Third Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2015
Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Kyrie

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

First Reading

Psalm 19

The Gospel

Homily

The Nicene Creed

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Eucharistic Prayer I

The Lord’s Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dismissal

Welcome visitors! We are glad to have you worship with us today and hope you will return often. Our Eucharist is open to all. Trinity is a parish of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. Chartered in 1836, Trinity Episcopal Church is Apalachicola’s historic “first church.” Services have been held here for more than 175 years. It is with great joy that we thank God for our blessings and for the beauty of this place.

Services

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:20 AM Ministry of Healing and Prelude
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I

Clergy, Wardens, and Vestry

The Rev. Martha Harris
Susan Clementson Sr. Warden; Terry Nelson Jr. Warden; Jim Anderson; Gloria Austin; Ron Harris; Debbie Hooper; Dave McLain; Ina Meyer & Candace Springer
Landy Luther
Ron Bence
Robert Stallings

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Please contact the church office if you need to add/remove anyone from the prayer list.

Today The Florida Guitar Quartet – featuring guitarists Matt Gillen, Steven Lerman, Morgan Stuart and Christopher Adkins will perform at Trinity Church at 4:00 pm.

The Outreach Ministry continues to gather peanut butter and breakfast cereal for the Franklin County Food Pantry. Please place your donation in the Food Pantry Wagon in the Narthex. You can also drop donations off at the church office during regular business hours. Thank you!

TOH will be meeting tomorrow at 10:00 am in the conference room.

March 14th is Lenten Quiet Morning at 9 am – 1 pm. The topic will be “The Art of Pilgrimage”.

The Diocesan Altar Guild Spring Day will be held March 21st in Gulf Breeze, FL at St. Francis Church. If you would like more information on going, contact Susan Galloway at 850-653-8124.

We are receiving donations now for the TOH Auction. Our definite deadline is April 12th, the Sunday after Easter. However, we appreciate earlier donations. Thanks to your help the auction is possible – Geri Anderson.

Trinity is celebrating a Passover Seder on Wednesday April 1 beginning at 6:00 pm. Come find out how Christian traditions stem from this Passover celebration and enjoy a Seder meal. Please call the church during regular office hours to make your reservation before March 23rd. Your $10.00 donation will help defray the costs. We welcome volunteers for food preparations, set up, cleanup and serving. Contact the Seder Co-chairs, Bella and George Rudo (carolgeorge@aol.com) if you can help.

1 Corinthians 1:25. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.
Welcome visitors! We are glad to have you worship with us today and hope you will want to return. Please fill out the information card in your pew and place it in the offering plate. Following our 10:30 am service, there is a hospitality time in the parish hall next door. Please join us! Trinity is a parish of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. Chartered in 1836, Trinity Episcopal Church is Apalachicola’s historic “first church.” Services have been held here for more than 175 years. It is with great joy that we thank God for our blessings and for the beauty of this place.

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Ministries for the Day

Celebrant       The Rev. Martha C. Harris
Healing Ministers Pat Horn & Kristin Anderson Jon Hooper
Acolyte         Susan Galloway & Ralph Wagoner
Lectors         Susan Galloway Brooks Jones
Prayers         Ina Margaret Meyer
Chalice Bearer  Charles & Brenda Galloway
Lectors         Rennie Edwards & Kathy Willis
Music           Flower Guild
Greeters        Flower Guild
Altar Guild     Flower Guild
Flower Guild    Flower Guild
Hospitality     Flower Guild

Clergy, Wardens, and Vestry

Rector          The Rev. Martha Caldwell Harris
Vestry          Susan Clementson Sr. Warden; Terry Nelson Jr. Warden; Jim Anderson; Gloria Austin; Ron Harris; Debbie Hooper; Dave McLain; Ina Meyer & Candace Springer
Clerk of the Vestry       Landy Luther
Treasurer        Ron Bence
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“Dreams and the Invitation to Wholeness”
March 20-21, 2015

We are having a Dream Workshop at Trinity Church in Benedict Hall. This will be open to the whole Community of Apalachicola, Eastpoint, St. George Island, Port St. Joe, Cape San Blas, Indian Pass, Tallahassee and all others that can come.

Trinity has had three “Natural Spirituality” or dream groups for about seven years. All twenty to thirty people involved have grown much by working with and learning from our dreams. As in the title from John Sanford’s book, “Dreams: Gods forgotten language” we have explored the messages and truths revealed in our dreams and this has indeed helped us grow towards wholeness.

We now want to introduce dream work as a spiritual practice to anyone interested. You do not need any prior knowledge we cordially invite all to participate.

Sessions will be at Benedict Hall on Friday evening from 7 to 9PM and Saturday 9AM to 4PM, with a break for lunch. The price is $35 for the workshop; please have your money in by Thursday March 12th.

We are excited and honored to have Darby Christopher as our speaker and workshop leader. Darby Christopher, LMSW, has a master’s degree in social work and has worked as a psychotherapist. She completed level I of Sensorimotor Psychotherapy training in 2014. She graduated from the Haden Institute’s Dream Group Leadership Training program in 2006, and has co-facilitated a dream group affiliated with St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church in Dunwoody, Georgia for 12 years. She gives lectures on dream work and facilitates both dream groups and workshops at the Natural Spirituality Regional Gathering in Toccoa GA, and at the Haden Institute’s Summer Dream Conference in Flatrock, NC. Darby is married and has a son who is a freshman at the University of GA and a daughter who is a sophomore in high school.

We hope you will join us. - Gloria Austin & Nancy Petrucka
SABBATH

In recalling the Ten Commandments in our lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures today, we hear: “Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.” Sabbath in Hebrew means rest. To keep the Sabbath holy, we are called to follow God’s example in the Genesis creation story (Gen.2:2) and rest from our labors, to give up work for one day a week, every seventh day. For Jews the Sabbath is celebrated the last day of the week following the Genesis tradition. Christians, wanting to celebrate Christ’s resurrection that occurred on the first day of the week, established early on their own Sabbath tradition on Sunday. For folks required to work on the traditional Sabbath, it remains important to set aside Sabbath time to focus on resting in the Divine to keep our lives in balance.

Keeping Sabbath is not meant to be burdensome, but rather a joy and a delight. Originally it was a reminder that the people were no longer slaves in Egypt, having to work seven days a week. They were free to rest with the Divine, to celebrate their freedom by doing nothing practical. Of course, being human, the Israelites soon forgot the love of God demonstrated in the gift of Sabbath and began to make rules about just what constituted work and what might be considered rest. Things were so out of hand by the time Jesus arrived on the scene; he had to remind them “The Sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the Sabbath.” (Mk.2:27) Time passed, and folks continued to look for security in rules that would keep them on the straight and narrow; witness the Sunday “blue laws” in this country that, not so very long ago, regulated what stores could be open on Sunday and what those stores could sell. The pendulum has swung in the opposite direction today, and now our world lauds productivity 24/7. We again find ourselves slaves to oppressive taskmasters as we try to keep up with our culture’s stressful demands.

What would happen if we were to begin to take a mini-vacation from our labors once a week, giving up a whole day to rest in God, to abide in the Divine Presence? We may set aside an hour or two on Sunday morning for consecrating the day to the Holy One, but how many of us rest for the remainder of the day? Try it, and discover what God has in store for you.

Pat Horn, Author
Audrey Horn, Photographer