

June Chimes
2025



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rector's Column

*These things have I spoken unto you,
that my joy might remain in you,
and that your joy might be full.*
John 15:11

Dear Friends,

The decades leading up to the 1960's in America were intolerant of many types of people and communities considered racially or sexually inferior or deviant by the social standards established by a primarily white, cisgender, and patriarchal society that relied heavily on a version of Christian faith that had been carved into the image of that dominant culture that claimed civil and moral authority. The journey to the federal recognition of the month of June as Pride Month by President Bill Clinton in 1999 had stretched across generations and taken decades of grassroots activism and organizing.

The Society for Human Rights (SHR), was the first documented U.S gay rights organization, founded in 1924 by Henry Gerber, a German immigrant. The group was forced to disband after police raids the following year, but not before they had published several issues of their newsletter, "Friendship and Freedom," the country's first gay-interest newsletter. The Mattachine Society, an organization dedicated to gay rights, was founded in Los Angeles in 1950. The Society was, known for its focus on education, social action, and challenging discriminatory laws. The name "Mattachine" came from a French society of masked dancers and players who satirized social conventions. In 1966, the society staged a "sip-in" where they openly declared their sexuality at taverns, daring staff to turn them away and suing establishments who did. When The Commission on Human Rights ruled that gay individuals had the right to be served in bars. Though temporarily reduced, police raids continued on bars suspected as gay gathering places. In New York City, for example, public displays of same-gendered persons holding hands, kissing or dancing, were illegal.

However, the mafia in New York City saw profit in catering to gay clientele, and by the mid-1960s, the Genovese crime family controlled most Greenwich Village gay bars. In 1966, they purchased a property known as the Stonewall Inn; at the time it was a "straight" bar and restaurant. The crime syndicate cheaply renovated it and reopened it the following year as a gay bar. The Stonewall Inn was then registered as a type of private "bottle bar," which did not require a liquor license because patrons were supposed to bring their own liquor. In fact, the Genovese crime family bribed New York's Sixth Police Precinct to ignore the activities occurring within the club. The Stonewall Inn quickly became an important Greenwich Village institution. Being a large establishment and relatively cheap to enter, the Inn welcomed drag queens, a group not at all welcomed at other gay bars and clubs. Additionally, the Inn was a nightly home for many runaways and homeless gay youth, and it was one of the few—if not the only—gay bar remaining that allowed dancing. Police raids were still a fact of life, but usually corrupt cops would tip off Mafia-run bars before they occurred, allowing owners to stash the alcohol (sold without a liquor license) and hide other illegal activities.



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A surprise came in the early hours of June 28, 1969, when New York City police raided the Stonewall Inn, without first tipping off the management. Armed with a warrant, police officers entered the club, roughed up patrons, and, finding bootlegged alcohol, arrested 13 people, including employees and people violating the state's gender-appropriate clothing statute; female officers took suspected cross-dressing patrons into the bathroom to check their gender. As Police roughly hauled out employees and patrons from the bar, patrons, employees and even those living in the neighborhood began to riot, leading to six days of protests and violent clashes with law enforcement outside the bar on Christopher Street, in neighboring streets and in nearby Christopher Park. At first hundreds of people and then thousands of people joined in the riots, protesting decades of discrimination, intimidation, abuse, and harassment.

Though the Stonewall uprising did not mark the beginning of the gay rights movement, it was a galvanizing moment for LGBTQ+ [Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender, and Queer, plus other identifications] political activism, leading to numerous gay rights organizations. On the one-year anniversary of the riots on June 28, 1970, thousands of people marched in the streets of Manhattan from the Stonewall Inn to Central Park in what was then called "Christopher Street Liberation Day," America's first gay pride parade. The parade's official chant was: "Say it loud, gay is proud." Later, In 2016, President Barack Obama designated the site of the riots—Stonewall Inn, Christopher Park, and the surrounding streets and sidewalks—a national monument in recognition of the area's contribution to gay rights.

Next year, in 2026, the Episcopal Church will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our church affirming that LGBTQ+ people have a full and equal claim to the love, acceptance, and pastoral care of the church. The journey to make that promise a reality continues today, as we remember the struggles, celebrate the joy, and give thanks for the courageous history, the love and the lives that we refuse to erase. Today in The Episcopal Church, discernment for the ministries of bishop, priest, deacon, and lay leadership is open to all without discrimination.

Both Trinity Episcopal Church in Everett and St. John's Episcopal Church in Snohomish are registered to participate in the **2025 Snohomish Pride Parade** in downtown Snohomish, WA on Saturday, June 7th. If you would like to walk with Trinity in the parade, please plan to arrive early to find parking – **check in begins at 8:45am, and the parade will begin at 10:00am**. I will bring two Trinity banners for folks to help carry as well as some candy and giveaways for us to distribute to parade attendees.

The Episcopal Church celebrates and give thanks for the beauty, strength, and sacred worth of LGBTQ+ leaders across all contexts and callings.

We invite you to join us on the journey. You belong. No exceptions.

In Christ's Peace,
Pastor Rachel+



Inaugural Snohomish Pride Parade 2023



Schedule of Services

Sundays

8:00 AM

**Spoken Rite 1-Eucharist Service
In Person and Live Streamed**

10:00 AM

**Spoken Rite III-Eucharist Service
In Person and Live Streamed**

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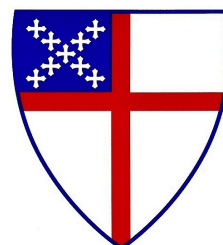
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June 2025:

Sunday, June 1, 2025: Easter 7 at 8 & 10 AM

Wednesday, June 4, 2025: Toddler Circle resumes from 10 to 11 AM

Saturday, June 7, 2025: Snohomish Pride Parade

Sunday, June 8, 2025:

Pentecost Sunday at * & 10 AM

Wear RED!!!

Thursday, June 12, 2025: Washington Oakes Eucharist at 1 PM

Sunday, June 15, 2025:

Trinity Sunday

Father's Day

Last Choir Sunday until September

Sunday, June 22, 2025:

2nd Sunday after Pentecost at 8 & 10 AM

Beginning or Ordinary Time

Vestry meeting at Noon

Thursday, June 26, 2025: Washington Oakes Eucharist at 1 PM

Sunday, June 29, 2025

3rd Sunday after Pentecost at 8 & 10 AM

Altar Guild Potluck at Noon

Seattle Pride Parade

Greetings Fellow Parishioners,

TREASURER'S REPORT

2025 Budget

This chart shows the first five months of 2025 actual income and expenses and what is expected for the remainder of the year.

	5 Month Actuals	Jun-Dec Expected	2025 Budget
Plate and Contributions	\$5,393	\$8,289	\$13,682
Pledges	\$112,662	\$191,102	\$303,764
Endowments	\$4,399	\$6,228	\$10,627
Fundraisers	\$0	\$12,000	\$12,000
Other Income	\$8,779	\$3,881	\$16,620
Total Operating Income	\$131,234	\$221,499	\$370,692
Trinity Together / Other Dedicated	\$54,175	\$0	\$54,175
Total Income/Borrowing	\$185,409	\$221,499	\$410,868
Church Programs	\$4,139	\$5,394	\$9,533
Salaries	\$112,753	\$160,990	\$273,743
General Expenses	\$46,615	\$59,598	\$107,613
Assessment	\$28,167	\$37,833	\$66,000
Other Expense	\$577	\$423	\$1,000
EIDL Repayment	\$3,205	\$4,487	\$7,692
Total Expenses	\$195,455	\$268,725	\$465,581
Income less Expenses	\$10,047	\$47,226	\$54,713

The January 1st cash balance in the checking account was \$9,437.50, which offsets the \$10,047 negative for the first five months of the year.

There are no foreseeable or significant adjustments to income for the remainder of 2025. We have said goodbye to some parishioners who died and we have welcomed some new members into our faith community. Pledge income tends to remain the same or vary up to 1%, about \$4000, due to these changes in membership.

The January 1, 2025 Trinity Together balance of \$54,175 is considered income. Throughout the first five months we have been slowly using these funds to supplement our monthly income. As of May 22, 2025 all of the Trinity Together funds have been used to pay the bills.

Expenses for the first five months of the year are in line with the budget. The expenses were less than budgeted but David Spring's laptop needed replacing. It was about ten years old at this time. The computers in the office are all going on ten years old. The expected useful life of computer equipment in a light office environment is between 6 and 10 years. New equipment will need to be addressed in future budget planning.

We continue to have expenses close or slightly under budget each month. As this trend continues, I adjusted the expenses for the remainder of the year down by \$1,500. This still leaves a deficit of **\$47,226** for the year.

Summer is upon us and each year there is a trend of less income and fewer expenses. Most years the income drops more than the expenses. In past years we used reserve funds during the summer months. The Trinity Together Fund has already been used this year and will not be available to use this summer.

Our annual dinner/auction fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday September 20th. Remember to reserve the date on your calendars.

If you have questions, you can contact me through the office or after mass on Sundays in Roger's Hall.

Jarman Minar - Treasurer



We at Trinity, Everett, have a tremendous, devoted community who come from near and far to support their parish family, in so many areas. I am inspired when I see a small volunteer core of our parish doing amazing things, all the way from outreach for refugees, disadvantaged children and homeless, to liturgical ministry, and various supports (too many to list) to keep the community (and the building) running smoothly. Many people wear multiple hats, and work hard.

And, as we all know, with the cuts in federal spending on food, medical, and other emergency assistance for the poor, the need for churches to mobilize and try to make up some of help will increase. Add to that the polarizing differences between camps of those who profess to be Christian, and it's likely that more people will be peeking at the Episcopal church as one that preaches the gospel of Love and Inclusion. It may also cause some antagonistic rhetoric or worse from some who don't "get" our take on the Gospel.

Bishop Marion Edgar Budde's sermon at the National Cathedral gives us all food for thought.

"There are gay, lesbian, and transgender children in Democratic, Republican and Independent families, some who fear for their lives."

And, regarding not only the approach to immigration and other issues challenging the "Bring me your tired, your poor" tradition:

"I ask you to have mercy.....on those in our communities whose children fear that their parents will be taken away and that you help those who are fleeing war zones and persecution in their own lands, to find compassion and welcome here. Our God teaches us that we are to be merciful to the stranger for we were all once strangers in this land. May God grant us the strength and courage to honour the dignity of every human being, to speak the truth to one another in love and walk humbly with each other and our God for the good of all people. The good of all people in this nation and the world. Amen."

The opportunity for quiet evangelization is tremendous in our own neighborhood. Who is able to represent Trinity in the Snohomish County Pride Parade on June 7? (See info from Pastor Rachel). There is a chance to have dialogue, to smile, to show the world that many Christians are about welcoming the least among us. And, the next day is Pentecost – the church's birthday. We should all wear red or other bright colors to celebrate HOPE. You never know who might walk in the door and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit at Trinity. And that's good for all of us.

During the summer months, we will be "changing it up" a bit, which includes opportunities for all-family choirs (this can be kids, parents, grandparents), soloists, duets, etc. (If you note some good singers, feel free to compliment them...you never know if that might turn into an invitation for someone to join us! Stay tuned, and keep coming back for more!

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And... we welcome new and different “special music” and cantor participation. If you have –or have not --- been in the choir, but like to sing or play an instrument, even just to lead the assembly singing, there might be an opportunity for you. The Offertory is a time for reflection by the congregation, so solo and small ensembles (vocal or instrumental) are perfect here. Do you have a friend or relative coming to visit who would enjoy sharing their talents this summer?

Our last **CHOIR SUNDAY** will be **June 15, Fathers’ Day**. I hope you will take a minute and thank our choir members for their tireless efforts to bring joy and beauty to our congregation. I am truly blessed to have such a group to share time and music with.

With gratitude,
David Spring
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ENDOWMENT FUND

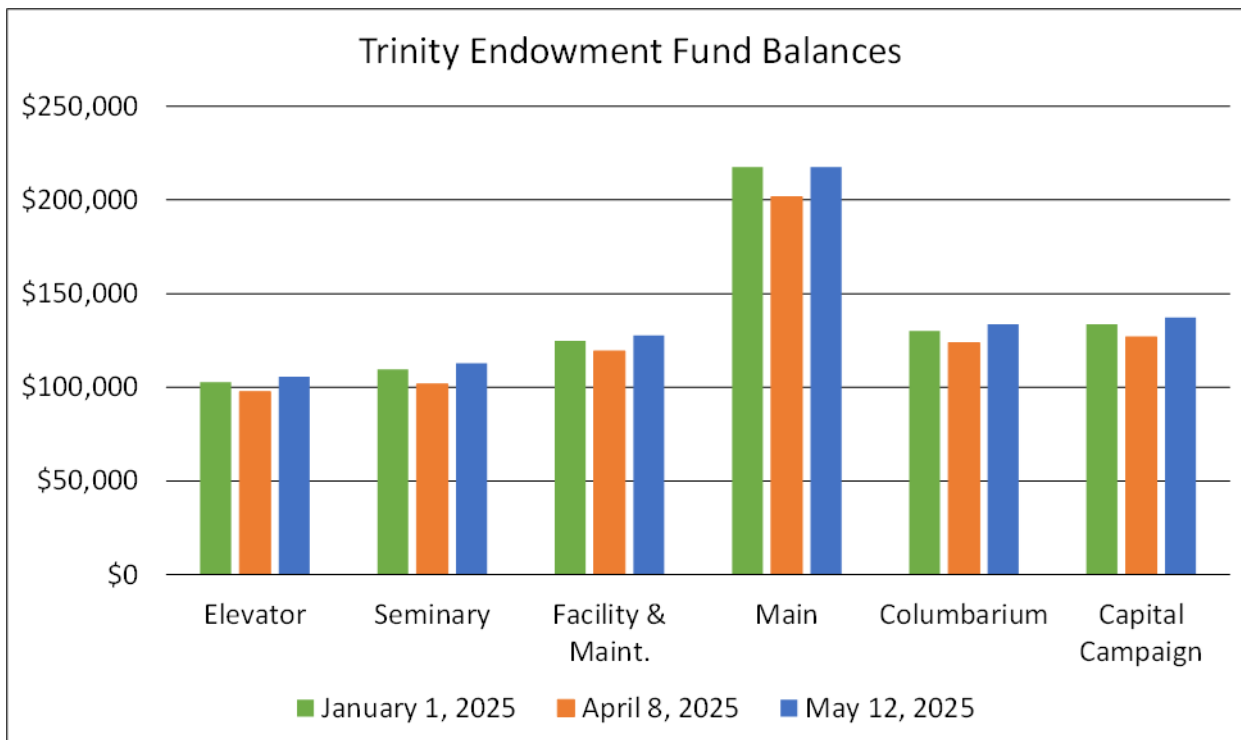
The past few weeks have been very good for Trinity's invested endowment funds. The last Endowment Committee report provided in the May Chimes was based on the reported fund balances on April 8, 2025 – that was the date of the monthly report from our financial advisor. April 8th was the absolute low point in the S&P 500 Index this year. As of April 8th, the total balance in the endowment funds had decreased by \$47,212 to date in 2025. Between April 8th and May 12th, the total balance in Trinity's endowment funds has increased \$63,484 representing an 8.2% increase in slightly more than one month. So, Trinity's endowment funds have recovered the earlier losses and increased somewhat.

The total balance of the Trinity endowment funds on May 12, 2025 was \$834,766, up from \$818,494 on January 1, 2025 and up from \$775,067 on January 1, 2024. The total balance in the endowment funds as of May 12, 2025 is 2.0% higher than on January 1, 2025. The total return on the endowment fund portfolio, prior to withdrawals by the church and payment of investment fees, was 2.5% so far in 2025. As a comparison, the S&P 500 Index had decreased 0.7% this year through May 12, 2025.

So far in 2025, \$6,058 has been withdrawn from the endowment funds for use by the church, almost all from the Main Endowment Fund. Approximately 5% of the Main Endowment Fund balance is contributed to Trinity's operating fund each year, on a quarterly basis, and up to \$9,000 can be withdrawn annually from the Facilities & Maintenance Fund for facility maintenance and improvement expenses. According to the Endowment Committee Bylaws, certain amounts can be withdrawn annually from the endowment funds for various purposes.

As of May 12, 2025, there was \$137,281 in the Capital Campaign Endowment Fund. This is only a portion of the total funds retained from the recent capital campaign. In addition to the amount in the Capital Campaign Endowment Fund, \$253,504 was held in the Capital Campaign checking account as of April 30, 2025.

The amounts in the endowment funds are invested with UBS Financial Services, Inc., and our UBS financial advisor is in Everett. A combination of equities (40%), fixed income (38%), other investments (19%) and cash (3%) make up the investments for our funds. The overall investment strategy is considered "Moderate" risk by UBS. The total balances in the endowment funds on January 1, 2025, April 8, 2025 and May 12, 2025 are shown in the following chart:



The Endowment Committee will hold its next quarterly meeting with the UBS financial advisor on June 26, 2025 to review the status of the endowment funds and identify expected cash withdrawals over the next three to six months from the funds.

If you would like more information or if you would like to make direct contributions to any of the endowment funds, contact any of the members of the Endowment Committee: John Heberling (Chair), Betts Bell (Recording Secretary), Linda Gabourel, Betsey Mullen, and Allan Elenbaas. Lorraine Dietel (Vestry representative), Jarman Minar (Trinity Treasurer) and Pastor Rachel (Rector) are non-voting members of the Endowment Committee.

John Heberling, Chair



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Well, Sunday School has wrapped up for the year. We had a ton of fun with the kiddos this year, and we are looking forward to all the fun we will have next year! You kids have been learning so much. We worked through the entire Moses story this year. From reed basket to Exodus. We learned about how God cares about what we care about and that praying for things is one way to honor Lent. This year has been full of excitement, like our Nativity plays, and hard work, like our Lenten stories, and next year is looking full of similar! Our kids are learning about their place in our church through walking up the offerings and being involved in Advent and Lenten practices.

This summer we hope to get our kids together and have some fun, maybe a game night or a picnic. Depending on how many parents want to get involved. Please reach out on our Slack channel. It is a great way for us all to know what is going on. If you have questions about things, let me know! The educators are learning more and more about Godly Play and are working on sharing the foundational stories of our Christian walk with our young people, and we are happy to talk about this at length with whoever wants to know more!

Again, I know our team is grateful for the opportunity to teach your children. Thank you for entrusting them to us! If you or any of the adults in your family would like to help out, let us know! We can get you into the rotation and you too can see what a riot it can be downstairs during Sunday School!

Rachael Olsen

Leadership Team

Vestry

Eileen Bernat (class of 2025)
Bill Walker (class of 2025)
Richard McGee (class of 2025)
Joe Rochon (class of 2025)

Vacant Position (class of 2026)
Lorraine Dietel (class of 2026)
Debi Schmidt (class of 2026)
Michelle Wheeler (class of 2026) - SENIOR WARDEN

Michael Hensley (class of 2027) - JUNIOR WARDEN
Matthew Jones (class of 2027)
Tom Munyon (class of 2027)
Rachael Olsen (class of 2027)

Diocesan Convention Delegates and Alternates 2025

Diocesan Convention 2025: Diocesan Convention will be held on Zoom only on Saturday, October 25, 2025.

Convention Delegates

Jerry Carson (class of 2025)
Carolyn Carson (class of 2025)
Joe Rochon (class of 2026)
David Spring (class of 2026)

Convention Alternates

John Heberling (class of 2025)
Betsey Mullen (class of 2025)
Troy Andrews (class of 2026)
Linda Gabourel (class of 2026)

Endowment Committee Members

John Heberling, Chair (2023-2025)
Betts Bell (2023-2025)
Linda Gabourel (2024-2026)
Betsey Mullen (2025-2027)
Allan Elenbaas (2025-2027)



June Birthdays:

Marjorie Bissell	6/1
Lily Randall	6/2 (8)
Kirstin Andrews	6/3
Lisa Wright	6/4
Aileen Barker	6/5
Christine Grace	6/5
Margaret Kinns	6/5
Lucy Wise	6/8 (3)
Orin Knight	6/11 (15)
Ardie McLean	6/13
Melody Peters	6/13 (11)
Mary Kay Lambert	6/14
Nancy McDonnell	6/15
Stephanie Weed	6/15
Elaine Henderson	6/16
Doug Bell	6/17
John Galt	6/18
Barbara Greenleaf	6/22
Jerry Carson	6/23
Morgan Crosby	6/24
Pat Grodt	6/26
Anne Lambert	6/27
Greg Youngstrom	6/27
Brenda Crispin	6/28
Jack Peters	6/28 (8)
Caitlin Mack	6/30
Hannah Mack	6/30

June Anniversaries:

Norman & Chris Grace	6/9 (63 years)
Ryan & Christy Boyett	6/12
Roxanne & Ted Olason	6/16 (47 years)
Larry Fryberg-Scott & Clarence Scott-Fryberg	6/20 (10 years)
Mike & Peggy Mansfield	6/21 (50 years)
Graham & Susan Anderson	6/23 (52 years)
Bob & Deborah Moore	6/28 (11 years)

OUR CORE VALUES

(Vestry Retreat 2016)





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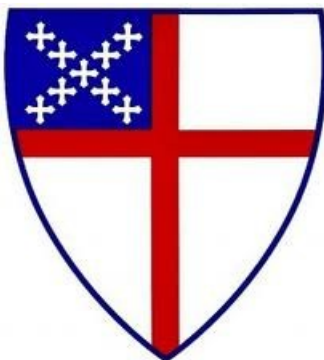
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