

**Deepen your Lenten Journey in one or more of the following ways this week:**

**Through Prayer:** Listen to Andra Day's song, "Rise Up." As you listen to it pray for healing and renewal. Read this portion of the lyrics as you pray this week: All we need, all we need is hope and for that we have each other..."

**Through Fasting:** Give up meat this week...Historical Christians have refrained from meat during the season of Lent. Giving up meat is a way to connect to the historical, worldwide church and you might become more mindful about the food you eat.

**Through Service:** Set aside a dollar for each day this week and give them away freely. You may choose to give all seven to one person or you might dole them out one at a time.

**Through Prayer:** Pray the beatitudes this week. Open up to Matthew 5:3-10 and use these words from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount to guide your prayer each day.

**Through Fasting:** Take a fast from negativity this week...avoid thinking or saying anything negative and look at how you might shape your thoughts around positivity and gratitude.

**Through Service:** Complete one of the Random Acts of Kindness from the bulletin board prepared by the KOW kids. Be sure to put your name on the slip of paper and place in the corresponding pocket to show you've completed a task.

### Prayer Centers in Worship

As we enter the sixth week of Lent remember the Prayer Centers keep changing each week to engage you on your Lenten Journey. If you have not visited a center during worship or during the week please make plans to in the days ahead, you might discover that the activities help focus your attention on God. The prayer centers are available to anyone during the week from 7:00am - 3:00pm...please come in for some quiet reflection in the middle of the Lenten season.



**We are 'uplifted.' Jesus raised Lazarus and lifts us as well.**



**The prayer wall is filling up with petitions.**

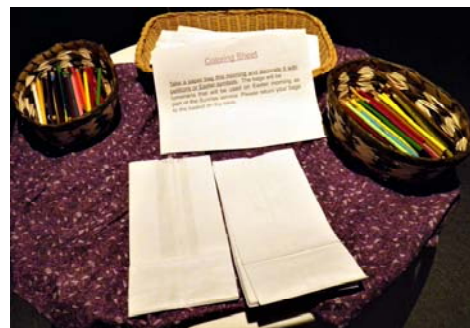
**We still need lots of crosses decorated this week.**



**The band aids represent our hurts that we bring to the cross.**



**The burlap and broken pottery remind us of our brokenness.**



**The luminaria will be used as part of the Easter Sunrise Service.**



# Trinity News



**5 April 2017**

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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.*

**Noisy Offering**

The children will be collecting the "Noisy Offering" during the Children's Message this Sunday, **April 9**. Please remember to bring your spare change to help with our Food Pantry ministry.

**Fellowship Potluck Luncheon - 9 April 2017**

Please mark your calendars and break out your cookbooks. We will be celebrating the return of our sojourning pastor, Richard Hart. The Pot Luck will be held immediately following our worship service on **April 9, 2017**.

We are asking everyone who plans to attend to bring a dish to share, enough for your family and a little extra: Meat, side, salad or dessert. The Care and Share committee will furnish the drinks.

Let's welcome Pastor Hart home with our Trinity hospitality.

**Stated Session Meeting**

The Stated Session meeting is scheduled for this **Sunday, April 9**, at 4:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Dees, Pastor Hart, or Bryan Wright if you cannot attend.

**Maundy Thursday Communion Service**

Please make plans to attend the service on **Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. We will share Communion as a reminder of Jesus' last meal with the disciples before his crucifixion and resurrection. The service will end with a reminder of the crucifixion to come the next day.

**HOLY WEEK**

The final seven days leading to Easter begins with Palm Sunday on April 9th. As part of our Sunday Morning Worship, the children and choir will process into worship with palms and singing.

We will have our regular Wednesday Night Supper and activities on April 12th.

**Maundy Thursday** - we will have worship and Communion at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Good Friday** - we will have a special service of remembrance and prayer at 12 noon in the Sanctuary (it will last for 15 minutes, plenty of time to take out of a lunch break).

**Holy Saturday** - will be the Easter Party for the Children from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Christian Education wing.

**Easter Sunday**, April 16th will begin with the Sunrise Service at 6:55 a.m. followed by the Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Our Easter Worship Service with Communion will be at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. There is no Sunday School on Easter Sunday.

Remember the morning Lenten Devotionals continue through Saturday, April 15 and the Prayer Centers will include some additions specific to Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

**Easter Sunrise Service and Potluck Breakfast**

You don't want to miss the Youth leading our Sunrise service by the outdoor cross. We will begin at 6:55 a.m. and immediately following the service we will go to the Potluck breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share as well as flowers to help fill our cross.

**Communion Sunday**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated **Easter Sunday, April 16, at 11:00 a.m.** Food offerings will be received and dedicated for the Trinity Food Pantry Ministry during worship. We ask for specific items which are not typically available at the Second Harvest Food Bank. The following food items are especially needed:  
~Jelly ~Soup

Please place your food donations in the baskets at the sanctuary door as you enter for worship.



**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**

Margaret Bruch  
Marvin Bruch  
Jansom Butts  
Marie Hill  
Chris Roan  
**Ann Smith**  
Nellie Stoddard  
Heather Wakefield

Ami Guilliams (Libby Bickers)  
Lacy Hall (Beverly Peters)  
Marcia Hobbs (Nita Cross)  
Marsha Hughes (Patsi Peacock)  
Eunice Jenkins (Winnie Dooly)  
**Jack Justice** (Jackie Wright)  
Chris Lang (Mary Beckett)  
Carol Levere (Bernie Preyna)  
Jeff Newbern (Glennie Wicks)  
Madelyn Pitts (Brian Preyna)  
Carolyn Poe (Jackie Wright)  
Sean Richardson (Mary Beckett)  
Andrea Scruggs (Leonard Mittelstadt)  
Nathan Shaffer (Jerri-Kay Radabaugh)  
Andrea Shover (Brooke Webb)  
Harry & Sandi Skoropat (Jane Gore)  
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)  
Robby Walker (David Armond)  
Lettrice Zellars-Little (Andrea Micklon)

**Relatives**

**Antonito**, *cousin of Reme Mattice*  
Reed Armond, *brother of David Armond*  
Bert Chancy, *son-in-law of Leta Cone*  
Ben Chunn, *grandfather of Brooke Webb*  
Juanita Devine, *sister of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*  
Scott Ferguson, *brother-in-law of Kathy Roe*  
John Luketic, *cousin of Sherry Stranahan*  
Bobby Miller, *nephew of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*  
Kathy Nichols, *aunt of Melissa Johnson*  
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*  
**David Shaw**, *brother of Marilyn Reid*  
Franna Taylor, *mother of Sonja Guilbeau*  
Laurie Teague, *mother of Anghaarad Teague Dees*

**Friends (contact person)**

**Ronnie Alligood** (Jackie Wright)  
**Les Bass** (Zane Dees)  
Elizabeth Boyd (Charlie Oliver)  
**Michelle Bradley** (Marcie Swank)  
Katie Chappuis (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Abraham Cotton (Mili Collins)  
Jackie Coxwell (Cindy Gallahan)  
Debbie Cribbs (Mary Beckett)  
Allie Daugherty (Eric Micklon)  
Jolie Denmark (Nellie & Frank Stoddard)  
Charles DeVane (Mary Beckett)  
Chet Dreschel (Anghaarad Teague Dees)  
Lynn Ferguson (Kathy Roe)  
Linda Fortenberry (Leta Cone)  
Irene Gallagher (Jane Gore)

**Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 9 April 2017 Palm Sunday**

**Old Testament:** Isaiah 50:4-9a  
**Psalter:** Psalm 31:9-16  
**New Testament:** Philippians 2:5-11  
**Gospel:** Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

**Long Term Prayer List**

**Members**

Mae Baker  
Dorothy Parker  
Barbara Sanders

**Relatives**

Mary Brady, *mother of Kathy Roe*  
Sue Braswell, *aunt of Judy Bickers*  
James Dees, *father of Zane Dees*  
Ruth Doss, *mother of Sherry Stranahan*  
Greg Fox, *brother of Debbie Hart*  
James & Johnnie Kinchen, *parents of Jackie Wright*  
Edna McElroy, *sister-in law of Martha Bennett*  
J. W. Oorlog, *father of Linda Reinhard*  
Kim Roe, *mother of John Roe*  
John & Gwen Seanor, *grandparents of Paul Guilbeau*  
Rachael Speck, *niece of Beverly Peters*  
Tom Speck, *brother of Beverly Peters*  
Mary Ellen Tyre, *aunt of Nita Cross*  
Richard Zulauf, *brother of Cathy Hoover*

**Friends**

Rachele Davis (Charlie Oliver)  
Bobby Dugger (Richard Hart)  
Ann Embry (Margie Vollenweider)  
Mary Marshall (Margaret Bruch)

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

to the family and friends of, Peggie Wilkes, who died recently, requested by Jane Gore.

**Our Wednesday Schedule:**

For Wednesday, **April 12, 2017**  
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 Lyle McGhin's cooking team. The menu will include baked spaghetti. 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.**

The youth and children are in need of the following items by April 12: 5 gallon paint buckets, drum sticks, and large plastic jars with lids. We will return the buckets and drum sticks once we have finished using them. Let Anghaarad or Andrea know if you have these items. Thank you



**Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan to visit Trinity**

Mark Your Calendars and plan to welcome Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan. They will be here the evening of April 23. They will give an informative presentation at 7 p.m., followed by a reception. All are invited to attend and meet the Morgans.

**Support LACC this Saturday, April 8th**

LACC is hosting a Community Yard Sale at Southern Self Storage (3200 Perimeter Road) from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be lots of treasures to purchase and a portion of the proceeds will benefit LACC or you can make a direct donation to LACC. Lowndes Area Crisis Care (LACC) provides emergency financial assistance to those in need.

**SMASH Report**

I hope that everyone had a safe, relaxing and fun Spring Break. We will rehearse Youth Sunday this Wednesday and make assignments for Easter Sunrise Service. Youth Sunday is April 23rd and everyone needs to be here! The rehearsals will be: April 12, April 19 and April 22 (if needed). We will rehearse for the Easter Sunrise Service after the Easter Party on April 15th at noon...SMASH youth will also be needed to help hide eggs for the Easter Party which begins at 10:00am. The Easter Sunrise Service is at 6:55am and youth will need to be here by 6:30am to help get everything set up. If you have not registered for Dogwood Acres yet please do so ASAP...the deadline to register is April 15th!!!!

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**

Thursday Morning Bible Study will meet at 11:00 a.m. on **April 13, 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**

The Dutch Lunch Bunch will gather at 12 noon on **Tuesday, April 18, 2017**. Participants are asked to bring a dish to share. Reservations are requested. Please sign up at Trinity or call the Church Office to put your name on the list.

**Presbytery Workshop Opportunities.**

Our presbytery will host a series of workshops on Church Vitality and Christian Education April 20-22 in three locations. The deadline to register is April 10th and the cost is minimal (if you plan to attend both the cost is \$40 and to attend one it is \$30). The dates of the workshops and locations are:

**Thursday, April 20**  
Church Vitality, 9 a.m-4 p.m. in Macon  
Christian Ed. 1-4:30 p.m. in Albany

**Friday, April 21**  
Church Vitality, 9 a.m.-4 p.m, Columbus  
Christian Ed., 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Macon

**Saturday, April 22**  
Church Vitality, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Albany  
Christian Ed, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Columbus.

Pastor Dees will be attending the Church Vitality Workshop in Columbus on April 21st if anyone is interested in attending with her. Please let Pastor Dees know ASAP if you would like to attend a workshop.



**Easter Celebration**

Trinity will once again host a morning of Easter activities for children the day before Easter on **April 15, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** We will have several interactive stations available, including live bunnies, dying eggs, making Easter crowns, and jelly bean taste-testing. And, of course, we will have egg hunts. To ensure that this is a success, we need your help! Please donate candy for the kids. The treats will be distributed inside so we can definitely include chocolate and homemade items! A sign-up sheet will be on the office window to prevent having an overabundance of one kind of candy. Please invite family and friends to this casual, fun event.

\*Suggested treats (all individually wrapped): snack/mini candy bars, jellybeans, Starbursts, Brach's marshmallow candy eggs, Lifesavers Gummies, etc.



**Members Remembered in Prayer This Week**

Dottie Davis  
Zane and Anghaarad Dees  
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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.