

As we begin the fall season, I ask your continued prayers for Trinity. Pray God will strengthen us for his purposes. Give Him thanks for the wonderful new faces all around us! Pray He will continue to fill us with the joy of his Spirit and grow us deeper in Christ each and every day.

“Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.” *Amen. (BCP p. 817)*

Warmly, Tony+

CALLING ALL COOKS

The Outreach Committee’s Dinner this year will be on October 12th at 6:00pm. In honor of the season (and the pumpkin) the “secret ingredient” will be any orange vegetable. Carrots, Butternut or Acorn Squash, Pumpkin, Sweet Potatoes or any others you may think of and want to prepare. Orange vegetables are valued for their Vitamin A and Vitamin C. They are known for their antioxidant properties as well as boosting the immune system and helping with eyesight, and high fiber content. So as well as preparing a fabulous dish, you will also be adding to the good health of our congregation! So, put on your thinking caps, check out the food network and come for the fun!

WEDNESDAY EVENING EUCHARIST AND HEALING SERVICE

Don’t forget that we have a wonderful evening Service on Wednesdays at 6:00pm. It’s a little more relaxed, there is wonderful music, and everyone is welcome to join us.

CHURCH WEBSITES

Laurie Alsobrook is our webmaster and keeps our website and our Facebook page right up to date. You’ll find announcements of our special events some fun pictures and other things of interest. It isn’t difficult to find the websites, just put in our name and state and the website should come right up for you. And don’t forget that a copy of Colossians is also posted on the website in case you’re out of town and haven’t received it by email.

Colossians 3:23

Trinity’s Take Home Paper

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 1, 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!

WELCOME FR. GEORGE

We’re happy to once again welcome Fr. George Holston to Trinity. Fr. George comes to us from Gainesville and often brings family members with him. Fr. Tony and Ann are enjoying a brief holiday but will be home again this week. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome Fr. George and his guests to Trinity.

ECW DINNER MEETING

On Thursday, Sept. 5, the ECW will roll back into full gear with a dinner meeting at **6:00pm**. This meeting is open to all women of the church and there promise to be a few fun surprises in store. If you’ve never been to a meeting before this is a perfect time to come (and you don’t even have to cook dinner!) Hope to see you on the 5th!

GOT SNEAKERS?

The Outreach team is starting a new partnership with a group called Got Sneakers? If you have old sneakers in any kind of condition we will be collecting them starting this week. We will be able to send them on to be reconditioned or repurposed into something else and at the same time they will return a small revenue to us which we will use to help with Trinity’s Our Little Roses Sponsorship of Katerin. Check the Bulletin Board in the hall for more information!

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH

Sunday 9/1

Holy Eucharist
Service 10:00 First Sunday
Pot Luck Lunch

Monday 9/2

Labor Day Holiday Office Closed

Tuesday 9/3

10:00am Sister’s Circle Wicker Room
Noon Betty’s and the Bible Lunch
5:30pm AA in PH
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

Wednesday 9/4

12:00 AA in Wicker Room
6:00 Eucharist and Healing Service

Thursday 9/5

Thrift Shop 10am - 4pm open
6:00pm ECW Dinner Meeting PH
7:00pm AA in Wicker Room

Friday 9/6

Thrift Shop 2pm– 5pm

Saturday 9/7

9:00am AA in Wicker Room
9:00am—noon Thrift Shop
10:30am AA in Wicker Room

Sunday 9/8

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

FUTURE EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 1** **First Sunday**
One Service 10:00am
- Sept. 2** **Labor Day Holiday**
Office Closed
- Sept. 5** **ECW Meeting 6:00pm**
Dinner Provided
- Sept. 9** **Home Study Starts**
At Fr.Tony’s 6:00pm
- Sept. 10** **Afternoon Tue. Study**
Begins 1:30pm
PH in use PM
- Sept. 12** **Movie Night**
- Sept. 16** **Balance Class Starts**
- Sept. 19** **Grill and Chill**
- Sept. 21** **SongFarmers**
- Sept. 26** **Men’s Cursillo Weekend**
- Sept. 28** **Men’s Club**

OCTOBER

- Oct. 1** **ECW Meeting**



Altar Flowers Today

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God.

If you would like to donate flowers as a memorial, celebration or for a special event, please sign up on the flower chart in the parish hall and call the office.

Dear Trinity Family,

We’re blessed to have Fr. George celebrate the Eucharist today. Ann and I are taking a break at the beach. Please pray the storm will stay away.

Next Sunday, September 8th, we begin our fall season with the return to two services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. The early service will feature your favorite hymns and contemporary praise and worship songs.

For those who prefer traditional Episcopal hymns, we are grateful to have Margaret Rice and the Choir lead us at the 11 o’clock service. Looking forward to wonderful worship at both services.

Sunday school will continue between the services. And our Tuesday study will begin again at 1:30, on the 10th, featuring a new DVD presentation from Ray Vander Laan’s “That the World May Know” videos. These are excellent video presentations filmed on-site in the places where Jesus and the Apostles walked and taught.

There will be a small change in worship this fall and move the announcements to the beginning of the service, before we begin worship. This is something we will try for a season to see if it helps the flow of the service. I’m sure it will seem a bit awkward the first week or two; however, we are hoping to provide more meaningful worship by removing the big break in the middle.

Another area that is like a time-out during the service is the passing of the Peace, which comes immediately after confession and the absolution. The Peace has roots in the ancient customs of the Jews and the early church. The Hebrew word *shalom*, or peace, is a rich word that conveys wellness, harmony, and wholeness. The passing of the peace is not meant to be a meet and greet, but a time to make relationships whole again.

Jesus said in Matthew, “Therefore if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.”

The passing of the peace is a time to reconcile with our neighbor, to go to one we may have hurt or offended and make peace with that person. The peace is also a great time to reach out and greet those who are new to the parish. So if you see a new face, or someone whose name slips your memory, take a moment and greet them.

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