

The Clergy

The Rt. Hon. & Most Rev. Justin Welby 105th Archbishop of Canterbury
The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry 27th Presiding Bishop
The Rt. Rev. John McKee Sloan
11th Bishop of Alabama
The Rev. Dr. Wells Warren, Priest

The Vestry

Maurice McCord, Senior Warden Mike Rallo, Junior Warden Amanda W. Borden, Vestry Member Kay Dickey, Vestry Member Jean Kerr, Vestry Member Jere Van Etten, Vestry Member Betty Weldon, Treasurer Elizabeth Harber, Clerk of the Vestry

SINCE 1994, the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany has lived out its mission and ministry to the Tallassee area as a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, the Episcopal Church USA, and the Anglican Communion. If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at wellswarren@msn.com

Serving This Week

John and Kathy Haynie
Ushers
Pam Van Etten
Altar Guild
Lavonne Hart
Lay Reader
Jere Van Etten
Lay Eucharistic Minister
Esther Hart
Pianist and Violinist
Leigh Warren
Refreshments
Jimmy and Betty Weldon
Lawn and Gardens

In Our Prayers

We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose. We pray especially for St. Ursula's Episcopal Church, our Parish Partner in the USVI.

We pray for Jean Kerr, Barbara Trogdon, Hugh Thompson, Jere Van Etten, Eddie Harper, Greg Dubay, our Beans & Rice clients, and the family of Barbara Dennis. Remember to bring items for that household recovering from fire.

Ordinary Time

Next week we begin the long green season known as "Ordinary Time." It continues for 26 weeks from Pentecost to Christ the King Sunday. But don't be distracted by the Lake and a thousand other things on Sunday; worshipping God is where we belong.

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TRINITY SUNDAY

A Festival Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning The Twenty-seventh Day of May In the Year of Our Lord 2018

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

TRINITY SUNDAY

A Festival Holy Eucharist

The People are invited to observe a time of quiet prayer. We are using the St. James service music which can be found on the Narthex table as you enter.

Gathering of the People

Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional Holy, Holy, Holy! Hymn 362
Acclamation Page 355, BCP

Collect for Purity

Glory to God Gloria
St. James
Salutation
Page 357, BCP
Collect of the Day
Scripture Sheet

The Word of God

We sit for the Lessons and the Psalm, and we stand for the Gospel.

Old Testament Isaiah 6:1-8	Scripture Sheet
Canticle 13 A Song of Praise	Scripture Sheet
Epistle Romans 8:12-17	Scripture Sheet
Sequence I Bind Unto Myself Today	<i>Hymn 370</i>
Gospel John 3:1-17	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	Father Wells
Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form VI	Page 392, BCP
Confession of Sin	

Confession of Sin Absolution

The Peace

Announcements

Offertory

Presentation *Phos hilaron* Hymn 26

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Eucharistic Prayer D Page 372, BCP

Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus St. James
Consecration of the Elements

Lord's Prayer Page 364, BCP

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Jesus, Lamb of God St. James

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer Page 366, BCP

Blessing

Recessional Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise Hymn 423

Dismissal Postlude

Announcements

Father Wells and Leigh will be on sabbatical for the month of July—including two weeks they will spend on an Alaskan Adventure.



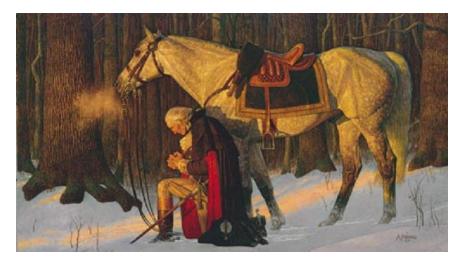
Education for Ministry (EFM) is a four-year program of theological reflection, scripture study, worship, and intentional community sponsored by the School of Theology at Sewanee:

The University of the South. For 19 years, Father Wells served as a mentor of EFM for students from Epiphany in Tallassee, St. Dunstan's in Auburn, Holy Trinity in Auburn, St. James in Alexander City, St. Matthew's in-the-Pines in Seale, and Emmanuel in Opelika. Sharon Cleary graduated from EFM last Sunday morning. Mike Harber has completed three years of EFM. And in years past, Lee Borden, Amanda Borden, Leigh Warren, Nancy McGarr, Kathy Haynie, and Jean Kerr have all graduated from EFM. The program begins after Labor Day in September and usually meets one day/night per week for 2½ hours, with holiday breaks, through May. Cost is \$375 per year including textbooks. For more information go to <a href="http://efm.sewanee.edu/Please let Father Wells know if (a) you are interested in becoming the mentor* for a new EFM group in Tallassee; or (b) if you would like to join this new group in September!

*Any EFM graduate is eligible to receive the training and become a mentor

he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Why Do We Pray for Our Country and Our Leaders?



We have been praying for our Country and the President for months now, and we will continue for the foreseeable future. Some have suggested that these prayers are political in nature, which is not the case. It has been Episcopal tradition for 242 years during times of war, conflict, and uncertainty to include "Prayers for National Life" from the Book of Common Prayer. These include "For Peace Among the Nations" (p. 816), "For Our Country" (p. 820), "For the President of the United States and All in Civil Authority" (p. 820), "For Congress or a State Legislature" (p. 821), "For Courts of Justice" (p. 821), and "For Sound Government" (p. 821). Here is a Collect "For the Nation" (p. 207) which may be new to you:

Lord God Almighty, who hast made all the peoples of the earth for thy glory, to serve thee in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with thy gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

LESSONS FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

May 27, 2018

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Isaiah 6:1-8



In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled

with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,

"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Canticle 13 A Song of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; * you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; * we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; * on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; * we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; * in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; * we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Epistle Romans 8:12-17



So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.



Gospel John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our