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Harvest Festival Helps Trinity Center

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St. Anselm's parishioners John Powers, Marian Mulkey, and Liz Powers. John Powers is on the Trinity Center board of directors and was instrumental in the success of the fundraiser. Photo provided

joy at making contributions to a cause that we all were 100 percent behind. It was unlike any Harvest Festival that I've been to in my many years of going to such events. Our goal was to retain a social event that unified the congregation and raise a lot of money. We exceeded at both."

For information about Trinity Center, visit trinitycenterwc.org. For information about St. Anselm's, go to www.stanselms.ws.

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church in Lafayette hosted its annual Harvest Festival Sept. 12, which raised over \$30,000 to benefit Trinity Center, Walnut Creek, one of the few programs for homeless adults in Contra Costa County that provides a safety net of basic human services including food, breakfast and hot lunch, showers and laundry, clothing, referral services, help with benefits, and more.

Participants included parishioners of St. Anselm's, St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Walnut Creek, and St. Luke's Episcopal of Rossmoor. There was a live auction, a silent auction, a raffle and a live baseball pool, conducted while the San Francisco Giants pounded the Padres. Guests were so excited in their desire to help Trinity Center that some even bid on nonexistent prizes in order to give more to the cause.

The St. Anselm's chairperson of the Harvest Festival, Marty Fischer, had this to say following the event: "What thrilled me as much as the grand total was the spiritual unity of those who were there and the feeling of common purpose, almost

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