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Trinity Tribune

July/August 2026

Grief, Gratitude, and the Gift of Trinity

As I write this first newsletter article since my husband's death, I find it hard to think of anything else. Robert is woven into my days—in the impulse to call and tell him I made it safely to Mt. Airy, in the moments when I wonder what he would say, in the ache that rises when I pass his church, drive his truck, write my sermon without his listening ear, or reach for the empty space beside me at night. There is an ache in my soul.

And yet, even in that ache, my broken heart is overflowing with gratitude for the love this congregation has shown me over this last year. Every card, call, visit, prayer, trip to the funeral, and quiet act of support has been a gift, reminding me that grief is not meant to be carried alone. I give thanks for each and every one of you.

I do not take for granted the time that you all allowed me to be with Robert during Hospice and following his funeral as most people don't have that luxury. I am thankful for our Senior Warden, Wendy Tatman, the Vestry, Tobi, Howard, and all the people of the congregation who kept all our ministries running.

This is a long journey and so many in this congregation who have walked this road have helped me navigate the way. But that is a large part of what we do at Trinity. We are there for each other in our joys, our sorrows, and our everyday life. We pray for each other, we worship God together, and we go into the world to share the love and support outside our walls.

When I look out at our congregation, I see the face of God looking back at me. I hope you see it too.

+Sarah



We will be hosting a **cooling center** on Tuesdays and Fridays from 3-5 this summer if there are no conflicts with scheduling. We also hope to provide a meal for 5-10 people. If you are able to provide a meal, please let Sarah know.

There will be no Wednesday morning Book Group in July or August. We will resume meeting on September 16, 2026. More information to come on our next book.



We need **volunteers for the 8:30 service**. Lectors, Chalice Bearers, Greeters and Acolytes. Please let Sarah or Tobi know if you would like to sign up.

Backyard Bible Study will begin on Thursday, July 9th at the home of Jim & Wendy Tatman. We will be studying the book of Ruth. There will be a potluck meal at 5:30 with the Bible study to follow. Mark & Kate Appler will host on July 23rd, Steve Delacroix & Pam Smith will host on August 6th. The following dates are still available: August 20th, September 3rd and September 17th. Please contact the church office if you would like to host an evening.



Sarah will have an **acolyte training** on Sunday, July 12th at 9:30 a.m. Please let her know if you would like to attend.

The Bishop is coming to Trinity on October 4th. If you would like to be Confirmed, Reaffirmed or Received please let Sarah know.



Nursery Volunteers are still needed to help during the 10:30 service on Sunday. A sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex.

July

2026

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Immediate Needs:

Teresa Auld
 Penny Bourque
 Jason Canning
 Jody Caudle
 Jim Causer
 Heath Church
 Ken Collins
 Clarence & Rosie Derrick
 Harman Gilbert
 Greg Goad
 Jennifer Green
 Ray Hanna
 James (Pete) Haynes
 Vicki Holcomb
 Kyle Jones
 Gus Lewis
 Cynthia Light
 Libby Lovill
 Michelle Mayes
 Tammy McDowell
 Hubert McMillian
 Cheryl Menezes
 Tim Miles
 Anderson Moore
 Sarah Morris
 Angie Nolfo
 Tammy Pendleton
 Diane Prichard
 Sheila Robbins
 Paul Ruuska
 Stephanie Serika
 Beatie Smith
 Sid Spencer, Sr.
 Tammy Springthorpe
 Matthew Stevens
 Kelli Vincen
 Joe Waddell
 Donna Ward
 Page Warner
 Henrietta Williams
 Dakota Wood
 Summer Stage
 Western NC

Long Term Needs:

Jane Carper
 Ann Cochrane
 Jo Crouser
 John Derrick
 Paul Derrick
 Ken Foil
 Jan Frye Hill
 Steve Hines
 Kenny Holt
 Phyllis Frye James
 Carrie Krahn
 Kitty Martin
 Kenny Matthews
 Barbara McGatlin
 Lorene Ramsey
 Phyllis Rose
 Erika Rowe
 Candace Sammons
 Mac Sammons
 Kris Saunders
 Denny Shelton
 Jeanette Staples
 Betty Town
 Vicky Town
 John Townsend

Trinity Prayer Concerns

Please pray for our Trinity family in the Armed Services of our country:

Amanda Eads, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble & Robert Poole

If you have placed a name on the prayer list and feel it is time to take it off, please call Tobi in the church office.

A Prayer for Israel & Palestine

Today we lift up our prayers for justice, mercy, peace and an end to all violence.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit
 may so move every human heart,
 and especially the hearts of the people
 of the lands of Israel and Palestine,
 that barriers which divide them may crumble,
 suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease;
 that their divisions being healed,
 they may live in justice and peace. Amen.

A Prayer for Peace

"God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Sudan today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen."

How to let us know of your prayer concerns:

Call the church office at 336-786-6067 or email us at info@trinitymtairy.com

July Volunteer Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Vestry Person</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Chalice Bearer</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>
July 5 8:30 am 10:30 am	Jane Ciancio	Vicky Town Ann Vaughn	Jessica S. Brenda & Lucinda	Mike Wilson Gloria & Larry	Karen Nealis	Roxann Moore & Margie Martin	Jessica S. Wyatt F.
July 12 8:30 am 10:30 am	Steve Delacroix	Pat Clark Wendy Tatman	Mike Karen & David	Josh Holt Ann V & Ann Marie	Beckie Derrick	Kate Appler	Mike W. David S.
July 19 8:30 am 10:30 am	Brenda Goings	Jessica S. BK Duke	Mike Brenda & Lucinda	Ted Ashby Nate & Christine	Jan Frye Hill	Jane Ciancio	Mike W. Roxann M.
July 26 8:30 am 10:30 am	Margie Martin	Vicky Town Nate Haga	Jessica S. Roxann & Jesse	Josh Holt Margie & Martha	Ann Vaughn	Pam Dickenson	Jessica S. Jesse S.

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled Sunday, please find a replacement and let the church office know.

If you would like to be a lector, chalice bearer, or acolyte or serve as a greeter, please let Sarah or Tobi know.

July Trinity Cooks

Beckie Derrick
Jaqueline Karlinsky
Pat Sanderson
Jessica Simandle
Pam Smith
Wendy Tatman
Elise Crocker
Hailey Bowman

August Volunteer Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Vestry Person</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Chalice Bearer</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>
August 2 8:30 am 10:30 am	David Silvia	Pat Clark Margie M.	Jessica S. David & Roxann	Mike Wilson Gloria & Larry	Tom & Mary Fawcett	St. Elizabeth's Guild	Jessica S. Roxann M.
August 9 8:30 am 10:30 am	Pam Smith	Jessica S. James D.	Mike Karen & Jesse	Josh Holt Beckie & Jesse	Pam Smith	St. Elizabeth's Guild	Mike W. Karen N.
August 16 8:30 am 10:30 am	Wendy Tatman	Vicky Town David S.	Mike Brenda & Lucinda	Ted Ashby Ann V & Ann Marie	Brenda Goings	St. Elizabeth's Guild	Mike W. Wyatt F.
August 23 8:30 am 10:30 am	Jane Ciancio	Pat Clark Lucinda F.	Jessica S. Jesse & David	Josh Holt Margie & Martha	Margie Martin	St. Elizabeth's Guild	Jessica S. David S.
August 30 8:30 am 10:30 am	Steve Delacroix	Jessica S. Gloria L.	Mike W. Karen & Roxann	Vicky Town Nate & Christine	Jesse Slate	St. Elizabeth's Guild	Mike W. Roxann M.

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August Trinity Cooks

Margie Martin

Pam Dickenson

Kate Appler

Pam Harrill

Dave Silvia

Jane Ciancio

Roxann Moore

Snapshots of Trinity



Our Trinity Family gave Hailey Bowman and Elise Crocker a baby shower in April.

Baby Harper Kaye was born in June and is absolutely beautiful!

Congratulations!



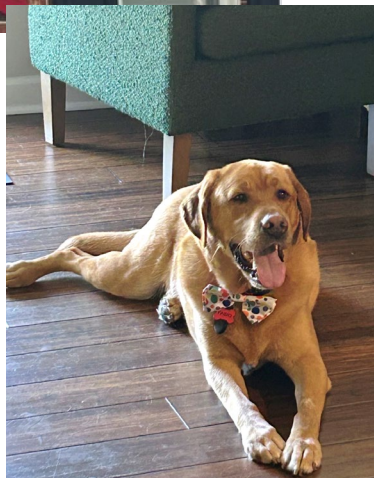
In April we hosted a community event with Ben Yeager, an Alzheimer's Association representative who discussed how to keep our brains healthy. Rachel Williams from Northern Wellness and Fitness demonstrated self-defense moves and talked about situational awareness.



Maddie-Scott Teschke just graduated from Greensboro Middle College in June 2026 and will be attending UNC-Chapel Hill in the fall.

Mom: Kathryn "Scotti" Kawecky

Grandmother: Ann Lewis Vaughn



Sweet Fabio celebrated his birthday this week with a special "pawty".
Happy Birthday!



Wearing red on Pentecost Sunday



Cheesecake is always delicious. We don't ask how it fell in the floor.



Kevin Wilson painting the inside of the Loan Closet storage building that was damaged last year by a fire. Thank you Kevin!



Kathy Robertson found another Trinity Episcopal Church in Mackinac Island, Michigan.



Lee & Kellan Wilsonwithers were given a shower by friends and family to help them welcome their new son. He is already so loved!
Congratulations!



Margie Martin enjoying shrimp and grits at Pine Knoll Shores.

July & August Birthdays & Anniversaries

July Birthdays

2nd Brandon Duke
3rd Ann Vaughn
3rd James Derrick
7th Brett Willis
10th Elise Crocker
16th Tami Springthorpe
21st Tom Dickenson
23rd Erika Rowe
25th Aleigha Wilsonwithers
26th Ann Marie McGuirl
31st Pat Gallagher

July Anniversaries

15th Mark & Linda Donnell
21st Lee & Kellan Wilsonwithers

August Anniversaries

4th Sid & Miki Spencer
10th Jacky & Joel Karlinsky

August Birthdays

1st Charene Deaver-Vazquez
2nd Beatrice Attuah
3rd Mark Appler
3rd Marci Pobgee
4th Sue Hidley
8th Nancy Taylor
9th Jennifer Green
9th Jim Tatman
12th Ginny Gilbert
12th Tracy White
13th Paul Newman
14th Harrison Appler
16th Lailaity Attuah
16th Patricia Sanderson
18th Hailey Bowman
19th Sam Mason
20th Ted Ashby
23rd Pam Harrill
25th Chrisanne Quance
26th Jesse Slate
27th Callan Frye
29th Anna Goings Furr
31st Bill Hicks

Birthday Blessings

You may come forward for a birthday blessing during any of our services. It is our custom to put one penny (but not necessary) in the birthday bank for each year of your life.

The funds go to support outreach.

New to Trinity? Please share your birthdays and anniversaries with us. We'd love to celebrate with you.



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