



# Trinity Episcopal Church

## The Corner

Trinity's e-newsletter for the week of February 3rd, 2019



Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Here are the latest opportunities to strengthen your faith and connect with the community.



### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Sunday, February 3rd , 2019**

**8:00 a.m. - Rite I, Holy Eucharist**

Chalice Bearers: Donna Griffin,  
Mary Donovan  
Lector: Sidney Sutton  
Intercessor: Margaret Bearse  
Usher: Derek Pauw



### Adult Forum looks at how we teach people to fail

Fr. Rob continues his dialogue on the relationships between churches and roller derby communities by exploring how each community teaches its members how to fail at things in life. The Adult Forum meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Jackson Kemper room located on the lower level of the parish hall.

**10:30 a.m. - Rite II, Holy Eucharist**

Chalice Bearers: Donna Olson,  
Will Chaney  
Lectors: Carl Edwards, Ari Myers-  
Arenth  
Intercessor: Carol Hatton  
Vergers: Brian  
Acolytes: Ozi and Geme Ajekwu;  
Abby Baldwin  
Ushers: David Severance, Vashti  
Winterburg, Dave and Gail Griffin

**READINGS**

**Sunday, February 3rd, 2019**

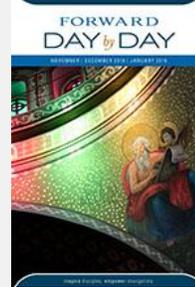
- Jeremiah 1:4-10
- 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
- Luke 4:21-30
- Psalm 71:1-6

See the complete lectionary readings for Sunday, February 3rd, at [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net).



**From the Rector's Desk**

Last Sunday the passage from the eighth chapter of Nehemiah was read with little context or introduction. The prior week we heard from Isaiah, and the following we will hear from Jeremiah (who actually preceded Nehemiah chronologically). But the Nehemiah passage is a powerful one in terms of the history of the Hebrew Bible, for it chronicles the return of the Jewish people out of the Babylonian exile and back to Jerusalem after being away for the better part of a century. Once returned, they hear from the scriptures and the law, a rediscovery of their historical, ethnic, and religious roots, and a reaffirmation that they are not a



*Forward Day by Day* for February through April has arrived. Try using it as your companion through the Lent and Easter seasons. Read and reflect on each day's scripture and the meditation, then try the Moving Forward suggestion to go from reflection to action.



**Prayer Chain**

To add a person's name to the prayer list or to become a prayer chain member, please contact the parish office ([prayers@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:prayers@trinitylawrence.org); 785-843-6166) or Carol Hatton, Prayer Chain coordinator ([caroldonhatton@gmail.com](mailto:caroldonhatton@gmail.com)).

The Prayer Chain prays daily for those who are ill, suffering, troubled, have died, or wish to offer praise and thanksgivings. Prayer Chain members find that their own private prayer life with God also deepens during this daily practice.

**Pray for those who are ill:**

DJ, Glenna, Diana, Diana, Meredith, Vicki, Doug, Ginger, John, Eleanor, Susan

**Prayer for those with special intentions:**

Jodie, Debbie, Dick

**Prayer for those in the hospital:**

Josh,

conquered people, but God's people. This realization is so emotionally overwhelming that many in the crowd begin to grieve. The reasons are not explicitly clear, but it is easy to imagine people lamenting the lost time away from Jerusalem. But it is also easy to imagine people grieving the time they wasted believing a lie—that they were worthless, forgotten, and abandoned by God.

The experience of grace from God is not easy. Being told that, regardless of what you may have done, or experienced, or believed, that God completely and profoundly loves you can crash into years and years of doubt, self-depreciation, and guilt. But regardless of how much resistance it may face, the grace and love of God will persevere.

After this (and after what is recounted in the lectionary passage) the Jewish people re-institute an ancient holiday focused on remembrance, confession, and thankfulness: the Festival of Booths. We celebrate our own holiday of remembrance, confession, and thankfulness in the upcoming season of Lent. As we approach this holy season, may we move from regret and grief to thankfulness and gratitude in our lives as well.

Yours in Christ - Rob

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Reminder that articles for our newsletter should be sent to [office@trinitylawrence.org](mailto:office@trinitylawrence.org) by Wednesday noon each week.

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### **Pray for the departed:**

Hilda Fox, Orlando Fast, Harry Crabb, Lee Capps, Martha Nichols, Robert Sheldon, Jeff Bangert, Sandy Coffindagger, Douglas Franklin, Henry Caudle

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### **THIS WEEK AT TRINITY**

#### **Sunday, February 3rd**

8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:30 a.m., Adult Forum  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
10:30 a.m., Sunday School  
11:30 a.m., Chili and Cinnamon Roll lunch hour  
6:00 p.m., Youth Group

#### **Monday, February 4th**

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray  
12:00 p.m., Women's Lunch Group

#### **Tuesday, February 5th**

10:30 a.m., Staff Meeting  
2:00 p.m., Food Pantry

#### **Wednesday, February 6th**

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray  
9:30 a.m., Group Two Women's Quest-ioning  
6:00 p.m., Evening Service & Dinner  
7:30 p.m., Christian Classics

#### **Thursday, February 7th**

**10:00 a.m.,** Trinity Treasures

#### **Friday, February 8th**

6:00 a.m., Pump 'n' Pray

#### **Saturday, February 9th**

10:00 a.m., Organ Practice  
10:00 a.m., Food Pantry

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According to statistics gathered by the Audubon Society, since the 1950's we have generated more than 8.3 billion metric tons of plastics with less than 9% of this plastic properly recycled. It is feared that if we keep on the same path, there will be a time when the amount of plastic pollution in our ocean will be more numerous than fish. Adding to the problems of pollution facing the world's oceans, there is acidification, warming waters disrupting habitats, dead spots from agricultural product

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**TEST TIDBITS: PLASTIC POLLUTION CONTINUES TO RISE**

We know that there are at least five or more Gyres in the world's oceans whose surface areas are filled with various sizes of visible pollution. We also know that there are deep, deep layers of decomposing bits of plastic pollution that is in suspension or on the floor of the ocean. All of this toxic soup of plastic pollution is causing marine wildlife severe problems of health and survival.

run-off, over-fishing (not allowing for stocks to replenish) as well as spills and leaks from off-shore drilling sites. Life without the bounty of our oceans is unthinkable—so, there has been some movement to get serious about helping the ocean ecosystem. Visit the Trinity website for more details... <http://www.trinitylawrence.org/trinity-environmental-stewardship-team/>

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