

Trinity News - May 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.*



Office Closed 1 - 7 May 2026

Our Office Manager/Bookkeeper, Bryan Wright, will be on vacation from **1 May through 7 May 2026.**

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Session has authorized Communion to be celebrated on **Sunday, 3 May 2026.**

Soup Kitchen Meal Preparation

Sunday, **3 May 2026**, is Soup Kitchen meal preparation day. Please contact Glennie Wicks if you wish to assist in the meal preparation.



Session Committees to Meet

Session Committees will meet on Sunday, **3 May 2026, after worship.** Please attend the Committee Meeting of your choice and contribute to the ministry of the church in this way.

Mothers' Day Ladies' Circle Meeting

You're invited to attend our special Mothers' Day Ladies' Circle meeting at the Pines Family Campus on Saturday, **9 May**, at 2 PM. This gathering will include a Mothers' Day craft and devotional to offer a meaningful time of fellowship and reflection.

The Pines Family Campus is a gated community, so we plan to take the Trinity bus. Please meet us in the Trinity parking lot at 1:40 PM and we will all ride together!

Noisy Offering



The children will be collecting the "Noisy Offering" during the Children's Message on Sunday, **10 May 2026.** Please remember to bring your spare change (folding money is also welcome) to help with our Food Pantry ministry.

Called Congregational Meeting 10 May 2026

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on 10 May 2026, for the purpose to vote on dissolving the Pastor Nominating Committee.

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 **14 May 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!



Graduate Recognition Sunday

Join us for a special worship service on **Sunday, 24 May**, as we honor our graduates. Following the service, a reception will be held in the fellowship hall. **Beginning 10 May**, each graduate will have a card box in the Atrium. We invite you to share words of encouragement and celebration by placing a card in their box.

Dutch Lunch Bunch

Dutch Lunch Bunch meets on **21 May 2026**, at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share.

Installation Service for David Carter

Commissioned Ruling Elder David Carter will be installed by Flint River Presbytery on Sunday, **24 May at 4:00 PM.** The Service will be followed with a fellowship reception.

Office and Food Pantry Closed Memorial Day

The Church Office and Trinity Food Pantry will be closed on **Monday, 25 May 2026**, in observance of Memorial Day.



Church Potluck Picnic 27 May 2026

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for our annual indoor picnic on Wednesday, 27 May, at 6:15 PM. This picnic marks our last Wednesday Night Supper for the school year, as we will be taking a break from regularly scheduled activities over the summer. Please bring your favorite summertime dish or dessert to share.



May Birthdays

Frank Schaer	7-May
Guy Oliver	10-May
Leonard Mittelstadt	16-May
Sammy Ault	17-May
Brody Johnson	22-May
Jeff Bickers	26-May
Linda Jones	26-May

Session Highlights

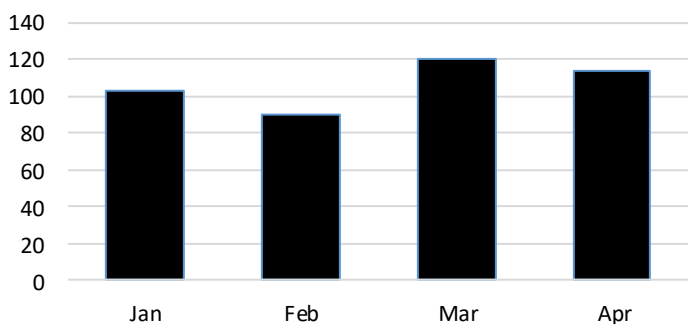
The Session of Trinity Presbyterian Church met on Sunday, 19 April, moderated by CRE David Carter

- ◆ Approved Agenda
- ◆ Approved March Session Minutes
- ◆ Formal Thank You to prior Session Moderator, Jennifer Shepherd
- ◆ Received Pastor Report
- ◆ Received Brittany DiGiammarino's Resignation as Director of Christian Education
- ◆ Approved April Finance Report
- ◆ Approved Calling a Congregational Meeting to vote to dissolve the Pastor Nominating Committee
- ◆ Approved moving inactive members to inactive membership list
- ◆ Approved keeping people on the prayer list for 60 days unless the office receives an updated status
- ◆ Authorized David Carter to serve Communion

Trinity's Food Pantry Numbers

Thank You for your continued food donations, money, and time to help our neighbors. Our food pantry needs **Pasta, Rice, and 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



1st Friday Contemplative Service at First Presbyterian Church

Our sister church, First Presbyterian Church on 313 N. Patterson St. invites you to their 1st Friday Contemplative Service. **The next service will be held on Friday, 1 May, 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.



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, 14 May**, for Pub Theology. Fellowship with our Presbyterian brothers and sisters and join in on conversation about God, current events, and testimonies.



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!

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.



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.





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

Martha Bennett
Jane Gore
Joely Myrick
Anna-Marie Schaer

Friends (contact person)

Angela Koehmstedt (Mark Ferguson)
Ralph Neal (Bill and Kelly Wicks)
Pat Rantz and family (Melissa Mittelstadt)
Pam Sapp (Jeff Bickers)

Long Term Prayer List Members

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

Long Term Prayer List Relatives

Michelle Aliotti and family, *relative of Mark and Karen Ferguson*
Tim Brady, *cousin of Kathy Roe*
Scotty Browning, *cousin of Sonja Guilbeau*
Shawn Corrigan, *son-in-law of Denise Dupras*
Dan Ferguson, *relative of Kathy Roe*
Myra Guarino, *mother of Anna-Marie Schaer*
Diane Haines, *mother of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Gail B. Hudgens, *sister of Lee Bradley*
Jerry Johnson, *relative of Beth Reid*
Ann Luketic, *aunt of Sherry Stranahan*
Sheri Norris, *sister-in-law of Kathy Roe*
Jeff and Sheri Norris, *brother and sister-in-law of Kathy Roe*
Holly Norris, *niece of Kathy Roe*
Doris Ross, *relative of Mark Ferguson*
Beverly Singer and family, *relatives of Mary Beckett*
Hilda Sumner, *aunt of Sonja Guilbeau*

Friends

Eneida Allison (Sherry Stranahan)
Mary Beckett (Kathy Roe)
Derry Bennett (Sonja Guilbeau)
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)
Dot Jarriel (Judy Bickers)
Laura Peiper (Britanny DiGiammarino)
Dianne Smith (Linda Brown)
Lauri Smith (Kathy Roe)
Allie Jo Spires (Kathy Roe)
Jim Sumner (Sonja Guilbeau)
Wesley Walker & family (Sonja Guilbeau)
Hazel Williams (Britanny DiGiammarino)
Becky Willis (Bryan Wright)
Vera Wright (Leonard Mittelstadt)

Members Remembered in Prayer

3- 9 May	10 - 16 May
Jim Hill	Cathy Hoover
Jan Hobson	Melissa and Sean Johnson Brody, Josephine
17 - 23 May	24 - 30 May
Ray Josey	Nancy Knobel
Frank and Lynn Kilgard	Sid and Becky Leak
31 May - 6 Jun	
Doug Maxwell	
Lyle and Annie McGhin	

Flint River Presbytery Worship Communities Remembered in Prayer

3- 9 May	First Presbyterian Church Columbus
10 - 16 May	First Presbyterian Church Cordele
17 - 23 May	First Presbyterian Church Cuthbert
24 - 30 May	First Presbyterian Church Moultrie
31 May - 6 Jun	First Presbyterian Church Phenix City, AL

Prayer Ministry

We appreciate the congregation sharing prayer concerns for our members, 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 Pastor and Church Office informed of the circumstances of those placed on the Prayer List. **As a general practice, we remove the names of those who have been on the prayer list for more than 60 days if we have not received an update of their circumstances. Thank you!*

(An action by the Session to increase the information flow pertaining to the status of those on the current prayer list.)*

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May 2026 - Worship Assistance Calendar

	Pulpit	Ushers	Counting Team	Lay Reader	Lectionary
SUN 3	David Carter	Ray Josey Kelly Wicks	Jeff Bickers Grant Wright	Margie Vollenweider	1st Reading: Acts 7:55-60 Psalter: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10 Gospel: John 14:1-14
SUN 10	David Carter	Doug Maxwell Melissa Mittelstadt	Patsi Peacock Zirkia Snyman Bryan Wright	Stephanie Radabaugh	1st Reading: Acts 17:22-31 Psalter: Psalm 66:8-20 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22 Gospel: John 14:15-21
SUN 17	David Carter	Leonard Mittelstadt Glennie Wicks	Denise Dupras Doug Maxwell	Jan Hobson	1st Reading: Acts 1:6-14 Psalter: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11 Gospel: John 17:1-11
SUN 24	David Carter	Kaliece Bush Bill Wicks	Jeff Bickers Mark Ferguson	Frank Kilgard	1st Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Psalter: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 2nd Gospel: John 20:19-23
SUN 31	David Carter	Jeff Bickers Grant Wright	Patsi Peacock Zirkia Snyman Bryan Wright	Denise Dupras	1st Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalter: Psalm 8:1-9 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

COMMITTEE ELDERS

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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Dutch Lunch Bunch At The Smok'n Pig BBQ



Easter Sunrise Service



Bingo Fundraiser for Montreat



May 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 Boy Scouts	7 PM Cub Scouts	5:45 PM Handbells 6:15 PM Fellowship Supper 7 PM Adult Bible Study 7 PM Chancel Choir 7 PM KOW / SMASH	6 - 7 PM Food Pantry 3rd Thursday	1 5:30 PM 1st Presbyterian Church Contemplative Service	2
3 David Carter Preaching Communion Soup Kitchen Meal Prep Committee Meetings	4	5	6 Brooke Martinez's Cooking Team <i>TBA</i>	7 Denise Dupras and Bryan and Jackie	8	9 1:40PM Mothers' Day Circle Meeting
Bryan - Vacation - Office Closed				Frank Schaefer's Birthday		
10 David Carter Preaching Noisy Offering Congregational Meeting Mothers' Day <i>Guy Oliver's Birthday</i>	11	12 Special Election 6:30 PM Presbytery Wide Bible Study - Zoom	13 Judy Bickers' Cooking Team <i>Chicken Pot Pie</i>	14 2PM Canopy Sing Along 6PM Pub Theology	15	16 <i>Leonard Mittelstadt's Birthday</i>
17 David Carter Preaching 12:30PM Stated Session Meeting 2 PM Danny's Music Recital <i>Sammy Ault's Birthday</i>	18	19 Primary Election	20 Jan Hobson's Cooking Team <i>TBA</i>	21 12PM Dutch Lunch Bunch Denise Dupras and Bryan and Jackie	22 <i>Brody Johnson's Birthday</i>	23
24 David Carter Preaching Graduate Recognition 4PM David Carter Installation Service	25 Memorial Day Holiday Office and Food Pantry Closed	26 <i>Jeff Bickers' Birthday</i> <i>Linda Jones' Birthday</i>	27 WNS Picnic <i>Potluck Picnic</i>	28	29	30
31 David Carter Preaching						