

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

The Mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to become growing followers of Jesus Christ and to reach out to others in unconditional love because God first loved us.

* This mark invites those who are able to please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH –

The Otto Family – Timothy, Mary, Benjamin and Ellie Ann

* HYMN *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* 224

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (All)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

* PRESENTATION HYMN 95

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.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* 57

SCRIPTURE READING Zephaniah 3:14-20

A TIME OF PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer (together)

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.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:7-18

SERMON "Prepare the Way" Advent Series: "DO"

* HYMN *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* 348

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Those serving in worship today:

Pianist: Sharon Moore

Reader: Annie Windstrup

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Advent To Epiphany



Prayer: O God, what brings me joy today has nothing to do with the material things with which I have been blessed. I have joy because I know I am loved. In Jesus' name. Amen.

This Week's Events:

Sunday 16	Third Sunday of Advent
Wednesday 19	Wednesday Morning Group 9:30 AM
	CHIMES Deadline
Friday 21	Office Closed

Upcoming Events:

Sunday 23	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Monday 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Services: 5:30 PM at Peace UMC 7:00 PM at Trinity UMC
Tuesday 25	Christmas Day - Office Closed

Happy Birthday:

Amelia Shannon	18-Dec	Paul Turgasen	26-Dec
Ben Otto	19-Dec	Tom Richardson	29-Dec
Jerod McCollum	22-Dec	Carrie Richardson	29-Dec
Nick Bastian	24-Dec	Ayden Ewing	31-Dec
Sally (Hodge) McCollum	24-Dec	Dennis Tracy	31-Dec
Tammy (Goodyear) Fritz	25-Dec	Destiny Shannon	31-Dec

TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY HOSTS – many thanks to Shirley Wanless for hosting coffee hour this morning!

PRAYING FOR CHURCHES AND CLERGY – please send your prayers and support this week (*December 16th – December 22nd*), to Lime Ridge UMC and their clergy Elizabeth Jacob and the 39 members.



“LYDIA’S HOUSE COMPASSION CAMPAIGN” - Trinity has chosen the season of Advent for each of our families to receive one of the little plastic blue banks to bring home to fill, beginning on the First Sunday of Advent (December 2nd) worship service through the next 6 weeks, to January 6th.

ADVENT WREATH CANDLE LIGHTING - on *December 23rd* Trinity needs one more family or couple to volunteer for the Advent wreath candle lighting/reading. Please call the office for details.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS – Many thanks to those who signed up to sponsor Poinsettias in honor or memory of loved ones. The Poinsettias will be displayed for the 16th, 23rd and the 24th worship services and may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service, or left for the remainder of the season.

MISSION FOCUS FOR DECEMBER – THE SALVATION ARMY! The last Sunday offering in December for missions will support the local Salvation Army, a volunteer organization that provides multiple forms of assistance to meet emergency care needs. Please see the Missions’ bulletin board in the narthex for more details and about the Red Kettle Bell Ringing.

DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec. 24th / Candlelight Service – Peace @ 5:30 PM
- Dec. 24th / Candlelight Service - Trinity @ 7:00 PM
- Dec. 24th and 25th / Office closed
- Dec. 30th / Joint Worship Service – Peace UMC @ 10:00 AM



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Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday
 9:00AM – Noon



*"There are no strangers here, only friends
 we are yet to meet."*

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