

**Congregational Response No. 573**

Lord, Have Mercy  
(Silence for personal prayer)

*Kyrie*

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Response to Grace No. 577**

*Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**Old Testament Lesson** – Exodus 12:1-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Message** Noisy Offering

(Following the Children’s Message, child care is provided for children of pre-school age up through first grade. Older children remaining in worship may get a Children’s Worship Bag from the Ushers.)

**Anthem** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Arr. Gilbert M. Martin

**Gospel Lesson** – Matthew 18:15-20

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Sermon** Freed to Love One Another Pastor Hart

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*Hymn No. 513** Let Us Break Bread Together *Let Us Break Bread*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** The Apostle’s Creed (Ecumenical) Hymnal p.14

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory** Presto from Fantasy, Op. 28 Felix Mendelssohn

**\*Doxology No. 593** *Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**The Invitation**

Jesus said, “Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.”

**“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.”**

All who put their trust in Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to come to this, His table.

**Let us come that we might find refreshment and rest for our souls.**

**The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O God of Jeremiah, of the prophets, Your Word is truth. Your Word plucks up and breaks down, it destroys and it overthrows, it builds and it plants. You are

**THE FLOWERS FOR TODAY’S SERVICE**

have been given to the glory of God  
by Nancy and Harold Knobel in celebration of  
their wedding anniversary.

**Assisting In Worship Today**

Richard Hart.....Minister  
Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Minister  
John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music  
Edward Neeman.....Pianist  
Jan Hobson.....Lay Reader  
Bill Wicks.....Usher Team  
Leta Cone, Nita Cross  
Benjamin Dudley, David Roe  
Kelly Wicks.....Greeters  
Herb Reinhard  
Connor Bickers.....Acolyte  
Woodson Bickers, Emma Micklon.....Junior Communion Guild  
Eric Micklon, J. T. Webb

**TRINITY ELDERS**

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Cathy Hoover	Jeff Bickers	Bill Bickers
Lyle McGhin	Frank Kilgard	Nita Cross
Don Thieme	Marcie Swank	Brian Preyna
Kelly Wicks	Brooke Webb	Debbie Radabaugh
	Bryan Wright	Ruth Stonestreet

**OUR TRINITY STAFF**

Dr. Richard Hart.....Pastor  
Rev. Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Pastor  
Mrs. Andrea Micklon.....Director of Children Ministries  
Mr. John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music  
Dr. Edward Neeman.....Pianist  
Mr. Paul Guilbeau.....Director of Chancel Handbells  
Mr. Bryan Wright.....Administrative Assistant  
Miss Kendra Beasley, Miss Makinsey Rosser.....Choir Interns  
Mr. Zackary Serrott

**Stated Session Meeting**

The Stated Session meeting is scheduled for today, **Sunday, September 10**, at 4:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Dees, Pastor Hart, or Bryan Wright if you cannot attend.

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Responds**

Among the many relief agencies working in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey is our own Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Gifts may be made through Trinity to go directly to aid victims of the storm and flooding. In addition, PDA will also be responding to any damage Hurricane Irma may potentially cause in the continental United States as well as in other countries.

The appeal from PDA follows the acronym G.A.P. which stands for “Give, Act, Pray.” Folks are asked to “stand in the gap” for the sake of those affected. Check out the PDA website <http://pda.pcusa.org/situation/tropical-storm-harvey> for information about giving, suggestions of ways one may **act** to help, and for suggested **prayers** to be used specifically for people who are victims of these terrible circumstances.

**Our Wednesday Schedule:**

For Wednesday, **September 13, 2017**

5:30 p.m. – KOW

5:45 p.m. – Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:15 p.m. – Supper is served in the Fellowship Hall beginning with a prayer of thanksgiving in the Atrium

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Adult Bible Study – *The Protestant Reformation*  
SMASH for Youth

Supper will be provided by the Hoover/Radabaugh cooking team. The menu will include lasagna. Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches will be available for children.

**The charge for the meal will be as follows:**

**\$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for students (pre-k through high school), with a \$15.00 Maximum per family.**

**Carry-outs – meal cost above plus 25¢ per carry-out tray.**

**Session Committee Night One Week Earlier**

Due to the scheduling of The Prayer Garden Dedication on September 24, Committee Night will be **one week earlier** than usual this month – Sunday, **September 17, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. Please make a note of it.

**The Trinity Prayer Garden**

You are cordially invited to

**The Dedication Service**

for the

**Trinity Prayer Garden with Columbaria**

**Sunday evening, September 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

A reception will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall

**Stop Hunger Now!**

We will again participate in **Stop Hunger Now!** sponsored by Flint River Presbytery. The event will take place on the afternoon of **World Communion Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 2:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church, Valdosta**. This will be one of five sites around the Presbytery packing thousands of meals to be shipped overseas to fight hunger. Each church participating gives a monetary donation to cover the cost of the meals. Trinity's gift of \$450 will come in part from the tithe our youth designated from their Yard Sale fundraiser earlier this year. The remaining amount will come from Trinity hunger funds, including the Noisy Offering.

Volunteers are needed to pack meals. All ages will find something they can do and will have a good time doing it. Mark you calendar now and plan to participate. More details will be available in future editions of *Trinity News*.

watching over Your Word to do it. Let Your truth be known in all the earth. Let Your people declare in word and deed Your Word that shatters and reforms.

(singing) **Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.**

O Word of God, incarnate, Lord Jesus Christ, You embody steadfast love and mercy. Yet You cleared the house of God of money changers and declared woes to the self-righteous, to the rich, and to the religious elite. You came to judge sin, but also to overcome it. You came to pluck up and break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant. By Your suffering and crucifixion You defeated the power of sin and death. You freely give Your reforming love to any who respond in faith.

**Dying You destroyed our death.**

**Rising You restored our life.**

**Living You secure the future.**

(singing) **Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

O Holy Spirit, by whom the truth shall make us free; having revealed the truth about ourselves and our world, may we confess our sin and be forgiven by Your grace. Thus may we receive these gifts of the bread and the cup as the broken body and shed blood of Christ without sin and become the body of Christ, the church.

We pray for all who are in need of Your grace and mercy today. For the sick and the mournful. For the poor and destitute. For the spiritually troubled and for those anxious in spirit. For those named, those known secretly in our hearts, and those known only to You.

(singing) **Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty,**

**Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be. Amen.**

**Distribution of the Bread and the Cup**

*(You are invited to eat the bread as soon as you are served as a sign of your individual communion with God. Please hold the cup until all have been served that we might drink together as a sign of our communion with each other.)*

**Prayer after Communion**

**Merciful God, as we have received the good gifts of Christ, may our celebration move in the strength of song and joy and fellowship, beyond song and joy and fellowship and take on tangible substance for all people, whose need is ours to alleviate, whose loneliness is ours to relieve, whose hunger is ours to satisfy, through the all-sufficient love of Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

\*Choral Dismissal Amen Tom Birchwood

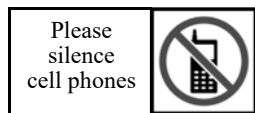
\*Recessional Hymn No. 538 Sicilian Mariners Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

**\*Benediction**

**\*Passing The Peace of Christ**

**\*Postlude**

\*All who are able may stand.



**FOR YOUR DAILY PRAYER** The pastor and elders meet at 10:45 each Sunday morning to pray for the morning service and to remember by name each person on our prayer list. Please lift the names of these persons to God in your prayers.

**Members & Regular Participants**

Mary Connell  
Jane Gore  
**Larry Henderson**  
Marie Hill  
Jim Micklon  
Nellie Stoddard  
Don Vollenweider  
Karen Whelihan

**Relatives**

Reed & Tammy Armond, *brother & sister-in-law of David Armond*  
Barbara Chisham, *cousin of Marcie Swank*  
Juanita Devine, *sister of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*  
Dennis & Heather Dibble & Family, *cousins of Leonard Mittelstadt*  
**Ruth Duss**, *mother of Sherry Stranahan*  
Beverly Jackson, *daughter of Leta Cone*  
Johnnie Kinchen, *mother of Jackie Wright*  
George Larimore, *brother of Janet Wright*  
Adams McGhin, *nephew of Lyle McGhin*  
Bobby Miller, *nephew of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*  
Robert Earl Pennington, *relative of Beverly Peters*  
Steve Pierson, *brother-in-law of Guy Oliver*  
Russell Popham, *uncle of Nita Cross*  
David & Susan Reid, *brother & sister-in-law of Beth Reid*  
Liz Ferguson Ross, *daughter of Mark and Karen Ferguson*  
Donald Schrecengost, *uncle of Sherry Stranahan*  
**Alex Schwiesow**, *son of Karen Whelihan*  
Tom Speck, *brother of Beverly Peters*  
Franna Taylor, *mother of Sonja Guilbeau*  
Vicky Thomas, *niece of Jane Gore*  
**Gino Vecchio**, *nephew of Melissa Johnson*  
**Joy Wakefield**, *mother of Bob Wakefield*

**Friends (contact person)**

Ronnie Alligood (Jackie Wright)  
Les Bass (Zane Dees)  
Kathy Boone (Chris Roan)  
Ed Bynum (Eddie Webb)  
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)  
Rebecca Christopholi (Sherry Stranahan)  
Jessica Clark (Kathy Roe)  
Tom Conner (Libby Bickers)  
Debbie Cribbs (Mary Beckett)

Valarie Dannels (David Roe)  
Frank Davidson (Jeff Bickers)  
Larry Devane (Catherine Loveday)  
Cathy Fisher (Charlie Oliver)  
Irene Gallagher (Jane Gore)  
Parker Greene (Lisa Pearce)  
Tommy Hagy (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Lacy Hall (Beverly Peters)  
Erika Harding (Christal Dudley)  
Carol Herndon & family (Lyle McGhin)  
Shannon Hobbs (Mark Micklon)  
Tim Huff (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Aidan Legg (Judy Bickers)  
Amanda Leverett (Heather Wakefield)  
**Leon McCallum** (Catherine Loveday)  
**Tom McFarland** (Richard Hart)  
Deanna Morris (Brian Preyna)  
Sharon O'Rourke (Lisa Pearce)  
Victoria Osteen (Libby Bickers)  
Haley Grace Peeples (Christal Dudley)  
Bud Perry (Eddie Webb)  
Carolyn Poe (Jackie Wright)  
Pam Poorman (Paul Guilbeau)  
Mary Price (Kathy Roe)  
Diane Rodgers (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)  
Harry & Sandi Skoropat (Jane Gore)  
Randall Smith (John & Chris Roan)  
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)  
Yolanda Surry (Nita Cross)  
Robby Walker (David Armond)  
Kirsty Yearsley (Sherry Stranahan)

**Members Remembered in Prayer This Week**

Marilyn Reid  
Beth Reid

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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries  
All Refugees  
Victims of Terrorism

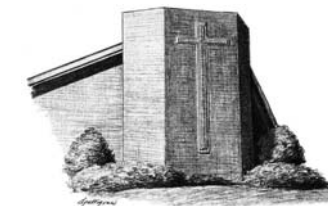
Those suffering the effects of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

**We Extend Our Christian Sympathy . . .**

to  
Loran Clark and family  
on the death of her mother,  
Shirley Whilsie.

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**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**Communion Sunday**

**10 September 2017**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

The acolyte in today's worship brings the light of Christ into the sanctuary at the beginning of the service. At the end of worship, as we are called into service in our church, across our city, and beyond, the light of Christ leads us out into the world.

**Silent Meditation:**

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law." ~ Romans 13:8-10

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** Adagio from "Emperor" Concerto Ludwig van Beethoven

**The Lighting of the Candles**

**Choral Introit** Praise the Lord! Lois Myers Emig

\***Processional Hymn No. 551** St. George's Windsor  
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

\***Call to Worship** - from Psalm 149

Praise the Lord!  
**Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the faithful.**  
Let God's people be glad in their Maker;  
**Let the children of God rejoice in their King.**  
Let them praise His name with dancing,  
making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre.  
**For the Lord takes pleasure in His people;**  
**He adorns the humble with victory.**  
Let us worship God!  
**The Lord's name be praised!**

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**We confess before You, O Lord our God –**  
**that we hasten gladly to that in which personal profit is the reward,**  
**but reluctantly engage the task of ministering to the broken;**  
**that we are quick to expect apologies, but are slow to extend forgiveness;**  
**that we cheer the misfortune of those we consider our enemies,**  
**but drag our feet when it is time to make peace.**  
**In many ways, both evident and invisible, we ignore the saving graces**  
**which call us to life, yet pander to the narrow greed which leads to death.**  
**Forgive us, O Lord, we pray.**  
**Do not abandon us though we are inconsistent,**  
**and by the power of Your persistent love sweep us into the**  
**delight of obedient discipleship, through Christ our Lord we pray.**