Second Sunday of Easter April 12, 2015

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

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

*Acolyte

Call to Worship

"He Lives"

"Trust and Obey" (verses 1, 3)

Choir

467

(Please register your attendance on the pew pads provided)

First Lesson	Acts 4:32-35	Pages 116-117 (N.T.)
*Psalter	Psalm 133	850
Affirmation of Faith	"Apostles' Creed"	881
*Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father"	70
Sharing of the Joys & Concer	ns of the Church	

Prayers of Confession & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (*Unison*) 895

"Be Thou My Vision"

451

"Let the Children Come!"

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

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Hymn

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95

Anthem "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Choir Second Lessons Exodus 10:3-6 Page 56 (O.T.)
Revelation 9:1-3 Page 241 (N.T.)
Sermon "The Day The Skies Were Darkened" Rev. Norman Hodges

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 "Just as I Am, Without One Plea" (verses 1, 3, 5) 357

*Acolyte

*Dismissal With Benediction

*Benediction Response "Alleluia" Choir

*Postlude

*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Today

Guest Speaker: Rev. Norman Hodges Nursery: Annette Watson

Pianist: Christopher A. McCroskey Tellers: Mary Kamoroff; Jo Ann Heiting

Music Director: Jackie McNeill A/V Assistant: John Ballentine
Lay Reader: Sue Ballentine Time Together: Ruth Frady

Ushers: George & Morris Taylor

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.

Thank you to our friend and brother in CHRIST, Reverend Norman Hodges, for sharing the WORD of life with us this morning. LOVE you Norman!!!The Apostle Paul stated it as well as anyone else could have. "If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised and your faith is futile." As simply and plainly as it can be stated, either GOD our FATHER can do anything because HE did give new life to HIS Son JESUS, or GOD cannot do everything because HE could not do what only GOD could do and that is raise the dead to life! For each one of us if we cannot come to terms to a living faith that believes in resurrection power to make us new, then what value is any claimed faith in JESUS CHRIST? The claims of CHRIST fall apart if he did not rise from death. The claims of CHRIST are authenticated if He did rise from death.

For some of us, we genuinely believe that JESUS was raised from the dead, but the effects of that belief system don't influence our life situations and challenges. So, some of us have not realized that we may believe that GOD did or could raise JESUS from the dead, but we struggle to believe GOD will bring new life to our broken and difficult situations. The resurrection is for all of us both in this life and for the next life! The resurrection is the calling card of JESUS CHRIST!!! HE is the Resurrection and the Life. In whatever JESUS is involved in there is Resurrection and LIFE! So, when we don't see and experience HIS life giving force and Hope, can you figure out what that means concerning who is really in control?

May the LORD give us all new insight to all HIS purposes and the HOPE HE longs to give each one of us as we continue our journey. Breathe on us O LORD your resurrection grace & glory!!! AMEN!!! Pastor Robert

Today's Lovely Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Doug Maloch**, by **Linda**, **Lee**, **Cheryl and Jacob Maloch**.

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

Charlie Hooker Carol Frye Hannah Easterling Jimmy Grahl Tommy Johnson Sara Efron Rusty Poole George Taylor Carolyn Hardee Miriam Simpson Arnold Heiting

Shut-Ins: Theresa Awtrey; Mary Brewer; Mary Comolander; Nellie Hipp; Terry Pitts; Thomas Risinger; Claudia Sineath; Donnie Sox; LaCrecia Taylor

Family and Friends: Hannah Carr (friend of Erin Derrick); Tessie & Buster Guichard (mother & stepfather of Marty Johnson); Rich Holmes (cousin of Marty Johnson); Ann James & Jacquie Price (friends of Genie Duncan); Donald Stockman (brother-in-law of John Zeigler);); Kitty Sellers (friend of John & Patsy Zeigler); Xavier Crane (grandnephew of John Ballentine); Fran Ballentine (sister of John Ballentine); Jimmy Farmer (nephew of Nell Cooke); Winslow Jumper (brother of Nell Cooke); Matt Owen (husband of Nell Cooke's granddaughter); Jon Kirby (grandson of Nell Cooke); Sue Harmon (friend of Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting); Josephine Von Glahn (mother of Jo Ann Heiting); Vera Von Glahn (sister-in-law of Jo Ann Heiting); Dan McGowan (friend of Arnold Heiting); Regis Stevens (mother of Kaye Floyd & Jack Stevens); Vickie Bright (friend of Kaye Floyd); Michael Hardeman (friend of Billy Pearson); Ralph & Garland Pearson (brothers of Bill Pearson); Laura Goldstein (friend of Christopher McCroskey); Mary Thompson (coworker of Christopher McCroskey); Randy Hodge (friend of Ray Frady); Mitch Anderson (son of Ray Frady's friend); Susan Jones (wife of Stuart Jones); Nancy Friedrich (Shirley Butler's niece); Carlton Mathews (coworker of Kathy White); Mary Baggott (Kathy White's coworker's mom); Yvonne Kirkman (Kathy White's coworker's sister); Carole Daly (friend of Marie Stiles); Michael Carter (son of Esther Carter); Adam Lavender (son of Phil Lavender); Linda Boatwright (sister of George & Morris Taylor)

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 4/05 Sunday School 32 Morning Worship: 98

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 4/05 \$ 9,556.50 Sound System \$ 1,255.00

OUR SERVICE ...
OUR WITNESS."

Church Calendar

TODAY Birthday Celebration

4/13 Last Balance Class, 4:30 p.m.

4/14 Bible Study at Home of Nell Cooke, 10:30 a.m.

Staff Parish Meeting, 7 p.m.

4/15 Prayer Group, 7 a.m.

Choir, 7 p.m.

Serving in April

Serving On:April 19April 26Ushers:George & Morris TaylorNeeded

Tellers: Ted Frady; Patsy Boggs Pam Turner; Bonnie Ramsey

Flowers: Laurie Knapp Needed
Lay Reader: Needed Needed
Time Together: Mary Louise Robinson UMW

AV Assistant: Marie Stiles Marie Stiles, Trey Howard



Ministers
Pastor
Resident Bishop

Robert D. B. Reeves
Jonathan Holston
Rey Catherine Jamieson-Ogg

The Congregation

District Superintendent 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



How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

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Women's Afternoon Group Snacks and a Movie Sunday, April 19 4 p.m.

In lieu of their regular meeting, the **Women's Afternoon Group** will host "Snacks and a Movie" on Sunday, April 19, at 4 p.m. in the Conference Room. They will be showing the movie *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*. Everyone is invited to join them for this fun, relaxing and entertaining afternoon.



Student and Graduate Recognition Sunday, April 26

We will be recognizing our high school and college graduates on Sunday, April 26th. If you have a family member graduating this spring, or graduated at the end of 2014, please let us know. Contact Ruth Frady (796-1592), Marie Stiles (463-9706) or the church office (794-7777) so we can prepare our celebration. Please plan to attend April 26th, as we pay tribute to the accomplishments of these young people along with their families. Some of our other students will also be participating in the service that day.



Trinity Family Reunion Sunday, May 3

On Sunday, May 3rd, Trinity will celebrate its 55th Anniversary. This special service will be followed by a covered dish luncheon. Plan to join the celebration and bring your favorite side dishes and desserts. Fried Chicken will be provided.



Fund Set Up for New Sanctuary Sound System

As you may know, we have been experiencing issues with our sound system in the sanctuary for some time. One of the most glaring issues is the feedback being receiving from a nearby radio station that is at times so loud that we have had to turn off the sound system. We have installed filters in the pulpit and lectern microphones but have been told that it is the wiring in the sound system which is actually the receiver of these radio waves. Even if we don't hear the feedback in the sanctuary, there is background noise on the CD recording of the service. These CDs are given to shut-ins so that they might enjoy the sermons.

In addition to the background noise problem, several of the channels in the system are "blown" and we don't have the ability to utilize all of the plug-ins for microphones, so the clip-on mike preferred to be used by the pastor is not available; and when anyone is away from a microphone, that portion of the service is not audible on the CD.

We had an assessment performed of our sound system and have been told that it is very old technology and that we will continue to experience issues, some of which may not have "raised their ugly heads."

The Trustees have presented to the Church Council a recommendation which was approved by it to replace the present sound system with an updated one. The cost of the replacement components will approximate \$6,000.

While it is not mandatory that we have a sound system, it certainly enhances the worship experience and provides the ability to record the service for others to enjoy.

Currently our Capital Maintenance Fund is significantly depleted due to necessary equipment replacements and transfer of some of those funds into the General Account. Therefore, we are setting up a "sound system" fund and ask that you consider donating to it. Simply put your check or cash in one of the Special Offerings envelopes and write "Sound System" on the envelope or on the Memo line of your check. Help make the worship service one in which all can hear and enjoy!

Update: At their meeting on Wednesday, April 8th, the United Methodist Women voted to contribute \$1,000.00 toward the new sound system. With that contribution, our total received for the new sound system is \$1,255.00.