

Epiphany Sunday
January 4, 2015

Welcome and Announcements
Prayer
Prelude

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

*Acolyte		
Call to Worship	<i>“Angels from the Realms of Glory”</i>	Choir
*Hymn	<i>“We Three Kings”</i>	254

(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 60:1-6	Page 654 (O.T.)
Prayer for New Beginnings		Insert
Affirmation of Faith	<i>“Apostles’ Creed”</i>	881
*Gloria Patri	<i>“Glory Be to the Father”</i>	70

Sharing of the Joys & Concerns of the Church		
*Hymn	<i>“There’s a Song in the Air”</i>	249
Prayers of Confession & Intercession		
The Lord’s Prayer (<i>Unison</i>)		895

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings		
Offertory		
*Doxology	<i>“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	95

Anthem	<i>“God So Loved The World”</i>	Choir
Second Lesson	John 15:8-17	Pages 105-106 (N.T.)
Sermon	<i>“A Point to Pick Over”</i>	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)

*Hymn	<i>“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”</i>	251
*Acolyte		
*Dismissal With Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”</i>	Choir
*Postlude		

*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor:	Robert D. B. Reeves	Nursery:	Annette Watson
Pianist :	Laurie Knapp	Tellers:	Becky Derrick
Music Director:	Jackie McNeill	A/V Assistant :	John Ballentine
Lay Reader:	Tom Geddens	Time Together:	Jewel Pearcy; Pauline Wenner
Usher:	Tom Geddens		

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.

Well, I hate to say this but Christmas has come and gone faster than a speeding locomotive again! While I hate to say that then I think about the good news in this. While Christmas has come and gone with lightning speed again may we all remember that what it celebrates is with us every day of the year! Thank you LORD that your gift in "Emmanuel" doesn't go away after Christmas disappears again.

Last Sunday, we had the privilege to receive GOD's word through Rev. Betty Franks. Thank you Betty for your timely word. We are all called to lifetime ministry. There is no such thing as retirement in the economy of our Heavenly Father. While we should walk within balance about this truth there are many folk who somehow give up on the part they can do to serve CHRIST as they grow older. GOD knows that if you are 50 or older you possibly cannot do the same physical work you did when you were younger but GOD doesn't just look at the physical work we do. Our witness at 50 plus is just as significant as our witness at 20 to 50. What is the LORD calling each of us to do? The qualification is availability, not age or other criteria we give too much attention to. If you were listening to Betty she described different situations in our life that though they may be difficult GOD still teaches us truth in the midst of those circumstances. Through our faith in CHRIST we should have a "never give up" attitude through life. One clear warning from Betty's message was to avoid isolation. The scripture makes it clear that we need one another for positive reasons. In some cases people give up on their part because they lose that fact. They are needed. They are significant. We must march forward together lest when one falls many fall with them! Remember, your call to serve CHRIST in this world will end when you take your last breath and not a moment before. May the LORD enable us to each see HIS further purpose for our life! Blessings into this New Year 2015 to serve CHRIST!!!

Pastor Robert

TODAY’S LOVELY FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of **George L. Hardee** by **his family**.

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

Jackie McNeill	Ruth Frady	Hannah Easterling	George Taylor	Christopher McCroskey
Cristen Hipp	Carolyn Hardee	Tommy Johnson	Rusty Poole	Latson Lewis
Arnold Heiting	Sara Efron	Miriam Simpson	Oren Edwards	Marian Risinger
Doug Coates				

Shut-Ins: Theresa Awtrey; Mary Brewer; Mary Comolander; Nellie Hipp; Melton Martin; Roland Morgan; Terry Pitts; Jean Raynor; Thomas Risinger; Claudia Sineath; Donnie Sox; LaCrecia Taylor

Family and Friends: **Kathleen Butler** (granddaughter of Shirley Butler); **Martha Cooke** daughter of Nell Cooke); **Josephine Von Glahn** (mother of Jo Ann Heiting); **Cathy McMillon & Jacquie Price** (friends of Genie Duncan); **Regis Stevens** (mother of Kaye Floyd & Jack Stevens); **Nancy Hargett** (mother of Christopher McCroskey); **Sandra Priester** (friend of Ray Culbreth); **Jim Lloyd** (brother of Tom Lloyd); **Tonia Murray & Pam Inman** (employees & friends of Ray Frady); **Doris Sanders** (friend of the Heitings); **Dan McGowan** (friend of Arnold Heiting); **Michael Hardeman** (friend of Billy Pearson); **Laura Goldstein** (friend of Christopher McCroskey); **Carlton Mathews** (coworker of Kathy White); **Randy Hodge** (friend of Ray Frady); **Ralph & Garland Pearson** (brothers of Bill Pearson); **Susan Jones** (wife of Stuart Jones); **Mitch Anderson** (son of Ray Frady's friend); **Nancy Friedrich** (Shirley Butler's niece); **Mary Baggott** (Kathy White's coworker's mom); **Ruby Brown** (cousin of Patsy Zeigler); **Yvonne Kirkman** (Kathy White's coworker's sister); **Carole Daly** (friend of Marie Stiles); **Mary Thompson** (coworker of Christopher McCroskey); **Winslow Jumper** (brother of Nell Cooke); **Kitty Sellers** (friend of John & Patsy Zeigler); **Matt Owen** (husband of Nell Cooke's granddaughter); **Michael Carter** (son of Esther Carter); **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); **Linda Boatwright** (sister of George & Morris Taylor); **Vera Von Glahn** (sister-in-law of Jo Ann Heiting)

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 12/28 Sunday School 22 Morning Worship: 55

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 12/28 \$ 6,414.00

OUR SERVICE."

Church Calendar

TODAY Lunch Bunch

Vital Ministries

1/06 Bible Study at Home of Nell Cooke, 10:30 a.m.

Women's Afternoon Group, 4 p.m.

1/07 Prayer Group, 7 a.m.

Choir, 7 p.m.

1/10 Planning Retreat, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Serving in January

Serving On: January 11

Ushers: Tom Geddens

Tellers: Mary Kamoroff; Jo Ann Heiting

Flowers: **Needed**

Lay Reader: **Needed**

Time Together: Ruth Frady

AV Assistant: John Ballentine

January 18

Needed

Ted Frady; Patsy Boggs

Needed

Tom Geddens

Mary Louise Robinson

Marie Stiles



Ministers

Pastor

Resident Bishop

District Superintendent

The Congregation

Robert D. B. Reeves

Jonathan Holston

Rev. Catherine Jamieson-Ogg

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform



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Prayer for New Beginnings

Father God, You are a new beginning every day!
We are walking into Mystery.
We face the future not knowing
What the days and months will bring us
or how we will respond.
Be love in us as we journey
May we welcome all who come our way.
Deepen our faith
To see all life through your eyes.
Fill us with hope and abiding trust
That you dwell in us amidst all our joys and sorrows.
Thank you for the treasure of our faith life.
Thank you for the gift of being able
to rise each day with the assurance of
You walking through the day with us.
LORD of our past and future,
We praise you! AMEN!



Planning Retreat

**Saturday
January 10, 2015
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Our Annual Planning Retreat will take place this Saturday, January 10, 2015. The retreat will begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 2 p.m. A continental breakfast (beginning at 8:30 a.m.) and lunch will be served. During the Retreat you can learn of opportunities for your time or talents to be used for God's work while being a part of the planning of Trinity's 2015 calendar.

Please pray for Trinity, the Annual Planning meeting, and the missions chosen in order to spread God's love within and beyond our beloved church.

Sue Ballentine
Chair, Vital Ministries Team

RECYCLE!

The Witness Committee can re-use your old flat magnets (like the ones that are glued on your telephone books, on the backs of calling cards, on cars -- any size) We will use them to make gifts for visitors and members.

Please give them to Jan Weaver, Marie Stiles, or Jewel Percy -- or place them on the New Member table in the Gathering Area. Thanks!

The Bishop's Road Show

January 24, 2015

Shandon United Methodist Church

Registration: 8:00 – 8:45am

Gathering: 8:45 – 9:00am

Program: 9:00am – 2:00pm

Deadline to Register: January 17

During the "Road Show," Bishop Holston will offer insights and ideas on ways to develop healthy lay leadership teams and establishing healthy environments within the local church. It's also a time to engage in dialogue together, so all local church lay leaders or lay servants should plan to attend. It will be a fun time to gather with the Bishop and other conference staff to talk about how to focus on the goal of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Registration forms are located on the table in the Gathering Area or register online or by e-mail.



Wonderful Wednesdays will begin on January 14, 2015. The meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the Bible Study will begin at 6:15 p.m. The Team Leaders for the first meal will be English and Jewel Percy.