

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019

Welcome and Announcements

Sharing of the Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prelude Christopher A. McCroskey

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

*Acolyte

Call to Worship "Prepare the Way of the Lord" Choir

Greeting 6

Opening Prayer 6

*Hymn of Praise "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" 211

Blessing of the Chrismon Tree

Lighting of the Advent Candle

(Please register your attendance on the pew pads provided.)

"Let the Children Come!"

(Those 3 years of age through 8 years of age may go to Children's Church.)

Prayer for Illumination 6

Scripture Lesson Matthew 24:36-44 Page 31 (N.T.)

Sermon "Keep Awake" Rev. John D. Jordan

Response to the Word

Prayers of Confession and Intercession

Invitation

Confession and Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory "The Earliest Christmas Morn" Choir

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

Thanksgiving and Communion

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 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" 203

*Acolyte

*Dismissal With Benediction

*Benediction Response "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" Choir

*Postlude Christopher A. McCroskey

*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: John D. Jordan

Tellers: Erin Derrick; Bonnie Ramsey

Music Director: Jackie McNeill

Time Together: Jewel Pearcy; Pauline Wenner

Choir Director: Christopher A. McCroskey

AV Assistant: K. C. Warble

Church Musician

Ushers: Vision Class

Acolyte: Ray Culbreth

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.

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

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

Kathy White	John Ballentine	Patsy Shuler	Carolyn Sox	Dean Frye
Tommy Johnson	Francis Hipp	Gillett Hipp	Cristen Hipp	Brenda Streetman
George Taylor	Oren Edwards	Latson Lewis	Steve White	Esther Carter

Shut-Ins: Mary Alice Duncan; Sara Efron; Margie Gay; June Hutto; Dot Johnson; Georgeann Pace; Shirley Padgett; Jean Raynor; Grover Shuler; Miriam Simpson; Claudia Sineath; Wayne Tallon; Irvin Wells

Family and Friends: **Matt Imel** (husband of Holley Gleaton Imel; deployed to Afghanistan with US Army National Guard, 2-238 Medevac Unit); **Celeste Barclay** (cousin of Marty Johnson); **Tonya Spires** (friend of the Derricks); **Linda Hargett** (stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); **Garland Pearson** (brother of Bill Pearson); **Oliver “Ollie” Shelly** (friend of the Derricks); **Brenlee Carnes**; **Vickie Edwards** (neighbor of Kathy White); **Dan White**, **Teresa Murray** (brother & sister of Steve White); **Ned Teague** (friend of Ellen Matthews); **Sandra Hornsby** (friend of Lynn Martin); **Julie Stroud**, **Fran Huck**, **George Dorn**, **Judy Davis** (friends of Kay Jordan); **Gene Crumpton** (friend of Patsy Zeigler); **Teddy Derrick** (uncle of Arvan Derrick); **Amanda Snow** (daughter of Edwa Meek); **Lee Taylor** (friend of Allison Frady-Orth); **Cindy Brown**, **Haidee Baehr** (friends of Ruth Frady); **Denise Paul** (cousin of Gale Frady); **Billy Johnson**, **Max Johnson**, **Beth Branham** (friends of Gale Frady); **David Rabon**, **Connie Bucknam** (friends of Jeanette Hornsby); **Chloe Majors** (grandniece of Jeanette Hornsby); **Ray Culbreth’s Group House**; **Nellie Gantt** (mother of friend of Ray Culbreth); **Amelia Zinski** (great-niece of Linda Maloch); **Wayne Blair** (son of Dot Johnson); **Dylan Marks** (great-niece of Bonnie Ramsey); **Xavier Crane** (grandnephew of John Ballentine); **Carlos Brown** (friend of the Heitings); **Charles & Vera Von Glahn** (brother & sister-in-law of Jo Ann Heiting); **Michael Carter** (son of Esther Carter); **Adam Lavender** (son of Phil Lavender)

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 11/24 Sunday School: 25 Morning Worship: 69

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 11/24 \$ 3,199.00

OUR SERVICE...

OUR WITNESS.”

Church Calendar

TODAY Lunch Bunch
SPRCMeeting, immediately following Worship

12/02 Exercise Class, 11 a.m.

12/04 Prayer Group, 7 a.m.
Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Exercise Class, 11 a.m.
Bible Study, 6 p.m.
Choir, 6 p.m.

Serving in December

Serving On:	<u>December 8</u>	<u>December 15</u>
Ushers:	Vision Class	Vision Class
Tellers:	Mary Kamoroff; Jo Ann Heiting	Ted Frady; Patsy Boggs
Flowers:	Needed	Needed
Lay Reader:	Tom Geddens	Needed
Time Together:	Ruth Frady	Gale Frady
Acolyte:	Haven Thompson	Needed
AV Assistant:	Chris Derrick; Brady Derrick	Marie Stiles



Ministers	The Congregation
Pastor	John D. Jordan
Resident Bishop	Jonathan Holston
District Superintendent	Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson

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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**Snacks and a Movie
Sunday, December 8
4 p.m.**

Please join the Trinity movie crowd on Sunday December 8th at 4 p.m. to watch *Unlikely Angel*. Country superstar Dolly Parton stars in the heartwarming tale of a brassy and sassy lounge singer who is killed in a car crash, but denied entrance into heaven because of the selfish way she lived her life. Her penance: to reunite a family by finding a mother for two children, a teen and preteen, and their recently widowed father BEFORE the Christmas deadline. The movie contains quite a few hilarious, head shaking moments, especially if you've raised teens and appreciate Dolly's humor!!!



There will be envelopes on the Giving Tree beginning December 1 for the following:

A family from SRAA that consists of a mom, dad and four children. The deadline for returning the gifts is Tuesday, December 10.

An individual through God's Helping Hands. The deadline for these gifts is Friday, December 20.

Envelopes for SRAA if you would prefer to give cash to help buy gifts and/or peanut butter.

If you are buying a gift, please note that inside each envelope will be a tag identifying the person. Please make sure the tag is attached to the gift when you turn it in. On behalf of the Outreach Committee and the UMW, thank you for your generosity in sharing with those less fortunate among us.



The Church Office will be closed on the first three Fridays in December.

The United Methodist Men and the United Methodist Women will not meet in December. Meetings will resume in January.



DECEMBER 15

This year's Christmas Cantata is titled, *"Holiday Memories"*. The holidays, especially Christmas, are embedded with all sorts of memories. So, we decided it would be fitting to encourage our church family members to share their memories of the holidays as a vital part of the narration. We think you will be both inspired and moved by the contributions we received. We also chose to return to some earlier cantata music as well as bring in some new selections to go with these memories that will be shared throughout the cantata. Please come and join us on Sunday, December 15th for the music and words of *"Holiday Memories"*!



The **Columbia Community Concert Band's Christmas Concert** will be held on **Friday, December 20**, at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held at Airport High School. Chuck Martin will drive the bus, leaving the Gunter Circle parking lot at **6:45 p.m.** A sign-up sheet will be on the round table in the Gathering Area. Admission is free.



Christmas Cards for Trinity Shut-Ins and Asbury Arms Residents

On Thursday, December 19, we will gather together to put together bags for our shut-ins and the Asbury Arms residents (time and additional details to be determined at a later date). Christmas Cards with inspirational messages meant so much to them last year that we want to do it again this year. Please help by filling out Christmas Cards to go into the bags. A list of our shut-ins will be in the Gathering Area and there are 54 residents at Asbury Arms in addition to Brenda Streetman. A box will be located in the Gathering Area for the cards. Please have all cards in the box by Sunday, December 15.