



This Week at Holy Trinity

February 24 through March 3

Additional information about *Holy Trinity*, at www.achtna.org



7th Sunday after the Epiphany (February 24)

Eucharist / No music	8:00 am
Eucharist	10:00 am
Christian Ed or Adult Forum	11:30 am
Tue Women's Bible Study	10:00 – 11:30 am
Choir Practice	6:00 pm
Wed Fellowship Supper and Program <i>"The innocence of Jesus"</i>	6:00 pm
Sat Men's Fellowship and Study	9:00 – 10:20 am
Last Sunday after the Epiphany (March 3)	
Eucharist / No music	8:00 am
Eucharist	10:00 am
Christian Ed or Adult Forum	11:30 am

Parish Prayer List

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| • Dee Duckett | Betty Croy |
| • John Barbare | Ray Fulmer |
| • Amelia Roehm (Mary's Niece) | Bob Brown |
| • Marylin & Ed Poston | Mitch Carter |
| • Martha Pettinato | Keith Bethke, Jr. |
| • Hammond Prescott | Paula Wahl |
| • Andy Fehl (Joyce's brother) | Bertie Smith |
| • Patience Iwuji | Grayson Cadle |
| • Fr. Rob (knee replacement) | |

Birthdays- 3/1-Jacob Holley

Anniversaries-If we missed yours please let us know!

Pray also for . . .

- The Anglican Church in North America (ACNA)
- Trinity Seminary, Ambridge, PA
- Our sister church, Holy Trinity Church, Raleigh, NC; Rector: The Rev'd Dr. John W. Yates, III

Prayers for worldwide evangelization . . .

- The Schmidts and their work w/ Wycliffe in Cameroon
- Fr. Johann and Louise Van der Bijl, SAMS, Southern Africa
- See box below for other SAMS, Missionaries
- Mothers' Union, Gambela, Ethiopia
- St. Frumentus Theological College, Gambela, Ethiopia
- Christ Church, Jerusalem

<i>Lay Ministry Chart</i>		
2019	February 24 7 Epiphany	March 3 Epiphany Last
Euch. Min.	Bill B	Paula W
Ushers & Greeters	Billy H Dianne H	Deborah K Donna L Wayne L
Presenting Bread/Wine	Darren & Bonnie N	Michael & Jennifer P
Prayer Tm	Rosemarie Margaret W	Ginger H Monique T
Lector--OT	Annette M	Jason N
Lector--NT	Ginger H	Billy H
Altar Guild [week of]	Rosemarie JoEllen B	Virginia F Annette M
Acolyte	Lelan C	Jackie F



Pray for SAMS home staff: **Lynn Bouterse, Denise Cox, Nita Dempsey, Julie Kirik, Howard McClellan, Sarah Norris, Dana Priest, Bonnie Walker, and Stewart Wicker**, as they support and encourage missionaries and the church here in the U. S. and globally.

Readings for next Sunday Mar. 3, "Epiphany Last"

For the full text of these readings, go to:
achtna.org/readings-for-upcoming-sundays

Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99
2 Cor. 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36

- ### Upcoming Events
- Mar 5** > *Shrove Tues Pancakes*- 5:30-7:30 pm
 - Mar 6** > *1st Lenten Lunch, Grace UMC*- noon
 - Mar 6** > *Ash Wednesday Liturgy*- 7:00 pm
 - Mar 13** > *Community Lenten lunches begin*
 - Apr 10** > *Holy Trinity hosts Lenten lunch*
 - Jul 7-14** > *Family Promise returns to Holy Trinity*

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction



In my sermon last Sunday, I used this title to Eugene Peterson's book to explore the understanding of the Christian life as a pilgrimage. The Christian pilgrimage is God's Holy Spirit placing our feet on the path that leads to the Father, a journey made possible through the person and work of Christ who has opened the door to heaven and who walks the journey with us. Jesus tells us that He will show us the way; in fact, He tell us that He is the Way (the road, the path), John 14:5-6, "Thomas said to [Jesus], "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." The early Christians were referred to as the People of the Way (Acts 9:2, Acts 24:14).

Traditional Christian worship space through the ages has reflected this idea of pilgrimage. We enter the church through in the back doors. In our church and many other churches, the first thing one encounters is the Baptismal Font. It is here that we are born again by water and the Spirit into the Family of God, dying to the world, the flesh and the devil, and being born anew as citizens of the Kingdom of God. The center isle of the church nave can be seen as our Christian sojourn from the font to the throne room of God symbolized by the sanctuary altar and Cross at the front of the Church. Our journey up the isle is supported by our church family on either side, by the Word of God read from the podium, and the Lord's Table where we are strengthened and nourished for the journey. The Lord's Table also reminds us that, on our arrival, we do indeed have a place at the great banquet feast of the Lamb.

Christianity as pilgrimage suggest movement. Pilgrimage is obediently and perseveringly pressing forward into the Christian life. Paul gives us this sense in his letters: "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling (Philippians 2:12);" and "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith (2 Timothy 4:7)." The author of Hebrews also writes, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us (Hebrews 12:1)."

Growing in knowledge, love and service to the Lord is not optional in your Christian pilgrimage, and this is why spiritual formation activities are a priority Holy Trinity. What is required of each of us is a "Long Obedience in the Same Direction." **Father Rob**