

NEW VESTRY MEMBERS AND CONVENTION DELEGATES

Members of the Vestry are elected for a period of three years. Each year we elect two new members and an additional person on the third year. Vestry members will start their term this February. This year Joyce Chesnut and Brian McGee are rotating off the Vestry and we thank them very much for their support of and service to Trinity, the congregation and the community.

Below is some information about the new candidates for Vestry as well as for Convention Delegate and alternate who is elected for a period of two years and an alternate who is also elected for two years both of which which begin in 2020.

Jean Giesel—Vestry

I served several terms on the Mission Board before Trinity became a Parish and have been an officer for ECW for many years and am currently ECW Treasurer. I was on the Mission Board during planning and construction of the current Parish Hall. I have also sung in the choir for many years and volunteer in the Thrift Shop and at LAM and help with Pack a Sack. In the community I am on the boards of the Melrose Library Association, Historic Melrose Inc., and the Gainesville Rose Society.

George Letchford (is running for Vestry and Convention Delegate)

I hold a B.A. Degree in English and an A.A. degree in Business. My career spans 40 years of insurance claims adjusting, with the past 28 of those as Owner/Operator of my own Independent Adjusting firm. My business and finance experience prepared me well for Treasurer at St. John's Episcopal in Brooksville, Fl. Following that, I served as Senior Warden in addition to Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) and Lay Eucharistic Visitor (LEV). I am currently serving as Treasurer and on the Altar Guild and Stewardship Committee here at Trinity; in addition to continuing as LEM and LEV. Like many churches, Trinity has challenges to overcome in the coming years. My interest in becoming a part of the Vestry is to offer my life and business experiences to help guide Trinity to live into our Christ relevance in Melrose. I was born and raised in Chile so am fluent in Spanish/English. I married my childhood Chilean friend Patricia 14 years ago. We believe that 'our common welfare should come first; personal progress for the greatest number depends upon unity; and that for our purpose, there is but one authority – a loving God as He may express himself through us.

Convention Alternate - Elaine Ashley

Colossians 3:23

Trinity's Take Home Paper

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2nd Sunday After Epiphany, January 20, 2019

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!

ANNUAL TRINITY PARISH MEETING

Each year Trinity has an annual meeting at which everyone is given a copy of the written annual report which includes reports of the previous year's activities by each of our ministries. The Treasurer will go over the coming year's budget, and we will elect two new Vestry members, a convention delegate and an alternate. Meetings are always scheduled for the week following the Diocesan Convention so Fr. Tony and the Convention Delegate will be able to report on anything new from the Diocese. This year our Annual Meeting will be held on **Sunday, Feb. 3rd**. Please plan to attend and enjoy a wonderful pot luck lunch as well! If you are the head of any one of Trinity's committees or organizations, please get your report into the office **BY THIS WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23rd**, so it can be formatted in time to be included in the report.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

This Wednesday, Jan. 23rd will be our spaghetti dinner at 6:30 dinner and at 7:00pm a speaker. Our speaker will be Bill Beck from Firepower coffee roasters in keystone who will share his knowledge of coffees and also bring some samples of brewed coffees. Come, bring your friends and enjoy a delicious dinner and learn some interesting facts about coffee.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH

Sunday 1/20

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

Monday 1/21

Office Closed
9:00am Morning Prayer
6:00pm Home Study

Tuesday 1/22

5:30pm AA in Wicker Room
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

Wednesday 1/23

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

Thursday 1/24

Thrift Shop 10am - 2pm

Friday 1/25

Thrift Shop 2pm - 5pm

Saturday 1/26

Thrift Shop 9pm-noon

Sunday 1/27

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FUTURE EVENTS

JANUARY

Jan. 21 MLK Holiday
Office Closed



Jan 26 Diocesan Convention
Men's Meeting

FEBRUARY

Feb. 3 **First Service**
One Service at 10:00am
Annual Meeting

Feb. 5 ECW Meeting

HOME FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY

The Home Fellowship meeting at Fr. Tony's and Ann's starts at 6:00pm every Monday evening. We are currently in Ephesians. Everyone is invited. Please let Fr. Tony know if you would like to come or if you need a map to their house for the meeting.

TUESDAY STUDY GROUP

The Tuesday Afternoon Study has resumed at 1:30 in the Wicker Room. The topic of the Study will be a surprise.



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Annette Kussler and in celebration for the baptism of Mason Eaton.

If you would like to donate flowers, please call the office.

Dear Trinity Family,

God is Good! All the time! Amazing energy as we begin 2019! Bob and Bill have completed their painting and Trinity looks good! The Church, the work shed, and the Scout Hut look wonderful!

Last week the new Storage Shed received final inspection by Putnam County and this past Monday we filled it up with furniture from Christine's and emptied the Youth Room of all the donations for the Bazaar and Thanksgiving in the Park. Rodney found a home for two tables and a sink we will never use, and Vi set up a table with crafts and coloring books for the children. There are plans for volunteers to paint the room with bright colors for the youth.

Over the next month or so, especially before Easter, we hope to have the walls in the Parish Hall painted and the sound panels vacuumed and freshened up. Anyone up for pizza and a paint party?

Improving our buildings and property is exciting! Fresh paint gives us hope and makes us feel better about ourselves, and gives us that feeling of satisfaction because we are getting something done. It also helps us in our efforts to reach out and invite others in - Come and See! is a popular Episcopal invitation. Come and See why we are Episcopalian - Come and see that the Lord is good!

Yesterday we were privileged, in a memorial service, to celebrate the life of our precious member, Annette Kussler, and, as a parish family to commend her to Christ. And now we stand together to support her family with love.

This morning at the 11o'clock service we are blessed to welcome Mason Charles Eaton into the life of the Church, into God's Kingdom, into the family of God through Holy Baptism. Mason will begin his walk with Christ, a new creation, sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own forever! Now that is exciting!

What a blessing to be a part of Trinity - to be a member of God's family, with all its joys and benefits, and strength and encouragement to weather the difficulties and challenges life puts in our way. Stay strong and focused Trinity - God has great plans for you.

Warmly, Tony+