

SUN	Communion	Ushers	Greeters	Counting Team	Lay Reader	Acolyte	Breakfast Team
5	Prep: Beth Reid Marilyn Reid Frank Kilgard Don Thieme Ruth Stonestreet Cathy Hoover Bryan Wright Patsi Peacock	Pat Collins Noelle Collins Charlie Oliver Jeremy Ware Kelly Wicks	Elder Nita Cross Mike Cross & Miranda Grant & Janet Wright	Bill Bickers Frank Kilgard Bryan Wright	Bryan Wright	David Preyna	Kelly Wicks Debbie Hart
12		Mike Cross Tyler Cross Ebb Dudley Ray Josey Doug Maxwell	Elder Lyle McGhin John & Chris Roan Debbie Hart	Kim Dudley Brian Preyna Debbie Radabaugh	Herb Reinhard III	Annalee Bickers	Lyle McGhin Mike Cross Nita Cross
19		Guy Oliver Bill Bickers Roberta Boyd John Roan Ann Smith	Elder Brian Preyna Renae Preyna Bernie Preyna	Nita Cross Ruth Stonestreet Brooke Webb	Lee Bradley	Christal Dudley	Judy Bickers Andrea Micklon Mark Micklon
26		Bill Wicks Leta Cone Nita Cross Benjamin Dudley David Roe	Elder Deb Radabaugh Bob Radabaugh Glennie Wicks	Jeff Bickers Cathy Hoover Don Thieme	Grant Wright	Connor Bickers	Jean Snyder Sunday School Class



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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.*

Annual Congregational Meeting Set

The Session has called the Annual Congregational and Corporation Meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church this **Sunday, February 26, 2017** at 12:00 o'clock noon, immediately following worship that day. Annual Reports will be shared, the 2017 Budget will be presented to the congregation as information, and the congregation will review and act on any changes to the Terms of Call of the Pastors.

The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall and will include lunch together. Participants are asked to bring a side dish to share – salad, vegetable, dessert – enough for your family plus a little extra. The Care and Share Committee will be coordinating the meal. Meat (Fried and Baked Chicken), Bread and Drinks will be provided.

Session Committee Night

The Committees of the Session will meet this coming Sunday evening, **February 26** at 6:00 p.m. If you are not on a Session Committee, please come sit in on a committee meeting to check it out and find your niche in ministry! (Elders will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary to prepare the agenda for committees.)

Daily Morning Worship for 40 Days

In Pastor Hart's absence, as he continues his sabbatical, Elder Bryan Wright will offer a Lenten Observance Discipline every morning for 40 days during Lent. He is leading a 20 minute devotional at 7:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary for any who wish to participate. The forty days of Lent are Monday through Saturday from **Ash Wednesday, March 1**, through the **Saturday before Easter, April 15**. Sundays are not included in Lent. The devotion includes meditative music, reading from the Presbyterians Today 2017 Lenten Devotional, *Meeting Jesus*, and quiet reflection on a theme for the day. Participants may be on their way by 7:20a.m. each morning.

How will you deepen your Lenten Journey? Look in the Newsletter each week for ideas of spiritual practices, fasting and service.

Ash Wednesday

March 1st we will gather after WNS for a service of worship to honor the beginning of Lent. Historically, Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, a service of public confession, contrition and the placement of ashes on the forehead. An excerpt from the Companion to the Book of Common Worship:

The Lenten journey from the ashes of death to resurrected life begins on the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday, which signifies a time to turn around, to change directions, to repent. This first day of Lent reminds us that unless we are willing to die to our old selves, we cannot be raised to new life with Christ. The first step of this journey calls us to acknowledge and confront our mortality, individually and corporately. In many traditions, this is symbolized through the imposition of ashes — placing a cross on one's forehead. During the imposition of ashes the words: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19) are repeated again and again. We are to remember that we are but temporary creatures, always on the edge of death. On Ash Wednesday, we begin our Lenten trek through the desert toward Easter.

Ashes on the forehead is a sign of our humanity and a reminder of our mortality. Lent is not a matter of being good, and wearing ashes is not to show off one's faith. Trusting in the "accomplished fact" of Christ's resurrection, however, we listen for the Word of God in the time-honored stories of the church's Lenten journey. We follow Jesus into the wilderness, resist temptation, fast, and proceed "on the way" to Jerusalem and the cross. Our Lenten journey is one of metanoia ("turning around"), of changing directions from self-serving toward the self-giving way of the cross.

A Faculty Piano Duet Recital featuring Drs. Stephanie and Edward Neeman will be held in Whitehead Auditorium, located in the Fine Arts Building on Valdosta State University, **February 27, at 7:30 p.m.** This is a free performance. Come out to enjoy some great music and support our own pianist.



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

Nancy Barrett
Margaret Bruch
Marvin Bruch
Jansom Butts
Virginia Conner
Marie Hill
Dorothy Parker
Janet Wright

Harry Haverkamp (Candy Wakefield)
Junior Herndon (Nellie Stoddard)
Marcia Hobbs (Nita Cross)
Eunice Jenkins (Winnie Dooly)
Chris Lang (Mary Beckett)
Carol Levere (Bernie Preyna)
Shirley Miller (Mili Collins)
Jeff Newbern (Glennie Wicks)
Haley Grace Peeples (Christal Dudley)
Madelyn Pitts (Brian Preyna)
Sean Richardson (Mary Beckett)
Andrea Scruggs (Leonard Mittelstadt)
Nathan Shaffer (Jerri-Kay Radabaugh)
Andrea Shover (Brooke Webb)
Janie Spooner (Jerri-Kay Radabaugh)
Sharon Stalvey (Jeff Bickers)
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)
Mildred Thompson (Judy Bickers)
Maggie Tuten (Kathy Roe)
Nancy Vernon (Chris Roan)
Nick Whilse (Kathy Roe)
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Woods (Linda Brown)
Lettrice Zellars-Little (Andrea Micklon)

Relatives

Eric Aiken, *grandson of Barbara Aiken*
Reed Armond, *brother of David Armond*
Bert Chancy, *son-in-law of Leta Cone*
Ben Chunn, *grandfather of Brooke Webb*
Scott Ferguson, *brother-in-law of Kathy Roe*
John Luketic, *cousin of Sherry Stranahan*
Delores Oorlog, *mother of Linda Reinhard*
Herb Reinhard II, *father of Herb Reinhard III*
Jenny Roe, *niece of Kathy Roe*
Donald Schrecengost, *uncle of Sherry Stranahan*
Franna Taylor, *mother of Sonja Guilbeau*

Friends (contact person)

Connie Benson (Jim & Marie Hill)
Mary Marna Brady (Beverly Peters)
Katie Chappuis (Sonja Guilbeau)
Sharon Coleman (Mili Collins)
Jackie Coxwell (Cindy Gallahan)
Betty Davis (Marcie Swank)
Jolie Denmark (Nellie & Frank Stoddard)
June Denney (Richard Hart)
Charles DeVane (Mary Beckett)
Chet Dreschel (Anghaarad Teague Dees)
Stephanie & Greg Eaves (Jan Hobson)
Lynn Ferguson (Kathy Roe)
Courtney Fleming (Brooke Webb)
Linda Fortenberry (Leta Cone)
John Gentry (Catherine Loveday)
Ami Guilliams (Libby Bickers)

Pray for our Confirmation Class as they prepare to take on the role of member and claim the promises of baptism for themselves: Connor Bickers, David Preyna, Andrew Preyna, Faith Cockren, and Will Cockren. Thank you to Bill Wicks who is teaching these young people each week.

Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 26 February 2017
Transfiguration of the Lord
Old Testament: Exodus 24:12-18
Psalter: Psalm 2 or Psalm 99
New Testament: 2 Peter 1:16-21
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week
Roberta Boyd
Lee and Barbara Bradley
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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries  
Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan,  
Refugees fleeing oppression and countries that are offering those refugees shelter and aid. Victims of terrorism within our borders, and around the world.

Please pray for victims of recent tornadoes, and strong thunderstorms in our immediate area.

**We Extend Our Christian Sympathy . . .**  
to  
the family and friends of  
J. L. Grant  
who died recently,  
*requested by Andrea Micklon.*

**Our Wednesday Schedule:**  
For Wednesday, **March 1, 2017**  
5:30 p.m. – KOW for Children or Music with Makinsey Rosser  
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  
Bible Study  
SMASH for Youth  
Supper will be provided by Mark Micklon’s cooking team. The menu will include meat loaf. Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches will be available for children.  
**The charge for the meal will be as follows:**  
**\$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for students (pre-k through high school), with a \$12.00 Maximum per family.**  
**Carry-outs – meal cost above plus 25¢ per carry-out tray.**



**SMASH Report**

Our home made cookies were delivered to the Lowndes County Fire Station in gratitude for the work that these men and women do to protect our community but also the great work they did responding to the fires next door to our property a couple of weeks ago. March 1st is the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday service and the youth will participate in the service. During Lent the youth will spend time each week in the Spirituality Centers that will be set up in the Sanctuary. Please plan to deepen your Lenten journey by attending Wednesday Night Supper and SMASH this year.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**  
Thursday Morning Bible Study will meet at 11:00 a.m. on **March 2, 2017**. We are studying a book titled, *Waking up white*, written by Debby Irving. The meeting will last one hour, and coffee will be served. All are welcome to attend.

**Dutch Lunch Bunch Serving Lunch at The Center @ VSU**  
The Dutch Lunch Bunch will be preparing and serving the monthly lunch for The Center at VSU on **February 28**. Those preparing desserts are asked to bring them to Trinity **before 10:00 a.m.** on Tuesday.

The 2017 Scotland and Presbyterian Heritage Customized Tour for 2017 is being re-introduced with new travel dates! **September 4-September 13, 2017**.  
All-inclusive rate is \$3,870 per person, and includes air and ground transportation, lodging, and gratuities to the tour director and motor coach driver! Air will be round-trip Atlanta to Glasgow and returning Edinburgh to Atlanta. Please note that if a lower airfare rate is available or if someone plans to travel using mileage, air can be booked outside the group reservation.  
**Deposit is \$250 per person due March 15, 2017, and should be sent "ATTN: Jane Shelton" at:**  
South Georgia Travel  
1300 Baytree Road  
Valdosta, GA 31602  
**Final payment is June 1, 2017.**  
We need 20 passengers to have this group happen, since it is a customized tour for Flint River Presbytery; and based on comments, I believe we can reach that number fairly quickly! If we go over 24 passengers, the rate will drop by \$150 per person!!  
For more information contact Jane Shelton at (229) 244-2324 or 800-248-2324

**Save the Date – Washington DC Adult Mission Trip**  
Plans are underway for a return trip to our nation's capitol next fall. The trip will be for adults at Trinity interested in working in various service agencies in Washington. We will be staying at Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, just a three block walk from the US Capitol. This trip is being jointly held with Memorial Presbyterian Church, St Augustine, Florida, where Jim and Julie Reffel are members. They are helping to organize their end of the trip and will be attending. This Mission Trip will cost \$400 per person plus airfare. Save the dates, **October 15-21, 2017.**