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# Trinity Tribune

## March/April 2026

## A Deeper Meaning

This may be the year that I have truly caught a glimpse of a deeper meaning of Lent. One that quite frankly, I would have preferred not to see. Each year, Lent begins with “Ashes to ashes and dust to dust.” We hear those words and we ponder their meaning, but we really don’t want to truly go there. During the weeks of Lent, we follow Jesus as he moves toward Jerusalem and the fate that awaited him. But this year, I find myself wondering did Jesus feel the knot in his stomach that I feel as he continued to move forward each day. A knot that doesn’t go away or allow you to take a deep breath. Jesus couldn’t stop because there was much to do and say and time was running out.

I wonder how many times Jesus wished he had more time. I wonder how many times he wished he had said and done things sooner. I wonder how many times he told God that he needed a few more minutes to tell those close to him that he loved them. I wonder how many times he said, “I thought I had more time.” Those are the things that I am thinking about this Lent. I know that I am not the first, many at Trinity who have lost ones whom they have loved and have experienced this type of Lent. Time spent wondering in the wilderness willing to beg or make a deal with God for a little more time.

But when we are deep in the middle of the Lenten season, it is hard to see the other side, but it is there even if we can’t bring ourselves to raise our eyes to see it just yet. Yes, the resurrection is there – Jesus is there. But we can’t get there without Good Friday. And oh, how we would like to just jump over that part and go straight to the joy of “He is risen!” But we can’t, we have to spend our time in Lent. And all of us who have ever loved will experience a time in Lent, and like Jesus, we also must hold onto the hope of the resurrection. Because we are loved by a God who is with us every step and every moment of Lent.

No matter what you are going through, know that you are loved. You are loved through the Lenten seasons of your life with our Savior’s arms wide-open ready to embrace you on the other side.

Sarah



**Altar Flowers**-You are invited to sign up for a Sunday to provide flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, and your dedication will be printed in the bulletin.

You are invited to deepen your **Lenten journey** through a discussion and exploration of practices raised by Sister Joan Chittister, from her book "The Rule of Benedict: A spirituality for the 21st Century." Our discussion will be held each Sunday during Lent in Sarah's office during the Sunday School hour.



**Trinity's Book Group** meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 and will continue the book called "Wisdom Jesus" by Cynthia Bourgeault. If you have questions, please contact Kate Appler.

**Needed for the Warming Center:** Trinity will provide volunteers for Wednesday and Sunday nights that we are open. We need two people to bring a meal for approximately 10 people and 2 people to check guests in. Please let Sarah know if you can help. *We need volunteers for March 18<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.*



**Easter Flowers**-If you would like to provide an Easter lily in honor or in memory of a loved one, please fill out an order form located in the narthex or you can use the envelope in your pew. Please place it in the offering plate. Orders are due by March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Sign up for the **Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil** beginning immediately after the Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 p.m. and ends at noon on Good Friday. *"Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour?" Matthew 26:40*

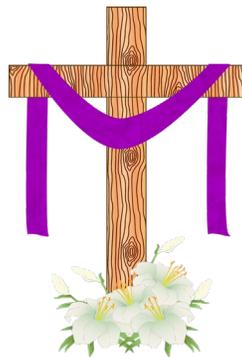


On Easter Sunday, you are invited to bring loose flowers to decorate the **Flower Cross**.

We will have an **Easter Egg Hunt** for the children following the 10:30 service on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate candy to help fill the eggs, you may bring it the church office any time.



**We have a new nursery worker!** Our very own Michelle English has agreed to work the nursery on Sunday mornings during the 10:30 service. She has been an active member of Trinity for several years. We are required to have two people in the nursery and so we are asking for volunteers to sign up for Sundays on rotation. If you would like to help, please contact the church office.



## *Upcoming Dates to Remember*

### *Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday*

Holy Eucharist 8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

### *Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> Maundy Thursday*

Maundy Thursday Service & Footwashing 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Vigil begins at 7:00 p.m. -12:00 noon

### *Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday*

Good Friday Service & Stripping of the Altar 12:00 noon

### *Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday*

Holy Eucharist 8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt to follow the 10:30 service in Trinity Park

# April

# 2026

| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
|--|--------|--|--|--|---|----------|
|  |        |  | 1<br>10:30 am Book Group<br>1 pm Alz Class<br>5:30 pm Holy Eucharist | 2<br>8:30 am Staples<br>1 pm Art Class<br>3 pm Medical Loan Closet<br>6 pm Maundy Thursday Service/Footwashing<br>7 pm Prayer Vigil Begins | 3<br>12 noon Good Friday Service and Stripping of the Altar | 4        |
| 5<br>8:30 am Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Holy Eucharist<br>Easter Egg Hunt | 6      | 7<br>10 am Medical Loan Closet<br>3:30 pm Youth Group                            | 8<br>10:30 am Book Group<br>5:30 pm Holy Eucharist                   | 9<br>8:30 am Staples<br>1 pm Art Class<br>3 pm Medical Loan Closet   | 10  | 11       |
| 12<br>8:30 am Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Holy Eucharist                   | 13     | 14<br>10 am Medical Loan Closet<br>3:30 pm Youth Group<br>6:00 pm Vestry Meeting | 15<br>10:30 am Book Group<br>5:30 pm Holy Eucharist                  | 16<br>8:30 am Staples<br>1 pm Art Class<br>3 pm Medical Loan Closet  | 17  | 18       |
| 19<br>8:30 am Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Holy Eucharist                   | 20     | 21<br>10 am Medical Loan Closet<br>3:30 pm Youth Group                           | 22<br>10:30 am Book Group<br>5:30 pm Holy Eucharist                  | 23<br>8:30 am Staples<br>1 pm Art Class<br>3 pm Medical Loan Closet  | 24  | 25       |
| 26<br>8:30 am Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Holy Eucharist                   | 27     | 28<br>10 am Medical Loan Closet<br>3:30 pm Youth Group                           | 29<br>10:30 am Book Group<br>5:30 pm Holy Eucharist                  | 30<br>8:30 am Staples<br>1 pm Art Class<br>3 pm Medical Loan Closet  |   |          |

**Immediate Needs:**

Michelle  
Mike  
Diana Adelizzi  
Teresa Auld  
Jody Caudle  
Jim Causer  
Heath Church  
Ken Collins  
Clarence & Rosie Derrick  
Harman Gilbert  
Greg Goad  
Jennifer Green  
Jan Frye-Hill  
Ray Hanna  
James (Pete) Haynes  
Phyllis Frye James  
Kyle Jones  
Gus Lewis  
Cynthia Light  
Libby Lovill  
Michelle Mayes  
Cheryl Menezes  
Robert Morris  
Angie Nolfo  
Bob Parvin  
Diane Prichard  
Draven Quesinberry  
Gail Reeves  
Jim Reeves  
Sheila Robbins  
Stephanie Serika  
Beatie Smith  
Sid Spencer, Sr.  
Bruce Springthorpe  
Matthew Stevens  
Kelli Vincen  
Joe Waddell  
Brent Wall  
Donna Ward  
Page Warner  
Henrietta Williams  
Dakota Wood  
Western NC

**Long Term Needs:**

Jane Carper  
Ann Cochrane  
John Derrick  
Paul Derrick  
Ken Foil  
Steve Hines  
Kenny Holt  
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](mailto:info@trinitymtairy.com)

# March 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>          |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>March 1</b><br>8:30 am<br>10:30 am                        | Margie Martin        | Pat Clark<br>Ann Vaughn        | Jessica S.<br>Roxann &<br>David   | Ted Ashby<br>Jim & Wendy     | Lent. No<br>Flowers     | Wendy Tatman                    | Jessica S.<br>David S.  |
| <b>March 8</b><br>8:30 am<br>10:30 am                        | David Silvia         | Vicky Town<br>Wendy T.         | Mike W.<br>Karen &<br>David       | Josh H.<br>Pat & Morris      | Lent. No<br>Flowers     | Mary Fawcett                    | Mike W.<br>Karen N.     |
| <b>March 15</b><br>8:30 am<br>10:30 am                       | Pam Smith            | Nancy Dixon<br>Ann Vaughn      | Jessica S.<br>Roxann &<br>Lucinda | Pat S.<br>Margie &<br>Martha | Lent. No<br>Flowers     | Beckie Derrick                  | Jessica S.<br>Roxann M. |
| <b>March 22</b><br>8:30 am<br>10:30 am                       | Wendy Tatman         | Pat S.<br>Nate Haga            | Mike W.<br>Jesse &<br>Brenda      | Josh Holt<br>Gloria & Larry  | Lent. No<br>Flowers     | Mary Fawcett<br>Cindy Blackwell | Mike W.<br>Jesse S.     |
| <b>Palm Sunday</b><br><b>March 29</b><br>8:30 am<br>10:30 am | Jane Ciancio         | <b>Multiple Readers Needed</b> | Jessica S.<br>Wendy &<br>Karen    | Nate &<br>Catherine Haga     | Palm<br>Sunday<br>Palms | Beckie Derrick                  | Jessica S.<br>Wyatt F.  |

*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.*

## March Trinity Cooks

Jill Borders  
Brenda Goings  
Ann Vaughn  
Martha Marcum  
Pat Gallagher  
Lucinda Fallin

# April 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>          |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>April 2</b><br><i>Maundy Thurs</i><br><b>6:00 pm</b> | ***                  | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>       | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>               | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>              | ***            | St. Catherine's Guild | <b>Volunteer Needed</b> |
| <b>April 3</b><br><i>Good Friday</i><br><b>12:00</b>    | ***                  | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>       | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>               | <b>Volunteer Needed</b>              | ***            | St. Catherine's Guild | <b>Volunteer Needed</b> |
| <b>April 5</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><b>10:30 am</b>     | Steve Delacroix      | Vicky Town<br>James Derrick   | Jessica S.<br>Roxann M. &<br>David S. | Josh Holt<br>Jim & Wendy             | Marge Wilmoth  | St. Catherine's Guild | Mike W. David           |
| <b>April 12</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><b>10:30 am</b>    | Brenda Goings        | Pat Clark<br>Gloria L.        | Mike W.<br>Lucinda F. &<br>Karen N.   | Pat S.<br>Catherine &<br>Nate Haga   |                | St. Catherine's Guild | Mike W.<br>Karen N.     |
| <b>April 19</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><b>10:30 am</b>    | Margie Martin        | Pat Sanderson<br>B. K. Duke   | Jessica S.<br>Wendy T. &<br>Brenda G. | Mike W.<br>Ann Marie &<br>Ann Vaughn |                | St. Catherine's Guild | Jessica S.              |
| <b>April 26</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><b>10:30 am</b>    | David Silvia         | Nancy Dixon<br>Lucinda Fallin | Mike W.<br>David S. &<br>Jesse S.     | Ted Ashby<br>Gloria & Larry          |                | St. Catherine's Guild | Mike W.<br>Jesse S.     |

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## April Trinity Cooks

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

# Snapshots of Trinity





## Spring Flower Sale to Benefit Grayson County Summer Stage

Grayson County Summer Stage is a youth-focused performing arts program in Fancy Gap, Virginia, offering theater education, leadership development, and community performances.

Grayson County Summer Stage is a four-week summer performing arts program designed to empower youth through theater, music, and performance activities, serving Grayson, Carroll, and surrounding counties in Virginia.

Add some spring zing to your garden and help Summer Stage buy a new spotlight!

Check out our web store and get your spring bulbs today!

**Orders end March 22nd.**

Seller's name is Vicky Town.

**Pick up your order:**

April 7th or 14th

4:30 pm to 7:30 pm from

Woodlawn Marketplace parking lot (5055 Carrollton Pike, Woodlawn, VA 24381).

**NOTE:** Vicky can bring items to the church if you prefer.

**Website:** <https://abc.launchfundraising.com/FundraiserHomeInfo/0/FA6ZAD>



**Monarch Butterfly Sanctuary Flower Mat**  
Atmosfera de Semillas. Santuario de la Mariposa Monarca  
Simply till soil, water, and watch as this flower seed mat transforms your space into a vibrant Monarch Butterfly haven.  
WPP2 \$10.00 FULL SUN 12-40" TALL



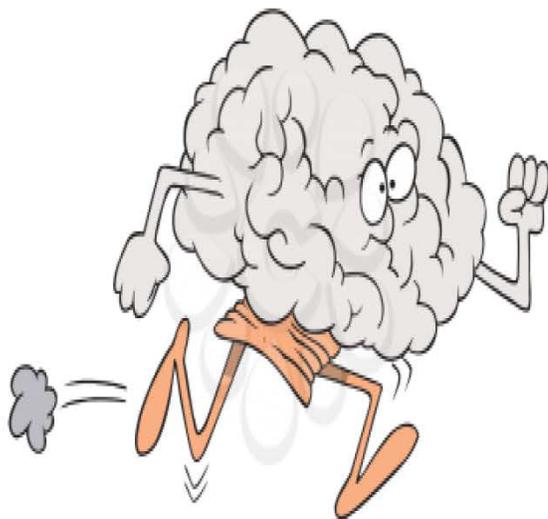
**Hummingbird Hanging Seed Kit**  
Kit de jardín colgante para colibríes  
Includes a hanging bag with rope, special hummingbird attracting seed mix.  
WPS3 \$16.00 FULL SUN

Ever wonder how our steps and sidewalks get cleared? Bruce! Many thanks to you for all that you do for Trinity.



# Is your brain healthy?

Find out April 1<sup>st</sup> when Ben Yeager from the Alzheimer's Association will tell us how to keep our brain healthy *AND* Rachel Williams from Northern Wellness and Fitness will demonstrate self defense moves and situational awareness.



**April 1<sup>st</sup> 1:00 p.m. at Trinity Church**

(the little granite church on North Main Street across from Robby's) Come to the back door.

## March & April Birthdays & Anniversaries

### March Birthdays

8<sup>th</sup> Benjamin Nichols  
 9<sup>th</sup> Pat Clark  
 11<sup>th</sup> Robert Morris  
 13<sup>th</sup> Kevin Wilson  
 14<sup>th</sup> Eric Jennings  
 17<sup>th</sup> Bill Wotlz  
 20<sup>th</sup> Mark Donnell  
 21<sup>st</sup> Kris Saunders  
 23<sup>rd</sup> Theresa Gray  
 24<sup>th</sup> Josh Holt  
 26<sup>th</sup> Holden Appler  
 27<sup>th</sup> Jay Springthorpe  
 29<sup>th</sup> Jan Frye Hill

### April Birthdays

10<sup>th</sup> Lee Wilsonwithers  
 12<sup>th</sup> Lorri Martin  
 20<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Wuenscher  
 23<sup>rd</sup> Jill Borders  
 30<sup>th</sup> Kate Appler

### March Anniversaries

8<sup>th</sup> Pat Gallagher & Morris Allred  
 25<sup>th</sup> Scott & Jennifer Green

### April Anniversaries

12<sup>th</sup> Mark & Kate Appler  
 21<sup>st</sup> Tom & Mary Fawcett  
 22<sup>nd</sup> John & Karen Springthorpe



### 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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