

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 tithes 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 your calendar now and plan to participate. More details will be available in future editions of *Trinity News*.

Trinity Sends "Missionaries" to Washington D.C.

Please consider helping defray expenses of Trinity participants on this Mission Trip with a donation payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church and marked clearly "DC Mission". Gifts are tax deductible and should be over-and-above one's pledge. Thank you kindly for your support.

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.

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.



Do You Want To Change The World?

Well, here's a small chance. Can you spare a bar of Ivory soap, a new toothbrush, a tube of toothpaste? Maybe a box of crayons or pack of colored pencils? All of these items can go in a shoebox. Let's start to plan for Operation Christmas Child in 2017. Deadline to donate items to help our KOW children fill boxes is November 8 and deadline to donate a filled box is November 12.

VSU Tailgating September 16

Trinity Backs the Blazers!! Tailgating for VSU football will be back this fall and our first game is September 16th. The kick-off for the game is 7:00 p.m. so we will begin tailgating in Drexel Park beginning at 4:30 p.m. Everyone who comes is asked to bring a food item to share and beverage of your choice... water bottles will be provided. Wear red to show your support for the Blazers and we have a few Trinity Backs the Blazer t-shirts still available for sale, see Pastor Anghaarad if you'd like one. Please join us for some fun, fellowship, football and food!!!



Trinity News



5 September 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.



September 10th is Back to Church Sunday when members are not only encouraged to get back in the swing of worshipping regularly in their home congregations but to invite a friend to worship that Sunday. Let's fill the chairs in our Sanctuary on September 10.

Communion Sunday

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated **September 10, 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:

~Rice ~Jelly

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

Noisy Offering



The children will be collecting the "Noisy Offering" during the Children's Message Sunday, **September 10.** Please remember to bring your spare change to help with our Food Pantry ministry.

Stated Session Meeting

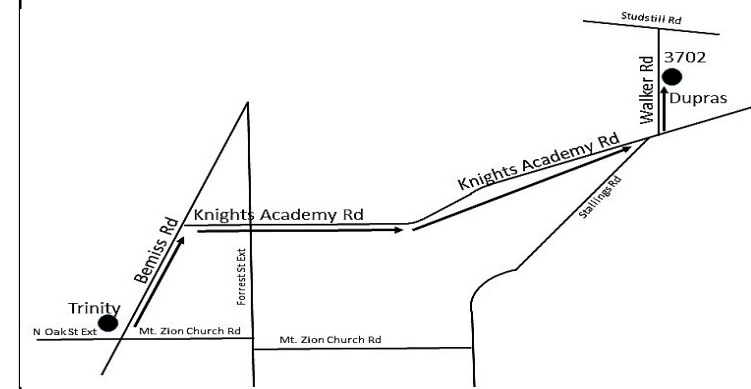
The Stated Session meeting is scheduled for this **Sunday, September 10,** at 4:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Dees, Pastor Hart, or Bryan Wright if you cannot attend.

Church Picnic at the Dupras'

Bring food to share and come have a great time at the home of Bill and Denise Dupras on **Saturday, September 9, 2017.** If possible please bring a couple of dishes, enough for your family plus a little extra. Drinks will be provided. For cold dishes, ice chests will be available to keep food cool prior to the meal (or you may bring your own ice chest.) For warm dishes, coolers will also be designated to keep food warm. If you wish, you may bring a Crock Pot to keep your food warm.

Plan to come around 2:00 p.m. Activities planned include a fishing derby in the farm pond, yard games, and hay rides on a trailer pulled by one of their antique tractors! The picnic will conclude at dusk around a campfire.

Please note: Participants are asked, if possible, to bring lawn chairs. Those who wish to fish are asked to bring their own fishing tackle and bait.



The Trinity Prayer Garden

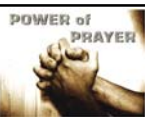
You are cordially invited to *The Dedication Service* for the

Trinity Prayer Garden with Columbaria
Sunday evening, September 24, 2017
7:00 p.m.

A reception will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall

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
Marie Hill
Jim Micklon
Nellie Stoddard
Don Vollenweider

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)
Deanna Morris (Brian Preyna)
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)
Mary Price (Kathy Roe)
Diane Rodgers (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)
Judy Simpson (Richard Hart)
Harry & Sandi Skoropat (Jane Gore)
Randall Smith (John & Chris Roan)
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)
Yolanda Surry (Nita Cross)
Robby Walker (David Armond)
Karen Whelihan (Anghaarad Dees)
Kirsty Yearsley (Sherry Stranahan)

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*

Long Term Prayer List

Members

Mae Baker
Margaret Bruch
Marvin Bruch
Dorothy Parker
Barbara Sanders

Relatives

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

Friends

Rachele Davis (Charlie Oliver)
Bobby Dugger (Richard Hart)
Ann Embry (Margie Vollenweider)
Mary Marshall (Margaret Bruch)
Chet Dreschel (Anghaarad Teague Dees)

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)
Rev. Virlon Griner (Richard Hart)
Tommy Hagy (Sonja Guilbeau)
Lacy Hall (Beverly Peters)

**Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 10 September 2017
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14
Psalter: Psalm 149
New Testament: Romans 13:8-14
Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

**Prayers for Bangladesh
4 September 2017**

God of justice and compassion, we pray for the 87,000 Muslim Rohingyas who in the past ten days have fled Myanmar on foot, carrying their children and essential belongings through malarious jungle hills and across the dangerous international border to reach squalid, overcrowded and ill-supplied refugee camps in southeastern Bangladesh. Escaping a vicious campaign of ethnic cleansing in Buddhist-majority Myanmar, the refugees join nearly 300,000 other Rohingyas already encamped in Bangladesh. Lord, in your mercy, look upon this rapidly escalating humanitarian crisis and mobilize the resources needed to care for these victims of oppression and brutal persecution. Grant them hope for life and peace, in the name of Christ, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Herb and Linda Reinhard
Mary Margaret Richardson
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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries  
All Refugees  
Victims of Terrorism  
Those suffering the effects of Hurricane Harvey

**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.**

**Trinity Prayer Garden Donations**

Monetary donations in honor or in memory of someone are most welcome and will assist with the cost of this meaningful addition to our facility and mission. Please contact one of the Pastors to indicate who you would like to honor or memorialize with a gift. These will be acknowledged and recorded in our Prayer Garden Memorial Book. They are also tax deductible.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**

Join us for Bible Study on Thursday morning, September 14, 2017. We meet in the Fellowship Classroom at 11:00 a.m. The coffee pot will be on! We are studying the book of Genesis, using a study guide called *Beginnings: A Study of the Call of God in Genesis*. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Hart.

**Wednesday Night Bible Study**

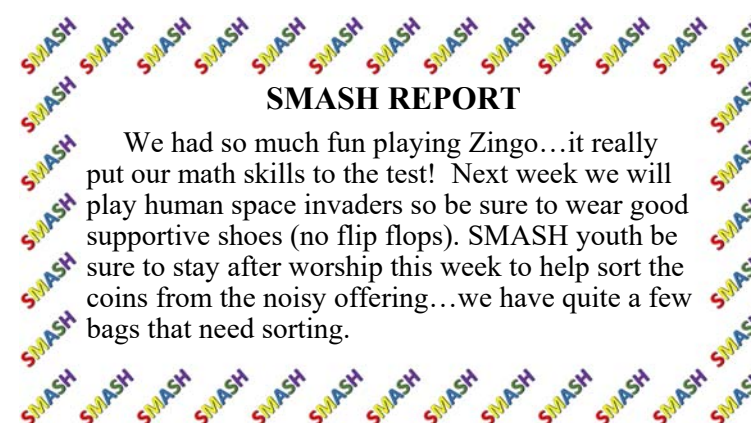
Join us Wednesday evenings this Fall after supper in the Fellowship Classroom for a study of *The Protestant Reformations*. We are using a study guide in the “Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding” series. This study will cover several weeks and is in commemoration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation this year.

| <b>October Birthdays</b>  |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| <i>Erin Locks</i>         | 2-Oct  |
| <i>Brooke Webb</i>        | 4-Oct  |
| <i>Levi Ware</i>          | 6-Oct  |
| <i>Nancy Barrett</i>      | 8-Oct  |
| <i>Dorothy Lee Parker</i> | 14-Oct |
| <i>Bryan Singer</i>       | 16-Oct |
| <i>Josie Johnson</i>      | 24-Oct |
| <i>Paul Guilbeau</i>      | 26-Oct |
| <i>Martha Bennett</i>     | 29-Oct |
| <i>Matthew Preyna</i>     | 31-Oct |



**Special Outing for Dutch Lunch Bunch**

The group has been invited to The Orchard, a new residential retirement community in Valdosta, on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 (please note the date is one week later than usual.) We will meet at Trinity at 10:00 am to ride the bus to The Orchard. Following a tour of the facility we will head to Cheddar's Casual Cafe for a dutch treat lunch at 11:30 a.m. The group will return to Trinity after lunch. Please make a reservation by signing up at Trinity or calling the Church Office, 242-3468.



**SMASH REPORT**

We had so much fun playing Zingo...it really put our math skills to the test! Next week we will play human space invaders so be sure to wear good supportive shoes (no flip flops). SMASH youth be sure to stay after worship this week to help sort the coins from the noisy offering...we have quite a few bags that need sorting.