



TRINITY TALK

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ANNUAL MEETING



On **Sunday January 29th** we will begin our morning by having **one service at 9:00am**. Following the service, we will convene to the Parish Hall for a continental brunch and our Annual Meeting. At the Annual Meeting we learn about the state of the Parish, elect new vestry members and delegates to the 2016 Diocesan Convention. There will be childcare provided for the younger children, and activities for the youth in the Classrooms. Please try to attend this vital meeting.

During the morning you will receive reports or hear from:

- Rector's Report—State of the Parish, The Rev. Jeannie Martz
- Associate Rector's Report—The Rev. Annie Calhoun
- Treasurer's Report, Jack Reynolds
- Vestry Report, Mike Donaldson, 2016 Senior Warden
- Altar Guild, Betsy Warren
- Christian Education, Suzanne Bilodeau & Heather Anderson
- Kitchen Guild, Lisa Jewett
- Music Ministry, David Ripley
- Outreach, Donna Watson
- Property Commission, Doug Knarr
- S.A.S., Harriet Friis
- Welcome Commission, Laurie Weidner



Thank you to all who contributed to our beautiful flowers and glorious music of this Christmas season. Thank you also to the endless dedication of the Altar Guild, Music Director, and Choir. We also thank the men who helped hang all the wonderful greens.

E-WASTE



E-WASTE EVENT

Trinity is hosting a free e-waste recycling event on Saturday January 28th and Sunday January 29th.

Bring items like televisions, computers, keyboards, printers, fax machines, telephones, radios, DVD players, power cords, microwaves, and more! Additional information will be in your January bulletins.



It's 2017 and the Trinity Bell Choir is ringing in the New Year! The hand bell choir generally performs the third Sunday of each month at the 10 o'clock service, and we practice once a week on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to around 8:30. No prior musical experience is necessary, and you don't need to know how to read music to join. If you are at least fourteen years old, and if you can count to four, you can ring! If you're interested in finding out more, please talk to our director, Lindsay Whipple, or call Kimberly Ives at (714) 779-6033 to find out more.

From our Rector

.....*The Rev. Jeannie Martz*

With both Donald Trump's inauguration as President of the United States and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's visit as part of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration of the Diocese of Los Angeles coming fast upon us as we enter this New Year, I'd like to share two excerpts from the writings of the late Howard Thurman. An editor writes, "At the time of his death in 1981, Howard Thurman was Dean Emeritus of Marsh Chapel, Boston University, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Howard Thurman Educational Trust in San Francisco. He also served as Dean of Rankin Chapel and Professor of Theology at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and Director of Religious Life at Morehouse College, Atlanta.

"Founder of the Church for the Fellowship of All Peoples in San Francisco, the first interracial, interdenominational church in the United States, he was spiritual mentor to Martin Luther King, Jr., and the author of more than twenty books which still speak to our condition today." (Back cover, The Mood of Christmas, Friends United Press, Reprint 2011)

The first excerpt comes from an essay entitled "The New Year" and the second is a poem whose title I am adapting. Originally called "I Will Light Candles This Christmas", I share it today as "I Will Light Candles This New Year". The text of the poem is unchanged.

Thurman writes, "The New Year means a fresh start, a second wind, another chance, a kind of reprieve, a divine act of grace bestowed upon the children of men (*sic*). It is important to remember that, whatever the fact may have been, it cannot be undone. It is a fact. If we have made serious blunders, they are made. All our tears cannot unmake them. We may learn from them and carry our hard-won lessons into the New Year. We can remember them, not with pain, but with gratitude that in our new wisdom we can live into the present year with deeper understanding and greater humanity. May whatever suffering we brought on ourselves or others teach us to understand life more completely and, in our understanding, love it more wisely, thus fulfilling God's faith in us by permitting us to begin this New Year....

"The New Year means for many people a time of the making of resolutions, the time of deciding that the present and the future will be lived more intentionally than in the past, and it is important, this matter of making resolutions, because it organizes the formal intent of the personality in a given direction; it is a commitment of the individual to a performance in the future based upon an intention in the present. And this is very important. Whether the individual is able to carry out in detail the resolution – whether you are able to fulfill the thing that you intend to do – there is a clear gain in being able to bring together all of one's self in a point of focus and say that this is the thing that I intend to do tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow." (The Mood of Christmas, pp. 184-185)

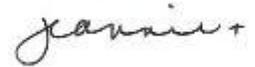
And so, tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow:

I WILL LIGHT CANDLES THIS NEW YEAR

Candles of joy, despite all sadness,
Candles of hope where despair keeps watch.
Candles of courage for fears ever present,
Candles of peace for tempest-tossed days,
Candles of grace to ease heavy burdens,
Candles of love to inspire all my living,
Candles that will burn all the year long.

(The Mood of Christmas, p. 19)

I wish us all a blessed New Year filled with candles.



Traveling Trinitarians



The Jewetts attended a Eucharist service at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Lihue, on the island of Kauai in Hawaii. One photo shows the sign for the church while the other shows, on the grounds of the church, some of the ubiquitous chickens that run wild everywhere on Kauai.



Now is the time to offer flowers to the Glory of God in 2017. Offer your thanksgiving or memory of a family member or loved one. Please take a moment to stop by the Altar Flower Book and sign up. The book is located on the table behind the back pew. Thank you.

S.A.S. PROGRAMS

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 – 11:00 AM LISA and JOHN JEWETT return to share their travels with us once again, this time a trip to Spain with their grandson, Brian Powers. Habla Usted Espanol? The program will be followed by a POTLUCK LUNCH.

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – 11:30 AM COOKS' DAY OFF will take place at COLLEARY'S BISTRO AND BAKERY, 2143 N. Tustin, Tustin at Meats, in the Target Shopping Center. You may go directly to the restaurant, or meet at Trinity at 11:15 to carpool



01/01	Jerry Jensen	01/23	Betsy Warren
01/02	Chioma Elendu		David Barrow
01/04	Diane Judd		Drew Rodriguez
01/07	Grant Avise	01/24	Jack Kibby
	Charles Stevenson	01/25	Jacob Candela
01/09	Renee Weddell	01/27	Robert Morales
01/10	Don Gardner	01/29	Betsy Little
01/11	Nell Luce		Declan Anderson
01/15	Frank Bonaventura	01/30	Sean Gavello
	Bill Owen		Toni Gavello
01/17	Amy Morales		Miguel Sosa
01/18	Chris Parmenter	01/31	Erin Heim

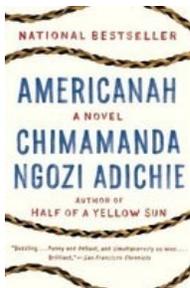
Offering Envelopes



Your 2017 offering envelopes are now available. Please save postage by picking up your box of pledge envelopes that are on the table in the back of the church.



01/10 Johnny and Irma Jaime



BOOK CLUB

The Book Club took December off for the holidays, but will resume **Saturday January 14th**. The group will have a discussion on the book Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. They meet in the library from 9:30am - 11:00am. Come join them for a truly enjoyable morning, and some lively literary discussions. *A short synopsis follows:*

As teenagers in a Lagos secondary school, Ifemelu and Obinze fall in love. Their Nigeria is under military dictatorship, and people are leaving the country if they can. Ifemelu—beautiful, self-assured—departs for America to study. She suffers defeats and triumphs, finds and loses relationships and friendships, all the while feeling the weight of something she never thought of back home: race. Obinze—the quiet, thoughtful son of a professor—had hoped to join her, but post-9/11 America will not let him in, and he plunges into a dangerous, undocumented life in London.

Years later, Obinze is a wealthy man in a newly democratic Nigeria, while Ifemelu has achieved success as a writer of an eye-opening blog about race in America. But when Ifemelu returns to Nigeria, and she and Obinze reignite their shared passion—for their homeland and for each other—they will face the toughest decisions of their lives.

Fearless, gripping, at once darkly funny and tender, spanning three continents and numerous lives, Americanah is a richly told story set in today's globalized world: Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's most powerful and astonishing novel yet.

JANUARY OUTREACH CALENDAR

01/01	Ingathering Sunday—Cereal
01/01	St. Paul's Supper Program—4:30pm
01/09	Outreach Meeting—Library 6:30pm
01/26	Parish Dinner Out—Zito's Pizza
01/30	Southwest Community Center



JANUARY PARISH DINNER OUT



PARISH DINNER OUT

An old favorite has been chosen for the beginning of our 2017 Parish Dinners Out. We will be returning to Zito's Pizza (in the Staples shopping center). Enjoy pizzas, salads, or sandwiches while helping Outreach make their 2017 goals. Come join us from **4pm—8pm on Thursday January 26th.**

Flyers will be available in your Sunday bulletin.

OUTREACH BLESSED FOR 2016

Our Trinity Outreach is a self-sustaining commission meaning we are not within the Trinity annual budget. All funds earned are from our yearly events and all funds are given out to our community.

Over the years we have earned an average of \$12,000.00 and some years have been higher. Here are a few of the groups that we have donated to:

Orange Care Givers Resource Center – Orange County Food Bank – Breast Angels – Mary's Kitchen – Senior Services – Veteran's First – Southwest Community Center – Canterbury Cup – Multiple Sclerosis - Special Olympics - DSAOC – JDRF – Corazon – Friendly Center – Sunday Supper Mission plus many more.

The above is accomplished by you our Trinity Congregation as we all are part of Trinity Outreach. We could not achieve this without you.

Please look into your hearts and volunteer an hour or two of your time to help Outreach meet our 2017 goals.



NEW YEAR, NEW HABIT

It would be very helpful to the counters, if you would put the amount of your contribution on the outside of the offering envelope. You do not need to put your name for privacy purposes, but please put the dollar amount of the enclosed. Thank you.

SUNDAY SUPPER MINISTRY

We can't believe that another year has come and gone. We will be starting Trinity's 7th year of serving our neighbors in need. In the last year Trinity has served over 700 guests (many families) and we also sent them all home with food that would help them thru the next week.

Rocky and I want to thank all the Trinity Angels that made this possible, we could not do this Ministry without your help. From food donations-chefs-chef helpers-servers-salad & drink servers-set-up-clean-up-kitchen helpers-grocery up and distribution of food. Rev. Annie and youth group for wrapping all the plastic ware that we use at each supper.

Please come next year, give a few hours of your time and when you see the smiles on their faces you will know it was well worth the hours you spent with them.

The sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Please take a moment and see where you would like to help.

Our suppers for 2017 are: (Chefs will have 5 helpers and a menu to follow)

January 1st- **(NO PARADE OR GAMES)** March 4th- May 7th -July 2nd- September 3rd and Nov. 5th

We also need chefs for March 4th, May 7th, July 2nd, September 3rd and November 5th

Love and God Bless-Hope to see you in 2017

Connie Donaldson and Rocky Covill

Youth News

WORSHIP AND GIVING SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Youth Group for High School students is on Sunday evenings from 5 to 7. Most months it will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. In January we are meeting on 1/15 and 1/29. Hope you can join us for hanging out, games, snacks and Bible Study!

Middle School students will get together for youth group on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 7:30. Our meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month. All 6th, 7th and 8th graders can invited to join us for hanging out, snacks, games and Bible Study!

A schedule of exact dates will be sent out soon.

Save the Date! Our Confirm Not Confirm (CNC) students will be hosting a pancake dinner on Shrove Tuesday February 28.

11/27	138	\$ 3,367
12/04	159	\$ 10,029
12/11	147	\$ 11,752
12/18	160	\$ 4,626
Christmas	399	\$ 16,251

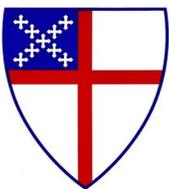
Advent Vacation Bible School

Twenty children attended our Advent VBS on Sunday December 4 and had a blast making four different ornaments including a paper manger with baby Jesus for the Chrismon tree in the back of church. Our annual shopping event was also a big hit! "Thank you" to all who donated or re-gifted items for our store and to all who helped in any way with this fun and delightful VBS.

Annual Progressive Dinner

Thank you to all the parents who brought appetizers and drove the youth group and friends to dinner. A BIG thank you to the Bilodeau family for hosting our meal! A special thanks to Rev. Jeannie and Grant for hosting this event since I was out of town... Annie

Get to know our new bishop coadjutor elect.



The Rev. John Taylor was elected bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Los Angeles on the eighth ballot Dec. 3 by delegates gathered for the 121st annual meeting of the diocese at the Ontario Convention Center. Taylor, 62, has served as vicar of St. John Chrysostom Church and School in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, since 2004. He was elected by 122 votes in the clergy order and 194 votes in the lay order. The election culminated a nearly two-year search process. Los Angeles Bishop J. Jon Bruno announced during his address to convention that he will retire at the beginning of Diocesan Convention 2017.

"To our divided nation, to those living in fear and uncertainty, to anyone yearning for a rich relationship with the God in Christ who loves everyone without reservation, the Episcopal Church throws its arms open," Taylor said after the election was announced. "In our diverse, far-flung diocese, we are united in our baptismal pledge to strive for justice and peace among all people and to respect the dignity of every human being, especially those who are most vulnerable. I look forward with joy to serving alongside my fellow ministers — laypeople, deacons, priests and bishops — as we continue to proclaim the gospel in word and deed."

A lifelong Episcopalian, Taylor was born in Detroit, Michigan, in 1954, the son of journalists, and formerly served as chief of staff to former President Richard M. Nixon and later as the executive director of the Nixon Library. He received a bachelor's degree in political science at the University of California, San Diego, and a master of divinity at the Claremont School of Theology and Bloy House. He is a graduate of Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts.

He was ordained a priest in January 2004 and also served as curate at the Church of St. Andrew the Apostle in Fullerton. The Diocese of Los Angeles "groans with the potential for growth through mission and ministry to those in our communities who do not know our church but whom our God in Christ commands us to reach, embrace, empower and serve," Taylor has said. His is a "via media" leadership style — listening to his own instincts in consultation with others. "I listen to all stakeholders to learn from them," he has said. "If they've been heard, they'll be more likely to affirm my decision even if they don't agree with it."

Taylor married Kathleen Hannigan O'Connor in 2002; he has two daughters, Valerie and Lindsay, and two stepchildren, Daniel and Meaghan.

Ornament Exchange



