## Third Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist, Rite I May 5, 2019

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity	BCP-323	
Gloria	BCP-324	
The Collect of the Day		
First Reading	Acts 9:1-20	
Psalm	30	
The Gospel	John 21:1-19	
Homily	the Rev. Donna J. Gerold	
The Nicene Creed	BCP-326	
The Prayers of the People	BCP-328	
The Peace	BCP-332	
The Great Thanksgiving		
Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP-333	
The Lord's Prayer	BCP-336	
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP-337	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP-339	
Dismissal		

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
Treasurer	Lee Bettis
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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Trinity Prayer List:</u> 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 and Fran & Lacey Robinson

Family & Friends: Lisa Waddell, Casey Simmons, Damaris Porter, Mary Bloodworth, Russell Ponder, Sue Bisiq, Susan Richardson, Eugenia Butler, James Hess, Orlis Burton, Sandy Howze, Lee Hassell, Lloyd Hodge, Brenda Herrick, Jill Feeser, Paul Sears, Pat Burchfield and Family, Bryan Tune, 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 and Rachel & Clint Robinson.

Monday School will not meet again until Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the conference room.

**Flower Arranging Class** will be held free of charge on Saturday May 11 from 10:00 am to noon in Benedict Hall. Please reserve your spot by contacting Aglaia Dolan at 850-670-8781 or <a href="https://hall.dolan@mchsi.com">hall.dolan@mchsi.com</a> or Dee Crusoe at 850-545-1922 or <a href="djcrusoe@embarqmail.com">djcrusoe@embarqmail.com</a>. The class will include demonstrations of church altar & reception flowers and flowers for the home.

It is impossible to name all of the people that worked so hard to make this year's TOH both fun and profitable. Special thanks to the homeowners that put forth so much effort to make their homes welcoming and accessible to our visitors. The Tour of Homes has become a valued tradition to our church and community. Many thanks to everyone who contributed their time and money to help the ongoing maintenance and preservation of our historic buildings.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Hal G. Dolan and in celebration of Michael Dolan who is home from Afghanistan and in honor of Shawn Dolan's birthday, from Aglaia Dolan

## May 5, 2019 Acts 9:1-6, (7-20), Psalm 30, Revelation 5: 11-14, John 21:1-19

### IT IS THE LORD!

Like Peter in our gospel for today, we sometimes need a friend to point out that "It is the Lord!" that we are experiencing at the time. When we are not looking for nor expecting an encounter with the Beloved in our everyday lives, we may miss noticing what is going on right here, right now. When our experiences with the Holy One often



have been similar, perhaps with the same ribbon tied around them, we tend to forget God is full of surprises and comes when and where and how we may least expect it.

That is when it is helpful to have an anam cara, a

spiritual friend with whom we can share our spiritual journey in all its ups and downs. We may realize that something is going on deep within our hearts, but the question is what. An *anam cara* can listen to our stories and help us recognize the divine pattern unfolding before us. Anam caras may affirm us, challenge us, encourage us. They can open our eyes to see where we are stuck in a deep rut and show us how we may begin to move forward in deepening our relationship with the Holy One, or perhaps suggest alternative ways of opening ourselves to receive what God has prepared for us no matter how it may come.

Once we are ready to accept the experience, as E.E. Cummings put in in his Easter poem, "i thank You God for most this amazing day", ("now that the ears of my ears awake and now the eyes of my eyes are opened.), we come to recognize that it is the Lord on the beach cooking breakfast for us. It may seem like awakening from a dream; we don't know where we are, what is going on. What a joy and delight to know it is the Lord who comes to help us through the confusion!

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