

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Last Epiphany - Lent - February, 2016

February Highlights

February 7 - The Last Sunday After the Epiphany, which is also known as *Alleluia Sunday* since it's the last time we use that word in our



worship until Easter. This is also **Souper Bowl Sunday**. There will be a soup pot by the

baptismal font. You are asked to place a dollar in the pot for each member of your family. This is a national event, but all proceeds are used locally; ours will be send to the local food pantry.

February 9 - Shrove Tuesday - **Mardis Gras** - **Fat Tuesday**.

Our annual Pancake Supper will be held at 6 in the parish



hall. Bring the whole family for eggs, sausage, applesauce, juice, coffee, and, of course, pancakes!

February 10 - **Ash Wednesday**.



Holy Eucharist I and Imposition of Ashes, one of our joint services with the people of Grace, Waverly.

Noon, at Trinity, Fr. Ben Lentz presiding.

February 21 - **Vestry meets**

Annual Meeting News

As we enter our 175th year as God's Episcopal people in Athens, we are, as our senior warden would say, in good shape for the shape we're in. Our building is well taken care of, our Outreach ministry is going very well as we seek to serve Christ in all people, and we take good care of each other. We host AA three nights a week and those groups love the

intimacy of our parish hall. We have a wonderful new organist, Nathan Kendrick, who is enriching our worship.

Financially, we are in good shape, but as you know, our numbers are dwindling. As that continues to happen, our financial picture will begin to darken and our ability to serve the community will lessen. While we all want to think that Trinity will always be here, it needs an active membership in order to thrive. We don't expect huge growth, but it would be better if we could keep our membership about the same. What can we do? Continue to do the work God has given us to do, invite others to join us, share our stories and walk forward in faith.

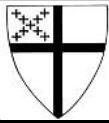
We are thankful that our 2015 vestry members have agreed to continue for 2016. All meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend.

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February at Trinity





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Epiphany
Lent

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ash Wednesday, Noon, 2/10 Joint Service At Trinity 	1 AA 8:00 pm	2 The Presentation	3 AA 7:30 pm AA/ Alanon 7:30 pm	4 AA 8:00 pm <i>Addy Draper</i>	5 <i>Jonathan Ayres</i> <i>Alexandra Ayres</i>	6 
7 The Last Sunday After the Epiphany 9:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Coffee Hour Souper Bowl Sunday	8 AA 8:00 pm <i>Hermine Shapiro</i>	9 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6 pm	10 Ash Wednesday HE and Imposition of Ashes, Noon, Trinity AA 7:30 pm AA/ Alanon 7:30 pm	11 AA 8:00 pm	12 <i>Chuck Cornell</i>	13
14 Lent I 9:00 Holy Eucharist I 10:00 Coffee Hour	15 AA 8:00 pm <i>Stacey Coston</i>	16 Clergy Bible Study, 3 Christ Church	17 AA 7:30 pm AA/ Alanon 7:30 pm	18 AA 8:00 pm <i>Peg Murray</i>	19	20 <i>Jacob Bivins</i>
21 Lent II 9:00 Holy Eucharist I 10:00 Coffee Hour — Vestry Meets —	22 AA 8:00 pm <i>Logan Cornell</i>	23 <i>Adam Hunsinger</i>	24 St. Matthias AA 7:30 pm AA/ Alanon 7:30 pm	25 AA 8:00 pm	26	27
28 Lent III 9:00 Holy Eucharist I 10:00 Coffee Hour	29 AA 8:00 pm	Trinity Cycle of Prayer: 2/7 Ben, Andrea and Theo Lentz. 2/14 Patricia Martin, Steve and Heather Martin Lake. 2/21 Hildegard Mohr, Peg Murray. 2/28 Jon, Wendy, Kim and Kate Murray.		 Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper ... bring the whole family for pancakes, eggs and sausage. 6 p.m. at the Parish Hall		

Diocese of Bethlehem. 2/7 Trinity, Athens, The Rev. Trula Hollywood, Clergy-in-Residence, Dan Gerhart, SW, The Rev. Ben Lentz, Supply. 2/14 Nativity, Bethlehem. Dean Anthony Pompa, Rector. Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre: The Rev. Timothy Albright, Supply. 2/21 Trinity, Bethlehem, The Rev. Laura M. Howell, Rector. 2/28 Trinity, Carbondale & Christ Church, Forest City, The Rev. Donald Schaible; St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre, The Rev. Brian Pavlac.

The Diocese of Kajo Keji: 2/7 Rodo and Rural Dean Kansuk; Sera Jale Parish. 2/14 Kendiri Parish; Keriwa Parish. 2/21 Logu and Rural Dean Logu; Logili Parish. 2/28 Kinyi'ba Parish & Rural Dean.

Anglicans around the World: 2/7 Anglican Church of Canada, The Most Revd Frederick Hiltz. 2/14 The Church of the Province of Central Africa, The Most Revd Albert Chama. 2/21 Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America, The Most Revd Sturdie Downs. 2/29 Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo, The Most Revd Kahwa Henri Isingoma.