

# Trinity News - April 2026

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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.*

### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Session has authorized Communion to be celebrated on **Maundy Thursday, 2 April, and Easter Sunday, 5 April 2026.**

### Maundy Thursday Communion Service

At the Last Supper, Jesus commanded that people should love one another, He then washed the feet of His disciples as an act of kindness. Please join us for our Maundy Thursday Service on **Thursday, 2 April, at 6:30 PM.**

### Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast Potluck

It has all been leading up to this day! We hope you will join us as the sun rises on Easter Morning, **5 April**, as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ! The service will begin at **7:00 AM** on the front lawn. Following the service, we will have a breakfast potluck in the Fellowship Hall.

### Soup Kitchen Meal Preparation

Sunday, **5 April 2026**, is Soup Kitchen meal preparation day. Please contact Glennie Wicks if you wish to assist in the meal preparation.



### The Canopy Sing-Along

All are welcome to join the Trinity Singers for a Sing-a-Long with residents of The Canopy. Our monthly gathering will be on **9 April 2026**, at 2 PM. Anyone who feels the call and has the time is welcome to assist in this sing-along. You don't have to carry a tune, just tote your smile and make a joyful noise with us!

### Noisy Offering

The children will be collecting the "Noisy Offering" during the Children's Message on Sunday, **12 April 2026**. Please remember to bring your spare change (folding money is also welcome) to help with our Food Pantry ministry.



### Session Committees to Meet

All Session Committees will meet on Sunday, **12 April 2026, after worship** in various rooms around Trinity. Much help is needed gearing up for many activities taking place this Spring. Please attend the Committee Meeting of your choice and contribute to the ministry of the church in this way.

### Dutch Lunch Bunch

Dutch Lunch Bunch meets on **16 April 2026**, at 11:30 AM at the Smokin' Pig.

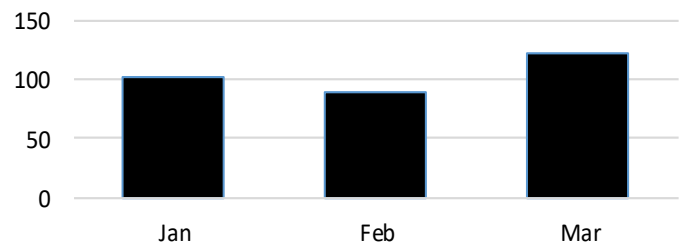
### Trinity Stated Session Meeting

The Session will hold the Stated Session Meeting in the Emmaus Classroom, **19 April 2026**, at 2:00 PM. Please contact Clerk of Session, Zirkia Snyman, if you cannot be present.

### Trinity's Food Pantry Numbers

Thank You for your continued food donations, money, and time to help our neighbors. Our food pantry needs **condiments**. Remember the shopping cart is out for donations on Tuesday thru Friday, 8:30 AM to 3 PM. The chart below indicates the number of individuals we helped since so far this year.

Trinity Food Pantry Use 2026



### One Dozen Egg Cartons Needed

Mary Daugharty from Howell Branch Farms, Inc is donating 12 dozen eggs in alternating weeks to LAMP and our Trinity Food Pantry. She is in need of one dozen count egg cartons to help offset the cost of replacing egg cartons. Please bring your empty cartons to our Food Pantry to assist in her outreach mission.

## Youth Lock-In: Caring for God's Creation

All youth are invited to join us for an unforgettable youth lock-in, "Caring for God's Creation." The event will take place **Friday, 17 April at 6:30 PM through Saturday, 18 April at 3:00 PM**. During the lock-in we will enjoy activities such as laser tag, the classic game of hide-and-seek in the dark, and a time of learning as we explore our faith through the lens of environmental science and stewardship. On Saturday, we will travel to the historic Koinonia Farm, where youth will help with gardening and light work projects while learning about the farm's rich history and mission. We will depart from the Trinity parking lot by bus on **Friday, 17 April at 4:15 PM**. All youth are welcome to attend!

## Bingo - Monday, 20 April • 6:00 PM

As our youth prepare for their week-long trip to the Montreat Youth Conference, we are working to help offset the cost of attendance. The total cost is approximately \$600 per youth, and this fundraiser will help make the trip possible for our students. Come out for a fun evening of Bingo for a great cause! Our youth will be serving pizza during the event, and every Bingo card purchased helps support a student attending the conference. **Bingo cards: • \$3 for one card, \$5 for two cards.** We will begin with a blackout round, followed by several rounds of traditional Bingo. Bring your friends, enjoy some food and fellowship, and help support our youth as they prepare for Montreat!

## \*\*Montreat Youth Scholarships\*\*

This year, we are excited to send 3 Trinity youth to Montreat, NC, for the annual Youth Conference. Montreat hosts thousands of Presbyterian youth each year for a week-long conference that connects young people and enriches their spiritual journeys through quality education and study. The total cost for each youth to attend Montreat is approximately \$600, which includes lodging, food, travel, and conference expenses. Please consider providing a monthly donation to support our youth attending this conference. Montreat donation cards are in the Atrium. These cards request a 3 month commitment for a donation amount of your choice. The funds raised will go directly to our youth attending the conference. Please take a donation card, fill it out, and return it to the front office. You can make donations at any time during the month. The cards help keep track of the funds raised and the amounts still needed. Your generous donation will make a significant difference in the lives of our beloved youth. Thank you, and God bless!

## 2026 Flower Calendar

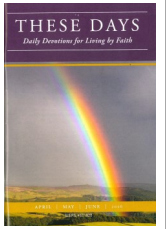
The 2026 Flower Calendar is here. Please take time to reserve your date to give flowers to the Glory of God and to remember, honor, or celebrate a person or occasion.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Contemplative Service at First Presbyterian Church

Our sister church, First Presbyterian Church on 313 N. Patterson St. invites you to their 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Contemplative Service. **The next service will be held on Friday, 4 April, at 5:30PM.** Contemplative Worship is a setting in which we quiet ourselves in order to open our souls to the ministry of God within. It is one way to hear the voice of God with our hearts. Contemplative Worship waits for God in the silence.

## These Days Devotional Booklets

These Days Devotional Booklets are available in the atrium. These booklets are published by our denomination, The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and are provided at no charge by Trinity's Worship Sub Committee of Building and Grounds. This issue begins **1 April**. Be sure to pick up your copy.



## Pub Theology: Different Brews, Different Views

Join members of our sister church, First Presbyterian at Wooden Nickel Pub & Restaurant, 3269 Inner Perimeter Rd at **6 PM on Thursday, 10 April**, for Pub Theology. Fellowship with our Presbyterian brothers and sisters and join in on conversation about God, current events, and testimonies.



## Session Highlights

The Session of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Valdosta, met on Sunday, 15 March 2026, moderated by TRE Jennifer Shephard.

- Approved the minutes from the February 2026 Stated Session meeting.
- Approved the agenda for the March 2026 Stated Session meeting.
- Approved the minutes from the March 2026 Congregational meeting.
- Assigned Elders to Committees
- Assigned Elders to Counting Teams
- Accepted the CRE Contract for David Carter
- Scheduled Committee Meetings for 12 April
- Scheduled the next Stated Session Meeting for 19 April

## Aluminum Can Collection Point

As we continue to collect aluminum cans for Metal for Meds we need to be aware of the collection point for the cans. The collection point for aluminum cans is in the SMASH room by the hanging cross. Please place your donations with other bags in that location. Thank You.



## FOR YOUR DAILY PRAYER

The 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

Debbie Antonoff  
Martha Bennett  
Jane Gore  
Melissa Johnson  
Joely Myrick  
Anna-Marie Schaer

### Relatives

Michelle Aliotti and family, *relative of Mark and Karen Ferguson*  
Myra Guarino, *mother of Anna-Marie Schaer*  
Gail B. Hudgens, *sister of Lee Bradley*  
Ann Luketic, *aunt of Sherry Stranahan*  
Jeff and Sheri Norris, *brother and sister-in-law of Kathy Roe*  
Holly Norris, *niece of Kathy Roe*  
Doris Ross, *relative of Mark Ferguson*

### Friends (contact person)

Eneida Allison (Sherry Stranahan)  
Mary Beckett (Kathy Roe)  
Derry Bennett (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Melvin Bone (Kelly Wicks)  
Nancy Brishin (Becky Leak)  
Glenn Everett (Anna-Marie Schaer)  
Doug Farwell (Paul Guilbeau)  
Leon Fox (Linda Brown)  
Lori Gurley (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Mark & Mrs Gustason (Charlie Oliver)  
Robin Hesford (Patsi Peacock)  
Lena Hess (Mark Ferguson)  
Steve Honeycutt (Kelly Wicks)  
Dot Jarriel (Judy Bickers)  
Angela Koehmstedt (Mark Ferguson)  
Laura Peiper (Britanny DiGiammarino)  
Pat Rantz and family (Melissa Mittelstadt)  
Dianne Smith (Linda Brown)  
Lauri Smith (Kathy Roe)  
Allie Jo Spires (Kathy Roe)  
Jim Sumner (Sonja Guilbeau)  
Hazel Williams (Britanny DiGiammarino)  
Vera Wright (Leonard Mittelstadt)

### Prayer and Birthday Grams

Please remember to sign prayer and birthday grams. If you submit a prayer request and the address is not in the Church Directory, please make sure to include the mailing address on the request card, or email request to the office.

### Prayer Ministry

We appreciate the congregation sharing prayer concerns for loved ones and friends who need God's care. This is a very important ministry of our church. We appeal to those making prayer requests to assist us by keeping the Church Office informed of the circumstances of those placed on the Prayer List. *As a general practice, we remove the names friends and relatives of those who have been on the list for 182 days or more, if we have not received an update of their circumstances. Thank you!*

### Long Term Prayer List Members

George Bennett  
Lee Bradley  
Bob Culpepper  
Kim Culpepper  
Dottie Davis  
Mark Ferguson  
Nancy Knobel  
Brian Greene  
Jan Hobson  
David Lynch  
Joyce Lynch  
Lyle McGhin  
Bob Radabaugh  
Bill Stonestreet

### Relatives

Tim Brady, *cousin of Kathy Roe*  
Scotty Browning, *cousin of Sonja Guilbeau*  
Shawn Corrigan, *son-in-law of Denise Dupras*  
Dennis Dibble, *uncle of Leonard Mittelstadt*  
Dan Ferguson, *relative of Kathy Roe*  
Scott Ferguson, *brother-in-law of Kathy Roe*  
Diane Haines, *mother of Leonard Mittelstadt*  
Jerry Johnson, *relative of Beth Reid*  
Edna McElroy, *sister-in-law of Martha Bennett*  
Sheri Norris, *sister-in-law of Kathy Roe*  
David & Suzan Reid, *brother & sister-in-law of Beth Reid*  
Kathy Reid, *step-mother of Beth Reid*  
Beverly Singer and family, *relatives of Mary Beckett*  
Hilda Sumner, *aunt of Sonja Guilbeau*  
James & Franna Taylor, *parents of Sonja Guilbeau*  
Becky Willis (Bryan Wright)

### Friends

Wesley Walker & family (Sonja Guilbeau)

### Members Remembered in Prayer

5 - 11 April	12 - 18 April
Eloise and Kathy Farlow	Tage France and Gracia Velásquez
Mark and Karen Ferguson	Kent and Rachele Frey Aubrey, Madelyn
19 - 25 April	26 April - 2 May
Cindy Gallahan	Brian Greene and Jane Gore
Pat Gordon and Linda Jones	Paul and Sonja Guilbeau

### Flint River Presbytery Worship Communities Remembered in Prayer

5 - 11 April	Edgewood Presbyterian Church Columbus
12 - 18 April	Elmodel Presbyterian Church Newton
19 - 25 April	First Presbyterian Church Albany
26 April - 2 May	First Presbyterian Church Americus

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## April 2026 - Worship Assistance Calendar

	Pulpit	Ushers	Counting Team	Lay Reader	Lectionary
<b>SUN</b> <b>5</b>	John Akers	Doug Maxwell Melissa Mittelstadt	Kelly Wicks Glennie Wicks Grant Wright	Grant Wright	<b>1st Reading:</b> Jeremiah 31:1-6 <b>Psalter:</b> Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 <b>2nd Reading:</b> Colossians 3:1-4 <b>Gospel:</b> John 20:1-18
<b>SUN</b> <b>12</b>	Grant Wright	Leonard Mittelstadt Glennie Wicks	Patsi Peacock Zirkia Snyman Bryan Wright	Glennie Wicks	<b>1st Reading:</b> Acts 2:14a, 22-32 <b>Psalter:</b> Psalm 16:1-11 <b>2nd Reading:</b> 1 Peter 1:3-9 <b>Gospel:</b> John 20:19-31
<b>SUN</b> <b>19</b>	David Carter	Kaliece Bush Bill Wicks	Denise Dupras Doug Maxwell	Herb Reinhard	<b>1st Reading:</b> Acts 2:14a, 36-41 <b>Psalter:</b> Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 <b>2nd Reading:</b> 1 Peter 1:17-23 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 24:13-35
<b>WED</b> <b>26</b>	David Carter	Jeff Bickers Grant Wright	Jeff Bickers Mark Ferguson	Bryan Wright	<b>1st Reading:</b> Acts 2:42-47 <b>Psalter:</b> Psalm 23:1-6 <b>2nd Reading:</b> 1 Peter 2:19-25 <b>Gospel:</b> John 10:1-10

### COMMITTEE MODERATORS

Building & Grounds.....Doug Maxwell, Kelly Wicks  
 Care & Share - Missions..... Jeff Bickers  
 Christian Education ..... Zirkia Snyman  
 Finance & Stewardship.....Mark Ferguson, Grant Wright



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 Church*

**Our New Pastor David Carter**



**Lasagna For The Center @ VSU**



**Joely Myrick's Senior Recital**




**Our Monthly Sing Along at the Canopy Memory Care Unit**



**Trinity's Annual Easter Egg Hunt**



# April 2026 - Schedule of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Choir Practice 11:00 AM Worship	10 AM - 12 PM Food Pantry  7 PM Family Scouts	9AM-3PM Greater Valdosta Home School Association  7 PM Cub Scouts	5:45 PM Handbells 6:15 PM Fellowship Supper 7 PM Adult Bible Study 7 PM Chancel Choir 7 PM Youth Program	6 - 7 PM Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Thursdays		
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				6:30PM Maundy Thursday Communion Service Denise Dupras & Bryan & Jackie Wright <i>Rebecca Reinhard's Birthday</i>	5:30PM Comtemplative Service @ 1st Presbyterian	Easter Egg Hunt Backup Date  <i>Bill Wicks' Birthday</i>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
7AM Easter Sunrise Service Breakfast Potluck Communion Soup Kitchen Meal Preparation <i>Melanie George's Birthday</i>		6:30PM Presbytery Wide Bible Study		2PM The Canopy Sing Along 6PM Pub Theology		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Noisy Offering Committee Meetings  <i>Karen Ferguson's Birthday</i>		<i>Kaliece Bush's Birthday</i>		12PM Dutch Lunch Bunch  Denise Dupras & Bryan & Jackie Wright <i>Margie Vollenweider's Birthday</i>	 Youth Lock-In	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
2PM Session Stated Meeting  <i>Judy Bicker's Birthday</i>	6PM Bingo					
26	27	28	29	30		
			<i>Kathy Roe's Birthday</i>	<i>Shaun Ault's Birthday</i>		