

May 15, 2019

# FAITH IN ACTION

Trinity Presbyterian Church Newsletter



## “Nature” is What We See

"Nature" is what we see—  
The Hill—the Afternoon—  
Squirrel—Eclipse—the Bumble bee—  
Nay—Nature is Heaven—  
Nature is what we hear—  
The Bobolink—the Sea—  
Thunder—the Cricket—  
Nay—Nature is Harmony—  
Nature is what we know—  
Yet have no art to say—  
So impotent Our Wisdom is  
To her Simplicity.

*~Emily Dickinson*



## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### This week at Trinity:

- May 15: Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
- May 16: Tai Chi for Wellness 10:00 a.m.
- May 19: Sunday School/Choir 10:15 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.: Worship/Hunger Offering  
Refreshments and Fellowship following  
Worship

### Looking Ahead

- May 20: Green Team 5:00 p.m.  
Committee Night 5:30 p.m.
- May 22: Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
- May 23: Tai Chi for Wellness 10:00 a.m.
- May 26: Worship/Children-led/String-led  
Guest Preacher: Rev. Liam Hooper 11:00  
a.m.  
Refreshments and Fellowship following  
Worship  
7:00 p.m. Transgender & NonBinary People  
Support Group/Friends & Family of  
Transgender and NonBinary People Support  
Group

### Serving on Sunday

Door Greeter: Dick and Jeanne Patterson  
Head Usher: Heather Hosey  
Worship Leader: Catherine Morrisette  
Little Lights Nursery: Preferred ChildCare,  
Inc.  
Refreshments After Worship: Harry & Janet  
Rolison  
Office Volunteer: TBD

## Trinity Happenings

### Presbyterian Women's Circle Birthday Offering

Don't forget that this group is taking donations for the 100+ Birthday Offering to benefit several worthy national projects. Special envelopes are located in the pews throughout the month. You can see more detailed information in last week's newsletter, located [on our website](#).

### Library News

The Trinity Library is open for business. Bible reference books, commentaries, and various translations of the Bible are in the Library/meeting room. Adult books about spiritual matters, writings of Henri Nouen and CS Lewis, fiction books related to faith, books about other religions and children's books, are in the bookcases in the Fellowship Hall. This Sunday, Elinor Wilburn and Jim Voelker will be available in the Fellowship Hall after Worship to assist with check-out.

### 15 Years of Scholarships at Trinity



Did you know that since 2003, the Trinity Educational Fund has disbursed over \$54,000 to 19 individuals in support of their educational goals? Approximately 2/3 of the total funds have come from contributions made by anonymous donors! And this year, for the first time, 20% of your contributions will be shared with the Winston-Salem Minister's Conference MLK

Scholarship Fund. This is a concrete way we can live out the Black Lives Matter Resolution that we have adopted.

Trinity has a limited amount of funds in a Scholarship Fund, used to provide financial assistance for church members planning to attend community/technical school, college, or graduate school. It is funded by contributions from church friends and members, and from Trinity when budget permits. Applications with instructions for the 2019-2020 academic year are available in the narthex or by calling the church office. The deadline for submissions is June 1, 2019. If you have any questions or need additional information, please speak with Laura Spedding, Ann Williams, Beth Harper, or Cindy Bodenheimer.

Contributions to this fund are needed so that we can make meaningful gifts to Trinity Members and to the Minister's Conference this year. Make your check payable to Trinity and note "Scholarship Fund" on the memo line. Thank you!

# Christian Education

## Vacation Bible School: We Need You! June 21-23, 2019

We are still looking for a few more volunteers. Help is needed for the following activities:

- Music led by Sheila
- Crafts
- The Psalm Bible Story (Session 3)
- Dinner clean-up
- Lunch set-up (pizza and salad)
- Set up Craft Table on Saturday (for Sunday activities)

Please email [Terri](#) if you can help out.

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STUDENT SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE NARTHEX BY THE VBS DISPLAY POSTER.

**Please sign up by Sunday, May 26!**

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**Please join us as we finish our Sunday School year and recognize our wonderful teachers on Sunday, May 19, 2019 during our worship service! We will also be honoring Ruthie Dalby for her graduation from high school.**

**Children's Teachers:** Brenda Daniels, Amanda Barber, Katherine Sobie and Bea Stuber

**Meditation Room:** Joy Gaska

**Adult Class:** Susan Parker, Elinor Wilburn, Jim Voelker, Ron and Cathy Richwine, Dick and Jeanne Patterson, Carol Edmonds, Bert Gronseth, Carol Kayler, Tom Bailey, Art and Katherine Morrissette, Janet Rolison, Laura Spedding, Dave Sobie, Robert Alford, John and Terri Engle

**Vacation Bible School:** Sue and Carl Baker, Margaret Elliot, Gail Williams, Mel Gee, Cindy Bodenheimer, Raegan Dalbo, Beth Harper, Joy and Jon Gaska, Janice Pursley, Julie Suggs, Robert Alford, Laura Spedding, , Amanda Barber, Katherine Sobie, Richard Browne, John and Terri Engle

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### Session Members, Committees, and Groups

**Clerk of Session:** Carol Kayler

**Building & Grounds:** John Engle

**Church Life:** Mel Gee

**Community & World Service:**

Carol Kayler, Susan Hudson

**Personnel & Finance:** Tom Hedgecock

**Personnel Subcommittee:** Heather Hosey

**Stewardship:** Richard Browne

**Worship & Spiritual Growth:** Cindy Bodenheimer

**POAM:** TBD

**Justice Team:** David Bathory, Donna Hamilton

**More Light Liason:** David Bathory

**Environmental Green Team:** Ron Richwine

**Memorial Garden:** Carol Kayler

**Deacons:** Jeff Riddle, Bea Stuber, Sue Baker

# Call to Action

## Human Library: Real People, Real Conversations

Come visit The Human Library™ in Winston-Salem, NC on Thurs, May 16, 2019, 5-8:30 p.m. hosted at the [Venture Café Winston-Salem](#). This program is designed to build a positive framework for conversations that can challenge prejudices through dialogue. Check out the [Facebook event page here](#).

## Social Justice Documentary and Dialogue: Hunger in NC

One in five children in North Carolina goes to bed hungry. Learn more about food insecurity in our state, and specifically in Winston Salem - and how you can make a difference. Two short films will be shown, followed by discussion to be led by local community leaders from SHARE, the "Think Orange" campaign to combat hunger in Winston Salem, and others. Social Justice Documentary & Dialogue nights are held the third Thursday of each month. Other faith communities are also invited to participate. Thursday, May 16, 7:00 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4055 Robinhood Rd, Fellowship Hall. Contact: [sac@uufws.org](mailto:sac@uufws.org)

## Professional and Allies Education Conference

PFLAG Winston-Salem brings experts from our community to provide education, resources, and networking opportunities to mental health professionals, educators, and families. The conference will be held at Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center (Conference Center) on Friday, May 17. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the Narthex for more information.

## Horticultural Therapy Program and Community Garden



Each session includes a bilingual (English/Spanish) lesson on horticulture or art, and a family workday in the garden. A registered Horticultural Therapist will work with children individually or in small groups while families tend the garden. The entire family can participate and we welcome all children, with or without disabilities. Each family will be asked to take turns watering and maintaining the garden, and will receive part of the harvest of vegetables. This is a pilot program with the possibility of continuation based on interest. For more information and to register, please contact Gloria Haley at [ghaleyart@yahoo.com](mailto:ghaleyart@yahoo.com) or 336-814-7080, or Megan Gregory at [gregormm@forsyth.cc](mailto:gregormm@forsyth.cc) or 336-705-8823. Fridays, May 24-July 26, 2019, 5:45-7:15 p.m. at Simon's Green Acre Community Garden, 1922 S. Martin Luther

King Jr. Dr.

## Liberating Theologies: 2019 Speaker Series

The Liberating Theologies conference, presented by The Freedom Center for Social Justice, is a one-day experience exploring varying theologies with an emphasis on liberation and inclusion for the oppressed and marginalized. Speakers include Rev. Dr. Keri Day on The Future of Theology, Rev. Dr. Pamela Lightsey on Womanist Queer Theology, and Dr. John Boopalan on Dismantling Oppressive Theologies. Saturday, May 25, 2019, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Charlotte Museum of History, 3500 Shamrock Dr., Charlotte, NC 28215. [Register here](#).

## In Good Company

The annual gala fundraiser for Winston-Salem's [North Star LGBTQ Community Center](#). June 13, Grand Pavilion Ballroom/Embassy Suites Downtown, 5-11:00 p.m. See their [event page](#) for ticket information.

## COMMUNITY NEEDS

### CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Food/Gift of the Month for May:  
Instant Oatmeal

### BOLTON FOOD PANTRY

All-Purpose Cleaner  
Trash Bags (small boxes)

### MOSES BASKET

Socks  
Tights  
Hats

## TRINITY SUPPORTS

### Support, Advocacy, & Education Groups That Meet at Trinity

- Tolerance AA Groups: Tuesday and Thursday, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Saturday, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.
- Help and Hope Al-Anon Family Group: Saturdays 5:00-6:00 p.m.
- Newcomers Club: 4th Tuesday of Each month, 10:00 a.m.
- WS Transgender Support Groups: Transgender ID-only Group/Friends, Family, & Partners Group meet every other Sunday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Call 908-444-1524 for further information.

### Local Support Groups

- PFLAG: Parents, Families, & Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets at Highland Presbyterian Church at 2380 Cloverdale Ave, 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Resource Link: [www.pflagws.org](http://www.pflagws.org); Trinity contact: Johnnie Midyette

## Let Us Also Be Mindful

Victims of continuing gun violence and their families, and the dialogue around preventing gun violence

Our immigration situation, and compassion from our leaders

Continued dialogue and action around racism in our city and country

The political discourse in our country

The worldwide refugee crisis

Caregivers

All of our troops and their families

Children at the Mission of the Good Shepherd in Belize

All those suffering from injustice and oppression throughout the world



## In Gratitude

Thank you to all of our teachers and Sunday School teachers who have helped nurture our faith this year. Please join us as we celebrate them this Sunday, May 19!

Thank you to Christy, Jonathan, and our all-women choir, who have faithfully provided music for us all year!

Thank you to all the ministers at Trinity (this includes everyone!) whose gifts continue to help us be the church!

## Extra! Extra!

**The Capital Campaign Committee has asked that every member of the congregation complete this survey as we approach the capital campaign.** For those who do not have access to the survey online, written copies will also be available in the narthex for the next two Sundays. Completed written surveys can then be left in the church office in Tom Hedgecock's box. We are asked to complete the survey by Sunday, May 19th. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey so that we may better address our needs through the Capital Campaign.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TrinityWinstonSalem>

Don't forget that there will be no Zumba classes for the remainder of May or in June. The instructor is out recovering from surgery. Classes will resume the week of July 8 on Monday and Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Kim Young is our bedrock in the office and keeps so busy! If you have an administrative task that needs to be done, we ask for two-day notice. Thanks!

Carol Edmond fell and broke her hip while visiting her daughter in Charlotte. She is at Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Rock Hill. For those who would like to send a card, here is the address:

Carol Edmond  
c/o Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital of Rock Hill  
1795 Dr. Frank Gaston Blvd.  
Rock Hill, SC 29732

## Links

**Jon's sermons** can be found on our [website](#). Audio and PDF versions are available.

Calendar on Trinity's website: [www.trinitypresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.trinitypresbyterianchurch.org)

[Call to Action](#), What's happening at Trinity and in our community. Get involved!

Also, check out the Salem Presbytery's [Salem Matters](#) online.

### BIRTHDAYS & CELEBRATIONS

**May 18: Katherine Sobie**

**May 19: Jeanne Patterson  
Rory Geesamon**





Trinity Presbyterian Church is committed to being an open and affirming intergenerational church who, through the gospel of Jesus Christ and with the Spirit, embodies God's love, builds community, and works toward justice.

### **Trinity's Regular Office Hours**

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Tuesday: Closed for Admin Duties  
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Friday: Closed

### **Trinity's Staff**

Rev. Jonathan Gaska, Pastor  
Cristy Lynn Brown, Music Director  
Jonathan Blake Borton, Accompanist  
Rev. Terri Engle, Director of Christian Education  
Sue Baker, Parish Nurse  
Kim Young, Office Administrator  
Diana Coe, Communications Coordinator

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