



### WHAT IS EASTER ABOUT?

For our sake, He made him to be sin who knew no sin,  
so that in him we might become the [right relationship] of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

According to the *Interpreter's Commentary*, this statement points to the fact that God in Christ “took on himself the sins of the world.” And thereby, “though himself not a sinner,” became “so involved in it” that he then was able to “deal effectively with our predicament” [of sin].

Wow! So, Jesus was made sinful so that he might fight the problem of human “sin decay?” I don’t know...

What if we were to say instead that the Christ, the second person of the Trinity, the Eternal one, became limited by the constraints of time (mortality) so that we mortals might learn ourselves to be more effective agents of God? What if the complete one (God), became human so that humanity might learn to aspire to eternity?

Remember that Jesus, a very human being, died and then rose from the dead. He had been mortal and then he was not! Three days after his burial, Jesus, the Christ, met his disciples, spoke with them, ate with them, was touched by them, and made peace with them. And these followers of his then became agents of “right relationship” with God.

Sometimes, it is hard to remember that we humans are not responsible for everything—that we are not in control. Sometimes, it is hard to remember that there is more to reality than we can see or hear or touch. But in this season of Easter we are reminded that we are related to God, we are made in the image of the Eternal One, and also that God has lived among us a fully human life.

I guess what I am saying is that Easter is a lesson which teaches us to look forward so we may aspire to an eternal and sinless life with God.

May you have a blessed Easter filled with divine aspiration.

Faithfully,

Cooper+

### APRIL SERVICE SCHEDULE

April 1	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist The Rev. Dr. Charles Mayer, officiating	Easter Day
April 8	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer	(Easter 2)
April 15	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist	(Easter 3)
April 22	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer	(Easter 4)
April 29	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Service at St. Paul's	(Easter 5)

### ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

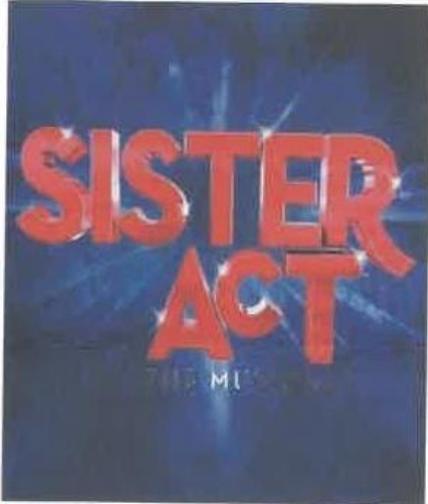
As everyone already knows, this year marks 150 years of Trinity Ossining. The committee for the planning of the Sesquicentennial events (I know, that's such a 75 cent word!) has been hard at work planning activities for each month this year. Soon, you will see a banner on Route 9 announcing our anniversary to the Village. In April, we have a Bishop's Visitation and Evensong featuring the Rt. Rev. Andrew M.L. Dietsche. At that service, we will be performing a newly-commissioned anthem and at the reception, our neighborhood friends at Six Degrees of Separation have created a custom microbrew which we have dubbed "Trinity's Smoky Brown ThuribAle." (For those who don't know, the thurible is the pot in which we smoke our incense). I'm excited for you all to taste it! June will bring us the Village Fair and another wonderful historic presentation by Miguel Hernández and Dennis Parker, this time at the Ossining Public Library (Save the Date, Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup> in the evening). I hope to see everyone at the Evensong, and I look forward to updating you as more plans solidify.

Warmest regards,  
Alexis Cullen, Chair



Photo courtesy of Steve Pendzuk

Marborough Churchill (a.k.a. Miguel Hernández), one of our founders,  
discusses the Trinity Timeline



The hilarious story of Deloris Van Cartier, a disco diva whose life takes a surprising turn when she witnesses a murder. Under protective custody she is hidden in the one place she won't be found – a Convent! Disguised as a nun and under the suspicious watch of Mother Superior, Deloris helps her fellow sisters find their voices as she unexpectedly rediscovers her own. A sparkling tribute to the universal power of friendship, sisterhood, and music.

Featuring original music by Tony and 8-time Oscar winner Alan Menken (Disney's *Aladdin* and *Beauty and the Beast*, *Newsies*, *Enchanted*), dazzling dance routines and songs inspired by Motown, soul, and disco, *Sister Act* is the funniest and funkier musical around.

Did I hear someone say WBT?? The Planning committee, which (among other things) organizes parish group activities, is wondering if there is any interest in getting a group together to see *Sister Act* at the Westchester Broadway Theater during its run from April 5<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>. We would choose a Sunday matinee on a Morning Prayer day as the doors open at 11:30. That would give us ample time to get to Elmsford. Lunch begins at 11:45 and the show itself at 1:30. The tax-exempt price is \$81 per person, the gratuity. To get that rate, we must have a minimum of 15 persons. We are asking for a response by April 20<sup>th</sup> so that IF there is the interest, we have enough to set a date and make reservations. Please send responses via email to [trinityyossining@gmail.com](mailto:trinityyossining@gmail.com)



Photo courtesy of Cecilia Quintero

We say goodbye to Eyvret Grant and Opal Leslie as they move on to Seattle to continue their care of those who need it! They serenaded us with several traditional songs from Jamaica—many featuring coffee! Thank you, ladies, for your joy and energy! Go with God!



Photo courtesy of Steve Pendzuk

Easter greetings, friends! I've now been your Minister of Music for 6 months. Time sure flies when you're having fun.

I'd like to send a shout out of "Thanks!" to those of you who came to my housewarming & birthday party. All your gifts were appreciated, as well as your company. I look forward to having many more parties in the future.

As we conclude this Lenten season, I wanted to reflect on the changes to the music we've experienced. We as a choir have been working to unify our voices as one. The *a cappella* plainsong chant introits and psalms have definitely helped us to listen to one another and to blend our voices. I'd like to personally recognize and congratulate Alexis, Warren, Kellie, Cameron, and Dennis who took me up on my offer of free voice lessons and have made dramatic improvements as a result. I am looking forward to working with the other choir members who have not yet taken lessons. I hope as a congregation you have appreciated and enjoyed the solemnity of the music in Lent, as well as the meditative silent moments.

The Evensong on April 22<sup>nd</sup> with Bishop Dietsche attending is rapidly approaching! Anyone who is interested in singing is welcome. Rehearsals will be on Saturdays: April 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup> from 10am–noon. We will be singing the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* from the *Unison Service in D Major* by C. V. Stanford, *Preces* and *Responses* by Andrew Carter, and a brand-new anthem by Sherri Chung, composer of many television and film scores, specially commissioned for our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There will be a festive reception to follow, featuring a craft beer brewed specially for Trinity by Six Degrees of Separation Restaurant and Brewery in Ossining.

As I mentioned in the February *Glad Tidings*, our Paul Ott tracker pipe organ turns 40 this year, and is in need of some extra TLC. I contacted Martin Ott, the nephew of Paul Ott, our organ builder. He has offered to come to Trinity to evaluate and do some work on our organ! I am working closely with the Vestry to get this scheduled.

I wish you all a warm, loving, and harmonious Spring and Easter season.

Musically yours,

Christopher Fasulo, Minister of Music

## MEET THE VESTRY

A new vestry was installed at our annual meeting in February. Each month, we will have an article from vestry members to give us all a feeling for what they're about and what they see at Trinity. Here's the next:

CECILIA QUINTERO

I grew up in NYC in a very traditional Caribbean/Roman Catholic family. I remember attending mass in either Spanish or English; I even remember Latin masses (for a very brief period) before I went to my parochial school classes. I was struck by the fact I never saw women at the altar. I was always very stressed if I ever forgot to bring my veil to cover my head and I noticed no one ever knew me or my mom or my *abuela* despite our regular attendance. As a young adult, I was unchurched but I did feel a yearning to return to find a faith community with which I could feel more at home. During my courtship with my boyfriend (now husband), I found that new home at St. John the Divine and I felt that Bishop Paul Moore's sermons were all speaking to me very directly. I had never had that experience before! We continued attending services on Easter, Christmas, and whenever we were in Manhattan on Sundays. When Dennis and I became parents in December 1991, we decided it was time to find a church in Ossining and make our membership as new Episcopalians official at Trinity Church. We were immediately welcomed into a beautiful historic church with an impressive music program and over the years we saw the parish evolve and grow into a very diverse, social, and involved part of the community of Ossining.



My 24-year career in Human Resources with CBS was very gratifying and I remember juggling the competing demands of parenthood and work while seeking the ever-elusive goal of "Work/Family balance." I am the co-founder and leader of Trinity's Book Club, which began in March 2003 and am happy to report that our table has grown to include folks from St. Paul's on the Hill, Ossining, and "the city." We are looking forward to marking our TBC 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018!

These past 10 years I been active on a few fronts: I have volunteered my time with two Westchester-based Job Clubs designed to support folks who were impacted by the 2008 economic recession; I was a member of the Ossining Public Library Board of Trustees and I am looking forward to working with the Ossining Children's Center Board again. As many of you know, eldercare has been my primary obligation to my family these past 10 years—a most challenging and very humbling part of my ongoing spiritual formation. This experience has helped prepare me for the honor to serve as a member of the Vestry to help support our church and Trinity Family which has been such a valued part of my and my family's life.

## BUILDING & GROUNDS

Spring is finally here! (We hope.)

As the warmer weather approaches, B&G is concentrating on the spring clean-up of the property, which with luck will be finished in time for Easter Sunday.

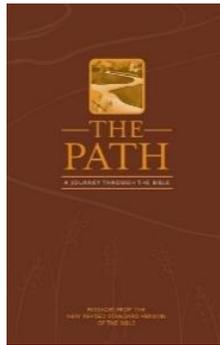
There are several lamps out in the sanctuary; they'll be replaced this week with LED bulbs.

In addition, all of our red door entrances are in serious need of TLC and our goal is to have them repaired and painted (weather permitting) before the bishop's visit in April.

In order to satisfy the Village of Ossining building code requirements and for safety, a fireproof wall has been constructed above the boiler area in the parish hall basement.

Shirley Crute

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### THE PATH: BIBLE STUDY FOR 2018

We continue with our exploration of the Bible. March discussions will be:

On Wednesdays at noon at the rectory (7 Sleator Drive):

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| April 11 | Chapter 9, "Speak, For Your Servant Is Listening" |
| April 18 | Chapter 10, "Determined to Have a King"           |
| April 25 | Chapter 11, "A Man after God's Own Heart"         |

On Sundays after the service:

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| April 8  | Chapter 8, "The Lord Raised Up Judges"            |
| April 15 | Chapter 9, "Speak, For Your Servant Is Listening" |
| April 22 | Chapter 10, "Determined to Have a King"           |
| April 29 | Chapter 11, "A Man after God's Own Heart"         |

May God bless our year to come and our love for God and one another.

Faithfully, Cooper+



## OUR SESQUICENTENNIAL YEAR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 1	New Year's Day Brunch	September 8	Celebrating Community Partners Reception
February 4	Annual Meeting		
March 18	1868 Liturgy and Historical Timeline	September 16	Welcoming Sunday/ Dedication of New Banner
April 22	Bishop's Evensong		
June 9	Ossining Village Fair	October 21	Gala Brunch
July 14	All Community Gathering	November 7	Family Thanksgiving Dinner
July/August	On-line Scavenger Hunt	December 16	Lessons & Carols



### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

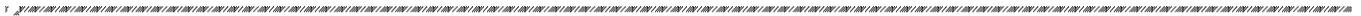
Dorothee Caulfield	8
Randall Moeller	8
Karen Otten	8
Dale Bonenberger	9
Deacon Norman Fulton	13
Kayla Skylar Nixon	13
Warren Dyckman	18
Arlene Lazaro	20
Synara Okyne-Aryee	26
Frances King	26
Richard Korr	29

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Donna and Neville Harvey	12
Anne and Robert Obuck	22
Kate and Steve Pendzuk	24
Alexis and John Cullen	25

### UPCOMING EVENTS

14 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Committee
15 <sup>th</sup>	Vestry Meeting
18 <sup>th</sup>	REPAIR meets at Trinity
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bishop's Evensong
29 <sup>th</sup>	Taghkanic Chorale Concert



### CHURCH DIRECTORY

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### VESTRY — 2018

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Sally Evans  
Ed Shultz



MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity's mission is to nourish our community in body mind and spirit through worship, music, spiritual formation and outreach activities.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Trinity Episcopal Church is a diverse and inclusive group, dedicated to providing beauty and welcome to all who seek a place of peace and prayer.

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