First Sunday after Christmas

December 28, 2025

Gathering Welcome

Announcements and Prayer

Prelude "O Little Town of Bethlehem/Medley" Rhett Hook

(Prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)

*Call to Worship

God has put eternity in our hearts,

and gives us a fresh start minute by minute.

Breathe in the goodness and grace of God,

and know that God's new year is full of love.

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Sing praises to our God of everlasting love!

*Opening Hymn "In the Bleak Midwinter" 221

*Opening Prayer

God of star and sign,

Lead us in this new year along the paths of peace. Guide us in the way of truth. Let us remember we are your children, and we are loved. Let the winds of renewal touch our hearts and stir us to tell others about the love of God, for we pray in the name of the One born in a manger to save us, Jesus the Christ. Amen

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" 881

*Gloria Patri 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Passing of the Peace: Let us greet one another with love and peace.

"Let the Children Come!" Patsy Boggs

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

Anthem "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" Choir

Scripture Lessons Isaiah 63:7-9 Page 657 (O.T.)

Hebrews 2:10-18 Pages 208-209 (N.T.)

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 2:13-23 Page 8 (N.T.)

Homily A New Year with God Rev. Darlene L. Kelley

*Hymn of Invitation "Take My Life, and Let It Be" 399

A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition

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Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Christopher A. McCroskey
*Doxology 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You" Choir & Congregation

*Please Stand As You Are Able

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. Darlene L. Kelley AV Director: Marie Stiles

Music Director: Christopher A. McCroskey AV Assistant: Chris Derrick; Erin Derrick

Liturgist:

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.

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 ...

Marie Stiles Marilyn Lloyd Ruth Frady Rhett Hook Libby Strickland Christopher McCroskey

John Ballentine Diane Muszynski Ray Frady Latson Lewis English Pearcy Jeanette Hornsby

Hannah Glanz Hilda Edwards Fran Laska Kaye Floyd Jan Stamps

Shut-Ins: Gillett Hipp; Linda Maloch; Jean Raynor

Family and Friends: Donna Eidson (former Trinity pastor); Ghent Brewer (brother-in-law of Jeanette Hornsby); Kim & Sandra Meetze (friends of Martha Cooke); Dave Griffin (husband of Chantel Griffen); Matt Imel (husband of Holley Gleaton Imel); Cayla Watters (friend of Karen Carter); Tommy Stokes (nephew of Joyce Robinson); Kati Flowers (mother of friend of Blake Kamoroff); Berry Cochran (son-inlaw of Charlyn McNeill); Jim Lewis (father of Mark Lewis); Christina Lindemuth (daughter of Karen Carter); James Leonard (previous coworker of Mark Lewis); Kathleen Varnadore (Ted & Ruth Frady's neighbor); Paul Frenzel (friend of Chris Derrick); Sissy Henry (former member of Trinity), Keith James, Jay Clark (friends of Darlene Kelley); Sean & Tucker Smith (cousins of Darlene Kelley); Sonny Hardee (brother of Lynn Martin); Colby Martin (son of Donna Muszynski); Lynne Powell (friend of the Ballentines and Branhams); Bryan Collard (brother-in-law of Mary Sue Lewis); ; Michael McNeill (brother of Mary Sue Lewis); Mary Davis (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); Chuck Hardee (cousin of Lynn Martin); Bruce Beatty, Sandra Hornsby, Gloria Erd, Gwen Scott, Dana Ammer (friends of Lynn Martin); Nancy Wilson (friend of Jeanette Hornsby); David & Kristen Turner (brother and sister-in-law of Pam Turner); Chip Mixon (friend of Tommy Gleaton); James Boggs (father of Claire Boggs); Robert Bradley (Business Associate of Simon Ross); Monnie Tiller (friend of Chris Derrick); Adrin & Linda Hargett (stepfather and stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); Haidee Baehr (friends of Ruth Frady); Denise Paul, Scott & Karen Nelson (cousins of Gale Frady); Dan Conner, Max Johnson (friends of Gale Frady); Janet Beck (friend of Jo Ann Heiting); Adam Lavender (son of Phil Lavender)

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 12/21 SS: 11 Worship: 47

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 12/21 \$ 5,772.00

OUR SERVICE...

OUR WITNESS."

Upcoming Events

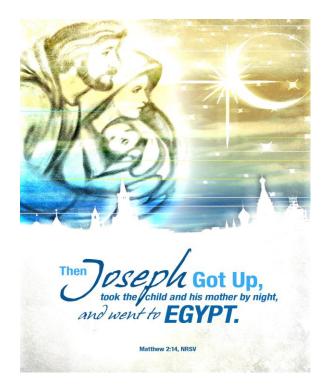
TODAY Taste of Trinity following Worship
01/01 New Year's Day
Office Closed
01/03 Undecorate Day, 9 a.m.
Fellowship Hall Reserved, 9 a.m.



Ministers Pastor Resident Bishop District Superintendent The Congregation Darlene L. Kelley Leonard Fairley Rev. Fran M. Elrod

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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Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low by thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

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