



TRINITY TALK

April 2020

2400 N. Canal Street Orange, California 714-637-1390
The Very Rev. Jeannie Martz, Rector The Rev. Annie Calhoun, Associate Rector
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**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL EVENT ARE SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION
DUE TO THE COVID VIRUS**



OUTREACH SPRING EVENT

~~ SAVE THE DATE ~~

“Ballpark Bunco”

Saturday, May 30th

Calling all men and women to a night of food, fun and fundraising.

Come show your spirit by donning your favorite baseball attire.

Come hungry to enjoy BBQ Hotdogs and Brats.

Come ready to win at this easy, fun and fast-paced game of Bunco.

Tickets are \$20.00 each and will go on sale beginning Sunday, May 3rd after each service.

If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Blush at (714) 319-1452

04/03 Margaret Knight	04/23 Benjamin Candela
04/09 Alan Cawi	04/24 Mike Elwood
04/19 Brenda Hoffman	04/27 Stalky Lehman
Ann Walker	04/29 Kristen Patterson

04/02 John and Susan McCulloch
04/07 Bill and Connie Snyder
04/24 Luis and Margaret Knight

From our Rector

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

My brothers and sisters,

This is a time of pandemic and isolation, of anxiety and concern for the vulnerable, of hand washing and social distancing. It seems the height of unfairness that it should be a time of job furlough, unemployment, and financial hardship as well – but it is.

All of our finances, including Trinity's, are being negatively impacted to one degree or another by the current situation. Each of us has bills that must be paid, expenditures that can't be put off...and again, Trinity isn't exempt from this.

Several parishioners and parish families have contacted the church office to ask if they can go ahead and mail in their offerings. The answer is a hearty YES!

If you are able to, please mail your contributions to Trinity at 2400 N. Canal St., Orange 92865.

Whether you include your pledge envelope in the mailing envelope or not, please put your envelope number on the memo line of your check. And don't forget – you can also keep up your pledge electronically by going to our website, trinityorange.org, and clicking on the "Donate Now" button in the upper right of the home page.

If anyone isn't able to contribute at this time, we definitely understand – and remember, our individual pledges are known only to Trinity's Treasurer, so these are all truly private decisions. Good stewardship of the gifts we've been given encompasses much more than our finances alone, and we all join in prayer for our economy to recover ASAP.

All this being said, I want to share a couple of other things. In an article titled "I'm a nun and I've been practicing social distancing for 29 years. Here are tips for staying home amid coronavirus fears", Sister Mary Catharine Perry, a cloistered Dominican nun living in a convent in Summit, New Jersey, writes, "As someone who has lived a life of separation, I'd like to share from my experience how you can make the best of it."

In her article, Sr. Mary Catharine lists three guiding principles for life in communal isolation:

Establish structure: "Your normal day-to-day lives have structure imposed on them from the outside....These things give you a sense of consistency and rhythm. Now that you are stuck at home, create a schedule for yourself and your family."

Be intentional and love others: "It is easy to get caught up in making sure you and your loved ones are safe and your needs are met....However, we should fight against self-centered urges....Give the gift of your time....Don't hide from roommates under the guise of needing to work; get to know them and learn to enjoy their company."

Use this time for self-reflection and relaxation: "These weeks are your opportunity for a more quiet, simple life....People say they want peace and quiet. Then when it is thrown in their lap, they panic. They don't know how to be alone. They are afraid to confront their 'shadow side,' the hard truths about themselves that they don't like. They fill their lives with noise to run away from their emotions. Life isn't meant to be rushed. Use this time to get to know yourself."

"Stop. Be still. You can either waste this period of social-distancing and be frustrated, or you can choose to make it the best it can be."

Google the title to see Sr. Mary Catharine's full article.

Finally, I have a challenge of sorts for all of us. In the interests of "making this time the best it can be" and with a nod of gratitude to the Jewett clan for the idea, the challenge is this: for the May Trinity Talk, what sort of creative photos can we submit showing us and our families sheltering in place? A Zoom tea party, Zoom happy hour, or Zoom birthday gathering, perhaps? A completed 1,000 piece jigsaw puzzle? Gardening, weeding, cleaning, or playing with the dog? What are we up to? And how entertainingly CREATIVE can we get?

Send us enough good photos, and the May Trinity Talk just might have to be a multi-volume publication!

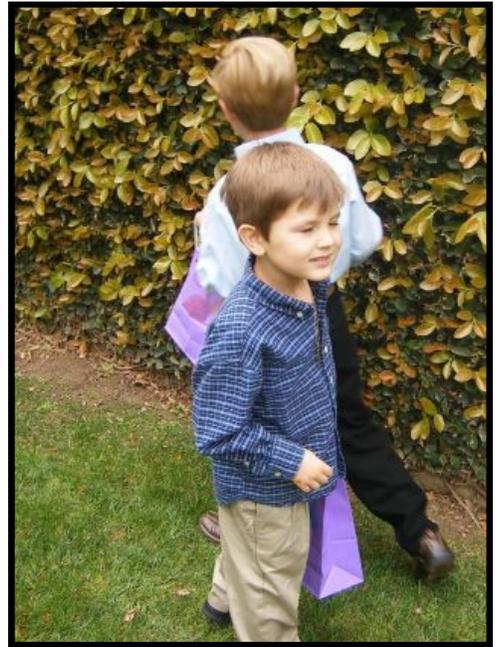
Stay safe, my beloveds. Whether we can see it or not, God is with us all the way.

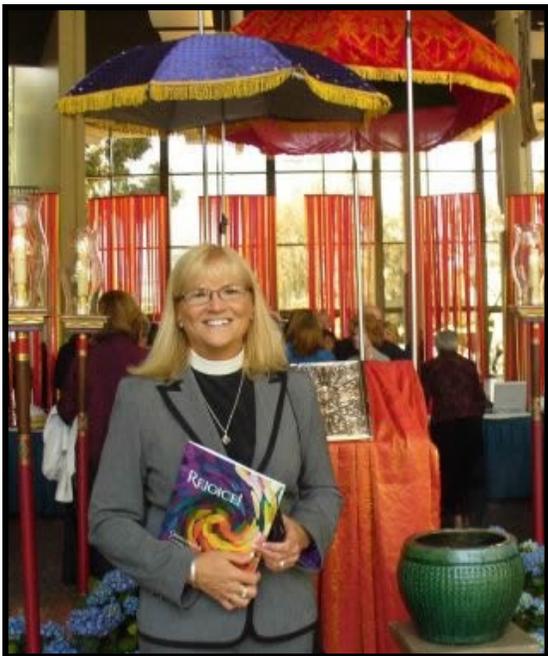
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SINCE WE HAVE NO CURRENT EVENTS, I DECIDED TO LOOK BACK AT SOME OF TRINITY'S BEST MEMORIES. HERE ARE JUST A FEW AND WE WILL HAVE MORE NEXT MONTH! (IN NO SPECIAL ORDER)







Messy Church is coming again!



Our outdoor very informal worship service and BBQ are just around the corner! Plan on joining us on Saturdays June 13, July 11, August 08 and September 12.

**WORSHIP AND GIVING
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ATTENDANCE**

03/01	154	\$ 7,428
03/08	132	\$ 9,202
03/15	93	\$ 3,986



ST. PAUL'S SUPPER PROGRAM

Good Day to our Trinity Family

I hope this finds you all well. These past few weeks have brought unprecedented changes to all our lives and to Sunday Supper.

Each week we have assessed the best way we can continue to serve our guests within the confines of the stricture that have come along with this illness and the rapid spread of it across our county & country.

As for now small groups of 3 are making sandwiches put them along with a drink in paper bags and guests come by and take one. Last week we only had 25 guests...We are considering taking a brake until this virus leaves us healthy. I have told the Sunday Supper Manager that at this time Trinity will decide closer to May 3rd if we will serve (I do not think we will), Congregation B'nai Israel and Unity congregation serving.

Rocky and I will keep you informed if we decide to serve.

Thank you for what you have done for the past 10 years to bring hospitality and great meals to our neighbors in need.

God Bless and Good Health

Connie Donaldson & Rocky Covill



NEWS FROM REV. ANNIE!

Youth Group News

Please remember that I am available by phone, face-time, text and email. And so are most of your friends! After homework and the other obligations you have are completed, please get in touch. Buddy misses you!

When we can get together again we will have for our usual fun!

Rev Annie: 949-300-8434 annie@trinityorange.org

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We will get together as soon as we can for lunch, games, craft and fun! Once we know when that will be we will contact all parents and grandparents.

Ukulele Practice

The best part of being a member of Trinity's Ukulele Band is getting together to play! Since we can't do that for a while, please keep up your home practice and play your Ukulele with enthusiasm and joy! We will be leading our congregation in song this summer at Messy Church so practice, practice, practice and have a great time doing so! Messy Church is the second Saturday evening of June, July, August and September.



UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
THERE WILL BE NO
ACTIVITES OR CHURCH
SERVICES THROUGH
EASTER SUNDAY. WE
WILL ADVISE YOU AS TO
THE STATUS OF OUR
WEEKLY EVENTS AND
SERVICES FOLLOWING
APRIL 12TH.

**WE WILL NOT BE HAVING
CHURCH SERVICES HOLY
WEEK OR EASTER
SUNDAY**