

THE TRINITY TIMES

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Padre's Ponderings

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church,
to the observance of a holy lent,
by self-examination and repentance;
by prayer, fasting, and self-denial;
and by reading and meditating on God's Holy word ..."

Thus, this is the invitation on Ash Wednesday that is extended to all of us as we begin the great season of Lent. Recently, Lent has become famous for "What are you giving up for Lent this year?" instead of "What are you taking on for the season of Lent?" If one looks closely at the invitation above, the majority of the invitation is inviting us to take on something as our observance of Lent. Yes, fasting and self-denial are encouraged but this is only two-sevenths of the invitation.

As your Parish Priest and Spiritual Leader, I would like to challenge you to make a plan to "take on" a discipline to make Lent holy and meaningful. Let me give you some ideas:

Ash Wednesday Worship service: there will be three services on Feb. 18th to choose from—7:30 am, 12 noon and 7:00 pm—with all three being offered in the Church this year.

Parents: children are invited to begin to observe Lent the correct way.

Mid-Week Worship services: every Wednesday at 7:30am and 12:10pm a shortened Eucharist service is offered with the Laying-on-of-Hands for healing at the 12:10 service. These services are held in Adams Chapel in the Office Building.

Friday Stations-of-the Cross: at 5:30pm on Fridays the spiritual discipline of Stations is offered in the Nave of the Church.

Adult Education: on Sundays at 9:15am in the Conference Room.

The subject is "24 Hours—The Final Hours of Jesus' Life"

Wednesday Night Lenten Supper and Study Time: at 6:30 we will gather in Trinity Hall for a covered dish meal followed by a time of study or teaching. At this time, the subject matter has not been finalized. This will run from the Wednesday after Ash Wednesday, February 25th through the week prior to Holy Week.



Lent 2015 is to be a time of adding discipline into our lives. Fasting and self-denial can still be a part of your Lent observances if you desire. But the idea of taking on something new to increase our discipline and knowledge is encouraged.. As creative people you can surely come up with other ideas of ways to draw closer to the Holy Spirit during this season of self-reflection and study.

One final suggestion: How about keeping a Journal and write in it everyday of Lent. These Journal entries can be simple or as complex as you desire. Ask yourself,

"What was my closest moment to Christ today?"

"Where did I observe God today?"

"God, I ask you for _____?"

(you fill in the blank and why)

I pray you have a holy Lent and a meaningful one as well. During the Easter season, I will be asking you to share what you did and how did you grow spiritually.

When we labor and are laden with worries and cares,

Refresh us, O Christ.

When our hands are not ready to accept help,

Renew our trust, O Christ.

When we grow weary of loving others,

Love us, O Christ.

As we lift our hopes and joys to you,

Hear us, O Christ. Amen.

Until I "ponder" this way again,
In Christ's Spirit,

Fr. Larry+



New Vestry Members

At the Annual Meeting January 11, the congregation voted in new Vestry members, pictured left: Dan Thomas, Dianna Quick, Lynn Fury-Prather for three year terms and Tiffany Deem, not pictured, to fill the unexpired term of Sarah Bennett. The new Vestry met for a brief meeting and elected this year's Wardens, pictured right:

Dan Thomas, Junior Warden and Michael Rauh, Senior Warden.



LENTEN DINNER SERIES



WHO WERE THEY?

Presented by Father Art Bennett

The subjects for the Wednesday after dinner sessions will be five folks from scripture about whom we know very little. The stories associated with these folks are important, for they help shape what we know of as the New Testament ethos. The only one of these five whose name we know is Jairus, who is president (sort of Senior Warden) of a synagogue. The other four folks are the crippled man at the pool, the man born blind, the Canaanite woman, and the Samaritan woman. The format for our time together will be a modified Bible study with all of us being encouraged to allow our experiences and imaginations to "fill in the blanks".

Trinity by the Numbers Dec.

Sunday worship attendance:
8:00~10:30

Dec. 7: 23~85 (total 108)

Dec. 14: 12~105 (total 117)

Dec. 21: 24~95 (total 119)

Dec. 28: 9~65 (total 74)

Average Dec. 2014-105

Average Dec. 2013-115

Christmas Eve-5:00pm-90 (last yr-133)

11:00pm-140 (last yr-108)

Rector's Discretionary Fund

Assistance with: Pharmacy-4,

Traveler-1, Gasoline-1, Auto-1, Misc.-2

Disc. Sunday income-\$146.00

Special Gifts-\$200.00

Food closet

10 families, for a total of 17 people

Crisis Intervention

Assistance with : 5 electric bills, 2 gas

bills, 7 water bills (all \$30 ea.)



Zumba at Trinity

We are offering a Zumba class on Thursday nights in Trinity Hall (except for the third Thursdays of the month), starting in February. The class is from 6:00—7:00, is taught by Sami Goetz and is \$4.00 per class. Please join us for a fun time of exercise and fellowship!



FYNE JUNQUE SALE
Please start saving your 'treasures' for this event. More information coming soon.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

To Cameron Bookman, son of Bernard Bookman, who was one of five winners in the 2014-15 Concerto Competitions at Alderson Broaddus University. Cameron is an organist and music education major at ABU.

FEBRUARY 2015

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 EPIPHANY 4 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School 10:30-Eucharist	2 11:00am - Feeding Program	3 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast 6:00pm-Blenn. Stamp Soc.	4 11:00am-Food Closet 12:10pm-Eucharist 7:30pm-Choir Rehearsal	5 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Knitters, Food Closet 6:00pm-Zumba (T. Hall)	6	7 9:00am-New group Breakfast meeting @ Churn in Belpre 8:00pm-AA
8 EPIPHANY 5 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School 10:30-Eucharist	9 11:00am - Feeding Program 6:00pm-Finance 7:00pm-Vestry	10 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast	11 11:00am-Food Closet 12:10pm-Eucharist	12 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Zumba (T. Hall)	13	14 8:00pm-AA
15 LAST EPIPHANY 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School 10:30-Eucharist <i>Discretionary Sunday</i>	16 11:00am - Feeding Program Office Closed President's Day	17 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast 1:30pm-St. Anne's @ Neilsons' 5:00-7:00pm-Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	18 ASH WEDNESDAY 7:30-Eucharist, Ashes (Nave) 11:00am-Food Closet 12:00-Eucharist, Ashes (Nave) 7:00pm-HC, Ashes w/Choir	19 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Blenn. Stamp Soc.	20 5:30pm-Stations of the Cross (Nave) "Times" deadline	21 8:00pm-AA
22 LENT 1 8:00 am—Eucharist 9:15-Adult Ed., Choir Reh. 10:15-Sunday School 10:30-Eucharist <i>Birthday Sunday</i>	23 11:00am - Feeding Program	24 8:00am-Men of Trin. Breakfast ← Fr. Larry on annual pre-Lenten retreat →	25 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Dinner 7:00pm-Lenten Study	26 10:00am-Bible Study 11:00am-Food Closet 6:00pm-Zumba (T. Hall)	27 5:30pm-Stations of the Cross (Nave)	28 8:00pm-AA

BIRTHDAYS

3. John Brownfield
 5. Betty Rathbone
 Andrew Patrick

8. Cathy Dawson
 Robin Hinkley
 Dorsey Northrup
 9. Joy Brownfield

10. Susan Stanley
 11. Lori Ullmann-Wright
 15. Regan Anne Rauh
 Fr. Art Bennett

Ron Caldwell
 16. Claudia Smith
 19. Pat Beamish
 Marielle Bullock

20. Jennifer Currey
 Marion Culbertson
 21. Joseph Quick
 22. LaVerne Marshall

23. Maggie Mildren
 25. Cynthia Bullock
 27. Jason Perrine

ANNIVERSARIES

9. Olivia & Andrew
 Parsons

21. Lynette & Fr. Jack
 Neilson
 23. Mary Jane & George
 Zivkovich

Lenten Opportunities at Trinity

Shrove Tuesday



February 17, 5:00—7:00 pm
Pancake Supper
Trinity Hall

Ash Wednesday



February 18
Holy Communion
& Imposition of Ashes
7:30 am—Nave of Church
12:00 noon—Nave of Church
7:00 pm—Nave of Church w/Choir

Wednesdays during Lent

Wednesday Mid-Week Eucharist
Adams Chapel, 7:30am & 12:10pm (starting March 4th)

LENTEN STUDY GROUP



6:00pm—Covered Dish Meal

7:00 pm:

“Who Were They?”

Studies of Five Biblical People

Fr. Art Bennett - Presenter

Fridays during Lent



Spiritual Discipline of
Stations of the Cross

5:30 pm
Nave of Church



A NEW ADDITION IN THE KITCHEN

A new hand wash sink was recently installed in the kitchen by Dan Thomas and Larry Tucker. The Health Department requires a hand wash sink in commercial kitchens and we are working to bring the kitchen up to the required standards. Thanks, Larry and Dan!

A Breakfast Invitation



The Men of Trinity would like to invite you to join them on the first Saturday of the month at 9 AM at the Churn in Belpre to join in great conversation and reflection on the topic of the day. This will be an informal setting which will allow you to come and go as you please, dress as you like, and engage in conversation if you choose. (Just listening is OK too.) Coffee will be provided and you can purchase food if you choose. Both men and women are encouraged to attend regardless of church affiliation. Please join us.



Team news from Susie: "We need to get our team formed, and anyone who would like to be on the team should contact me or Jennifer Currey. The more the merrier! The theme this year is STRIKE OUT CANCER, as in -Batter Up! It's time to STRIKE OUT CANCER! I'll let you know when I find out all the details, but please consider joining us for this important event! Thanks!"



Hello from Florida! Your parish nurse has been engaged in parish nursing through St Gregory's Episcopal church in Boca Raton, Florida. Since my Florida visit in 2013 we have lost family and several friends who have "passed on", some at Trinity and some here in Florida. I thought it might be appropriate to once again offer to you my document on PERSONAL FAITH RITUALS. Physical Death is part of our life process. I hope this will assist in your thoughts for end of life planning. FHS, Marion

PERSONAL FAITH RITUALS

Name	
Date of Birth	
Address	
Telephone	
Significant Other (name) telephone	
Funeral Director	
Type of Burial	Mausoleum____ Grave____ Cremation____
Type of Service	Prayer____ Eucharist____ Other____
Celebrant of Service	
Special Prayers/Scripture	1. _____ Reader _____ 2. _____ Reader _____ 3. _____ Reader _____ 4. _____ Reader _____
Special Hymns (vocal, instrumental, other)	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
Presenters of Gifts	1. _____ 2. _____
Flowers	
Other Requests	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
Additional Comments	
Advance Directives? Yes No	
Organ Donor Yes No	
Medical Power of Attorney _____	
Legal Power of Attorney _____	
Your Signature & Date	
Interviewer & Date	

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FLOWERS

The Flower Chart for 2015 has been posted on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall. The two vases of altar flowers cost \$50 total, which can be shared with another person, if desired. Please fill out the form and indicate whether you are giving the flowers in memorial or thanksgiving.

Thank you for making our service more beautiful!