



Work on The Trinity Prayer Garden continues!

Japanese Red Maples have been planted inside the Garden. Sod and landscaping have been completed outside. The setting of the fountain, lighting, some minor carpentry, and additional plantings are pending. Our thanks for everyone's patience with the storage of the fountain in the hall. It will be out of the way very soon! Your Columbarium Committee is to be commended for their hard work and diligence in overseeing this significant project.

August 2017 - Schedule of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30a.m. Breakfast & Sunday School 10:15 Choir Practice 11:00a.m. Worship	10a.m. - 12p.m. Food Pantry 7p.m. Boy Scouts	6p.m. Cub Scouts	NO WNS	11:00a.m. Bible Study 6 - 7p.m. Food Pantry		
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		1	2	3	4	5
		6p.m. Bible Journaling	6:30p.m. Rock and Slime			Ginnie Springs
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Communion Food Offering Backpack Blessing		6p.m. Bible Journaling	6:00p.m. Cooking Team Leader's Meal & Planning			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Pot Luck Breakfast Rally Day Noisy Offering 4:30p.m. Session		Noon Dutch Lunch Bunch	NO WNS			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		11a.m. DLB serves lunch @ The Center	5:30p.m. KOW 5:45p.m. Handbells 6:15p.m. Fellowship Supper 7p.m. Adult Bible Study 7p.m. Chancel Choir 7p.m. SMASH			
27	28	29	↓	30	31	
6p.m. Committee Night						



Trinity News



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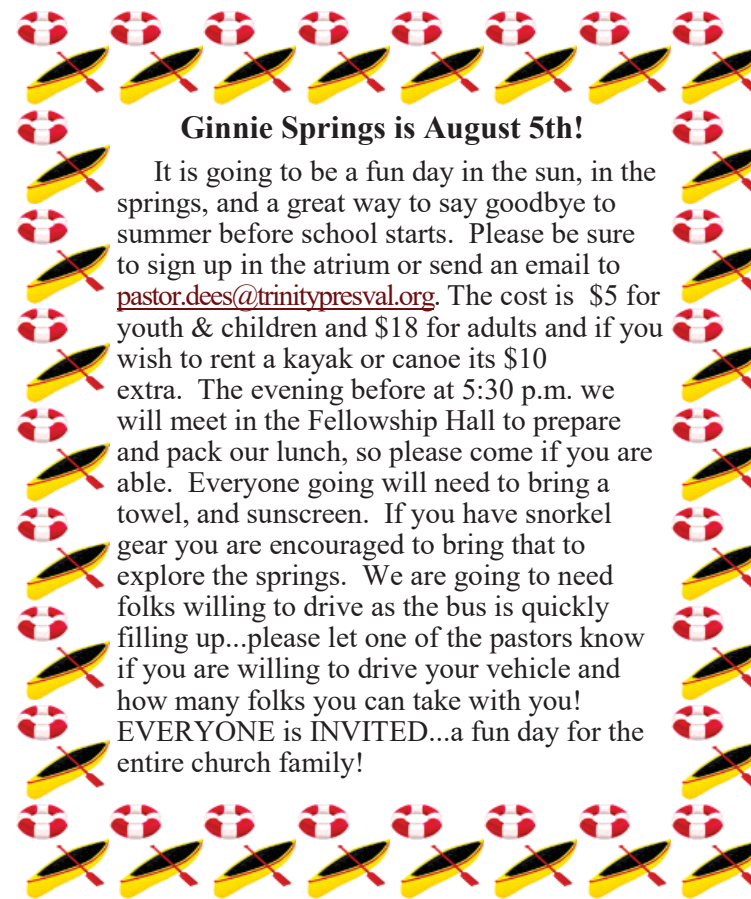
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Mission Statement

*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.*



Ginnie Springs is August 5th!

It is going to be a fun day in the sun, in the springs, and a great way to say goodbye to summer before school starts. Please be sure to sign up in the atrium or send an email to pastor.dees@trinitypresval.org. The cost is \$5 for youth & children and \$18 for adults and if you wish to rent a kayak or canoe its \$10 extra. The evening before at 5:30 p.m. we will meet in the Fellowship Hall to prepare and pack our lunch, so please come if you are able. Everyone going will need to bring a towel, and sunscreen. If you have snorkel gear you are encouraged to bring that to explore the springs. We are going to need folks willing to drive as the bus is quickly filling up...please let one of the pastors know if you are willing to drive your vehicle and how many folks you can take with you! EVERYONE is INVITED...a fun day for the entire church family!

Blessing of the Backpacks



August 6th, during worship, students and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to be blessed. Each bag will be given a luggage tag to show that it is a blessed backpack. We will also be collecting new backpacks for local children who do not have one...please bring your backpack donation with you to worship and they will be blessed as well. You can fill the backpack with school supplies or just bring a new backpack.

Thursday Morning Bible Study to Resume

Mark your calendar for the start-up of our **Thursday Morning Bible Study** next week on **August 3, 2017**. We meet in the Fellowship Classroom at **11:00 a.m.** for one hour – coffee included! All are welcome.

We are beginning a study of Genesis using a superb study guide by Kerygma, a leading producer of quality Bible curriculum. (For those who remember, we used a Kerygma study guide on Handel's *Messiah* a number of years ago.) This study is entitled *Beginnings: A Study of the Call of God in Genesis*. As we explore the lives of the Patriarchs of Israel from our perspective as Christians, we will also be looking at both Jewish and Muslim traditions regarding this crucial Biblical material.

The first session on August 3 will be introductory and map out the course of our study. Those who wish to do so may begin reading Genesis on their own in preparation, but that is not necessary for participation. Study Guides will be handed out. Participants may purchase their own copy if they choose to do so – regardless, copies will be provided to all participants.

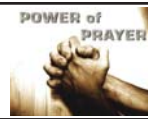
August is coming...

As the summer break winds down and the promise of a new school year approaches, we say goodbye to lazy days and hello to new teachers, school supplies and busier schedules. August is when we start back our school year routines so lots of fun and fellowship is on the horizon. Please mark your calendars for the many activities happening at Trinity next month:

- ⇒ August 6th Communion and Food Offering
- ⇒ August 6th Blessing of the Backpacks
- ⇒ August 13th Rally Day
- ⇒ August 13th 4:30 p.m. Stated Session Meeting
- ⇒ August 23rd Wednesday Night Supper Kick-Off
- ⇒ August 27th 6:00 p.m. Session Committee Night

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
Mae Baker
Margaret Bruch
Marvin Bruch
Jane Gore
Marie Hill
Nellie Stoddard
Don Vollenweider

Frank Davidson (Jeff Bickers)
Jolie Denmark (Nellie & Frank Stoddard)
Charles DeVane (Mary Beckett)
Larry Devane (Catherine Loveday)
Chet Dreschel (Anghaarad Teague Dees)

Cathy Fisher (Charlie Oliver)
Irene Gallagher (Jane Gore)
Rev. Virlon Griner (Richard Hart)

Tommy Hagy (Sonja Guilbeau)
Lacy Hall (Beverly Peters)
Erika Harding (Christal Dudley)
Marcia Hobbs (Nita Cross)
Shannon Hobbs (Mark Micklon)
Tim Huff (Sonja Guilbeau)
Eunice Jenkins (Winnie Dooly)
Jack Justice (Jackie Wright)
Aidan Legg (Judy Bickers)
Carol Levere (Bernie Preyna)
Amanda Leverett (Heather Wakefield)
Landon Lewis (Marcie Swank)
Sharon O'Rourke (Lisa Pearce)
Victoria Osteen (Libby Bickers)
Haley Grace Peeples (Christal Dudley)
Bud Perry (Eddie Webb)
Jamie & Sarah Phelps (Melissa Johnson)
Carolyn Poe (Jackie Wright)
Pam Poorman (Paul Guilbeau)
Diane Rodgers (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)
Judy Simpson (Richard Hart)
Harry & Sandi Skoropat (Jane Gore)
Randall Smith (John & Chris Roan)
Sharon Stalvey (Jeff Bickers)
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)
Yolanda Surry (Nita Cross)
Mildred Thompson (Judy Bickers)
Maggie Tuten (Kathy Roe)
Robby Walker (David Armond)
Kirsty Yearsley (Sherry Stranahan)

Relatives

Hoyt Blackstock, *uncle of Jan Hobson*
Bert Chancy, *son-in-law of Leta Cone*
Juanita Devine, *sister of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*
Dennis & Heather Dibble & Family, *cousins of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Johnnie Kinchen, *mother of Jackie Wright*
George Larimore, *brother of Janet Wright*
Bobby Miller, *nephew of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*
Kathy Nichols, *aunt of Melissa Johnson*
Robert Earl Pennington, *relative of Beverly Peters*
Steve Pierson, *brother-in-law of Guy Oliver*
Russell Popham, *uncle of Nita Cross*
Donald Schrecengost, *uncle of Sherry Stranahan*
Franna Taylor, *mother of Sonja Guilbeau*
Vicky Thomas, *niece of Jane Gore*

Friends (contact person)

Ronnie Alligood (Jackie Wright)
Les Bass (Zane Dees)
Kathy Boone (Chris Roan)
Elizabeth Boyd (Charlie Oliver)
Ed Bynum (Eddie Webb)
Rebecca Christopholi (Sherry Stranahan)
Tom Conner (Libby Bickers)
Debbie Cribbs (Mary Beckett)
Valarie Dannels (David Roe)

**Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 30 July 2017
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Old Testament: Genesis 29:15-28
Psalter: Psalm 105:1-11,45 or Psalm 128
New Testament: Romans 8:26-39
Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

**Prayers for Bangladesh
24 July 2017**

Gracious God, we give you thanks for healing Akhtar Hossain, a middle-aged Bangladeshi businessman and father who six months ago suffered multiple leg fractures when the overnight intercity bus he was riding veered off the road and turned over. Last week his bone-stabilizing pins were finally removed, completing his treatment, and he can walk freely again. Because liability laws in this country are either non-existent or unenforced, the bus company carrying Mr. Hossain accepted no responsibility for his injuries and bore none of his treatment costs. Lord, protect the millions of people who travel daily on the dangerous roads of Bangladesh and help the country provide protection and justice for its people, in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*Written by Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan
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Mission Co-Workers / Bangladesh*

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Les and Cindy Morgan
David and Nancy Morris

Our Military Personnel

Refugees fleeing oppression and countries that are offering those refugees shelter and aid. Victims of terrorism within our borders, and around the world.

**No Wednesday Night Activities
Summer Break**

Wednesday Night Supper Program has been suspended for the summer months. We will resume in mid-August.



Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp was a fun evening! We ate hot dogs, popcorn & all kinds of great ballpark food. Sat on the shaded side of the stadium and watched an exciting baseball game...the home team won! Andrew & Connor participated in one of the activities on the field, "Home-Run Derby." Connor won the prize by hitting his ball out of the park first. The night ended with an amazing firework display. Thanks to our drivers for getting us to and from safely and this is an event we will do again!

BIBLE JOURNALING IN COLOR

Bible Journaling in Color will meet on **August 1st** at 6:00 p.m. in the old Mid High classroom in the youth wing. Come discover your creative side through this meditative and communal devotion. No artistic ability needed and plenty of supplies are available for your use. It is a fun group that gathers. Come be a part!



Mark your Calendars for **August 2nd**, for *Rock N Slime Night*. Families are invited to join us here at the church at 6:30 p.m. to participate in the summer's two biggest crazes: slime making and rock painting as a way to celebrate the end of summer and the start of the school year!



Rally Day is August 13th and we will be meeting for a potluck breakfast in the Fellowship Hall during Sunday School. Bible Jeopardy is on the agenda so brush up on your Biblical trivia and plan to join the fun! We traditionally give our 3rd graders a Bible. If you have a 3rd grader in your family, please let Andrea Micklon know.

Stated Session Meeting

The Stated Session meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, August 13**, at 4:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Dees, Pastor Hart, or Bryan Wright if you cannot attend.

SMASH REPORT

Hey YOUTH! If you've not signed up for Ginnie Springs do so today and invite your FRIENDS...its gonna be an AWESOME day in the creation, you don't want to miss it! There have been lots of requests for a Wild Adventures day and I've not forgotten...an email will be circulating to find a "best" date when the most SMASH youth can go. Speaking of emails there is an email out to parents seeking input for the best date to have a SMASH family meeting in August to go over the year's calendar of events and give input for some fun activities.

