

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God we confess all the broken resolutions of the past year. We confess all the times when we tried to do better and failed. We own up to simply not keeping promises to ourselves, You or others. Forgive us and help us to forgive ourselves. May we keep our hearts set on You. And in this new year let us walk in Your ways.

Congregational Response No. 565 Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us *Kyrie*
(Silence for personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Response to Grace No. 577** *Gloria Patri*
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message
(Following the Children’s message, child care is provided for children of pre-school age up through first grade. Older children remaining in worship may get a Children’s Worship Bag from the Ushers.)

Anthem

Gospel Lesson – Luke 2:22-40
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon My Eyes Have Seen Pastor Dees

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn No. 53** What Child Is This *Greensleeves*

***Affirmation of Faith (Unison)** Apostles’ Creed
“I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.”
“I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.”

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE FLOWERS FOR TODAY’S SERVICE
have been given to the glory of God
by Suzanne Lee in celebration of the
birthday of her husband, Peter Lee.

Assisting In Worship Today
Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Minister
Richard Hart.....Minister
Paul GuilbeauGuest Conductor
Edward Neeman..... Pianist
Lee Bradley.....Lay Reader
Mike Cross.....Usher Team
Tyler Cross, Ebb Dudley
Ray Josey, Doug Maxwell
Grant Wright.....Greeters
Janet Wright, Lisa Pearce
Connor Bickers.....Acolyte

TRINITY ELDERS

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Cathy Hoover	Jeff Bickers	Bill Bickers
Lyle McGhin	Frank Kilgard	Nita Cross
Don Thieme	Marcie Swank	Brian Preyna
Kelly Wicks	Brooke Webb	Debbie Radabaugh
	Bryan Wright	Ruth Stonestreet

OUR TRINITY STAFF
Dr. Richard Hart.....Pastor
Rev. Anghaarad Teague Dees.....Pastor
Mrs. Renae Preyna.....Director of Christian Education
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

Please remain after worship today to help de-green the church. Many hands make light labor.

A Message from the Finance Committee
~ Year-end contributions need to be deposited in the church's account today, Sunday, December 31, 2017 to be credited for this year's tax returns.
~ Extra gifts to your church help insure we complete our year in the black and provide additional tax benefit to the donor. Please keep Trinity in mind as you complete your charitable giving for 2017.

The Church Office will be **closed** tomorrow in observance of the following holiday:
New Year's – Monday – January 1, 2018

These Days Devotional Booklets
These Days Devotional Booklets are available in the atrium. These booklets are published by our denomination, The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and are provided at no charge by Trinity’s Worship Committee. This issue begins tomorrow, **January 1**. Be sure to pick up your copy.

Epiphany Schedule
Sunday, January 7, 2018 - 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – Ordination & Installation of Officers
Communion
4:30 p.m. – Stated Session Meeting

Our Wednesday Schedule:
For Wednesday, **January 3, 2018:**
There **will not** be any Wednesday night activities on January 3. Join us when we resume on January 10, 2018.

Youth Yard Sale 2018
It is that time of year again! We need your stuff for another successful yard sale. We are ready and able to receive your donations for the yard sale...please place them in the Noah’s Ark Room in the Youth Wing. If you have larger donations like furniture or appliances we will gladly take those and if you need assistance getting them to the church let Pastor Dees know and we will do our best to arrange pick up. The sale is scheduled for **February 3**, and we will begin to set up on February 1 after WNS. We will need lots of volunteers to help the youth set up and on the day of the sale. If you would like to volunteer to assist with the sale and /or set up, please let Pastor Dees know.

Communion Sunday
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated on **January 7, at 11:00 a.m.** Food offerings will be received and dedicated for the Trinity Food Pantry Ministry during worship. We ask for specific items which are not typically available at the Second Harvest Food Bank. The following food items are especially needed:
~Rice ~Jelly ~Cereal
Please place your food donations in the baskets at the sanctuary door as you enter for worship.

Call to Offering

Offertory Etude in E major Frédéric Chopin

***Doxology No. 593** Doxology
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Choral Dismissal** Bless Us, Father Anna Laura Page

***Recessional Hymn No. 603** Song of Simeon Land of Rest

***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

Mary Beckett
Marie Hill
Beverly Peters
Bryan Singer
Nellie Stoddard

Relatives

Reed & Tammy Armond, *brother & sister-in-law of David Armond*
Barbara Chisham, *cousin of Marcie Swank*
Red Cross, *father of Mike Cross*
Dennis & Heather Dibble & Family, *cousins of Leonard Mittelstadt*
Ruth Duss, *mother of Sherry Stranahan*
Scott Ferguson, *brother-in-law of Kathy Roe*
Michele Giddens, *daughter of Lee & Barbara Bradley*
John Gilbert, *father of Karen Ferguson*
Bill & Melissa Guzman & Family, *cousins of Beth Reid*
Muriel Hart, *aunt of Richard Hart*
George Larimore, *brother of Janet Wright*
Robert Earl Pennington, *relative of Beverly Peters*
Steve Pierson, *brother-in-law of Guy Oliver*
Russell Popham, *uncle of Nita Cross*
John Radabaugh, *brother of Bob Radabaugh*
Liz Ferguson Ross, *daughter of Mark & Karen Ferguson*
Tom Speck, *brother of Beverly Peters*
Vicky Thomas, *niece of Jane Gore*
Gino Vecchio, *nephew of Melissa Johnson*

Friends (contact person)

Susan Butenschon (Nita Cross)
Kathy Butterbaugh (Debbie Radabaugh)
Frank Chandler (Mili Collins)
Sara Chang (Kathy Roe)
Jessica Clark (Kathy Roe)
Eric Clark (Grant Wright)
Nikolas Conley (Libby Bickers)
Tom Conner (Libby Bickers)

Dawn Curtis (Debbie Hart)
Ben Davis (Catherine Loveday)
Betty Hardy (Nita Cross)
Carol Herndon & family (Lyle McGhin)
Buddy House (Chris & John Roan)
Bubba Hundley (Brooke Webb)
Leilani Jones (Lisa Pearce)
Wendy Jowers (Catherine Loveday)
Aidan Legg (Judy Bickers)
Holly Lustfeldt (Libby Bickers)
Diana Gardner McConnel (Jan Hobson)
Deanna Morris (Brian Preyna)
Darius Nelson Family (Leonard Mittelstadt)
Jack Oliver (Zane Dees)
Victoria Osteen (Libby Bickers)
Bitsy Paige (Catherine Loveday)
Patricia Parrish (Paulette Butts)
Debbie Pippin (Catherine Loveday)
Carolyn Poe (Jackie Wright)
Ward Porch (Anghaarad Dees)
Mary Price (Kathy Roe)
Catherine Raynor (Beverly Peters)
Deborah Richardson (Bernie Preyna)
Sarah Singletary (Catherine Loveday)
Randall Smith (John & Chris Roan)
Heather Smock (Candy Wakefield)
Jeani Spencer (Mili Collins)
Lizbeth Stevens (Bill & Ruth Stonestreet)
Kim Stokes (Winnie Dooly)
Betty Tillman (Mili Collins)
Dan White (David Armond)
Hazel Williams (Linda Brown)

Members Remembered in Prayer This Week

Kendra Beasley
Mary Beckett
Faith and William

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**Our Military Personnel**

Missionaries  
All Refugees  
Victims of Terrorism  
Those suffering the effects of recent hurricanes and wildfires

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**Mission Statement**

*As Believers, we will worship God by. . .*

*Praising, praying, responding to His Holy Word.*

*As Disciples, we will follow God by. . .*

*Studying, learning, living His Holy Word.*

*As Stewards, we will honor God by. . .*  
*Caring, serving, sharing His Holy Word.*

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**First Sunday after Christmas**

**31 December 2017**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

During the weeks of Advent and Christmas a lantern will be processed into the Sanctuary to help us be mindful of pieces of the story that connect us to the Christ child. The lantern will be placed near the nativity as a reminder that the ones in the stable did not stay there but instead left to share the Good News of all they witnessed there.

**Silent Meditation:**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ~ Galatians 4:4-5

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** Allegro from Sonata in E flat major F. Joseph Haydn

**The Lighting of the Candles**

**Choral Introit** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Veni Emmanuel

**\*Processional Hymn No. 3** Comfort, Comfort You My People Psalm 42

**\*Call to Worship – from Psalm 148**

Come, together let us praise the Lord our God, for great is God's Holy Name!

**As the saints in heaven adore You, we would bow before Your throne.**

Come, now, let us sing to the Lord our God, who honors His faithful people.

**Young and old, their praise expressing, join Your goodness to proclaim.**

Come, together let us worship and praise the Lord our God.

**His glory towers over the earth and heaven.**

For wonderful is God's Glorious Name!

**Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord we offer to Your name; as Your angels serve before You, so on earth Your will be done.**

All praise forever be to God.

**Amen.**