The Quest Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts

Who WE ARE



Trinity Church is an ecumenical Open and Affirming (ONA) congregation. We are affiliated with the American Baptist Church, the Episcopal Church, the United Church of Christ and the United Methodist Church.

Sunday service hours: 10 a.m. (Nursery care available)

Office hours:

Tuesday - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Thursday - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (413) 625-2341

Pastor – Re. Dr. Donna Schaper Leadership Team Co-chairs: Lois Bascom & Eileen McCusker Rauch Music Director - Keith Rollinson Church Secretary - Brook Batteau Nursery Attendant - Lisa Porter Facilities Staff- Lisa Mroczek

Sunday services can be viewed on Falls Cable, channel 17.
The scheduled broadcasts are:
Tuesday - 10 a.m., Thursday - 10 a.m.
Sunday - 9 a.m.

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Pastor's Perch

The orange azalea pictured here, snuggled against the back corner of the parsonage, across from the garage, is as good a metaphor as any for Trinity Church. Bright. Strong. Outstanding against its background and amid churches. Full of spring in its step.

Seriously, and less poetically, as I begin my second stage with you all in June, I want you to know why. I like you. I like the way you behave. I like the way you sing. I like the



way you say No. (Jane Fonda once famously said "No" is a full sentence.). You don't do more than you can. I love to hear your healthy and vibrant organ -- even though I know it has a few problems. These seemingly "minor" things add up to your being a fun place to be. That is major!

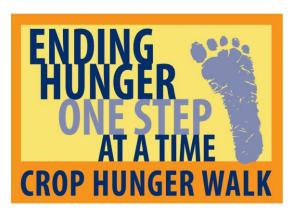
Sure, it would be great to have coffee hour every Sunday but we don't seem to have the capacity. Yes, it would be good to be using less of our endowment to operate. Sure, it would be great to have homemade cookies or bread with the coffee every Sunday. But that's not who we are right now. And that's ok. I think Trinity Church is posed post-Covid for a new and exciting chapter. I don't know if it's going to be the same as your last chapters or not. I do know that the faith you have, the grace you experience and the love between you is even better than a good coffee hour. Looking forward to seeing what happens next!

Donna

PS Get ready for a Pet Sunday on July 9th. What is a pet Sunday? You bring your pet to church and it gets a blessing.

The Quest for June 2023

CROP WALK HELP



NEW COORDINATORS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR CROP HUNGER WALK!

Trinity Church has been a proud and giving partner in the Franklin County CROP Hunger Walk since its inception.

Current co-chairs Lois Bascom and Clare Chapman are stepping down and we need two new folks to help organize our Church walk for this year, which will be on Sunday, Oct. 1 at Orange Methodist Church, starting at 2 p.m.

Lois and Clare will shepherd you through the simple process that starts with a recruitment rally at Orange Methodist Church, 104 South Main Street in Orange on Monday, Aug. 14 at 6:30 p.m. There will be refreshments!

Please consider helping in this way and get in touch with Lois or Clare to take on this important co-chairing role for our church to continue to be the contributors we have been to this iconic effort that raises money for not only those suffering hunger afar, but also right here in West County.

IN THE GARDEN!

I bought this stuff and had this idea of how to set it up. Lisa helped and we got it going this AM. Brook came out to see and he buried the solar panel cord, making things look so nice and neat. A collaborative venture for certain and we are thrilled with it. We left the hose hooked up to the faucet because it and the bird bath will need water often. We wonder about marbles or glass stones in it, but it would take so many and we don't want to put out money for them. Any ideas of free and pretty objects for it? *Lois Bascom*



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COMMUNITY MEAL

Do you want to work for the Community Meal? We need to get one more person through

Serve Safe Certification and rotating working Fridays. Contact the office if interested.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Shelburne Falls Coffee Roasters for donating coffee for our coffee hours after Sunday 10 a.m. service!



GREAT STRIDES

Thank you to all who participated in the 24th Annual Shelburne Falls Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis, held on 5/21/23, by walking and/or donating. We raised our highest amount yet \$11,326 (with a few more checks still to come).

If you didn't make a donation and would like to, it is not too late.

Please make checks payable to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and give to Sandy Gaffey at church or you can leave them at the office and Brook will forward them to Sandy.





PRIDE PARADE

2023 Franklin County Pride Parade
Rain or shine
This year's parade will take place
Saturday, June 10 at 12 p.m.
at Greenfield Middle School (195 Federal Street)
Line up starts at 11 a.m.
Parade ends at Energy Park (50 Miles Street)
where there will be a rally and festival around the theme
"United. Why we march" until 3 p.m.

COFFEE HOUR



A beautiful Coffee hour on Sunday!

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CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2023							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				1 7 p.m. AA	2 10:30 Kids Movement. 5:30 pm Community Meal.	3 10:30 Ukelele	
4 10 am Service. Donna Schaper- Pastor.	5	6	7 9:30 Playgroup	8 7 p.m. AA	9 10:30 Kids Movement. 5:30 pm Community Meal.	10:30 Ukelele	
11 10 am Service. Donna Schaper- Pastor	12	13	9:30 Playgroup 11 - 4Clothes Closet.	15 7 p.m. AA	16 10:30 Kids Movement. 5:30 pm Community Meal.	17 10:30 Ukelele	
18 10 am Service. Tad Bennet w. communion	19	20	21 9:30 Playgroup	22 7 p.m. AA	23 10:30 Kids Movement. 5:30 pm Community Meal.	24 10:30 Ukelele	
25 10 am Service. Mick Comstock- Pastor	26	27	9:30 Playgroup 11 - 4 Clothes Closet.	29 7 p.m. AA	30 10:30 Kids Movement. 5:30 pm Community Meal.		

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS IN JUNE 2023				
June 4	Genesis 1:1-2:4a; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20; Psalm 8 or Canticle 13			
June 11	Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26			
June 18	Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7); Psalm 116:1, 10-17; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)			
June 25	Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39			