



# *Trinity Times*

## *May 2019*

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### *Trinity's Spring Schedule*

**Sunday School** 9:00 AM  
**Worship** 10:00 AM



*“The L O R D  
is my shepherd,  
I lack nothing.”*

Psalm 23:1



### *Church Staff*

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey W. Beebe, Transitional Pastor  
Heasuk Che, Director of Music/Organist  
Brooke Tucker, Director of Faith Formation

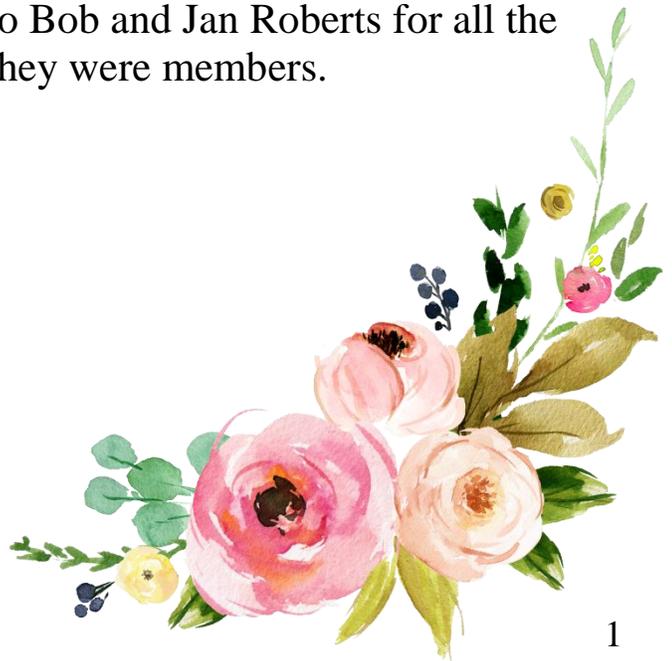
# *Session Briefs*

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At its Stated Meeting on April 15, 2019, your Session:

- ❖ Received new active members, William and Donna Tate, by Letter of Transfer from 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, TN.
- ❖ Noted the death of Active Member Elder and Deacon Patricia Dixon on April 12, 2019.
- ❖ Approved removing Nancy Scheetz from the Active Membership Roll, at her request; she has moved out of the area.
- ❖ Approved a request from Gideons to speak at a worship service sometime this spring, date to be determined.
- ❖ Heard the report from the Finance Committee concerning income and expenses. For the month of March and year-to-date we are in the black.
- ❖ Elected Ken Mettler Elder Commissioner to the May 7, 2019 Presbytery meeting.
- ❖ Noted that 90 bundles of clothing were collected and donated to Emmanuel's Closet.
- ❖ Approved a Resolutions of Thanks letter to Bob and Jan Roberts for all the work they did at Trinity during the years they were members.

*Jane Pellmann*  
*Clerk of Session*



# Finance & Stewardship Update

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## 2019 STEWARDSHIP NOTES

### ● STEWARDSHIP EDUCATIONAL EVENT & LUNCHEON ●

On April 7, the Finance/Stewardship Committee hosted an educational event and luncheon. The topic was the new tax rules and how they impact charitable giving. Louis Clark of BB&T Investments was our keynote speaker, who provided some tips on qualified charitable distributions for those over 70½. Many thanks to Louis for sharing his time and thanks to the Congregational Life Committee for providing a delicious lunch. Stay tuned for additional educational opportunities later this year.

### ● SHARING OUR GIFTS ●

Stewardship is the grateful response for all the gifts we have received from God and a lifelong faith journey of commitment to God. Stewardship is more than just contributing money to the church; it is the totality of our participating in the church's ministry, missions, and programs.

Many people have asked questions about Christian Stewardship and the various ways to give financially to Trinity. To better serve our congregation and make it easier for you to share your gifts, Trinity provides a brief explanation below. Please reach out to either the pastor to discuss your personal stewardship commitment or to a member of the Finance/Stewardship Committee to address any outstanding questions regarding ways to give financially to Trinity.

Committee members are listed below.

*Bob Settles*

*Del Smith*

*Mick Walker*

*Nick Jebbia*

*Bob Reid*

*Alison Reid*

*Dr. Jeff Beebe*

*Judy Grady, Financial Secretary*

*Karen Walker, Moderator*

### ● WAYS TO SHARE YOUR FINANCIAL GIFTS ●

**Trinity's Member Pledges:** The annual member pledges are Trinity's most important annual advancement effort that assists the Finance/Stewardship Committee in developing annual operating budgets for Session approval. Each member is asked to contribute to the annual operating budget. Financial support from every member is critical in supporting our programs and ministries, enabling us to fulfill Trinity's vision and mission, such as maintaining and enhancing:

*Pastor & staff salaries*

*Facility care*

*Operating expenses such as insurance, office expenses, and utilities*

*Church programs such as worship, music (adult & children's choirs) and Christian Education*

If you would like to make a pledge to Trinity, please reach out to Judy Grady, the Financial Secretary.

**One-Time Unrestricted Gifts:** If you wish to make a one-time, non-recurring unrestricted gift to Trinity, it will be applied appropriately in accordance with Trinity financial policies.

**Memorial Gifts:** Gifts to a memorial fund in remembrance of a loved one will be used only for the designated purpose which you specify. This is a gift that is over and above your annual membership pledge. If requested, Trinity will recognize your contribution in a way that is meaningful to you and your family or, if you prefer, the Church will keep your gift confidential.

**Designated Gifts:** Like memorial gifts, designated gifts are over and above your annual membership pledge and will only be used for the designated purpose which you specify. Trinity has over 25 designated funds, also known as restricted funds, which include:

*Youth group*

*Senior High Montreat*

*Middle High Mission*

*Handbell Choir*

*Scholarships*

*Organ fund*

*Thornwell*

**Bequeaths:** A charitable bequest is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. A bequest is a meaningful way to support Trinity without affecting your cash flow during your lifetime. An attorney can include it when you prepare or revise your will or you can add a codicil at any time. A specific bequest indicates the amount of cash, securities, or other assets you wish to leave to the Church, or it can indicate a specific percentage of the total value of your estate. A residuary bequest leaves the remaining portion of your estate (or a percentage of the total) after all other bequests have been satisfied. A gift from your estate can provide an everlasting impact to the programs and mission work at Trinity.

**Capital Campaigns:** Periodic capital campaigns are held for specific needs, such as facility improvements. In the near future, Trinity will explore the need for a campaign to address significant facility needs, build up cash reserves, resurface the parking lot, and complete other major building repairs.

**Endowment Giving:** An endowment is a donation of money or property to a non-profit organization for the on-going support of the organization. An endowment fund is separate from the operating budget and is managed by the Finance/Stewardship Committee with oversight by Session. As an example, Trinity has an endowment held in perpetuity by the Presbyterian Foundation. At the discretion of the Finance/Stewardship Committee, earnings from the endowment may be used to support the annual operating budget only after the approval of Session so long as the principle amount given is preserved.

## 2019 FINANCE NOTES

The Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Order requires an annual review of all financial activities be conducted and a summary provided to the Session. The Committee is looking for three people to assist with this task. Training will be provided as needed for this very important, short-term task. Contact Karen Walker at ketwalker@gmail.com if you are interested.

### ● MARCH 2019 FINANCIAL UPDATE ●

The following financial information is for the 2019 fiscal year through March.

Trinity Presbyterian Church		
Summary of Revenue and Expenses through March 31, 2019		
	2019 Budget	2019 Actuals
<b>General Operating Revenue</b>		
Operating Revenue		
Pledges	\$247,434	\$73,657
Unpledged	107,000	22,847
Plate Offering	6,000	2,324
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>\$360,434</b>	<b>\$98,828</b>
Other Revenue		
Other Bank Interest	\$200	\$12
Facility Usage	1,600	800
Misc Operating Revenue	5,000	200
Columbarium Sales	2,000	-70
Christmas Offering	6,200	35
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$977</b>
<b>Total General Operating Revenue</b>	<b>\$375,434</b>	<b>\$99,805</b>
<b>General Operating Expenses</b>		
Missions	\$0	\$0
Christian Education	9,675	1,009
Worship	2,150	195
Music	1,150	561
Comm & Promotion	350	0
Stewardship	802	0
Congregational Life	250	-922
Facility Care	35,000	6,363
Insurance	29,644	7,448
Utilities	30,584	8,833
Office	18,346	5,263
Personnel	236,683	62,078
Presbyterian Commitments	9,700	4,224
Membership/Evangelism	100	-145
Miscellaneous	1,000	-248
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$375,434</b>	<b>\$94,660</b>
Restricted Fund Revenue		\$25,600
Restricted Fund Expenses		\$22,679
<i>Summary Year-to-Date (Actuals only)</i>		
Operating Revenue received less Operating Expenses paid		<b>\$5,145</b>
Restricted Revenue received less Restricted Expenses paid		<b>\$2,921</b>
<b>Total all Revenue received less Expenses expenses paid</b>		<b>\$8,065</b>



### KEY POINTS

- Pledges received to date are better than budgeted.
- Several anonymous donations were received.
- Facility usage reflects payment from Community Chorus of Palm Coast.
- Congregational Life, Strategic Planning (Miscellaneous), and Membership received generous donations.
- There were five Sundays in March.





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## *May 2019 Circle Meetings*

*God's Promise: I Am With You* by Amy Poling Sutherlun  
Lesson Eight: "God With Us As The Holy Spirit"

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**Faith Circle** will meet on Wednesday, May 15 at 1:00 PM in the Kepler Conference Room at the church. Millicent Peart will be the study leader.

**Miriam Circle** will meet on Wednesday, May 15 at 10:00 AM at the home of Kathy Burns: 42 Arrowhead Drive. Phone: (386) 693-5125. Ginny Ferriol will be the study leader. Circle members are asked to bring items for the Family Life Center: toiletries, cleaning products, personal care products, socks, etc.

**Rebecca Circle** will meet on Thursday, May 16 at 10:00 AM at the home of Judy Murgitroyde: 80 Bud Hollow Drive. Phone: (386) 283-5779. Martha Gioielli will be the study leader.

**Mary & Martha Circle** will meet on Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM in the Kepler Conference Room at the church. Joyce Shirley will be the study leader.

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The next **PW Board Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, May 1 at 10:00 AM.

Save the date! The **Presbyterian Women Quarterly Luncheon** will be held on Wednesday, May 1 at 12:30 PM in Mehaffey Hall. Help us kick off our service project this year, the S.T.U.F.F. Bus! Miriam Circle invites attendees to bring photos of their mothers to the Luncheon; we will all try to guess who is who! All are invited!

# *The First 40 Years at Trinity*

## *Part I*

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In 1978 my husband Paul and I made the decision to leave our home in Youngstown, Ohio and become residents of the new development in Florida - Palm Coast. We had been active elders of Pleasant Grove Church in Youngstown. To leave this home church was the hardest part of moving. Surely God would be with us.

We first met Jim Tinsley as he was rounding up people to help form a new Presbyterian Church. He had come down from Palms Church, Jax Beach and asked if we were interested in helping. Of course we were!

After he preached at the first service I watched Shelley and Fred Kleinfelder carry little John (four days old) down the aisle. As Shelley's and my eyes met I was sure she had the same feeling that I had—God was with us and would inspire us to new heights. The congregation would grow to 700.

*Contributed by Joan Morris*



Shelley, Fred, & John Kleinfelder  
November 1979

# *Trinity Timeline Bulletin Board*

Please add your own special moments to the new bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. The timeline runs the entire 40 years of TPC events. Everyone is invited to add to it!

WEDDINGS • ANNIVERSARIES • BIRTHS  
CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE • SPECIAL OCCASIONS



Session (Joan Morris: second from the right, seated)  
1981



**We welcome your memories and descriptions of Trinity's beginnings. Please email us at [trinityvision@cfl.rr.com](mailto:trinityvision@cfl.rr.com) or write a note and leave it in the office!**

# Thank You



“Thank you for all your encouraging notes and thoughts and letters. On behalf of our family, I really appreciate your support.”

*Blessings,  
Norma Grimes*

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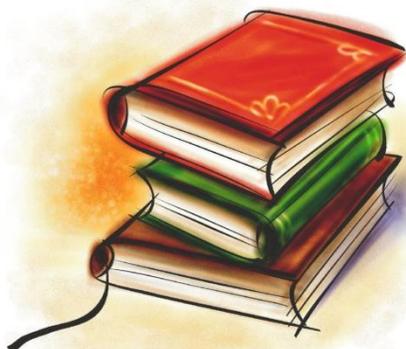
## Sheltering Tree Donations

The Sheltering Tree welcomes donations to help the less fortunate in Flagler County. This Ministry is 100 % volunteer-based and there are no employees. All donations go directly to Flagler County persons in need. We are blessed not only by food, money, and clothing, but also your time, talents, and treasures are vital to continue this important work. Some of the items needed at this time are as follows: sleeping bags, small tents, rope, batteries, tarps, back packs, work boots, and sturdy shoes (men’s sizes 9-13). The office is open every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM helping the less fortunate with such things as utilities, rent, security deposits, electric bills, medical bills, and the like. Your financial donations are most welcome to help these situations. Thank you so much for your support.



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## Christian Educational Opportunities



Join one of our ongoing classes from 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings! Old Testament Stories, Acts, and Discipleship will continue to meet in May.



# *Trinity's Facilities Projects*

## *Expensive Items with Estimated Costs*

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We are all thankful for Trinity Presbyterian Church, the House of God which we are fortunate to use in worship and expression of our faith. Yet most of us give little thought to the care, maintenance, and replacements required to keep Trinity's House of Worship whole and functioning.

We presume some of our offering—our contribution—is used to pay for our facility's needs. Indeed, this is true. Your valued contributions are used to pay the utilities, the insurances, and the small repairs which constantly arise with a facility this size.

Very recently, the Presbyterian Women's Association of our church gave Trinity a significant gift to be used for landscaping. So too did an "anonymous donor" provide funds directed to this same use. We are very thankful and appreciative to those who have made these contributions. Our entire congregation should see the results of these gifts in May, when the new landscaping is planted around our campus. We are also very thankful and appreciative to our own Bill Butler in his designing and overseeing these landscape upgrades.

However, there are major replacement needs on Trinity's campus which go beyond the scope of our regular budget and the specified gifts received. 2019 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Some of our facilities are this age as well and require repair or replacement. Three of our major concerns are listed here along with their rough ballpark estimated costs:

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| 1. Resurfacing/paving one or more parking lots | \$28,000.00  |
| 2. Painting interior and exterior              | \$40,000.00  |
| 3. Replacing the roof                          | \$250,000.00 |

As fellow worshipers at Trinity, we all need to be aware of these things. Each of us can make a difference. Pray on these things. Increasing our current tithe by a few percent will go a long way in funding our needs. To ensure your contributions are used as you direct, mark your offering envelope "for facilities repairs." Be specific if you want to address your contribution to one of these major needs.

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance. May your statement of faith enhance and sustain Trinity Presbyterian Church over the next 40 years of its service to our congregation and our community.

*Respectfully,*

*Trinity's Facilities Care Committee*

*Co-Chairmen: Lance Alfred & Marc Hitchins*

*Committee members: Ed Ayers, Bill Butler, David Martin, Ken Mettler, Edward Peart, and Bob Tabit*

*Missing out on News?  
Get Connected!  
It's Easy!*

Here's how you can receive the Trinity Times electronically:

- 1) Go to our website, [trinitypresbyterianpalmcoast.us](http://trinitypresbyterianpalmcoast.us).
- 2) Scroll to the bottom of the page where it says "Subscriptions."
- 3) Type in your email address.
- 4) Push the white "SUBSCRIBE TO POSTS" button.

You will then receive an email when Caity and Jeff Cooke post the Trinity Times or any other news event.

The church works hard to keep us all up-to-date with all the goings-on here at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Please connect today. If you have any difficulty, the church office can help. Call Dana or Caity at (386) 445-4757. They can even arrange for the Times to be mailed to your home!



@trinitypalmcoast

*Trinity Presbyterian (USA)  
Facebook Posts*

If you have interesting happenings, events, stories and/or photos that you would like posted to our Facebook Page, please submit them to Arvid Olson at [arvid@travelleaderspc.com](mailto:arvid@travelleaderspc.com). We are particularly interested in things and photos pertaining to our 40<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration. The older the better!

Like and follow our page for updated events, worship service information, and daily inspirational posts. We would like to thank Arvid Olson for dedicating his time and talent to be our social media administrator!

# TRINITY MUSIC FESTIVAL

*Trinity Presbyterian Church Music Ministries Concert*

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Sunday • 5.5.2019

4:00 PM

CHANCEL CHOIR • HANDBELL CHOIR • CHILDREN'S CHOIR  
GIOIOSO • TUBA SOLO • TENOR  
VIOLA • PIANO • CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

*A Free Will Offering will be Received to Benefit Youth Ministry*

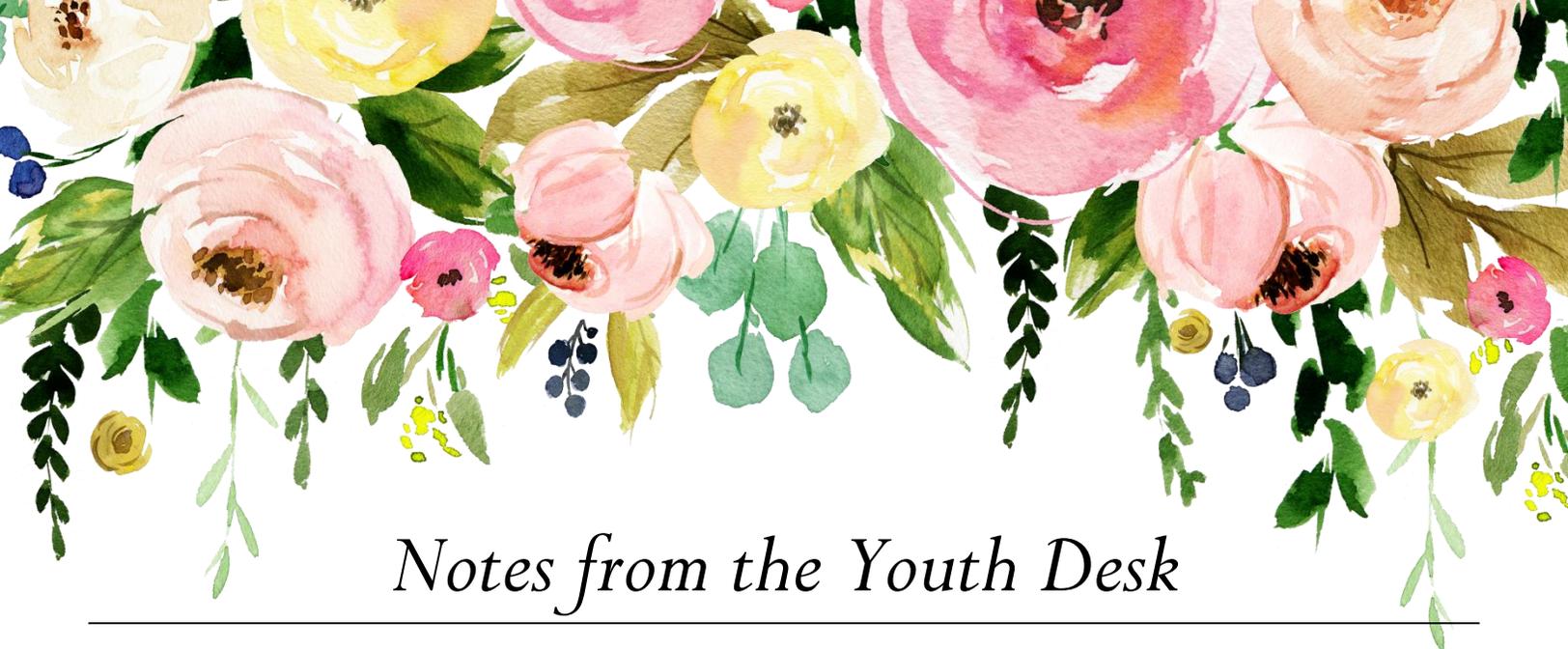


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## *Notes from the Youth Desk*

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He has RISEN, now what?

As Easter People, we put so much excitement and work into Lent and Easter so that when Easter Sunday finally passes, we can feel a sense of relief (if you gave something up for Lent ☺) or disappointment that now we go back to living our lives the way we did over 40 days ago. Easter is over; now what? Jesus didn't return from the grave as the same person and neither do we. The good news is that those things/feelings that we were cultivating or letting go over Lent now have the opportunity to stay with us, to change us and our faith. Those questions that made us think during our Lenten studies now encourage us to continue questioning and continue to learn new things about our God and our faith.

Thank you to the Congregational Life Committee, Membership Committee, Mary & Martha Circle, Rebecca Circle, and Miriam Circle for hosting our Wednesday Lenten Dinners. The food was fabulous!

As of May 1, our youth have 20 days left of this school year, so here at Trinity we are wrapping up our weekly youth group meetings as we transition into our busy summer mode!

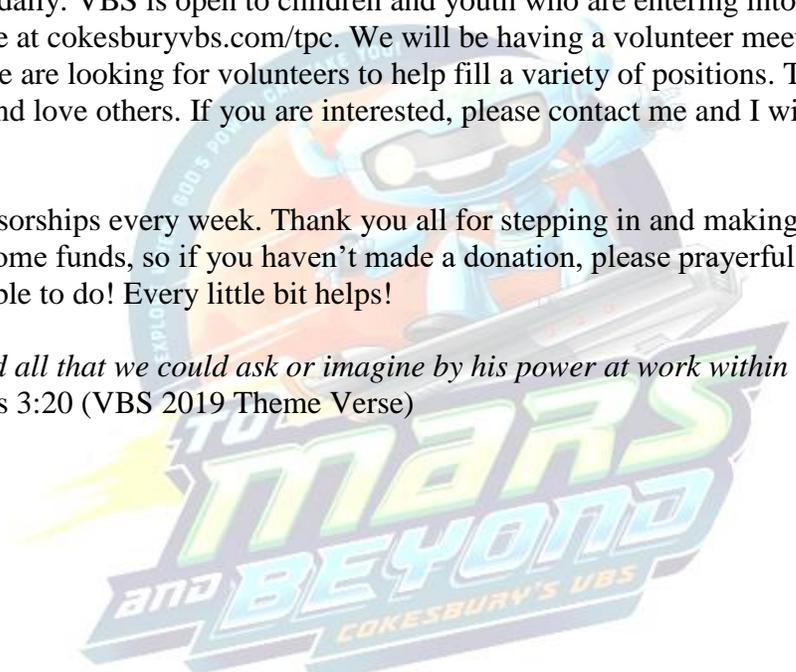
Our 2019 Vacation Bible School, "To Mars and Beyond," will be held here at Trinity Monday, June 17 through Friday, June 21 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM daily. VBS is open to children and youth who are entering into Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration is online at [cokesburyvbs.com/tpc](http://cokesburyvbs.com/tpc). We will be having a volunteer meeting for VBS on Monday, May 13 at 5:30 PM. We are looking for volunteers to help fill a variety of positions. The only qualifications needed are to love God and love others. If you are interested, please contact me and I will find the perfect position for you!

We are continuing to receive Montreat Sponsorships every week. Thank you all for stepping in and making this year's trip a reality! We are still in need of some funds, so if you haven't made a donation, please prayerfully consider if this is something you would be able to do! Every little bit helps!

*"Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us!"*  
Ephesians 3:20 (VBS 2019 Theme Verse)

*Glory to God,*

*Brooke Tucker*  
*Director of Faith Formation*



# Montreat Youth Sponsorship

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The 2019 Montreat Youth Conference, Let Love Lead, will equip and empower youth to make tangible changes within themselves and the greater community by hearing their peers' voices and using their own. We invite youth to be their authentic selves, to form deep, spiritual, and intentional relationships with God, themselves, and others, in order to grant assurance of wholeness. We will provide an affirming atmosphere to embrace the unknown and ask questions that lead to exploration as a means of faith development.

There are four main parts of every day at MYC:

- **Keynote** – The keynote session gathers everyone together for movement and group building (fondly known as energizers), announcements, music, and keynote. Keynote is a 45-minute-ish presentation engaging conferees in that day's scriptural theme. After keynote, conferees head to small group sessions.
- **Small Groups** – Small groups allow youth to form relationships with others in order to have honest discussions with each other about questions raised during keynote and worship. Small group sessions are led by trained small group leaders, who guide conversation and lead group building activities.
- **Worship** – After dinner, everyone gathers for worship. In worship, youth engage the Word of God as they seek to understand and respond to the challenges and triumphs of being a high schooler in the twenty-first century. Youth Conference worship is joyful, reflective, and seeks to glorify God using many creative gifts of the participants.
- **Recreation** – Recreation events are featured throughout the day and include everything from dance, games, and group building activities to snow cone parties, international crafts, and service. Energizers are a much beloved Montreat tradition, pairing popular music and simple movements everyone can enjoy.

The cost of the trip is roughly \$700 per person which includes transportation, lodging, food, and conference fees. Each youth is responsible for \$100 of cost and we hope to cover the remainder through fundraising efforts.

Thank you for choosing to sponsor a youth! Your youth will contact you in April to say thank you and also to introduce themselves to you. We hope you will seek to foster this relationship through prayer through one another and also seek each other out when you are at church! Please fill out the form attached and return to the offering plate with your financial donation in the envelopes provided.

Thank you!

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## Montreat Youth Sponsorship Form

Name(s) of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount: \$10    \$25    \$50    \$100    other \_\_\_\_\_

# *In Memoriam*

*Elder & Deacon Patricia Dixon*

*April 12, 2019*



*happy birthday*

Jeanne Nix	5/1	McKayla Davendonis	5/13
Barbara Leshner	5/2	Lynn Martin	5/13
Branden Gynizio	5/3	George Mascenic	5/13
Jack Hartnett	5/3	Heather Pfeiffer	5/14
Jan Johnson	5/3	Willa Burns	5/16
Peter Harrison	5/4	Cheryl Hickson	5/16
Jack Kaczmarek	5/4	Queenester Jones	5/16
Heasuk Che	5/5	Melanie Manson	5/18
Arlene Highet	5/5	Norma Rogero	5/19
Kathy Cooke	5/6	Milton Rampersad	5/20
Thomas Howard	5/7	Nancy Clark	5/21
Alice Powell	5/7	Nick Jebbia	5/21
Ashby Richards	5/7	Lynn Breitenberg	5/22
David Wheeler	5/7	Shirley Jennings	5/23
Alexandra Rampersad	5/8	Judy Grady	5/25
Muriel Fallon	5/10	Ronald Czadzeck	5/27
Dana Mack	5/10	Harrison Hess	5/27
Ron Weidner	5/10	Elizabeth Reid	5/27
Jarrold Connors	5/11	Leroy Reeves	5/28
Joye Wood	5/12	Yvonne Reeves	5/28



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## *A Note from the Editor*

Hi, everyone! I hope you enjoyed this issue of the Trinity Times!

Please note: the deadline for content submission for the June Trinity Times is May 15, 2019. Please send submissions to [trinityoffice@cfl.rr.com](mailto:trinityoffice@cfl.rr.com). Thank you for all you do to make Trinity's newsletter informative and engaging!

*Caity Campana*

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