

## Please pray for...

**Our Church Family:** Week of 4/13/2026 family of Wayne Smith, Janet Nuse 4/8/26 Pax Cornelius 3/26/26 Janet Zounek, Bill DiJirolanio, Dusty Naaktgeboren, family of Gert Bush, family of Fred Haas



**Our friends and relatives:** Week of: 4/13/2026 Carrie Garrett, family of Brenda Hostetler, Hannah Jackson and family, the Murfreesboro Police Dept., Etta & David Reece, Ginger Savage, Gene Sumak 4/7/26 Zoie Wilson, the family of John Cavaleri, Yvonne & Greg Cambray, Tyler Murray, Tracie, Lynn Sheets, Tom O'Brien, Cynthia Reinmann, 3/31/26 pray for peace in this

world, pray for those with addictions, Natalie Kiepert, Steven Pittman, Maria & Raul Felix, Linda Urbanczyk, John Schwerdtfeger, Joe & Brenda Sproul, Teresa Cornell, an end to the war in Iran 3/23/26 Sherry Goodwin, For the repose of the souls of our service members who have died in this war, Recovery for those who have been injured, Laura Buuck

**Ongoing church family, friends and relatives:** Dick Vercruyse, Paul Martin, Darlene Foster, Barbara Frische, Joanne Donaldson, Mary Lou Burke, Kaitlin Burke, Jim MacDonald, Annette Morden, Helen Higgins Kline, Jenny Carangelo-Rule, Scott and Peggy Torgerson, Marilyn Johnson, Bill Rose, Courtney Adams, JoAnne Coe, Susan Leroux, Lori Allen, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Sharon Faulkner, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Karen Smith, Piper Jandola

**Please also pray for our** Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Tender Hearts, Ministry of Blue Butterfly Hospice, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders and their families.

NOW AS HE WENT ON HIS WAY, HE APPROACHED  
DAMASCUS, AND SUDDENLY A LIGHT FROM HEAVEN SHONE  
AROUND HIM. AND FALLING TO THE GROUND, HE HEARD A  
VOICE SAYING TO HIM, "SAUL, SAUL, WHY ARE YOU  
PERSECUTING ME?" AND HE SAID, "WHO ARE YOU,  
LORD?" AND HE SAID, "I AM JESUS, WHOM YOU ARE  
PERSECUTING."  
ACTS 9:3-5



**God is Good!**



**April 19, 2026**

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### WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

**Are You a Visitor or Guest?** We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a **CONNECTION CARD** in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

**Holy Communion**—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

**Large Print Service Slide Binders**—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a binder for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the binder, then return it at the end of worship.

**Hearing Assistance** – To connect to the sound system, please download the AUDIOFETCH app, (see barcode) and connect to the **audiofetchexpress** wifi on your cellphone. Refer all questions to Phil Deel.



# SUNDAY STAR

## Volunteers

### TODAY'S 9:00am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETERS:** The Gruenkes     **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin  
**Acolyte:** Chris B.     **READER:** Lu Anne Gruenke

**Communion Assistants:** Jennifer Fischer, Pam Hrivnak, Jack Hrivnak, Mark Stiemke

### TODAY'S 10:45am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETER:** Lisa Mohr     **BULLETINS:** Phil Mohr  
**READER:** Jennifer Fischer

#### **OFFERING:**

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Jennifer Fischer, Marianne Click, Rob White, Lisa Mohr  
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**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:** Early: Barb Graham     Late: Maryrose Risner

**FLOWER DELIVERY TO HOMEBOUND:** Omer Troyer

**SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT WEEK ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX**

### TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the **bold black** print.

**BIBLE READING:** Acts 9:1-19; Matthew 6: 19-24

**10:45 Hymns:** **OPENING:** ELW 392 (v1-4)     **SERMON:** ELW 712     **SENDING:** ELW 377

### Church Council Members

*You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.*

**PRESIDENT**—Theda Bunker—**VICE-PRESIDENT**-Phil Deel—**SECRETARY**-Jeanne Gaston  
**TREASURER**-Shawn Hernandez

**AT LARGE:** Beau Beaudine, Doug Buuck, Mandy Knollenberg, Lisa Mohr,  
 Jan Schroeder, Richard Schnur

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### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Monday—Apr 20

9:00a—Food Pantry

#### Tuesday—Apr 21

10:00a—Bible Study

5:00p—Blue Butterfly

#### Wednesday—Apr 22

9:00a—Food Pantry

6:30—Chancel Choir

#### Thursday - Apr 23

9:00a—Quilters

6:00p—Trinity's Praise

#### Friday—Apr 24

*Office Closed*

#### Saturday - Apr 25

*Office Closed*

#### Sunday - Apr 26

9:00a—Celebration Service

9:15a—Let's Talk

9:45—Sunday School

10:45 - Traditional Service

### In-person Attendance

April 12, 2026— 294 Last year 2025— 395

### Our Financial Stewardship

DONATIONS YTD (000s)

FEB Actual \$101.9

Needed \$ 99.0

Over/(Under) \$ 2.9



ACTUAL NET

YTD:

FEB 26 (\$ 1.3)


FEB 25 \$ 1.5

Diff: (\$ 2.8)

15 year Mortgage  
 (Balance)


on 2/28/26 \$ 3.2

**Paid in Full!**



Today's altar flowers are presented  
 by  
**Pat Isom**  
 In memory of her husband  
**Dave Isom**

Today's communion wine is presented by  
**Diane Boettcher**  
 In loving memory of the heavenly  
 birthday of her brother  
**Al**




### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

- Apr. 21— Sandra Hilgert  
Kathy Simonson
- Apr. 22— Jo Duhn  
Joyce Kaufman
- Apr. 23— Barbara Graham  
David Kern  
Paul Roberts
- Apr 25— Charlene Toloso



### THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/19— Troy & Diana Kiecker 29 yrs!
- 4/24— Joe & Gail Roberts 44 yrs!

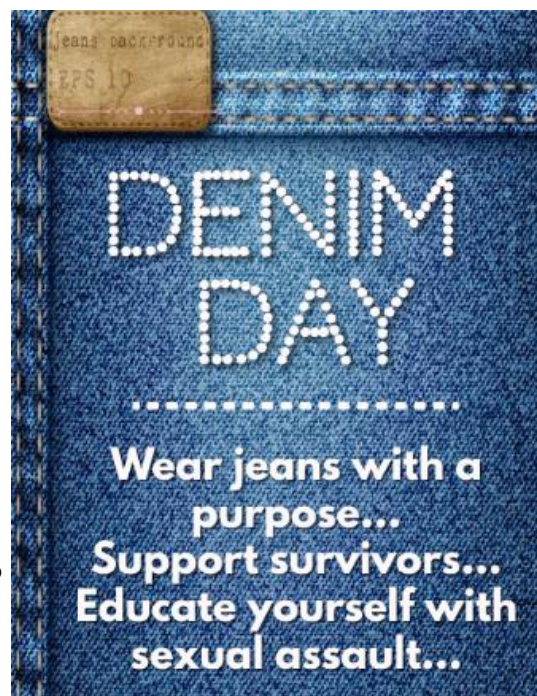
**HELP US SUPPORT VICTIMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND SPEAK UP FOR PREVENTION EDUCATION BY PARTICIPATING IN**

***DENIM SUNDAY...SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026***

Since 1999, Peace Over Violence has run an inspiring and powerful campaign to practice solidarity and support survivors by renewing our commitment to exposing harmful behaviors and attitudes surrounding sexual violence. **DENIM DAY** is recognized on the last Wednesday in April in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The campaign began after a ruling by the Italian Supreme Court to overturn a rape conviction because the justices felt that since the victim was wearing tight jeans she must have helped the person who raped her remove them, thereby implying consent. Following the reversal, the women in the Italian Parliament came to work wearing jeans in solidarity with the victim.

Inspired by this case and the activism surrounding it, Peace Over Violence and Executive Director Patti Giggans developed the **DENIM DAY** campaign in 1999. Since then, what started as a local event in Los Angeles to bring awareness to victim blaming and destructive myths that surround sexual violence has grown into a worldwide movement.

As the longest-running sexual violence prevention and education campaign in history, **DENIM DAY** asks community members, elected officials, businesses, churches, students, and *all* individuals to make a social statement with their fashion statement by wearing jeans on **DENIM DAY** as a visible means of protest against the misconceptions that continue to surround sexual violence.



***Denim Day is officially Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, however we would love to stand as a family and come together with DENIM DAY on SUNDAY, APRIL 26<sup>th</sup>. So, wear denim to church on Sunday...yes, it's O.K. to wear jeans to church! We will have a display in the narthex with more information from our local Crisis Rape and Abuse Emergencies group. Please remember ...YOU ARE NOT ALONE!***



**TONIGHT!**

**Sunday, April 19th @ 6:00 pm**

**Please bring light snacks or dessert to share.**

**Join us for a night of fun!!**



**Tuesdays at 10 am!**



**Bring your coffee and a friend!**



Teddy Bears have been restocked in the pews! Please feel free to take a bear to someone who may need a little extra love and prayers. There is no cost for the bears, however you are always welcome to leave a donation in a yellow pew envelope and mark it "Teddy Bear Ministry".



**For APRIL food pantry is collecting JELLY AND CANNED FRUIT!**

**Thank you!**

God didn't bring you this far to abandon you now. But He will let you sit in the silence long enough to learn the difference between His voice and everyone else's.

# Holy Trinity Downs Church Picnic



**Sunday, May 3, 2026—4pm**

Fellowship Hall



## The Charcoal Grill

**Hamburgers Cheese Burgers Hot Dogs**  
**Italian Sausage Potato Salad Cole Slaw**  
**Homemade Baked Beans**  
**Ice Cream Sundae Fixings Bar for dessert!**

**POST TIMES:** 1<sup>st</sup> Youth Race 4:15<sub>pm</sub> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Race after Dinner  
 Senior Race with dessert.

All seniors are welcome to race with walkers, canes or wheel chairs.  
*Please remember to bring cash (dollar bills) to wager on your favorite horse!*

Free will offering  
 greatly  
 appreciated!

**This day is about having fun for all ages and  
 eating well with your church family.**

**Sign Up Sheets available on Sundays April 19th  
 and April 26th**



*A heartfelt thank you to all our  
 volunteers for picking up the  
 Easter plants from various  
 retailers and setting them out  
 for all on Easter Sunday!  
 Thank you!*



**Helps with God's House Ministry**

## Council Highlights from March 2026

**MOTION** To accept the minutes from February 2026, was carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Pantry—Online training took place by Harry Chapin. Mortgage—we have approximately 300 signed up for BBQ.

**FINANCE:** Committee reports February donations are below our spending. Envelope, plate and mortgage offerings are up. Our expenses through February are below our 2026 spending plan but above last year. \$4549 was added as an additional mortgage payment to complete payoff.

**PROPERTY:** New AC units have been installed and working well

**PASTORS' TIME:** The pastors walked council through the service for the burning of the mortgage, as well as set up and take down.

**YOUR INPUT: THOUGHTS, CONCERNS, WHAT ARE YOU HEARING FROM THE CONGREGATION—**Discussion on the summer worship schedule was tabled until next month.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCES:** Back Pack Kidz were extremely grateful for our continued support of their mission to feed hungry children. Thank yous also received from C.A.R.E and AGAPE flights.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** Steve for the table set up for BBQ; Cecil and the 315 Group for their planning and participation in the concert;

**MOTION** To adjourn was carried.

**Next meeting—4/15/2026 @ 2:00pm**

### Quilters



Every  
 Thursday  
 @ 9!  
 All are  
 welcome!

*t-shirt wisdom...*



**Join us on Sundays at  
 9:15 in room E off the  
 courtyard. All are  
 welcome!**