling \$12,423 were given to nine recipients. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$492,770.**

### The Mary Bartholomew Fund

In 1920, Trinity Church received a sum of money from the Estate of Mary Bartholomew. The Mary Bartholomew Fund was created, and is supervised, by the Branford and North Branford Probate Court; and it is currently administered by Trinity's Michael Dodd, as its Trustee. The fund is invested in a mutual fund. **The fund's income is used in any way the church's officers deem necessary, as all other requirements of Mary Bartholomew's will have been satisfied. Its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$27,102. During 2013, no disbursements were requested nor made. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$30,817.**

### The Vernal and Florence H. Bates Fund

In 1983, Trinity Church received, from the Estate of Florence H. Bates, a sum of money for the creation of a trust fund known as the Vernal W. and Florence H. Bates Fund. The fund is invested in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company; and its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$37,836. **The fund's income is used, in the discretion of the Rector and Senior Warden, for needy parishioners and residents of the Town of Branford. In 2013, \$2,550 was disbursed from this fund, the fund earned income of \$331, and the market value of its investment increased by \$5,228. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$40,845.**

### The Shepard Fund

In 1986, Trinity Church received from the Estate of Mabel Frances Shepard, a longtime Branford educator, the proceeds from the sale of her home, and an additional sum of money, for the creation of a trust fund known as the Shepard Fund, in memory of Mabel Frances Shepard, her grandmother, Mary Frances Shepard, her father, Edward Baldwin Shepard, and her mother, Ellen Sherman Shepard. The fund is invested in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company; and its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$473,821. The Trustees of the fund are the Rector and **the Senior and Junior Wardens; and the fund's income is used, in the discretion of the Trustees, for the purpose of providing scholarships for needy and deserving students within the church parish. In 2013, the church was again honored to distribute \$4,000 in scholarships to Trinity students. In 2013, \$5,323 was withdrawn from the fund for distribution, the fund earned income of \$14,290, and the market value of its investment increased by \$67,853. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$540,641.**

### The Dese Fund

The Dese Fund is invested in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company; and its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$99,033. Expenditures from the fund are used, in the discretion of the Vestry, for **maintenance of the church's properties. In 2013, no disbursements were made from this fund, the fund earned income of \$905, and the market value of its investment increased by \$14,197. The fund's principal**

and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$114,135.

#### The Crossley Fund

The Crossley Fund is invested in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company; and its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$27,289. Expenditures from the fund are used, in the discretion of the Vestry, for **emergency repairs to the church's properties**. In 2013, no disbursements were made from this fund, the fund earned income of \$249, and the market value of its **investment increased by \$3,912**. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$31,450.

#### The Memorials & Gifts Fund

The Memorials & Gifts Fund has been the repository of gifts in memory of Trinity parishioners and others, and un-denominated gifts, to the church over the course of many years. It is invested in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company, and in a money market account at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.; and its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$69,542, including \$14,023 in a component Elevator Fund, and \$30,030 in a component Stained Glass Window Fund. Expenditures from the Elevator Fund are to be used, at the direction of the Vestry, for the installation and maintenance of an elevator between the church and undercroft levels of the church building; and expenditures from the Stained Glass Window Fund are used, in the discretion of the Vestry, for the **preservation of and additions to the church's stained glass windows**. Expenditures from the remainder of the Memorials & Gifts Fund are made, in the discretion of the Vestry, to further the overall purpose and well-being of the church and its members. A Memorial and Gifts Committee, comprised of voting members of the church laity, recommends distributions to the Vestry. In 2013, the fund made distributions totaling \$64,499, the fund received gifts totaling \$21,909, earned income of \$19, incurred expenses of \$65, and the market value **of its investments increased by \$290**. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$27,196, including \$8,683 in the component Elevator Fund and \$1,487 in the component Stained Glass Window Fund.

#### Memorial and Gifts Committee Report

The Memorial and Gifts Committee is responsible for Unrestricted Funds designated as a memorial or gift. The Memorial and Gifts Committee reviews a request for use of these funds and if appropriate makes a recommendation to the Vestry. The Committee maintains a record of all gifts for Unrestricted Funds.

The Committee is comprised of six voting members of the Parish laity and the Rector or a member of the parish clergy designated by the Rector. Lay members of the parish are appointed 2 per year for a two-year term at the annual meeting in January.

Committee members and their terms are: Sue Rowan (2013), David Smith (2013), Andrea Moore (2014), Ruth Buell (2014), Jeanne McParland (2015), and Mark McElrath (2015). Mark is liaison to the Vestry.

David Smith, Chair

#### The Rector's Discretionary Fund

**The Rector's Discretionary Fund is the repository of gifts made in honor of the Rector.** It is invested in a money market account at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.; and its balance as of December 31, 2012 was \$1,546. Expenditures from the fund are made at the discretion of the Rector. In 2013, no disbursements were made from this fund, the fund had no earned income, and it incurred expenses of \$65. Its balance as of December 31, 2013 was \$1,481.

#### The Restoration Fund

The Restoration Fund is the repository of gifts and other monies accumulated for the ongoing campaign to restore and preserve the historical and archaeological qualities of the church building. This fund has been administered by Martha Monico. The fund is held in a cash account at Capital One Bank; and its balance at December 31, 2012 was \$16,656. Expenditures from the fund are made, on recommendations of Martha Monico, the Senior and Junior Wardens, and the Rector, by the Vestry. In 2013, the fund received funds totaling \$40,173, and disbursed \$36,343 for projects. Its balance as of December 31, 2013 was \$20,486.

#### The Trinity Fund

The Trinity Fund is a trust fund that was created by the Vestry in 1986. It is invested in mutual funds at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc. It has six component funds; and every gift to the fund may be directed

to any one or more of them:

The Unrestricted Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, to further the overall purpose and well-being of the church and its members. Its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$27,566. In 2013, no disbursements were made from this fund, it earned income of \$937, incurred expenses of \$7, and the market value of its investment account **decreased by \$535. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$27,961.**

The Building and Grounds Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, for the operation, maintenance, improvement, expansion and construction of the church properties. Its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$31,320. In 2013, no disbursements were made from this fund, it earned income of \$1,065, incurred expenses of \$8, and the market value of its investment account decreased by **\$601. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$31,771.**

The Mission and Outreach Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, to reach out to and assist members of the human family, wherever they may live, who are in bodily or spiritual need. Its principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 was \$101,854. In 2013, \$2,800 was disbursed, it earned income of \$3,357, incurred expenses of \$27, and the market value of its investment decreased by **\$1,902. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$100,482.**

The Ministry Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, to support the ministry of all persons, lay and ordained, and to fund programs that afford spiritual support to the people of the church and the community. It had no principal or accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 or December 31, 2013.

The Christian Education Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, to support and encourage Christian education for persons of all ages. It had no principal or accumulated income as of December 31, 2012 or December 31, 2013.

The Legacy Fund is used, in the discretion of the Vestry, to promote the well-being of the church and its members. It was created by the Vestry in 2012, and is funded by the members of a Legacy Society, an honorary association comprised of those members of Trinity who have remembered this parish as one of the beneficiaries in their estate planning or who have made living legacy gifts. The Legacy Society was organized in the Spring of 2012; and, as of December 31, 2012, its principal and accumulated was \$85,886. In 2013, the

fund earned income of \$580, incurred expenses of \$1,080, and the market value of its investment **increased by \$9,521. The fund's principal and accumulated income as of December 31, 2013 was \$94,907.**

Six Trustees, whose names are listed above, promote The Trinity Fund and manage its investment. Two Trustees are Vestry members, elected by the Vestry for two-year, staggered terms. Three Trustees are non-Vestry church members, elected by the church membership for three-year staggered terms. The sixth Trustee is the Rector.

#### General Funds Investment and Reserve Accounts

**Monies that are not required for the church's current** operating expenses are invested in accounts in the diocesan Episcopal Investment Funds, at State Street Bank and Trust Company, and at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. The principal and accumulated income in these accounts totaled \$355,164 as of December 31, 2012. In 2013, the accounts earned income of \$2,973, the market value of their investments increased by \$47,013, and \$27,656, was withdrawn for current operating expense purposes. As of December 31, 2013, the principal and accumulated income in these accounts totaled \$402,067.



*Boards depicting the window design were in place for 8 months during window production. Installation of the stained glass pieces began at the top.*



	2013 Budget	2013 Actual	% of Budget Amt
<b>Income</b>			
Plate Offerings	\$16,000.00	\$7,994.60	50%
Pledges	\$246,000.00	\$245,354.89	100%
Funerals/Weddings Income	\$2,000.00	\$2,178.00	109%
Non-Pledge Donation	\$1,000.00	\$6,000.00	600%
Expense Reimbursement (Reimbursed from Bfd Fest for utilities)		\$250.00	na
Flowers	\$4,500.00	\$4,435.00	99%
Capital Campaign	\$200.00	\$0.00	0%
Fair Proceeds (note: 2012 & 2013 Fair money recvd in 2013)	\$14,000.00	\$32,417.00	232%
Rental Income-Rectory	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00	100%
Stop and Shop program	\$800.00	\$1,000.00	125%
Foote Family Trust	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	100%
Organizations Rental/Use Income	\$900.00	\$785.00	87%
Lobster Dinner Income		\$1,817.26	na
Parish Life Income	\$2,500.00	\$750.00	30%
Outreach		\$1,438.00	na
Thanksgiving Turkeys		\$2,797.50	na
Inv. Income-Budget Draw D	\$6,500.00	\$2,656.11	41%
Foundation giving	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	0%
<b>Total Budget/Operations Income</b>	<b>\$341,400.00</b>	<b>\$348,873.36</b>	102%
(Note: If 2013 Fair not included, total income is \$332,456.36 for 97% of budgeted income)			
<b>*Plus Total Non-Budget Special Purpose Income</b>			
* Baldwin Music Ministry Fund		\$3,165.00	na
* Elevator Fund		\$50.00	na
* Hanna Window		\$9,380.00	na
*Memorials & Gifts - Other		\$785.00	na
* FBO Legacy Fund		\$1,320.00	na
* Restoration donations		\$430.00	na
* Music at Trinity Income		\$4,636.56	na
*Kayimit School Income		\$1,335.00	na
* Transfers In from Other Accts (Shepard, ML)		\$36,537.80	na
		\$57,639.36	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$341,400.00</b>	<b>\$406,512.72</b>	119%

<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Administration</b>				
Salaries-Admin Assistant	\$22,022.95	\$22,039.42	100%	
Payroll Taxes - Administration	\$1,900.00	\$1,686.01	89%	
Pension-Admin Assistant	\$1,000.00	\$1,184.33	118%	
Archive	\$100.00	\$0.00	0%	
Office Expense	\$3,400.00	\$3,973.80	117%	
Postage and Delivery	\$750.00	\$524.80	70%	
Funeral/Weddings Expense	\$500.00	\$722.10	144%	
IT Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$220.00	22%	
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$30,672.95</b>	<b>\$30,350.46</b>	<b>99%</b>	
<b>Buildings/Facilities</b>				
Salaries-Sexton	\$11,716.00	\$12,254.84	105%	
Payroll Taxes - Sexton	\$1,000.00	\$937.50	94%	
Utilities - Rectory	\$3,700.00	\$3,702.55	100%	
Utilities - Church	\$14,000.00	\$14,325.93	102%	
Cell Phone Service	\$2,100.00	\$2,220.38	106%	
Heating/Fuel	\$9,500.00	\$10,134.17	107%	
Internet Service	\$750.00	\$830.66	111%	
Other Utilities	\$500.00	\$0.00	0%	
Insurance Property & Other	\$19,000.00	\$16,228.00	85%	
Repairs and Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$13,084.82	262%	
Diocesan Loan Repayment	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	100%	
Painting Fund	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	0%	
<b>Total Buildings/Facilities</b>	<b>\$81,766.00</b>	<b>\$85,718.85</b>	<b>105%</b>	
<b>Clergy Compensation</b>				
Salaries-Clergy	\$57,459.07	\$57,472.32	100%	
Social Security Reimb-Clergy	\$8,600.00	\$8,464.72	98%	
Pension Fund - clergy	\$16,500.00	\$17,876.16	108%	
Insurance Medical, Life	\$19,500.00	\$20,764.00	106%	
Housing Equity	\$2,800.00	\$2,770.04	99%	
Housing-Clergy	\$24,000.00	\$23,999.82	100%	
Cont. Education	\$500.00	\$928.28	186%	
<b>Total Clergy Compensation</b>	<b>\$129,359.07</b>	<b>\$132,275.34</b>	<b>102%</b>	

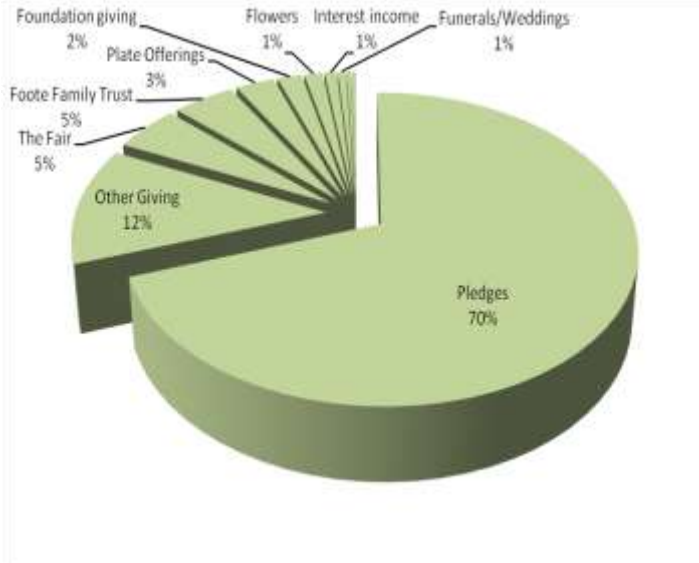
<b>Communication Ministry</b>			
Advertising/Publications	\$800.00	\$450.00	56%
Communications Web Hosting	\$800.00	\$1,750.00	219%
Other Communication Expenses	\$50.00	\$651.34	1303%
<b>Total Communications Ministry</b>	<b>\$1,650.00</b>	<b>\$2,851.34</b>	<b>173%</b>
<b>Education Ministry</b>			
Day Care	\$500.00	\$150.00	30%
Godly Play	\$1,860.40	\$2,441.16	131%
Books	\$54.00	\$0.00	0%
Supplies	\$150.00	\$0.00	0%
Training	\$765.00	\$0.00	0%
Youth Ministry - Middle	\$300.00	\$232.65	78%
Youth Ministry- HS	\$300.00	\$240.51	80%
Youth Group	\$100.00	\$0.00	0%
<b>Total Education Ministry</b>	<b>\$4,029.40</b>	<b>\$3,064.32</b>	<b>76%</b>
<b>Finance Ministry</b>			
Accounting/Audit	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	0%
Bank Service Charges	\$300.00	\$300.00	100%
<b>Total Finance Ministry</b>	<b>\$3,800.00</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Outreach Ministry</b>			
Support of Diocesan Programs	\$35,278.00	\$34,990.00	99%
Outreach Program Expenses	\$16,000.00	\$17,230.12	108%
Thanksgiving Dinners		\$2,797.60	na
<b>Total Outreach Ministry</b>	<b>\$51,278.00</b>	<b>\$55,017.72</b>	
<b>Parish Life Ministry</b>			
Parish Life - Expenses	\$3,500.00	\$1,764.70	50%
Lobster Dinner Expenses		\$1,817.27	na
<b>Total Parish Life Ministry</b>	<b>\$3,500.00</b>	<b>\$3,581.97</b>	
<b>Spirituality Ministry</b>			
Spirituality Ministry Expenses (note: \$181.98 for 2012 proj)	\$250.00	\$393.38	157%
<b>Total Spirituality Ministry</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>\$393.38</b>	<b>157%</b>
<b>Stewardship</b>			
Stewardship expenses	\$650.00	\$796.20	122%
<b>Total Stewardship</b>	<b>\$650.00</b>	<b>\$796.20</b>	<b>122%</b>

<b>Worship Ministry</b>			
Supply Minister	\$1,000.00	\$1,064.30	106%
Payroll Taxes - Music	\$1,800.00	\$1,827.29	102%
Salaries - Musical Director	\$14,555.00	\$14,036.10	96%
Salaries - Section Leaders	\$9,800.00	\$9,850.00	101%
Music	\$3,500.00	\$2,743.47	78%
Altar Supplies	\$500.00	\$556.76	111%
Flowers & Plants	\$3,000.00	\$3,402.49	113%
<b>Total Worship Ministry</b>	<b>\$34,155.00</b>	<b>\$33,480.41</b>	<b>98%</b>
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$341,110.42</b>	<b>\$347,829.99</b>	<b>102%</b>
<b>Net Income for Budget/Operations</b>	<b>\$289.58</b>	<b>\$1,043.37</b>	
<b>Misc/Non-Budget/Special Purpose Expenses</b>			
Music at Trinity Expenses		\$4,500.00	
Baldwin Mic Fund Expenses		\$3,336.29	
Hanna Window Fund Transferred to Restoration III		\$10,010.00	
Scholarship Expense (Used Shepard Funds recvd in Dec 2012 & June 2013)		\$6,500.00	
Transfers Out To ML Accounts		\$17,530.00	
Reconciliation Discrepancies		-\$160.98	
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>		<b>\$41,715.31</b>	
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$341,110.42</b>	<b>\$389,545.30</b>	<b>114%</b>
<b>Total Net Income</b>		<b>\$17,637.42</b>	



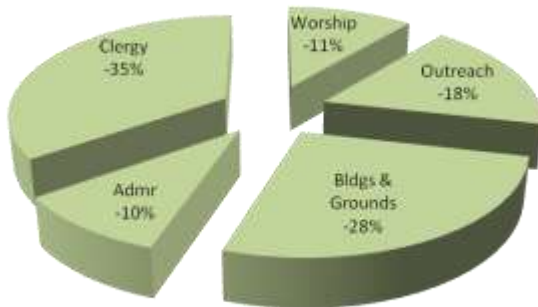


DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME



Stop & Shop	Rents	Other
0%	0%	0%

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES



Parish Life	Spirituality	Stewardship	Communication	Finance	Education
-1,800	-300	-800	-2,100	-3,800	-3,050
<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%

BUDGET NOTES

The Vestry is pleased to present the 2014 operating budget, developed in collaboration with the Chairs of the Council of Ministries. Of note:

1. With 70% of the operating budget coming from pledges, your response to the annual appeal will enable Trinity to sustain our programs at the current level, even adding a little more to Outreach.
2. Every ministry has received what they asked for.
3. It includes a 2.5% salary increase for clergy and paid staff.
4. It also increases our Outreach goal to \$17,000.

Trinity is indeed blessed to receive good financial support. Thank you all. We will do what God is calling us to do.



**INCOME SUPPORTING OPERATIONS BUDGET**

Pledges	225,000	70%
Other Giving	40,000	12%
The Fair	16,000	5%
Foote Family Trust	15,000	5%
Plate Offerings	9,500	3%
Foundation Giving	6,000	2%
Flowers	4,500	1%
Interest Income	3,000	1%
Funerals/Weddings	2,000	1%
Stop and Shop Program	1,000	0%
Outside Organizations Rent	750	0%
Other	250	0%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$323,000</b>	100%

**EXPENSES****Worship Ministry**

Supply Minister	-1,250	4%
Payroll Taxes - Music	-1,850	5%
Salaries - Musical Director	-14,387	42%
Salaries - Section Leaders	-9,900	29%
Music	-2,800	8%
Altar Supplies	-575	2%
Flowers & Plants	-3,400	10%
Total Worship Ministry	<b>-34,162</b>	100%

## Outreach Ministry

Support of Diocesan Programs	-37,680	69%
Outreach Program Expenses	-17,000	31%
Total Outreach Ministry	<b>-54,680</b>	100%

## Education Ministry

Day Care	-500	16%
Godly Play	-525	17%
Books	-25	1%
Supplies	-400	13%
Training	-900	30%
Youth Ministry - Middle	-300	10%
Youth Ministry- High School	-300	10%
Youth Group	-100	3%
Total Education Ministry	<b>-3,050</b>	100%

Parish Life Ministry		
Program expense	-1,800	100%
Total Parish Life Ministry	<u>-1,800</u>	
<b>Spirituality Ministry</b>		
Program expenses	-300	
<b>Total Spirituality Ministry</b>	<b><u>-300</u></b>	100%
<b>Stewardship Ministry</b>		
Stewardship expenses	-800	
<b>Total Stewardship</b>	<b><u>-800</u></b>	100%
<b>Communication Ministry</b>		
Advertising	-500	24%
Web Hosting	-800	38%
Publications	<u>-800</u>	38%
<b>Total Communication Ministry</b>	<b><u>-2,100</u></b>	100%
<b>Finance Ministry</b>		
Accounting/Audit	-3,500	92%
Bank Service Charges	<u>-300</u>	8%
<b>Total Finance Ministry</b>	<b><u>-3,800</u></b>	100%
<b>Buildings &amp; Facilities Ministry</b>		
Salaries-Sexton	-12,561	15%
Payroll Taxes - Sexton	-975	1%
Utilities - Rectory	-3,900	5%
Utilities - Church	-15,000	18%
Cell Phone Service	-2,300	3%
Heating/Fuel	-11,000	13%
Internet Service	-850	1%
Other Utilities		0%
Insurance/Property & Other	-16,250	20%
Repairs and Maintenance	-5,000	6%
Diocesan Loan Repayment	-12,000	15%
Painting Fund	-2,500	3%
<b>Total Buildings &amp; Facilities</b>	<b><u>-82,336</u></b>	100%

<b>Administration Ministry</b>		
Salaries-Admin Assistant	-22,590	73%
Payroll Taxes - Administration	-1,700	5%
Pension-Admin Assistant	-1,200	4%
Archives	-100	0%
Office	-4,000	13%
Postage and Delivery	-550	2%
Funeral/Weddings	-725	2%
IT Expenses	-250	1%
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>-31,115</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Clergy Compensation</b>		
Salaries-Clergy	-58,910	54%
Social Security Reimb-Clergy	-8,600	8%
Pension Fund - clergy	-18,000	17%
Insurance Medical, Life	-19,224	18%
Housing Equity	-2,900	3%
Cont. Education	-750	1%
<b>Total Clergy Compensation</b>	<b>-108,384</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>-322,527</b>	
<b>Total Net Income</b>	<b>\$473</b>	

<b>SPECIAL PURPOSE, PASS-THRU INCOME</b>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Rental Income/Rectory	24,000	-24,000
Others include: Baldwin Music Fund, Elevator Fund, Memorials & Gifts, Legacy Fund, Restoration, Music at Trinity, Kayimet School, Lobster Dinners, Parish Life, Thanksgiving Turkeys	Variable	Variable



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*Left to right, back row: Terri Kron, Mike Freeman, Dru Dodd, Kelley Esposito*

*Mid row: Andy Campbell, Carol Schaller, Katherine Rowe, Rev. Sharon*

*Front row: Kathy Sanchez, Mark McElrath, Rodney Hayes, Ellen Shirey,  
and Peter Otis*

*Missing from photo: Ed Monico*

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	Income	Expenses	remaining amts
International/National - 40% of Vestry Budget of \$16,000	\$6,400		
Common Hope/Guatemala: donation from parishioner, \$120 x 12months to support 2 children, holiday gifts donation	\$120	\$1,740	
Episcopal Relief for Philippines		\$1,000	
Withdrawal from Trinity Fund/Outreach Portion	\$2,800		
Haiti: Camp Supplies & school uniforms		\$2,900	-
Heifer (Advent Fair proceeds)	\$128	\$128	-
Native American/Center Pole: (AdventFair proceeds \$550; 7 months donation @\$400 each, fuel assistance \$700, holiday gift \$300)	\$550	\$4,022	
<u>Totals for International/National</u>	<u>\$9,998</u>	<u>\$9,790</u>	<u>\$208.00</u>
Regional / Local = 60% of Vestry Budget of \$16,000	\$9,600		
AIDS Project of New Haven		\$200	
Baked Goods @ Bfd Festival (to Bfd Cares)	\$455	\$455	
Branford Cares		\$5,000	
Community Dining Room (Cash balance from Turkey Drive)		\$629	
Ct Food Bank (includes Walk for Hunger donation)		\$900	
Branford Food Pantry	\$20	\$20	
Liberty Community Service		\$600	-
Life Haven - bus passes	-	\$300	
St Paul & St James Loaves and Fishes		\$1,500	-
Thanksgiving Turkey Drive (expensed to Big Y)	\$2,797	\$2,168	
Trinity Closet	\$165	\$765	-
Your Place Youth Center		\$500	
<u>Totals for Regional/Local</u>	<u>\$13,037</u>	<u>\$13,037</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<u>Grand Totals</u>	<u>\$23,035.00</u>	<u>\$22,827.00</u>	<u>\$208.00</u>

INCOME	
Baked goods	\$1,051.30
Jewelry	\$1,370.50
Needlecraft	\$1,634.00
Antiques	\$0.00
Tag Sale	\$5,508.64
Baby	\$0.00
Books	\$0.00
Sports/Toys	\$0.00
Kitchen	\$0.00
Handy/Linen Dom	\$0.00
Craft table	\$756.60
Quilt/Raffle	\$1,618.00
Shortcake	\$504.90
Silent Auction	\$4,747.00
Breakfast	\$931.50
Lunch	\$701.00
Popcorn	\$0.00
Housewares	\$0.00
Holiday	\$0.00
Misc Donation	\$261.97
Branford Cares	\$0.00
Vendors	\$550.00
Bank Donations	\$500.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$20,135.41</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$16,867.84</b>

EXPENSES	
Permits	\$0.00
Aprons	\$0.00
Lunch food	\$276.88
Clown	\$0.00
Friday dinner	\$0.00
Guard	\$0.00
Food Pantry Donation	\$160.00
Printing	\$140.00
Breakfast food	\$319.56
Publicity	\$371.13
Tents/Grill rentals	\$2,000.00
Postage	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Paper goods	\$0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$3,267.57</b>



Present and past Fair Chairs: Dottie Packer (left) & Rodney Hayes



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