

CHURCH LIFE



Welcome to Trinity. Thank you for worshiping with us today. We ask that everyone attending today's service please sign the attendance sheet. If you have questions about our church, our contact information is located on page 4.

On December 4, 2011 Dr. Sam Lambrecht and Dan Steffen were elected as Elders for 2014. Les Carter, Jon Cavin, McKi Green, Chris Owens and Jeff Watford were elected Deacons for 2013. Please uphold these men in your prayers.

If you are interested in going on a missions trip scheduled for the summer of 2012, there will be a meeting immediately after Sunday Morning Worship service in the youth room downstairs today, December 11th. Please attend if you are interested.

The local Gideon Ladies Auxiliary witnesses to the female inmates of the Orangeburg Jail on Friday afternoons. During the winter season there is a need for clothing items which will help keep these ladies warm. If you would like to make a donation so that items of this nature may be purchased, you may make out your check to Trinity Presbyterian Church and note on the bottom of the check that it is for the Gideon Ladies Auxiliary. The deadline for donating to this program is today, December 11th. If you have any further questions, please contact Peggy Burns.

TSM CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 11th - Meet at 6:00 PM at the home of Woody, Lisa and Tatum Watford for our **Christmas Party**. Please bring **one bag of non-perishable groceries** to help supply Polly's Pantry.

"PARENTS NIGHT OUT"

Friday, December 16th from 6:00 - 8:30 will be Parents Night Out. Trinity Student Ministries will be hosting a babysitting service this evening for parents who would like to go shopping or wrap those last minute Christmas gifts. Pizza and treats will be served and a Christmas ornament will be made by the children. The cost will be \$10.00 per child and will help raise funds for the Youth Spring Missions Trip to Jacksonville, Florida.

Christmas Caroling

Christmas Caroling will be on Sunday, December 18th at 5:45 PM. Oh what a blessing it is to our shut-ins and what a blessing you will receive in return! So put this date on your calendar and plan to go Christmas Caroling.



This Week at Trinity Presbyterian

Sun., Dec. 11	8:30 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Intercessors Sunday School Worship Service TSM Christmas Party Evening Worship
Tues., Dec. 13	6:00 AM 10:00 AM 7:30 PM	Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study Joy Circle Missions Committee Meeting
Wed., Dec. 14	5:00 PM 6:30 PM	Ladies Prayer Group Choir
Fri., Dec. 16	6:00 - 8:30 PM	Parents Night Out
Sun., Dec. 18	8:30 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 5:45 PM	Intercessors Sunday School Worship Service Christmas Caroling

December 18, 2011 - DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP FOR BREAD BREAKERS

"Families Helping Families"

Remember those who are less fortunate



This year we will be helping two local needy families to have a merrier Christmas. They need groceries, clothes and toys for their children. You can help by picking a tag or tags from the Christmas tree located in the entrance way to the sanctuary. Then go shopping for that gift or gifts and return them to the church by December 21. Help is also needed to deliver these gifts on Friday, December 23. If you have any questions, ask Mary Beth Myers.



**Christmas Eve Communion
and
Candlelight Service
December 24, 2011 - 6:00 PM**
(A nursery will be provided)



The annual PCA (Presbyterian Church in America) Christmas Offering is for the ministerial relief of widows, retired, disabled pastors and missionaries within the PCA. Nearly half of the widows of ordained pastor in their 80s and 90s have incomes well below the federal poverty level. This offering also provides for younger widows who are left with children in the home. Please give to this helping fund.

Today's Infant & Children Volunteer Workers

Sunday School

Infants & One Year Olds: Gresha Steffen & Linda Bonnette
2 & 3 Year Olds: Sarah Hutto & D'lynn Polson

Worship

Infants & One Year Old: Brian & Nancy Henson
2 & 3 Year Olds: Chris & Brandy Fairey
Children's Church: Jeff & Kerry Folk



TRINITY'S MISSIONS MOMENTS

**An Update from
Tom & Lucy Wright
West Africa**

Dear Praying Friends,

We have an urgent prayer request to share. In this update I will only briefly update 2 prayer requests and then focus on the new request.

1. ERC—We finished up our fall English classes at the English Resource Center last Friday, (Dec 2). Lucy and I have invited all 28 students of our combined classes to come to our house this Saturday (Dec 10) to make Christmas cookies and have some informal fun time together. PRAY that the Lord would open doors for an opportunity to witness during this time.

2. PREACHING—This past Sunday (Dec 4) I gave the 3rd and last message in the series "Grace-based vs Curse-based Relationships". This one related to dealing with conflict. I was praying that it might minister to people in specific contexts (unknown to me). God seems to have graciously answered that prayer and it seems to have ministered to quite a few specifically. Thanks for your prayers!

3. NEIGHBOR—This is the new prayer request. Just about every year since we've been here we've "celebrated" Tabaski with our M*lim neighbors the N family. Tabaski commemorates Abraham's near-sacrifice of his son (which M*lims think was Ishmael). The most recent one was Nov 7. The wife/mother in the home has been suffering from various medical problems which have resulted in chronic kidney failure. Lucy had been walking with her many mornings at 6:15 AM to encourage her with her health. But now, her kidney failure has progressed to the point that she has needed intermittent dialysis. She knows that medically speaking she is likely to die before too long. She is especially concerned for the effect on their youngest child, a 16 year old daughter. This past Friday Lucy and another m*ary neighbor woman went to visit Mrs. N and they had opportunity to share in depth the Gospel. Parts had been shared over the past several years, but this time it was gone into in depth. She has shown some openness in the past. But now, Mrs. N is definitely wrestling with her mortality. Please PRAY for God to open up Mrs. N's heart as well as her husband and family. Please PRAY for physical healing if that is in God's plan for her.

PRAISE:

1. For a successful fall English class session with university students
2. For spiritual blessings on the sermon series
3. For the good opportunity that Lucy had with the other woman to share Christ with Mrs. N

PRAY:

1. For God to work powerfully in Mrs. N's heart to give her life to Jesus—Lucy and our friend are going to go visit Mrs. N again this afternoon
2. For Mrs. N's husband to be open to the Gospel as well.
3. For physical healing for Mrs. N
4. For spiritual openness of our ERC students—both for this Saturday's party and into next year

Thanks so much for your prayers. Have a very blessed and meaningful Christmas!

Tom & Lucy

*Church office hours are 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday-Friday.
Deadline for the weekly bulletin is noon on Wednesday.*

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SERVICES

Sunday School 9:15 AM
Worship Service 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 PM

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Our Troops: continue to pray for our troops around the world
Missionaries Tom & Lucy Wright: direction as they witness to Mrs. N
Presbyterian Church of the Week:: Trinity Presbyterian, Orangeburg,
 without pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Melonie Anderson: for continued healing after recent treatment
Josh Polson: stationed in Iraq
Daniel Junquet: stationed at Ft. Sill, OK
Claudia Wilkes: a suitable kidney donor

OTHER

Frances Felkel, grandmother of Brian Henson: healing and strength from
 a minor heart attack
Glenn Shuler, father of Stacey Owens: safe travel to and from Florida, for
 success of treatments lasting 2 months
Mrs. Karen Black, friend of Brian & Nancy Henson: choice of treatment
 options & successful treatments
Ricky Fogle, cousin of Harriet Bass: strength during treatments; pray for
 traveling mercies, financial needs, physical and spiritual strength
 for his wife and family as well
Zachary Folk: in Afghanistan
Leota Cardwell, Rebecca Sibley's mother: for femur to heal and
 to be able to walk again
Sarah Brant, Jan Bryant's grandmother: in National Healthcare; pray for
 comfort

I Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

Ministry Prayer Highlights - Choir

- ◆ Praise God for the dedicated and capable choir members
- ◆ For the children of our church and for their willingness to sing God's praises

General Giving - December 2011

Budget Needs Weekly \$ 7,293.00
Budget Receipts Last Week \$ 8,419.86

Bible Verse for December 2011
 Revelation 11:15 Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever." Revelation 11:15

SCRIPTURE
ISAIAH 11:1-10; ROMANS 15:8-13

¹ There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. ² The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. ³ His delight is in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; ⁴ But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. ⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist. ⁶ "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them. ⁷ The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. ⁹ They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰ "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people; For the Gentiles shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious. ⁸ Now I say that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made to the fathers, ⁹ and that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy, as it is written: "For this reason I will confess to You among the Gentiles, And sing to Your name. ¹⁰ And again he says "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with His people!" ¹¹ And again: "Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!" ¹² And again, Isaiah says: "There shall be a root of Jesse; And He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, In Him the Gentiles shall hope." ¹³ Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

SERMON NOTES



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
"A gospel-centered church with a heart for people"
THE LORD'S DAY
 December 11, 2011

***CHORUS**

Alleluia! O how the angels sang. Alleluia! How it rang! And the sky was bright with a holy light, 'twas the birthday of a King. (Repeat)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Jerry & Lee Ann Smith Family

+ *HYMN 133

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER - DIRECTED PRAYER

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ANTHEM

Child in the manger, Infant of Mary, Outcast and stranger, Lord of All. Holy Child of highest Heaven, Yet on Him our sins will fall. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Holy Child of highest Heaven, Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Prophets foretold Him, Infant of Wonder, Angels have sung His praise above. Hear them fill the earth with music, God has come in peace and love. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Hear them fill the earth with music, Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Hear them fill the earth with music, Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Hear them fill the earth with music, Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord. Hear them fill the earth with music, Alleluia! Alleluia, Christ the Lord!

***SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 11:2-10; Romans 15:8-13

***CHORUS**

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His Name is called Emmanuel; God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel. (Repeat)

Children age 3 yrs - 5K are dismissed for Children's Church

MESSAGE

"O Come, Emmanuel: 3. The Rod (and root) of Jesse"

***HYMN 132** (stanzas 1, 2)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***HYMN 132** (stanzas 3, 4)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

***BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE**

Blest be the tie that binds
 Our hearts in Christian love;
 The fellowship of kindred minds
 Is like to that above.

POSTLUDE

***Congregation please stand**

+Ushers will seat latecomers