

In Our Prayers This Week

Pray for Church leaders: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael Curry, our Presiding Bishop; Mark Bourlakas, our Bishop; Paul, and John, our priests; John, our deacon. For the people and mission of Christ Church, Pulaski. For the people of the Maya Deanery in the Diocese of Honduras, especially the churches of The Holy Spirit, St. Nicholas, San Antonio, San Francisco de Assisi, St. John the Evangelist, Santa Cruz, San Miguel Arcángel, and Santa Maria Virgen. For the people of the Diocese of Haiti, especially St. Marc's School in Cerca-la-Source. For the people of the Diocese of Leeds.

Pray for our Government leaders: President Donald Trump; Governor Terry McAuliffe; Mayor Carolyn Dull; and County Chair Tracy Pyles.

Pray for our parish family and friends: *(Names with an * are members of Trinity.)*

11:00

Alex, Ben*, Betty, Brenda, Carol*, Clay & Erin, David, Diana, Emily & James, Hugh, Jane, Jennifer, Br. Jonathan, OSF*, Katherine, Kendall, Kevin, Kristi, Livvy and her family, Lynn*, Margie, Mark, Martin*, Michael, Patsy & Melvin, Phill, Ralph, Shawn, Wanda, Wayne, Whit, The Anderson Family, Sue Armstrong*, Rev. Kristen Barner, Marv and Peg Belden*

7:45

Franklin Bell, Garrett Berneche, Ned Bonfoey, Kenneth Bond, Nancy Bradford, Betsy Brown, Jack Buchanan, Patti Burtner, Dillon Carpenter, Pat Clark*, Lee Cochran*, Gary Connor, The Cornelius Family, Oliver Crawley, Patricia Duke, Robert Dunn*, Pete Echols, Dana Flanders*, Sean Flanders*, Melissa Golladay, Shelly Good-Cook, Chase Hammer, Dorris Harris, Tom Hawks, Aaron Hobson, George Huffman, Sawyer Hull, Steve Humphrey, Anne Johnson, Illa Judd, Jean Kivlighan*, Jennifer Klotz

8:45

Richard LaPointe, Rebecca Lynn, Preston Mayson*, Peter Meyers, Sandra Millward, Evaleen Minez, Hugh Mitchell, Daphne Myhre, Toni Nelson*, Michelle Norris, Britten Olinger, Joe Poe, Haley Putnam, Mike Quayle*, Susan Rehfield*, Eric Roderick, Tanner Rosebrook, Dan Schmidt, John Shuster*, Susan Spencer, Jackie Sprouse*, Nancy Stuart*, Kevin Sweeney, April Temple*, Sally Huggins Toner, Kathleen Tosco, Donna Vazquez, Bobby Wilfong

Pray for those celebrating birthdays: particularly Lilly Crigger, Bizzy Lane, Margaret McElroy, Deborah Oldman-Brown, Paxton Carver, Elizabeth Amato, Tom Cracas, Ellie Lockridge, John Maugans, and Carolyn Sellers.

Pray for all who have died: Elsie Grace Hall Weller, Alexander Taylor Weller, Barbara Rosebush Weller, David Stuart Weller, Alexander Taylor Weller III, and Barbara Weller Bringman.

Announcements

TODAY Blessing of the Animals: Please gather in the Trinity churchyard on today, October 1 at 10am with your animal friends for the blessing of the animals. There will be no Sunday School that day.

Orange Juice Containers needed for Altar Guild: Please bring rinsed half gallon cardboard containers to the Parish Office. The Altar Guild uses these containers to transport the altar flowers to shut ins after services on Sundays. Thank you!

Spaghetti Supper and Taize Service Tuesday! The spaghetti supper supports the youth mission trips to Honduras. The supper begins at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3. Suggested donation only \$5. Any youth who can come to help out would be very much appreciated! Also join us for the Taize Service at 7:00 p.m. following the supper.

What Keeps You Up At Night (WKYUAN), the Adult Sunday School class, will meet in McCracken Hall Sunday's at 10:00am. Grab a cup of coffee in the Foster Room and join us for heartfelt conversation. Our question will be "What do you see is a personal and/or Church (meaning Trinity) response to how a free nation deals with diversity?" Guidelines have been created by the group so that all will feel welcome to join in and participate in the discussion: 1) No one will be allowed to advocate bringing others to see their way. 2) No one will feel pressured to give up the ground he or she stands on. 3) Conversation is confidential but, you may share what has been said in class without using names. 4) You must be respectful of different views. 5) Conversations may continue for several weeks. Joe Fiechtl and Gospel du Jour will join this class to show the parallels between our life today and life in the Bible. During the week, think about the question and join the class letting us know WKYUAN. Jim Manchester, Virginia Gillock, and/or Muffie Newell will facilitate the class. For questions or concerns please contact Muffie Newell 886-9132 or formation@trinitystaunton.org.

A memorial service for Mary O'Brien will be held at Trinity on Saturday, October 7 at 11am with a reception to follow in McCracken Hall. All are welcome.

Pastoral Care Available: On Sunday, October 8 and Monday, October 9, The Rev. Anne Grizzle will be available for pastoral care by appointment in the afternoon. Please contact her at 713-443-6211 or annegrizzle@gmail.com.

A Bereavement Support Group is forming at Trinity this fall. It is open to anyone experiencing the death and loss of a loved one. We will be using the book, " Understanding Grief: Helping Yourself Heal" by Alan Wolfelt. We will meet once weekly in the evening (time to be determined) for 8 weeks. Please contact Sally Mueller at 290-4832 for more information and to sign up. Leave a message if no answer. The purpose of the group is to share our experiences and support one another. It is very relaxed and informal.

Update: The Chronic Pain/Illness Support Group will not meet in October. The first meeting will be held Thursday, November 2nd from 10 to 11am in the Board Room of the Public Library. The purpose of this group is to discover our kind and loving God in the midst of pain and suffering. In this study we will use the book *A Reluctant Journey: Finding God through Chronic Pain* by Kristen Grathwol, (a native of Harrisonburg). We will explore five topics: trusting God, surrendering control, praising God in the midst of suffering, learning how to rest and grieve, and the importance community. This group is available to Trinity, Emmanuel, AME, the Temple House of Israel, and the Islamic Center of the Shenandoah Valley in Harrisonburg. Meeting dates: The first and third Thursday of each month: November 2,16, December 7, 21 and January 4 and 18. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Muffie Newell at formation@trinitystaunton.org or 255-3152.

Office Volunteer opportunity:

Enjoy an hour or so in the office counting offering money with Laurie every few weeks! A team of volunteers rotates this weekly task which involves counting the offering collected on Sunday mornings and received in the office by mail or in person during the previous week. The primary requirements are a cheerful disposition and

legible handwriting. No math skills required, but being comfortable with counting cash and making accurate notations is helpful. Counting generally takes place on Monday mornings, but I am very flexible to work with, and we can adjust to your availability. We could use at least two more volunteers and the rotation is every 5-7 weeks. If this opportunity interests you, please contact Laurie at her office, 886-9132, or by email, admin1746@trinitystaunton.org.

Upcoming Guest Priest Schedule

October 8: The Rev. Canon Mark Furlow, Stewardship Sunday

October 15: The Rev. Roger Bowen

October 22: The Rev. Dr. John Lane presiding, The Rev. Anne Grizzle preaching

October 29: The Rev. Canon Jonathan Harris

Chic Street Man Concert to Benefit Haiti

As we all know, Trinity Church and The Virginia Haiti Collaborative have joined together and inspired 6 local Episcopal churches and Stuart Hall School to partner with a small, rural, Episcopal school - St. Marc's in Cerca la Source, Haiti. The relationship has been transformational on both sides of this nine year friendship; and many visits have deepened the bonds of mutual affection. The little school brings literacy and hope to the village. It brings hope and joy to us too. Haitian families' income is weather-dependent in an agrarian culture. Hurricanes are devastating for Haiti, wiping out all their crops. And so, school fees [less than \$50/year] and teachers' salaries [less than \$70/month] disappear and need some additional revenue to be sustainable. The folks in Cerca la Source want to build a little bakery to remedy those awful fluctuations in their lives; and we want to help them with that creative idea. To that end, a fabulously-talented blues musician - Chic Street Man - has agreed to come all the way from Seattle to offer a benefit concert for this project. Some of us have witnessed his performances, and he absolutely lights up the room. <http://www.chicstreetman.com/> The entire Trinity family is invited to this one, special evening: Chic Street Man Concert at Mary Baldwin University's Francis Auditorium, 7:30 P.M. Saturday, October 7. Concert tickets here: <http://bit.ly/chic4haiti> Attendees may also enjoy a [donations only] North Carolina Pig Roast and Haitian dinner, 5:00 P.M. at our sister parish, Emmanuel Episcopal Church

A Call for Vestry Nominations: Please note that current regular vestry members are not eligible for nomination. Judy Armstrong, who was appointed for a one year term, is eligible. The Vestry of Trinity Church is seeking nominations for the new Vestry class of 2020. The Vestry is the main elected leadership body of the parish. There are 18 vestry seats serving 3 year terms, 6 elected each year, and a 19th vestry member chosen at random for a single year term, to give parishioners the experience of sitting on the Vestry and adding new voices to the leadership mix, without the usual pressures of election or a three-year term.

Nomination forms are available at the back of the church and online. Your nomination may be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the parish office, called in to the office (886-9132), or you may use the online Vestry Nomination form on our website which can be found at www.trinitystaunton.org on the drop down menu under "Members". Please send in your nominations **no later than October 22**. Up to six names may be submitted. Your name is NOT required to fill out the form. **Please be sure to ask your nominees if they are willing to run before submitting their names.**

Those who may nominate candidates (and vote) are (according to Canon 14, sec. 2): "All adults (16 and over) baptized members belonging to the parish, who for three months preceding have been regular worshipers in the parish and regular contributors to its financial support by pledge, subscription, or some other method by which they shall be known to the treasurer of the parish."

The Vestry Nominating Committee, consisting of the retiring vestry members, will prepare a slate of up to 12 persons qualified to serve on the Vestry based on nominations from Trinity's members and selections from the committee. **Voting will occur at all 3 services on November 19, or by request of absentee ballot after November 10 (and which must be returned to the church office by November 17).**

