

Epiphany Sunday

January 4, 2026

Gathering

Welcome

Announcements and Prayer

Prelude

Christopher A. McCroskey

(Prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)

*Call to Worship

Sing and shout and stomp your feet,

God gives us a new year, a fresh start, a chance for peace.

Let's set our hope on Christ

that we might feel God's grace and praise God's holy name!

The Light of the World, born in a manger, brings truth and salvation to the world.

The True Light which enlightens everyone has come into the world,

and the darkness will never overtake it.

*Opening Hymn

"Sanctuary"

TFWS 2164

*Opening Prayer

God of Light,

Shine on us and heal our broken hearts, our broken spirits and our broken bodies. Shine

your light of love in our hearts that we might love and serve others and bear witness to your

truth and righteousness all the days of our lives. Amen.

*Psalter

Psalm 147 with Response

859-860

Leading in Worship Today

*Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostles' Creed"

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Pastor: *Rev. Darlene L. Kelley*

AV Director: *Marie Stiles*

*Gloria Patri

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Music Director: *Christopher A. McCroskey*

AV Assistant: *Chris Derrick; Erin Derrick*

Time Together: *Jack Stevens; Pam Turner*

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. 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

Choir

Scripture Lessons

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Pages 694-695 (O.T.)

Ephesians 1:3-14

Page 182 (N.T.)

*Gospel Lesson

John 1:1-18

Page 89 (N.T.)

Homily for a New Year

Rev. Darlene L. Kelley

*Hymn of Invitation

"There's Within My Heart a Melody" (vs. 1-3)

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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

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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

*Closing Hymn

"Victory in Jesus"

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*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You"

Choir & Congregation

*Please Stand As You Are Able

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

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-in-law 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 Branham); **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 **12/28** SS: 10 Worship: 27

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund **12/28** \$ 1,656.00

OUR SERVICE...

OUR WITNESS."

Upcoming Events

01/05 Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

01/07 Choir, 6 p.m.

T.a.G., 7 p.m.

01/08 Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

01/09 Office Closed

01/10 Fellowship Hall Reserved, 10 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.

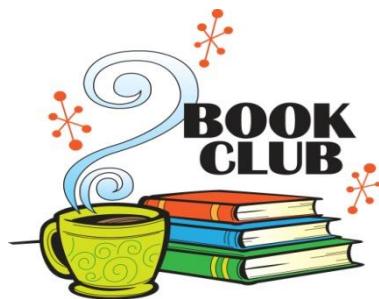
Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform

We have seen his **glory**,
the **glory** of the
one & only **Sōn**
who came from the
Father,
full of **grace** & **truth**.
John 1:14



Grieving with God
Tuesday, January 13

All who are on the journey of grief are invited to join us on **Tuesday, January 13**, at **11 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Retired Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplain from Richland Hospital, Jerry Fonte, will facilitate the discussion.



Book Club Dinner
Friday, January 23
6:00 p.m.

Join us for an opportunity to share a meal and time together as we discuss Rabbi Harold Kushner's inspirational book, *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*. This book will give us a great opportunity to explore some of the questions that plague believers and keep us awake at night: If God is good, and God is omnipotent why does evil exist? Where is God when we feel pain and suffering? Are the bad things that happen to us our fault because of sin? How do we help one another during the difficult and tragic times we all face?

We may not have all the answers, but our Book Club gatherings have been a great opportunity to grow personally and as a community. A meal will be provided, and we will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. All you have to bring is an open mind and an open heart. Bring a friend and join us—even if all you've read is the title. What happens at Book Club stays at Book Club, and we hope to see you there!

January

January 5
Exercise Class Will Resume

January 7
Choir and T.a.G. Will Resume

January 13
Grieving with God

January 23
Trinity Book Club

January 24
Trinity Ladies Breakfast
Book Swap

January 25
Taste of Trinity