

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
December 23, 2018

Fourth 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 – *Paul Murphey and Russ Shannon*

* HYMN *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* 196

* 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 *Joy to the World* 246

SCRIPTURE READING Micah 5:2-5a

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 1:39-45, (46-55)

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

* HYMN *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* 218

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Those serving in worship today:

Pianist: Dr. Dale Sinnett

Reader: Russ Shannon

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Advent To Epiphany



Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank you for leaving your home in glory to come to earth in human form. May I always have room for you in my life. In your name. Amen.

This Week's 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
		Office Closed
Tuesday	25	Christmas Day - Office Closed

Upcoming Events:

Sunday	30	JOINT Worship Service 10AM at Peace UMC
Tuesday	1	New Years Day
Thursday	3	MOPs 9 – 10:30 AM Finance Committee 6:30 PM

Happy Birthday:

Nick Bastian	24-Dec	Carrie Richardson	29-Dec
Sally (Hodge) McCollum	24-Dec	Ayden Ewing	31-Dec
Tammy (Goodyear) Fritz	25-Dec	Dennis Tracy	31-Dec
Paul Turgasen	26-Dec	Destiny Shannon	31-Dec
Tom Richardson	29-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 23rd – December 29th*), to Linden UMC and their clergy Gerhardt Miller and the 76 members.

In Memory of Gerald "Jerry" F. Edwards
December 26, 1928 – December 09, 2018

Jerry was a Trinity Friend & Member Until 2003.

Complete Obituary Appears at the *Cornerstone Funeral & Cremation* Website
(Markesan, WI): <https://tinyurl.com/yaf9noll>

Public Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2019, at Emmanuel United
Methodist Church, Appleton, WI. Private Burial Services will be held at Grand View
Cemetery, Marquette, WI.

Cards of Condolence May be Sent to Jerry's Wife & Family at the Following:

Carol Edwards
3368 South Lily Pad Lane
Apartment No. 140
Appleton, WI 54915

"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.

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.



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Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9:00AM – Noon



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

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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