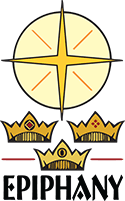
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Trinity Times



Epiphany is the day and the season of the church year when we patiently watch and listen as God is quietly revealed before us once again. Sometimes, even when we try hard to do so, we just don’t see God in our everyday lives or in the events of our troubled world. Epiphany gives us the time and the resources to watch, wait, listen, look, anticipate, and discern the light, life, and truth of the Lord’s presence in our midst.

Contemporary observances of Epiphany include the coming of the wise men with gifts for the Christ child and the baptism of Jesus. The season concludes with Transfiguration Sunday, when the church remembers the radiant vision of the disciples who saw Jesus’ garments turn bright and they heard a voice from a cloud that overshadowed them saying, “This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!” (Mark 9:7).

Epiphany is the time when the church gathers to remember and reflect on the mighty acts of God in the birth of Jesus Christ. As we watch and wait for the light of Christ to overcome the darkness, we see the Christ child who will become prophet, healer, teacher, and savior. Much of the story remains to be told, but the biblical readings for Epiphany remind us of the direction in which this one sacred life is moving. Here was life at its purest and best. Life lived as it should be lived. Life that came from God, walked with God in the world, and would one day be fully with God in the world to come (John 13:3). The life of Jesus is our light and model for how we too may live. As we recognize the image of our true humanity in the life of Jesus Christ, we also begin to understand that we have come from God, are invited to walk in faithfulness with God in this world, and one day will be welcomed to our eternal home. There we will still be with the God who loves us beyond our capacity to fully understand.

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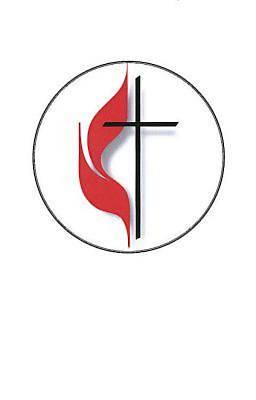
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In Christ,

Pastor Doug

Carrie and I would like to thank everyone for all the gifts, cards, and food at Christmas. We also would like to thank Trinity for the very generous monetary Christmas gift. Once again, thank you and we love you.

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AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN!

Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary

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Organist: Eddie Welborn

Substitute Organist: Phyllis Sanders

Video Board: Josh Pitts, Foster Senn,

Bryan Waldrop

Acolytes/Cross Bearers Coordinator: Open

Newsletter Editor: Harriet Stevenson

Adult Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.



We want to share any prayer concerns you might have and we will be happy to pray for you. Names will be removed on the first of each month unless updated. Contact Harriet Stevenson or Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary to update (add or remove) names from the Prayer List. **We are starting a new list for 2023.**

***Recent Hospitalization/Surgery:***

***Nursing Home:***

***Shut-Ins:*** *Jeanette Poag, Shirley Berry, Boyd Hendrix, Lavone Coates*

***Trinity Members:*** *Frieda Kesler*

***Family and Friends of Trinity:***



If you would like to place flowers in the church, please sign the flower chart located outside the church secretary’s office. 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 next to the flower chart. Please complete and **return the form to the desk of Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary.** at **least a week prior to your date to place the flowers in the church.**

**Ushers (w/Harry Longshore, Head Usher)**

Jan 1 -Burt Mohler Feb. 5-David Hendrix

Jan 8 -Dalton Morris Feb. 12-Burt Mohler

Jan. 15-Charlie Rogers Feb. 19- Craig Kesler

Jan. 22-Gene Thomas Feb. 26- Dalton Morris

Jan. 29-Michael Bouknight

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***For January and February***

Jan. 1 – Debbie Lipscomb

Jan. 8 – Myrtle Longshore

Jan. 15 – Kelly Morris

Jan 22- Gary Holmes

Jan. 29 – John Pollard

Feb. 5 - Jane Woodward

Feb. 12 – Sylvia Holmes

Feb. 19 – Joan Morris

Feb. 26 - Phyllis Sanders

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**January**

1-Dalton Morris

12 – Kruz Bouknight

19-Taylor Bouknight

22-Noah Mohler

29-C J Griffen

**February**

5 – Wyatt Pitts

12 – Kruz Bouknight

19 – Taylor Bouknight

26 – Noah Mohler



Jan. 1 – Kelly Morris

Jan. 8– Sharon Baughman

Jan. 15- Crystal Waldrop

Jan. 22- Phyllis Sanders

Jan. 29- Harriet Stevenson

Feb. 5 – Josh Pitts

Feb. 12 –Harry Longshore

Feb. 19 – Sylvia Holmes

Feb. 26 – Lynn Mohler

Contact Kelly Morris (803) 924-5715 or

Peggy, Church Secretary (803) 944-1769

if you are unable to greet or read scripture

or if you need to switch with someone.

Readers, you will receive a bulletin in the mail with scripture included on your assigned Sunday.

Greeters, please be in the Narthex by 10:40 a.m.

on your Sunday to greet. Thank you for your

service.



January

4-Debbie Waldrop 15-Coleman Waldrop

5-Christine Hendrix 22- Chesley Brehmer

5-Susan Longshore 25- Frank Somers

9-Donna Pollard 25-Dillon Morris

10-Watkins Martin 29-Dixie Waldrop

15 – Betty Way

February

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| 3 - Caroline Senn  4 – Boyd Davenport |
| 6 – Kella Battiste  9 – Lisha Senn  9 – Gary Holmes  11 – Sarah Mohler  12 – Luke Brehmer  23 – Clarissa Hendrix  28 – April Wilson | |
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**2023**

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| **Epiphany Sunday**  **Holy Communion**  **Birthdays and**  **Anniversaries** | **Trinity**  **Women’s Club**  **5:00 p.m.**  **Fellowship Hall** |  |  | **Twelfth Night** | **Epiphany**  **Chalking of the Doors** |  |
| **8** | **9** | **10** | **11** | **12** | **13** | **14** |
| **Baptism of**  **The Lord**  **Town Hall Meeting & Meal**  **After 11:00 a.m. service**  **Adm. Council** |  |  | **Silver and Gold**  **Betsy and Wayne Black’s Shed**  **Bring a side**  **11:30 a.m.**  **Men’s Club**  **7:30 p.m.**  **Meal included** |  |  |  |
| **15** | **16** | **17** | **18** | **19** | **20** | **21** |
| **2nd Sunday after Epiphany** |  |  |  |  |  | **.** |
| **22**  **3rd Sunday after Epiphany**  **January Journey-**  **Central UMC-6 pm**  **Ecumenical Sunday**  **Mayberry Bible Study 2 p.m.** | **23** | **24** | **25** | **26** | **27** | **28** |
| **29**  **4th Sunday after Epiphany**  **Andy Griffith Bible Study 2 p.m.** | **30** | **31** | **Feb. 1**  **Trinity Men’s Club**  **7;30 p.m.**  **Includes meal** | **Feb. 2** | **Feb. 3** | **Feb. 4** |

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**Invite a friend to come to church with you! All are welcome! With YOUR help, we can increase our membership at Trinity! We need more YOUNG CHILDREN and YOUNG ADULTS**!



**EVENTS 2023**

February Black History Month and

**American Heart Month**

Feb. 1 Trinity Men’s Club – 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 5 Tackle Hunger Challenge (Souper

Bowl Sunday) sponsored by

Trinity MYF. Donations of canned goods

and monetary contributions accepted.



Feb. 5 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Wear Red Sunday for Heart Month

Mayberry Bible Study – 2:00 pm

Feb. 6 Trinity Women’s Club – 5:00 p.m.

Feb. 8 Silver and Gold – 11:30 – Dempsey’s Pizza

Feb. 12 6th Sunday after Epiphany

Mayberry Bible Study – 2:00 p.m.

Feb. 14 Valentine’s Day

Feb. 18 Sale of Boston Butts by Men’s Club

Pickup 8:00 am – Noon - $40 each

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| **February 26**  **After church service Homemade Soup, Sandwich, Tea, and Dessert -FREE**  **Donations accepted for GAAP Food Bank and Trinity Women’s Club**  **Fundraiser.**  **Sponsored by Trinity Women’s Club** |
| ***January Journey***  ***January 22, 2023***  ***Central UMC–6:00 PM*** |

Feb. 19 7th Sunday after Epiphany

Mayberry Bible Study – 2:00 p.m.

Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday

Imposition of Ashes – 7:00 p.m

Feb. 26 Soup Sunday after church service

Transfiguration Sunday

**Organizations and Opportunities to Serve:**

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| **Trinity**  **Women’s Club**  **(Circle)**  **1st Monday** | 2023 Leaders – Harriet Stevenson; Dixie Waldrop, Susan Waldrop  The Trinity Women’s Club will met on Monday, January 2 at 5:00 p.m. Barbara Rogers lead us in devotions. We discussed plans for 2023 to include fundraisers, programs, and community engagement. Our goal for 2023 is to become more involved in our community and perform more community outreach. If you know of any individual or group that we might reach out to, please give the details to Harriet Stevenson, Susan Longshore or Dixie Waldrop.  The Women’s Club mission project for January is the Free Medical Clinic of Newberry. We will sponsor a **Soup Sunday** after church on February 26. This lunch is free but donations will be accepted. A portion of the donations will benefit GAAP (O’Neal Street Food Bank) which is our February mission project. in honor of the Tackle Hunger Challenge (Souper Bowl).  .  **Next Meeting: February 6 at 5:00 p.m. - Devotions: Sharon Baughman** |

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| **Silver**  **And**  **Gold**  **2nd**  **Wednesday**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Men’s Club**  **1st Wednesday** | 2023 Officers: TBD  Silver and Gold will meet on Wednesday, January 11, at 11:30 at Wayne and Betsy Black’s shed, The Black Pot. You are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Dues for 2023 of $12.00 per person will be due at that time and must be paid by March 15, 2023. All men and women who are 55 and over are invited and encouraged to attend and join the Silver and Gold. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join.  **Next Fellowship Outing: TUESDAY, February 7 at Dempsey’s Pizza, Clinton, 11:00 a.m.**.  **NOTE CHANGE IN DAY and TIME DUE TO SENIOR DAY AT DEMPSEY’S BEING ON TUESDAY. IF YOU NEED A RIDE, LET HARRIET KNOW.**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  Officers: President- Johnnie Pitts; Vice President-Ashley Wilson; Sec/Treas-Wilson Senn; Program Coordinator-Foster Senn.  The Men’s Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11. See Johnnie Pitts for more information. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to participate in the Men’s Club. All men are welcome**. The Men’s Club will be cooking Boston Butts for $40.00/butt. Pickup is Feb.18 from**  **8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon.**  **Next Meeting: February 1 at 7:30 p.m.** |

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**By Harriet Stevenson**

NewYear’s Resolutions! We all make them and they usually don’t last very long. Luke 10: 25-28 teaches us that the important things in life are loving God and loving others—including yourself. So if you make a New Year’s resolution that goes along with loving God and loving other people, that resolution will start making a difference in your life and the lives around you and when you see the impact that your actions are having, you’re more likely to [stick with your resolution](https://finds.life.church/words/). Here are 23 **totally doable** New Year’s Resolutions for 2023.

1. Start each day with a[Bible verse](https://www.bible.com/).
2. Take five minutes every day to rest and reflect.
3. Smile more. Smiles look good on everyone!
4. If you work pack your lunch instead of grabbing fast food. This will be good for your waistline *and* your wallet!
5. Get rid of one hurtful word or phrase from your vocabulary and then replace it with something more constructive.
6. Shop local when you can. It’s an easy way to support your community.
7. Keep thank-you notes and find reasons to give them to someone you know who deserves one. Set a goal of sending at least one a week.
8. Permit yourself to take a break. It could be 5 minutes, an hour, a day or a vacation week. You deserve it!.
9. Whenever you can, give up your spot in line to the person behind you.
10. Stretch, exercise, and drink more water.
11. Commit to make every comment you put on Facebook or Twitter a positive one.
12. Set a daily alarm on your phone to remind you to take a moment to pray for someone that you know who needs it.
13. Find a new way to compliment someone you care about each day.
14. Call a family member every week.
15. Schedule a time to take a walk and pick up any trash you see along the way.
16. When you want to yell at someone, whisper to yourself “Be Nice and Smile”!
17. Be a good neighbor.
18. Test the boundaries of your comfort zone by trying something new you’ve wanted to do for a long time.
19. Read more. Get a friend to read the same book as you so you can discuss it. In other words, start your own book club.
20. Make your mornings less hectic by planning your day the night before.
21. As you leave the house each day, ask God to guide your thoughts, your words, and your steps.
22. Find a way to make a difference in someone else’s life. Example: Serve at a local non-profit.
23. Put people’s birthdays on your calendar, and then make a point to send them a birthday card or shoot them a text on their special day.

These are just a few ways to better yourself without being self-centered. So pick one or two off the list to focus on in 2023 or see how many you can check off this year. If nothing else, **make a resolution to love God and people more than you did in 2022, for auld lang syne.**

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**FRANK AND AUDREY SENN SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2023 NOW OPEN**

The Frank and Audrey Senn Sr. Memorial Scholarship will be awarded again this year.  This scholarship is awarded annually to provide College, Technical or Trade school scholarships to students who are members or regular attendees of Trinity and/or the Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF).

Frank and Audrey Senn were long-time members at Trinity and led the MYF youth for many years. Now their children (Frank Jr., Charles, and Nancy) and grandchildren want to honor them by establishing this scholarship in their memory.

Applicants must be a member or regular attendee of Trinity United Methodist Church or its youth ministry, MYF.  Applicants must be a graduating high school senior with a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher, or a current undergraduate college student, with a cumulative 2.7 GPA or higher.   The student must plan to attend or be attending a University, College, Technical or Trade School and be attending school full-time as defined by the institution. Applicants will be selected based on the following:  Christian Character, Academic Success, Leadership Potential and Church Loyalty.

Initially, at least $1,000 annually, renewable for up to four years in college, will be awarded. There will be at least 1 new award per year.

A prior recipient of this scholarship is eligible to renew the scholarship award as long as they remain enrolled full-time and maintain a cumulative 2.7 GPA in college.  The award is renewable until the completion of the program of study or for a maximum of four years.

**2022 Recipients: Laura Mohler and Chesley Brehmer**

The scholarship application process is now open.  The deadline to apply is March 15. For more information or to fill out the application form online, please visit: **https://cfcga.org/scholarship/senn/**

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**MYF News**

**Erin Pitts**

The MYF will collect food donations through February 5th and will collect monetary donations on Sunday, February 5th. The food donation box can be found in the narthex of the church.



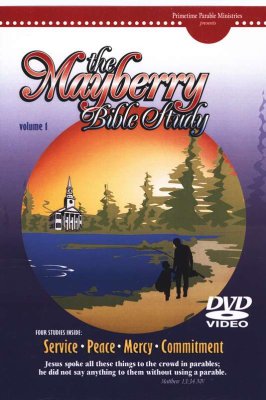
Beginning January 22, Pastor Doug will begin a Bible Study entitled “The Mayberry Bible Study”

in which we will watch an episode of the Andy Griffith Show each week on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

These shows will teach the Word of God to people of all ages! It will feature episodes from The Andy Griffith Show with relevant scripture and modern parables on the teachings of Jesus.

You don’t want to miss this Bible Study. Mark your calendars now for Sunday, January 22 at 2:00 p.m. Invite your friends and neighbors. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!





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