

# The Chimes

## WELCOME

### WELCOME TO TRINITY SUNDAY — SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

- ◆ Kick off of the new Church School year  
Register your children for Church School  
[www.trinitycolumbus.org](http://www.trinitycolumbus.org)
- ◆ Join with your Trinity Family for brunch between services that morning  
Brunch is a **potluck** beginning at 9:15 a.m. in the Garden  
In case of rain we now have wonderful gathering space in the west end of the Nave.  
**Please bring a breakfast dish or pastry to share.**  
Coffee, juices and tableware will be provided.
- ◆ At 10:30 a.m. the Trinity Choir returns.

### ADULT & TEEN EXPLORERS' CLASS

Beginning Sunday, October 25, and in preparation for a service of Confirmation when Bishop Breidenthal visits on Sunday, December 13, the clergy will be leading an Explorer's Class as part of the weekly Sunday Adult Formation events.

All are welcome to attend these classes.

All forums will be held Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the Parish Library.

September 20, 27, October 4 & 11—

“There's Something about St. Paul”

October 18—A conversation with Mother Abby on global Anglicanism

October 25—*Holy Women, Holy Men*

November 1—A gathering with Louie Crew

November 8 through December 6—

Confirmation Class continues—all are welcome to join in these discussions on specific topics

December 13—A conversation with Bishop Tom Breidenthal.

### SAVE THE DATE:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

Trinity Church will be hosting Louie Crew, founder of *Integrity* the gay and lesbian advocacy group of the Episcopal Church. Louie is excited to return to Trinity, having worshipped here during the 2006 General Convention, most notably among the 1,200 gathered for the *Integrity* Eucharist that Trinity hosted.

A Saturday morning event will be planned to allow us to meet and talk with Louie who will also preach on All Saints' Sunday, November 1st.

All Saints' Day will be a special gathering of all the people of Trinity Church. We will hold **one service that morning at 9:30 a.m.** (It also just happens to be the daylight savings time change morning). A brunch will be shared following the service.



Louie Crew to be guest preacher on All Saints' Day Sunday, November 1, at 9:30 a.m.

### HELP TRINITY SAVE POSTAGE

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### ST. JOHN'S DINNER

Wednesday, September 23

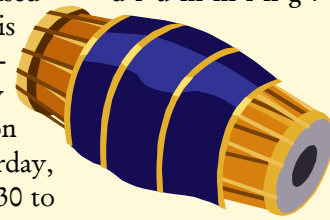
Trinity's next opportunity to serve at St. John's Franklinton, 1003 W. Town Street. Arrive around 5:30 p.m., clean up usually ends before 8:00 p.m. Please contact Bill Bronson for further information. (614) 354-3753.

### African Drum Circle

at St. Matthew's Westerville

231 S. State St., 882-2706

All are welcome to participate in this African and western world collaborations. Explore pattern rhythms and improvised drumming. Every participates in this engaging, non-hierarchical celebratory event. The first session is scheduled for Saturday, **September 19** from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.



### RECTOR'S REFLECTION

— THE REV. RICHARD A. BURNETT

Dear People of Trinity Church:

Recently, I learned that churches and other non-governmental organizations that are not strictly speaking profit-making should resist the term “not-for-profit” in referring to themselves. The concern is that this easy fitting category falsely describes us as either incapable of, or unconcerned with, careful financial management. Your vestry and I can testify that this simply is not the case for our parish's responsible stewardship.

The preferred term is “social sector.” Yet this still seems somewhat narrow in describing our common ministry and core purposes. Rather, I suggest “relational and transformational” as a better lens through which we might see our operations.

No more compelling illustration of this relational and transformational (“R/T”) spirit can be found in the stories of Holy Women & Holy Men than that of the Cheyenne Christian convert, deacon and missionary, David Pendleton Oakerhater (d. 1931).

<http://www.io.com/~kellywp/LesserFF/Sep/Oakerhater.html> and for a biography

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David\\_Pendleton\\_Oakerhater](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David_Pendleton_Oakerhater)

Imprisoned by the U.S. army in the 19th century, this bold Native American warrior was befriended by a U.S. Army captain who taught him about Jesus Christ, aided financially by a wealthy Cincinnati Episcopalian named Mrs. Pendleton—for whom he was named in baptism, educated and ordained in upstate New York, and ultimately served as a missionary in Native American communities in Oklahoma until his death.

We remember this extraordinary person and give thanks for his life on September 1 each year. We know that his story is deeply rooted in a larger “R/T” story of those who offered a bit of themselves for him and others. Contemporary author Sam Portaro puts it well:

“This story is not the achievement of institutions; this story is remarkable, at least in part, for what it says of the power or relational ministry, that ministry evidenced in Jesus' own deployment and his disciples....

[T]he life and ministry of David Pendleton Oakerhater and his companions becomes a paradigm for modern ministry.”

So, we really go beyond “for- or not-for-profit” distinctions. We even seem to be offering something more than a relieved and abetted “social sector.” The church, by God's mercy, connects us to one another in Christ. We become “one in the Spirit, one in the Lord.” And therefore, we become new always in Christ.

Blessings,

## ALL SAINT'S DAY

Sunday, November 1

One service only at 9:30 a.m.

Gather with all the

Saints of Trinity Church

Parish Brunch to follow the service

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE NEEDY:

With the arrival of fall and cooler weather please don't forget our neighbors who live on the street. New dry socks are essential this time of year. We have many weekday requests for socks and finger-friendly canned foods (pop-tops are best). All donations are greatly appreciated.

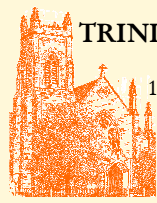
## CHURCH SCHOOL KICKS OFF A NEW SEASON ON SEPTEMBER 13

Students and teachers of Trinity's Church School will be commissioned during the 10:30 a.m. service on September 13.

Parents can register their children for Church School on line at [www.trinitycolumbus.org](http://www.trinitycolumbus.org) then follow the "Formation" page link.

Answer the Call to share your gifts with the young people of Trinity Church. Children from Nursery age through 7th grade are offering you this chance.

Curriculum and supplies are provided. Teachers bring enthusiasm, creativity and smiles! Contact Louise Jones, Trinity Church School Coordinator for more information — [education@trinitycolumbus.org](mailto:education@trinitycolumbus.org).



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### FROM THE ASSISTANT RECTOR...

Dear Friends,

*"Where there is no guidance, a nation falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety"*

~ Proverbs 11:14 ~

The writer of Proverbs (or at least the originator of this particular proverb) offers us a dire prediction to emphasize the wisdom and goodness of people coming together to work for the common good. To the same end my mother, in a much more positive vein, would often cite the folk wisdom of the Shakers with the reminder to me that "Many hands make light the heart and the work."

This Fall at Trinity Church we will be working toward reactivating and developing new Ministry Teams focused on the areas of Hospitality – Worship, Music, and Arts – Parish Life – Christian Formation – Pastoral Ministries – and Community Ministries. Each of these main areas contain within them areas of special interest – (e.g. Hospitality includes but not limited to Ushers (aka: "Westies"), Fellowship Hour scheduling and organization, Special events, wedding volunteers).

These Ministry Teams are being developed as outlets for the creativity of the members as well as having oversight

and responsibility for making things happen. The Ministry Team is asked to vision and consider what is possible that we've never done before, as well as address what is already and needs to be done now.

Some questions to begin with are: What kind of Church would you like to be a part of? What would make worship more meaningful for you? What kind of fellowship are you looking for? Where do you feel your spiritual life needs to be strengthened? What excites you? Where do you find and experience God (Jesus) here at Trinity?

The answers to these questions become a reality and are shared with other people here at Trinity Church as you become part of a Ministry Team. Please, prayerfully consider the main areas of ministry listed above and then come and talk with me, the Rector, or one of the Wardens about how you can join in and discover how light your heart can get.

With you in Christ's service,

*Alton +*



### FROM DEACON JOAN GRANT...

In August, I flew to Mexico City, and then took a bus to the city of Cuernavaca, where I lived for two weeks with a Mexican couple in their working class home, and participated in a Spanish immersion program designed for ministry. Each day we went to the language school, where we had classes from 9 to 12 or 2. Then, we would take a bus back up the giant hill/mountain for "la comida," the main meal of the day, with the family. Most days, we climbed a big hill to take the bus back to school for a "charla," a lecture on culture, politics or religion, or took an excursion.

Mago and Tito Santamaria have been hosting students in their home for about 30 years; they know how to do it! They built their home with their own hands, almost entirely, carrying huge rocks and boulders up this tremendous hill. It took them about 4 years of working on weekends and evenings, because they could not afford to do it any other way. They also built the street in front of their house, and the sewage and water systems. Before building their house, they lived in cartons and washed their clothes in the river.

They still wash their clothes outside, using a ceramic washboard, a cistern and bar soap. I tried this out, and quickly realized it is arduous and time-consuming work!

Tito's daughter and her family, along with his 87-year-old mother, live across the street. The grandmother came over every morning and washed our breakfast dishes.

Fresh fruit is plentiful and delicious in Cuernavaca; we ate many tortillas and beans, as well as fresh pineapple, watermelon, mango and papaya. One of my favorites was cactus salad!

70% of the Mexican people live in poverty; there is no government assistance, even for severely handicapped people. Families take care of their own. Most people we met hate the impact of NAFTA on Mexico, and want to see it renegotiated. Because of NAFTA, corn is now being imported into Mexico from Iowa and Nebraska, and Mexican farmers can no longer make a living.

We studied a good deal about Christian-based communities, Latin America's revitalization of the church. These communities originated in Cuernavaca, and have spread all through Latin America. Many people participate in these house churches, meeting in people's homes, building community, advocating for their needs, and caring for one another, though not many of them attend the Roman Catholic Church.

Because the Spanish invaders in the 16th century did not wipe out the indigenous peoples, there are many remaining indigenous groups living in Mexico, trying to preserve their identity and dignity, especially in the southern rural areas. We visited a couple of towns with strong indigenous history, as well as several Mayan and Aztec ruins. One Aztec ruin in Mexico City, El Templo Mayor, was just discovered in the late 1960's by a city electrical worker. It is now a huge city block or more of 12-14th century pyramids and ruins, right in the heart of the city. (Perhaps Columbus could take a cue, and excavate under City Center! Who knows what we might find!)

*Joan*

### TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH ON CAPITOL SQUARE

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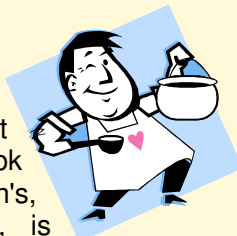
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### THE GREAT EPISCOPAL CHILI COOKOFF

Dig out that great chili recipe, get the creative juices flowing, and enter the Fifth Annual Great Episcopal Chili Cook-Off! The cook-off, a major fundraiser for St. John's, Franklinton, outreach ministries, is slated for Saturday, October 17 from 5:30 - 8:00 at Gladden Community House (next to St. John's). Up to three contestants may enter from each congregation. Prizes include trophies, medals, and gift cards.



Can't cook? Then buy tickets for the whole family, pack your antacids, and sample all the chili you want. And bring your checkbooks for the fantastic silent auction featuring a one-night stay in the fabled Story Inn in Brown County, Indiana, an autographed photo of Coach Jim Tressel and other OSU must-haves, great gift baskets, and beautiful hand-crafted items.

The cook-off will rock to the classic sounds of Revd Up, led by the Rev. Stephen Smith of St. Patrick's, Dublin. Additional seating and a special children's area will insure fun for everyone.

For information, contact the Rev. Lee Anne Reat at [revreat@aol.com](mailto:revreat@aol.com).

## GENERAL CONVENTION REGIONAL REPORTING SESSIONS

Deputies from the 76th General Convention will "take their show on the road" and host a series of reporting sessions around the diocese to share their experiences and the decisions made at the convention in Anaheim this summer. The meeting scheduled in the Columbus area will take place **Thursday, September 10** at St. Matthew, Westerville, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.