

There is a lot happening in our prison system – God is touching these men and women, but there is still much work to be done. Our work is not done. We are asked to pray: for the prisoners, the guards and wardens, for Kairos and all the ministries that offer hope to those who are incarcerated.

There are miracles happening all around us, in places we wouldn't expect. Pray that God continues to work in us and through us to heal the world around us. Pray God will continue to happen in our lives, giving us hope for today and tomorrow and all eternity.

Warmly, Tony+

SERVICE SERVERS

Would you like to help with our Sunday Services as a greeter, usher or reader? Or would you like to serve on the altar assisting the priest and at Communion?

Father Tony will be having training for all those who would like to be more involved with serving in any way on Sundays, and as you are learning there will always be another, already experienced person with you.

Serving in these ways can often bring you closer to Christ as you are more intimately involved with the service.

If you are interested in helping in any of these ways, please contact the office or Father Tony.

CHURCH WEBSITES

Have you taken a look at our Trinity Website? Laurie Alsobrook is our webmaster and is doing a wonderful job. Colossians and the Servers Schedule are always posted there and you will also find announcements of our special events and pictures of some.

The Diocesan website is also full of information not only of diocesan events, but also of happenings at Camp Weed, information about the other churches in our diocese, and some of the classes and seminars that the Bishop's Institute is sponsoring.

It isn't difficult to find the websites, just put in the name and state and the website should come right up for you.

Colossians 3:23

Trinity's Take Home Paper

Calendar - Announcements - Reports - Schedules

Last Sunday After Epiphany, Mar. 3, 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!

PRAYER SHAWLS

The prayer shawls in the church have been knit by members of our Sisters' Circle and are there for you to take if you need one for yourself or someone in need of comfort. They're always appreciated in chilly hospital rooms, or sometimes just to cuddle with for someone who needs a hug. You don't have to ask to take one; they are there to be taken. The shawls carry with them the prayers and music of our services, and each has been blessed by Father Tony.

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION AND AFFIRMATION

The Bishop is coming to Trinity on Sunday, June 9th which is Pentecost Sunday. While he is here he will Confirm, Receive or Affirm those who choose 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 3/3

**First Sunday Holy Eucharist
One Service at 10:00
Lunch Following the Service**

Monday 3/4

**9:00am Morning Prayer
6:00 Home Study at Fr. Tony's**

Tuesday 3/5

10:00am ECW Meeting—Wicker Rm
Noon Betty's and the Bible Lunch
1:30 Study Group Wicker Room
5:30pm Pancake Dinner
5:30pm AA in Wicker Room
7:00pm Al Anon in Wicker Room

Wednesday 3/6

**9:00am Morning Prayer
Ash Wednesday Noon and 6:00pm**

Thursday 3/7

Thrift Shop 10am - 4pm

Friday 3/8

Thrift Shop Closed

Saturday 3/9

Thrift Shop 9pm-noon

Sunday 3/10

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

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FUTURE EVENTS

MARCH

- Mar. 3 First Sunday
- Mar. 5 ECW Meeting
Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Dinner
- Mar. 6 Ash Wednesday
- Mar. 13 Lenten Soup Supper here
- Mar. 20 Lenten Community Lunch
At Trinity
Soup Supper at St. Marks
- Mar. 21 Grill and Chill
- Mar. 27 Soup Supper here
- Mar. 30 Men's Club

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

- Apr. 14 Palm Sunday One Service**
- Apr. 15 Evensong 6:00pm Service**
- Apr. 16 Tazie 6:00pm Service**
- Apr. 17 Tenenbrae Service 6:00**
- Apr. 18 Maundy Thurs. Service 6**
- Apr. 19 Good Friday Services
Noon and 6:00pm**
- Apr. 21 Easter Sunday One Service**



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.

Dear Trinity Family,

Trinity is a happening place! Biblically, “happening” is how the Holy Spirit operates, the work of the Spirit in and around us as we walk with the Lord. God’s glorious presence happens in our lives, in marvelous ways and unexpected times.

Last night at the 4th Wednesday Spaghetti Dinner, Joan Vaughn shared her story of how Lake Area Ministries got started. She began with her own witness of how God happened in her heart, how the Holy Spirit began to change her from the inside out. And it was disconcerting, even frightening for her, as God changed her world view inside out – from worrying about herself to having genuine concern for others.

Then came the vision and the miracles that made it all happen! (There’s that word again!) Land was given, the building was renovated, the doors opened and the shelves were filled – all in unexpected ways, through volunteers and donations and God’s grace overflowing!

Joan told the story of receiving a case of special baby formula which she graciously accepted, though they had no plans as yet to give out formula and didn’t really know what to do with it. That very afternoon a young mother showed up in dire need of that very brand and type of formula for her baby. It was a God send!

Joan has so many stories like this to share; she could have kept us there for hours. Reminds me of John’s Gospel, when he said, “Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.”

God is alive and well and working in the Lake Area – not only at LAM, but here at Trinity, and Melrose, and all our fellow churches and ministries. Take heart, God is happening here! In our church, our community, and our Diocese.

Tuesday at Marywood Retreat Center, The Rev. Canon Allison DeFoor shared his passion for Prison ministry and the faith based initiatives, like Kairos, that are changing lives of prisoners and helping to keep them from returning to jail once they are out. Two of our own members are on the next Kairos team.