

# Trinity Times // December 2019

Guided by Christ, we will serve the Lord and all people with open arms, minds, and hearts.

Come share with us the pathway of faith.



## Preparing for Christ's Birth

Advent begins on December 1. This is our time as Christians to prepare for the Birth of Christ. Our preparation is certainly for celebrating the day of Christ Birth, Christmas Day. For us as Christians, it is also preparation for receiving Christ into our lives every day. No matter when we became Christians the renewal and deepening of our faith is a constant decision. Here are some questions for your Advent preparation.

- ◆ How will I live as a Christian today?
- ◆ Where or in whom will I see Christ's presence this day?
- ◆ Will I live in such a way that others may see Christ in me?
- ◆ Where will I find quiet time to help me to prepare for living these questions?

Happy Advent!

Faithfully, your friend,  
+Bill



## Alternative Christmas Gifts

Episcopal Relief and Development offers many alternative gifts that assist people in struggling places in the world. These include such things as single animals or flocks of animals, water, and opportunities for economic development for people. Information is available on the internet at <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/gifts> There are catalogs in the parish hall. Please make notes and leave the catalogs for others to use.



## Christmas Worship Schedule

We will have **one worship service** of Christmas Eve, December 24. In consideration of the needs of both our very youngest members and our older members, we have moved this service to an earlier time.

- \*6:30 p.m., *Carol Sing*
- \*7:00 p.m., *Festival Eucharist*



- 12/1 Advent begins. Greening of the Church following service with pitch-in!
- 12/3 10:00 Daughters of the King
- 12/6 5-8pm Winterfest with St. Nicholas at Trinity
- 12/10 5:30 p.m. - OPUS dinner @ Olive Garden
- 12/19 6:00 Finance Meeting
- 12/23 6:30 Vestry Meeting @ Keystone Woods
- 12/24 **6:30pm** Carol Sing  
**7:30pm** Festival Eucharist
- 1/5 10:00 Epiphany Sunday with Tea following

## Service Schedule

- \* Sunday Eucharist 10:00 a.m.
- \* Wednesday Eucharist 12 Noon, followed by Community lunch

## \*\*\* Sunday Morning Forums \*\*\*

In December our forums will study the Scripture for the following Sunday. In January we will join with Episcopalians from across the country and around the world in daily reading of *The Gospel According to John*. Guides for this will be available at Trinity. The forum each week will be discussion of the week readings.

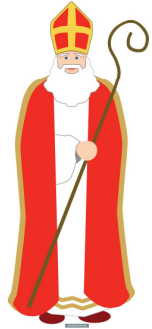


Rehearsals are taking place for Advent and Christmas on Wednesdays at 6:30. All are welcome!



## Hanging of the Greens

Following the service on December 1, stay and help decorate the parish hall for the Christmas season. A pitch-in lunch will be held. Bring a dish to share and a lot of holiday spirit!



## Winterfest

Trinity will be participating again in Downtown Anderson's Winterfest on Friday, December 6 from 5-8 pm. We will have our display of Nativities, photos with St. Nicholas, and cookies, scones, and hot cocoa. Volunteers are needed for making refreshments, greeting and serving guests, and for setting up and cleaning up.



## Christmas Tea

The Christmas Tea will be held on Sunday, December 8 following the service. Join us for tea, treats, and fellowship.

## Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26 following the Eucharist. Copies of the reports, nominations for elections, and the agenda for the meeting will be available in January. Elections at the meeting will be for Vestry Members and Delegates to the Diocesan Convention. Speak to any Vestry Member if you are interested in either of these positions.

Reports are due in the parish Office by **Monday, January 13, 2020**. It would be helpful if reports are submitted in Microsoft Word. These can be sent by email attachment to [trinity1030@trinityanderson.net](mailto:trinity1030@trinityanderson.net)



## Financial Report - October 31, 2019

Pledge income to-date: \$65,718  
 Investment income to-date: \$26,626  
 Transfer from investments to-date: \$8000.00  
 Total revenues: \$109,300  
 Expenses to-date: \$116,337  
 Liabilities:  
   Unpaid 2019 apportionment: \$7,600 (\$1520 mo.)  
   Amt. owed 2015-2018 apportionments: \$17,442  
   Parking Lot loan balance: \$21,059 (\$250 mo.)  
   Building Loan balance: \$22,477 (\$250 mo.)  
 Restricted Revenue to-date: \$4,401  
 Restricted Expenses to-date: \$5,501  
 2020 Pledges (11/25/19) \$73,448



Trinity continues to provide meals for those in need. Toilet paper and soap are given out the last Wednesday of the month. Thank you for your continued support of time, money, and toilet paper!

Much thanks to the Wednesday team leaders/cooks: Bev Badgley, Larry Coates, Diane Burrell, Pat and Tom Zickel, and those who come and volunteer. Also, thanks to those who have donated food or paper products or monetary donations to this out-reach program.



## Reminder - Let's Be Safe

During this upcoming winter, there are steps you can take to be safe and to protect the safety of others at Trinity. As the temperatures plummet, the chance for ice on the front and kitchen stairs increases. Please consider entering and leaving through the large glass doors.

## OPUS

OPUS (Old People Up to Something) will gather for dinner on Tuesday, December 12 at 5:30pm at Olive Garden. There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall. Please call Bev Badgley if you need transportation. All are welcome!



- 12/1 Adrianna Holtzleiter
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- 12/7 Katherine Holtzleiter
- 12/29 Susan MacGilvray
- 12/31 Elizabeth Jean Lortz

*Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Future Events

- 1/5 10:00 Epiphany Sunday and Tea
- 1/26 10:00 Eucharist followed by the Annual Meeting
- 2/2 Souper Bowl Sunday
- 2/25 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- 2/26 Ash Wednesday



## Servicemen & Women

Audrey McMillan-Cole, Chastain Gardner, Corey & Tyler Greenlee, Jessica Halladay, Brandon Hallowell, Greg, Chaz Hulett, Micah Jones, Chris Kahl, Brian Kasper, Amanda Conover McAllister, Tyler McKeon, Melissa Payne, Kaitlyn Woodruff

## Convalescent Centers

Mavorine Bitner, Teddy Fatta, Anna Mae Gillette, Betsy Hyde, Barbara Moffitt, Carole Smalley

## Others in need of God's strength

Our Nation and its leadership, Children of the World, Alan Albright, John Albright, Linda & Jim Anderson, Andy, Angela, Nancy & Bill Ashley, Austin, Judith Austin, Marilyn Anderson, Mike Badgley, Todd Berryman, Bob Barber, Thomas Brown, Jason C., Caina, Deacon Jim Carter, Carter Castor, Stacy Castor, Heather Caudill, Carole, China, Susan Christy, Lee Ann Coiner, Patrick Cole, Oliver D., George Daugherty, Doug Davis, Deloris, Denny, Tim Duncan, Dustin, Laura Eldridge, Patricia Ellsworth, Evelyn, Dan Faust, Tim Fields, Alexa Leckie-Foland, Jan Foster, Michael G., Julia Granger, Andrew Greenlee, Barbara Haas, Victor Hasstedt, Heather & Toby, Lyn Hileman, Fran Hogue, Sonja Hurley, Robert Johnson, Jordan, Martha Keller, Robert Kowalski, Bryson Litza, Samantha M., Elizabeth Jean Lortz, Mark, Diane McAvoy-Kelley, Diana McGuire, Jim, The Rev. Norm Morford, Elva Mullen, Nancy, Helen Nicholson, Jack Norris, Sr. and Phyllis Norris, Sandy Parker, Teia Parker, Kent Pettigrew, Pat, Terry Pickett, Scott, Amy Foster-Robertson, Rodney, Aubrey Scharnowski, Earl & Bev Scott, Mica Simone, Michele, Walter Stamp Sr., Jaime Swain, Robert, Cindy Teague, Janice Trying, Becky Wages, Ebony Walker, Jane Warfel, Elizabeth Wepler, Sandy White, Rachel Whitsell-Odell and family, Sandy White, Beverly & Bill Whiteman, Trace White, Thomas White, Elisabeth Woodsides, David Zickel, Pat Zickel.

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LET US *Adore* HIM

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