

or lose in this life, we have the promise! The Championship is ours in Christ. In Him we have eternal life!

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! 1Cor. 15.57

Warmly, Tony+

A LITTLE CHANGE FROM SPAGHETTI

This dinner will be called, *The Second to the Last Supper: Food and Feasts of the Bible.* John Katterhenry is offering a special menu featuring some of the foods that are found throughout the bible. The entree will be a Chicken Marbella with some wonderful breads and sides. He going to speak afterwards about the research he has done on ancient cuisine. Please RSVP to the office so we'll have plenty of food for you. The dinner will be at 6:30pm. Love offerings are appreciated. The dinner will be on Wednesday, May 23.



SUMMER'S ON THE WAY

We can already feel the beginning of summer in the air, and summer vacation plans are fun to think about and start working on now. During holidays, and when we travel for vacation, we often leave our other cares behind and focus on the joys of the things ahead. Unfortunately, Trinity's bills don't get to go on holidays or vacations and just stay right here at home to pester us. We at Trinity are fortunate to have such a caring congregation, but every now and again we need to send out a little reminder about keeping up with our pledges and remembering the church needs to be heated or air conditioned, our lights need to stay lit and so many other things that we have come to expect need to be taken care of every single day. Our pledges are the great gift which helps us remain financially healthy and able to do God's work in so many wonderful ways. Please catch up on your pledge if you need to, or see Figg for a pledge card if you'd like one.



BOOKS FOR "SEEDS OF GRACE"

Seeds of Grace Ministry which was highlighted at our most recent Spaghetti Dinner is collecting books for their Book Bus. All kinds of books are needed, especially books for children. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the Thrift Shop or to the office, and they will be delivered to this terrific ministry.

Colossians 3:23

Trinity's Take Home Paper

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7th Sunday of Easter, May 13, 2018

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. MARTY PFAB

Fr. Tony and Ann are taking a special weekend to visit with family in Savannah. Fr. Marty Pfab has graciously agreed to come to Trinity and celebrate Eucharist with us. Fr. Marty is coming from Jacksonville Beach where he and his wife Penny have a home. Please take a minute to introduce yourself to Father Marty and welcome him to Trinity.

SINGLE SERVICE SUNDAYS IN MAY

During the month of May all of our Sunday services will be at 10:00am. This coming Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, the feast day celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. If you have something red to wear, this is the perfect time!

PASTORAL CARE

If you, someone in your family, or one of our parishioners is in the hospital, or becomes homebound, please call the office and let us know as soon as possible so that Father Tony is able to call or visit. Our pastoral care team is also available to bring meals to the home, do small chores, and help with many other needs that we are able to meet.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH

Sunday 5/13

**Holy Eucharist
Happy Mother's Day
9:30 JC and the Bible Forum Room
10:00 One Service
Refreshments Following**

Monday 5/14

**9:00am Morning Prayer
6:00pm Home Study on Romans**

Tuesday 5/15

**12:00 pm Betty's and the Bible
1:30pm Comparative Religions Class
5:30pm AA in Wicker Room
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room**

Wednesday 5/16

**9:00am Morning Prayer
6:00pm Holy Eucharist and Healing**

Thursday 5/17

**Thrift Shop 10am-4pm
Grill and Chill**

Friday 5/18

Thrift Shop 2-5pm

Saturday 5/19

Thrift Shop 9am—Noon

Sunday 5/20

Pentecost Sunday

Please wear red if you can.

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FUTURE EVENTS

MAY

**May 13 Mother's Day
One Service 10:00am
In the Church**

May 17 Grill and Chill

**May 20 Day of Pentecost
One Service 10:00am
(everyone wear red!)
In the Hall
Refreshments following**

May 23 Spaghetti Dinner

May 26 Men's Club

**May 27 Trinity Sunday
One Service 10:00am
In the Hall
Trinity BBQ following**

JUNE

**June 3 First Sunday
One Service at 10:00am
Pot Luck Lunch
Following**

June 9 PH in use

June 14 Movie Night

June 21 Grill and Chill



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Virginia Hood, Clea Lauriauet, Lauren Neese, Helen Atkins, Diana Gold berg and, for all mothers who are above and for those present. By Wells and Delia Hood

If you would like to give flowers in memory of, gratitude for, or to celebrate a person or event, please call the office.

Dear Trinity Family,

“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.” John 16.33 NKJV

One of the joys of Facebook is following close friends and family, and watching the kids grow up. Among those are two young ladies whom I have never seen without a smile on their faces! Always happy and energetic, it is such a joy to see their cheerful faces. And that's the secret – both on and off the field, at home and at school, these two are cheerleaders! Their lives and their attitudes radiate the joy of Jesus.

Looking back at my High School days, we grew up in Winnersville, Georgia, Valdosta – home of the Wildcats, National Champs! I grew up in a town with a singular focus – Friday Night High School football. Vivid memories of heady times watching the coaches, the team, the band and the cheerleaders, as we all rooted for another win, another championship.

Of course, you can't win all the games: passes are dropped, possessions are fumbled; field goals blocked or go wide. Through it all comes the call, “Push ‘em back, push ‘em back, Way back!” As hearts drop to the stomach and faith escapes like air from a balloon, the cheerleaders work tirelessly to bolster the fans and keep them from losing heart. Two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar, All for ..., Stand up and holler!

When the game is lost, the stands are empty; still there is Thursday's Pep Rally and Friday Night – a new game, a new chance to prove to the world that our team is totally awesome.

As I recall those young ladies and their smiling faces – their wonderful spirits and encouraging attitudes, I realize we as Christians should be the same. Upbeat, uplifted, undefeated by the trials and tribulations of this life.

No, it does not come easy – cheerleaders work hard – every afternoon after school, summer camps and weekends; competitions, gymnastics, tumbling, dance, and practicing their routines. Staying on top – keeping a positive attitude takes a lot of work and discipline.

Our life in Christ is much the same. We experience triumphs and tribulations, joys and sufferings, along with all the doubts and fears that nibble at the human conscious. Yet no matter the battles we win