

**Save the Date – Interfaith Event in Valdosta
May 11-12**

Another Interfaith Event is being planned in Valdosta for the weekend of May 11-12. Mark your calendar and watch for more details. The likely venue will be a church near the university, but confirmation of the location will not be available until next week.

The format will include a Friday evening "coffeehouse" featuring entertainment by local talent. Joe Smothers will headline a group of musical acts, poetry reading, and others. Saturday morning, participants will choose small group discussions of various interfaith topics, following an "open space technology" approach. Topics of interest will be generated by the whole group, and then participants may select which discussion group they wish to join.

**Care Share Committee Adopts Modified Procedures
for "Take-Them-A-Meal"**

We are encouraging teams of church members to go in together in providing a meal to those who have come home from a hospital stay or are otherwise experiencing some crisis. Voluntarily 2 to 4 folks could work together to provide a single meal. Those willing to help with Take-Them-A-Meal are encouraged to find one or more partners with whom to work and put your name on the list to be notified when a need arises. Individuals may also sign up if willing to do a meal by oneself.

A sign-up sheet will be available at Trinity to indicate your willingness to help. You may also call the church office, 242-3468, or contact one of the Pastors.



**Trinity
News**



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Trinity Presbyterian Church-PCUSA

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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.

Trinity Congratulates Graduates

With graduation ceremonies approaching soon we wish to publicize in *Trinity News* the names of those graduating from high school, technical school, college, or graduate school. Please send us the name, institution, and degree/diploma of any graduates you would like to have acknowledged.

Family Photos Found

Several envelopes containing family pictures that were brought to Trinity for past Mother's and/or Father's Days have been found unclaimed in the office. They will be placed on the table in the atrium near the office this coming Sunday. Please pick up your pictures by May 6th or they will be thrown away.

A Warm Trinity Welcome to the Akuoko Family

The Session received the Akuoko family into the active membership of Trinity last Sunday. Kenneth and Janet, along with their children, Daniel, Joanne, and Teresa, joined by transfer of membership from First Presbyterian Church, Ogden, Utah. Kenneth is an electrical engineer and organizational manager and Janet is a special education teacher who will start work with the Lowndes County School System this Fall. Daniel is a senior at Valdosta State University, studying pre-med. Joanne is a first-year student at VSU where she is studying nursing. Teresa is a ninth grade student at Lowndes High School. Originally from Ghana, the whole family are life-long Presbyterians. We are delighted to welcome them to Trinity.

Glory to God – The Presbyterian Hymnal

We now have 126 orders for The Presbyterian Hymnal. Many thanks to all who are contributing to this worthy project. In addition, the family of our late, beloved member, Mrs. Janeen Josey, has designated donations given in her memory to be used to purchase the remaining books we need. Consequently, the cost of all 200 hymnals has now been covered. Sincere thanks to Ray Josey and his children for this designation.

Please note carefully -- We are setting the deadline of **Sunday, April 15** to accomplish the following:

- ~ Order one or more hymnals if you have not done so already;
- ~ Submit in writing the dedication of books already ordered, if making your donation in honor or in memory of someone;
- ~ Make your payment for hymnals ordered at \$20.00 per book. Checks payable to Trinity and marked clearly for "Hymnal"

Members of the Worship Committee will be on hand in the atrium to assist you with any of these. For more information you may speak with or call one of the Pastors.

Worship Assistance Calendar - May 2018

SUN	Communion	Ushers	Greeters	Counting Team	Lay Reader	Acolyte	Breakfast Team
6	Prep: Glennie Wicks Bryan Wright	Eddie Webb Noelle Collins Brian Preyna	Kelly Wicks Bill Wicks Linda Brown	Bill Bickers Frank Kilgard Bryan Wright	Bill Wicks	Eric Micklon	Kelly Wicks Debbie Hart Rena Preyna
	Kelly Wicks Bill Bickers Marcie Swank Debbie Radabaugh Charlie Oliver Chris Roan	Chris Roan Ruth Stonestreet					
13		Pat Collins Noelle Collins Zane Dees Charlie Oliver Kelly Wicks	Brooke Webb Eddie Webb JT Webb Leta Cone	Brian Preyna Debbie Radabaugh Beth Reid	Bryan Wright	David Preyna	Mike Cross Nita Cross
20		Mike Cross Tyler Cross Ray Josey Doug Maxwell	Jeff Bickers Judy Bickers Chance Bickers Connor Bickers	Nita Cross Ruth Stonestreet Brooke Webb	Herb Reinhard III	Annalee Bickers	Judy Bickers Andrea Micklon Mark Micklon
27		Guy Oliver Bill Bickers Roberta Boyd John Roan Ann Smith	Charlie Oliver Virginia Conner Debbie Hart	Jeff Bickers Bernie Preyna Grant Wright	Lee Bradley	Connor Bickers	Jean Snyder Sunday School Class

**Flint River Presbytery Campus Ministry Capital
Campaign Feasibility Study Focus Group
Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

**The Center @ VSU
1510 N Oak Street**

Across from the VSU Campus

The purpose of the gathering is to share information and receive feedback about a possible major gifts campaign in our Presbytery to support campus ministry. Folks from Trinity who wish to attend are asked to meet at Trinity and ride the church bus (as parking is limited at The Center.) Please let Pastor Hart know if you would like to attend. You may contact him for more information.



Come and support our youth and children as they lead worship this week, Sunday April 15th at 11:00am in our sanctuary.

Highlights from Session Meeting Last Sunday

- ~ The Session voted for a three-month trial period of holding Session meetings at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays immediately after worship.
- ~ Having received feedback from all Session Committees, the Session voted to extend indefinitely the monthly meeting time for Session Committees at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoons.
- ~ The Session appointed Elders Beth Reid and Glennie Wicks to the Campus Ministry Board of Directors for The Center @ VSU. They will join Elder Herb Reinhard who has been representing Trinity on the Board for several years.
- ~ Upon recommendation from the Care/Share Committee approved the observance of Earth Day 2018 at Wednesday Night Supper on April 18.
- ~ Set the dates for our summer "Stay-at-Home Mission Project" for June 28-July 2, 2018.
- ~ Finalized plans for purchase of 200 *Glory to God Hymnals* along with 2 large print editions of the hymnal.

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
Beverly Peters
Bryan Singer
Frank & Nellie Stoddard
Bob and Candy Wakefield
Barnes Walker

Relatives

Virginia Beckham, *mother of Libby Bickers*
Margie Brown, aunt of Eddie Webb
Dennis Dibble, *uncle of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Chester Dubberley, *brother of Winnie Dooly*
Billy Garrett, *cousin of Anna-Marie Schaar*
Nancy Guilbeau, *mother of Paul Guilbeau*
Bill Hayes, *brother of Barbara Bradley*
Robert Earl Pennington, *relative of Beverly Peters*
Tammy Radabaugh, *niece of Bob & Debbie Radabaugh*
Annabell Roper, *niece of Anghaarad Dees*
Richard Ross, *son-in-law of Mark & Karen Ferguson*
Joann Thompson, *mother of Judy Bickers*
Denice Vickery, *daughter of Linda Brown*
Kay Ward, *mother of Jerri Radabaugh*

Friends (contact person)

Joe Boyles (Debbie Hart)
Darryl Brown (Charlie Oliver)
Frank Chandler (Mili Collins)
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)
Eric Clark (Grant Wright)
Pat Coley (Marcie Swank)
Jill Crace (Eddie Webb)
Joseph Curl (Charlie Oliver)
Riley Davis & family (Annalee Bickers)
Donna Delaney (Charlie Oliver)
Helen Hastings (Mili Collins)
Buddy House (Chris & John Roan)
Brian Russell Johns (Bernie Preyna)

Annie Jousma (Grant Wright)
Wendy Jowers (Catherine Loveday)
Connie Kendrick (Marcie Swank)
Travis Leggette (Eddie Webb)
Holly Lustfeldt (Libby Bickers)
Diana Gardner McConnel (Jan Hobson)
Wanda Morgan (Ray Josey)
Darius Nelson Family (Leonard Mittelstadt)
Jack Oliver (Zane Dees)
Patricia Parrish (Paulette Butts)
Sarah Penn (Andrea Micklon)
Ward Porch (Anghaarad Dees)
Fred Quinn (Chris Roan)
Catherine Raynor (Beverly Peters)
Leo Santos (Jan Hobson)
Ferrell & Penny Sellers (Judy Bickers)
Desiree Shields (Jansom Butts)
Jean Snyder (Linda Brown)
Kim Stokes (Winnie Dooly)
Beth Suber (Libby Bickers)
Tim Tart (Zane Dees)
Dean Winters (Kathy Roe)
Anita Woods (Jeff Bickers)

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Kent and Rachele Frey
Aubrey

Dave and Cindy Gallahan

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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries

Victims of, and all those affected by, recent school shootings - Parkland, Florida and others.

#### We Extend Our Christian Sympathy . . .

to  
Debbie Radabaugh and family,  
on the death of her sister,  
Juanita Devine  
and to  
the family and friends of  
Jim Crawford,  
who died recently,  
requested by Richard Hart.

#### Lectionary Scripture for Sunday, 15 April Third Sunday of Easter

**1st New Testament:** Acts 3:12-19

**Psalter:** Psalm 4

**2nd New Testament:** 1 John 3:1-7

**Gospel:** Luke 24:36b-48

#### Prayers for Bangladesh 9 April 2018

O God our Guide and Help, we give you thanks for our brother in faith Dr. David Khan, the new Director of Christian Mission Hospital in Rajshahi, Bangladesh. A physician with a master's degree in public health, Dr. Khan has twenty-six years of experience in both hospital-based and community-based medical mission work. Now, O Lord, you have called him to lead Christian Mission Hospital as it embraces the challenges of caring for the sick in this country where millions are crying for trustworthy, accessible, patient-centered health care. Grant Dr. Khan wisdom and strength, so that under his leadership the hospital may bear witness to the healing grace of your Son Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.



#### Our Wednesday Schedule:

For Wednesday, **April 18, 2018**

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

SMASH for Youth

Supper will be provided by Jan Hobson's cooking team. The menu will include Chicken Shawarma. 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.**

#### A Fun Way to Observe Earth Day 2018

At Wednesday Night Supper next week, April 18, it has been suggested that folks voluntarily bring their own dishes (plate, utensils, and cup) to save on the use of Styrofoam and plastic that would otherwise end up in the landfill. A light-hearted contest will be held to see who can guess how much quantity and cost is involved on our use of disposable products annually in our various fellowship meals and activities. We emphasize this is for purely voluntary participation. Those who bring their own dishes would, of course, have to wash them at home later in the evening.

Earth Day is April 22, 2018. This exercise is intended as an observance of Earth Day and how we might be more environmentally conscious and friendly.

#### Break Bread Volunteers Needed

Break Bread Together, a meal delivery ministry for senior citizens, operated as a ministry of First Presbyterian Church, Valdosta, is in need of driver volunteers to deliver meals. Typically there are 8 to 10 homes on a route at mid-day for the noon meal and it takes about one hour to complete the deliveries. Volunteers need to drive their own vehicles. Meal pick-up is at First Presbyterian on N Patterson Street downtown. For more information, please contact Ms. Beth Mathis, Director, at 229-247-0779.

#### Thursday Morning Bible Study

Thursday Morning Bible Study will meet on **April 19, 2018**. We continue a new study at 11:00 a.m. The group will be reading excerpts from the **Book of Job**, along with a book by **Rabbi Harold Kushner, When Bad Things Happen to Good People**. Since we did not meet on April 12, preparation for April 19 is to read chapter 1 of the Kushner's book. Copies of the book are available from Pastor Hart.

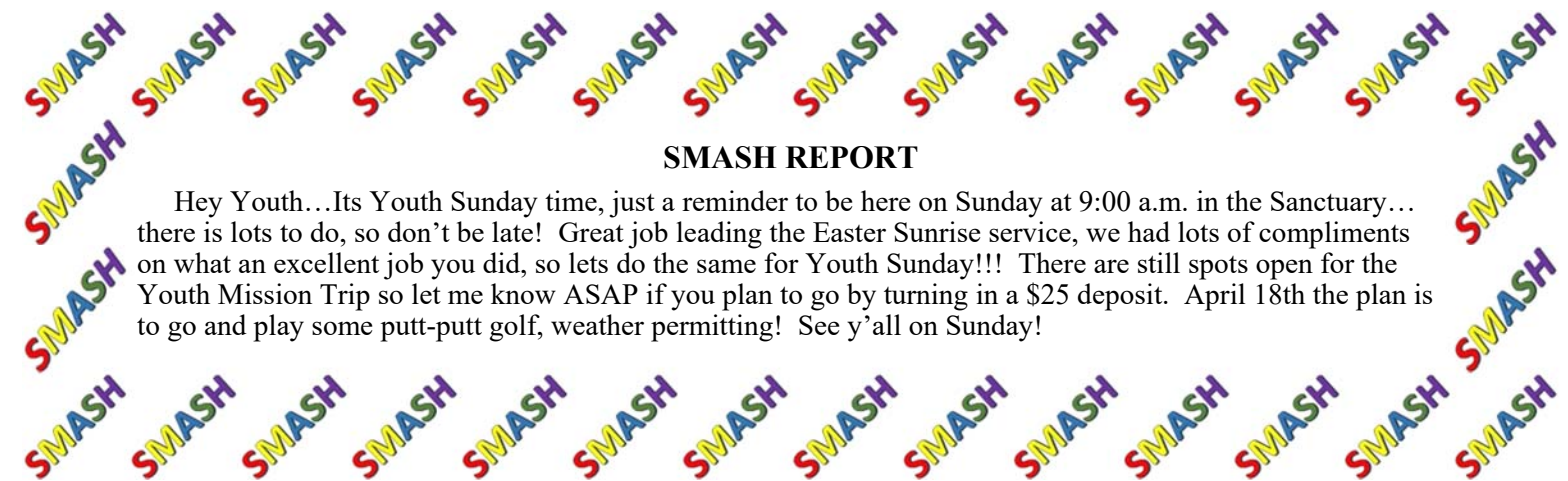
#### Dutch Lunch Bunch

The Dutch Lunch Bunch will gather at 12 noon on **April 17, 2018**. 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.

Vanessa Boyd, daughter-in-law of Roberta Boyd, will be with us to share her talent as a composer and pianist.

#### First Presbyterian, Valdosta, Sponsors Day Retreat

"Turn Down the Volume" is the theme for a day retreat scheduled for Saturday, April 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Retreat leaders will help participants explore ways to thrive emotionally, financially, and spiritually in a frenetic, fast-paced world of ever-present communication. They are Ms. Sherry Tierney, Licensed Master Social Worker; Dr. Elvan Aktas, Professor of Finance at VSU; and Dr. Glenda Hollingshead, Pastor at First Presbyterian. Brochures with more information are available at Trinity, or you may call First Presbyterian at 242-8376.



#### SMASH REPORT

Hey Youth...Its Youth Sunday time, just a reminder to be here on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary... there is lots to do, so don't be late! Great job leading the Easter Sunrise service, we had lots of compliments on what an excellent job you did, so lets do the same for Youth Sunday!!! There are still spots open for the Youth Mission Trip so let me know ASAP if you plan to go by turning in a \$25 deposit. April 18th the plan is to go and play some putt-putt golf, weather permitting! See y'all on Sunday!