

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, You call all who dwell on earth to follow You, singing songs of praise. We confess, however, that Your song is often silenced within us. We allow fear and self-doubt to mute our voices. We are unwilling to sing new melodies—or to embrace sisters and brothers whose songs are different from our own. We sing as we live—as if pleasing ourselves were more important than pleasing You. Forgive us. Cleanse our hearts of all that stifles Your voice within us. Join our songs with Your whole church so that in all we sing, speak, or do, we may act to Your glory, not our own.

Congregational Response No. 576 Lord, Have Mercy *Singapura*
(Silence for personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Response to Grace No. 582** *Glory to God*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Psalter – Psalm 98
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message
(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 and Children’s Bulletin from the Ushers.)

Glory to God Through the Gifts of Hymnody, Psalms, and Scripture
The people have sung songs from the beginning of time.

We sing in times of celebration and ceremony. 2 Samuel 6:1-5
No. 305 Come Sing O Church in Joy! *Darwall’s 148th*

We sing because our God is so great and so good! Psalm 46:1-3
No. 11 Source, Sovereign, Rock and Cloud *Aberystwyth*

We sing because it is part of life in Christ. Colossians 3:16-17
No. 314 Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness *Christ Be Our Light*

We sing in gratitude for singing is a gift of the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:18b-20
No. 627 I Love You, Lord *I Love You, Lord*

We sing in times of uncertainty and distress. John 14:1-6, 18-19, 27
No. 840 It Is Well With My Soul *Ville Du Harve*

We sing with joy and thanksgiving. Exodus 15:20-21
No. 637 O Sing to the Lord! *Canti Ao Senhor*

We sing for unity and justice. Zechariah 7:8-9
No. 765 Song of Hope *Argentina*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith A Brief Statement of Faith
(Sections 1, 5 and 6, found on page 37 in front of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

Response No. 469 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying *Children Praying*

THE FLOWERS FOR TODAY’S SERVICE
have been given to the glory of God
by Linda Brown in celebration
and honor of all loving mothers.

Assisting In Worship Today
Richard Hart.....Minister
Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Minister
John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music
Leonidas “Andy” Lagrimas.....Guest Pianist
Bryan Wright.....Lay Readers
Annalee Bickers, Judy Bickers
Mark Ferguson, Ray Josey, Eric Micklon
Kelly Wicks.....Usher Team
Zane Dees, Charlie Oliver
Brooke Webb.....Greeters
Eddie Webb, JT Webb, Leta Cone
David Preyna.....Acolyte

TRINITY ELDERS

Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Jeff Bickers	Bill Bickers	Charlie Oliver
Frank Kilgard	Nita Cross	Bernie Preyna
Marcie Swank	Brian Preyna	Beth Reid
Brooke Webb	Debbie Radabaugh	Kelly Wicks
Bryan Wright	Ruth Stonestreet	Grant Wright

OUR TRINITY STAFF
Dr. Richard Hart.....Pastor
Rev. Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Pastor
Mrs. Renae Preyna.....Director of Christian Education
Mr. John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music
Mr. Paul Guilbeau.....Director of Chancel Handbells
Mr. Bryan Wright.....Administrative Assistant
Miss Kendra Beasley, Miss Makinsey Rosser.....Choir Interns
Mr. Zackary Serrott

Annual Church Picnic on the Grounds
May 16, we will hold our Annual Church Picnic on the Grounds. Supper will be served at the usual time of 6:15 p.m. and will include hotdogs and hamburgers on the grill.
Pastor Hart is organizing a crew to assist with the meal. We need folks to help with cooking on the grill, set-up, food prep, and clean-up. We will begin around 4:00 p.m. Wednesday with set-up. Please let Pastor Hart know if you are able and willing to help.

Support Break Bread Together
The annual *Taste of Valdosta* event will be held on Thursday evening, **May 17, 2018**, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Rainwater Conference Center. It is sponsored by the Quota Club, which in turn has given a grant to *Break Bread Together*, the meals on wheels program for seniors in our community run by First Presbyterian Church. Support of *Taste of Valdosta* means support for *Break Bread*. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and we have them at Trinity. Please contact Pastor Hart if you would like to attend.

Law Enforcement Vigil, **May 17** at 8:00 p.m. on the Lowndes County Courthouse lawn. Please come and support your local Law Enforcement by remembering all officers who have died nationwide this year.

Noisy Offering
The children will be collecting the “Noisy Offering” during the Children’s Message next Sunday, **May 20**. **Note: This is one week later than usual.** Please remember to bring your spare change to help with our Food Pantry ministry.

Sine Nomine Singers Concert
You are cordially invited to the Spring Concert of the Sine Nomine Singers. This is Dr. David L. Johnson’s final concert as the director of the Singers as he and Susan are moving to north Georgia this summer to be closer to family. Come hear beautiful music and support Trinity members of SNS: John Alan Gourdine, Paul Guilbeau and Anghaarad Teague Dees. Sunday, **May 20**, 4:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, downtown Valdosta.

Dutch Lunch Bunch Meets One Week Later
Please note well, that our Dutch Lunch Bunch will meet on **Tuesday, May 22, 2018**, at noon for a pot luck lunch. **This is one week later than our usual meeting time.** Participants are asked to bring food to share for the luncheon.

Chicken Dinner to Go!
The youth and children are selling tickets for a Chicken Dinner that will be ready to be picked up on **May 21st** from 5:00pm-6:30pm. The cost is \$20 and serves a family of four. The menu is a Smoked Whole Chicken, Green Beans and Mac & Cheese. The proceeds will go to support the mission endeavors of our youth and children. Please purchase your tickets from one of the youth or church office by **May 16th!**

Women’s Summer Bible Study
Ladies of Trinity, a summer Bible Study is in the works just for you! Judy Bickers has agreed to teach a class that will meet seven times in the evenings this summer using Jen Hatmaker’s book, Seven: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess. Addressing seven areas of excess in a typical American family’s life the study helps make simpler choices that fight back against the modern-day disease of greed, materialism and overindulgence. The book and workbook are available at Amazon as well as on her website, www.jenhatmaker.com. The first meeting will be Wednesday, **June 6th** at 6:00pm in the Emmaus Room.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Dedication of the Hymnals

Music is an integral part of the work of the people of God. God's people have always sung. When the Israelites crossed the Red Sea, Moses and Miriam sang. When Samuel was born, Hannah sang. When the exiles were in Babylon, they wondered if their song was lost—it wasn't, and they sang. When Gabriel brought good news of great joy to Mary, she sang. The early church sang hymns, psalms, and spiritual songs, and we have been singing ever since. God's gift of music is not just to those with melodious voices, but to those whose hearts are tuned to praise of God. Our song requires all of our voices. Thus, as we dedicate this new hymnal, we also recommit ourselves to the singing work of the people of God.

To the Choir: Do you promise to use your gift of song, of harmony, of weaving together instruments and voices as an offering to God of praise and thanksgiving?

We do, by the grace of God.

To other Musicians: (Accompanists, Chancel Ringers, Etc.) Do you promise to use your musical gifts to share the message of the gospel, to combine voice, instruments, and much joy?

We do, by the grace of God.

To the Congregation: Do you promise to add your voice to the hymns we sing? Will you sing with honesty and humility whether the song is old or new, comforting or challenging, triumphant or contemplative?

We will by the grace of God.

Prayer of Dedication

Eternal and loving God, We thank you for music and the gift of song through which we offer our praise and thanksgiving, our confessions and petitions, and our sorrows and laments. We give thanks to you for all those who have contributed to this hymnal: the authors, composers, arrangers, and translators who give us the words and music to express the thoughts and emotions that may otherwise have remained silent. We give thanks for the lives and the witness of those in whose honor and memory these hymnals have been given. We pray that these hymnals may be used in worship, education, outreach, evangelism, nurture, fellowship, and faithfulness. We consecrate them, and our lives, to your service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

***Doxology No. 609** *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

***Choral Dismissal** O Christ, Surround Me Richard B. Colligan

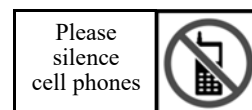
***Recessional Hymn No. 610** O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing *Azmon*

*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

Barbara Aiken
Alf Alford
Roberta Boyd
Sonja Guilbeau
Bryan Singer
Frank & Nellie Stoddard
Marcie Swank
Bob and Candy Wakefield
Barnes Walker

Relatives

Virginia Beckham, *mother of Libby Bickers*
Margie Brown, *aunt of Eddie Webb*
Jansom Butts, *daughter of Paulette Butts*
Barbara Chisham, *cousin of Marcie Swank*
Dennis Dibble, *uncle of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Chester Dubberley, *brother of Winnie Dooly*
Billy Garrett, *cousin of Anna-Marie Schaer*
Nancy Guilbeau, *mother of Paul Guilbeau*
Bill Hayes, *brother of Barbara Bradley*
Emily Hunt & Children, *daughter of Ray Josey*
Richard Ross, *son-in-law of Mark & Karen Ferguson*
Betty Jean Silver, *cousin of Deb Radabaugh*
Joann Thompson, *mother of Judy Bickers*
Denice Vickery, *daughter of Linda Brown*
Kay Ward, *mother of Jerri Radabaugh*

Friends (contact person)

Joe Boyles (Debbie Hart)
Darryl Brown (Charlie Oliver)
Frank Chandler (Mili Collins)
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)
Eric Clark (Grant Wright)
Pat Coley (Marcie Swank)
Niko Conley (Libby Bickers)
Jill Crace (Eddie Webb)
David Crenshaw (Jeff Bickers)
Riley Davis & family (Annalee Bickers)
Donna Delaney (Charlie Oliver)
Becky Flythe (Chris Roan)
Erin German (Karen Whelihan)

Helen Hastings (Mili Collins)
Buddy House (Chris & John Roan)
Brian Russell Johns (Bernie Preyna)
Cole Johnson (Eric Micklon)
Daryl Jones (Creation Divine)
Wendy Jowers (Catherine Loveday)
Riley Kendall (Leonard Mittelstadt)
Connie Kendrick (Marcie Swank)
Travis Leggette (Eddie Webb)
Holly Lustfeldt (Libby Bickers)
Diana Gardner McConnel (Jan Hobson)
Wanda Morgan (Ray Josey)
Darius Nelson Family (Leonard Mittelstadt)
Patricia Parrish (Paulette Butts)
Sarah Penn (Andrea Micklon)
George Poirier (Debbie Antonoff)
Ward Porch (Anghaarad Dees)
Fred Quinn (Chris Roan)
Mim Rice (Emma Micklon)
Deborah Richardson (Bernie Preyna)
Marcia Robbins (Chris Roan)
Leo Santos (Jan Hobson)
Ferrell & Penny Sellers (Judy Bickers)
Desiree Shields (Jansom Butts)
Jaе Paul Smith (Beth Reid)
Jean Snyder (Linda Brown)
Kim Stokes (Winnie Dooly)
Beth Suber (Libby Bickers)
Dean Winters (Kathy Roe)
Anita Woods (Jeff Bickers)

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

David and Susan Johnson
Sean and Melissa Johnson
Brody and Josie

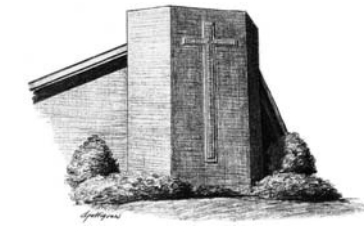
Our Military Personnel
Missionaries
Victims of, and all those affected by,
recent school shootings - Parkland,
Florida and others.



In Memoriam
Beverly Speck Peters
April 13, 1937- May 6, 2018

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Mission Statement

*As Believers, we will worship God by . . .
Praising, praying, responding to His Holy Word.*

*As Disciples, we will follow God by . . .
Studying, learning, living His Holy Word.*

*As Stewards, we will honor God by . . .
Caring, serving, sharing His Holy Word.*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday of Eastertide

13 May 2018

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:

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ~ Acts 16:25

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

The Lighting of the Candles

Choral Introit Come All You People Arr. John L. Bell

***Processional Hymn No. 267** Come, Christians, Join to Sing *Madrid*

*Call to Worship

We thank You, Creator for gifts of music and song
For through music we offer praise and thanksgiving, confession and lament, prayer and petitions.
When we gather to worship
Enable us to sing in one voice as Your gathered people
By Your grace, may words and melodies shape our faith for years to come.
Let us sing, songs old and new to our Lord! Alleluia!

Call to Confession Softly and Tenderly *Softly and Tenderly*
John-Alan Gourdine - Tenor