

# God's Love In Action

**GLIA: the essential element, or glue,  
which connects the tissue found in the nerve centers of the body**

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The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to:  
**To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

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## *Praise God for all the Blessings*

As we enter into this Advent season, I am filled with joy by the many blessings that God has bestowed on me. I have a wonderful church family here at Trinity and I have fallen in love with each one of you. I certainly feel that I have been blessed by being allowed to serve such a wondrous God along beside you all.

I just love this time of year. The Christmas music, the decorations, etc., are all so wonderful and should point us to Christ Jesus. One thing I have noticed as I am shopping for decorations or for wrapping paper or gift bags, is that ornaments or anything pertaining to the nativity is very hard to find. Yet for me that is what it is all about. Our focus should be on Jesus and the God who loved us enough to send His only Son into our lives to save us from our sins.

One of my favorite sayings this time of year is that without Christmas we would not have an Easter, and without Easter we would not have the hope of eternal life. Think about it. Without the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ, we would not be celebrating Christmas.

As we try to put Christ back in Christmas may we remember to try to treat others in this busy holiday season with love and kindness. May we strive to treat each person we meet with the kindness that Jesus would show them.

Merry CHRISTmas and a Blessed New Year.

Love,  
Rev. Donna, Cece, and Curlie



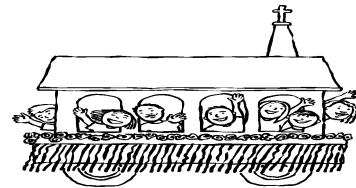
Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service will be held on Thursday, December 24, at 6 p.m.



Envelopes are on the Angel Tree for the following:

God's Helping Hands Project Share  
Saluda River Kids  
Canoeing for Kids

Donations for the Saluda River Kids should be returned by Tuesday, December 15. **Checks for Saluda River should be made out to Trinity UMW and given to Marilyn Lloyd.** Donations for God's Helping Hands Project Share and Canoeing for Kids can be turned in through December 27.



Trinity will be participating in the *Greater Cayce/West Columbia Holiday Parade of Lights* on Saturday, December 12. The parade starts at 5:30 p.m. We will meet at the church earlier in the afternoon to decorate the bus. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Gathering Area if you would like to help the Witness Team hand out water along the route.



The *Trinity United Methodist Choir* will present their *Christmas Cantata* on Sunday, December 13, during the Worship Service. Plan now to attend this joyous celebration.



**Fruit Baskets** will be delivered to our shut-ins on **Saturday, December 19**. The baskets will be prepared at 1 p.m. and the delivery of the baskets will take place between 2 and 4 p.m.

# memorials & gifts

Linda Cooper  
English & Jewel Pearcy

Carolyn Williams  
Mary Kamoroff

Ann Z. Derrick  
Oren & Hilda Edwards

LaCrecia Taylor  
Patsy Taylor

J. E. Horton, Jr.  
Mary Kamoroff  
Bonnie Ramsey

Richard Wesley Hough  
Bonnie Ramsey  
Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting

Arthur Ray McCroskey  
Bonnie Ramsey  
Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting

Thelma Richburg  
Charles & Jackie McNeill

Sue Anderson  
Mary Kamoroff  
Bonnie Ramsey  
Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting  
Ray & Gale Frady

Nancy Friedrich  
Mary Kamoroff  
Bonnie Ramsey  
Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting  
Ray & Gale Frady

Nellie Hipp

Janie Catalano	Sara Clary
The Odell Ruff Family	Franklin & Barbara Black
Bonnie Ramsey	Jim & Marie Stiles
Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting	Dana Barnwell
Luanne B. Imholt	Ray & Gale Frady
Life Disciple Class of Hillview Baptist Church	



**WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:**

**Cristen Hipp and family** on the death of her grandmother, **Sue Anderson**, on Friday, October 30, 2015, in Gainesville, Georgia.

**Cyndi and Alex Thomas** on the death of Cyndi's mother, **Linda Cooper**, the first week in November, in Sarasota, Florida.



To Our Church Family,

Thank you so very much for your prayers and calls during Ransom's illness!

May God Bless You,  
The Laughead Family  
The Edwards Family

# IN HONOR OF



John Zeigler  
Oren & Hilda Edwards

Trinity Family

A gift in honor of their Trinity Family has been given by **Arnold and Jo Ann Heiting** in lieu of sending 2015 Christmas Cards.

**Las Posadas**

Trinity will once again host the Las Posadas Service. It will be held on Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# NEWS & Notes

**Lunch Bunch** will meet on Sunday, December 6, immediately following the service. Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish for an informal time of fellowship.

**SPRC** will meet on Tuesday, December 8, at 6:30 p.m.

**UMW** will meet on Wednesday, December 9, at 11 a.m.

The **Columbia Community Concert Band** will have their Christmas Concert on Friday, December 18, at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at Airport High School. All performances are free.

**GLIA** articles and dates for the calendar are due by Wednesday, December 23.

The **Sunday School Breakfast** will be held on Sunday, December 27, at 9 a.m.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All contributions and requests for reimbursements for 2015 should be in the Church Office by noon on Thursday, December 31.



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