



Messenger

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Extra! Extra! Extra!

The 104th Trinity Church Fair

September 10th, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

The focus of the 104th Trinity Fair is who we are and how we serve the community. It will be the best Fair ever if everyone helps.

Donate items.
Buy raffle tickets.
Give a little time.

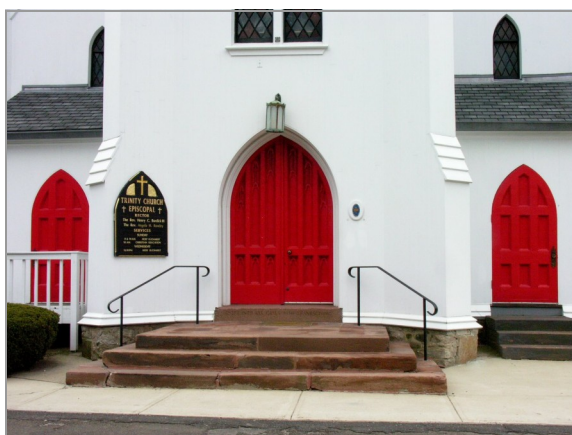
Be present to each
other and the commu-
nity.

**Friday night is
when we need you
the most. We'll
even feed you!**



How
could
anyone
stay
away?

THROUGH the RED DOORS



People are curious about our beautiful church, and it is fun to introduce who we are by sharing the story of our history through the building.

Information sheets are available to help with these informal tours. Call the office (203-488-2681) if you want to help.



FOOD and FELLOWSHIP



The morning will start out at 7:00 am for the Trinity workers with our traditional ***blueberry pancake*** breakfast with **Mitch Rucinski** at the griddle.

Invite your neighbors and begin your day with the best breakfast ever! Breakfast served till 11:00 and just \$5!

COLORES del PUEBLO

An all-American lunch begins at 11:30 with ***burgers, hot dogs, and chicken on the grill***. Mmmmm.

Peter Hayes has been our grill man, and we are hoping that he has recovered enough to take up his post. If he is not quite ready, we've got your back, Peter!



Follow this up with some ***peach shortcake***, courtesy of **Nancy Collins** and **Betsey Bray** and other members of their extended family.

One of the best Trinity traditions you don't want to miss!

TAG and BOOK SALE

This year's tag sale has an early start with chair **Dottie Packer** moving special items on Craig's List! Quite an impressive list of sales already and a pretty good payday for the Tag Sale! All other items will be priced and displayed as usual. And as usual, this takes lots of hands, so come and help the parish and have fun!

The Tag Sale will share a tent with the books which are being organized by **Martha Monico**. In the age of Kindles and iPads, there's still nothing like a book! Go through your shelves and donate and then come find their replacements!



NEEDLEWORK and BAKE SALE

The Trinity Fair has repeat shoppers often because of some of the things that can be found in this tent. Where else can you get quilted pot-holders, scrubbies, hand knitted dish

cloths, and some of the best baked goods ever? **Ruth Knowlton** is organizing the crafts.

Gayle Calabrese and **Sue Rowan** can usually be found tending to the homemade yummys provided by the Trinity congregation. Get your recipe box out!



HABITAT for HUMANITY

Something new for the Fair this year is a charming playhouse that will be constructed on the Green during the Fair. This 6x8 schoolhouse replica can also double as a storage shed.

Raffle tickets are \$10 and the drawing will be done by a representative from the New Haven Habitat affiliate. Seventy-five percent of the proceeds will go to Habitat.

Scott Denhardt is serving as the Construction Manager and is looking for a few experienced builders to help with the project. Prefabbing will happen in the undercroft in the weeks leading up to the Fair and then the walls will go up in the middle of the Green for everyone to see.



To help, contact Rev. Sharon at 488-2681.



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Needlework & Bake Sale Continued

JEWELRY is also located in the needlework tent, and here you can find estate jewelry and fun pieces of all styles. **Lisa Davis Rucinski** has been busy cataloguing and pricing. There's still time to contribute and to help.



The **Trinity Quilt Raffle** is another long-standing tradition. This year's offering is called *Ribbon Dance*, and \$2 tickets may still be purchased. The drawing for the winner will happen at 1:45 pm.



REACHING OUT

The Outreach Ministry is a perpetual presence at the Fair. This year **Steve Sharma** will offer more international crafts-Colores del Pueblo and Kenyan crafts. New this year will be alternative gift giving, including the Heifer Project (give the gift of living animals to people around the world), Ronald McDonald House, and Kiva.



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

On the lawn in front of the Parish Hall, **Cathy Seibyl** and our wonderful Godly Play teachers will have story time, crafts and activities, including some amazing bubble action! Scout leaders will have fun Rain Gutter Regatta races.



SILENT AUCTION

It has been a couple of years since there was a Silent Auction at the Trinity Fair, and this year it has returned with gusto. **Peggy Esposito** leads an energetic team who gathered up an extraordinary number of marvelous items and baskets full of goodies.

Some of them include: theater tickets, restaurant certificates, car care, baskets full of baby stuff (one pink and one blue), day spa, a night at the Owenego Inn with champagne, family fun nights, birthday parties and a gourmet dinner for four at the Rectory!



There's much more on the list, so bring all of your friends; there's enough here for everyone to make a winning bid! Bidding will close by category as posted, from 1-2 pm.



The Fair is Stewardship at Its Best!



Schedule of the Day

Set up is Friday night, 4:00 pm til it's done. With food!
Clean up begins as the Fair ends @ 2:00 pm.

7:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	1:45 PM
Blueberry pancake breakfast									
Tag sale; book sale; jewelry; needlework & bake sale; international crafts; Heifer project; children's activities; Scouts' Rain Gutter Regatta; tours of the church; Silent Auction bidding; Ronald McDonald House									
Building the playhouse/shed									
Godly Play Stories		Choir	Godly Play Stories	Choir	Godly Play Stories				
					Peach Shortcake				
					All American lunch on the grill				
								Silent Auction Sequentially Closes	
									Raffle Drawings

A Word from Rodney Hayes, Chair of Trinity Fair



Thank you! Thank you to all who have worked hard—some for months already—and to everyone who joins in. **We need you all!!**

I'm hoping and praying for a beautiful day on the 10th, so please join me and keep those prayers coming. Thank you!!

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Worship at Trinity

Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:45 AM Sunday School and
Nursery Care

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
With music and choir

Televised on Channel 18
7:00 PM Sundays

Wednesday

12:10 PM Eucharist & Healing
Service, Guild Room

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