

RECTOR'S COLUMN

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

James 2:14-17

Dear Friends,

Our God is dynamic, which is to say, the Sacred is always on the move – God is always creating, making new, turning to ash, coalescing, disbursing, and shape shifting into new expressions throughout time. Yet, throughout and within the Creator's ever flowing dance, there is an immutable constant – God loves. In fact, love may be the operative verb that best characterizes the dynamism of the Divine.

As people who are committed to following Christ, we are journey people. We, too, are meant to be on the move, embodying God's love in a myriad of ways, able to adapt and respond within new contexts in creative and innovative ways. This year, Trinity is experiencing a "Year of Grace," as we collectively determine what form and substance we will bear as an organization and in our ministries as we move into the future, a form and substance that must be sustainable and nimble.

As was shared at our Parish Annual Meeting in January, our budget for this year is in part supported by a loan from our Main Endowment, which will be paid back over the next five years. During this Year of Grace, our community must determine what a model of organizational sustainability looks like. We will determine together what changes we need to make and discern how best to incorporate a sense of communal stewardship throughout every season of the year. Like any living thing, a church needs our attention, our care, and our active cultivation in order to thrive in the world.

Love is a verb, a path, a way of being that changes the world, ourselves and others by the very enacting of it. We cannot simply "believe in the power of God's love," we must embody it. For, we are Christ's body in the world doing as Jesus proved by the example of his life – through actions that bring healing, understanding, insight, and personal and social transformation. We cannot NOT act, when we hear the cries of suffering, the anguish of loss, the calls for justice. Through the power of words and action, we have the ability to heal, comfort and restore. We are a part of the dynamism of the Holy, and our love can change everything.

The season of Holy Lent concludes this month with Holy Week (March 25 - 31), leading to the Great Vigil of Easter and, finally, The Feast of Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday (April 1). We must take this journey, even as it reflects the journey of humanity and all life. The season of Holy Lent began with Ash Wednesday, when we were marked by ashes in the form of a cross in order to remind ourselves of our mortality – not as a reality to fear or distain but as a reality of great beauty and truth that rather inspires us to greater actions of love and service.

If all we do in Lent is better care for or life and the lives of others, then we already have our sights on the Kingdom. Whenever we love – whatever and whomever we love – we doing the work of our faith. Like life, however painful, love is worth the journey. Christ lived this truth within the Sacred story of our faith. Love's dynamic power can change the world and renew all things but can only ever be given and can never be taken away. Love endures. Our tears, like Jesus' own, remind us of this truth. Our hearts, like Jesus' own, rise up like flowers towards the sun, to unfold anew in the spring of life's unquenchable desire to be.

Let Us Bless the Lord, Pastor Rachel+

The Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton, Rector



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 28 - Tenebrae Service at 7:30 PM

An ancient Christian Prayer Service, ushering in the darkness into which the Light of Christ will not enter again until the time of the Great Vigil of Easter - this service is approximately 45 minutes in length.

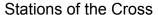




Thursday, March 29 - Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 PM

A Eucharistic Service, including the commemoration of Jesus' washing the feet of his friends and saying goodbye to those who knew and loved him; the service concludes with the actions of stripping the altar and removing all symbols of the presence of Christ. Following the conclusion of the service, Trinity will remain open for silent prayer and private confession until 10:00 PM. This service is approximately 80 minutes in length.

Friday, March 30 - Stations of the Cross at 12:00 PM (Noon)







Friday, March 30 - Solemn Good Friday Service at 7:30 PM

There is no Eucharist at this service; the Passion of the Cross memorialized in this rite, including the veneration of the cross and meditation in the tomb - special devotions and music by a chamber orchestra are very moving elements of this service. This service is is approximately 60 minutes in length.

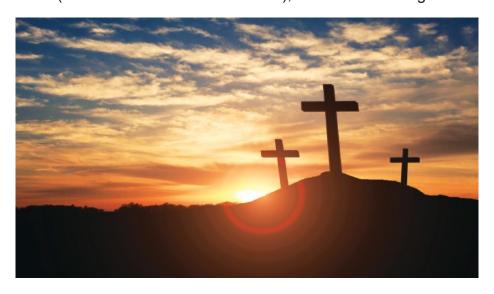


Saturday, March 31 - The Great Vigil of Easter at 7:30 PM

This is an ancient rite of the Church. This is a sung service, similar to monastic chant settings, during which the new Easter flame and candle will be lit, certain stories of our faith history will be read, and the light of the newly blessed Pascal candle will be spread among the people. This year, incense will NOT be used at this service, and there will be no Baptisms. This service will be approximately 90 minutes in length.

EASTER Sunday – April 1 - The Feast of the Resurrection

8:00am - Early Service (w/choir and chamber orchestra), 60 minutes in length



<u>10:00am</u> - Family Service (w/choir and chamber orchestra), 85 minutes in length (The Family Service is immediately followed by a children's Easter Egg hunt, outside - weather permitting - or inside if needs be)



Our Core Values

(Vestry Retreat 2016)





Service Schedule

Sunday 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I With Cantor

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II With the Trinity Choir

> 10:00 AM Sunday School

Nursery Available at 8:45 AM

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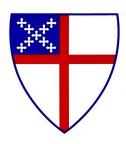
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FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

Happy Great Lent Trinity Episcopal Church,

First and foremost, it is an honor to serve you and our beautiful and vibrant Trinity Episcopal Church as your newest Junior Warden. I know that a lot of hard work has been done, is being done currently, and will continue to be done to further the mission of our congregation and facilitate an environment of peace and holiness for all those who experience a piece of worship in our sacred spaces. Thank you to everyone who has been hands-on and continues to support our Parish. We are grateful to all those that volunteer namelessly, as well as on the Building and Grounds crew, you're very much appreciated for all you do!

I would also like to give a big thank you to our outgoing Junior Warden, Mel Oxley, for her service to our Parish and the families that see Trinity Episcopal Everett as their spiritual home. Your dedication and service to your community is greatly appreciated and is a blessing to all of us. Thank you, Mel!

In the seasons of Great Lent, we are asked to reflect on our time on Earth and how we are making a positive impact on the generations that will come behind us, how we treat one another and Gods creations; we are asked to repent of the sins of the prior year, and welcome the Resurrection of Christ with love and hope. On Ash Wednesday, 02/14/2018, we witnessed yet another mass carnage shooting in one of our Public Schools. This time in Broward County, Florida; 17 people shot dead at the hands of an automatic assault rifle, and a young American Terrorist. This Lent, I am asking us to have the tough conversations about our idolatry towards the Second Amendment in this country, and what we as Christian's and America's can do to stop the horrific school shootings, as well as prepare for an unlikely event in our own church community here in Everett. We are all called to respect the dignity of every human being and now is the time to have conversations about our safety.

As a Franciscan Friar, the words Christ spoke in Matthew 22:35-40 are the core of my vocation and calling "and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." My prayer is that we all come closer to Christ this Lenten Season, and continue to be filled with the fullness of God...

In Christ, through Francis, Br. Chris Brother Christopher D. Jennings, OSF, Junior Warden

For the whole Law is summarized in a single statement: "You must love your neighbor as yourself."

(Jesus Christ)

Music Program News

Holy Week 2018: A Dramatic Invitation

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum— "Three Days"—from the evening of Maundy Thursday to the eve of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are *liturgically* one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. Those who make the commitment to take part in the entire Triduum find it to have a *dramatic power in the journey* of faith not found in routine Sunday worship, and something of great renewal, in spite of the commitment it takes.

This year, we are "thinking outside the box," hoping to incorporate elements of carefully crafted environment, drama, and movement to heighten the Triduum. This is a special invitation to **youth and young adults**, and anyone with experience with, or curiosity about drama, movement/ dance, and art in worship.

<u>Good Friday</u> - (March 30) – the dramatic Passion of our Lord will utilize specially prepared and "costumed" readers, presenting St. John's Passion with a dramatic intensity and power utilizing our entire worship space. There will be little or no memorization required. A strong, clear voice, and a desire to share on a deep level is important.

<u>Easter Vigil</u> -(Saturday, March 31). This four part service will begin with the Service of Light (lighting of the Easter fire and Pashcal candleand the Liturgy of the Word in specially adapted Rogers Hall, and will culminate in the sanctuary for the proclamation of the Gospel and Eucharist.

We are hoping to present these scripture lessons, the essential elements of our salvation history, with **dramatic portrayal**, lighting, and projected images to heighten the experience for all. The stories we will focus on are:

Genesis - The Story of Creation

Genesis - The Great Flood

Exodus - Israel's deliverance from captivity at the Red Sea

Ezekiel - the Valley of the Dry Bones.

Practice sessions will be scheduled to fit people's schedules, but all should plan on at least one Saturday mornings, a full rehearsal after church on Palm Sunday, and a brief run-through prior to the services themselves. If you are interested in taking part, or can suggest someone with talents in this area, or have any creative ideas or suggestions, please contact me as soon as possible!

And, for the rest of us... if you don't take part in these wonderful and intense servivces, you are missing part of what it means to be Episcopalian!

Blessings and best wishes for a wonderful Lenten journey,

David Spring, music director

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SUNDAY SCHOOL



Our Godly Play program has been exploring parables and Saints. Thank you to Sharon Nunn for being our Guest Star in February.

We look forward to preparing for Easter this next month and welcome any who would like to volunteer their talents to our youth. It's a lovely group of children in Sunday School, ages 2 to 13. So sweet to see how the older youth are helping and ministering to the younger ones.

We welcome your children to join us in the sanctuary at the start of the 10 am service.

Your child will return to the service before communion.

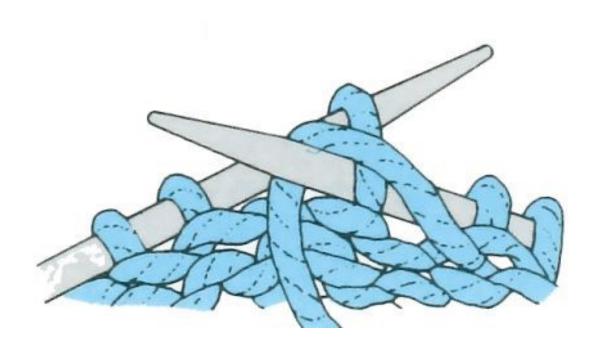
If you are curious about our beautiful Godly Play room, please come downstairs to Merrick Hall and explore with your child.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

So far this year, we have knit and crocheted and blessed 26 prayers shawls and 25 pocket prayer shawls. We sent 8 of the prayer shawls to Hospice. Hospice has asked us to make more red, white and blue prayer shawls for the veterans in their care. They are service veterans from World War II, the Korean Conflict, Viet Nam, Desert Storm, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Our next meeting is Saturday March 3rd @ 10 AM-11 AM in the guild room. Please join us. All are welcome. We have lots of donated yarn available for knitting or crochet projects. Volunteers are willing to teach knitting and crocheting also.

Sandee A knitter



DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

FEB 2018

Daughters of the King changed our meeting day and time to the first Sunday of every month after the 10:00 service. On February 4, Nancy Smith, Pastor Rachel and Leah Timberlake welcomed Laura O'Reilly, Sandy Chappell, Linda Dixon, Eileen Bernat, and Nancy Stengele as members in discernment.

Nancy S. decorated the tables in blue tablecloths with mirror trays, candles, and vases of white roses. Each seeker was given a white rose after the service. The meeting included the Service of Preparation for Membership led by the Rev. Rachel, an orientation to the details of membership, and refreshments. Seekers were provided with the first question from the Study Guide for Senior Prospective Members along with an explanation on how to complete the form.

The next meeting will be Sunday, March 4, in Rogers Hall. The Daughters of the King is an international order of women dedicated to prayer, service and evangelism. Women who seek a richer spiritual life and who seek to hear God's voice are welcome to investigate Trinity-E Chapter here at Trinity Church in Everett. Call Kitti Lindusky 425/293-2785; or Nancy Smith 425/743-1420

Ps. 16

7 I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
8 in the night also my heart instructs me.
9 I keep the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

11 You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.





Cold Weather coats and new socks are needed for people and families who find themselves homeless this winter.

With the cold weather snap we have been going through, with a bit of winter weather yet to come; various shelters around town are in need of cold weather coats for women, men, and children and they always have the ongoing need for new/clean socks.

If you have any old cold weather coats that are taking up space in your closets, or are stashed away in a box stuck up in storage somewhere, please consider bringing them to the church so we can get them to the shelters and advocacy centers in the city that help people and families that find themselves homeless this winter.

Thank you again for your generosity, it is much appreciated. Blessings, Kelly Parish Administrator



Donations needed for this Years' Easter Basket Program.

Hello kind and gentle people of Trinity. We are continuing the Holiday basket program, but a couple of ways we go about it has changed.

We have started giving gift cards instead of food baskets. The reasoning for this is that nowadays some folks have special diets, or the traditional foods included in the baskets are not foods that they serve in their family traditions.

If you are able to and have the means to do so, we are collecting monies to purchase the gift cards.

You can do it one of two ways; you can buy a gift card(s) from Safeway, we currently give \$75.00 to each family, which is the \$\$ amount of the contents in the old baskets.

This can be done either with one card for the \$75.00 or \$25.00, so if \$75.00 is too much for you, maybe you can purchase one of the 4 \$25.00 cards and with others contributing it will help us get to our goal of 12 households.

You can also drop a check in the plate on Sunday with "Holiday Baskets" written on the memo line.

You can also go out to our web page and donate through our donations page or see folks in the narthex each Sunday with the Square so you can pay be credit card.

Thank you so much for your continued generosity

Blessings, Kelly Parish Administrator





LENTEN NOONDAY SERVICE WEDNESDAY, 12:00, NOON MARCH 14, 2018

Schedule:

Lenten, Noonday Prayer St. Luke's Chapel Immediately followed by:

- A. "Soup to Go" from Liturgy & Arts Committee
- B. Wednesday Wisdom Fellowship Leprechaun Luncheon Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, Irish Soda Bread (Vegetarian Quiche), Beer, Coffee, Tea, and Shady Chappell's famous Grasshopper Bars

Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day by:

- ☐ Wearing of the green
- ☐ Sharing Limericks while
- ☐ Singing good ole Irish Songs

Prizes for: Wearing of the Green & Creative Limericks
Bring your Talent to the Talent Show

Signup in the Guild Room

Contact: Nancy Smith 425-743-1420

Julie Amdal 425-337-2412

If you need a ride or can give a ride let us know.

Join the fun!! what is your talent? see you Wednesday, march 14th God bless you on the feast of st. patrick





SUNDAY READINGS

Mar 4 Lent 3

Exodus 20:1-17 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22 Psalm 19

Mar 11 Lent 4

Numbers 21:4-9 Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Mar 18 Lent 5

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33
Psalm 51:1-13

Mar 25 Palm Sun

Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 11:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Mar 28 Tenebrae 7:30pm

Readings from the Lamentations of Jeremiah the Prophet, 1:1-14 (3 Readers Needed)

Mar 29 Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

Mar 30 Good Friday 7:30 pm

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1-19:42 Psalm 22

Mar 31 Easter Vigil 7:30 pm
Genesis 1:1-2:4a [The Story of Creation]
Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13 [The Flood]
Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 [Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea]
Isaiah 55:1-11 [Salvation offered freely to all]
Ezekiel 37:1-14 [The valley of dry bones]

Collect: O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings at the time of Eucharist
Romans 6:3-11
Psalm 114

TRINITY VESTRY

Class of 2018

Carol Bartley

Gonzalo Canseco

Harry Stengele

Jeff Wheeler

Class of 2019

Eileen Bernat

Jason Grace

Nick Fuchs

Janet Kowalski

Class of 2020

Christopher Jennings

Doug Lathom

Andraya Moser

Julia Vandervegt

Treasurer

David Kosar

Clerk of the Vestry

Michelle Wheeler

<u>Chancellor</u>

Sarah Mack

2018 CONVENTION DELEGATES

Delegates

Ray Smith - 1 year

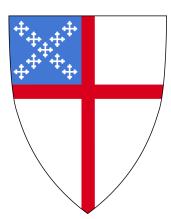
Bob Wheeler - 1 year

John Heberling - 2 years

Mary Heileson - 2 years

Alternate Delegates

Diana Baird (First Alternate)
Ben Baird (Second Alternate)
Gonzalo Canseco (Third Alternate)
Melody Oxley (Forth Alternate)





Leann Harrison Torgerson



BIRTHDAYS

Sally Galt - 3/4 Gretchen Miles - 3/7 Grace Hansen - 3/7 Samuel Armstrong - 3/8 Mary Brannon - 3/9 Edith Carroll - 3/11 Ray Bowman - 3/11 Myron Smith - 3/12 Laurits Voag - 3/12 Lee Gentry - 3/14

- 3/15 Christy Boyett - 3/17 Robert Crosby - 3/17 Stuart Snyder - 3/18

Isabeau Prettyman - 3/18 Corinne K Greene - 3/19 Mark Tupper - 3/19 Ann Myers - 3/21 Tony Smith - 3/21 Wayne York-Kinder - 3/22 Allen Hicks - 3/24

Derrick Olsen - 3/25 Alicia Zesbaugh - 3/29 Karen Cunningham - 3/30 The Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton Mark Wanambisi - 3/30 Donald Wayne - 3/31 Harry Estep - 3/31



Anniversaries

Joseph & Janet Kowalski Harry & Deborah Estep Ron & Sandy Chappell Steven & Mary Heileson





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