Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 26, 2014

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Prelude

(As the Prelude begins, prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)

*Acolyte

Call to Worship "Give Thanks" Choir *Hymn "God Will Take Care of You" 130

(Please register your attendance on the pew pads provided)

"Let the Children Come!"

(Those 3 years of age through 5 years of age may go to Children's Nursery.)

First Lesson	Isaiah 9:1-4	Page 607 (O.T.)
*Psalter	Psalm 27	758-759
*Affirmation of Faith	"Apostles' Creed"	881
*Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father"	70
Sharing of the Joys & Concern		

Prayers of Confession & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (Unison) 895

*Hymn "Nothing but the Blood" 362

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Anthem "O Sing of Peace" Choir Second Lesson Ephesians 3:20-21 Page 183 (N.T.) Sermon "How to Improve your Prayer Life" Rev. Robert Reeves

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

(You are invited to come to the altar during the singing of the hymn to signify your commitment or re-commitment to Christ, or for prayer, confession, or comfort, in response to God's Word)

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*Hymn "Soldiers of Christ, Arise" 513

*Dismissal With Benediction

*Benediction Response "Amen" Choir

*Postlude

*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: Robert D. B. Reeves Nursery: Annette Watson

Pianist: Christopher McCroskey Tellers: Pam Turner; Bonnie Ramsey

Music Director: Jackie McNeill Acolyte: Cristen Hipp
Lay Reader: Tom Geddens Greeters: Pam Turner
Time Together: United Methodist Women AV Assistant: Jim Miller

Ushers: *Tom Geddens; English Pearcy*

VISITORS ARE WELCOME in the service of worship! Please make use of the visitor's tags (located in the pew backs) to help us better welcome you as a visitor to Trinity this morning. We ask that you also please fill in the pew pad as it passes to register your attendance with us. Large print hymnals are available from the ushers. An INFANT AND TODDLER NURSERY is provided during the worship hour. Parents: please ask an usher for assistance.

You may join as a member into the life and work of this congregation by Confession of Faith or by Transfer of Membership from another church. If you would be interested in becoming a member, please speak to the pastor.

Did you make new year resolutions this year? Some of us do so, although more often than not we fail at keeping those resolutions as the year passes. Personally I've almost never used the new year to make resolutions. Now it's not that I couldn't improve myself in many areas, but I've not made resolutions because I found out a long time ago I'm basically helpless to keep them. What I have found, though, is the ability to commit issues and needs and goals to the LORD as they presented themselves. Now in the event you do use the new year to examine yourself about new commitments, etc. that's a good idea. Just be certain you ask the LORD to lead you in that transition or your will power alone may not be enough to succeed. The main idea I wanted to convey last week was this. Resolutions in every new year can be a good thing as GOD's Spirit leads us. We need resolutions not so much because we will always have the ability to keep them, but rather because we know we can be better or improve in some given areas of life and therefore we use resolutions to help push ourselves onward to accomplish more in life. Thank GOD for 2nd Corinthians 5:17 in which we are told, "Therefore if anyone is in CHRIST, they are a new creation. Behold, old things are passed away and all things become new"! GOD's people are constantly being renewed from one season to the next by GOD's purposes. Our attention then has to be on HIS purpose and not our present circumstance. If we lose ourselves in HIS purposes then GOD's grace is more than sufficient in our circumstances. But if we remain lost in the focus of our circumstances then it is most difficult for us (not GOD) to find HIS grace in HIS purposes. So, are we focusing on our circumstances or HIS purposes? For our contentment comes from what HE alone can make us and not what we alone can make for ourselves. So beloved, if resolutions lead you to further depend on GOD's grace and help, then use them all the time to assist you. If resolutions primarily create failure and stress in your life then possibly you're still depending too much on yourself and too little on CHRIST!!! Remember, happy new you's create happy new years!!! Blessings for the journey! Pastor Robert

TODAY'S LOVELY FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God.

^{*}Acolyte

"AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRIES BY OUR PRAYERS...

Steve AielloArvan DerrickKathy WhiteJim MillerArnold HeitingSara EfronRusty PooleBonnie RamseyBarbara PearsonRoland MorganDonnie SoxMiriam Simpson

Shut-Ins: Mary Brewer; Mary Comolander; Nellie Hipp; Doris Ivey; LaCrecia Taylor; Terry Pitts; Ruby Schmotzer; Claudia Sineath; Bruce & Jean Raynor; David Roberts; Irene Ward

Family and Friends: Ernest Westbury (friend of English & Jewel Pearcy); Chris Foy (friend of Georgeann Pace); Janet Neblo (Georgeann Pace's daughter-in-law's mother); Mary Thompson (co-worker of Christopher McCroskey); John Kayton; Charles Berry (son-in-law of Bruce & Jean Raynor); Winslow Jumper (brother of Nell Cooke); Mary Nell Trussell (niece of Nell Cooke); Lewie Harrell (nephew of Nell Cooke); Kitty Sellers (friend of John & Patsy Zeigler); Mary Davis (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); Jan Hoover (friend of Laurie Knapp); Beth Ann Feimster (sister of Christopher McCroskey); Matt Owen (husband of Nell Cooke's granddaughter); Michael Carter (son of Esther Carter); Ed & Lisa Barton (Brandon Jones' coworker and his wife); Garland Pearson (brother of Bill Pearson); Lyndsey Roberts (daughter of WC Fire Marshall Danny Roberts); Jon Kirby (grandson of Nell Cooke); Narcie McClendon Jeter (daughter of Tim McClendon): John Glaze (brother-in-law of Shirley Butler); Jeanne Crone (neighbor of Jo Ann & Arnold Heiting); Adam Lavender (son of Phil Lavender); Vickie Bright (friend of Kaye Floyd); Mike Rentz (brother of Marty Johnson); Walt Beck (friend of Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting); Linda Boatwright (sister of George & Morris Taylor); Vera Von Glahn (sister-in-law of Jo Ann Heiting)

If you have a friend or family member on the Prayer List, we ask you to please keep us updated. If no word is received, we will trust that our prayers have been answered and remove the name. To update us, please call the office or e-mail us at trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com.

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 01/19 Sunday School 32 Morning Worship: 75

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 01/19 \$ 1,736.00

OUR SERVICE."

WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to *Jim and Marie Stiles and family* on the death of his father, *W. Harvey Stiles*, on Friday, January 24, 2014.

Church Calendar

1/27 FH Reserved. GS Troop 1279, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

GLIA & Calendar Information Due

1/29 Prayer Group, 7 a.m.

Wonderful Wednesdays

Meal, 5:30 p.m.

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Bible Study, 6:15 p.m.

Choir, 7 p.m.





Ministers Pastor Resident Bishop District Superintendent

The Congregation Robert D. B. Reeves Jonathan Holston Rev. Dr. Timothy McClendon



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The Lunch Bunch will meet immediately following the service next Sunday, February 2. Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish and join this informal time together.

The Women's Afternoon Group will meet on Tuesday, February 4, at 4 p.m.

The Witness Ministries Team will meet on Tuesday, February 4, at 6 p.m.

The Worship Ministries Team will meet on Thursday, February 6, at 6 p.m.

Trinity United Methodist Women:

As members, we need to be aware that "The Roma of Europe" is the UMW Mission Study for 2014. Because we will not meet before this event, those of you who are able to attend, please do so and tell your circle about it.

This year's UMW mission study focus is the Roma people of Europe.

Saturday morning February 8th from 10 a.m. Until 12 noon, Mt. Hebron UMW is hosting a brunch and mission study program in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The study will be presented by Ann Alexander, who taught this class at last summer's Mission U event.

The Roma, also known as Travelers or Gypsies, living in Europe are an impoverished group of people living in deplorable conditions, denied health care, education, jobs and are often evicted from their homes and the cities they live in.

The Methodist Church has been in mission with the Roma people for many years, and in more recent years, the United Methodist Women have joined in this ministry.

Now WE have an opportunity to learn how our church is reaching out to these people. The United Methodist Advance Program has provided a way we can be involved and offer support for this ministry through Advance #3020676. At this study program a love offering will be collected, to be channelled through the church to that Advance which serves the Ministry with Roma in Central and Southern Europe.

We hope you can join Mt. Hebron UMW for this mission event. It will be fun as well as informative. If you have questions or comments and /or wish to attend please contact Dianne Youngblood by phone at 803-794-3554 or email byoungblood4u@aol.com or Christine Porter at 794-7988.

Marilyn Lloyd



Wonderful Wednesdays continue this Wednesday, January 29th. The meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the Bible Study, led by Pastor Robert, will begin at 6:15 p.m. The meal for this week will be prepared by Bonnie Ramsey, Mary Kamoroff, Jo Ann Heiting and Tom Geddens and will consist of:

Meat Loaf
Macaroni & Cheese
Lima Beans
Bread
Dessert

Please be sure to sign up for your Wednesday meal by handing your reservation in on Sunday or calling Jackie Eitel on Monday. For the cooks to shop and prepare the meals, they need to have the information as soon as possible so they can make enough to serve those who have signed up.

The price of the meals will be \$5.00 for adults and children 12 and over, \$3.00 for children 6 to 12 and \$1.00 for children ages 2 to 5. There will be a limit of \$12.00 to be paid per immediate* family, with a maximum of five persons. (After five family members, each additional person is \$3.00.) (*Two related generations is an immediate family.)

Serving in February

Serving On: February 2 February 9 David Jordan; Rhett Hook Needed Ushers: John Ballentine; Becky Derrick Mary Kamoroff; Jo Ann Heiting Tellers: Tom Geddens Paul Almond Flowers: Acolyte: Needed Needed Rusty Poole Lay Reader: Not Needed Jewel Pearcy; Pauline Wenner Time Together: Ruth Frady AV Assistant: Jim Miller; John Ballentine Jim Miller: John Ballentine Greeter: Needed Needed