

There will be further needs, but we must respond immediately with this crucial financial support. Please remember that the pressing need is not for things, but for money. There will be time for other kinds of appeals, but for now we need to get funds to those who can help in person.

Episcopal Relief & Development is also working on providing support to the Bahamas. Funds raised through EDF support humanitarian efforts on a larger scale while monies given through the Diocese of Southeast Florida will directly support church rebuilding and more immediate needs. To donate to the EDF Hurricane Relief fund, you will find another flyer with the address and information

Let us all pray in gratitude for our providence and for the relief and recovery of the Bahamas. May the souls of the departed Rest In Peace+++

Faithfully, +John  
Bishop of Florida

### **SONGFARMERS GATHERING**

Songfarmers will be in the Parish Hall on Saturday evening, Sept. 21 at 7:00pm. And some of the musicians from Live Oak will be joining us. This is free and everyone is welcome. Whether you are a new or seasoned musician, singer or just love good music, we welcome you to join us. Bring your guitar, fiddle, ukulele, banjo, dulcimer, or upright bass, or another instrument...or just come to sing along with the musicians. You are welcome to bring your friends, neighbors and even those who are tone deaf! Just come and enjoy an evening of merriment and delight.

### **GOOD SAMARITAN STREET MINISTRY**

It's wonderful to see how many are participating in the ministry of the Good Samaritan. Together we have been able to give out over 170 small bags of food and water to those in need. The small bags which are available for anyone to take and give to those who are standing on the street corners in the heat and hoping for some help, or others who we might know are in need. The food items have been chosen with some nutritious value in mind and each bag is the same. There are always bags in the church after the service and in the parish hall during refreshment times. As well as being a gift to the receiver, this is an opportunity for each of us to participate in one of the ministries Christ has called us to. Thank you for your gift of willingness to help.

## **Colossians 3:23**

### **Trinity's Take Home Paper**

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 15, 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!

### **HOME STUDY GROUP**

The Home Study Group at Fr. Tony and Ann's home has started up again on Monday evenings at 6:00p.m. They will be starting the study with 1st John. Everyone is welcome and if you would like directions to the house, please give Fr. Tony a call on Monday.

### **THE LIFE AND DEATH OF THE MESSIAH**

The Tuesday video study group has resumed at 1:30 in the Wicker Room in the Parish Hall. This is always an interesting study with a video presentation and a good deal of discussion afterwards. The current study will be about the death and resurrection of the Messiah.

Lunch at Betty's Restaurant at noon with a discussion of the coming Sunday's lessons is just before the study group and you are welcome to come and enjoy one or both of these interesting groups.

### **BALANCE CLASS**

The Balance Class by Elder Options will begin this Monday at 10am in the parish hall. The class will continue for on Mondays and Thursdays through October. Everyone is welcome and you do not have to register in advance, just come on Monday to sign up.

**THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH**

**Sunday 9/15**

**Holy Eucharist**

**Services at 8:30 and 11:00am**

9:45 am Discussion of the Lessons

9:45 am JC and the Gospel

Refreshments Following the Service

**Monday 9/16**

6:00pm Home Study at

Fr. Tony and Ann's home

**Tuesday 9/17**

10:00am Sister's Circle Wicker Room

Noon Betty's and the Bible Lunch

1:30pm Bible Study in the Wicker Rm

5:30pm AA in PH

7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

**Wednesday 9/18**

12:00 AA in Wicker Room

**6:00 Eucharist and Healing Service**

**Thursday 9/19**

Thrift Shop 10am - 4pm open

7:00pm AA in Wicker Room

**Friday 9/20**

Thrift Shop 2pm- 5pm

**Saturday 9/21**

9:00am AA in Wicker Room

9:00am—noon Thrift Shop

10:30am AA in Wicker Room

**Sunday 9/22**

**Holy Eucharist**

**Services at 8:30 and 11:00am**

9:45 am Discussion of the Lessons

9:45 am JC and the Gospel

Refreshments Following the Service

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**FUTURE EVENTS**

**SEPTEMBER**

- Sept. 16**      **Balance Class Starts**
- Sept. 19**      **Grill and Chill**
- Sept. 21**      **SongFarmers**
- Sept. 25**      **ECW Board Meeting**
- Sept. 26**      **Men's Cursillo Weekend**
- Sept. 28**      **Men's Club**  
**PH in use pm**

**OCTOBER**

- Oct. 1**        **ECW Meeting**
- Oct. 3**        **Women's Cursillo**
- Oct. 8**        **PH in use pm**
- Oct. 10**      **Movie Night**
- Oct. 12**      **Iron Chef**  
**Outreach Dinner**
- Oct. 19**      **SongFarmers**
- Oct. 26**      **Men's Club**
- Oct. 30**      **ECW Board 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.

***A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP HOWARD***

*“Lord save us? We’re going to drown.’ He replied ‘You of little faith. Why are you afraid?’ Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. The men were amazed and the men asked ‘What kind of man is this.? Even the winds and the waves obey him.’ Matt. 8:25-27*

Pondering these words as Hurricane Dorian passed us by, we could not help but be grateful for the providential turn to the north that has spared us, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and parts north. Finally, our thoughts cannot help but turn to our sisters and brothers in the Bahamas, especially the Abacos and Grand Bahama. Thirty hours of category 4 & 5 conditions is simply unimaginable.

We have been in daily contact with The Episcopal Church and the other dioceses in the affected regions to coordinate relief efforts. Bishop Peter Eaton of the Diocese of Southeast Florida has been in daily contact with the Bishop in Nassau and has traveled there today to further assess how we can directly support the Bahamian nation on a Diocesan-to-Diocesan basis.

The Diocese of Florida has always responded generously to the needs to our neighbors. The photos coming out of the Bahamas are incomprehensible and while we await further news on the extent of the damage to this nation, we cannot wait to respond with support.

Bishop Eaton of the diocese of Southeast Florida has taken the lead in establishing a fund to directly assist Bishop Boyd in Nassau in rebuilding. He has asked us to co-sponsor this effort with him, and we are delighted to lend direct support. This will be a long-term effort.

I invite you to join me in sending your support Individuals who wish to do so may give directly online via the website of the Diocese of Southeast Florida hurricane donation page and please put ***Bishop's Bahamas Appeal*** in the box for your gift.

Checks should be made out to the Diocese of Southeast Florida and sent to here to Diocesan House:

The Episcopal Diocese of Florida  
325 N. Market Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Please put ***Bishop's Bahamas Appeal*** in the memo line. We will collect the checks from our office and send directly to Miami next week.