

*Sixth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist, Rite I
May 26, 2019*

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity	BCP-323
<i>Gloria</i>	BCP-324
The Collect of the Day	
First Reading	Acts 16:9-15
Psalm	67
The Gospel	John 14:23-29
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Welcome visitors! We are glad to have you worship with us today and hope you will want to return. Trinity is a parish of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. Chartered in 1836, Trinity Episcopal Church is Apalachicola's historic "first church." Services have been held here for 182 years. It is with great joy that we thank God for our blessings and for the beauty of this place.

Services

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:20 AM Ministry of Healing and Prelude
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

Clergy, Wardens, and Vestry

Priest-in-charge the Rev. Donna J. Gerold
Vestry Gary Ulrich, Senior Warden; Charlie Galloway, Junior Warden;
Landy Luther, Paul McAbee, Patti McCartney, Randy Mims,
Betty Fugate, C.T. Ponder & Susie Wagoner
Clerk of the Vestry Angela Knox
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trinity Prayer List: Please help us keep the prayer list up to date by calling or sending an email to the church office to let us know if a name needs to be added or removed. If you add someone to the list, if possible, please let us know their mailing address so that a card can be mailed to them.

Members: Alice Jean Gibbs, Ruth Young, Arlene Wingate, Glenn Totman, Myra Ponder, Jo Heslin, Dewitt Galloway, Amanda Wagoner, Bob & Beverly Connors, Lee Sewell, Luke Galloway, Evie Bettis, Wesley Chesnut, Fran & Lacey Robinson, Catherine E. Beck and Geri Anderson.

Family & Friends: Lisa Waddell, Casey Simmons, Damaris Porter, Mary Bloodworth, Russell Ponder, Sue Bisiq, Susan Richardson, Eugenia Butler, James Hess, Orli Burton, Sandy Howze, Lloyd Hodge, Brenda Herrick, Jill Feeser, Paul Sears, Pat Burchfield and Family, Addison (Addi) Wagoner, Amanda Varnes, Scott Keel, Steve Resotko, Cindy Seehorn, Deb Hinton, Nancy Bennett, Tom White, Johnny Buhring,, Karisa Nelson, Katherine Bland, Bill VanVlee, Carl (Pap) & Dianne Duncan, Barbara Bloodworth, Rachel & Clint Robinson and Gary Givler.

Trinity's Church office will be closed on Monday May 27th in observation of Memorial Day; the office will reopen at 8:00 am on Tuesday May 28th.

If you would like to purchase an Episcopal Church window cling for your car, they are in the church office for \$5.00, quantities are limited so come and get yours today.

If you have something that needs to be placed on the June 2019 Church calendar, please contact the Church office as soon as possible.

Please note that the June 2019 Lay Ministries Sechedule is on the back of the **Announcements**, there have been some changes made and we need Greeters and Chalies for the dates marked in **RED**, if you would like to volunteer, please contact the Trinity Church office as soon as possible.

Service for Jim Anderson will be held on Thursday June 6th @ 11:00 am at Trinity Church. A reception will be held following the service in Benedict Hall. If anyone would like to send a card to Geri, her current address is as follows: Geri Anderson, 2712 Indian Pass Road, Port St. Joe, FL 32456.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God

May 26, 2019

Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5, John 14:23-29

COME TO US

The psalmist today calls upon God to “come to us.” God does come to us in all kinds of ways when our eyes, ears, and hearts are open and ready to receive the Divine Presence. Just look at the scriptures appointed for today for a few examples to prime the pump, to help us recognize how God comes to us in the here and now.



In the very first sentence of the first lesson, the apostle Paul receives a vision, or perhaps a dream since it occurred “during the night.” God, who is known as the Holy Dream Maker, often comes to us when our self-serving defenses are quieted in sleep. The Beloved also uses others as

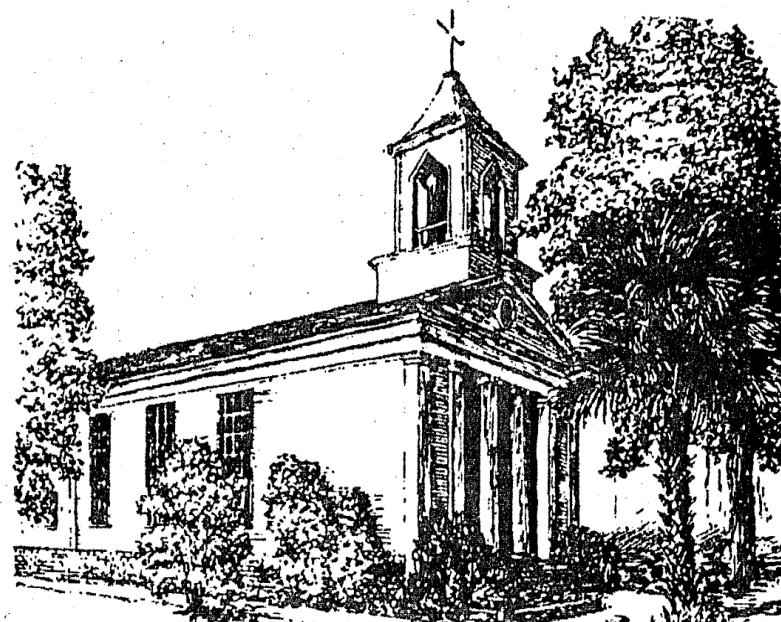
avenues for the Holy Presence—notice Lydia at the end of that passage. God opens her heart to listen, and she responds in hospitality asking Paul and his companions to “come and stay at my house.” The apocalyptic vision given to John on Patmos in our second lesson shows the Holy One coming as cleansing, life-giving light to provide “the healing of the nations”—that indicates all will be enlightened by God’s gracious love at the end time. Jesus’ precious promise in our gospel: “I am coming to you,” and elsewhere, “And remember I am with you always to the end of the age,” (Mt.28:20b) encourages us to trust that the Divine Presence will be with us whatever comes our way.

Take time to reflect on the ways you have experienced the Beloved coming to you, and give thanks. It may have been times when you were awed by the magnificence of creation, or seeing the words come off your pen as you journaled, or were carried away by listening to sublime music, or touched by watching little children at play, or being nestled by your pet, or being surprised by an unexpected call or visit from a long-distance friend—the Beloved is endlessly creative and particularly unique in reaching us as God works in our lives transforming us into the *imago dei* we were created to be.

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