

confirmed to receive Holy Communion. Youth can fully participate in worship, including being ushers, greeters, acolytes, and lectors. Our youth are encouraged to participate, and are invited to light the candles, process the Gospel, bring up the elements before the offertory, and serve as lectors on Sundays.

What is Confirmation? Confirmation is a sacramental rite where those who understand the joys and struggles of that journey make a “mature” commitment to Christ.

For those baptized as infants or children, the rite of Confirmation with the laying on of the hands by the Bishop is a recommitment to Christ and the responsibilities of the Baptismal Covenant.

Those already Baptized and Confirmed in the orthodox faith are received by the Bishop with a handshake. Those baptized and confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church are generally received into the Episcopal Church.

There is also the rite of Reaffirmation for those who want to reaffirm their faith in presence of the congregation and the Bishop.

If you have never been baptized, or confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, please accept this personal invitation to take the leap and reaffirm your Christian faith and dedication to the Church. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Warmly,
Tony+

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 may be able to meet.

Colossians 3:23

Trinity's Take Home Paper

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6th Sunday After Epiphany, Feb. 17, 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!

SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Spaghetti Dinner this month will be on Feb. 27th at 6:30pm, and the speaker for the evening will be Joan Vaughn who helped to start Lake Area Ministries. If you haven't had a chance to come to one of the dinners yet, the food is always delicious and the speakers are excellent. There is no charge although love offerings are always appreciated.

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION AND AFFIRMATION

The Bishop is coming to Trinity on Sunday, June 9th which is Pentecost. While he is here he will Confirm, Receive or Affirm those who choose to take this opportunity to do so. Father Tony will be starting a class the Sunday after Easter and those who aren't sure or would simply like to know more about the Episcopal church and about Confirmation, Reception or Affirmation are also welcome to join these classes. The service for these is included in the Book of Common Prayer if you would like to read more about them. Please call the office or speak with Fr. Tony if you would like to take part in the class.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH

Sunday 2/17

Holy Eucharist
Service 8:30 and 11:00am
9:45am Discussion of the Lessons
JC and the Gospel
Refreshments Follow both Services

Monday 2/18

No Morning Prayer
Presidents Day Office Closed

Tuesday 2/19

Noon Betty's and the Bible Lunch
1:30 Study Group Wicker Room
5:30pm AA in Wicker Room
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

Wednesday 2/20

9:00am Morning Prayer
6:00pm Evening Service
7:00pm Vestry

Thursday 2/21

Thrift Shop 10am - 4pm

Friday 2/22

Thrift Shop Closed

Saturday 2/23

Thrift Shop 9pm-noon
6:30pm Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday 2/24

Holy Eucharist
Service 8:30 and 11:00am
9:45am Discussion of the Lessons

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FUTURE EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Feb. 18 President's Day
Office Closed
Feb. 23 Men's Breakfast
Feb. 27 Spaghetti Dinner

MARCH

Mar. 3 First Sunday
Mar. 5 ECW Meeting
Mar. 6 Ash Wednesday

HOME FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY

The Home Fellowship meeting at Fr. Tony's and Ann's starts at 6:00pm every Monday evening. We are currently in Ephesians. Everyone is invited. Please let Fr. Tony know if you would like to come or if you need a map to their house for the meeting.

TUESDAY STUDY GROUP

The Tuesday Afternoon Study has resumed at 1:30 in the Wicker Room.



Altar Flowers

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.

The Bishop is coming! The Bishop is coming! These are wonderful words that herald the good news of baptisms and confirmations and growth in our parish. We were not scheduled for a visit from the Bishop Howard in 2019, however, we have members who want to be Confirmed, so Bishop Dorsey Henderson has graciously agreed to join us for Pentecost Sunday on June 9th. If you would like to be welcomed by the Bishop, please contact Linda or Fr. Tony in the office. We are open to those who want to be baptized.

What is Baptism? Why is it so important? Why do we do Confirmation? What is Reception?

On March 3rd, we will baptize three young people and joyfully welcome them into God's Kingdom.

I am very appreciative of Fr. Ken Herzog's book, "Baptism is Present Tense," which gives us a vivid picture of the true meaning of Baptism – a daily experience of the Gospel, of being alive in Christ. Baptism is present tense! Not something that happened to you long ago, captured in pictures and buried in a Scrapbook, but a living presence of Jesus working in our lives daily, drawing us closer to the image of Christ.

Baptism is our promise, as a parish, to see to it that the baby, the child, the adult, is brought up in the Christian faith, surrounded and nourished by a family of Christian brothers and sisters who genuinely care and love the newly baptized – today, tomorrow, and every day until eternity comes.

Baptism is present tense! Baptism is each of us striving daily to be faithful followers of Jesus, confessing our faults, resisting evil, proclaiming the Good News by both word and deed, and striving always to treat everyone with respect, while seeking justice and peace in the broken world in which we live.

Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism we die with Christ and rise again, marked by the Holy Spirit as Christ own forever. Baptism is the beginning of a lifelong journey, walking with Christ, becoming like Christ, and in difficult times, being carried by Him.

Baptism is **full** initiation into the Body of Christ, with all its rights and privileges. For example, children do not have to wait to be