

**Trinity's Table served 178
Such a Thanksgiving!
By Deacon Elizabeth Miller**

Turkeys of all sizes came from parishioners, the Wanderers club, and the Jefferson Democratic Club. Wegmans donated 25 entire dinners for 10: 250 meals worth in the freezer for later or distributed to others in need! Stunningly beautiful roses donated by Fresh Market were placed on the tables next to turkey centerpieces with colorful accordion paper tails. We added turkey napkins just for fun. The pies given came in a grand assortment of pumpkin, apple crumb, mincemeat, and pecan. We received beautiful cakes and breads from Giant Markets, IGA, and Fresh Market, too. There were relish plates, two kinds of cranberry sauces, Lusitania's dinner rolls warmed, and real butter (all you want!). Platters of turkey with homemade stuffing and gravy, green bean casserole, sweet potatoes and mashed, as well. It represented hours of loving preparation by volunteers.

The volunteers, many of whom were returning for their umpteenth year, got busy getting things ready for the guests to arrive. Hoping, as they went about their chores, that their favorite guests would return, happy to see familiar faces and swap stories of the past year with them.

As the guests arrived, a joyful din began to fill the dining room. Hugs and smiles, squeals of delight mixed with the smells of the Thanksgiving feast about to commence.

One hundred and seventy eight people shared that Thanksgiving meal at Trinity Soup Kitchen. Looking back over all the generosity and love that went into the making of that dinner, I smiled and thought, "Such a Thanksgiving!"

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