

Congregational Response No. 572 Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us *Kyrie*
(Silence for personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Response to Grace No. 579** *Gloria Patri*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 2:1-5

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message Sacrament of Baptism

Elder: Josie and Brody have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. God has made them members of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ’s church to share with us in His ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

Anthem O Come to Us, Emmanuel Joseph M. Martin

New Testament Lesson – Romans 13:8-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon Holiday Attire Pastor Hart

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn No. 2** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus *Hyfrydol*

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostle’s Creed (Ecumenical) Hymnal p.14

Minute for Mission

Call to Offering

Offertory

***Doxology No. 592** *Old Hundredth*

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Jesus said, “Behold I stand at the door and knock;

If those who hear my voice open the door, I will come in to them and eat with them, and they with me.”

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

Happy are all who find refuge in God!

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

O holy God, Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, with joy and gladness we offer our praise and thanks on this Advent Sunday. With careful intent You sent Your servant, John the Baptist, to preach Repentance and to prepare the way of the Lord Christ. Then by a bold and resolute plan in love You gave the world Your only Son, the Christ Child, in Bethlehem's manger. Thus the day of our deliverance has dawned. You are making all things new and will consummate Your plan when He comes again in power and great glory to claim His kingdom and hand it over to You. Thus we sing Your praise:



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!

THE FLOWERS FOR TODAY’S SERVICE

have been given to the glory of God
by Bill and Ruth Stonestreet in celebration
of 45 years of marriage.

Assisting In Worship Today

- Richard Hart.....Minister
- Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Minister
- John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music
- Hue Jang.....Guest Pianist
- Lee Bradley.....Lay Reader
- Denise Dupras, Bryan Wright.....Advent Candle
- Grant Wright
- Mark Micklon..... Elder
- Guy Oliver.....Usher Team
- Roberta Boyd, Charlie Oliver
- John Roan, Ann Smith
- Cathy Hoover.....Greeters
- Jim Hill, Marie Hill
- Tyler Cross.....Acolyte

TRINITY ELDERS

Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Linda Brown	Kim Dudley	Jeff Bickers
Margaret Bruch	Cathy Hoover	Frank Kilgard
Patsi Peacock	Don Thieme	Marcie Swank
Sherry Stranahan	Bob Wakefield	Brooke Webb
	Kelly Wicks	Bryan Wright

OUR TRINITY STAFF

- Dr. Richard Hart.....Pastor
- Rev. Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Pastor
- Mrs. Andrea Micklon.....Director of Children Ministries
- Mr. John-Alan Gourdine.....Director of Music
- Dr. Edward Neeman.....Pianist
- Mr. Paul Guilbeau.....Director of Chancel Handbells
- Mr. Bryan Wright.....Administrative Assistant
- Miss Kendra Beasley, Miss Makinsey Rosser.....Choir Interns
- Mr. Zackary Serrott

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this morning are the children of Sean and Melissa Johnson, Brody and Josephine.

Poinsettias for Christmas

Poinsettias go on sale today **November 27**. Please help support the summer trips for youth and children as well as add beautiful color to our atrium for Christmas. The plants will be here on December 18 and can be picked up on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. The cost is \$14.00 and they can be purchased in memory or honor of a loved one.

Handel’s “Messiah”

The Festival Chorus of Valdosta will present “The Messiah” (Part 1) at First United Methodist Church in Valdosta today, **November 27, at 5:00 p.m.**

It’s Time To Ring The Bells

The time is here for us to help the Salvation Army. Trinity is signed up to ring the bell at Food Court Entrance of the Valdosta Mall the four Tuesdays during Advent. **November 29, and December 6, 13, and 20**, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The sign-up sheets are posted on the office windows. Please help us fill these one-hour slots as soon as possible!

Our Wednesday Schedule:

For Wednesday, **November 30, 2016**

5:30 p.m. – KOW for Children or Music with Makinsey Rosser

5:45 p.m. – Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:15 p.m. – Supper is served in the Fellowship Hall beginning with a prayer of thanksgiving in the Atrium

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Bible Study

SMASH for Youth

Supper will be provided by Jan Hobson’s Cooking Team. The menu will include soup and sandwiches. Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches will be available for children.

The charge for the meal will be as follows:

\$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for students (pre-k through high school), with a \$12.00 Maximum per family.

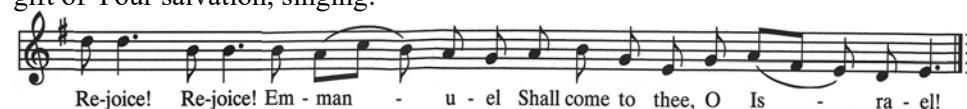
Carry-outs – meal cost above plus 25¢ per carry-out tray.

Session Committee Night

The Committees of the Session will meet this coming Sunday evening, **December 4**, at 6:00 p.m. If you are not on a Session Committee, please come sit in on a committee meeting to check it out and find your niche in ministry! (Elders will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary to prepare the agenda for committees.)

Mark your calendars so you remember to attend these Advent Music Pageants:
Sunday, December 4, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. - Ceremony of Lessons and Carols
Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. - Children’s Advent Presentation

In sending us Your Son, the Lord Jesus, to be born of Mary, Your Word became flesh and we have seen a new and radiant vision of Your glory. His name is above every name. He is light in our darkness, the Prince of Peace and Savior for all, for in Him we are delivered from the power of sin and are given the power to become Your children. We rejoice this day in the gift of Your salvation, singing:



Therefore, in remembrance of Your grace and love in Christ, We take this bread and this cup and give You praise and thanksgiving, And proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

O Lord our God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us in the sharing of this bread and cup, that we, and all who join in this feast may be one with Christ and He with us. Renew us in eternal life that with joy we may be His faithful people today and every day until we feast with Him in glory. We pray, O God, not only for ourselves, but for all who need help and healing and hope this day. Lift up the downtrodden and befriend the lonely; heal the sick and comfort those who mourn; forgive sinners; grant freedom to the oppressed and justice to all who are victims of crime, hate, bullying, and prejudice. Guide our leaders in the ways of righteousness and peace. Bless the ministries of this and all churches as messengers of Your grace. All glory and honor are Yours, Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



The Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Responsive Prayer After Communion

O Lord Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to us,
Now we give ourselves for others.
Your love has made us a new people,
As a people of love we will serve You with joy.
Your glory has filled our hearts and minds,
Help us glorify You at all times and in all things. Amen.

*Choral Dismissal Come, Lord Jesus Anna Laura Page

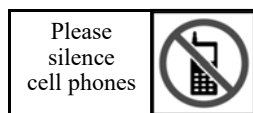
*Recessional Hymn No. 15 Rejoice! Rejoice! Believers *Llangloffan*

***Benediction**

***Passing The Peace of Christ**

***Postlude**

*All who are able may stand.



FOR YOUR DAILY PRAYER The pastor and elders meet at 10:45 each Sunday morning to pray for the morning service and to remember by name each person on our prayer list. Please lift the names of these persons to God in your prayers.

Members & Regular Participants

Marvin Bruch
Jansom Butts
Courtney & Josh Geidel
Barbara Sanders
Don Vollenweider
Janet Wright

Relatives

Reed Armond, *brother of David Armond*
Tim Bruch, *son of Margaret Bruch*
Steve & Twila Capps, *cousins of Lynn Kilgard*
Ben Chunn, *grandfather of Brooke Webb*
Jerry Dibble, *uncle of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Beth Anne Ellzey, *cousin of Anghaarad Dees*
Scott Ferguson, *brother-in-law of Kathy Roe*
Diane Haines, *mother of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Melanie Jones, *niece of Jackie Wright*
James & Johnnie Kinchen, *parents of Jackie Wright*
John Luketic, *cousin of Sherry Stranahan*
Greg Majewski, *brother-in-law of Zane Dees*
Sheri Norris, *sister-in-law of Kathy Roe*
Kenny Roe, *niece of Kathy Roe*
Bonnie Schmidt, *mother of Lisa Pearce*
John & Gwen Seanor, *grandparents of Paul Guilbeau*
Gina Trulock, *sister-in-law of Chris Roan*
J. J. Warrington, *cousin of Bill Stonestreet*
Davi Watkins, *sister of Barbara Aiken*
Richard Zulauf, *brother of Cathy Hoover*

Friends (contact person)

Les Bass (Zane Dees)
Melvin Benjamin (Chance Bickers)
Connie Benson (Jim & Marie Hill)
Jean Bruder (Kathy Roe)
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)
Sharon Coleman (Mili Collins)
Tom Conner (Libby Bickers)
Sherrard Ashley (Leonard Mittelstadt)
June Denney (Richard Hart)
Lynn Ferguson (Kathy Roe)
Courtney Fleming (Brooke Webb)
John Gentry (Catherine Loveday)
Ami Guilliams (Libby Bickers)
Susan Hancock (Winnie Dooly)
Cil Herndon (Catherine Loveday)
Marcia Kay Humphrey (David Armond)
Ernst Klaus (Kathy Roe)
Mollie Knowles (Catherine Loveday)
Chris Lang (Mary Beckett)
Madison Lay (Chris Roan)
Teri Leinbach (Kim Dudley)
Anna Lepedz (Catherine Loveday)
Alex & Lydia Mai (Alexa Singer)
Hank & Tana Majeski (Kelly Wicks)
David Moorer (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)
Ashton Morgan (Catherine Loveday)
Jenna Oldt (Margaret Bruch)
Richard Olphie (Billy Ryan)
Marilyn Onan (Janet Wright)
Haley Grace Peeples (Christal Dudley)
Bud Perry (Eddie Webb)
Madelyn Pitts (Brian Preyna)
Doug Pool (Suzanne Lee)
Les Preston (Matthew Hart)

Rachael Prodanovic (Janet Wright)
Minnie Quartey (Paul & Sonja Guilbeau)
Julie Seccord (David Johnson)
Amy Slaven, Leah & Ava (Melissa Mittelstadt)
Nancy Vernon (Chris Roan)
Robby Walker (David Armond)
Nick Whilse (Kathy Roe)
Dale Willingham (Lyle McGhin)
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Woods (Linda Brown)
Phyllis Woody (Kathy Roe)
Lettrice Zellars-Little (Andrea Micklon)

Long Term Prayer List

Members
Margaret Bruch

Relatives

Mary Brady, *mother of Kathy Roe*
Sue Braswell, *aunt of Judy Bickers*
James Dees, *father of Zane Dees*
Greg Fox, *brother of Debbie Hart*
Edna McElroy, *sister-in-law of Martha Bennett*
J. W. Oorlog, *father of Linda Reinhard*
Kim Roe, *mother of John Roe*
Rachael Speck, *niece of Beverly Peters*
Tom Speck, *brother of Beverly Peters*
Mary Ellen Tyre, *aunt of Nita Cross*

Friends

Rachele Davis (Charlie Oliver)
Bobby Dugger (Richard Hart)
Barbara Ehrhardt (Jane Gore)
Ann Embry (Margie Vollenweider)
Mary Marshall (Margaret Bruch)

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Sherry Stranahan
Marcie Swank

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Our Military Personnel  
Missionaries

Victims of hurricanes, flooding, and other natural disasters

Refugees fleeing oppression and countries that are offering those refugees shelter and aid. Victims of terrorism within our borders, and around the world.

**We Extend Our Christian Sympathy . . .**

to  
Melissa Johnson and family,  
on the death of her aunt,  
Louann Nelson.

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**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

*First Sunday of Advent*  
**27 November 2016**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**Silent Meditation:**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ~ Revelation 7:9-10

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

**The Lighting of the Candles**

**Choral Introit**                                      Rejoice!                                      *Veni Emmanuel*

\***Processional Hymn No. 8**    Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates    *Truro*

\***Call to Worship** – from Psalm 121 & 122

I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.**

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

**Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

Jerusalem - built as a city that is bound firmly together.

**To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**

For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love You. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."**

For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you."

**For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek Your good.**

Let us worship God!

**The Lord's name be praised!**

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

We who wait on the Lord are filled with hope.

**Shine a candle in the darkness, breathe new hope into our lives.**

**Wind Your blessed peace around us till the day when Christ arrives.**

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**O God of past, present, and future, indeed, from everlasting to everlasting You are God; You are coming in power to bring nations under Your rule. We confess that though we speak of it and desire it, we have not truly expected Your kingdom.**

**We live casual lives as if Your promised judgment is only an idle threat.**

**We are often slow to serve You, and when we do so it is more like a burdensome duty than a deep joy.**

**We do not ask that You alter Your judgment, but that You do so according to Your mercy, and through Him who is our only hope, even Christ Jesus, the Savior.**