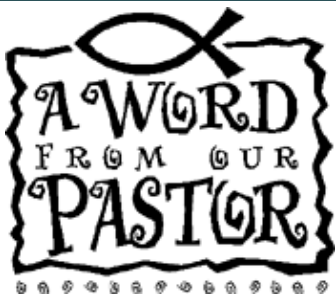


Trinity Times

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Happy New Year! We are just emerging from a very busy season. The wrapping paper and gift boxes have been put away or discarded. Family

holiday visitors have gone back home. Our homes have been returned to their undecorated normalcy. We have begun to settle into our post-Christmas routines. But we still have something to celebrate. Foremost, we celebrate the Christmas promise that remains in our hearts all year. We also celebrate Epiphany. We celebrate Epiphany because we can count on the promise that God is with us always. We celebrate because the promise is unbreakable. On Christmas we celebrated the Incarnation, the physical reality of that promise. We celebrate the coming of Christ into human history. We celebrate the reality of God with us. We celebrate the beginning of Jesus' earthly ministry. As we move through Epiphany and throughout the church year, we celebrate the promise of the Incarnation heralded for the world. We can give thanks for that divine promise by living our lives as Christ taught us to live. Let us rejoice, give thanks and live our faith into the world!

Blessings,

Charles



Pastor Charles Wilbanks

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The Newberry Area
Council of
Ministries(NACOM)
presents

JANUARY JOURNEY 2020
I AM THE VINE – YOU ARE THE BRANCHES

Hymn Sing at 5:45 p.m.

Service at 6:00 p.m.

Fellowship/refreshments after each Service

Sunday, January 5

Host: Lebanon UMC

Speaker: Rev. Jim Williams

Bethel Garmany Rd, Newberry

Sunday, January 12

Host: Ebenezer UMC

Speaker: Rev. Amanda Richardson

1254 Glenn St. Extension, Newberry

Sunday, January 19

Host: Central UMC

Guest: Youth Night/Speaker:

Rev. Cameron Levi

Central UMC Member

1005 College Street,, Newberry

Sunday, January 26

Host: O'Neal Street UMC

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Love

District Superintendent

501 O'Neal Street, Newberry

Holy Communion Observed

Canned Goods Requested Nightly for Manna House.
Offerings taken each Sunday to benefit the Newberry
Medical Clinic and Interfaith Crisis Ministries.

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We are a caring church and want to share your concerns. Let us know if you or someone you know would like to share a prayer request with us. We will be happy to pray for you.

Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary
Head Usher: Harry Longshore
Choir Director: Jane Pollard
Organist: Phyllis Sanders
Substitute Organist: Eddie Welborn
Video Board: Josh Pitts, Caroline Senn, Bryan Waldrop
Acolytes/Cross Bearers Coordinator: Eli Martin
Newsletter Editor: Harriet Stevenson

Sunday Worship:

Adult Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.
Children's Church: 11:00 a.m.

We are a nurturing and open church to all who enter into our Sanctuary. We base our ministry on the Word of God and a caring spirit. Jesus invites us to share our ministry to all that come into our church.



January 5, Epiphany Sunday, is a day that commemorates the coming of the Magi to visit the baby Jesus.

Contact Harriet Stevenson or Pastor Wilbanks to add or remove names from the Prayer List.

Known Hospitalizations:

Recent Hospitalizations and/or Surgeries:

Nursing Home:

Continued Prayers: James and Jeanette Poag, Jean Bundrick, Cheryl Longshore, Mary Waldrop, Shirley Berry, Clarissa Hendrix, Olin Johnson, Alice Longshore, Jim Waldrop, Joan Morris, Gene Thomas, Nancy Pitts, Johnnie Pitts, Jr., Lisha Senn, David Hendrix

Family and Friends of Trinity: Jerry Nichols, Linda Smith, Larry DeHart, Sandra Kenney, Robert Duffie, Kerry Franklin, Dell and Linda Kibler



Jan. 5
Jan. 12
Jan. 19
Jan. 26

If you would like to place flowers in the church in 2020, please sign the flower chart located on the bulletin board opposite the pastor's study. Record your name on the Sunday you wish to place flowers in the church. You will need to fill out an Altar Flower Sheet located on the bulletin board next to the Flower Chart **at least a week before you have the flowers.** Please complete and **return the form to the desk of Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary.**

GREETERS SCHEDULE

for January

Jan. 5 – Clarissa Hendrix
Jan. 12 – Dale Longshore
Jan. 19 – John Pollard
Jan. 26 – Mary Forrest



Old Testament

Jan. 5 Lisha Senn
Jan. 12 Frieda Kesler
Jan. 19 April Wilson
Jan. 26 Myrtle Longshore

Epistle

Foster Senn
Kelly Morris
Ashley Wilson
Eli Martin

Acolyte and Cross Bearer Schedule



ACOLYTES

Jan. 5 Kella Battiste
Jan. 12 Olivia Martin
Jan. 19 Gavin Wilson
Jan. 26 Noah Mohler

CROSS BEARERS

Kruz Bouknight
Isabel Martin
Wyatt Wilson
Dalton Morris

Acolytes and Cross Bearers are asked to be present and ready by 10:50 a.m. You are reminded to **hang up your robes** before you leave. Please find a substitute or let Eli Martin know if you will be unable to serve on your Sunday. **Thank you for being such an important part of our service and thank you parents for getting the acolytes and cross bearers to church on time.**

JANUARY Birthdays

4-Debbie Waldrop	15-Coleman Waldrop
5-Christine Hendrix	19-Ron Stevenson
5-Susan Longshore	22-Chesley Brehmer
9-Donna Pollard	24-Jean Bundrick
10-Watkins Martin	25-Frank Somers
14- Emily Senn	25-Dillon Morris
15- Betty Way	29-Dixie Waldrop



The Sights of Christmas at Trinity



The children and youth of Trinity took us back to Bethlehem for the birth of Jesus.



Our Chrismon Tree.



Our beautiful poinsettias.



Our Advent Candle was lit each Sunday
By different families.



Our beautiful Nativity Scene thanks to Henry and Lisha Senn.

January

2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 Epiphany Sunday Birthdays and Anniversaries/ Communion January Journey Lebanon UMC	6 United Methodist Women 6:30 p.m.	7	8 Silver and Gold 11:30 a.m. Soup Luncheon Men's Club 7:30 p.m.	9	10	11 Human Trafficking Awareness Day
12 The Baptism of the Lord January Journey Ebenezer UMC	13 Administrative Council 7:00 p.m.	14	15	16	17	18
19 Second Sunday After Epiphany January Journey Youth Night Central UMC	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21	22	23 Planning Meeting for 185 th Anniversary of Trinity 6 pm	24	25
26 Third Sunday After Epiphany – Ecumenical Sunday January Journey Holy Communion O'Neal Street UMC	27	28	29	30	31	

Epiphany Sunday is a day that commemorates the coming of the Magi to visit the baby Jesus.

The Baptism of the Lord commemorates the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River by John the Baptist.

Ecumenical Sunday is the 3rd Sunday after Epiphany and is a call to unity to celebrate interfaith partnerships among Christians

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF) – Josh and Erin Pitts, Leaders

The MYF helped decorate the sanctuary and Chrismon tree and participated in the Children's/Youth Christmas Program at Trinity in December. They will also be participating in the Youth Night to be held at Central UMC as part of January Journey 2020 on Jan. 19.

Shelbie Johnson, President

United Methodist Women (Circle) 1st Monday	<p>2020 Officers: President – Lisha Senn; Vice President – Harriet Stevenson; Secretary – Frieda Kesler; Treasurer – Susan Longshore.</p> <p>The UMW will meet on Monday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 p.m. Barbara Rogers will present the program and Lisha Senn and Linda Lominack will provide refreshments. As a mission project, the UMW will make a monetary donation to the Greenwood District to be used where it is most needed.</p> <p>Important agenda Item: Trinity Cookbook</p>
Silver And Gold 2nd Wednesday	<p>Joan Morris, President; Harriet Stevenson, Assistant to President; Rebecca Bundrick, Treasurer; Phyllis Sanders, Devotional Leader</p> <p>The Silver and Gold enjoyed a delicious catered meal, devotions and gift exchange in December. The theme was JOY. Thanks to Harriet Stevenson for planning the event. The Silver and Gold will meet on Jan. 8 at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. A luncheon of soup and cornbread will be enjoyed by all. We will have several kinds of soup. If you are not contacted, you do not have to bring anything. Bingo will be held after lunch. Harriet Stevenson is providing the gifts.</p> <p>.</p>
The Men's Club 1st Wednesday	<p>Officers: President- Johnnie Pitts; Vice President-Ashley Wilson; Sec/Treas-Wilson Senn; Program Coordinator-Foster Senn.</p> <p>The Men's Club will meet on the second Wednesday this month on January 8. Please note change in date. Cooks will be Michael Bouknight, Johnnie Pitts, Kruz Bouknight, Boo Boo Johnson, and William Johnson. All men are invited and you do not have to be members of Trinity.</p>

Remember, the newsletter can also be found online at www.trinityumcnewberry.net along with other church information. **Please visit this site as often as possible.**



Trinity Christmas Party

A great time was had by all at the Trinity Christmas Party on Dec. 29. God's Toolbox, a gospel quartet from the Batesburg-Leesville area, performed beautiful Christmas hymns for us. A holiday meal was enjoyed after the entertainment. The Wacky Christmas Sweater Contest was won by Wyatt Sullivan. You can see the picture of the contestants below. Next we had several contests which included guessing the number of candies in jars. Linda Lominack, Grady Senn and Taylor Bouknight were the contest winners. Last, but not least, there was a drawing for door prizes. Everyone present received a gift of some sort. Frieda did an outstanding job of planning this event and all the other 5th night gatherings we have had this year. Thanks to Jane Woodward and Craig for always helping. Below are some photos from the event.





Dear Trinity UMC,
Shin and I would like to thank you for the generous Christmas gift that you gave to us. In addition to the gift, all of the cards, gifts, and goodies made us feel very special and we both would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to you.

Blessings to You,
Pastor Charles and Shin

Peggy, Phyllis, Jane, Josh, Caroline, Bryan, Grady and Maggie would also like to thank the church for their gift at Christmas. It was very much appreciated.



The family of Homer Garnett would like to thank everyone for their kindness during his recent illness and passing. Dealing with the death of Edna and Homer in such a short period of time was overwhelming, but your prayers, cards, phone calls, and the love shown us during that time helped to make it bearable. Special thanks to Pastor Wilbanks and to the women of Trinity who prepared and served our family dinner. We will be forever grateful for your kindness.

CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

Each month this year we will learn a new Christian symbol. This month it is:

THE CROSS ON THE ROCK



The rock is often used as a symbol of the Lord, our strength and firm foundation. A cross rising from the rock is echoed in many Bible verses that proclaim Christ as the rock of salvation; for example, "He alone is my rock and my salvation ..." (Psalm 62:2, ESV). Can you find more?

185th Anniversary Celebration of Trinity United Methodist Church 1835 – 2020

Sunday, Oct. 4th
Speaker: Rev. Ken Carter

We are in the process of forming a committee and sub-committees to prepare for this exciting anniversary celebration! We need your input, ideas, guidance, direction and prayers in order to host a spectacular weekend of celebration filled with fun, food, faith and family. Other activities and events will need to be planned to lead up to the celebration.

1st Committee Meeting: Thursday, Jan. 23rd
6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Wilson Senn, Chairman

“STEP” INTO THE NEW YEAR

Make this craft to remember God's many blessings.

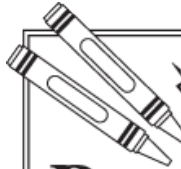


What you need:

- Small stones
- Permanent markers
- Foil pan and cooking spray
- Drop cloth
- Gloves
- Quick-set concrete (and adult help)
- Bucket and paint stirrer

What you do:

1. After reflecting on the past year, use markers to decorate stones with memorable words, dates and drawings.
2. Spray pan with cooking spray. Set pan outside on a drop cloth.
3. Wearing gloves, mix concrete in a bucket, according to instructions.
4. Pour concrete into pan. Smooth top with paint stirrer.
5. Press in stones, handprints and other decorations.
6. Let dry completely. Remove from pan.
7. Place the stepping-stone outside as a reminder of God's continued goodness.




PUZZLE

Reminder rocks

When Joshua and the Israelites crossed the Jordan River, they set up stones for a special reason.

Directions: Shade all the rocks that aren't completely rounded. Unscramble the remaining rocks to reveal a message from Joshua 4:24, NIV.



that river to might God the from a peoples if that always the on tell know had the fear are So you LORD together of each powerful ask of the what

So _____ the _____ the _____
_____ the _____
_____ the _____

JOSHUA 4:24, NIV

Answer: So that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the LORD is powerful. Joshua 4:24, NIV

DID YOU KNOW....

- The Children/Youth Christmas Program was directed by **April Wilson** with the help of **Lauryn Wilson**. Thanks to all the children and MYF youth who participated. Special thanks to **Phyllis Sanders** for playing our hymns and to **Taylor Bouknight** for performing two beautiful solos. Also, thanks to all who brought the delicious side dishes and desserts. The children enjoyed singing Happy Birthday to Jesus before eating birthday cake.
- **Harriet Stevenson, Jane Woodward and Bridget Bouknight** sorted your Christmas cards. Special thanks to all others who may have helped sort and hand out.
- **Sharon Baughman** kept our poinsettias beautiful during December. Thanks, Sharon, for watering them each week.
- **Henry and Lisha Senn** gifted Trinity with the beautiful Nativity scene outside the church. This was given in loving memory of their parents. Thank you so much for this wonderful gesture.