



Activities and Opportunities

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December 3, 2017

Today's Baptism

Alton Clinton Whitley, IV (Clint), son of AC and Mandi Whitley

Hospital Patients

Dean Nix - 2508, Greenville Memorial

Juliana Weeks, Sarah Weeks and Carolyn Wyatt have been discharged.

Announcements

Second Session of the Annual Meeting of the Congregation - Today, 10:00 am in the Gym. The Congregation will meet to adopt a budget and elect members of the Congregation Council. The ten nominees for the five three-year terms are Terry Batts, Susan Burton, Mary Cantrell, Bryan Cegelis, Melissa Kolb, Amanda Mast, Bill Renninger, Franklin Sease, Stephen Troutman, and Philip Wessinger. The nominees for the one-year youth term are Charlie Ives and Conyers Wingard. A nursery will be provided for children through age 4, in the regular space. Children K5 through fifth grade are encouraged to attend the meeting with their parents.

The Church Office will be open this morning from 8:30 to 10:00 am.

Prayer Requests. If anyone has a special request to share with Trinity's Prayer Ministry Team, please write your request on a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and place it in the wooden Prayer Box located on the table close to the Pulpit.

The December issue of the *Living Lutheran* magazine and the November/December issue of the *SC Lutheran* are available in the Narthex, the Pence Building hallway, and the Multipurpose Room.

Wednesday Evening Worship - Wednesday, December 6, 6:15 pm, Multipurpose Room. All are invited to gather for Advent worship. Holden Evening Prayer around the Cross is a contemplative, peaceful service that includes silence and singing, light and darkness, stillness and movement, and culminates with individual prayer around the cross and the lighting of candles. Gathering music will begin at 6:07 pm.

Lessons and Carols - Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary. *Savior of the Nations, Come: The World Prepares for Christ's Birth* draws on the scripture of Isaiah and Luke, the music of and carols from a variety of countries, cultures and traditions. This service will nourish our Advent hope with powerful words of scripture, rich musical expressions of our faith offered by all our Trinity choirs, and supported by the Pinner Quartet.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Services - Sunday, December 24. The following services of Holy Communion will be celebrated: 10:00 am with Children and Youth Choirs. 5:00 and 7:00 pm with Adult Choir and Brass.

Advent devotional booklets are available in the Narthex for adults and for children.

Relational Groups

Theology Roundtable - Today, 4:00 pm, Art Room, 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This group for adults gathers on the first and fourth Sundays of the month. The group will continue the discussion of *Quest for the Living God* by Elizabeth A. Johnson. All adults are welcome to participate. Joe Rice facilitates the discussion. Questions may be directed to him at saluda171@yahoo.com or 864-704-4616.

Book Group - Today, 7:00 pm. Adults of all ages who love to read are invited to come and discuss a variety of books. The group will meet at the home of Nancy Jones, 217 Lexington Place Way, Greenville, 29615, for a holiday get together and book exchange. The book to be discussed is *Hillbilly Elegy* by J. D. Vance. Those attending are invited to bring a new, wrapped paperback book they think members of the group might like to read. The books will then be exchanged and swapped. Participants are also invited to bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Prayer Group - Wednesday, December 6, 11:30 am, Library. A prayer group meets every Wednesday. The group meets for thirty minutes to share prayer concerns and celebrations and pray for individuals and ministries in the life of Trinity. Prayer requests may be placed in the Prayer Box or emailed to Merry Mulcahy at marmulcahy@icloud.com. All are invited to attend.

Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Groups - Thursday, December 7, 9:30 am and 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building. These groups, led by Pastor Crowell, gather on the first Thursday of the month. *Another Look at Spiritual Practices* is the theme for the year. At the December meetings, the groups will be putting together *Period Packs*. Participants are invited to bring tampons, pads, and liners for the project. Muffins and coffee are provided at the morning session. At the evening gathering, participants are invited to bring refreshments to share with the group.

Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange - Friday, December 8, 6:30 pm. Trinity adults are invited to gather for the annual Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange at the home of Frank and Maria Ives, 142 Hialeah Drive. Participants are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert to share with the group and a wrapped Christmas tree ornament for the gift exchange. Soft drinks will be provided. Reservations can be made by calling the Church Office by Wednesday, December 6. The ornament exchange will begin at 7:00 pm.

Leisure/Action Luncheon - Monday, December 11, 11:45 pm. The group will have a Christmas covered dish luncheon in the Multipurpose Room. Those attending are asked to bring meat, vegetables, side dishes or dessert to share. Call the Church Office at 242-5702 by Sunday, December 10, if planning to attend.

Education

There will be no Sunday School this morning due to the meeting of the congregation. A nursery will be provided for children through age 4, in the regular space. Children K5 through fifth grade are encouraged to attend the meeting with their parents.

Music Ministry

Children's Choir - Today, 3:30 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in K5 through grade 5. The choir will also rehearse on Saturday, December 16 at 9:30 am in the Gym. Children's Choir sings for Lessons and Carols on December 13, the Christmas Pageant on December 17 and the 10:00 am Christmas Eve Service on December 24.

Youth Choir - Today, 5:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for youth in grades 6 through 12. There will be an additional rehearsal on Saturday, December 16 at 9:30 am in the Gym. Youth Choir sings for Lessons and Carols on December 13, the Christmas Pageant on December 17 and the 10:00 am Christmas Eve Service on December 24.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Monday, December 4, 6:00 pm, Rehearsal Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is open to youth and adults.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, December 6, 7:15 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Instrumentalists' Rehearsal - next Sunday, December 10, 2:00 pm. Calling all Trinity instrumentalists! Come join the Christmas Pageant "band" and bring your friends. The rehearsal for the pageant (December 17 at 10:00 am) is on Sunday, December 10 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm in the Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. There are parts for a wide variety of brass, string and woodwind instruments that can be emailed to you. Pastor Parham is also happy to schedule other rehearsal times for anyone interested in playing, but unable to make the December 10 rehearsal.

2017 Poinsettia Order Form

Poinsettias will be used to decorate the Church at the 10:00 am, 5:00 and 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Services. If you would like to give a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, complete the form below and return it with \$16.00 for each poinsettia no later than Wednesday, December 13. Poinsettias may be picked up immediately following the 7:00 pm Service on Sunday, December 24 or on Wednesday, December 27.

Enclosed/attached is my \$16.00 for each poinsettia given.

Total Amount Enclosed: \$____

In () honor of, In () memory of

Given by: _____

Children and Youth

Kids' Stuff and Club 345 - Today, 1:30 pm. Kids' Stuff is Trinity's fellowship group for children in K5 through 2nd grade, and Club 345 is for children in 3rd through 5th grades. The groups will enjoy Christmas games, crafts and a movie. Drop off is at the Red Canopy Door and pick up is at 3:30 pm on the Playground (weather permitting).

LCY - Today, 6:00 pm. After dinner, the group will travel by bus to go ice skating downtown. The cost is \$10.00 per person (cash or checks made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church). Pick up will be at the Church at 8:00 pm.

Project Host Soup Kitchen - next Sunday, December 10, 9:00 am. Youth in grades 9 through 12 will staff the Soup Kitchen. Youth need to be dropped off by 9:00 am and pick up at 12:45 pm. Spots are limited and are on a first come, first served basis. Youth must sign up through the Church Office this afternoon. Trinity adults will be at the Soup Kitchen to provide supervision.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 3 THROUGH DECEMBER 10

TODAY - DECEMBER 3

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Congregation Meeting
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:00 am GAIHN Setup
11:15 am Holy Communion
1:30 pm Kids' Stuff/Club 345 - Assembly Rm
1:30 pm Foundation Committee
2:00 pm Junior Boys BB Practice @ 1st Baptist
3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm LCY
7:00 pm Book Group

MONDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm Sr Girls BB Game @ John Knox
7:30 pm Sr Boys 1 BB Game @ 4th Pres
8:00 pm Sr Boys 2 BB Game @ Trinity

TUESDAY

6:00 pm I-Mites BB Practice
6:00 pm Minor Boys BB Practice

WEDNESDAY

11:30 am Prayer Group
12:00 noon Furman LSA
5:00 pm Minor Girls BB Practice
5:30 pm Jr Girls BB Practice @ St. George
6:15 pm Holden Prayer Around the Cross
7:00 pm Senior Girls BB Practice
7:15 pm Discipleship Group
7:15 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 am Women's Bible Study & Fellowship Group
6:00 pm Sr Boys 1 BB Practice
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study & Fellowship Group
7:00 pm Sr Boys 2 BB Practice

FRIDAY

6:30 pm Ornament Exchange

SATURDAY

8:30 am Jr Girls BB Game @ 4th Pres
10:30 am Minor Girls BB Game @ St. James
10:30 am Minor Boys BB Game @ First Baptist
12:15 pm I-Mites BB Game @ Christ Church
12:30 pm Jr Boys BB Game @ Buncombe St. UMC

NEXT SUNDAY - DECEMBER 10

7:00 am GAIHN Takedown
8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:00 am Project Host Soup Kitchen
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion
1:30 pm Congregation Council
2:00 pm Instrumentalists Rehearsal
2:00 pm Towers East Outreach
2:00 pm Junior Boys BB Practice @ 1st Baptist
3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
4:00 pm Parish Life Committee
5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm LCY
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal