

Weekly Information for March 24, 2023

My fellow Episcopalians ~

During the Lenten season, things have been quite busy at Holy Trinity! From spiritual growth, our inquirers class (with 10+ people attending in person and many more streaming), Lenten Lunches with the Rector, the ongoing efforts to revamp and streamline our operations, pastoral needs, the loss of fellow members, as well as the energy that is being felt by all, WE are truly living out our baptismal covenants by being a congregation that is walking the way of love.

The next few weeks will continue to be busy around the church with the beginning of Holy Week on Palm Saturday/Sunday, to daily services of some sort, and the Triduum (the 3 days before Easter Sunday [Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) all with special liturgies, culminating in our first Eucharist of Easter at The Great Easter Vigil. I hope you are excitedly anticipating the celebrations that are ahead. Please also mark your calendars for Saturday, April 22, as The Rt Rev. Larry R. Benfield makes his final visit as our bishop to Holy Trinity to induct me as your 5th Rector and to confirm, receive, or reaffirm 11 people! What a great time to be able to say to a friend or neighbor, "Yes, I am a part of an active, vibrant church; would you like to come and visit us? "

I remain, Faithfully yours,

Fr. Keith

Important Notices:

ADULT FORMATION this Sunday at 9:15am. Remember to bring your two "Mr. Rogers" books.

ECW (Episcopal Church Women) will meet in Sifford Hall this Tuesday, March 28. There will be a presentation by Father Keith. Our program will be a fashion show from Chico's presented by our own Becky Mason. Refreshments begin at 9:30am; the meeting begins at 10:00am. Hope to see all the women of Holy Trinity there. ~Ginny Pettey, ECW President

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COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING this Wednesday, March 29th, at 2:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: This coming Friday, March 31st, is the final Friday to join us to pray the Stations of the Cross at noon for this Lenten season. Holy Week and Easter schedule is on page 18 of the bulletin.

BOX ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please note that box announcements as well as other important announcements are included on pages 16-18 of this week's bulletin and the Upcoming Week's Calendar is on page 19. When the liturgy and music run over page 16 the balance of the pages needs to be filled (no sense in wasting space). There is still a two-page supplement with the Intercessions, Attendance, and a few other announcements. Thanks ~*Diane*

Announcements:

The ECW CARD PARTY is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25th. It will be held in Sifford Hall. Funds raised by the event will go towards Holy Trinity outreach. Your help is needed! Please consider underwriting the cost of the food or donating an item for the silent auction. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. Tickets to the event are \$15. Contact Cindy Pilgram to make reservations for a table. Individual reservations are also welcome. Phone: 952-237-7940, email: cpilgram@gmail.com. Thanks in advance for your support! ~ *Ginny Pettey, ECW President*

HOLY WEEK Flowers: The forms with instruction for HOLY WEEK flowers are available on the tables in each narthex. Please place your completed form and check in the envelopes provided; envelopes may be placed into the offering plate or left at the church office. The SUGGESTED DONATION this year is **\$25**; checks should be made payable to Holy Trinity and in the memo section please indicate HOLY WEEK flowers. Note that the deadline for inclusion in the EASTER SERVICE bulletins is Monday, April 3rd AT NOON.

IMPORTANT Ushers & Greeters training sessions: Calling ALL ushers, greeters, substitutes and anyone interested in learning more about

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becoming an usher or greeter. The second meeting will be on Wednesday, April 5th @ 2:00pm. If you did not attend the meeting on March 20th, you need to attend this session. This is a **VERY IMPORTANT MEETING**. There have been some changes and revamping of the program so it is very important that everyone attend. Please contact Steve or Michelle Gladden if you have any questions (semperfi.sg@att.net or Steve: 501-352-1427/Michelle: 501-352-1433). Looking forward to seeing you there ~ Fr. Keith⁺

FEELING GENEROUS THIS LENT? Our Wonderful Music Ministry at Holy Trinity is seeking funds to help cover the costs of all the special music, a set of Ludwig Copper Timpani (which will be a community asset for other groups in HSV), and other musical expenses for this big year. Our goal is \$10,000 and we are 1/5th of the way! If you're interested, please see Fr. Keith or Josh, or simply make a check out to the church and put Music Special Offering in the memo or let Diane know.

NEW TO HOLY TRINITY? Please contact Diane at the church office so that we can add you to our contact list. She can be reached at hoffice@suddenlinkmail.com or by phone (#501-922-0299) Tuesday-Thursday, 10:00am-3:00pm.

FEBRUARY VESTRY MINUTES are posted on the Sifford Hall bulletin board.

NEWSLETTER: The March-April *Village Episcopalian (VE)* newsletter is available on the table in the Sifford Hall narthex for those who did not receive it via email or cannot print a copy at home. It is also available at the church website: www.holytrinityhsv.org.

IN-HOME COMMUNION AVAILABLE: If you are unable to attend Holy Eucharist services in person, please schedule communion to be brought to you by contacting Deacon Brenda (#214-662-5502) or Fr. Keith (#870-817-3628).

PRAYER BOX: The Daughters of the King® (DOK) are devoted to daily prayer and service. There is a DOK prayer request box on the table in the main narthex for parishioners who would like DOK to pray for family or friends. Request cards are on the side of the box. These prayers are very confidential. Note: This is separate from the church prayer list that is in the

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bulletin and prayed for by the First Friday Prayer Group. Please contact DOK president Linda Shay with any questions (#407-491-2583 or avonlea196@aol.com).

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