

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Lent - Holy Week - March, 2026

March Highlights

*Sunday worship is at 1:30 p.m. followed by coffee hour.
Please be silent after the bell rings before worship begins.*

Sunday, March 1 - The Second Sunday in Lent, Holy Eucharist, Rite I. The Rev. Hazel Hunt, Celebrant

Sunday, March 8 - The Third Sunday in Lent, Holy Eucharist, Rite I. The Rev. Trula Hollywood, Celebrant.

Sunday, March 15 - The Fourth Sunday in Lent, Holy Eucharist, Rite I. The Rev. Betsy Sentigar, Celebrant.

Sunday, March 22 - The Fifth Sunday in Lent, Holy Eucharist, Rite I. The Rev. Canon Melinda Artman, Celebrant. **Vestry meets at noon.**

Sunday, March 29 - The Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday, The Reading of the Passion, Holy Eucharist Rite I. The Rev. Trula Hollywood, Celebrant.

The Annual Meeting was finally held on February 1, delayed a week because of the storm. The membership reviewed ministry reports and discussed the budget, elected vestry members and our delegate to diocesan convention, Doug Plank; Laura Cama will be the alternate.

Vestry officers for 2026 are Doug Plank, Senior Warden; Laura Cama, Junior Warden; Jack Strange, Clerk; Tim Frock, Anna Markevitch, and Josie Thomas. Dan Gerhart continues to serve as Treasurer. Sincere thanks to our brothers and sisters for their willingness to serve.

Our liturgy during Lent is Rite I, which is more penitential in nature and fits well with the season of Lent. But, it's a bit hard to get used to - the language and our responses are different. There is a lot of flipping back and forth in the BCP since we are using Eucharistic Prayer II. Try using the **ribbons in the prayers books**. Put one on page 323, where the service begins. Put the next ribbon on page 340, Eucharistic Prayer II, then the last ribbon on page 336, The Lord's Prayer and the rest of the service. We have many extra prayer books in the sacristy if you'd like to take one home to familiarize yourself with this alternate service. Just ask.

Trinity's future

Trinity has adapted well to the change in service time and has benefitted greatly from having different clergy serve each Sunday; each one brings a new perspective to our worship. We are so grateful for their willingness to share their ministries with us.

There is a possible future where Trinity could be part of a team ministry, clustered with Church of the Redeemer and St. John Lutheran. Canon Melinda, who is the missioner for the Northeast of our large diocese, recently spoke to us about a plan where a new clergy person could serve as her assistant as well as Trinity's part-time priest-in-charge. Trinity's financial responsibility would be about the same as the current cost of Supply. Vestry will need to meet, discern, and pray about the possibility and while it may not come to fruition; it's a good start.

Pray for Trinity to seek and find God's plan for us.



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March at Trinity
Lent
and Holy Week

To seek and serve Christ in all people



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Lent
Holy Week

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Trinity Cycle of Prayer 3/1 Kim, Chuck, and Logan Cornell. 3/8 David and Shelly Fish. 3/15 Virginia Ford, Nancy Frock. 3/22 Tim and Cheryl Frock. 3/29 Dan and Marny Gerhart.		Diocesan Cycle of Prayer 3/1 Trinity, Carbondale; Christ Church, Forest City; St. John's, Carlisle. 3/8 Grace Church, Allentown; Trinity, Chambersburg. 3/15 St. Clement's and St. Peter's, Wilkes-Barre; Bangor, Churchtown. 3/22 St. Gabriel's, Douglassville and Good Shepherd Learning Center; St. Paul's, Columbia. 3/29 St. James, Drifton; Christ Church, Coudersport; Brookland Retreat Center, Ulysses.					Kajo Keji: 3/1 Kigwo Parish. 3/8 St. Peter Leikor Parish. 3/15 Wojira Parish. 3/22 St. John Lukura Parish. 3/29 Kajo Keji Christian College & St. James Wudu Parish.
1 Lent 2 1:30 - Holy Eucharist I Coffee Hour	2 AA 7 and 8 pm	3	4 AA Intergroup 5:30 AA 7:30 pm <i>Greg Lake</i>	5 <i>Trula Hollywood</i>	6 St. Mary's Guild Rummage sale, 9-3, at Redeemer, and Saturday, 9-noon.	7 DST Spring Forward 	
8 Lent 3 1:30 - Holy Eucharist I Coffee Hour <i>(Daylight Savings Time Begins)</i> <i>Bonnie Bailey</i>	9 AA 7 and 8 pm	10	11 AA 7:30 pm	12	13 <i>Barbara Caum Jill Kormanik</i>	14	
15 Lent 4 1:30 - Holy Eucharist I Coffee Hour	16 AA 7 and 8 pm	17 <i>Patrick of Ireland Bishop and Missionary</i>	18 AA 7:30 pm	19 St. Joseph AA 7:30 pm	20 First Day of Spring 	21 <i>Rick Bubniak</i>	
22 Lent 5 Noon **Vestry Meets** 1:30 - Holy Eucharist I Coffee Hour	23 AA 7 and 8 pm	24	25 The Annunciation AA 7:30 pm	26	27	28 <i>Mary Beth Paul</i>	
29 The Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday 1:30 - Holy Eucharist I Coffee Hour  <i>Joe & Laura Cama</i>	30 AA 7 and 8 pm Monday in Holy Week	31 Tuesday in Holy Week	Anglicans Around the World 3/1 The Anglican Church of Japan, David Eisho Uehara, Primate. 3/8 The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, Archbishop Hosam Naoum 3/15 The Anglican Church of Kenya, Archbishop Jackson Ole Sapit. 3/22 The Anglican Church of Korea, Bishop Onesimus Dongsin Park. 3/29 The Anglican Church of Melanesia, Archbishop Leonard Dawea.		 	Good Friday is April 3 rd Easter Day is April 5 th	