



# TRINITARIAN



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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

4:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### SUNDAY

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

9:00 a.m. Waterfront Worship Rite III

10:00 a.m. Adult Formation

10:00 a.m. Children & Youth Formation

11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### WEDNESDAY

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
*With Healing Prayer & Anointing*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*The mission of  
Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal  
Church is to spread  
the Good News of the Gospel  
and provide a loving and  
compassionate environment for  
the continuing transformation  
of a life in Christ Jesus.  
We believe this journey  
is shaped by God through  
worship, learning, friendship  
and service to others.*

## Holy Week & Easter Schedule

### **PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 13TH**

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 17TH**

*5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Foot Washing*

### **GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 18TH**

*Noon Good Friday Liturgy*

### **HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 19TH**

*8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil*

### **EASTER DAY - APRIL 20TH**

*6:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, waterfront (outside)*

*7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I*

*9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

*9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite III (outside)*

*10:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt & Egg Races*

*11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

The nursery opens Easter morning at 8:30 a.m.  
and is available for children age 3 months to  
four years of age. All other children are  
invited to attend church with their families.

Egg Hunt: Children ages 3-8 and Toddlers. Bring your  
own Easter Basket. Bags will also be provided.

Egg Toss and Relay Races: Children & Youth  
ages 9 and older

# Rector's Message

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I realize this may not come as a surprise to you, but I love to pray. I find joy in prayers of petition for those on my heart, prayers of thanksgiving for my many blessings, and acts of oblation and almsgiving. I revel in the beauty of creation, in the taste and touch of bread and wine—the sacraments that nourish both body and soul.

A prayer life must be nourished, fed by Scripture and Sacrament. It also requires the sustenance of the communion of saints—our fellow parishioners and friends, both those who walk with us today and those who, in a greater light, have left us a legacy of faith. Their prayers, preserved in the *Book of Common Prayer* (1979) and in all its preceding editions, continue to shape and sustain us. These prayers invite us to reflect, to recognize our routines, to challenge our assumptions, and to grow in wisdom and grace.

I recently came across a prayer book with thirty-three prayers about weather—many centered on the harvest. By contrast, our *Book of Common Prayer* (1979) contains only a handful of prayers for the natural order. This speaks to a shift in our modern experience: many of us have become disconnected from the rhythms of nature, from our dependence on sunshine, rain, and the fruits of the earth. Even our awareness of storms has changed—**what once was “turbulence” is now just “rough air.” But I’m no pilot.**

One prayer I read recently, *Thanksgiving for a Lean Year*, struck me. It reminded me that even in times of challenge, we can grow. The prayer reads:

*"Almighty God and heavenly Father, who hast in wisdom seen fit to withhold from us at this time thine accustomed bounty: We most humbly praise thee for still bestowing on us far more than we deserve. Make us truly thankful for our many blessings; increase in us more and more a lively faith and love, and a humble submission to thy blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Lord."*

**Some of its language may not resonate with everyone, and that's okay. What stands out to me is its call to thanksgiving, to a deeper, more vibrant faith and love, even in difficult times.**

This is especially meaningful as the Storm Resilience Committee nears the completion of its work and prepares its recommendation to the Vestry, which will be shared with the parish by email with a forum for thoughts and questions. The past few years have brought an abundance of hurricane damage, even after years of relative calm. Yet through these challenges—and in the work of resilience ahead—I have no doubt that God will continue to bless us, deepen our faith, and strengthen our love.



P.S. A link to the Resilience Committee's January 19th forum is included in the Trinitarian email. Please take the time to watch it as we prepare for the committee's recommendation and the next forum.



# *Invite Welcome Connect*

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## *Invite*

*Are you coming to a Trinity Event Soon?*

Invite Welcome Connect is Trinity's program to maintain and grow our church. We all have a human desire to be taken care of, and to belong. One of the ways we connect with each other is by inviting friends and neighbors to upcoming events at Trinity. Are you coming to an event soon? Invite someone to join you! Here are some events that may appeal to you:

### *Bible Studies*

Held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, we offer several ways to learn more about our faith.



### *Church Mouse BIG Spring Sale*

Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Volunteer to help make this annual event a success or bring a shopping buddy and hunt for treasures and bargains. All proceeds benefit our well-vetted charities.

### *Holy Week*

We offer many opportunities to reflect on the holiness of the Easter season, including services on Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> **and Saturday's Easter Vigil, April 19<sup>th</sup>**. We offer five services on Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Fun, food, and fellowship are all part of Easter Sunday at Trinity.

# Volunteer Corner

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We feature opportunities for our parishioners to get more involved at church and in the community. This month we are featuring one of our past Community Grant Recipients, with a need that they have, as well as a more “in house” volunteer need. Please give each opportunity some thought and prayer, and if you are interested, let Ann Hudon, our Parish Life Coordinator know. Find her at [ahudon@trinitybythecove.com](mailto:ahudon@trinitybythecove.com) or 239.262.6581 ext. 210, or in the Parish Hall after each service on Sundays.

## **Trinity “Community Grant Recipient” Opportunity** *Become an Ambassador for Youth!*

Founded in 1972, Youth Haven is Southwest Florida’s only emergency & residential shelter for children and teens ages 10-18 who have been removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment. At Youth Haven, they believe every child deserves a safe and nurturing family environment.



The Youth Haven team refers to their volunteers as Ambassadors. They donate their time to a certain focus area. You could be a Birthday Ambassador, preparing a birthday box for one or more youth residents, a Holiday Ambassador, helping with a celebration for a particular holiday, an Activities Ambassador, teaching a skill or hobby, or helping with activities outings, or a Community Outreach Ambassador, working on one of their community events. For more information you can email [Info@YouthHavenSWFL.org](mailto:Info@YouthHavenSWFL.org), call 239.774.2904, or [click here](#). How rewarding it is to make a difference in the lives of local children and youth.

## *Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter are almost here!*

As we enter the Easter season, there is a very important way that you can get involved right here at Trinity. During any of our Holy Week and Easter services, we always have many visitors, guests and inquirers, some of whom may be at Trinity for the first time. Please be extra aware of visitors and newcomers to the church. Take a moment to welcome them and share a bit about Trinity and what it means in your life. **Introduce them to other Trinitarians.** If they’d like to fill out a visitor card in the church or Parish Hall, we can connect them to the life of our parish family. This is a great way to practice our calling as evangelists on Easter.



# Women & Men of Trinity

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April is a time to enjoy spring.....cleaning!

It feels great to clean out before you head north or travel or settle in for the summer. As you reorganize after a busy season of guests and consider how to find a new place for items you no longer need, please bring them to the Mouse! We are accepting donations now for our BIG Spring Sale on April 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

Speaking of the Spring Mouse Sale, please consider helping us on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> or Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> as we set up for the sale in the parish hall. Or lend a hand on Saturday working a small station, or the holding area, or just extra hands for clean up. Many hands make light work and all the proceeds from the Mouse and sent back out to the **community via our Women of Trinity Grants**. If you'd like to volunteer, just [sign up online](#) before the sale or for the morning on Saturday.

The Women of Trinity invites ALL to our April 23<sup>rd</sup> luncheon, the last for this season. Sure to put a waggle in your tail, come hear from Master Officers Jeff Perry and Ty Fortune, both of the Naples Police Department's K9 Unit. **The officers will be bringing their dogs Max and Tessa, who are trained in crisis care and in explosives & firearms detection, respectively.** Food, fellowship, and sweet pups, what else do you need? [Sign up online](#) to attend so that we may have an accurate count for lunch.



We have had a wonderful season of events and fellowship. In April, the Women of Trinity will transition to a new board. I am forever grateful for the opportunity to lead the board and to get to know you all better. Thank you, as always, for your help and participation. Our Women of Trinity mission will continue to focus on fellowship and community service. We all work together!

Julie Chesebrough  
609.731.1334



## Men of Trinity Breakfast

Join the Men of Trinity on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. for their monthly breakfast. This month Father Edward joins us to present The Top Ten Things you May Not Know and Should. Please contact Robbie Roberts, Men of Trinity President at [pgjr3r@gmail.com](mailto:pgjr3r@gmail.com) if you plan to attend so that we may plan accordingly for food preparations.



# Children & Youth



## Lenten Beginnings

In preparation for Lent our youth led the burning of the palms liturgy. The children buried their alleluias, and are learning about the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharists including a special morning with Susan LaPointe to bake break for the Waterfront service..

## Confirmation & Pilgrimage

The youth have been busy preparing for Confirmation and were confirmed by the Bishop on March 30<sup>th</sup>. During March, many of our youth served at the Tumaini fundraiser in Naples and worked with the service committee to choose our Lenten food drive project. Be sure to check out their Wall of Support in the Parish Hall to help fund the upcoming Youth pilgrimage. In April the youth will enjoy kayaking on the cove as well as celebrating Easter at our intergenerational event. After Easter the children and young families will celebrate the Liturgy of the Light on April 27<sup>th</sup>.



## Nursery Reopened

We are so grateful for the use of the family room over the past months, but the staff and children are very excited to be back in the nursery after Hurricane Milton restoration. Come say hello to our nursery children and staff! **We are also happy to have restarted our Mom's Morning Out (MMO) program in March.** MMO meets every Tuesday except Holy week (no MMO 4/15) in April between 9 a.m. and noon. The nursery is available all month starting at 8:45 a.m. for both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.



# *Lenten Service Project*

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## *“Fill the Wagon” with Food for Babies in Golden Gate and Immokalee*

Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

Blessing of the Wagons Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>



Please bring in these non-perishable food items to feed **at-risk babies and children** at **Grace Place’s Bright Beginnings Program** in Golden Gate and the **Meals of Hope Baby Food Pantry** in Immokalee. Last year, there were 180 participants of pre-kindergarten age enrolled in Bright Beginnings while their parents attended classes on literacy and parenting. A 2024 Archangel Fund grant helped start up a stationary baby food pantry in Immokalee. It has been so successful, serving more than 300 babies and children up to 5 years old, three additional pantries have been set up and additional supplies are needed.

Baby formula (any brand)	Baby cereal (oatmeal or corn, no rice)
Baby food stage 1 (fruit or veggie)	Yogurt pouches
Baby food stage 2 (fruit/veggie mix)	Baby snacks (puffs, melties, teething, biscuits)
Baby diapers	Baby wipes



# Music at Trinity-by-the-Cove


Last month we had our final Music at Trinity Concert of the 2024-2025 season. A huge thank you to everyone who helped our concerts be such a success: our wonderful kitchen crew and bartenders, our ushers, and of course to Chris Wainscott for everything he does. It is such a special opportunity not only for our visitors but to our artists to be able to enjoy such gracious hospitality at our concert receptions. The 2025-2026 series is getting very close to being finalized and I look forward to sharing those details with you all in the coming months.

April of course marks Holy Week and Easter and we'll be singing some wonderful music to compliment the liturgies. New to the choir's repertoire for this year that I'm looking particularly forward to presenting include Weelkes's "Hosanna to the Son of David" on Palm Sunday, Lotti's famous 8 part "Crucifixus" on Good Friday, and Gary Davison's lush setting of "Most Glorious Lord of Life" at the Easter Vigil.



Finally, at the suggestion of several of you following the February Music at Trinity Concert with the FGCU Chamber Choir, I wanted to let you know that they will be presenting their next concert on Palm Sunday with a choral masterwork that is especially poignant for Holy Week: Brahms's Ein Deutches Requiem. The concert will be held at First Presbyterian in Bonita Springs at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are required and can be [purchased online](#).

## Interested in Becoming a Friends of Music Sponsor?

Angel	\$1,000 or more	<p>We've made it easy for you to support the concert series and be a Friend of Music</p> <p><i>Mail a Check</i></p> <p>To donate, mail a check to the office and note your sponsorship level , (from the left) on the memo line.</p> <p><i>Give Online</i></p> <p>You can easily donate online by clicking <a href="#">here</a>. Select Friends of Music from the dropdown menu. Please include any notes in the memo line.</p> <p>You can also scan the QR code below.</p> 
Guarantor	\$750 – \$999	
Sustainer	\$500 – \$749	
Benefactor	\$250 – \$499	
Patron	\$100 – \$249	
Friend	\$25 – \$99	



# Daughters of the King

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A special thank you to Father Nicholas as well as co-chairs Phyllis George and Susan LaPointe and to each of the sisters in our Daughters of the King chapter for all their assistance in presenting a meaningful Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Ava Maria University's Professor of Theology** Dr. Gerald Boersma led the morning with a reflective, meditative and educational program of "Restoring the Eye of the Heart with Saint Augustine". We all felt we were more appropriately prepared for the journey through the Lenten season.



Our Proverbs Woman Chapter's mission is the extension of Christ's kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism. We filled our ministry this year with efforts to experience God's love through fellowship within our church and community. Our support of the clergy included a surprise Clergy Appreciation in February. To highlight Trinity's beautiful labyrinth chapter members participated in four Celtic Prayers Services on the labyrinth during this season. In addition, we hosted Advent and Lenten Quiet Days and baked for the Bishop's visit.

We continued our daily prayers for parishioners and other loved ones, our Birthday Card ministry and Baptismal Towels ministry. We are accepting a new ministry, assisting with Walking the Mourner's Path this fall. For our book study, our chaplain, Mother Marcella introduced us to Kate Bowler's *The lives We Actually Have - 100 Blessings For Imperfect Days*, a very enlightening read! Sadly, we lost our dear Sister, Netta Weatherford, in February. We honored her and her service to The Order with a March Memorial Service and Reception.

Our end of year luncheon will be Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at Ridgway's. We invite the Daughters from our Deanery chapters - St. Monica's, St. Mary's and St. Mark's Episcopal Churches to join us as we gather in fellowship and friendship, marking another year of service and love for Trinity-by-the- Cove.

Marilyn Tiburski  
President – Daughters of the King

# Triduum

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## Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Prayer Watch April 17th 5:30 p.m.

The Maundy Thursday Eucharist commemorates the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and **Christ's giving of the new commandment to love one another as he loved us.** Although we are on the threshold of Good Friday, the Eucharist is celebrated with solemn joy. The celebrant begins and those present may follow in the sharing of the washing of feet as Jesus mandated. This **is an expressive symbol of the coming of God's Kingdom** through the ministry and service of his followers who are nourished by the heavenly food of his banquet table.

The Altar of Repose reminds us of the Garden of Gethsemane, in which Jesus spent three agonizing hours between the Last Supper and his arrest. Additional bread and wine is consecrated at this Eucharist. This reserved sacrament is placed on the altar where it will remain until the Good Friday liturgy.

The Maundy Thursday Prayer Watch begins at the conclusion of the liturgy and continues throughout the night until Good Friday morning. Parishioners are encouraged to join in the Prayer Watch by signing up for a time slot, either an hour or half hour. The church remains open and parishioners are asked to keep the light burning while praying and/or meditating in the church. **Jesus asked his disciples, "Could you not watch with me one hour?" What is our reply?**

## Good Friday April 18th, Noon

**On this day, God's Friday, we falter before the enormity of the Cross.** The liturgy of Good Friday is a solemn time of **remembering Christ's Passion. The Altar is bare and we kneel in silence.**

In the silence, which accompanies each of the solemn collects, we are invited to join the pain and sorrows of **humanity to Christ's suffering. A cross is brought into our midst, the symbol of God's great outpouring of love for us.**

**We confess our sins and pray the Lord's Prayer.** There is no Eucharist on this day. Instead, we receive Holy Communion from the sacrament consecrated the night before on Maundy Thursday. We give thanks and leave in silence.

## The Great Vigil of Easter Holy Saturday April 19th, 8:00 p.m.

The oldest liturgy of the Christian Church is that of Easter Eve and the Easter Vigil. It consists of lighting the Paschal Candle, reading of scripture, the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, and the first Eucharist of Easter. The congregation gathers outside the darkened church. A new fire is struck and the Paschal Candle, the symbol of the Risen Christ, is lighted. The procession moves into the church with **everyone holding hand candles. A cantor chants, "The light of Christ," and the people respond, "Thanks be to God!"**

The Easter-eve baptism(s) take place in the light of the Paschal Candle, symbol of the new light of the Risen Christ. This great candle is lighted for all baptisms and funerals throughout the coming year to remind us of this **moment. The Eucharist begins with the celebrant's proclamation, "Alleluia, Christ is Risen!"** The tower bell rings and the organ echoes its jubilant reply.

## Easter Day April 20th

The Eucharists of Easter Eve and Easter Day celebrate the **first and greatest of the Church's festivals. In our Easter communion, the risen Lord comes to us once more to nourish us with the life he gave us in baptism—a life that cannot be taken away or destroyed even by death.**

6:30 a.m.	The Holy Eucharist, Rite II <i>sunrise, waterfront</i>
7:30 a.m.	The Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m.	The Holy Eucharist, Rite II The Holy Eucharist, Rite III <i>waterfront</i>
11:15 a.m.	The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*Our traditional Easter Egg Hunt takes place on the front lawns following the 9:00 liturgies. All children, ages 1-8 are invited to join in. For the older children there is an egg toss competition and relay races after the hunt.*

# Formation News

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In April, our regular Adult Forum will wind its way down as the Rev. Dr. David Marshall finishes up his series on Spiritual Classics in English Literature, and we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. The Faith-Seeking Journey with Fr. Steve will continue to meet in the Library through Pentecost. Hope you see you there!

## Prayer and Rule of Life

During Lent, the Enlightenment Period in The Faith-Seeking Journey, Seekers focus on Prayer and Rule of Life, as **resources for living a life of faith in the world today.** **'Seekers' who were enrolled as Candidates for Confirmation, Reception or the Renewal of Baptismal Vows** on the First Sunday of Lent were presented to the Bishop at his annual visit on March 30th.



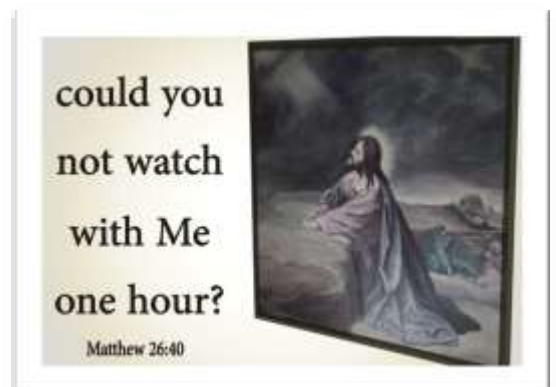
The Episcopal Church has a rich treasury of spiritual resources to support a faith-seeking life of prayer, especially in our Book of Common Prayer. Besides providing liturgies for Baptism, Eucharist Marriage, Burial, Confirmation and Ordination, the Prayer Book provides liturgies and prayers for individuals and families; and for special occasions. One resource is "The Daily Office," which includes services of Morning Prayer, Noonday Prayer, Evening Prayer and Compline for close of day.

The Faith-Seeking Journey participants will draw on these resources in developing a personal Rule of Life that includes prayer and other devotional practices, such as reading Scripture **and occasionally fasting or spiritual exercises.** The concept of "rule of life" is taken from the monastic tradition, which is also part of our Anglican Heritage.

The Faith-Seeking Journey is about more than rules and prayer. Members also enjoy small group conversation and sharing personal stories along the way. This is also a part of the English spiritual tradition, as every reader of **Geoffrey Chaucer's** Canterbury Tales knows.

## Maundy Thursday Prayer Watch

We will be offering both in-person prayer watch and Live-Streaming of the church, stripped bare after the Maundy Thursday liturgy, in one-hour blocks. If you would like to participate via live stream – visit our Live-Stream page and simply pick an hour starting immediately after the Maundy Thursday liturgy and going until 8 a.m. on Good Friday. There is a sign-up poster in the Narthex for those who would like to attend in person, or you can [sign up online](#). This is a time for you to pray, meditate, read the Bible, or just sit quietly. The reserved Sacrament will have been placed on the altar, where it will remain until the Good Friday liturgy.





# Prayer and Studies

## TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER

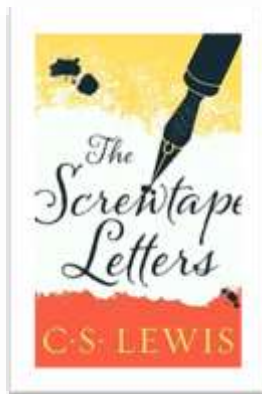
Morning prayer is a simple time of prayer and fellowship in the Anglican tradition. Join in with a Book of Common Prayer and your coffee or tea for Tuesday Morning Prayer at 8:15 a.m. on [Zoom](#). Please email Mother Marcella for more information at [mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com](mailto:mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com).

## TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study has begun to read The Letter to the Colossians. People there were influenced by an early Christian heresy that claimed that **“true Christians” were “Spirit-filled” Christians, who** were better than ordinary Christians and practiced a stricter morality than others. Some claimed they were already perfect, living the resurrection Spirit-filled life in this world. Of course, Colossians believes that Christians are filled with the Holy Spirit; but argues that true **Christian faith “loves the saints” and hopes for heaven** with a hope that is grounded in the truth, which is the gospel of Christ. The Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets in the Library at 10:30 a.m. Join us in person or via [Zoom](#).

## WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

**Women’s Bible Study meets each Thursday from 9:00 – 10 a.m.** in the library. For Lent, we have chosen to study C.S. Lewis’s *The Screwtape Letters*. Please join us for lively conversations as we spar with Screwtape and Wormwood in their attempts to sabotage our works in God. A study guide is provided for the six-week journey. The book is available through your favorite bookseller and is available as a pdf [online](#) for free. For more information, and to obtain a copy of the study guide, please contact Mother Marcella [mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com](mailto:mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com).



## WOMEN’S TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE GROUP

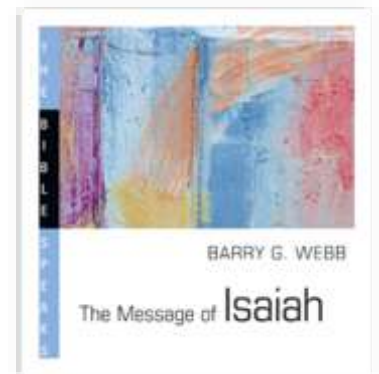
The Tuesday Women’s Bible Group meets in a **Parishioner’s home the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** of each month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Different from our other Bible studies that **focus on discrete books, this study’s focus is topical.** This fall we concentrated on what scripture has to teach us about the many aspects of our lives that make us who we are. The bible group continues with our topic *Wholeness & Holiness: Myself, Others, and God* for the spring. Scriptural meditations and stories are used to examine our physical, spiritual, and vocational health. Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

If this sounds like an interesting Bible Study that you would like to be a part of, please contact Elizabeth Bole at [elizbole@me.com](mailto:elizbole@me.com) or Mother Marcella at [mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com](mailto:mdrawdy@trinitybythecove.com) for more information.

## MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

The Men’s Thursday Bible Study is a great group of men who gather weekly to be in relationship with one another, to study Scripture together, and to grow in our faith. The discussions are lively and the bonds of friendship strong.

We are currently reading through the book of Isaiah. Some of us are **using Barry Webb’s The Message of Isaiah** as a



guide for the journey. The group meets on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room or via Zoom. So, wherever you are, I hope you will join us!

If you have any questions, please contact Father Nicholas at [ncaccese@trinitybythecove.com](mailto:ncaccese@trinitybythecove.com).

## BROWN BAG BIBLE

We invite you to join our Bible Study that meets Tuesdays at Noon via Zoom. We kick off the new season studying the Prophets. If you are interested in joining our small group, contact Lorraine Thurber so that she can give you the Zoom invitation [lthurber1@gmail.com](mailto:lthurber1@gmail.com).

# Pastoral Care

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## *Holy Week and the Easter Promise - Walking the Way of the Cross*

For six weeks of Lent, we spiritually prepare ourselves for receiving the gifts of Easter. Lent is a time of honesty about ourselves, self-denial, and reliance on the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit to learn more about and to deepen our relationship with our Trinitarian God. I hope that your Lenten practices have been enriching and revealing to you, strengthening you, and leading you toward a joyous Easter morning.

But to get to Easter, we journey through Holy Week. The collect for Monday in Holy Week is:

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Trinity-by-the-Cove observes Holy Week with Palm Sunday liturgies, and the Triduum - Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening. The best way to walk the way of the cross is with one another. To enter into the spiritual life of Holy Week is to experience as fully as possible all the events that occurred in and around Jerusalem. **Together on Palm Sunday, we celebrate Jesus's triumphant entry to Jerusalem. After which, we do not come together until Maundy Thursday.**

But the Holy Week story continues Monday (John 12:1-11), Tuesday (John 12:20-36), and Wednesday (John 13:21-32). These important passages give us the **powerful context of Jesus's last days on earth. In Monday's scripture, Jesus spends an evening in Bethany with friends Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. Mary cares for him so tenderly by anointing him with costly nard. On Tuesday, in a large crowd, Jesus speaks of his death and the voice of God is heard. And finally on Wednesday, Jesus foretells his betrayal.**



I will be meditating on these scriptures on these days so **that I have as much of the full picture of Jesus's path to crucifixion and the beauty of his Resurrection.** I will be pondering these things:

I wonder where I fit into these scenes.

What are my thoughts, my feelings watching these events unfold?

How has this experience deepened my understanding of Holy Week?

Holy Week is a desolate wilderness, one which can be emotionally challenging. But if we spend the time together, we can find the way of the cross, the way of peace and redemption.

*Mother Marcella*

# Pilgrimage

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## *A Pilgrimage to Italy in 2026 - In the Steps of Peter and Paul*

Think about joining a Trinity pilgrimage – an ancient tradition in Christianity, a special journey, a shared individual and group experience encountering the Holy Spirit in places sacred to our faith. We have begun planning for an exciting exploration of early Christianity in Italy from April 20<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026.



The heart of the pilgrimage will be 10 days in Rome, the second early major center of Christianity, following the life, death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ in Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. **A Christian community was present in Rome soon after Jesus's death**, certainly by the time of Emperor Claudius, who reigned 41-54 AD. **Saints Peter and Paul were martyred there in the 60's**. For the next 1,400 years, until the English and continental European reformations of the 16th century, Rome was the heart of western Christianity, and remains so today for the worldwide Catholic community. Visiting Rome is to encounter multiple sacred places dating to those ancient years, even though some have been more recently restored. At the same time, there will be opportunities to appreciate the scope and magnificence of the Roman Empire that was challenged by Jesus and succeeding Christians.

In Rome we will be, in our pilgrimage, able to honor the traditional sites of the martyrdoms of Peter, at the Vatican Basilica, and of Paul at the basilica in his name, Outside the Walls of medieval Rome. Highlights will include a visit to an 1,900 year old Roman temple, the Pantheon, converted in the 7th century into a still active Christian church. The Basilica of Santa Pudenziana was built over an early house church, thought to be the earliest site of Christian worship in Rome.



*Basilica of Santa Pudenziana*



# Pilgrimage

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We'll visit one of the early Christian catacombs and see amazing Christian-themed art, found everywhere in churches of Rome, such as the Martyrdom of Saint Peter by Caravaggio in the Basilica of Santa Maria del Popolo. The classical Roman Forum, the Colosseum, and museums of the Capitoline Hill will also be visited in this journey, and there will be many opportunities to enjoy authentic contemporary Roman cuisine.

We're planning a preliminary option of a five-day stay in our namesake, Naples, which will permit visits to Pompeii and Villa Poppaea (palace of one of Nero's wives), destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 CE.

There will be a day trip to the island of Capri, favorite resort of the Roman emperors.



*Roman Forum*

In Naples, we'll visit the Cathedral of the Assumption of Mary, built over earlier churches, which were themselves built on the foundations of a Roman temple. Founded as a Greek colony in the 6th century BCE, there was a Christian presence in Naples by the 3rd century CE, attested by an ancient baptistry now incorporated into the cathedral. This group will travel to Rome to rendezvous with more pilgrims arriving from the U.S. In addition, **we're planning an optional, five-day extension of the pilgrimage from Rome to Florence. En route, we'll stop to remember the life of 13th century Saint Francis at the basilica in Assisi in his name. In Florence, we'll explore the religion, art, and architecture of the Italian Renaissance, highlighted by Michelangelo's incredible David, the engineering marvel of Brunelleschi's Dome of the cathedral, and the glorious art treasures of the Uffizi Gallery.**

We're still in the early planning stages, and want to alert interested parishioners and friends of this pilgrimage opportunity in 2026. We will need a group of 25-40 participants for the Rome portion for the pilgrimage to be affordable. The detailed itinerary, travel arrangements and trip costs will become available in 2025.



*Brunelleschi's Dome of The Cathedral, Florence*

This is the time to start building a list of potential pilgrims for Spring 2026. Please contact Rusty Troth with your interest, questions and suggestions for this pilgrimage. You can reach him at [rstroth@alum.mit.edu](mailto:rstroth@alum.mit.edu) or via cell phone at 256.656.7276.

# *Bishop's Annual Visit*

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On Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, we welcomed Bishop Douglas Scharf and his wife Shannon for their annual visit to Trinity-by-the-Cove. The Bishop celebrated the Eucharist and preached all the services. During the 9:00 a.m. service, he blessed two oils: Chrism, a mixture of olive oil and fragrant balsam used for anointing after baptism, and the Oil of the Sick, used for healing. The Women of Trinity hosted a special reception after the 9:00 a.m. service.

During the 11:15 a.m. service, he presided over confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation of 16 candidates. Congratulations to Alex Borelli, Claire Gleason, Luke Halcom, Abbie Smith, Caroline Stock, Abigail Weidenmiller, Paul Hauser, Steve & Susan Woodall, David & Maryann Forward, Connie Fuller, Patrick Magner, Fran Piscitelli, and Linda Gauly.

Thanks to all who helped to make the Bishop's visit so special!





# Groups & Fellowship

## Solo Friends

Solo Friends is a casual group of people, not partnered, who connect for fun and fellowship. The group meets monthly to have a meal together, share a friendly game of Rummikub, or visit local places of interest. On April 5<sup>th</sup> we plan to join with Arts Fellowship in the parish hall in the morning then off to lunch at Dolce & Salato at 11:15. **Meeting with Arts Fellowship is a great way to get to know some new people and to get a little bit of "stuff" done,** whether creative or not. So, bring your cards to address or your laptop to work on and enjoy the coffee and conversation as we gather with others in our beautifully lit parish hall. Afterward we will have lunch at Dolce & Salato, 300 Fifth Ave South Naples. You may sign up [online](#) before April 4<sup>th</sup> or in the parish hall at the Information Center. Friends are always welcome!



## Mah Jong

On Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. you'll usually find two or three tables filled with our weekly Mah Jong players. Through the season, the view of the waterfront from the parish hall makes a great backdrop for their weekly games!

They've even started a beginner table. Have you been interested in learning to play? Now just might be the perfect time. Contact the parish office, 239.262.6581 if you are interested in joining the weekly group, either as a beginner or a seasoned veteran player.





# April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1  8:15 Tuesday Morning Prayer – Zoom 9:00 Staff Meeting <b>9:00 Mom's Morning Out</b> 10:30 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 12:00 Brown Bag Bible-Zoom 1:30 Contemplative Prayer 2:00 EfM – Zoom	2  10:30 Holy Eucharist 1:30 Mah Jong 5:00 English Speaking Union Event 6:00 Rite III Rehearsal	3  <b>9:00 Men's Bible Study</b> 11:00 Siena Lakes Holy Eucharist 5:30 Pray. Eat. Grow. (Last for the Season) 7:00 Choir Practice	4  	5  8:30 Arts Fellowship 11:00 Kreager Funeral 11:15 Solo Friends 4:30 Holy Eucharist
6 5th Sunday of Lent  7:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:00 Holy Eucharist Rite II 9:00 Waterfront Worship Rite III 10:00 Children, Youth and Adult Formation 10:00 Faith Seeking Journey 11:15 Holy Eucharist, Rite II 1:00 Choir Rehearsal Coffee Hour follows each service	7  8:00 Men of Trinity Breakfast	8  8:15 Morning Prayer – Zoom 9:00 Staff Meeting <b>9:00 Mom's Morning Out</b> 10:30 Tuesday Bible Study 12:00 Brown Bag Bible-Zoom 1:30 Contemplative Prayer 2:00 EfM – Zoom 4:00 Moorings Park Eucharist <b>6:30 Tuesday Women's Bible Group</b>	9  10:30 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Women of Trinity in Conference room 1:30 Mah Jong	10  <b>9:00 Women's Bible Study</b> <b>9:00 Men's Bible Study</b> 7:00 Choir Practice	11  	12  8:00 Habitat Service Day 9:00 Big Church Mouse Sale 4:30 Holy Eucharist
13 Palm Sunday  7:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I 8:30 Coffee Hour 9:00 Holy Eucharist Rite II 9:00 Waterfront Worship Rite III Outside 10:00 Coffee Hour 10:00 Children, Youth & Adult Formation 10:00 Faith Seeking Journey 11:15 Holy Eucharist Rite II 12:15 Coffee Hour	14  12:00 DOK End of Year Luncheon	15  8:15 Tuesday Morning Prayer – Zoom 9:00 Staff Meeting 12:00 Brown Bag Bible 1:30 Contemplative Prayer 2:00 EfM – Zoom	16  10:30 Holy Eucharist 1:30 Mah Jong 6:00 Rite III Rehearsal 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	17 Maundy Thursday  5:30 Holy Eucharist and Foot Washing 6:30 Prayer Watch begins until 8:00 a.m. Friday	18 Good Friday  12:00 Good Friday Liturgy	19 Holy Saturday  8:00 pm Easter Vigil
20 Easter Sunday  6:30 Sunrise Service Holy Eucharist on Waterfront 7:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:00 Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:00 Waterfront Worship Rite III 10:00 Easter Event on Front Lawn 11:15 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	21 Easter Monday  Parish Office Closed	22  8:15 Tuesday Morning Prayer – Zoom 9:00 Staff Meeting <b>9:00 Mom's Morning Out</b> 10:30 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 12:00 Brown Bag Bible-Zoom 1:30 Contemplative Prayer 2:00 EfM – Zoom	23  10:30 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Women of Trinity Luncheon 1:30 Mah Jong 4:30 Finance Commission Mtg	24  <b>9:00 Women's Bible Study</b> <b>9:00 Men's Bible Study</b>	25  9:00 Port Royal Club Board Meeting in Conference Room 4:00 Neal/Ellison Rehearsal	26  4:00 Neal/Ellison Wedding
27 2nd Sunday in Easter  7:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:00 Holy Eucharist Rite II 9:00 Outreach Sunday 10:00 Children, Youth & Adult Formation 10:00 Faith Seeking Journey 11:15 Holy Eucharist Rite II Coffee Hour Follows Each Service	28  	29  8:15 Tuesday Morning Prayer – Zoom 9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 12:00 Brown Bag Bible 1:30 Contemplative Prayer 2:00 EfM – Zoom	30  10:30 Holy Eucharist 1:30 Mah Jong 4:30 Vestry Mtg			

# Financial Statement

## February 2025

	Actual February 2025	Budget February 2025	YTD Actual 2025	Annual Budget 2025	% Budget Used YTD
<b>Revenues</b>					
<b>Operating Receipts</b>					
Regular Giving	\$280,528	\$280,301	\$526,202	\$2,181,182	24.12%
Investments Used for Operation	\$72	\$83	\$100	\$251,000	0.04%
Other Operating Receipts	\$302	\$425	\$853	\$13,600	6.27%
<b>Total Operating Receipts</b>	\$280,902	\$280,809	\$527,155	\$2,445,782	21.55%
<b>Non-Operating Receipts</b>					
Outreach Receipts	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
Other Non-Operating Receipts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Non-Operating Receipts</b>	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$280,902	\$280,809	\$529,155	\$2,445,782	21.64%
<b>Expenses</b>					
<b>Operating Expenses</b>					
Clergy, Office and Sunday Staff	\$71,008	\$76,034	\$160,252	\$992,069	16.15%
Operations Support	\$19,636	\$19,707	\$32,146	\$314,135	10.23%
Buildings & Grounds Support	\$36,551	\$31,655	\$73,527	\$385,171	19.09%
Christian Education Support	\$6,086	\$4,266	\$16,766	\$66,835	25.09%
Music Support	\$37,369	\$35,776	\$74,525	\$392,486	18.99%
Worship Support	\$1,372	\$1,215	\$1,985	\$39,306	5.05%
Fellowship Support	\$3,500	\$1,573	\$5,481	\$34,855	15.73%
Pastoral Care Support	\$0	\$167	\$0	\$2,000	0.00%
Diocesan Assessment	\$17,677	\$17,677	\$35,354	\$212,125	16.67%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$193,199	\$188,070	\$400,036	\$2,438,982	16.40%
<b>Non-Operating Expenses</b>					
Outreach Expenses	\$881	\$3,500	\$3,381	\$6,800	49.73%
Parochial Fees	(\$1,010)	\$0	(\$660)	\$0	0.00%
Men of Trinity	\$40	\$0	\$125	\$0	0.00%
Women of Trinity	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Non-Operating Expenses</b>	(\$89)	\$3,500	\$2,846	\$6,800	41.86%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$193,110	\$191,570	\$402,883	\$2,445,782	16.47%
<b>Net Total</b>	\$87,792	\$89,239	\$126,272	\$0	0.00%

## PARISH STAFF

RECTOR: *The Rev. Edward Gleason, ext. 202*  
ASSOCIATE RECTORS: *The Rev. Nicholas Caccese, ext. 206; The Rev. Marcella Drawdy, ext. 214*  
ASSISTING PRIEST: *The Rev. Steve Zimmerman*  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: *Tripp Kennedy, ext. 207*  
ASSOCIATE ORGANIST: *Jonathan Barney*  
PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: *Kim McQueen, ext. 202*  
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR: *Bob McQueen, ext. 204*  
FACILITIES MANAGER: *Chris Wainscott*  
CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY COORDINATOR: *Julia Cizek, ext. 213*  
PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR: *Ann Hudon, ext. 210*  
NURSERY DIRECTOR: *Maria Rogers*  
HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR: *Judy Kems*

## Vestry

### Standing Notices

- The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is celebrated at the Easter Vigil, the Day of Pentecost, All Saints' Day or the Sunday after All Saints' Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord (the First Sunday after the Epiphany). Baptisms are reserved for these occasions or when the Bishop is present.
- The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is offered to members of the parish, in good standing, and members of their immediate family. Lent is not a suitable season.
- It is expected for the parish office to be informed when a member of the parish is hospitalized in order to secure the ministrations of the church.

Jeanne Feight, *Senior Warden*  
Connie Fuller, *Junior Warden*  
Polly Butler  
Lynn Carr  
Charlie Chesebrough  
Stephanie Dixon  
Anne Foster  
Steve Gauly  
Paul Hauser  
Kathryn Morgan  
Fran Piscitelli  
Sam Sked  
Helene McGill, *Treasurer*

### March Guests, Visitors, New Members

Harriet Wiser	Ugne Adomaviciute-
Duke Wiser	Beemsterboer
Kate Adams	Izabele, Penelope, &
Amanda Adams	Linas Beemsterboer
Mark Allen	Lauren & Mark Dambly
Edward Allen	Suzanne Schodlbauer
Paul Allen	Sharon Kaltenborn
Felipe Cespedes	Barbara Finn
Ana Cespedes	Cole Graham
Hayley & Jarred	Denise Bruggeman
Martincic	Barbara & Chris Kryder
Loretta Lennon	Phyl & Kendall Johnson
Beth & Mike Daly	Christy McLaughlin
Nancy & John	David Lawson
Swearingen	Louise Brown

### March Baptisms

Alexis Jade Martincic - March 2, 2025  
Lily Victoria Frances Wiser - March 2, 2025

### March Weddings

Grace Sommi & Robert Adams - March 1, 2025

### March Deaths

Sarah Lively - March 12, 2025  
Eileen Mann - March 28, 2025

### Confirmations, Reaffirmations, Receptions - March 30, 2025

Alex Borelli	Patrick Magner
David Forward	Fran Piscitelli
Maryann Forward	Betty Pursley
Connie Fuller	Abigail Smith
Linda Gauly	Caroline Stock
Claire Gleason	Abigail Weidenmiller
Luke Halcom	Steve Woodall
Paul Hauser	Susan Woodall