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I Believe in the Holy Spirit

Many of us are familiar with the above statement from both the Apostles Creed and the Nicene Creed. As I like to say, it is one thing to believe something and a different thing to understand and experience it. If we are honest, many of us believe in the Holy Spirit but have very limited understanding of who the Holy Spirit is and what the Holy Spirit does.



A story is told of a religious education teacher who asked the children to raise their hands if they knew God the Father. All of them raised their hands. When he asked about God the Son, they all raised their hands; but when he asked about God the Holy Spirit, not a single hand was raised. Then one of the children raised his hand and said: "Sir, the boy who knows about the Holy Spirit is not here today."

This may sound funny but it is very true not just with children but with many adult Christians as well. I suspect the main reason why many Christians are reluctant to delve into the nature and ministry of the Holy Spirit are the excesses and sometimes abuses by some Christians who

claim to know a lot about the Holy Spirit. As a result, there is a general sense of confusion and suspicion on the subject.

As we prepare for the Feast Day of Pentecost, I wish to share my own understanding of the nature and work of the Holy Spirit; with the hope of clearing some of the confusion or suspicion. I also hope that by sharing my understanding and experience of the Holy Spirit, I may inspire many of you to not only believe, but recognize and embrace the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in your personal and church life.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

According to the Book of Common Prayer, “The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Trinity, God at work in the world and in the Church even now.” He is revealed in the Old Testament as “the giver of life, the one who spoke through the prophets” and in the New Testament as “the Lord who leads us into all truth and enables us to grow in the likeness of Christ.” (p. 852).

What Does the Holy Spirit do?

Perhaps the simplest answer is that the work of the Holy Spirit is to transform and equip us. It is the Holy Spirit who enables us to become the kind of people we are designed to be, and to do the work we are called to do. Christianity is all about becoming like Jesus the Christ, and continuing the work he started two thousand years ago. As we rightly admit in our baptismal covenant, we can only be and do what God wants, with God’s help. It is God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, who works in us to will and to act according to His good purpose. (Philippians 2:13).

How Does the Holy Spirit Help Us?

There are many ways by which the Holy Spirit helps us. According to Nicky Gumble, author and presenter of the Alpha series, the Holy Spirit helps us by:

Affirming our identity as children of God – Everyone who believes in Jesus the Christ is a child of God but not every believer feels or acts that way. It is the Holy Spirit who testifies with our spirit that we are children of God. (Romans 8:16).

Developing our relationship as children of God – As is the case with every relationship, communication is key. The Holy Spirit helps us in this process by helping us to pray (Romans 8:26) and to understand God’s word (Ephesians 1:17-18). This makes effective communication with God possible; which enhances the relationship.

Producing the Fruit of the Spirit – All of us are aware of the conflict between what we want and what God wants. It is often referred to as the conflict between the flesh and the spirit. (Galatians 5:17). It is the Holy Spirit that enables us to overcome the flesh and produce the fruit of the spirit which is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Galatians 5:22).

Bringing Unity among believers – It is the Holy Spirit that makes it possible for those who believe in Christ to be united in spirit and purpose. Where the spirit is there is love and unity, but where the spirit is absent there is hostility and dissension. The Holy Spirit is the one who can bring people together from different cultures, languages, races and denominations to make them feel and act as brothers and sisters.

Giving gifts for the edification of the body and the work of ministry – Every Christian has the Holy Spirit living in him or her but to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge, to another faith, to another gifts of healing, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines. (1 Corinthians 12:7-11). Even though these gifts are beneficial to the individual, they are given for the good of all and the advancement of Christ’s mission in the world.

Bringing Growth – It is the Holy Spirit who brings about spiritual and numerical growth. As the Holy Spirit works in us to bring personal spiritual growth, He also works through us to be

credible and effective witnesses for Christ and lead others to him.

As we become more aware of the nature and the work of the Holy Spirit, I hope and pray that we will become more open to his work in us and through us. My own experience is that the more I have become aware and opened myself to the work of the Holy Spirit, the more meaningful and fulfilling my faith has become. I have also realized that just as I need food and water for my physical body, so I need to be filled by the Holy Spirit regularly. Without the help of the Holy Spirit, I cannot be the kind of person God wants me to be or do.

As you prepare for the feast of Pentecost, may this be your prayer and song:

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me x2

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me”.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me

When you do, you will surely will receive power to be Christ's witness in your neighborhood, your community and beyond. (Acts 1:8).

By Fr. Samuel Nsengiyumva



VISION

The vision of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is to be a warm and welcoming community of faith for all people to belong, blossom, and bless, in the name of Christ.

MISSION

Our mission is to invite, welcome, and connect all people to God and one another in Christ.

Vestry Minutes Highlights

The Vestry met for their monthly meeting on ***Wednesday, May 18, 2022*** to discuss matters of importance to the life and mission of our church.

1. The meeting began with prayer and meditation from the book Meditations for Vestry Members.
2. The Vestry reviewed the minutes from March and April, which included The Vestry Spring Retreat.
3. The Vestry reflected on reports from the various ministry teams. Wonderful things continue to happen at church and school. A few examples include finding new ways to connect with new and returning members after COVID and the HTES Graduation.
4. Fr. Samuel gave a Rector's Report that highlight his activities in the past month. He has had a lot going on.
5. The Vestry approved the treasurer's report as presented. A copy of this report will be placed in the Parish Hall for those that may be interested.
6. The Vestry, with the guidance of Fr. Samuel, will be creating a survey as a check-up for the church to see where we are and where we want to go.
7. The Vestry reviewed the church calendar. Please note there will be two services during the summer. Those services will be at 8:00 and 10:30 on Sundays. We hope you will join us for one of those services.
8. The Vestry approved a scholarship for one graduating senior from Holy Trinity Episcopal School. This scholarship will be presented in honor of Sara May who has done so much for the school and its students.
9. The Vestry meeting ended with a closing prayer.

Spring Vestry Retreat

April 30, 2022

The vestry held a retreat on Saturday, April 30th at Michael & Debbie Lally's home in the Villages. The purpose of the retreat was to

nurture and strengthen our bond as brothers and sisters in Christ and as the church's leadership team.

The retreat began with morning prayer and a study of scripture. Following morning prayer, we watched a video on group dynamics by Archbishop Melissa M. Skelton, founder of the College for Congregational Development (CCD). In the video, Archbishop Skelton reminded us that groups are not simply about accomplishing tasks but managing relationships as well. Healthy relationships are key to accomplishing tasks.

Following some discussion of the video, we reviewed the results of the DISC (Dominance, Influence, Steadiness and Compliance). The assessment is intended to help explain one's behavior towards others and the everyday things we do. In addition, we had an opportunity to share information about our upbringing, our cultural, educational and professional backgrounds, and our faith journeys. It was fascinating to see how our different backgrounds and personalities complement each other as a team. Lunch was prepared and served by our host Michael with assistance from Debbie who is our Vestry secretary.

Although we are each different, we all agree on one thing, and that's doing what is best for Holy Trinity, its parishioners and the students at our school. It's our understanding of one another and our ability to work together that will allow Holy Trinity to grow and prosper.

The retreat concluded with a brief discussion of the major events on the church's calendar and the opportunities they offer to present Holy Trinity is truly a warm and welcoming community of faith for all people to belong, blossom, and bless in the name of Christ. Another retreat is planned for the fall to review our plans and priorities for the next few years.

We are grateful to Michael & Debbie Lally for their hospitality and generosity.

Sr. Warden's Report

In the immortal words of Charles Dickens, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...". That is how I view the past month.

The "*worst of times*" because of the family members we have lost: Susie Brown, Richard Barringer and Lee Shawcross. They will be missed. I knew Susie because of her kind heart and concern for the cats that wandered around the Church. She fed them and eventually brought the ones she could to her home. Lee will forever be the voice of Dickens at our Christmas Dinners. We can find solace in knowing they have all gone to their rewards in Heaven.

The "*best of times*" was last week, when I attended the Holy Trinity School Exhibit. I taught for 33 years. When I retired, technology was starting to infiltrate the classroom. Now, it has become the focal point. I like a classroom where the teacher gives the students guidance and instruction. I like a classroom where students are engaged in learning, creating and thriving. I like a school where teachers are not burning out, but are excited with their students' accomplishments. Surprise – I found it! Holy Trinity School has all of that and more.

Teachers were proudly displaying their students' work, and were already thinking about next year. They were talking about what changes they would make to enhance their subject area. The students' work indicated time and detail that is only present in work done with care and pride. The work displayed could only have been done in an atmosphere where teachers instruct, not machines; and students are engaged in learning and creating, not watching videos. I was very proud of the accomplishments of our students. I so enjoyed listening to teachers talking about their classes' enthusiasm when presented with a challenge or project.

In October, we will have our "Annual Holy Trinity School Golf Tournament". The Committee is already at work to make sure it is more successful than ever. Seeing first-hand how those students thrive and learn, I will do all I can to see the tournament achieve its goal. I hope some of you will consider supporting the event either through participation on a committee or in the tournament or both. Together we can make this, "the best of years".

Doris Brennan, Sr. Warden

Jr. Warden's Report

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our sexton Chris Redding has found a full-time job paying more money than we could afford.

We wish him well. He has indicated that he will be available from time to time to volunteer helping with lawn work.



We would like to move forward with church projects using parishioners who can rake, blow, weed, clean gutters change furnace/AC filters etc. These are weekly, monthly and quarterly projects.

We know this may not be your “thing” but for those who can see any way of helping I think we could do many of the jobs as teams.

So, if this is a calling that seems to fit for you please call or text me Randy Siver 352-446-2469 to sign up.

Randy Siver, Jr Warden

Treasurer's Summary Report

April, 2022

Contributions	Actual	Budget
Pledges	\$20,827	\$21,527
Other Income	<u>\$ 3,421</u>	<u>\$ 4,459</u>
Total	\$24,248	\$25,986
Expenses	\$25,065	\$25,986

Be merciful after thy power. If thou has much, give plenteously; if thou has little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for so gather thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. Tobit 4:8,9

Russ Casson, Treasurer

PASTORAL CARE

For pastoral care
we welcome you to contact:

Mike Browne (352-571-4111) or mbrowne@thevillages.net; Fr. Samuel Nsengiyumva (920-226-0050) or rector@holytrinityfp.com; or call the church office Monday through Thursday during office hours.

Please continue to phone or email your prayer requests to 352-787-1500 or office@holytrinityfp.com

Pilgrimage to Orlando

Having learned so much about the Episcopal Church and our diocese during our Confirmation/New Member Class, it was suggested that a field trip to the diocesan office and the Cathedral of St. Luke in Orlando would greatly enhance our learning. What began as a suggestion, became an extraordinary experience on Tuesday April 5, 2022.



Our trip began in the church parking lot. Between 8:00 and 8:30 AM, 12 people arrived in dribs and drabs. We were toting coffees and other drinks and assorted treats for our road trip. We talked about who was going with who and

the best route to take to Orlando with our individual GPS's.

Finally, 8:45 AM arrived and it was time to get our caravan going. We decided it would be safer not to try to follow each other but to trust our GPS. The first car had Michael Quinlan, Chris Redding, and Steve & Elizabeth Knowles. The second car had Cheryl Pringle, Carol Mullen, Karen Hammen and Fr. Samuel. The third car had Gregg & Judy Monin, Karen Shirley and Dan Curtis. We all had lively conversations all the way to the city. Our friend, Tom Synan had to drive alone because he had other commitments in Orlando but we met at the Diocesan Center.



Within an hour we were at the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida's Office in downtown Orlando. The one floor complex with many offices and conference rooms is nothing fancy but is filled with so much love. We were met in the parking lot and informed that the bishop was in a staff meeting and we would have to wait. We were ushered into a conference room with cookies and coffee.

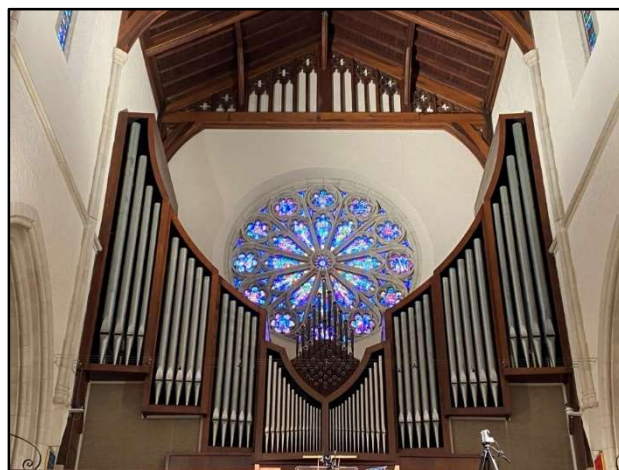
About 10:30 AM we were told that the bishop was ready to visit with us. We went in and sat around a conference table. Around the room were the formal portraits of the former Bishops of Central Florida.

Bishop Brewer is a lovely man. He is personable and outgoing. He was happy to welcome each and every one of us to Orlando. He gave us a personal peek into his private life and his plans for the future. He is prepared to retire next year and spend his time with his wife and visiting grandchildren.

The conversation did take a serious turn when someone said, "Bishop, how can we attract younger people to our church?" The bishop loved the question and offered some ideas. We were also given a short history of the diocese and some background information to the bishops whose portraits hung on the walls of the conference room. Very informative.

The bishop thanked us for coming and encouraged us to drop in anytime. He wished us well as we headed to the next leg of our journey: The Cathedral of St. Luke's. A diocesan staff person served as our guide to help us navigate the parking challenges of downtown Orlando. Here we did follow as a caravan and ended up in another parking lot where reserved parking spots were kept for church-goers to St. Luke's. We went past the parish house and into a small courtyard. A lovely woman met us to give us the tour of the cathedral. She informed us that work on the Cathedral began in 1925. The building is Gothic in style with flying buttresses. She also informed us that some elements of the cathedral had to be scaled back because of a lack of funds during the Depression.

We entered the Cathedral to the side of the altar. We were educated as to what a "working sacristy" was. It is where all pertinent work pertaining to the altar takes place. We then moved to the front of the altar and sat in the pews. We received the background on the statues attached to the pulpit. We were introduced to the Apostolic Shields adorning the 12 columns in the church. We received information regarding the stained-glass windows, the organ, and the eagle lectern. All very interesting.



When the tour was over we were hungry. We had received a recommendation of a local restaurant. We headed out walking to Acme Café. It was just a few blocks from the cathedral. At first we were lost and then we gained our footing and in the end we found the place.

At first glance it seemed like a biker restaurant with road signs and motorcycle paraphernalia, but after we were seated it seemed more country. We sat on high top chairs and talked about the tour. We all had sandwiches with French fries or sweet potato tater-tots.

We exited the restaurant about three o'clock and walked back to the parking lot near the cathedral. We climbed into our cars and headed back to Fruitland Park with lively conversation about our Pilgrimage to Orlando.

It was a very good experience with so much learning about our diocese and one another. We commend it for anyone who would like to learn about the life and ministry of our diocese.

By Michael Quinlan/Fr. Samuel Nsengiyumva

Confirmation at Diocesan Center, Orlando



Chris Redding, Carol Mullen and Judy Monin were confirmed while Gregg Monin and G. Scott Pennington were received into the Episcopal Church/Anglican Communion.

Bishop Brewer with the confirmands from Holy Trinity in the Bishop's Chapel at the Diocesan

following the confirmation service on Thursday May 5, 2022.

Members of our 2022 Confirmation/NewComer class who were unable to be confirmed or received during the Bishop's visitation on April 24, were finally able to be confirmed and received at a confirmation service held in the Bishop's chapel at the Diocesan Center in Orlando on Thursday May 5, 2022. We are grateful that all 15 participants in the class have received the relevant sacramental rites.

How Can I Make a Planned Gift to Holy Trinity?

As most of you know, we now have a Planned Giving Program in place at Holy Trinity, which includes an active endowment invested through the Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF). Planned Giving is an important part of the financial health that supports our church's mission. A question sometimes asked is about the ways in which a planned gift can be made. There is a variety of such ways, both lifetime and deferred (i.e., part of an estate plan). These include cash, appreciated securities, retirement assets (such as IRAs), and life insurance, as well as some that are a bit more involved, such as trusts and annuities. If you are considering making a planned gift to Holy Trinity, it may be helpful to take a look at the ECF's pamphlet "Stewards of God's Bounty," copies of which we have available. The ECF's website <https://www.ecf.org/programs/planned-giving-stewardship/planned-giving/types-of-planned-gifts> also has an informative overview of types of planned giving. In future Tidings we will provide some more detailed information about these. As always, everyone's situation and wishes are different, so consult your financial advisor or estate planner for advice. Our Planned Giving Shepherd (Mark Welton) and our Endowment Committee (Mike Browne, Parker Bauer, and Paul Harmon) are also available to answer your questions about our Planned Giving Program.

Mark Welton

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 19 – September 11, 2022

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist Rite 2
(with no music)

10:30 a.m.– Holy Eucharist Rite 2
(with Organ Music)
(Live-streamed on Facebook)

Wednesday 11:30 a.m. - Healing Service
with Communion (Live-streamed on
Facebook)

*Saturday 4:15 p.m. services to resume on
Saturday September 17, 2022*

Salvation Army Lake & Sumter Counties

The need is still great for help for many families in our area for food and is expected to continue to be great as we go into the summer months with no school. This means the children of many families will now be needing to eat all their daily meals at home every day of the week; instead of the children eating two meals a day at school five days a week. So, as you are shopping for your family's food, if you are able I ask you to choose a few extra items that can be shared through HTEC for the Salvation Army Office in Leesburg. They are our Lord's hands after we use our hands to bring in those few items to help. Just place your items in our "little red wagon" either as it sits out in front of our church or in the Parish Hall. May Our Lord Bless Everyone Who Helps.

Thank You,
Annette Freeman
Out Reach Committee
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



Recap Holy Hacker Outing Saturday, May 14th

We could not have been given a more beautiful day than we had today for the Holy Hackers. It was a sunny morning and the temperature was just right. It always helps to have three ordained folks playing with you to make things perfect. The only incident Gerry and I had was at the beginning of the round as we were passing through the fourth hole headed to our starting point on the fifth hole. There is a pond as you leave #4 and prepare to cross the road to #5.... And guess what - there was a 12-foot alligator - I kid you not - he was at least 12 feet long and probably approaching 15 feet. Well, he was nearing the edge of the pond and about 10 feet from our golf cart. I truly thought our days were numbered as he got closer and closer. The fear that came across me was like that of one being in the ocean and going down for the third time. I was so thankful that Gerry was in the cart as she knew "exactly" what to do. She immediately screamed and reached behind her and took a pitching wedge out of her golf bag and pointed directly at the beast. Now I am not quite sure as to whether it was her scream, the action she was taking with the golf club, or the steadfastness of the glare in her eyes as she looked that gator directly in the eyes, but I could have sworn that I heard a loud whimper out of him as he turned and made a hasty retreat to the other side of the pond. Thanks to Gerry we made it safely to hole #5 and started our round. What can I say - it is always an exciting day at the Pennbrooke Fairways on the second Saturday of each and every month.

There was a total of 28 Holy Hackers at the outing this morning, and all of them arrived on time with smiles on their faces and ready for a morning of some type of golf and some great

fellowship. We welcomed a brand-new member to the group - our own Vestry member Mandy Panlillo - welcome aboard Mandy, thanks so much for joining us. We also welcomed Mike and Nancy Browne's daughter Julianne and grandson Dylan to today's festivities. Thanks so much, it was great having you with us today. We had a bit of a sad moment at lunch today as we bade farewell to long time Holy Hackers and Holy Trinity members - Bob & Gay Hensley. They are preparing to embark in a new phase of their life and are moving back to the great State of Arkansas where Bob's family are awaiting them with open arms. We are very happy for them, but sad to see them leave. But - alas - they will be returning for a three month visit next summer. And hopefully many summers after that. Two folks were missing from today's event and they were truly missed Mona & Leo Oxberger - we hope to see you both at next month's outing.

And now let's reflect a bit on today's golf action... Today's scores ran from a high of 2 over Par 32 to a low of -3 below Par 27. And that my friends ain't half bad. Bringing up the rear this morning, but playing with flying colors were TEAM #2 - Nancy & Mike Browne, Julianne Browne, and Dylan Sindore along with TEAM #7 - Deb & Randy Sivers and Naomi & David Aldrich - the ladies told me that they all played their hearts out, and even with their expert coaching they just could not light a spark under the guys and I am sure that is very true. There was a three way tie for 2nd place - all three of these teams wandered back into the clubhouse sporting a 1 under Par 29 on their scorecard - TEAM #1 - Mandy Panlillo, Father Ted Koelln, Neven Matthews, and Ray Vallee; TEAM #3 - Gail & Jonathan Hole, Rev. Janice Gordon Barnes, and Terry Banks; and TEAM #4 - Barbara Turner, Valeria McGathy, Gloria Metzger, and Molly McGlone - the ladies on all three teams told me that they played their hearts out, and that each of them missed a hole in one by a mere three strokes. And there was even a two-way tie for 1st Place - both of these teams scored a 3 under Par 27 - TEAM #6 - Janey Pullen, Terry Osborn, and Judy & Gregg Monin along with TEAM #5 Gay & Bob Hensley, Gerry Howell, and yours truly Pat

McLaughlin - both of these teams played extremely well and there probably should have been a playoff, but everyone was hungry so we decided to call it a tie and retire to the clubhouse for some lunch and a lot of great fellowship.

If you were unable to join us for today's outing - not to worry - we will be back on the course next month. June's Holy Hacker outing will take place on Saturday, June 11th. The sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall tomorrow morning after the 8:00AM Service. If you are unable to get to the Parish Hall to sign-up simply send me an e-mail at pmclaugh7@gmail.com and I will add your name to the list as I know the guy that puts this thing together. Also, if you do not play this silly game of chasing the little white ball all over the course, but would still like to join us - come on out to the Pennbrooke Fairways about 11:15 or so as that is when we finish playing and retire to the clubhouse for lunch and outstanding fellowship. Believe me - it is a day you will never forget.

Well boys and girls that is about all I have for today and it is my nap time. I hope to see each and every one of you back on the course next month and in Church on Sunday. Love you all, and remember without you there would be no Holy Hackers.

Your Golf Guy,
Pat Laughlin

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



This month the Board reviewed and passed the School Budget for the next 2022-2023 School Year. Next year's budget will again allow us to provide much needed compensation increases for our teachers and administrative staff while also implementing new educational tools and a digital library. For the first time we are also able to establish a capital budget that will allow the

school make some much needed repairs, revamp the office to allow private conferences, and replace two old inefficient AC units that are about to fail.

Justin McCallister, working with the Board Executive Committee has also established a three-year strategic plan that will focus on expanding and improving our ability to educate students that learn differently. Additionally, we continue to work on long range visioning and planning to assure the long-term sustainability of our school. Improved Marketing to recruit students and staff, providing compensation packages that are close to market rates, and continuing to improve our educational systems and reputation are all critical to sustain our wonderful school in the future.

Our Golf Benefit leaders, Judy and Gregg Monin, along with a steering committee have begun the planning and preparation for this year's benefit on October 29th. The funds received from this golf benefit are critical. If you are not playing or participating on one of the volunteer committees please try to be an ambassador for the benefit. Ask friends and neighbors to play in the benefit, and if they cannot ask them to make a donation. Just think, if 50 of our parishioners asked 10 friends to donate \$20 we would raise \$10,000. That's huge, and I know 50 of us have at least 10 friends that can donate 20 bucks. The committee will soon be releasing pamphlets designed to help donors understand what our school is about and how it has helped kids that had no place else to go. Let's all help Judy and Gregg make this the best School Benefit ever.

The School Board will be meeting next on June 1 and will not meet in July.

Have a great summer.

Dan Curtis, Finance Director
HTES School Board

STUDENT CELEBRATION DAY

Well, the big day finally arrived on May 19, 2022.

Student Celebration Day celebrated not only what the Holy Trinity Episcopal School students



achieved, but also celebrated all the hard work the teachers put in during the school year.

The afternoon and its success were a community effort. Teachers looked to the student body for volunteers to help with the booth/table setups. And there was an enthusiastic response from the children. Some signed up to help with setting up the tables and others to work the booths selling note cards, snacks, and generally helping with the logistics.

The event gave the students an opportunity to show off some of their school work and it gave teachers an opportunity to share with parents what their children worked on during the year.

The Student Celebration Day was a "variation-on-a-theme" - the parent-teacher meetings. How often do parents get to see what their children's day is all about? Often for middle school and high school students, it's all about their paper homework. Today, it was about visualization of the child's day in the classroom.

Parents who came in throughout the course of the early evening had a chance to visit with their children's teachers who shared with moms and dads what their kids did during the course of the day. Mom and Dad got to see students work beyond pieces of paper - what their offspring were able to produce, such as Egyptian artifacts, paintings, and clay projects. Other works included short story booklets, poems, literature, history, math, technology, and Life Skill projects along with traditional science projects.

All this sounds typical in a public-school environment, but you need to remember these are children who face challenges not encountered by most students enrolled in the public school system,

Today, the children got a chance to develop social skills outside their comfort zones, in a safe and friendly, comfortable environment. Students were selling snacks and even upselling (encouraging) patrons & parents to buy additional quantities of their products.

Other students were happily selling note cards that their schoolmates made - exercising salesmanship and arithmetic skills during their order taking. This table gave the student body a chance to see their labors bear fruit and their work products generating money for the school.

The children were all enjoying themselves, having fun working; and parents were beaming with pride at what their offspring had accomplished. All in all, a great way to be closing the school year.

Sid Yee



May Festival

In 1967 the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) initiated Holy Trinity's May Festival. This replaced the annual "Silver Tea" the women used as a fund raiser.

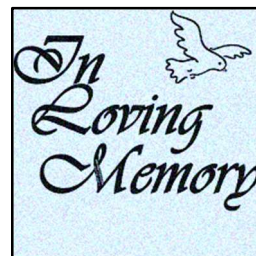
The event was built around the theme of an English Country Garden. Visitors came to buy crafts, homemade baked goods, and take tours of the historic Church. The festival became very popular in the 1970's and 1980's with activities

expanded to include pony rides, face painting and a dunk tank.

In the 1990's, the ECW became dormant and the festival was allowed to expire.

Next month: Where was Paddock Point?

Russ Casson



Richard Barringer

Lee Shawcross

George Boggia



George Kaufman P. Scott Colligan

Donna Zegray Roger Wilcox

Floyd Cogley Janet Dearcopp

Cesar Nobel Annette Freeman

Janet Callahan Sid Yee

Jim Kelly



Russell & Diane Casson

Leland & Sue Lewis

John & Jeanette Rodenbaugh

Mike & Debbie Lally

Student Celebration Day

May 22, 2022



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