



The Tidings

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Inviting, Welcoming, & Connecting people to God and one another in Christ.

Holy Trinity is a warm, welcoming, and Christ-centered community for all to belong, blossom, and bless.

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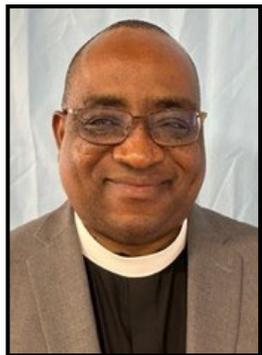
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The Tidings is a forum for sharing information and ideas beneficial to our parish life & mission. Please send all contributions for the Newsletter to: office@holytrinityfp.com. Please submit articles for the April Issue by **Wednesday, March 25, 2026.**

From the Rector



Lent at Holy Trinity

By Fr. Samuel Nsengiyumva

While the traditional and more prominent view on Lent has always emphasized “giving up” something for Lent, an alternative view that focuses on “taking on” something for Lent is becoming more and more prevalent. To some extent, this is not actually new when you consider that the traditional Lenten practice of Fasting went along with the practice of Almsgiving. Almsgiving is defined as:

... the voluntary act of donating money, goods, or time to those in need, rooted in compassion, mercy, and religious duty. It is a spiritual practice found across many faiths—most notably in Christianity as one of the three pillars of Lent alongside prayer and fasting—serving as a tangible expression of love, charity, and justice.

This perspective on Lent is best articulated in Isaiah 58, one of the two passages of Scripture designated for the first day of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? (Isaiah 58:6-7).

It is clear from this passage that God prefers the kind of Lenten observance that makes a difference in other people’s lives; which in turn enriches our lives. We are our best when we do acts of love, charity, and justice. Thankfully, we at Holy Trinity, do not have to wait for Lent to practice these acts of kindness. Our support for the school and our partnership with Salvation Army are examples of acts of love that touch people’s lives all year round.

Lent at Holy Trinity is therefore not unlike other seasons but a continuation of the great work we do. That said, it is important to note that our efforts in some of the ways we serve have intensified. Our 40 days 40 items for Lent initiative has taken our food collection for Salvation Army to another level. To date, 435 lbs. of food and other non-perishable items have been collected and delivered to Salvation Army.

Lent at Holy Trinity has also expanded our fellowship and spiritual formation efforts. Our Prayer Course has been drawing over 15 people for soup and

study every Wednesday evening. We are not only learning how to enrich our individual prayer lives but wholistically enriching each other by sharing our stories over a bowl of soup.

Lent at Holy Trinity has also been a time of continued discernment on how to sustain the good work God has called us to do in our community. According to my friend Jim Gettel in his book, *Where Jesus Leads: Helping Christian Communities to Follow*, **"A church striving to be the body of Christ needs to become Christ-centered and, like Jesus, continually strive to discern God's will for the community."** He goes on to define Discernment as: **"listening to and distinguishing God's voice and action from other voices and activities in the world."**

One wise man once said that there are at least 3 kinds of voices we constantly hear as we go about our daily lives – human voices, God's voice, and Satan's voice. Discernment is the attempt to determine whose voice you are hearing. Sometimes even voices that sound reasonable and compassionate may not be from God. We read that the voice that urged Jesus to turn stones into bread because he was hungry, was not from God but from the devil (Matthew 4:3). We also read that when St. Peter urged Jesus not to go to Jerusalem where he was to be killed, it was not Peter speaking out of compassion for his master and friend, but Satan himself seeking to divert Jesus from his divine mission (Matthew 16:23).

Discernment at Holy Trinity continues on various issues at different levels – interpersonal, group, and congregational. Our newly formed separate Invite, Welcome, and Connect teams have been meeting to discern how best to revitalize our church's mission of inviting, welcoming, and connecting all people to God and one another in Christ. Several initiatives are being considered. Individuals, School Board, Vestry, and others, have been discussing how best to ensure financial sustainability for our transformative school and ease the burden for the church. The more we listen and distinguish God's voice and action from other voices and activities, the more we develop a shared vision of what God is calling us to do and how. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide every step of this process on every topic.

In brief, Lent at Holy Trinity is going as it should be – serving, studying, listening, and seeking God's help to be the kind of people He calls us to be, and do the work he is calling us to do. May this Lent truly be an occasion to appropriately prepare ourselves for the celebration of our Lord's victory on Easter.

From the Senior Warden



Your ministry teams and vestry members are dedicated to serving God. Their meetings offer opportunities for you to connect personally with your fellow parishioners and strengthen the church's bond in service to our Lord. We would be honored and delighted if you could attend any of these ministry meetings and share your inputs. For the dates and times of our ministry meetings, please contact Gisselle in the church office at (352) 787-1500.

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HOLY WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY (MARCH 29 – APRIL 5)

March 28 & 29 - Palm Sunday – 4:15PM, 8:00AM & 10:30AM

April 2 - Maundy Thursday – Agape Dinner & Eucharist 5PM

April 3 - Good Friday – 12:00 noon & 6:00PM

April 4 - The Great Vigil of Easter – 8:00PM

April 5 - Easter Sunday – 8:00AM & 10:30AM

Vestry News

February 2026 Vestry Highlights

The Vestry met for their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2026, to discuss matters of importance to the life and mission of our church.

1. The Vestry voted to approve the diocesan assessment of \$35,004 for the year 2026. The diocesan assessment is based on 11% of operating income from offerings (pledge and plate) as reported by the congregation from the previous year. Diocesan Assessments from congregations are used to support diocesan operations and to support the church's mission in the diocese (mission & aided congregations) and beyond.
2. The Vestry heard updates on the proposal for the school to acquire a Thrift Store as a stable income source to help stabilize the school's financial status. It was recommended that the Finance Committee be included in the discernment regarding the proposal's viability.
3. The Vestry heard updates on preparations for the 2nd annual Banquet & Benefit to celebrate our school's achievements, recognize those who make it possible, and raise awareness and support for our school.
4. The Vestry voted to approve the purchase of a container storage to replace the deteriorating wooden sheds used as storage on campus.
5. The Vestry approved the replacement of the toilets in the ladies' bathroom in the Parish Hall.
6. The Vestry heard reports regarding the work of the IWC sub-teams emerging from the IWC workshop held in January.
7. The Vestry reviewed and approved the Treasurer's report for January.
8. The Vestry reviewed various documents related to the governance of the church including the Parish By-Laws and relevant Diocesan and National Church canons. They also received a draft Vestry Covenant for prayerful consideration and approval at the next meeting. The Vestry covenant is intended to provide a biblical foundation for the nature and conduct of a Vestry.

Ministry News

Holy Hackers

Twenty Holy Hackers turned out for our February golf outing at 9:30 in the morning on Valentine's Day at Pennbrooke Fairways. Again, we had nice weather and welcomed, as well as many regulars, first time Holy Hacker Larry Mashburn, Gay & Bob Hensley, back visiting from Arkansas until April, and Greg Shionis who has not played with Holy Hackers in a few years. We missed Mandy Panlilio, our faithful photographer, who is out for awhile after surgery for a badly broken wrist. I was the photographer this time, so you will have to pardon the quality and Holy Hackers missing from Mandy's Facebook posts. Most of us were able to stay for lunch and fellowship as seen in our pictures, and Nancy Browne joined us all for lunch. Our low scoring group this month was the foursome of Gay & Bob Hensley, Paul Harmon and Larry Mashburn at five under par.



Our next outing is scheduled for **Saturday, March 14th** with a 9:30 Tee Off. All are invited to join us for golf, and lunch & fellowship afterwards, or if you are not a golfer please consider joining us for the lunch at about 11:00 at The Grille, the restaurant at the golf course.



IWC Ministry Report

The Importance of Invitation

Christ calls every believer to share in the work of introducing others to Him; to be a disciple. This mission is both an invitation to “come and see” and a charge to “go and tell.” Each personal invitation we extend reflects our participation in God’s redemptive work and expresses our love for both God and neighbor. By inviting others to church, we help fulfill the Great Commission, foster spiritual growth, and strengthen the life of the church as we follow the example of Jesus.

An invitation serves as an act of hospitality, offering community, purpose, and hope to those in search of them. Through worship, education, service, and fellowship, the church fosters a space for individuals to grow personally, deepen their faith, and form meaningful bonds. Anyone can extend this invitation to friends, coworkers, neighbors, or family members.

Research consistently confirms the importance of personal connection in church engagement. Studies show that people are far more likely to attend a church when invited by someone they know, and churches that actively encourage invitation are more likely to experience growth. The evidence is clear: churches that cultivate a culture of invitation are more likely to thrive and fulfill their mission.

Inviting Others to Lenten and Holy Week Services

During Lent and as Holy Week and Easter approach, this is an ideal time to reach out and invite friends, neighbors, and family members to join us for these special services. Extending an invitation not only welcomes others into our community but also allows them to share in the meaningful traditions and spiritual renewal of this season.

To support your efforts in spreading the word, Holy Trinity is preparing flyers detailing the Holy Week service schedule. These flyers will be available soon in both the Parish Hall and Church office, making it easy for you to distribute them and encourage attendance. Take advantage of these resources and help others experience the hope and fellowship found during Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Recap

The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was a wonderful fellowship event, made possible through the collaborative efforts of the clergy, Men’s Group, students of HTES, and the IWC Ministry. More than 60 people attended, enjoying both spiritual reflection and community celebration.

The evening began with a brief service in the courtyard. Students provided a historical overview of Shrove Tuesday's traditional worship. The service included confession and absolution, recited using excerpts from the 1782 Book of Common Prayer. A meaningful ritual followed: the blessing and burning of last year's palm fronds and crosses, symbolizing renewal and preparation for Lent.

After the service, attendees were welcomed into the Mardi Gras-themed Parish Hall by the Men's Group. Everyone enjoyed pancakes, with a variety of special toppings available, including strawberries, blueberries, bananas, whipped cream, and maple syrup. The meal was capped off with homemade King Cake, a traditional treat for the occasion. Dianne Casson found the baby in the King Cake, a symbol of good luck and prosperity.





Thank you to everyone who joined us!



40 Days 40 Items – “An Act of Kindness”

During Lent, individuals often adopt practices of self-denial to nurture their connection with God, strengthen spiritual discipline, and pursue forgiveness. Additionally, you might choose to take on a new act of kindness—such as donating shelf-stable food or toiletries. By collecting one item each day of Lent, you'll have 40 essential items ready to share by the end of the 40 days, making a meaningful impact on your community.

If you haven't taken part, there is still time to donate food and toiletries throughout Lent. Set aside one item each day and drop it off at the designated table in the Parish Hall or the Little Red Wagon. The items will be weighed and donated to the Salvation Army. Total weight of the items will be shared in the weekly e-news.

Since Ash Wednesday, Holy Trinity has donated over 125 pounds of food and toiletries to the Salvation Army.

You are invited

The IWC Ministry Team meets the first Friday of each month at 10 AM in Grace Chapel. Our next meeting is March 6th. Come and see what our Team is doing.

Judy Gygi, IWC Ministry Team Leader

READING CHICKS BOOK CLUB

Book Selection:

Two steps Forward invites us back into the lives of four women who met at a spiritual disciplines class. These fictional characters become mirrors where we can see ourselves in their stories and experience what it means to practice spiritual disciplines. We can identify with the triumphs and the failures of the characters. As we identify with them, we can allow the Holy Spirit to gently guide us on our spiritual journeys.

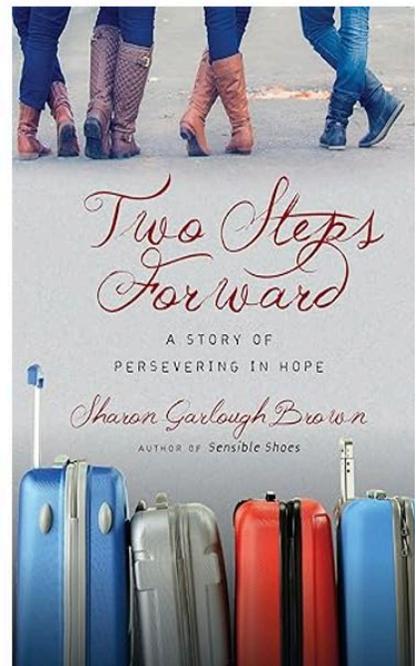
Date: Friday, March 20th

Time: 2-4 PM

Host: Kay Hodge

Address: 962 Cottage Drive (Bridgeport at Lake Shores Cottages)
The Villages

RSVP to Deb Yee (703)472-1573



**This is an excellent chance to participate in the book discussion
as well as enjoy the fun and fellowship.**

Banquet Raffle Tickets will be on sale after the services. Two tickets for \$5.00 and 10 tickets for \$10.00. You do not have to be present to win, just put your name and phone number on the back of the tickets. Also please note we are looking for donations for the Silent Auction items. Things needed are items for a coffee basket, Italian basket, and wine and liquor bottles (money donations accepted too). Does anyone have a time share they won't be using this year? Please bring your items to Church on Sundays or to the office during the week. If you need me to come and pick things up for you, please let me know. Thank you for all your wonderful donations in the past. We made over \$5,500 on the Auction last year.

Naomi Aldrich – 203-258-6010 – aldrichn13@gmail.com



EASTER LILIES: The Altar Guild will soon be ordering Easter Lilies to decorate the Church for Easter. You may designate your gift: In Memory of, In Thanksgiving for, or In Honor Of by indicating that on the Lily envelopes in the pew. The suggested donation is \$15 for each Lily. Please make checks payable to Holy Trinity Altar Guild with Lily or Lilies in the memo line.

Recipes by Pat Fleming (recipe for the month)

Rosie's Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing

1 package Italian Mix lettuce, 2 green onions, Cherry tomatoes, 8 ounce Craisins, 1 cup walnuts (chopped), 1 package Ramen noodles, 1/4 cup butter

Dressing: 1 cup vegetable oil, 4 TBSP seedless Raspberry Jam, 1 TBSP soy sauce, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup Red Wine Vinegar

In microwave safe container heat jam until dissolved. If you had to use deeded, strain seeds out
Combine with rest of dressing ingredients

Crunch topping: In pan melt butter chop noodles into pieces and put in pan; add walnuts, Brown mixture then drain on paper towels

Combine lettuce, onions and tomatoes. Before serving top with dressing. Either add crunch to top or set to side for individual use

Veterans Corner

We are compiling information on our Holy Trinity Veterans as part of an Episcopal Church wide ministry effort. For now we are asking that our veterans send us your name, service, and years served using either the button in the eNews or by writing Rob Soeldner at rmsoldner@gmail.com or texting him the information at 978.895.6937. Thank you.



THE PRAYER COURSE FOR LENT

The Prayer Course has begun every **Wednesday, from 5:00pm – 6:30pm** in Parish Hall. The course, using the Lord's Prayer as the Outline, will cover such topics as Why Pray?, Unanswered Prayer, Spiritual Warfare, etc., & introduce us to different kinds of prayers – Adoration, Intercession, Contemplation, etc. Join us as explore this important topic in the Christian life.

Calendar & Content

March 11: Session 3 - Petition

"Give us this day our daily bread"

In this session we'll unpack the significance of asking God in prayer.

March 18: Session 4 - Intercession

"Your kingdom come"

...we'll explore the power and importance of praying on behalf of others.



March 25: Session 5 - Unanswered Prayer

"Your will be done"

... we'll be tackling the challenges & realities when our prayers aren't answered.

April 1: Session 6 - Contemplation

"On earth as it is in heaven"

... we'll discover how spending time with God in silence can enrich our relationship with Him.

April 8: 7 Listening

"Give us this day our daily bread"

... we'll unpack the practical ways we can tune into hearing God's voice.

April 15: Session 8 - Spiritual Warfare

"Deliver us from evil"

... we'll look closely at the ways we can pray God's kingdom come in the midst of a spiritual battle.

Thoughts for the Soul

The Hands of the Carpenter

It was Joseph of Arimathaea who had the honor of taking the body of Jesus down from the cross. Think what it would be like to have to pull the cold and lifeless hands of the Son of God from the thick, barbed Roman nails. These were the carpenter's hands, which once held nails and wood, now being held by nails and wood. These were the hands that broke bread and fed multitudes, now being broken to feed multitudes. They once applied clay to a blind man's eyes, touched lepers, healed the sick, washed the disciple's feet, and took children in His arms. These were the hands that, more than once, loosed the cold hand of death, now held firmly by its icy grip.

These were the fingers that wrote in the sand when the adulterous woman was cast at His feet and for the love of God, fashioned a whip that purged His Father's house. These were the same fingers that took bread and dipped it in a dish, and gave it to Judas as a gesture of deep love and friendship. Here was the Bread of Life itself, being dipped in the cup of suffering, as the ultimate gesture of God's love for the evil world that Judas represented.

Joseph's shame, that he had been afraid to own the Savior, sickened him as he tore the blood-sodden feet from the six inch cold steel spikes that fastened them to the cross. These were the

“beautiful feet” of Him that preached the gospel of peace, that Mary washed with her hair, that walked upon the Sea of Galilee, now crimson with a sea of blood.

As Joseph reached out his arms to get Him down from the cross, perhaps he stared for an instant at the inanimate face of the Son of God. His heart wrenched as he looked upon Him whom they had pierced. This face, which once radiated with the glory of God on the Mount of Transfiguration, which so many had looked upon with such veneration, was now blood-stained from the needle sharp crown of thorns, deathly pale and twisted form unspeakable suffering as the sin of the world was laid upon Him.

His eyes, which once sparkled with the life of God, now stared at nothingness, as He was brought into the dust of death. His lips, which spoke such gracious words and calmed the fears of so many, were swollen and bruised from the beating given to Him by the hardened fists of cruel soldiers.

As it is written, “His visage was marred more than any man..(Isa 52:14)

Nicodemus may have reach up to help Joseph with the body. As the cold blood of the Lamb of God covered his hand he was reminded of the blood of the Passover lamb he had seen shed so many times. The death of each spotless animal had been so quick and merciful, but this death had been unspeakably cruel, vicious, inhumane, and brutal. It seemed that all the hatred that sin-loving humanity had for the Light formed itself into a dark an evil spear, and was thrust with cruel delight into the perfect Lamb of God.

Perhaps as he carefully pried the crown from His head, looked at the gaping hole in His side, the deep mass of abrasions upon His back and the mutilated wounds in His hands and feet, a sense of outrage engrossed him, that this could happen to such a Man as this. But the words of the prophet Isiah rang within his heart: “He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed...the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all...He was led as a lamb to the slaughter...For the transgressions of My people He was stricken...Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him...By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.” (Isa. 53:5-11)

Jesus of Nazareth was stripped of His robe, that we might be robed in pure righteousness. He suffered a deathly thirst, that our thirst for life might be quenched. He agonized under the curse of the Law, that we might relish the blessing of the gospel. He took upon Himself the hatred of the world, so that we could experience the love of God. Hell was let loose upon Him so that heaven could be let loose upon us. Jesus of Nazareth tasted the bitterness of death, so that we might taste the sweetness of life everlasting. The Son of God willingly passed over His life, that death might freely pass over the sons and daughters of Adam.

May Calvary’s cross be as real to us as it was to those who stood on its bloody soil on that terrible day. May we also gaze upon the face of the crucified Son of God, and may shame grip our hearts if ever the fear of man comes near our soul. May we identify with the apostle Paul, who could have gloried in his dramatic and miraculous experience on the road to Damascus. Instead he whispered in awe of God’s great love: “God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.” (Gal. 6:14)

Ray Comfort

Stewardship

Treasurer's Summary Report January 2026

Contributions	Actual	Budget
Pledges	\$32,226	\$25,700
Other Income	\$ 2,866	\$ 3,017
Total	<u>\$35,092</u>	<u>\$28,717</u>
Expenses	\$29,342	\$30,666

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. 1 Chron. 29: 14.

Potential Thrift Store Exploration Team

The Discernment process to explore the possibility of acquiring a Thrift Store as a steady source of funding for our school continues. If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please talk to Fr. Samuel (Rector), Dan Curtis (School Board Chair), or Becca Coulter (Head of School).



Planned Giving/ Holy Trinity's Endowment: Planned Giving is an opportunity for anyone who wishes to include our church in their estate plan (or lifetime gift) to be part of a lasting endowment for the long-term mission of our church. Our endowment is managed by the Episcopal Church Foundation & supervised by our Planned Giving Committee & Vestry. It is governed by FL law to ensure careful & wise management. We have pamphlets available in parish hall that will give you more information. You may talk to Mark Welton, the Planned Giving “Shepherd” for the program, or any members of our Endowment Committee: Mike Browne, Parker Bauer, & Paul Harmon.

Contribution Reminder: Please remember, if you wish for your donation to appear on your Church Giving Statement, please write your check out to " **Holy Trinity Episcopal Church**" with your contribution type (school donation, golf tournament, etc.) in the description. Your donation will be entered into our system, and the funds will be transferred into the designated account. We appreciate your cooperation in facilitating this process, and we thank you for your contributions!



Additionally, 2025 Annual Giving Statements have been emailed. If you DID NOT receive your statement, please contact Gisselle in the church office. Thank you!

School News



From the Head of School

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

We enjoyed celebrating the beginning of Lent with you at our recent Ash Wednesday service and the Shrove Tuesday service

and event. We are very proud of our Leo Club students who presented the history of Shrove Tuesday at the event. Thank you all for so kindly welcoming our students into Holy Trinity Episcopal Church events!

We have some fun things coming up in March! Our HTES Student Council will be holding a Mystery Dinner night for our student body on Friday, March 6th. We have a professional development day for our staff on March 6th as well and a parent workshop on March 9th. One easy way to support the school and enjoy a good meal is to eat at Huey Magoo's on March 18th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please see the attached flyer. They will donate 20% of the proceeds to HTES. Our Parent Teacher Group (PTG) will also have a booth at the Lady Lake Eggstravaganza on March 28th. That Saturday will be

busy as we will be joining the Holy Trinity Church with a booth at Fruitland Park Day as well.

We are very grateful for the support of so many parishioners at our PTG's Paint Night. We had so much fun painting seascapes with you all! I also want to extend a huge thank you to Judy Huetz for promoting our school at the recent Stampers in Paradise event. It was a wonderful fundraiser for us! We are also deeply appreciative of the recent donation we received from St. George Episcopal Church. We truly feel the love of God through all the generous support of our church family.

We are looking forward to our 2nd Annual "Light the Path" Banquet on Monday, April 20th. We would like to cordially invite everyone at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church to join us in celebrating our progress, sharing our story, and inviting more community engagement and support for the mission of our school. Please see the attached flyer for details about this important HTES event.

2nd Annual Light the Path Banquet & Benefit

Registration for the 2nd Annual Light the Path Banquet & Benefit is now open! **You can buy your tickets any Sunday through the Offering.** Simply write "Banquet Ticket" in the memo line, and Gisselle will include you on our list. No need to sign up online/use a registration form.

We are also accepting donations and sponsorships. If you know any business who may want to sponsor our event, please let Gisselle know so she may contact them accordingly. We also have sponsor forms available in Parish Hall or [HERE](#) if you would like to personally contact a local business and share our material. We would greatly appreciate your help with this. Thank you!



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\$40
per person
RSVP by
April 10, 2026

**LIGHT
THE PATH**



**BANQUET
& BENEFIT**

ENJOY:

- Dinner
- Silent Auction
- 50/50
- Student performance
- Fellowship
- And more!



Celebrating the Guiding Lights who set our students on a brighter path!

Monday, April 20, 2026 | 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Venetian Center, Harris Room
1 Dozier Court
Leesburg, 34748

Buy tickets on Sunday by placing checks/cash in the offering w/ '26 Banquet in the memo line. We'll add you to the RSVP list.

Proceeds benefit our Specialized Instruction & Services



Stampers in Paradise

The Villages Stampers in Paradise Annual Show on Sat Jan 21st. Judy Huetz leads this club and championed their decision to donate the profits from this year's sale to Holy Trinity Episcopal School! Thank you, Judy!
Pictured (L to R): Jerry and Judy Huetz, Head of School Becca Coulter, and her daughter Riah. Board members attended to support the fundraiser.



**HUEY MAGOO'S SPIRIT NIGHT
SUPPORTING
HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL SCHOOL
MARCH 18TH, 4PM - 8PM**

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Beyond Holy Trinity

United Thank Offering

The Outreach Ministry Team invites you to participate in our UTO program again this year during Lent. We hand out our Blue Boxes this weekend at all Services, then you can put your daily thank offerings in the box. After this weekend, the Blue Box will be available in the Parish Hall. We also have envelopes available.



During the 2025 holiday season our parish provided bell ringers for the Salvation Army's Holiday Season Bell Ringing campaign and raised over \$4,190.16 this year as part of our mutual support agreement. Last year we also provided the Salvation Army with breakfast service kitchen support in feeding over 1,080 individuals & families in need. Holy Trinity provides all this support on top of non-perishable food donations, Christmas Angel Program, and in several other ways as the need arises. If you are interested and available to participate in any of this ministries please email, text/phone your Senior Warden, Jim Kelly (913) 558-2636.



Salvation Army Mutual Support:

As many of you, but perhaps not all, may be aware, Holy Trinity and the Salvation Army Leesburg Post, for some time now, have had a mutual support agreement. The agreement was established in order for us to be able to turn to them for help in dealing with individuals and families in need whose circumstances far exceed our small congregation's limited financial and administrative ability. In return, we were asked to help with Holiday Season Bell Ringing. (In addition to the contributions to the Salvation Army food pantry that we were already making, we also took on breakfast service two days a month at the Leesburg facility.)

Used Laptops & Smartphones

If you have a used smartphone/laptop you don't need, please consider donating it to Taraja Resource Network, Inc. Taraja is a non-profit organization founded by Fr. Samuel that seeks to break the cycle of poverty in the African Great Lakes Region through education, micro-enterprise, mentoring and networking. One of the ways Taraja helps poor students in Rwanda and Uganda is by donating new or used laptops/smartphones to help them with online research. If you have a used one you can donate, please let Fr. Samuel know so he can take it when he visits Rwanda in June. Smartphones must be unlocked from the original carrier, reset to factory settings and where applicable, removed from the owners Apple account.

Upcoming Events

March Events

The Prayer Course
Palm Sunday

Wednesday, March 11, 18, 25
Sunday, March 29

Other Events

The Prayer Course
Easter
Light the Path Banquet & Benefit

Wednesday, April 8, 15, 22
Sunday, April 5
Monday, April 20

Wednesday Bible Study: Bible Study meets every **Wednesday at 10AM** in the Chapel. Together, we read the appointed passages from the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament and Gospel and then discuss how they apply both to our individual lives and as integrated members of our communities. This is a way to “Invite, Welcome, and Connect”. Please come and share your thoughts with us. Questions? Call/text Rob Soeldner at 978.895.6937

HTEC School Tutor Program

If you or someone you know wants to make a real difference in a child's life, please call (913) 558-2636 or email:

jimkelly8143@gmail.com. No formal academic certification is required. Tutor training and instructional materials are provided. Snowbirds are welcome.

Adult Sunday School: Join us in the Chapel every **Sunday at 9:15AM** for our Adult Sunday School. Food from Fellowship Hour is welcome!

Contact Information

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