

Trinity



Topics

"For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill." Psalm 47:7

Why does Trinity participate in the Kirking of the Tartans?

What is their connection with Scotland?

I've heard these questions several times as I've explained to family and friends what is to take place here in the next month. But the real question should not be, what is *Trinity's* connection, but what is the *Episcopal Church's* connection?

After the Revolutionary war, the Church of England in America had a problem – they could no longer swear fealty to the King (as priests at the time were required to do) and they could no longer wanted England in their name. Thus, the Episcopal Church was born. But they soon found another problem. To be Episcopal was to follow *epikopos* (bishops), but there were no bishops living in the Americas. And without Bishops, The Episcopal Church could not ordain new bishops or priests. Many candidates traveled to Europe to try and get ordained, but the Church of England was delaying ordinations as they discussed whether ordinations could happen without fealty to the king.

The Rev. Samuel Seabury decided to bypass this system all together and went to the Scottish Episcopal Church where he was ordained a Bishop in 1784. As a part of his ordination, he signed an agreement that he would advocate for the use of the prayer of consecration used by the Scottish Episcopal Church. The difference? The prayer contained an *epiclesis*, or the invoking of the Holy Spirit, over the elements. This was an ancient part of liturgy that had been removed in the Roman rite and was not present in the liturgy of the Church of England at the time. He stood by his agreement, advocated for it, and thus our liturgy has always contained an epiclesis.

And so, this month we will celebrate our Scottish Heritage as we participate in the Kirking of the Tartans on November 17th. We will use a Eucharistic prayer from the Book of Common Prayer from the Scottish Episcopal Church, and it will likely feel very similar to our own – because it is! We give thanks for the ways that the Scottish Episcopal Church has shaped our own, and for the opportunity to come together to celebrate and remember.

I am grateful that I am called to be your priest and share in this celebration with you. I will be wearing a stole in the tartan of the Duncan clan (my grandmother's heritage), and ready to join in the history of the parish and of the broader church.

Peace and All Good,
Mtr. Alane

*Note- this is a *very* brief and simplified history. If you would like more information, I invite you to borrow "A History of the Episcopal Church" by Robert Prichard from my office, which is where I confirmed the history that I shared above.

WARDEN'S WORLD

When I listened to Dave's Stewardship message this week, and heard Millie announce another Rummage gathering last Sunday, I thought it appropriate to update the Parish on the Torrence Medical Fund. The Torrence Medical Fund was established in 1997, and its mission is to provide short term medical assistance to the needy in Miami County.

Funding comes from a variety of sources. So far in 2024 the Fund has received \$4,500 from two grants, \$1,250 from Trinity Outreach, \$2,000 from Board contributions, \$600 from individuals and \$4,936 from Rummage proceeds. Through October 2024 the Fund has assisted 9 families for a total of \$7,098.86. Most of the assistance was dental procedures.

As you can see, the contributions from Rummage Sales are important to the continued mission of the Torrence Medical Fund. However, if you listen to those that work the events, you see that it provides for more than dollars to the Fund. It provides much needed, cost-effective clothes, appliances, and assorted wares to the community. It provides an opportunity for the Trinity parishioners to socialize together and with the community. It provides an opportunity to listen, pray and spread outreach to those in need of such services. It provides Trinity with an opportunity to share our blessings with others.

This is a Stewardship message. Please consider what we do as our mission and what would be lost without Trinity in Troy and surrounding areas.

Be prepared to share your blessings as we gather on November 10th to bless and acknowledge all that has been given as we move forward with the process of looking towards 2025 walking together with a revised focus to Invite, Include and Inspire.

Be Safe, Be Well, We Love You

Jim



November



All Saint's Eucharist—

Friday, November 1 at 12:00 pm

This Eucharist will focus exclusively on the lives of the saints. It will have a contemplative feel and be a time of quiet and reflection.

All Saint's/All Soul's Eucharist

Sunday, November 3 at 10:30

This will take place during our usual Sunday worship. This is a time to celebrate the feast day of the church and to remember those who have gone before us.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS SUNDAY, 2:00 am, NOV. 3

Tuesday, November 5 at noon

Election Noon Day Prayers

Ingathering Sunday—November 10

This is the culmination of our stewardship campaign. We will gather pledge cards, and celebrate that which God has given us.

The vestry will provide a lunch of soup and salad following the service.



Sunday, November 17

We will celebrate our liturgical heritage and connection to the Scottish Episcopal Church through the procession and blessing of the tartans. A ritual meal will be held afterward in the parish hall.

The Kirkin' o' The Tartans

Sunday, November 24, 10:30 am -

Final Sunday of Pentecost (Christ the King)

KIRKING OF THE TARTANS

INFORMATION FOR BANNER CARRIERS AND RECEPTION. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

On the Sunday of the Kirking of the Tartans at Trinity bagpipes and drums play and Scottish clan banners are blessed during the service. The Order of Service is taken from the Prayer Book used in Scotland today.

*The Kirking of the Tartans is an old Scottish Highland custom
literally meaning "Churching" of the Tartans.
The tartan is a fabric woven according to a certain thread-count design.
The clear, distinctive cross-line patterns represent
specific clans (families), regions, and regiments.
They are popularly known as Scottish plaids.*

At the reception that follows the service, the Haggis (*a savoury pudding concoction*) will be piped in and special Scottish refreshments will be served.

Parishioners are asked to bring a dish to share for this occasion.

Appetizers, finger sandwiches, fruits, desserts are all needed.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Evanthia Owen



Banner Carriers needed.

Please contact Millie Woryk (937-609-0577 or mworyk@gmail.com) if you would like to participate in carrying a banner. Millie will be at the church at 10:00 am to organize the procession.

If you want to specify which banner you want to carry, please let her know.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Mary Weaver (11/3), Andrew Allen (11/8), Bill Ryan (11/9), Luke Anticoli (11/14), Douglas Jones (11/26), Leslie Schwartz (11/29)

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

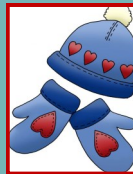
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FRIDAY

ON A
BUDGET

SALE

Friday November 29
9:00 am—1:00 pm



All proceeds donated to the Torrence Medical Fund.

The Torrence Medical Fund, Health Partners, the Miami County Dental Clinic, and Partners in Hope operate with the shared concept that encourages recipients to reclaim charge of their own lives. The Fund provides financial assistance to meet a legitimate but unaffordable medical need in conjunction with critical life skill counseling.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
IS DECEMBER 1st

ON THE CALENDAR

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
ENDS SUNDAY, 2:00 am
NOVEMBER 3**



ON THE CALENDAR MONTHLY:

SUNDAYS: 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

MONDAYS: 9:15 am Contemplative Prayer
Nov. 4 10:00 am Building and Grounds Meeting

THURSDAY: Nov 7: 1:00 pm Fellowship Committee

MONDAY: Nov. 11: 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

WEDNESDAYS: 7:00 pm: Celtic Prayer Service

SERVICES:

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THURSDAY: Nov. 24



HAPPY THANKSGIVING !