

Love one another. Be sensitive and kind, open to one another's perspectives. Love your neighbor, spreading the truth of the gospel with the healing salve of kind words and deeds. As St. Francis has been paraphrased, "Preach Jesus, and if necessary, use words." Amen

Warmly, Tony+

### CHURCH WEBSITES

Have you taken a look at our Trinity Website? Laurie Alsobrook, is our webmaster and is doing a wonderful job. You will find announcements of our special events and pictures of some, and servers' schedules are also there. We also have a Facebook page filled with Trinity information.

The Diocesan website is also has a lot of information not only of diocesan events, but also of happenings at Camp Weed and information about other churches in our diocese.

It isn't difficult to find the website, just put in the name and state and the website should come right up for you.

### BABY BLANKETS FILLED WITH PRAYER

Sisters' Circle has been knitting baby blankets for babies in need of healing. We are not placing them in the church, so if you would like one, please contact Marilyn Blair or anyone who is a member of the Circle. These blankets have been blessed on the altar during a Wednesday evening service.

### A Vocation of Love:

#### Contemplative Prayer and our Covenant in Christ

A lay leadership retreat, **Friday November 2 noon lunch – Saturday November 3 closing at 3.30 pm, Camp Weed.** This retreat will be led by Carl McColman, noted author and teacher in Christian spirituality.

According to the Baptismal Covenant (Book of Common Prayer, 304-5), we are called to a life of learning, of community, of prayer, and of serving others, finding "Christ in all persons." But how do we live this way?

Our retreat will draw from the wisdom of mystics like Thomas Merton, Anglican theologians like Evelyn Underhill, and the wisdom of the Bible, to explore how God calls each of us into a life shaped by prayer, meditation and contemplation — which in turn equips us for mission, for service, and for living a life of love.

## Colossians 3:23

Trinity's Take Home Paper

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20th Sunday after Pentecost, Oct. 7, 2018

The Rev. Tony Powell, Rector

*The vision of Trinity Church is to be relevant to the Lake Region Community serving and drawing others to the gospel of Jesus Christ as a growing Episcopal Church.*

### YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are pleased that you have come to worship with us this Lord's Day morning, and it is our prayer that you will receive God's blessing throughout the service. Trinity is an active and caring Episcopal Church. If you are a baptized Christian, you are welcome to come to the altar rail to receive the Sacrament of the Bread and Wine, the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. God loves you. No Exceptions!

### ARE YOU A GOOD ACT TO FOLLOW?

The Outreach Committee is sponsoring a talent show on Sat., Oct 20th. We are hoping that anyone who has a talent, a friend with a talent or knows a group who would like to be included will sign up to be in the show. Anyone from the community, friends, relatives and groups are welcome to participate and to come to see the show. In the past we've had musical acts, dancing, a magician, a comedian, and lots of fun. Laurie Alsobrook is signing up acts now. There will be a rehearsal a day or two before the show so that we can get the timing down and we're happy to help in any way we can. The show will start at 7:00pm and will include a brief intermission during which there will be goodies and drinks. Sign up with Virginia if you would like to come. Entry donation is \$10.00, and all proceeds will go to our Outreach Ministry.

### HELP MAKE TRASH INTO TREASURE

If you have any old gold or silver jewelry which is broken, damaged or maybe you've lost one earring, or stones have fallen out, we are collecting those things. The bazaar will be the happy recipient as those things are taken to a pawn shop which will give us a partial reimbursement for the odds and ends and the money will go into the bazaar fund which is 100% dedicated to the operating budget of the church. You can give your little "trashy treasures" to the thrift shop, office or to Carol Flynn.

**THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH**

**Sunday 10/7**

**Holy Eucharist**  
**One Service at 10:00am**  
**JC and the Gospel**  
**Refreshments Follow both Services**

**Monday 10/8**

**9:00am Morning Prayer**  
10:00am Matter of Balance Class  
6:00 Home Study at Fr. Tony's

**Tuesday 10/9**

10:00 Sister's Circle  
12:00 pm Betty's and the Bible  
1:30 pm Class on Israel  
5:30pm AA in Wicker Room  
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

**Wednesday 10/10**

**9:00am Morning Prayer**  
**6:00pm Evening Service**

**Thursday 10/11**

Thrift Shop 10am-4pm

**Friday 10/12**

Thrift Shop 2-5pm

**Saturday 10/13**

Thrift Shop 9am—Noon  
8:00am Men's Club

**Sunday 10/14**

**Holy Eucharist**  
**Service at 8:30 and 11:00**  
**9:30am Discussion of the Lessons**  
**JC and the Gospel**  
**Refreshments Follow both Services**

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**FUTURE EVENTS**

**OCTOBER**

- Oct. 7**            **First Sunday**  
**One Service 10:0am**  
**Stewardship Sunday**  
**Lunch following**
- Oct. 8            PH in use am
- Oct. 9            PH in use pm
- Oct. 11           Movie Night
- Oct. 15           PH in use am
- Oct. 18           Grill and Chill
- Oct. 19           PH in Use
- Oct. 20           Talent Show
- Oct. 24           Spaghetti Dinner
- Oct. 27           Men's Club
- Oct. 30           Lifeline in PH all day



**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in remembrance of the 64th anniversary of Jane and Robert Menzen.

If you would like to give flowers in memory of, gratitude for, or to celebrate a person or event, please call the office.

Dear Trinity Family,

*Preaching Truth in the age of Alternative Facts* is the title of a new book by the Rev. Dr. Bill Brosend, former homiletics and now New Testament professor, at The School of Theology, The University of the South - Sewanee. Preaching Truth in the age of Alternative Facts. He writes, "Longer ago than we remember, truth gave way to *truthiness*. Brosend notes that Comedy Central's Stephen Colbert re-coined the phrase in 2005 – a phrase that conjures up "a bygone era of innocence and civility." Truthiness!

Fast forward a decade or so to today and Dr. Brosend notes, "We live, work, politic, and preach in a time of fake news" and as coined by Kellyanne Conway, "alternative facts." Aptly, Brosend asks, "How are we to proclaim good news in the era of fake news? How are we to persuade others of the truth of the gospel when we live in a post-truth age?"

Showing the preacher's plight, Brosend includes several quotes he has heard that shed light on today's pulpit:

*It feels like a tightrope. The pulpit is like a tightrope, stretched between red and blue, Republicans and Democrats, conservatives and liberals. And there is no net.*

*Everything I say is being interpreted and analyzed for things I never even thought about.*

*I cannot believe how angry people are!*

*Try as I might I cannot help but tick somebody off. The gospel gets in the way of trying to keep everybody happy on Sunday morning.*

It is difficult to preach in today's politically charged climate. We don't always see truth in the same way. We don't necessarily share the same viewpoints with one another. The good news is that the Gospel does get in the way! The Gospel demands we set aside our differences as we focus on the Cross and the sacrifice Jesus made for us.

The Gospel invites us rise above the fray and see the bigger picture, to be God's beloved and spread His Kingdom. St. Francis of Assisi wrote, "love one another, as the Lord says: "This is My commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you." And let them show their love by the works they do for each other, according as the Apostle says: "let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth."