

**The Trinity Prayer Garden  
with Columbaria Dedication**

Last Sunday evening we held a service dedicating the new Trinity Prayer Garden with Columbaria to the glory of God. It was a meaningful and deeply satisfying event. Our thanks to The Columbarium Committee for their hard work and creativity in all phases of planning and building The Garden. Many family members of those memorialized in The Garden were present to hear our grateful acknowledgment of the memory of their loved ones. The Memorial Book and Plaque were unveiled and will be on permanent display as a reminder of the support of these families.



We are thankful for the contribution to the service of Mrs. Denise Dupras, Accompanist and for Music Director John-Alan Gouridine and Music Interns, Kendra Beasley and Zachary Serrott, who provided special music. The Worship Committee and Columbarium Committee provided a delightful reception following the service for which we are most grateful. Also, thanks to Bryan Wright for technical assistance and for video recording of the service.

Information on making application for one or more niches in both the interior and exterior columbaria is available upon request. Please contact the church office or one of the Pastors if you are interested.



# Trinity News



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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.*

**Communion Sunday**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on **October 1, 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 ~Cereal

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

**Called Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called a Congregational meeting for Sunday, **October 1, 2017**, at 12:00 noon, immediately following worship. The congregation will elect three at-large members to serve on the Church Officer Nominating Committee. In addition, the name of a Youth Representative for the Committee will be offered for consideration. The task of the committee will be to nominate five church members to fill positions on the Session in the Class of 2019.

Elders from the Session who will serve on the committee are Lyle McGhin and Kelly Wicks.

**October 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	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	11:00a.m. Bible Study 6 - 7p.m. Food Pantry		
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1 Communion Food Offering Congregaional Meeting 2p.m. Stop Hunger Now	2	3	4 Lyle McGhin's Cooking Team	5	6	7 11a.m.-3p.m. Flint River Presbytery Family Day
8 Noisy Offering 4:30p.m. Session	9	10	11 Debbie Hart's Cooking Team	12	13	14 VSU Tailgating D.C Mission Trip Fall Youth Overnight
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
← D.C. Mission Trip Oct 14-21 →						
		22 Noon Dutch Lunch Bunch	23 Mark Micklon's Cooking Team			24 Flint River Presbytery Meeting
22 6p.m. Committee Night	23 11a.m. DLB serves lunch @The Center	24 Trunk or Treat	25	26	27	28 VSU Tailgating
28 Kirkin' of the Tartans Fellowship Luncheon	30	31				



**STOP HUNGER NOW**

We will again participate in **Stop Hunger Now** (the name of which is being changed to "Rise Against Hunger") sponsored by Flint River Presbytery. The event will take place on the afternoon of **World Communion Sunday, October 1, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. 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 tithe 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 you calendar now and plan to participate.

Participants are asked to meet at First Presbyterian Church, 313 N Patterson Street at 1:30 p.m. or as soon after that as one can arrive. Parking is available off Ashley Street behind the church and in the Judicial Complex parking lot across Ashley Street.



**Family Day at Flint River Presbytery  
October 7, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.**

All are invited to a Family Day at our presbytery office for fun, food, fellowship and outreach to our neighbors from the Hispanic community in Albany. The presbytery will be hosting a dental clinic for our neighbors as well as a lot of fun activities. They are seeking donations of new or gently used children's books to be given to our guests along with dental hygiene kits. Please bring donations to Pastor Anghaarad's office by **October 4th.**

**Stated Session Meeting**

The Stated Session meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, October 8**, at 4:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Dees, Pastor Hart, or Bryan Wright if you cannot attend.

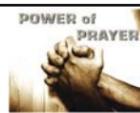
**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Responds**

Among the many relief agencies working in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, Irma, and Maria, is our own Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Gifts may be made through Trinity to go directly to aid victims of these storms and flooding. 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/> 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.

Funds collected to date and sent to PDA from Trinity members amount to \$878.47. Thank you for your thoughtful and generous contributions!

## 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 Beckett  
Mary Connell  
Jane Gore  
Larry Henderson  
Marie Hill  
**Frank Stoddard**  
Nellie Stoddard  
Karen Whelihan

### Friends (contact person)

Ronnie Alligood (Jackie Wright)  
Les Bass (Zane Dees)  
Kathy Boone (Chris Roan)  
Barbara Boyd (Charlie Oliver)  
Ed Bynum (Eddie Webb)  
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)  
Rebecca Christopholi (Sherry Stranahan)  
Jessica Clark (Kathy Roe)  
**Nikolas Conley** (Libby Bickers)  
Tom Conner (Libby Bickers)  
Debbie Cribbs (Mary Beckett)  
Valarie Dannels (David Roe)  
Larry Devane (Catherine Loveday)  
Cathy Fisher (Charlie Oliver)  
Parker Greene (Lisa Pearce)  
Tommy Hagy (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Lacy Hall (Beverly Peters)  
Erika Harding (Christal Dudley)  
**Betty Hardy** (Nita Cross)  
Carol Herndon & family (Lyle McGhin)  
Shannon Hobbs (Mark Micklon)  
Tim Huff (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Aidan Legg (Judy Bickers)  
Amanda Leverett (Heather Wakefield)  
Leon McCallum (Catherine Loveday)  
Tom McFarland (Richard Hart)  
**Jimmie Moomaw** (Anghaarad Dees)  
Deanna Morris (Brian Preyna)  
Sharon O'Rourke (Lisa Pearce)  
Victoria Osteen (Libby Bickers)  
Haley Grace Peeples (Christal Dudley)  
Bud Perry (Eddie Webb)  
**Carolyn Poe** (Jackie Wright)  
Mary Price (Kathy Roe)  
Deborah Richardson (Bernie Preyna)  
Diane Rodgers (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)  
Harry & Sandi Skoropat (Jane Gore)  
Randall Smith (John & Chris Roan)  
Jeani Spencer (Mili Collins)  
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)  
Hazel Williams (Linda Brown)  
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*  
Russell Popham, *uncle of Nita Cross*  
David & Susan Reid, *brother & sister-in-law of Beth Reid*  
Liz Ferguson Ross, *daughter of Mark and Karen Ferguson*  
Donald Schrecengost, *uncle of Sherry Stranahan*  
Alex Schwiesow, *son of Karen Whelihan*  
Tom Speck, *brother of Beverly Peters*  
Vicky Thomas, *niece of Jane Gore*  
Gino Vecchio, *nephew of Melissa Johnson*  
**Logan Gabriel Wakefield**, *grandson of Bob & Candy Wakefield*

### Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 1 October 2017 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Old Testament:** Exodus 17:1-7  
**Psalter:** Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16  
**New Testament:** Philippians 2:1-13  
**Gospel:** Matthew 21:23-32

### Prayers for Bangladesh 25 September 2017

O God of all wisdom, we give you thanks for three church-related mission schools in western Bangladesh from which this week forty-three teachers gathered for two days of training in the city of Rajshahi. The schools' teaching staffs, composed of Christians, Muslims and Hindus, are shining examples of friendship, mutual respect and cooperation among people of different faiths who share a common vision of quality education for children. Serving a total of 1,950 Muslim, Hindu and Christian students, the mission schools, each superbly managed, are making a profound contribution toward the promotion of peace in this country. Lord, continue to empower your Church to carry out such ministries for the good of all your children, we pray in the name of Christ the Savior. Amen.

### Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Makinsey Rosser  
Billy Ryan  
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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries  
All Refugees  
Victims of Terrorism  
Those suffering the effects of recent Hurricanes

### Our Wednesday Schedule:

For Wednesday, **October 4, 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 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:**  
**\$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.**

### Dads in Plaid



Which dad would you like to see in a kilt for Kirkin'? Cast your vote (a quarter a vote) by placing it in the corresponding jar found in the hall by the kitchen. Each dad of a KOW or SMASH youth has a jar and the one who raises the most money will wear the kilt. All proceeds go to benefit youth and children trips and Mission activities.

**The deadline for voting is October 8, 2017.**

### Messiah Lutheran Church Holds Reformation Walk

Messiah Lutheran Church at 500 Baytree Road will hold an event commemorating the Protestant Reformation on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at their location. Outdoor displays will offer visitors the opportunity to browse through historical information. The time of the event is 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and it is open to the general public. For more information contact Betty Albritton by e-mail at [Office@MessiahLutheranVLD.com](mailto:Office@MessiahLutheranVLD.com).

### Washington DC Trip Coming Soon

In a few short weeks ten members of Trinity Presbyterian and eleven members of Memorial Presbyterian Church, St. Augustine, Florida, will travel to Washington DC for a week of mission work. Last Saturday a few of Trinity's participants traveled to St. Augustine to meet and share information with our friends at Memorial Presbyterian. All agreed they are excited about the plans for the trip, and especially the opportunity to get to know and work with each other during this combined mission effort. Jim and Julie Reffel hosted the gathering after which they gave the Georgians a tour of the church and a brief sight-seeing walk through the old city.

While it did not disrupt services, thankfully, Memorial Presbyterian did sustain over \$395,000 worth of damage during Hurricane Irma, which, along with significant roof damage, toppled the iron cross on the top of the church dome. Just another of the many, many victims recovering from nature's fury over the last several weeks. We are praying for them and for all. Please also pray for our Mission Trip participants as they make preparations and travel to DC, October 14-21, 2017.

**Operation Christmas Child** is coming in November...donation baskets will be out in the atrium beginning October 15th...place any of the following items in the baskets to help fill shoeboxes for children around the world: toothbrushes, toothpaste, hairbrushes, pencils, crayons, markers, colored pencils, rulers, pencil sharpeners, small toys, socks, small balls, sunglasses, ball caps.



Trunks welcome...decorate your trunk, toss in candy & sign up today!  
Treaters welcome...wear your best costume & bring a bag to collect goodies in!  
Candy welcome...donate bags of individually wrapped candy in the atrium!  
Everyone welcome...come for the fellowship, come for the food, come for the fun!

Calling all Trunks! We are going to need your trunks for a fun night with our Trinity family and neighbors. Trunk or Treat is scheduled as part of our Wednesday Night Supper activities. We will need lots of willing folks to decorate their trunks, fill them with candy and fellowship with the children who come trunk or treating. If you are not able to provide a trunk but would like to support the event you are welcome to donate bags of individually wrapped candy that will be distributed amongst the participating trunks throughout the evening. AND finally invite your neighbors to come and join us for a fun night.

### Celebration of Faith

This is one of our presbytery's best traditions. If you've attended in years past, you know how fun and inspiring it is to spend a weekend with our brothers and sisters from around the presbytery. Please mark your calendars today so that you won't miss out on COF 2018, March 9-11 at Lake Blackshear.

### SMASH REPORT

This week we are challenging any adult who wishes to come and play us in a game of kickball after dinner! Next week is paint night...we will be painting rocks (or the wall, if you need to work on your seal leading to the SMASH room)! Don't forget to sign up for FYO TODAY!!! Deadline to RSVP and pay your deposit for the Youth Ski Trip (January 12-15) is October 4, 2017.

