

# THE CALL

The printed voice of Trinity  
Episcopal Church  
Pocatello, Idaho

*Warm hearts, open arms,  
Inquiring minds*

*November 2011*



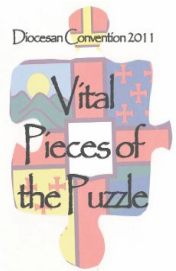
You should be receiving a stewardship letter from the vestry with a pledge card enclosed. (Extra copies of pledge cards will also be available in the office.)

We have a series of skits this year to explore stewardship – the theme of this year's skits is "Abundant Love, Abundant Life". The skits will be during the service on October 30, November 13, and November 20. Following the service on November 20, we will have a special coffee hour to celebrate together.

We ask that you return the pledge cards, specifying amount of your treasure you can joyfully give, by Sunday Nov 27<sup>th</sup> so the vestry can start planning for next year.

Diane Nelson

*Bishop Brian closed the convention with this slightly abridged version of a prayer originally written by Sir Francis Drake in 1557-- just decades after the Anglican church came into being.*



Disturb us, Lord, when  
We are too well pleased with ourselves,  
When our dreams have come true  
Because we have dreamed too little,  
When we arrived safely  
Because we sailed too close to the shore.

Disturb us, Lord, when  
With the abundance of things we possess  
We have lost our thirst  
For the waters of life.

Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,  
To venture on wider seas  
Where storms will show your mastery;  
Where losing sight of land,  
We shall find the stars.

We ask You to push back  
The horizons of our hopes;  
And to push into the future  
In strength, courage, hope, and love.

*(For pictures and a report on the Convention see inside)*

## Our Gathering Place

Trinity Pocatello provides a warm, inviting place for neighborhood teenagers to hang out after school. It is one of Trinity's successful outreach programs. It serves 60 to 70 students each day.

However, how involved are we as a parish?

We employ a Coordinator, Sherry Shay, who with the help of two paid staff (Bannock Youth Grant that has now been eliminated) administers the program. Sherry's funding comes from United Way and Kelli Anderson and Brook, an ISU student, currently are funded privately by one Trinity Parishioner who didn't want to see them leave the program. The majority of financial support for OGP comes from United Way contributions. They get food and drink donations from the Idaho Food Bank.

Many of you may not know that the United Way has cut their funding for *Our Gathering Place* from \$4,000 a year to \$2,500 a year. This has made a huge difference in the types of activities that the kids can participate and the types of snacks that are offered each day. If you could prayerfully support the outreach that is done at *Our Gathering Place*, please consider donating your time, your talents, your money or food and supplies. What would help them the most? Whatever you can provide!

If you are interested in getting involved in this important outreach to our youth, please contact Sherry Shay or a member of Vestry.

Anne  
Senior Warden

### **Ten Thousand Villages Craft Fair and Bake Sale!!**

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Shop our gifts, décor, art pieces and accessories handcrafted by fairly paid artisans around the world. You'll find items eclectic to exquisite, created from natural, recycled and sustainable materials.

Saturday, November 12

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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## November



7	Angela Fults
8	Sarah Ten Eyck Andrew Paulson Alexander Schrodt
10	Christian Sears
11	Terrie Wallace
12	Hilary Locke
14	Barbara Asboe Matthew Scott Stormy Kase
15	Bud Smalley
19	Stephen Rhoads
20	The Rev. Don Paulson
21	Grace Friedley
26	Craig Sears
27	Kathleen King
29	Elizabeth Rosa
30	James Standley Norma Davis

## November Anniversaries

1	Darwin & Lois Hall
14	Bud & Elsie Smith
18	Floyd & Ruth Johnson
27	Roger & Susan Sievers

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that is not listed or is incorrect, please contact the church office at 233-2640. We don't want to miss anyone.





## **18th Annual Blanket Drive**

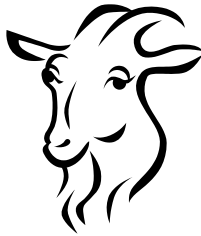
The 18th Annual Community Blanket Drive is going on now through December 11th. The purpose of the drive is twofold: to collect blankets for distribution locally and to raise funds to purchase blankets to be disbursed in the United States and throughout the world by Church World Service.

New and clean, gently used blankets are being collected. In turn they will be distributed to: The Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul Mission, Aid for Friends, and SEICAA. These blankets are often included in Christmas baskets as a way of providing something for adults and older youth.

The money donated to Church World Service purchases high quality wool blankets to be distributed throughout the world. The blankets provided by Church World Service serve as a resource with many uses. One blanket can serve in one day as a suitcase, a tarp for shade or shelter, and a warming tool. Blankets serve as a staple item for people displaced by natural disasters, famine, poverty, and political unrest. Each gift of \$5.00 purchases one of these blankets.

Please bring your blankets to the church office anytime from October 9<sup>th</sup> to December 11th.

## **THINK GOATS!!**



Gene Kurtz, our remaining "Old Goat", is leading us this year in our "goat drive". Last year we were able to purchase 32 goats, many of which were given in memory of Gloria and Franklin Cole. Each goat costs \$120, and a share costs \$10. Please write your check to Trinity Church, and label it "goats", or put cash into an envelope labeled "goats".

Goats are purchased by Heifer International and given to families in need in the USA and internationally so that they will have a source of income. Dairy goats can supply a family with up to several quarts of milk a day. Extra milk can be sold or used to make cheese, butter, or yogurt. Families learn to use goat manure to fertilize gardens. Because goats often have two or three kids a year, families can lift themselves out of poverty by starting small dairies that earn money for food, health care, and education. In addition to the goats, Heifer International provides follow-up veterinary care for the goats and instruction for the families on care, feeding, and use of goat products. This results in better long-term utilization of the resource.

This is one of our largest outreach projects, one way for us to be the "hands and heart of Jesus" in our world and also to keep Gloria and Franklin in our memories. The Goat Drive will end at Christmas.

## **CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS**

Come join the fun and make Trinity's traditional Christmas Puddings! Following a very old secret recipe which includes bread-crumbs, port, suet, various dried fruits, and nuts, these delicious steamed cakes have been lovingly mixed and steamed by the women of Trinity off and on for the last 50 or more years.

Monica Eckert is again chairing this project. Please call her or the Trinity office at 233-2640 to help or to place an order. Puddings will be sold (call for prices) and will be available with or without nuts.



Daylight Savings  
Time Ends  
Sunday,  
November 6th.

Don't forget to  
turn your clocks  
back!



**WARM HEARTS  
OPEN ARMS  
INQUIRING MINDS**

Articles for **The Call** are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please drop your notes off in the office, or you may email your article to: [info@trinitypocatello.net](mailto:info@trinitypocatello.net)

# Report on the 44<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Idaho

Hank Stamm, Delegate

The 44<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Idaho met in Pocatello this year, with the Red Lion serving as the convention site. Before writing my impressions, I want to extend thanks to all the many volunteers from Trinity who staffed the registration tables, provided refreshments, made sure the behind-the-scenes preparations ran smoothly, cooked and cleaned for the diocesan clergy, and who took part in the convention worship service on Sunday. Larry Spier, from St. Luke's in Idaho Falls and the dean of the Eastern Deanery, made a special point to seek me out to also note this wonderful service to the diocese.

The theme of the convention this year was "The Vital Pieces of the Puzzle," which focused on many aspects on increasing our Christian vitality. The Reverend Lucinda Ash-



Hank Stamm,, Haydie Le Corbeiller,  
Anne LoPiccolo

by, who serves as Bishop Thom's Canon to the Ordinary, led us through three important aspects of formation and vitality, including foci at the diocesan, parish, and personal levels. Using Bible passages and then a series of questions, each of our small groups discussed and practiced these formative exercises. I personally found these tools quite useful to help me get to know other delegates and clergy as well as to hear ideas from a variety of people about problems faced by parishes from around the diocese. I invite you to ask Miffy Lane, Dave Corbet, Anne LoPiccolo, and me about these exercises; I believe that Trinity parishioners may also benefit from engaging in these kinds of dialogues with one another.

The banquet speaker this year was the Right Reverend Dan T. Edwards, the Bishop of the Diocese of Nevada. Bishop Dan's message to us, exceedingly well-delivered, focused on the necessity of expanding the "core" of our congregations in order to promote vitality and growth. Of all the recent conventions I have attended as your delegate or warden, I found his words the most effective, comforting, and relevant. Please ask me questions and with any luck, I might be able to convey the essence of his message.

Convention business proceeded without rancor or contention this year. The lay and clergy elections to diocesan offices ran smoothly, with committee recommendations accepted without challenges or nominations from the floor. No resolutions were offered or debated this year. Even the diocesan budget was passed with minimal discussion. In other words, the whole "affair" was almost boring! The only discussion of interest occurred on Sunday morning, when the diocese voted to replace the entirety of Title V of the Diocese of Idaho Constitution and Canons. This is the section that deals with ecclesiastical misconduct.

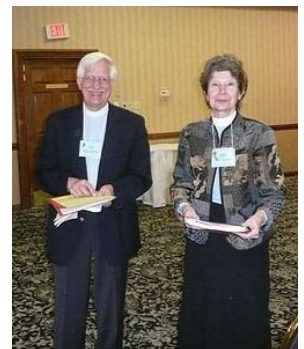
The new language moves away from the model of discipline based on the military codes, which offered very little "wiggle" room in terms of response to accusations of misconduct, to a model based on our baptismal vows and reconciliation and healing, which do offer the options for a pastoral response to such accusations (but which still safeguard victims and still acknowledge the possibility of legal or criminal sanctions).

The Bishop also introduced the new diocesan policies and programs regarding sexual misconduct and the training programs that will commence to address this very important topic. Essentially, anyone who regularly supervises or works with children in the diocese (which includes our childcare workers, the staff of Our Gathering Place) or with the elderly (which includes those who carry the sacraments to our shut-ins), will be required to take the training. Others who fall into the "must take training" category are the vestry of each parish and the wardens. For those of you who have interest in seeing what this training is like, there is an online version on the diocesan website, as well as the schedule of in-person training sessions.

I think this sums up my experience and understanding of the convention. I can truly say that this particular convention was one that I enjoyed attending, in part made possible because it was nice to return home Friday and Saturday nights and sleep in my own bed! More importantly, I have now served Trinity as a delegate or warden for enough years to really begin to have a sense of the larger diocesan community, to know some of the other delegates and clergy, and to understand many of the struggles we all face in terms of finances, growth, and congregational and personal spiritual formation.



Peggy Cook, Judy Aung



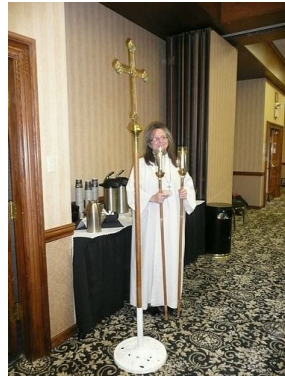
The Revs. Don & Diane Paulson

## Convention Worship

On October 23 we worshiped with Episcopalians from across Idaho at the Red Lion.



Trinity Parishioners awaiting Worship



Haydie Lo Corbeiller, Chalice Bearer



Our Choir led the music for Worship



The priests of the Diocese ready to process into worship



Jeffre Miller, Trish Grace

## CHRISTMAS-AT-SEA KNITTING

Trinity Church sent 27 knitted and crocheted items to the Diocesan Convention as part of the Christmas-at-Sea knitting project.



This is a Diocesan-wide project which was started in 2010 by Stephanie Crumrine, Dean of the

Central Deanery. It is one of the programs of the Seamen's Church Institute of New York and New Jersey. The institute is an ecumenical not-for-profit organization founded in 1834 to improve the treatment of merchant mariners entering the Port of New York. Today it continues to be an advocate for the personal and professional well-being of merchant mariners from around the world by providing education, legal assistance and human assistance.

An information booth about the institute was displayed at the convention and knitting and crocheting instructions as well as posters, newsletters, and other pamphlets were available. Knitted and crocheted items from all the parishes were gathered in a large basket and blessed by Bishop Thom. These were then shipped to the Christmas-at-Sea headquarters in Newark, New Jersey, where they will be delivered to vessels in port during the holiday season. The diocese of Idaho produced a total of 109 knitted and crocheted items as well as a bag of toiletries, sweets, and puzzle books to brighten the holidays of those away from home during the holiday season.



**Come make an Advent Wreath!**

November 27, 2011 is the first Sunday of Advent. After worship there will be a workshop to make Advent wreaths. Come to church, go over to the parish hall and grab a snack at coffee hour, and then make a wreath. Rev. Diane Paulson will have all supplies available as well as assembly help. If you made a wreath last year bring your wire frame along and add new greens – the greens have been treated to be fire retardant. Replacement candles are also available. Everyone is welcome, and there is no charge.

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### **CHURCH STAFF**

Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Brian Thom  
Priests: The Rev. Diane Paulson  
The Rev. Dr. Donald Paulson  
Parish Secretary: Marky Essinger  
Treasurer: Gene Kurtz  
Music Director: Trent Clegg  
Keyboardist: Trent Clegg

### **VESTRY**

Anne LoPiccolo - Sr. Warden  
Dave Corbet - Junior Warden  
Debbie Newhouse - Vestry Clerk  
Charles Evans - Endowment Funds/Finances  
Trish Grace - Godly Play  
Sara Ifft  
Kristen Johnson - Portneuf Valley Interfaith  
Diane Nelson - Parish Life  
Hank Stamm - Publicity

### **Worship Schedule**

Worship: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

**Parish Office Hours :** Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.