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October Birthdays

- 3—Peg Nelson
- 4—Will Pieczynski
- 7—Chris Briere
- 17—Nina Signore
- 18—Anita Bullard
- 18—Eric Bullard
- 19—Jean Frost
- 24—Marilyn Theodoss
- 31—Joseph Ballou



Dear Friends!

For those who are comfortable to gather, we are planning in-person worship to begin on October 4 (St. Francis' Day) with the Blessing of the Animals. If you are not prepared to return at this time in the arc of the pandemic, we will continue to broadcast via Facebook. Concern for one's personal safety is of primary importance.

Those who attend must wear a face mask and maintain the distance of 6 ft. at all times. People receiving the Eucharist can approach and receive the host dropped into their hand, move to a side aisle, lift one's face mask and consume the sacramental presence, refit their mask to their face, and return to their seat. The "Peace" shall be offered without

physical contact, but a solemn nod (only). We cannot offer space for conversation at this time. As always, anyone planning to attend should take their temperature in the morning before leaving one's home, and if you have symptoms, refrain from coming. Parents should keep their children close and not allow children to "gyre and gimble in ye wabe" over "the slithy toves" (run with their friends, bumping into and each other and yelling into each other's faces—the fun stuff!). We can group a "household" together (folks under the same roof who share a virus profile by proximity). Accordingly, we can have 15 - 18 people at the Cross Prayer Garden; higher numbers can park cars on Hamilton St., and roll down your window,....or we can move to the larger outdoor space behind the build-

ing. This space is able to host more and has better "sound privacy." But it presents a difficult walk to anyone with mobility issues, making the Cross the preferred location. We can stay in the outdoor location for Eucharist if the weather cooperates. While indoors, the windows will be open to increase ventilation/exchange of fresh air. "They waited upon the Lord, and kept their coats on." It may be just the twinkle of an eye over a face mask; but it will be great to see you again, together to offer this crazy world to God for blessing and healing, as God makes us whole again in one another. I remain,

Your friend and Rector,
(The Reverend) Richard S. Signore

[P.S.— Whoever identifies the "gyre and gimble" quote without Google's help will win the "Le Stylo Sancto d'Antioch."]

Mission & Outreach

AIDS PROJECT WORCESTER is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives and health of persons with AIDS, Hepatitis C, and other sexually transmitted diseases. Education, prevention, early diagnosis, and treatment continue to be most important.

AIDS PROJECT WORCESTER has been offering free Covid 19 testing in Marlborough and Worcester as part of Governor Baker's "Stop the Spread" initiative.

Please consider a donation of \$1.00/week for the next month to help this very valuable organiza-

tion. They will be most appreciative.

Suzy Sharp and the Daughters of the King



Give Back Program at Shaw's

Holy Trinity Church has been selected for the Give Back Program at Shaw's in Sturbridge. For every \$2.50 bag you purchase in **October**, \$1.00 will be given back to HTC to be donated

to Food Share. Please help support Food Share by purchasing a bag. You can never have too many!

Thank you!



Adult Social Studies Group

Our third Social Studies group met by Zoom on September 16 to continue our study of systemic racism with six people present. In this class we did not share information about books, articles, or videos. Instead we shared our reactions to the media coverage of various events related to racial justice, which continue to be intense. It's so much to take in and it seems unrelenting. We all appreciated the time just to talk together about our different reactions. When we share our burdens, they feel a little lighter.

RESOURCES SHARED IN THE GROUP: no new resources this month.

We will continue our sharing and discussion and hope others will join us. Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 20, from 7:00-8:00 pm**. Look for the Zoom link in the Mail Chimp email.

For any questions about the class, please free to contact: Fr. Richard, 617-281-5183 or richard.signore@verizon.net Lana Pieczynski, 704-458-6204 or ana.pieczynski@gmail.com; Lynn Garland, 508-801-4638 or lynn24gar@gmail.com

A New Holy Trinity Church Cookbook Anyone?

The last Holy Trinity Cookbook was compiled and printed in 2000. Maybe it is time for another one! We are gathering recipes for a Thanksgiving launch, so the submission deadline is Nov. 1st. You can submit your recipe(s) by filling out this Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/uHTZRhJA NcbFbb5G7> All instructions are on the form.

No computer or internet, no problem. Call the church 508-765-9559 and ask Chris Bolte to mail you a form.



The United Thank Offering

Piglet noticed that even though he had a very small heart, it could hold a rather large amount of gratitude.” -A. Milne

How many of us have ever dropped a penny in a fountain or pond and watched the ripple of water as it extends outward? I often think of those tiny pennies dropped into the little blue UTO box as synonymous with pennies dropped into the water. Every penny dropped into the box becomes an ever extending circle of goodness and a token of our

gratitude.

This year has been a year like no other in recent memory, and yet there is still so much to be grateful for; just look around and experience gratitude. We will not have our traditional Annual UTO Ingathering, but count up the coins in your blue box and write a check to Holy Trinity Church with UTO in the memo, or give online using our online giving app, **Tithely.**

<https://tithely.com/give-new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/83701>

Choose UTO from the drop down giving choices. Our offering will still be presented to the diocese joining with people from around the world for granting. *“Let gratitude be the pillow upon which you kneel to say your nightly prayer. And let faith be the bridge you build to overcome evil and welcome good.”*

-Maya Angelou

*-Diane Nichols
UTO Representative*



In-person Worship

We will be meeting IN PERSON on Sunday, October 4! The service will begin outdoors at the Prayer Garden, and will move indoors for the Eucharist. It is fall, so please dress accordingly. **For those who are not ready to worship in person, the service will continue to be streamed via Facebook Live.**

Please abide by the following COVID-19 guidelines:

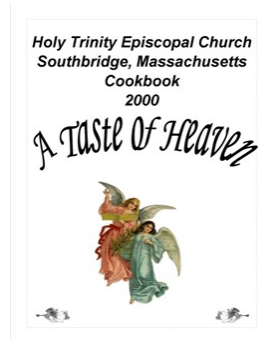
- The Governor’s Office mandates limited seating to 40% of the minimum occupancy levels as stated on the Building Permit;
- All persons who are not of the same household shall be seated at least 6 ft. apart;
- All persons of the same household are permitted to sit together and do not have to observe the 6 ft rule;
- Pews shall be blocked off and kept empty to allow for sufficient social distancing;
- All persons in attendance shall wear a face covering or a mask upon entering the building, participating at worship service, and when leaving the building;
- A person who declines to wear a face covering or a mask because of medical or disabling condition shall not be required to produce documentation verifying the condition;
- Children between the ages of 2 and 5 will wear masks at the parent’s or guardian’s discretion. Children under the age of 2 should not wear a mask;
- Please follow the instruction of the Ushers before taking a seat in the church;
- If you are not feeling well, PLEASE do not attend service. Those 60 and older and those with underlying health conditions should carefully consider whether or not they should attend service;
- To ensure the safety of all the diocesan restrictions and state guidelines, please note the following:
 - No handshaking or hugs at the Sign of the Peace (please use a slight bow)
 - No Communion from the cup
 - Communion in the hand ONLY
- No social gathering after service.

The Cookbooks of Holy Trinity Church

Last month we focused on recipes from all cookbooks of those who are no longer with us. In September we received word that Bertha Blakely Dresser died in Maryland at age 100. Betha was one of the “Blakeley sisters”. Many will remember Ellen” Mae” Blakeley, who was Jr. Warden from 1982-1984. (Mae’s photo hangs in Blakely Hall.) and other sisters Nancy, Irene, and Lea. Bertha’s family named Holy Trinity to receive donations in Bertha’s memory.

I looked through the cookbooks and found a few recipes from Bertha Blakely Dresser and Nancy Blakely and they are shared here.

Blessings, Susan Howland.



Ham Sauce

Bertha B. Dresser

1/2 tsp. salt 2 Tbsp. flour 2 egg yolks, beaten 2 Tbsp. dry mustard 1/2 c. sugar 1 pt. milk
1/3 c. vinegar 1 pt. whipping cream

Blend all ingredients except vinegar and whipping cream; cook in double boiler until it starts to thicken, stirring constantly. Add vinegar; cook until thick. Let cool. Just before serving, beat whipping cream, fold into above mixture. Great on baked ham, also makes a good sandwich spread. Keeps well in refrigerator for weeks if it lasts that long.

Chocolate Cake

Bertha B. Dresser

2 c. brown sugar 1/2 c. butter 2 1/2 squares chocolate 2 eggs beaten 1 c. water 2 c. cake flour
1 tsp. baking soda dissolved in 3 tablespoons hot water

Cream sugar and butter; add all ingredients in order given; nuts may be added. Bake at 325°
25 minutes in 9 1/2 x 13” pan.

Frosting:

Part 1: 4 Tbsp. butter 3/4 c. 10 X sugar 1 Tbsp. vanilla 2 sq. melted chocolate 1/4 tsp. salt
Part 2: 2 egg whites 3/4 c. 10 X sugar

Part1: cream butter and sugar; blend well. Add vanilla, chocolate and salt.

Part 2: beat egg whites stiff; add sifted 10 X sugar a little at a time. Beat until mixture stands in peaks. Add Part 2 to Part 1, folding gently just enough to blend and spread on cooled cake.

Hot Fudge Sauce

Nancy Blakely

3 bars unsweetened baker’s chocolate 1 large standard size *Karo* syrup (light) Pinch of salt
5oz. Butter 1 tsp. vanilla extract

Melt chocolate in double boiler until smooth and syrupy, not thick. Add butter, and vanilla extract. Beat thoroughly. Pour into jars. Store in refrigerator.

Jezabel Sauce

Nancy Blakely

1 jar apple jelly 1 jar pineapple preserves 1/2 jar horseradish 1/2 can dry mustard

Blend until very smooth. Pour into jars. You can re-use your jelly jars. Store in refrigerator. Keeps for a long time (month). Serve with Cream cheese and crackers or use on ham or pork when cooking.

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Sunday Services

9:30 a.m. Rite II Choral Holy Eucharist

**Celebrant and Preacher
The Rev. Richard Signore**

Save These Dates

Tuesdays—8:00 p.m.—Service of Compline

Thursdays—8:00 p.m.—Zoom Fellowship Hour

Sunday, October 4—9:30 a.m.—1st in-person
worship service (also viewable via
Facebook live.)

Wednesday, October 20—7:00 p.m.—Adult Social
Studies Group via Zoom



Website



Facebook



Tithely—Giving