



# Trinity Church

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

building God's Church...blessing our community

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 2, 2018

## WELCOME

## ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING .....WAYNE & CHERYL WALLING

The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end.  
It is a symbol of God's unending love and faithfulness.

**The prophet Isaiah said, "The Lord himself will give you a sign: the virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."**

The angel Gabriel said to Mary, "Greetings you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

**We rejoice that we too have found favor with God.**

God's mercy extends to those who fear him from generation to generation.

### TRINITY READING TOGETHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PSALM 92-93	PSALM 94	PSALM 95	PSALM 96	PSALM 97	PSALM 98-99

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP .....LUKE 1:68-75

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people  
**and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David,**

as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;

**to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,**

(ALL:) **that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.**

## \*DOXOLOGY

## \*INVOCATION

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE .....ARISE MY SOUL

WORDS: CHARLES WESLEY      MUSIC: KEVIN TWIT

1. Arise, my soul, arise,  
shake off your guilty fears;  
The bleeding sacrifice,  
in my behalf appears;  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on His hands.

***Chorus: Men (Ladies echo)***  
***Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise***  
***Arise, my soul, arise.***  
***Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise***  
***Arise, my soul, arise.***  
***Shake off your guilty fears and rise***

2. He ever lives above,  
for me to intercede;  
His all redeeming love,  
His precious blood, to plead;  
His blood atoned for every race,  
His blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

3. Five bleeding wounds He bears;  
received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers;  
they strongly plead for me:  
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,  
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,  
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

4. The Father hears Him pray,  
His dear anointed One;  
He cannot turn away  
the presence of His Son;  
The Spirit answers to the blood,  
The Spirit answers to the blood  
And tells me I am born of God.

5. My God is reconciled;  
His pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child;  
I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

**SCRIPTURE READING**.....PSALM 91

**SENDING PRAYER FOR ALSUP AND SIBLEY FAMILIES**

**HYMN OF ADORATION** .....LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE

WORDS: LITURGY OF ST. JAMES, 5<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY      MUSIC: 17<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY FRENCH MELODY

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood,  
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,  
That the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

**CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

- Lord, we have not kept watch for you.**
- We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns.**
- We have not waited to find your will for us.**
- We have not noticed the needs of the people around us.**
- We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness.**
- Help us to wait to know your will.**
- Help us to look out for the needs of others.**
- Help us to work and watch for your coming. Amen.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** .....EPHESIANS 2:4-5

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ, by grace you have been saved"

**\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE** .....O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

WORDS: GEORGE MATHESON      MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow,  
may richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day,  
may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, & feel the promise is not vain,  
that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red,  
life that shall endless be..

**COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Please take a moment to record your attendance in the black folder as it is passed down the row.  
**Visiting?** Please fill out a **Connect Card** and bring it to the Welcome Table in the Narthex after the service.

**OFFERTORY**

**SHEPHERDING PRAYER**.....RE ALAN ULMER

# SERMON NOTES

**SERMON**.....JOHN 2:1-11

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. <sup>3</sup> When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup> Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE** .....COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS  
NO. 124

## **\*BENEDICTION**

### **REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK**

**Ministry Partners:** Jay & Nancy Matsinger - ministering in Prague, Nancy's continued healing from transplant surgery

**Our Troops:** pray for our troops and their chaplains around the world

**Church of the week:** First Scots Presbyterian, Beaufort; Alex Mark, pastor

### **TRINITY FAMILY**

**Linda Wactor:** in the loss of her sister

**Lucius Gray:** recovering from minor stroke, for proper diagnosis of cause

**Brush Babb:** recovering from surgery after elbow injury

**Linda Wells:** complications from cancer treatment

**Deborah Finkelstein:** recovering from knee surgery

**Connie Porter:** recovering from ankle surgery

**Wayne Walling:** recovering from knee replacement surgery

**Mark Cash:** recovering from back surgery

**Rebecca Sibley:** recovering from back surgery

**Willie Lou Jackson:** at home in Orangeburg battling multiple health issues

**Christie Churchwell:** relief from headaches

**Ann Betsill:** at Calhoun Convalescent Center

# BULLETIN BOARD

## CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AND CAROLING ON DEC. 16

The Patricks are hosting a Christmas Open House on Sunday evening, Dec. 16, and you are encouraged to wear your favorite tacky Christmas sweater! The evening begins at 5 pm at church, where we will gather to go out and sing carols to our shut-ins and older members. After caroling, children (5th grade and under) can be dropped off at the church for supper, games and a movie. Adults and youth can head over to the Patrick home on Moss Street. If your last name begins with A-H, please bring an appetizer; I-Z bring a dessert.

## ORANGEBURG CHRISTMAS PROJECT

We need a few helpers from 9:00 to 10:30 am on Saturday, Dec 8 to sort clothing and other items that will be distributed to needy families in Orangeburg. Please sign up at the information counter for a two-hour shift. Meet at 187 Regional Parkway Orangeburg SC 29118 in Building A - the same location as last year. There is plenty of parking in front of the building. Questions? See Sam Lambrecht.

## YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY NEXT SUNDAY

Middle and High School youth are invited to a Christmas gathering at the Morrell's home next Sunday, December 9 from 6 to 8 pm. For more information, contact Mary Beth Myers at [mbmyers2013@gmail.com](mailto:mbmyers2013@gmail.com).

## WOMEN'S LUNCHEON TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

A luncheon for the women of the church is planned after worship today. Plan to stay for a time of good food, fellowship and fun.

## GIVE THROUGH ANGEL TREE FOR DAZZ

Please help Orangeburg's crisis pregnancy ministry DAZZ by donating items this holiday season. Take one or more angel ornaments off the tree just outside the sanctuary, write your name next to the numbers you selected, and return gifts to the church by Sunday, December 16. Please do not wrap your gifts.

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting immediately following morning worship on December 23, 2018. We will elect officers (elder candidates are Mark Ford, Dr. Sam Lambrecht, and Dan Steffen and deacon candidates are Les Carter and Bubba Morrell.) There will also be a presentation of the 2019 budget.

# THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

SERVING	DECEMBER 2		DECEMBER 9	
	SUNDAY SCHOOL	WORSHIP	SUNDAY SCHOOL	WORSHIP
0-3	Karen Ford	Brooke & Brynley Pantaleon	Lisa Watford	Kerry & Ashton Folk
USHERS	Sam Lambrecht, Evan Lambrecht, Les Carter, Larry Adicks			

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
BUDGET RECEIPTS	\$4,104
BUDGET NEEDS WEEKLY	\$5,337
FAITH PROMISE	
\$350 GIVEN	\$1,137 BUDGETED WEEKLY
STAFF	
John Mark Patrick, Pastor Dr. Sam Lambrecht, Families w/ Students Mary Beth Myers, Middle School Ministry Susan Ulmer, Women's Ministry Deborah Finkelstein, Pianist Karen Ford, Administrative Assistant Ann Axson, Bookkeeper	
ELDERS	DEACONS
Steve Hawley Michael Salley Jeff Watford Alan Ulmer	Brian Henson Daniel Peeler Gregg Waters Daniel Pantaleon
<b>Deacon Assistants:</b> Larry Adicks, Linda Bonnette, Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson, Jerry & Lee Ann Smith, Alan Ulmer, Randy Zeigler	

CALENDAR		
SUN 12/2	8:30AM 9:15AM 10:30AM 12:00PM 6:00PM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP LADIES' LUNCHEON 2:42, YOUTH & KIDS 4 CHRIST
TUES 12/3	6:00AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SAT 12/8	8:30AM	ORANGEBURG CHRISTMAS PROJECT
SUN 12/9	8:30AM 9:15AM 10:30AM 12:00PM 4:00PM 6:00PM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP DIACONATE MEETING SESSION MEETING YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY 2:42 & KIDS 4 CHRIST

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