



The Trinity Bell



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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.



A Word from Father Tony

How well do you know your Episcopal faith? This month during Epiphany and as part of our Lenten suppers with St. Mark's, Starke, we will be learning more about our Anglican heritage.

Here is fun quiz that you should ace:

1. Who is considered the founder of the Episcopal Church? Martin Luther, King Henry VIII, St. Stephen, the follower of Jesus who was stoned to death for his beliefs, or a traveling preacher whose name is unknown? (Circle one)
2. The Episcopal Church is in communion with what other church? The United Church of Christ, The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints, The Church of England, or The Catholic Church? (Circle one)
3. Who is sort of the Episcopal equivalent to the Catholic Church's Pope? The Cardinal of Canterbury, The Archbishop of Liverpool, The Cardinal of Madrid, or The Archbishop of Canterbury? (Circle one)
4. The word "episcopal" means what? Governed by Bishops, Assisted by deacons, organized into dioceses, led by priests? (Circle one)
5. What is the prayer book of the Episcopal Church? The books of Psalms and Proverbs in the Bible, The Book of Common Prayer, The Daily Episcopalian, or There is no special Episcopalian prayer book. (Circle one)
6. A woman cannot be ordained in the Episcopal Church. True or False? (Circle one)
7. Episcopal priests must remain celibate. True or False? (Circle one)

8. You must be a confirmed Episcopalian to receive the sacrament of Communion in an Episcopal Church. True or False? (Circle one)
9. The United States has had at least one Episcopal bishop who was openly homosexual. True or False? (Circle one)
10. Which of the following are you least likely to find in an Episcopal church? A baptismal font, a person of non-Caucasian race, a candle, or a confessional booth? (Circle one)

Answers next week in Colossians! Or, you can take I.Emma's quiz online, at <http://www.funtrivia.com/playquiz/quiz197390169a398.html>

Warmly, Tony+

CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS AND AFFIRMATIONS

The Bishop will be coming to Trinity on Feb. 11th to Confirm, Receive and Affirm all those who wish to deepen their commitment to Christ and to the Episcopal Church in the presence of a Bishop. Confirmation includes a re-affirmation of the Baptismal Covenant, and laying on of hands by the Bishop who prays for the candidate's continued growth in the Christian life and ministry under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Father Tony will be starting an Inquirer's Class this Sunday for all those who are interested in Confirmation or Reception and for those who may not have decided yet but are interested in learning more about the church. Please let him know if you are interested, or call the office and we will see that you get a

FIRST SUNDAY

**Sunday, Feb. 4th is the next First Sunday 10:00am
It will also be the annual meeting.
Potluck lunch will follow**

**Head of the Church
Jesus Christ**

**The Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard
Bishop of Florida**

Members of the Vestry

**Senior Warden,
Wells Hood 2020
Brian McCrae, Jr. Warden 2019
Jeanne Homany 2018
Laurie Alsobrook 2018
Joyce Chesnut 2019
John Katterhenry 2020
Liz Outten 2020
Diane Sargent, Clerk**

Clergy

Rev. Tony Powell, Rector

Music

**Margaret Rice, Choir Director
Figg Poncher, Organist**

Office

**Figg Poncher,
Financial Administrator
Linda Wilcox,
Parish Administrator
and Editor of the "Trinity Bell"**

Service Times

8:30 am and 11:00 am Sunday

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**DEADLINE FOR THE
FEBRUARY BELL IS
JANUARY 15th**

NEWS FROM THE ECW

The January ECW meeting will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 2 at 6:00pm in the parish hall. Dinner will be provided and all women of the church are welcome.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 3 Amanda Gray	Jan. 17 Margaret Kidd
Jan. 5 John Rynd	Jan. 19 Ken Wacha
Jan. 9 Dave Kidd	Jan. 22 Phillip Parsons
Jan. 10 Kathy Garcia	Jan. 30 Tim Paul
Jan. 16 Lynda Luekel	



O God, our times are in your hand; look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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FOURTH WEDNESDAY SPAGHETTI NIGHTS

We have had two well attended events with very good speakers at our 4th Wednesday spaghetti and speaker nights. Our first speaker, Deborah Thompson, who survived a horrific attack, spoke on overcoming adversity. Then In October Joanna Merritt, the founder of Answers, told us of her calling to serve the women in our area. What stood out for me and what tied them together was that their lives were guided by prayer and the presence of the Holy Spirit. What's more is that their service to others made them more grateful for their blessings. That seems like a contradiction but Jesus said in John 13 14-17 "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. 16 Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." You will be blessed if you do them! How cool is that! When we serve others WE are blessed. "

We are living in the best place in the world at the absolute best time in history and yet we fret over the least things. In the words of the great poet William Wordsworth "the world is too much with us. Late and soon, getting and spending. We lay waste our powers." It is my hope that we will find our own way to reach out to others in our family, our lives and our community and in doing so reap those worldly benefits of gratitude and grace.

We have some great speakers lined up. If you have an idea for a topic or a person who might be of interest to our community please let me know.

Thanks and God's peace!
John Katterhenry

Trinity Bell Report for the month of November & YTD, 2017

	Nov Actual	Nov Budget	Over/Under	Y-T-D Act	Y-T-D Bud	Over/Under
Total Revenue	20,467 \$	26,665	(\$6,198)	\$169,391	\$171,954	(\$2,563)
Total Expense	18,319	18,575	256	175,273	191,295	16,022
Surplus / (Deficit)	2,148	8,090	(5,942)	(5,882)	(19,341)	13,459

Collections	November Actual	November Budget	Over/Under Budget	Jan-Nov YTD Actual	Jan-Nov YTD Budget	Over/Under Budget
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Pledged Offerings	\$11,547	17,010	(\$5,463)	133,499	139,699	(6,200)
Non-Pledged Offerings	1,055	830	225	14,285	9,130	5,155
Other Offerings	350	575	(225)	4,183	6,575	(2,392)
Priest Fund	130	-	130	2,940	-	2,940
Net Income	\$13,082	\$18,415	(\$5,333)	\$154,907	\$155,404	(\$497)

MOVIE NIGHT

This month's movie will be "The Monuments Men" which is "based on a true story of the greatest treasure hunt in history. The movie centers around an unlikely combination of people in a World War II platoon who are tasked with going into Germany to find and rescue some of the world's artistic masterpieces from Nazi thieves and returning them to their rightful owners. In a seemingly impossible mission, the Monuments Men, as they were called, find themselves risking their lives in a race against time to avoid the destruction of 1,000 years of beauty and culture."

This exciting movie stars George Clooney, Bill Murray, Matt Damon, John Goodman, and Cate Blanchett among others.

As always, there will be free popcorn, drinks and candy available and there is never a charge for the movie.

AGE RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION

Jeanne Homany



Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) is progressive damage to central vision. Early diagnosis is key! Yearly DLE (dilated eye exams) can diagnose early. Symptoms are blurriness, loss of central vision, and image distortion. AMD affects 1 in 5 adults over 65 years. Causes are unknown. Reduce risk by - not smoking, maintain a diet high in antioxidants, getting regular exercise, and wear UV protected sunglasses. Amsler Grid is recommended for people at risk of AMD. It is a spot in the middle of graph paper. One is supposed to look at it briefly, at about 12-15 inches away and report/record if seeing any waves or discrepancies in the graph behind spot. JoyofSight.com is where to get a printable Amsler Grid.

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JANUARY 2017

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- Jan. 7 **First Sunday 10:00am**
Potluck lunch following
- Jan. 9 **PH in use pm**
- Jan. 11 **Movie Night**
“The Monuments Men”
- Jan. 12 **PH in use pm**
- Jan. 13 **Service for Wes Connors**
11:00
- Jan. 17 **Vestry**
- Jan. 18 **Grill and Chill**
- Jan. 25 **Spaghetti Dinner**
- Jan. 26 **& 27 Diocesan Convention**
- Jan. 27 **Men’s Club**

REGULAR EVENTS

- Sunday : 8:30 am and 11:00am Holy Eucharist**
In the Church
9:45am Adult Christian Formation
- 1st Sunday of the Month**
One Service only at 10:00am
In the Parish Hall
Potluck Lunch Following
- Mon. & Wed. 9:00 Morning Prayer**
- Tuesdays: Noon Lectionary Study at Betty’s Pizza
Bible Study at 1:30 - Wicker Room
- Wednesday: 6:00pm Eucharist**
- Thrift Shop**
Open 10am to 4pm Thursday
2pm—5pm Friday
9am—Noon Saturday
- Access Program**
Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am—2pm