

Trinity Times

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Special Upcoming Events at Trinity

- March 25 Palm Sunday
Traditional Services 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Service 9:30 a.m.
- March 29 Maundy Thursday- 6:00 p.m.
- March 30 Good Friday-11:30 a.m.
- March 31 Family Easter Celebration
& Egg Hunt- 4:00 p.m.
- April 1 Easter Sunday Services
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



The Psalms Experience
Enjoy food, fellowship & learning.
(See page 12 for details)

“A Faithful Journey”

As we continue our journey through the Lenten Season I write not so much as a newcomer, but as one who has been in your midst. In our time together we have journeyed inward, outward, and upward. We are to be reminded that the Season of Lent is a multifaceted time of preparation and prayer, pardon and forgiveness, along with the anticipated hope of growing closer to one another, to our neighbor, and to our God. Perhaps you’ve “given up” something for Lent, or perhaps you’ve “taken on” something, to help you become more aware of those in your midst, one another, our neighbor, and our God. In this edition of the Trinity Times, as in those of the past, you will find many opportunities to Worship, Fellowship, Study, Serve, and to Share. Lent provides us the occasion to think about where we are, from where we have come, and to consider what God intends for our life together in the time yet to come. A classic quote from the Wizard of Oz reminds us of this, “It’s not “WHERE YOU GO ... it’s WHO YOU MEET along the way.” As we journey down our road whatever color it may be, “*red and yellow, black or white,*” might we come to discover that God has richly blessed each of us and has called us, in and through Trinity Presbyterian, to be a blessing, using the gifts, talents, and resources – all of who we are, and all of what we have, to be a blessing to one another, our neighbor, and our God. My prayer for all of us is that we would each observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God. And as we seek to be inwardly strong, outwardly minded, and upwardly focused, might our road be deeper, and wider, and higher as we live in hope and anticipate once again the exuberance of Easter!

Jeff

“AN HONOR TO GIVE BACK”

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Chaplain’s Corner

Rev. Sheryl Sumlin-Walker

“Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice.”

Proverbs 8:1

“Will the circle be unbroken by and by, Lord, by and by.” This song is particularly appropriate because when I was a young woman I taught grade school children and storytelling was one of the ways the curriculum came alive! In honor of Black History Month the Flagler Public Schools hosted a “read-a thon” featuring African American authors of children’s books and this month I had the honor of serving as one of their readers, to the children at the Belle Terre Elementary School. My book was titled “FULL, FULL, FULL, of LOVE” by Trish Cook. Throughout the read-a-thon, the children get a chance to hear different voices and experience a wide variety of professionals who have volunteered to read. After our story time we are encouraged to answer questions and speak about what we do in our various professions. I asked my group what they thought I did for a living. [I was wearing a black blouse with my white collar] The hands flew up and one of the little boys says; “YOU TALK ABOUT GOD...ALL THE TIME!” Another little person said; “Wow you are the first LADY preacher I have seen!!!!” The remarks were all priceless, but it reminded me of how important it is to be available for those individuals who are outside my “normal” flock. It’s imperative that the molds of comfort to break out and venture into new waters!!! That’s what Jesus did!!!! As people of God we are to speak and walk with groups of folks who may NOT be located in our comfortable path. It was also refreshing to see and hear from our youth, who in the near future will be our leaders and to have the opportunity to mentor and support our youth on their path to leadership.

May we all at Trinity break out! And break forth into the community of Palm Coast and support God’s people in some unique and wonderful way!!!

***Thank you to Mrs. Jody Dutton for introducing me to the African American Read-a-thon Project!**

“Give instruction to the wise and they will become wiser still;”

Proverbs 9:9

Notes from the Youth Desk

Happy March! Lent is upon us and Trinity is buzzing with activity. Thank you all for your support of our Ash Wednesday Pancake/Waffle Supper, it was great to see our Trinity Family enjoying a meal and fellowship together.

We have started our Lenten Program, The Psalms Project, and had over 50 people in attendance for our inaugural night. This event will continue throughout Lent, every Wednesday night from 5:30pm-7:15pm. We will explore a new Psalm every week; enjoy food and fellowship as well. If you haven't come out yet, there is still time to join in! For more information or to RSVP call the church office at 386-445-4757 or email brookeertucker@gmail.com.

Our Middle and High School Youth will be attending our Spring Retreat at Montgomery Camp and Conference Center March 2nd-4th. We have a group of 15 youth and adults attending. Please keep us in your prayers for safe travel and inspirational time together.

On Sunday, February 18, we passed out our One Great Hour of Sharing Fish Banks to our youth along with Giving Calendars. Youth (and adults) will be collecting donations for our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering through Sunday, March 25th. On Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) we will turn in our Fish Banks and the Offering that day will be donated to One Great Hour of Sharing. Extra Fish Banks and Giving Calendars are in the narthex.

On Saturday, March 31st we will have our Annual Family Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt at 4pm. We will have games, crafts, story time and egg hunts!

Summer is quickly approaching and we are hoping to be able to send 9 youth to Montreat Youth Conference. We have made our deposits, but still need to raise some funds. We have two ways that you can help:

Our Annual Montreat Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, April 8th at 11am. We will be having one Unity Service that day at 10am and then it will be time for "The Greatest Trinity Gameshow." Join us for a lunch of gourmet baked potatoes, salad, a dessert bar and an afternoon of interactive gameshows! You could have a chance to win one of our fabulous prizes!! Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for youth 12 and under (under 4: free). Tickets go on sale Sunday, March 11th after all 3 services.

We will also have 4 "Montreat Giving Trees" in the narthex. Each of the 4 trees represents an item we need in order to make our trip to Montreat Youth Conference happen! Each tree will have paper leaves on it with dollar amounts. You pick the amount of leaves you want to donate and pick up an envelope from the table. Enclose your check/cash and deposit into the offering plate or into the Finance door slot!

Montreat is an amazing opportunity for our youth to explore their faith with their peers (over 1,000 youth), hear from inspiring keynote preachers, have small group discussions with new people, and experience new ways to worship. I can tell you it is truly a "thin space" where God's presence is felt. This is an amazing gift we give our youth and it is a gift that keeps on giving. We wonder time and time again what we can do for the youth of this generation. It is a tough world to grow up in and I truly believe that the more opportunities like Montreat that we can give them, the better we can equip them to make a positive difference in this world.

Thank you again for all of your support, love, and prayers.

Blessings,

Brooke Tucker

A Special Message

Dear Church Family,

How can I possibly express and thank you for such a tremendous outpouring of love and support that you have shown, and are still showing, to me since Sinclair's illness and subsequent death. Every expression of kindness, every prayer, every card, and every hug was Jesus wrapping his arms around me and comforting me. It is a most difficult road to travel, as many of you know all too well, but you have shown me through your actions that by the grace of God, I will be okay. And I do know by God's wondrous grace my husband is with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and that I will see him again one day in a most perfect place, with a most perfect love, and I will wait patiently for that day when God is ready to take me home. Oh what a glorious reunion that will be! But right now, I have the privilege of doing the Lord's work as I walk through my daily life.

Love in Christ,

Karen

May God continue to bless you...to be a blessing. Gen. 12:2



God's Grace, Our Gratitude

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” (1 Peter 4:10, New International Version)

Financial Stewardship

Stewardship – 2018

Thank you to all who responded with their 2018 financial pledge. As of February 2018, we’ve received 148 pledges totaling \$275,946, or 89.9 % of our \$307,000 pledge goal. If you have not turned in your pledge form, there is still time, and a real need, for your support. Please consider your response to God’s invitation to serve others, and return your pledge forms to the church office as soon as possible. With your help and engagement, Trinity Presbyterian Church will continue to share God’s grace in our congregation, our community, and around the world.

Financial Update

The Session, Trinity Presbyterian Church’s governing body, along with the Finance/Stewardship Committee are committed to providing regular financial updates to you, our members and friends. The following financial information is for the month of January and the 2018 fiscal year, which ends December 31, 2018. We will provide an end-of-year financial report and our Church’s 2019 budget at the annual meeting of our congregation in January 2019.

For the month of January		Year-to-Date through January	
Total revenue received	\$32,780	\$32,780	(7.3% of annual budget)
Total expenses	\$32,173	\$32,173	(7.1% of annual budget)
Surplus	\$ 607	\$ 607	

Questions? Contact Karen Walker at ketwalker@gmail.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLE MEETINGS

2018 MARCH MEETINGS

2017-2018 Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews

Lesson Six: Reality of the Present

Faith Circle will meet Wednesday, March 21 at 1:00 p.m. at the church (Kepler Hall).

Millicent Peart will be the study leader. Faith Circle is asked to bring in toiletries for the family life center. Circle members are asked to bring items for the Family Life Center {toiletries, cleaning products, socks, etc.}

Miriam Circle will meet on Wednesday, March 21 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Jane Pellmann, 45 Freeport Lane, Palm Coast, (386) 445-8075. Lois Settles will be the study leader.

Rebecca Circle will meet Thursday, March 22 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Mary Loraine Brinton, 5 River Landing Way, Palm Coast, (610)314-5674. Mary Loraine will also be the study leader.

Mary and Martha (aka M&Ms) will meet Wednesday, March 21 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church (Kepler Hall). Kelli Jebbia will be the study leader.

The next PW team gathering will be Wednesday, March 7.

The Presbyterian Women study leaders will meet with the pastor on Monday, March 5th.

Please check with the office for the time.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

March 2, 2018 – 11:00 a.m.

Christ Lutheran Church of Bunnell

2323 N State Street #112

ABOUT WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Since the nineteenth century, Christian women in the United States and Canada have initiated cooperative activities in many areas of concern for women and children, recognizing the critical role of prayer in mission work and their call to promote world peace through worldwide mission work. The first organized “day of prayer for the world” was held in Canada on January 9, 1920. The United States soon followed on February 20, 1920.

Now, hundreds of thousands of women (and men, youth, and children) from around the world and in every region gather to collectively worship on the first Friday in March. Each year, a different country serves as the writer of the World Day of Prayer worship service and other materials. Women of that country’s national WDP committee interpret scripture within their cultural context and prepare a worship service; women around the world lead the services.

World Day of Prayer is supported by sacrificial and benevolent mission offerings given by individuals through these annual services. Each of the 170 countries celebrating World Day of Prayer has an ecumenical committee of women representing many cultures, races and faith traditions. Each country’s committee is responsible for determining the use of the offering as it relates to the theme for each year. Offering grants are made to women and children’s groups in each country.

World Day of Prayer USA promotes justice and equality for women through prayer, partnerships, service and celebration. For more information, visit the World Day of Prayer USA website at www.wdp-usa.org.

Please join us and invite a friend to come with you. Offerings will be taken for World Day of Prayer and Fellowship of the Least Coin. Bring a sandwich and plan to stay for fellowship lunch together. Beverage and dessert will be provided.

Please bring non-perishable food items for the Resource Center.

SESSION BRIEFS

At its Stated Meeting on February 19, 2018 your session,

- Noted the death of Active Member Dagny Lee, on December 2, 2017.
- Re-elected Jane Pellmann Clerk of Session and Jef Amsbaugh church Treasurer.
- Approved giving our Boy Scout Troop the option to decide whether to include girls in the Cub Scout Pack.
- Noted that the Congregational Pot Luck Dinner has been changed to March 18, 2018.
- Heard the report from the Treasurer and Finance Committee.
- Noted that Church Women's United will celebrate "Friendship Day" on Friday, May 4th, and will be hosted in Mehaffey Hall.
- Noted that a Montreat fundraiser luncheon will be held on April 8th after one 10:00 a.m. church service.
- Noted that the Men's Quarterly Breakfast will be held on March 7th at 8:00 am.
- Approved payment of \$250 to the City of Palm Coast for a permit to install electricity to the Cree Pavilion, which is David Wheeler's Eagle Scout project.
- Approved a Resolution of Thanks to Tracy Martin for the work she does with the Visioning Committee.

Jane Pellmann
Clerk of Session



Dagny Lee -- December 2, 2017

SESSION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – 2018

Christian Education
Jennifer Kaczmarek*

Congregational Life
Shirley Wilson, Tracy Martin

Facility Care
John Waugaman*

Finance
Karen Walker*, Del Smith

Membership and Evangelism
Muriel Fallon*

Missions
Bob Swann*, Bob Tabit

Nominations
Jane Pellmann, Tracy Martin

Personnel
Jason Wheeler*

Visioning
Tracy Martin*

Worship and Music
Ken Mettler*, Jane Pellmann

Youth Elder
David Wheeler

Men's Breakfast

Men of Trinity! You are invited for a hot breakfast followed by a spiritual message and some discussion. This month there will be an overview of the Mission work we do at Whispering Meadows Equestrian Farm as well as the Flagler Resource Center. Mark the date: Wednesday, March 7th, 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. in Mehaffey. Please call the church office 445-4757 or email TrinityVision@cfl.rr.com to make your reservation.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

In keeping with tradition, Trinity will be participating in the **OGHS** program during the Lenten Season. Informative pamphlets and donation envelopes have been placed in the narthex, and in front of the church office for your use. We will be taking a collection for the One Great Hour of Sharing on Palm Sunday. If envelopes aren't available or if you prefer, you can include this special offering with your weekly offering, just be sure to designate the amount of the OGHS offering apart from your weekly church offering. Let's make this season, our *Greatest Hour of Sharing* ever.



We are pleased to announce that Kathy Burns has agreed to take over the responsibilities of our church library. I'm sure she could use some additional helpers, so if you've been looking for a way to become more involved in the church, please give her a call or contact that church at 386-445-4757. Happy Reading!

The Psalms Experience



Every Wednesday Night During Lent

**Beginning on Wednesday, February 21st and continuing through
Wednesday, March 28th**

Join us from 5:30pm-7:15pm for an Exploration Experience of the Psalms

Dinner will be provided

All ages welcome

**To reserve your spot please email brookeerintucker@gmail.com or call
the church office at 386-445-4757**

JOIN US FOR:
**THE
GREATEST
TRINITY
GAMESHOW**

A MONTREAT FUNDRAISER
Sunday, April 8th
11:00am-1:00pm



Join us for: Gourmet baked potatoes, salad, and dessert bar
and a chance to **win fabulous prizes!**

Tickets: \$15 Adults
\$10 youth 12 and under
Under 4: Free

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mike Minnich	3/2	Mimi Baruch	3/15
Walter Schaaf	3/2	Susie Bereda	3/15
Maudie Parker	3/3	Thelma Swann	3/15
Keith Lagocki	3/4	Babs Schomburg	3/16
Matthew Winterheimer	3/5	Joan Morris	3/16
Eleanor Moore	3/6	Ross Marteney	3/18
Kenneth Wittmer	3/6	Robbie Donaldson	3/18
Yvonne Maylor	3/7	Marla Mitchell	3/19
Kay James	3/7	Leisa Gardner	3/20
Ginny Reisinger	3/8	Sheryl Sumlin-Walker	3/20
Libby Lennartson	3/9	Sandy Boland	3/20
Marge Lowe	3/9	Marlene Williams	3/22
John Keyes	3/9	Nancy Scheetz	3/23
Gerry Trebilcock	3/9	Judith Spurrell	3/23
Carol Graff	3/10	Wendy Earle	3/24
Hawley Rogers	3/11	Marie Mento	3/25
Albert Burgess	3/12	Sharon Hay	3/26
Brandie Alred	3/13	Marc Hitchins	3/29
Cathie Huff	3/14	Carla McBride	3/30
Karen Thomas	3/14		

Happy Anniversary

40+ Years

Sylvester & Queenester Jones - March 8

Daniel & Doris Boone - March 24

Join us on Saturday, March 31st for our:

Family Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt



4:00pm-5:30pm

Games, crafts, face painting, story time, and age group egg hunts!

All ages welcome!

****We are collecting non-chocolate candy and prize donations. Please look for the donation bin in the narthex! ****