

The Nour

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The Nour: To comprehend spiritual truth...

An opening and a reaction by the love of God through the Holy Spirit

April 2019



April 2019 Sermons

<p>April 7 Holy Communion Dinner Church at 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:16-21 and John 12:1-8</p>
<p>April 14 Palm Sunday</p>	<p>Luke 19:28-40</p>
<p>April 18  Maundy Thursday Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 p.m.</p>	
<p>April 19  All are invited to the Ecumenical Cross Walk at noon, starting at Blessed Sacrament Good Friday Service 7:00 p.m.</p>	
<p>April 21 Easter Sunday  EASTER</p>	<p>Isiah 65:17-25 and Luke 24:1-12</p>
<p>April 28 Second Sunday of Easter Carolyn Thalman, Guest Preacher – focus on Presbyterian Disaster Assistance</p>	

Pastor's Note

Our stories are sacred. Whether parable, allegory, historical narrative, or some other form, stories help us create meaning in the context of the community in which they are told. You can read more about what is coming up for us in the Easter season ahead, where we will have opportunities to listen to and tell our own stories, hear stories in the greater community, and of course, focus on the stories of our faith that begin with the resurrection of Jesus.

Three years ago, we were in the thick of “Meet the Pastor” groups as I was still working to get to know the congregation. Those groups were a wonderful gift for me and for the whole church, I think, as we gathered together in small groups to share stories of where we were from and how we got here. There are such rich life stories present here, and we don't often have the opportunity to share them. I hope most of you can participate in some of the story circles that will be organized. April Dinner Church will begin the focus on story sharing. Whether or not you have been before, all are welcome.

As we continue through the season of Lent and move into the Easter season, let us remember the stories of our faith. Let us honor the stories of our lives. Through these, let us live into the story that God is writing through us in the context of this community of faith. May it be so!

Grace and Peace,
Stephanie



Lent, Holy Week, and Easter

We will continue to host times for meditation in the sanctuary on Monday, April 7 and 14. Come at 7 to spend some time with Scripture, a little music, and mostly silence and stillness.

Maundy Thursday we will gather at 7pm for worship. Good Friday, all are invited to the ecumenical Cross Walk at noon, starting at Blessed Sacrament. We will have our Good Friday service here at 7pm.

Easter Sunday, we will enjoy a celebratory worship service with special music from the choir. After worship, we will have the Easter Egg Hunt and an extended time for fellowship with a more substantial coffee hour, snacks, and space to enjoy connecting with each other.

April 2019 Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals

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Fifth Sunday in Lent—April 7

Isaiah 43:16–21
Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b–14
John 12:1–8

Passion / Palm Sunday—April 14

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Liturgy of the Palms
Luke 19:28–40
Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29
Liturgy of the Passion
Isaiah 50:4–9a
Psalm 31:9–16
Philippians 2:5–11
Luke 22:14—23:56 or Luke 23:1–49

Monday of Holy Week—April 15

Isaiah 42:1–9
Psalm 36:5–11
Hebrews 9:11–15
John 12:1–11

Tuesday of Holy Week—April 16

Isaiah 49:1–7
Psalm 71:1–14
1 Corinthians 1:18–31
John 12:20–36

Wednesday of Holy Week—April 17

Isaiah 50:4–9a
Psalm 70
Hebrews 12:1–3
John 13:21–32

Maundy Thursday—April 18

Exodus 12:1–4 [5–10] 11–14
Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19
1 Corinthians 11:23–26
John 13:1–17, 31b–35

Good Friday—April 19



Prayers

Please keep in your prayers.....

- Family and friends of Glenn Brewer on his passing on March 13th.
- Bill Sanders, in the death of his lone remaining sibling, in Arkansas.
- Alice Mason, with a broken arm and Alta Mercer, recovering from a recent fall.
- Larry Brown at home recovering from double pneumonia.
- Terry LePera, who is home after a recent stay at RMH.
- Mark Facknitz in his recovery from surgery.
- Challace McMillin's brother, Wayne, who is continuing to face major health challenges, including pneumonia.
- We celebrate the birth of Koleton Isaiah Quass Ferdinand, born March 18. Koleton was 7lbs, 12 ounces, and 20 1/2 inches long. Mother Bessie, baby, and proud grandparents Laura and Kurt are all doing very well!
- Cheryl and Fred Henderson, in the death of their nephew in Pittsburgh.
- Mo Gallagher-McLeod, in the loss of a close cousin in Spartanburg, SC.
- We pray with our Muslim siblings as they grieve the loss of Mr. Awad Damas, founding member of the Muslim community here in Harrisonburg. Mr. Damas worked closely with Ann Held and the Session when the Islamic Association met at Trinity. Ann attended the funeral and shared Trinity's prayers.
- Betty Allen at home.
- Carolyn Arbuckle, as she receives chemotherapy treatments.
- Kim Cooke's family.
- Anna Fisher (granddaughter of Mary Louise) as she seeks treatment for some blockages in her brain.
- Kathy Gillette's mother in Hospice Care in Lexington.

Members at Home:

- Anne Thomas at Yoder House at VMRC. Note her address: 1308 Woodland Park Circle. Roger's phone number is 540-383-9093.
- Bolling Nalle at Mumau House at VMRC.
- Bob Boyd, in assisted living in Indiana, closer to his son. His cell number is 434-221-9248 and address is 2002 Heritage Park Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46805-5806.
- Jean Hogshead at Bridgewater Home, Maple Terrace, 210 Virginia Ave., Apt. 309.

If you are unable to join us regularly in worship and would like to receive communion where you are, please contact the church office (540)434-9556. Also, if you know of someone who might appreciate receiving a prayer shawl, please let Linda Bradley know.

Trinity's Session: Clerk of Session: Linda Bradley (Class of 2021), Dane Byers (Class of 2020), Chris Carlberg (Class of 2020), Rick Comstock (Class of 2019), Melodie Davis (Class of 2020), Teresa Harris (Class of 2019), Paul Klemt (Class of 2019), Becca Lowrance (Class of 2021) Dawn Ruple (Class of 2019) France Sale (Class of 2020), Abby Striebig (Class of 2021), Bill Wilson (Class of 2021), and Youth Representative, Michaela Brino-Dean.

Worship

April Worship Volunteers

House Steward: Linda Bradley

Ushers: April 7: Dennis Blackwell and Dane Byers

April 14: Malcolm and Lynn Cameron

April 18: Maundy Thursday: Bill Wilson

April 19: Good Friday: Paul Klemt and Bill Wilson

April 21: Virginia Healy and Abby Striebig

April 28: Bill and Louisa Painter

Greeters: All Sundays are available for volunteers to sign up.

If you would like to be a greeter on Sunday mornings, please sign up on the sheet on the hallway bulletin board or call the church office at 434-9556.

Communion Bread: Melodie Davis

Palm and Passion Sunday, April 14th

WHY CHOOSE ECO-PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY?
WWW.ECOPALMS.ORG

"LOVE THY NEIGHBOR"
Demonstrating to your congregation the importance of stewardship and helping others through ordering Eco-Palms for Palm Sunday is a simple yet impactful way to show God's love.

PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT
In partnership with the Rainforest Alliance, Eco-Palm harvesters are shown how to collect the palms in a way that discourages deforestation and keeps the plants healthy.

HELP FAMILIES IN NEED
Many of the people employed by Eco-Palms are women, who use the extra household income to invest in their children's education and health.

SUSTAINABLE INCOME
Eco-Palms provide harvesters with 5-6 times the normal payment per frond. Since the palms are collected in a sustainable way, this ensures that they continue to provide a reliable source of income for generations to come.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
In addition to helping individual families, communities that collect Eco-Palms put the extra money towards building much-needed infrastructure and social programs.

GLOBAL IMPACT
When your church purchases Eco-Palms, it is a small step that has a big global impact, helping protect the environment and families around the world.



Easter 2019

As the Easter Seasonal Team met last month, we looked at the texts together through the lens of the life and ministry at Trinity, and two themes began to emerge: “Growing Community and Sharing Stories.”

“Growing Community”

The Co-Moderators of the 223rd General Assembly, Vilmarie Cintrón-Olivieri and Cindy Kohlmann, had just announced their first selection for the “One Church, One Book” reading program. [Neighborhood Church: Transforming Your Congregation into a Powerhouse for Mission](#) invites congregations more intentionally to connect with what God is already doing in and around their neighborhoods. Trinity is particularly lucky to be in our neighborhood, and we’ve previously identified three “neighbors” with whom we might partner and to whom we might reach out in ministry: Sunset Heights, Keister Elementary, and JMU. We already have meaningful connections and ministries engaging with those neighbors, but we could certainly increase our connections there. We will be reading the book together as part of the plan for Nurture next month. Copies are currently available for purchase in the church office for \$13.

We also took inspiration from the growing season, and have hopes and thoughts of ways to connect to the earth. We have a number of gardeners in our midst, and many in our church and neighborhood who might like to garden but don’t know where to start. We plan to find ways to share this knowledge, and share some seeds, as we grow together as a community.

“Sharing Stories”

As Trinity continues our work as part of the Myrtle Collaboration, one strong emphasis is on sharing our stories as we listen for the things that God has done and is doing in our lives and community. The Easter Season is particularly about sharing stories, as well. It begins with the Resurrection and the stories shared by the first witnesses to the risen Lord. Stories from the early church remind us of where we have been, and all of the stories from the season tell us who we are and point to where we are going.

Fellowship

This year we are going to do our post-worship fellowship on Easter Sunday a little differently. Rather than having a big potluck brunch, the Easter team will coordinate brunch foods that can be eaten easily without needing to sit down. We’ll have some tables and chairs available, but the hope is that this will facilitate easier fellowship as people can visit without being as crowded and limited in movement.

Following the Easter service, we will again have the Easter Egg hunt, to which we will invite our neighbors, around 11:30. This year, we plan to hide empty eggs that can be traded in at the end of the hunt for goodies. This can help us accommodate more dietary restrictions and offer more non-food options that aren't choking hazards for younger children. We will also have one or more photographers available to take pictures while everyone is in their Easter best.

Look for more information on opportunities to gather through the season to enjoy fellowship and share stories. We will do a little bit of this at the dinner church on April 7, as well. As we look beyond our church walls, we also hope to engage in some of the stories in the community beyond Trinity. We will also have fellowship opportunities around learning and sharing gardening skills together.



Mission

Our primary mission focus will be through the lens of growing more as a neighborhood church. With the Easter Egg hunt and other events, there will be opportunities to invite the community in, and as we go into the community we look forward to becoming more of a “powerhouse for mission,” too. There will be 2 special offerings received. On Easter Sunday, we will receive the [One Great Hour of Sharing](#) offering, which goes to support the critical and varied work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. The Sunnyside Mother’s Day offering, which we will receive on May 12, supports those living at Sunnyside who have outlived their financial resources. This fund has directly benefitted some of our members past and present. There are some potential opportunities for gardening to be an outreach, as well.

The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Marks Group is working to organize a benefit concert, which will take place on Sunday, June 2 at 3:30pm at the Trinity (please note the change in time and location from the earlier newsletter). Money raised will all go to disaster assistance. Half of the money will be earmarked for eastern North Carolina and the Pollockville community especially. The other half will go to PDA for areas of greatest need. Carolyn Thalman, a member of First Presbyterian Church in Winchester and the National Response Team for PDA, will be with us on Sunday, April 28 to lead in worship and nurture, sharing with us the work that Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is doing on behalf of the PC(USA).

Nurture

April 28 we will welcome Carolyn Thalman to lead us in nurture. For the rest of the season, on May 5, 12, 26, and June 2 we will read and discuss *Neighborhood Church*. On May 19, we will have an opportunity to share seedlings and knowledge during the nurture time. Look for field trips to be scheduled in the community at other times during the week as we learn from the stories of our neighbors. On May 5, we will also recognize our three college graduates: Luke Burket (VCU) and Chloe and Shannon Richard (JMU).

Worship

All of this will be woven into the worship services, grounded in the Word of God. If you are excited by this theme and the Scriptures, there are still opportunities to serve as liturgists available on May 5 and 26. As we enter into the Lenten season, we look forward to the resurrection and a season of “Growing Community and Sharing Stories.”

Members of the Easter Team are: Teresa Harris (convening Elder), Becca Lowrance, Joyce Lyon, Rebekah Nolt, and Susie Phend. They may be approaching you with invitations to participate. Please consider saying yes! If you are particularly excited for any of these ideas and want to be involved, let someone on the team know.



The Pentecost Team will meet on Thursday, April 11 to plan for the season beginning with Pentecost and running through the end of summer. We still have room for more folks to join the Harvest and Advent/Christmas/Epiphany planning teams to round out our first year of seasonal team work. The Harvest season will run from the start of school through Christ the King Sunday, and planning will likely start in late spring or early summer. A/C/E will begin with the first Sunday of Advent and run through Transfiguration Sunday in 2020, February 23. The signup sheets are on the bulletin board if you are willing to serve on either of these teams. So far we are off to a great start.

House Churches and Marks Groups

House Churches

Reaching Out (Paul Sleezer) - Reaching Out has been working with refugees locally, but with the slowdown of refugee resettlement, they are open to discerning some new directions, as well. They meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at 10am.

Sanctuary (Sally Boucher) - Sanctuary will continue working to support immigrant neighbors in various ways, including through the newly formed Valley Area Network for Transportation Assistance. They meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at 7pm.

Marks Groups

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance connection (Virginia and Dick Bethune) - This group is planning to host Carolyn Thalman on April 28 to share more about what PDA does with the congregation. On Sunday, June 2, there will be a benefit concert here at Trinity at 3:30pm to support the work of PDA. Connections have already been made with the Pollocksville Presbyterian Church, and gift cards were sent to provide assistance for the many who are still reeling from Hurricane Florence. For more information about this group, see Virginia Bethune or Virginia Healy.

Keister Backpack Program (Danielle Brino) - The Backpack program continues in an expanded capacity at Keister. Packing is done on Wednesday afternoons.

Clothes Closet (Janet Slough) - The Clothes Closet continues to provide clothing to the community. There are many ways to volunteer with the Clothes Closet. Sign up to work on Wednesday nights by using the links from the website: <http://www.trinitypresbyterianharrisonburg.org/clothes-closet.html>. If you would like to help in other ways, please see Janet!

Hearts and Hands (Linda Bradley) - This group meets the third Monday of each month to knit, crochet, and otherwise craft gifts of care and compassion, including prayer shawls and “shoo boxes.”

Time and Talents: It's never too late!

The Time and Talent inventories that we invite everyone to complete during the Stewardship Season are immensely helpful to all of the teams, and the best way for us to know what your hidden talents are and what you might be willing to share! Please fill this out if you haven't done so already. Filling out the form and indicating willingness simply means that you're willing to be called if there is a particular need. If it's a bad time for you, that's fine! This doesn't sign you up for anything automatically, and many of the items on the inventory are sporadic. If you haven't completed this form yet, please do so. There are paper copies outside of the church office, and you can always fill out the online version here: https://docs.google.com/forms/u/2/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzv3Yos1lmN_Vz4wEzi3_KDI89alaP2cfRUmtN8rSpI5xGg/viewform?usp=send_form



Practices will be held on Thursdays from 7-8pm in the Sanctuary. The choir will lead Easter worship with a special cantata on April 21. All are welcome!

Online Directory

The best way to get up-to-date directory information is from our online directory, Instant Church Directory. Those who have smart phones or tablets can also download the Instant Church Directory app for free and easy access. You'll need to register once with the email address we have on file in order to access our directory. If your information needs to be updated, please let us know. If we don't have a picture on file for you, send us one! And if you would like a printed copy of the directory, just ask Mary anytime. More information and links can be found here: <http://www.trinitypresbyterianharrisonburg.org/church-directory.html>

Sunday Parking

With limited parking, we encourage those who have mobility challenges, those with young children, and visitors to use the parking spots in the upper section of the parking lot. If you are able to park on the street, in the lower part of the lot, or in the overflow in the church yard, that will help keep these spots available for those who will especially appreciate it! - Buildings and Grounds

Prayer Time

#JustPrayerTPC - Just Prayer will NOT be meeting in April. Throughout the Lenten Season, each Monday night there will be a time for contemplation and prayer in the Sanctuary at 7pm.

You may still submit prayer requests online, from the homepage of our church website. Paper forms are available outside of the church office. You can leave a prayer request there or place it in the offering basket.

Feedback Folder!

There is a folder and slips of paper outside of the church office for leaving suggestions. Do you need a new nametag? A mailbox? Do you need to add a new or different email to our church email list? Or update your current contact info? Please let us know! Also, please delete any email addresses in your email address book for the church office EXCEPT for office@trinitypresbyterianharrisonburg.org. We've had some missed communication because of lots of old email addresses floating around. Also note that the church office phone number is incorrect in the new picture directory. The correct phone number is 434-9556.

Help us check the doors!

With so much use of the building during the week and so many different doors, it's not uncommon for a door here or there to get left unlocked. If you are in the church house "off hours," can you make a practice of checking doors you pass to make sure they are fully secured? Security in a building that is used so much by our members and the community is a tricky balance. Thanks for your help!

Do you have a church key that you no longer need? Please return it to the church office, making sure your name is somewhere attached to it for our records.

Nurture

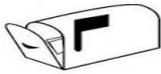


Are you interested in learning more about or joining Trinity? Please let Stephanie know as we are working to plan another opportunity for Explorers.

Library News

The library committee respectfully asks that non-library items be removed and stored in their proper places. At present, there are a plastic bin of candles, a box of fabric, a heavy suitcase with unknown contents, a large plastic bucket, and some children's activity bags, among other things. So far, we have not seen a partridge in a pear tree. If you have left something in the library, please claim it, as the committee has no idea where the left items belong, and they are taking up space that could be used for library work, meetings, and classes.

Fellowship



**NOTE!
ADDRESS CHANGE**

Dick and Virginia Bethune have moved to Sunnyside Campus:
4058 Woodside Dr., Apt 12, Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Lizzy Healy is on Harrisonburg's JV softball team. Here is her home game schedule:

Date	Time	Opponent
Monday, 4/8	5:30	Riverheads
Tuesday, 4/9	5:30	Waynesboro
Thursday, 4/18	5:30	Broadway
Tuesday, 4/30 Her 16th birthday	5:30	Ft. Defiance
Tuesday, 5/7	5:30	Spotswood
Friday, 5/10	5:30	Rockbridge

She will also be performing in the Harrisonburg Parks & Rec department's dance recital on Saturday, May 25th. Performances are at 1 pm and 7 pm.



For all parents, youth, and college students:
We want to support you in your activities! Please send calendars with upcoming sporting events, performances, or other public events to Mary (office@trinitypresbyterianharrisonburg.org) so we can do so.



Would you like to help feed college students for UKIRK? We rotate providing meals with other local churches, and have the following dates open for the spring semester: April 3 and April 17 (at Trinity). If you are willing and able to provide dinner (and you're welcome to stay and eat with us!), please talk to Stephanie.

April Baptisms

April 1	Ben Harris
April 1	David Irving
April 3	Teresa Harris
April 3	Zelda Blackwell
April 10	Donna Cook
April 10	Paul Sonifrank
April 11	Erin Rainard
April 11	Vicky Rinehart
April 12	Malcolm Cameron
April 12	Alex Sonifrank
April 13	Kathy Gillette
April 16	Oliver Atwood
April 16	Anthi Papayannopoulous
April 18	Stuart Davis
April 18	Hannah Facknitz
April 21	Beverly Silver
April 21	Ramona Sanders
April 23	Cathy Papayannopoulous
April 23	Ron Radloff
April 24	Becca Lowrance
April 25	Mary Lou McMillin
April 30	Bill Painter
April 30	Emma Klemt

April Birthdays

April 3 Rebekah Nolt
April 5 Sally Boucher
April 6 Terry LePera
April 7 Derek Brownsword
April 10 Susan Estep
April 13 Patti Warner
April 13 Ann Rainard
April 15 Tylor Brino-Dean
April 22 Hannah Facknitz
April 23 Michelle Davis Sinclair
April 25 DeAnne Chenoweth
April 30 Elizabeth Healy



Dear Trinity Family,

I need to hug each and every one of you for all the gifts of love shown to me. The prayers which kept me alive, cards, food and visits have all been greatly appreciated. Thanks also to those who drove Don to visit with me during my illness. I am feeling better each day. Thank you for loving me like family.

Betty Allen



Available Immediately: Volunteer Position
BULLETIN BOARD CARETAKER

No experience necessary, set your own hours.

Contact Mary at the church office at 434-9556 or Mae Guthrie at 568-8318 at for details.

Mission

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Presentation - April 28

Sometimes the Sunday after Easter is called "low" Sunday. NOT FOR US AT TRINITY THIS YEAR. On April 28, we will welcome Carolyn Thalman to bring our message in worship and lead our adult Nurture. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) will be the focus of her message.

Carolyn Thalman is a member of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) National Response Team (NRT) and the Shenandoah Presbytery Disaster Preparedness Response Team (DPRT). Carolyn and her husband Dave started their disaster response activity as members of a team from the Mountain Valley Mission Community that traveled to Gulfport, Mississippi in the months after Hurricane Katrina in January 2006. In August of 2006 they both joined the National Response Team. In the past 13 years, they have responded to tornados, hurricanes, fires, flooding and refugee issues around the country and have conducted training on Long Term Recovery, Preparedness, Recovery Tools and Training, Hosting Volunteers and the Presbyterian Response to Immigration.

Carolyn is the Team Lead for Preparedness for the NRT and for the Presbyterian Women – PDA Preparedness Training team. She is also a member of the NRT Refugee Ministry Team. On the Presbytery DPRT Carolyn is the Education Coordinator, responsible primarily for Preparedness Training. Dave is the Technology Team Lead for the NRT and is the Chair of the Presbytery DPRT. He is also the primary author of the Presbytery Disaster Plan.

Carolyn and Dave are members of First Presbyterian Church in Winchester where they both serve on Mission Council and Dave is a Ruling Elder. Carolyn is the Team Lead for both the Guatemala Team and coordinates First Presbyterian's partnership with Highland Food Pantry. Dave is the Disaster Team Lead.

The Thalmans have two daughters and five grandchildren. They love to travel and camp.

While at Easter we will have already given to the One Great Hour of Sharing, which in part goes to support PDA, we are continuing to give attention to disaster relief through this educational opportunity and financial support for hurricane relief that we began last fall. From your generous mission giving we sent funds to the Pollocksville Presbyterian Church in North Carolina. We will further this effort for the ongoing recovery there with a benefit concert here at the church on June 2 at 3:30 P.M. A number of our wonderful Trinity musicians and colleagues have offered their talents for this concert. Note the date and time and bring your family and friends.



Formerly "Stop Hunger Now," Rise Against Hunger is an organization that sends pre-packaged, non-perishable meals to people who are significantly impacted by humanitarian crises. They offer groups the opportunity to cover the cost and then pack the meals in a short one-time event. We will be partnering with RISE Faith Community and UKirk to pack meals together on Tuesday, April 16 at 7pm at RISE, 60 W. Market Street (parking in downtown garages). If you can join the effort, please do!

Upcoming Community Events



Cooperation of Gun Preventing Organizations

Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, Heeding God's Call to Stop Gun Violence, Brady Campaign, and Moms Against Guns are all giving support to the Non-Violent Demonstration on the 14th of every month at the NRA Headquarters on Waples Mill Road in Fairfax, VA at 10:00 a.m. and when the 14th falls on a Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Members and friends of Trinity Presbyterian Church who need transportation can leave word in the church office.

Composting

The Community Compost bins have been completed, just behind the outbuilding in the church yard. Information sheets are available at the bins and online:

<http://www.trinitypresbyterianharrisonburg.org/community-compost.html>

All are welcome to bring items to compost and take and use the finished compost for home use. Let's keep our waste out of the landfills!

Hope Distributed - Volunteer Needs



The Food Pantry at Hope Distributed is in need of volunteers, especially once students leave for the summer. Here are the hours and information:

Stock the shelves:	Weds. 9:30 - 11:30
	Fri. 1:00 - 3:00
Serve the clients:	Thurs. 3:30 - 6:30
	Sat. 8:30 - 11:30

Call Jenny at 540-578-3510



Easter Flower and Hope Distributed Donation Order Form

The Worship Team would like to decorate the sanctuary with flowers on Easter Sunday, April 1st. We will use a lot of tulips and only a few lilies (too many lilies get a bit over-powering in the sanctuary.) You are invited to purchase one or more plants in honor of or in memory of a person or group. To place your order, please complete this form and return to the church office by April 10th. Make checks for \$8.00 for each flower to Trinity and attach it to this form. You may take your plant home with you after the Easter Service. Thank You!

Your Name: _____

Dedicated to the memory/honor of (please circle)

Please check the plant(s) you would like to purchase:

- _____ Easter Lily
- _____ Tulip (red)
- _____ Tulip (yellow)

You may also make a donation which will be distributed to a local food pantry to help feed the area hungry. This gift may also be dedicated to the memory/honor of someone. Please complete the form below.

Your Name: _____

Amount: \$ _____

Dedicated to the memory/honor of (please circle)



APRIL 6, 2019

Women in Community

We're young. We're middle aged. We're old. We're mothers. We're daughters. We're single. We have families. We are women of faith. We are engaged with the world. We build and live community.

Join us for the 2019 Conference.

This year's conference is at beautiful Massanetta Springs, near Harrisonburg, Virginia, on April 6, from 9-4

The theme of this year's conference is Women Together in Community, led by Rev. Sally Robinson. We will be discussing the 2 books seen above: The Red Tent, and Text Me When You Get Home.

Cost for the conference, including lunch, is \$40

If you wish to spend Friday night at Massanetta Springs, please call them at 540-434-3829 to reserve your room and meals. Child care is FREE! Register now to reserve a space for your child.

**WOMEN
TOGETHER IN
COMMUNITY**

Women's Retreat

April 6, 2019

9-4

**Massanetta
Springs Conference
Center**

**WOMENINCOMMUNITY.
WEBBLY.COM**

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Massanetta Springs' mission is to provide a place for all people to experience God through renewal, discovery, and hospitality. Last year, through the generosity of so many, we were able to fully fund the new Massanetta playground. This year's Great Community Give Day is April 17th, and we've dreamed big and will launch our "Fanning The Future Fundraiser" that day.

We are raising money for three things:

1. **Two industrial sized fans for the front of Hudson Auditorium.** If you've ever sat in Hudson on a hot summer day, you know what comfort they will bring. But they'll do more than just circulate air. When people are more comfortable, they're less distracted, and more able to focus on things like worship and keynote. By installing the fans, we're helping our ministry be more effective.
2. **New Sound Equipment.** Our current system has served us well for many years, but parts need to be retired, and our sound needs have grown. This is crucial to our summer ministry. After all, how can you take part in transformative ministry if you can't hear what's going on?
3. **Support for the 2019 Middle School, Bible, and Church Music Conferences.** One of our constant challenges is providing life-changing ministry while keeping our fees modest. All funds raised over and above what we need for the fans and the sound equipment will support the conferences that form the core of our ministry offerings.

The total fundraising goal for this year is \$28,500, and there are already some people who have jumped in to help us get there. The fans will cost \$16,000, and a generous couple has come forward to challenge us to meet that goal by agreeing to match the first \$8,000 donated on that day. In addition, the Friends of Massanetta have agreed to sponsor \$1,000 in matching funds towards the sound equipment which we estimate will cost \$2,500. The combined cost of our first two goals is \$18,500. However, with matching funds, we only need to raise \$9,500 for them to be fully funded!

We also have a great opportunity to raise additional funds through the Great Community Give Leaderboards. Last year, 272 individual donors placed us second on the GCG Leaderboard which meant the Community Foundation provided us with an additional \$6,000. Our goal this year is to have at least 400 individual donors. Every gift of \$10 or more counts toward that total, so you can see every gift of every size will be very important on April 17th.

To take advantage of the matching gift:

- Your gift must be given on April 17th between 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- Your gift must come through the Great Community Give online giving platform. We will post that link on our website, Facebook, Instagram, and email early on the morning of April 17th.

For more information visit, <https://massanettasprings.org/blogarchive/fanthefuture>. Thank you in advance for helping Massanetta fan the future! As always, if we can help your congregation in any way, please don't hesitate to reach out.

In Christ,

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Hey wonderful women,

Who wants to join me in going to the women's conference in Montreat this summer?

Women's Connection

The Greatest of These is Love

Women coming together in an open and welcoming community to be challenged and inspired, to rest and be renewed, and to discover who God wants us to be

A Montreat Conference Center Event

August 9–11, 2019

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. -1 Corinthians 13:13

Women's Connection 2019 will be a time to connect with old and new friends. It will be a time to care for yourself, a time for space and Sabbath. Our hope is you will experience spiritual nourishment, inspiration, and discernment. Our prayer is you will feel God's loving presence.

Scripture passages we will study: 1 Corinthians 13, Matthew 22:36-39, John 13:34-35, Isaiah 43:1-4

I have a confession to make. I have never attended a conference in Montreat. I think it's high time. And Stephanie says the key note speaker is amazing. Her name is:

Valarie Kaur – Keynote Speaker

Valarie Kaur is a seasoned civil rights activist, award-winning filmmaker, lawyer, faith leader, and founder of the Revolutionary Love Project. Her social justice campaigns have helped win policy change on hate crimes, racial profiling, immigration detention, solitary confinement, marriage equality, and Internet freedom. She founded Groundswell Movement, the Yale Visual Law Project and Faithful Internet, initiatives that equip new generations with tools for social change. During her work inside supermax prisons, on the military base at Guantanamo, and at sites of mass shootings, she identified a surprising key element for social change: the ethic of love. Today she leads the Revolutionary Love Project to champion love as a public ethic and wellspring for social change. Kaur earned degrees at Stanford University, Harvard Divinity School, and Yale Law School. She has an honorary doctorate from the California Institute of Integral Studies. She is a member of the California Bar. Born and raised in Clovis, California, Valarie lives in her home state with her film partner/husband Sharat Raju and son Kavi.

Amy Grant will also be joining the conference at the end of the weekend.

If we stay in Cloud 9, which I certainly will do, and invite you all to join me, the cost is

- On or before June 28: \$237 per person
- After June 28: \$262 per person

Let me know if you are interested. Cloud 9 can sleep 8 to 10 people.

I'm excited.

Peace, Susie Phend