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Our first Sunday of Advent was a day for rejoicing. Our annual Hanging of the Greens service was especially beautiful as we celebrated this service in the renovated sanctuary for the first time. I am so appreciative to our Flower Committee, Music Ministry, our directors, Joy Earp and Emily Nelson, and all those who assisted in making this a special night. Thank you for helping us prepare our sanctuary; and more important, preparing our minds for the celebration of Christmas.

I am looking forward to the coming weeks as we continue our celebration. This year we have prepared several opportunities to make this season special. First, let me remind you to pick up one of our Advent Devotional Guides. This guide features stories and devotional material from members of all ages, and it will help you as you prepare for worship and Christmas celebration. You can also find this guide at a link on our website.

As was shared this past Sunday, we will have a focal painting each week of Advent. These paintings are original creations of Kimberly Ward of our congregation. You will see the painting in the Narthex as well as on the focal screen in the Sanctuary as you enter each week. It is our prayer that this visual will help us as we prepare for worship each week.



I am also excited that we were able to secure the exhibit "Faces of Beloved Community." This is an exhibit from the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship that features faces of people from all over our world where our missionaries serve and share the good news of Jesus. The exhibit will be in the Narthex and will feature a prayer guide as well. I hope you will take some time this year to walk through the exhibit and pray for all the faces that you will see. It is a powerful way to make our calling to the world a personal experience.

This past Sunday we kicked off our World Mission Offering with our mission walk down. We will be collecting our missions offering through this month and I encourage you to give. This offering goes directly to our missionaries on the field. Just as Jesus came to us, Jesus sent us to the world. This is one of the ways we can be involved in fulfilling the Great Commission to go into all the world.

This Sunday, as we gather for the Second Sunday of Advent, we will turn our attention to the topic "Where are You Christmas?" I look forward to seeing you, and I urge you to invite someone to join us for this special season of worship.



THIS SUNDAY AT TRINITY

Sunday, December 9

2nd Sunday of Advent

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8:45 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 AM	Sunday School (Bible Study for all ages)
9:45 AM	Slagle/Robinson SS Fellowship (A109 Parlor)
10:55 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
1:00 PM	Cantata Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:00 PM	First Light Rehearsal (D264 Choir Rm)
4:30 PM	Trustee Meeting (Conf. Rm)
5:00 PM	Bells of Praise (B141)
5:00 PM	Reimagining Evangelism Conversations (C303)
6:00 PM	Bells, Orchestra & PrimeTimers Concert (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM	RBA/TBC Youth Basketball (ROC)

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

To **Alan and Jenny Beal** and their daughter **Brittany Beal** upon the passing of Alan's father on Thursday, November 22.

To **Ted and Bobbie McCullen** upon the passing of Bobbie's brother, Matt Denning, on Saturday, November 24.

To Angela Strickland and her children Megan Strickland Fortner (Luke), and Tori Strickland and her sister Joy Cooper (Neal) and their children Wil Pipkin, Brooke Pipkin, and Lizzie Cooper upon the passing of Angela's husband, Jerry Strickland, on Tuesday, November 27.

STAFF ANNIVERSARY

Steve Byers, Assoc. Pastor of Music & Worship, celebrates his 11th year anniversary with Trinity Baptist Church on December 17th. Please take the time to say a personal word, write a note or place a phone call to Steve or offer words of encouragement and support for the fine job he is doing.

Year-End Contributions

Any contributions that you want to be on your 2018 tax statement must be turned into the Financial Administrator by December 31st. The ONLY exception to this rule is an envelope postmarked by December 31st.

Please remember that the church office will be closed:

Monday, December 24th Tuesday, December 25th Wednesday, December 26th Tuesday, January 1st

Any stock contributions for 2018 must be received by Trinity or in Trinity's account by December 31st to be counted as a 2018 contribution. If you have any questions, please call Jan Brown BEFORE the first of the year at 919-787-3740. Thank you for your support of Trinity!

NEW BACKGROUND CHECKING SYSTEM!

Here at Trinity we background check all individuals over 18 who work/volunteer with our children and youth. We complete screenings every 3 years on workers and volunteers. We are now working with a new background screening company: *Open Desk*. Volunteers will receive an email from Trinity Baptist Church with instructions on how to complete the screening online. For more information on our policies, see our Preschool & Children Policies located throughout the church.

Questions? Contact Katie Medlin at kmedlin@ tbcraleigh.com Thank you for volunteering with our children and youth.

CONGRATULATIONS

Peter & Brittney Finn on the birth of their son, **Alexander Craig Finn**, on November 22. **Kaitlyn Finn** is the proud big sister.

Brandon & Emma Pope on the birth of their son **Braydon Elliott Pope**. Proud big sister is **Cora**. Proud family members include grandparents **Ray & Judy Pope**, as well as **Andy, Tammy, Alexa and Olivia Forrester**.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Holly Hering has been a member since 1992. She is a native of Virgini Beach, VA. She and her Spouse, Dean, have three children: Hope, Lane and Carter. She is a Garden



Designer with Refresh Garden Design. She serves as D-Team Leader, 10th Grade SS Teacher, and wih ETC. She works with the Pathfiners SS Class. She also works with deacons Julie Lee and Amanda Smith-Gard.

CHURCHWIDE CAROLING

To TBC Homebound Seniors Sun., Dec 16 • 4 pm • Meet in FH

Meet together as the TBC Family to go as small teams to the homes / rest homes where our homebound church members and other seniors live. We'll spend two hours bringing the joy of their church family's Christmas straight to them! Carol sheet's and candles will be provided to all. Just please come as a group - we have a large number to go see, and will have 7 teams to go out. We need about 10 on each team in order to make a Joyful Noise that our senior - mostly TBC members can hear!! Please announce this in your SS classes & choirs – even come as a group! This is also a great way for families to serve together! Let's make this the best year of caroling ever. Those that spent their lives building this church deserve it!!



TRAINING

JAN. 20, 2019 • 5-7 PM

Certification is available in CPR and AED Sign up in Office, in ROC Lobby or Narthex board. Must Register.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

THEME NIGHT

TRINITY'S FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wednesday, December 12

Old Fashioned Christmas Dinner

Make your reservations ONLINE at tbcraleigh.com, scroll down to "Wed Night Supper Reservations", or call the church office at 919-787-3740. Either method has to be done by 4:00 pm on Monday. Meals are \$5 per person.

CHRISMONS

Chrismons are Christ-centered ornaments using symbols that remind us of the birth of Jesus. During Advent, we will show a few of these Chrismons in each newsletter to explain their meaning. Take note of the Christmas trees in the Narthex, where these Chrismons are displayed.

Windows of Faith, Hope & Love. **Faith** in God, represented by a cross within a cross, is a defining virtue of a Christian. We must all have faith



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that God sent Jesus to save us from our sins and grant us eternal life with Him. **Hope**, represented by a cross within an anchor, is our anchor/promise that the prophecies about Jesus have come to pass and that He

awaits us in heaven and will someday return to gather the rest of His faithful. **Love**, represented by a cross within a heart, reminds us that God sent Jesus to us so that we may in turn show His love to others.





Senior Adult Ministries...the Better Half of Life

Rev. Hal Melton, hmelton@tbcraleigh.com



Kentucky • April 29 - May 4 • Creation Museum, Newport Aquarium

- 5 nights, 6 days, 5 breakfasts, 3 dinners
- \$555 per person double, \$764 per person single.
 - Sign up sheet is in the Narthex, \$75 deposit due at sign up.

Deadline on deposit due firm.

Flyers available at Senior Bulletin Board in the A/B Hallway.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Team Leader: Nancy Hurt. 919-803-7801

Nursing Homes

Homebound Visits

Wed., Dec. 19 • 10:00 am • FH

"Forever Young" Senior Adults Trip To

RUDY THEATER CHRISTMAS SHOW

December 6, 2018

Leave church 11am. Meet in back parking lot (fellowship hall & ROC entrance)

Questions?

Contact: Nancy Hurt 919-803-7801

Senior Adults to

TEMPLE THEATER

"A Second Helping: The Church Basement Ladies Sequel"

Thur., Jan. 10, 2019 (2pm Matinee)

COST: \$22 Due at Sign-up (No later than Thurs. Dec.20)

Checks payable to: TBC, Drop in Sr. Adult Metal Box in B Hall.

We will leave the church parking lot at 11am and return approx. 4:45pm

We will stop for lunch at Ron's Barn, around noon. Bring lunch \$\$; Price begins at \$4.59 (1 meat, 2 vegetables) Beverage & Dessert available for \$1.79 each.

Questions? Contact Larry Autry (919) 791-8651

IN CONCERT

BELLS OF PRAISE, ORCHESTRA & PRIMETIMERS

Sunday, December 9, 2018 • 6 pm • Sanctuary

Adult Ministry & Missions

Rev. Hal Melton, hmelton@tbcraleigh.com

"Fly Away with Me: Taking Your Marriage to New Heights"

MARRIAGE RETREAT

February 22-24, 2019 North Myrtle Beach

We have 18 couples of all ages signed up for this winter's annual marriage retreat. That only leaves 2 more condos at the Beach Cove Resort that are available. Total cost for weekend is \$275 per couple. Deposit of \$100 due NOW. Balance in February. Sign-Up Sheet is on the Narthex Registration Board, or email Hal at hmelton@tbcraleigh.com.



RECOVERY UPDATE

To All TBC Members: The Trinity Disaster Relief Lead Team has accepted a request from Restoration Community Church on Raven Ridge Road to join us in response to Hurricane Florence Recovery. Their goal is to have 20 volunteers join our group.

The date for the mission week is January 21-26, 2019. We need a good group to represent TBC.

Please contact Barry Smith at bks11050@ msn.com or 919-562-3226 to Volunteer for all or part of that Monday through Saturday.

The details and location have not been worked out. The greatest need for volunteers at this time is Wilmington and New Bern.

What a great way to start 2019! Joining Hands With God and God's People to help His people in desperate need. "I have appointed you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen of Me and what I will show you." Acts 26:16

In Christ's Love,

Louis Pearce



TBC will again be joining Baptist churches from Wake County in building two Habitat Houses this winter/spring. The location is just off Capital Blvd outside the 440 Beltline. This is a great opportunity for anyone who loves to serve with a hammer or saw, holding a ladder, or carrying a piece of wood/siding to the person who knows what to do with it! We also need folks to feed lunch to our work teams. In other words – everyone can participate!

Anyone can go ANY FRIDAY between February 1 and April 5. There will be plenty of folks to "partner up with" from various churches. Each participating church then chooses 3 Saturdays for their church to send large teams to work/feed. Trinity's 3 Saturdays are: March 2, March 16, and April 6 (OIAM Saturday).

Please mark these dates on your calendar and talk them up in your Sunday School Class. We will have a Habitat Family who will live in one of these houses with us on Sunday, February 10 to speak in worship.



Church Goal: \$50,000 Given to date: \$24,195.50

Our annual World Missions
Offering supports career Baptist
Missionaries and their families in
places around the world where
a full-time Christian presence
is needed to develop missions
and ministries through which the
Good News of Jesus Christ can be
experienced, heard and received...
bringing salvation and fullness of
life. Please give generously through
December.

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Music Ministry

Rev. Steve Byers, slbyers@tbcraleigh.com

Another year of the Hanging of the Greens is all wrapped-up, and the Sanctuary is so beautiful! There has been many hours given to making this event happen that we need to pause and thank God for the labor of love so that many people gave to see our house of worship come to life for Christmas. We are indebted to Hollie Cox and the Flower Committee, the team of extra help, Joy Earp and Emily Nelson, the Middle School Missions students, and all the choirs and accompanists who have been preparing for this one night of the year. We're grateful for **Ashbey Jones** who also helped in getting the upper greenery installed the week of the service. So much time...so much joy! Nothing could have been done without the many hours of planning through the entire year that this team of people puts forth for us. Merry Christmas to all of you, and thank you for your services to the Lord!

Preschool & Children's Choirs Christmas Concert

Dec. 12 • 6:30 pm • Sanctuary

Following the Family Dinner, we will enjoy the music celebration of Christ's birth through the voices of children!

Parents, remember that December 5 is Double Choir Night.

A Noel Celebration

December 16 • Both Morning Services

A Christmas cantata presented by The Trinity Sanctuary Choir

BELLS OF PRAISE, ORCHESTRA, & PRIMETIMERS

IN CONCERT

December 9 • 6 pm

A combination of vocals and instrumentals will be presented in concert as a part of our Christmas celebrations at Trinity. Come support your music ministry as it continues to glorify God through music!

ALWAYS ROOM FOR YOU!

Music Ministry is alive at Trinity and is growing!

Find your place in the music ministry in 2018-2019

If you have singing or instrumental abilities, we need you!

We are always looking for more musicians to add to our worship leading ministries at Trinity.

Consider getting involved in music ministry and being a part of an exciting place of ministry!

MUSIC CALENDAR

December 5 Double Choirs (No missions)

Preschool Schedule Remains the same

December 9 Living Praise in 10:55 worship

Bells, Orchestra, PrimeTimers Concert, 6 pm

December 16 Christmas Cantata, both morning services

Student Ministry

Christian Davis, cdavis@tbcraleigh.com • Rebekah Gordon, rgordon@tbcraleigh.com

D-TEAM CELEBRATION

Wednesday, December 5

Come celebrate another semester of D-Teams by doing something fun with your group! Everyone meet in the ROC @6pm.

COLLEGE DATES

DEC 18 College Christmas Party

DEC 30 Student Day (College Led Worship)

JAN 4-6 College Winter Retreat Ocean Isle, NC*

JUNE 2-9 Miami Mission Trip

*Sign Up Today by Contacting Rebekah



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

PUERTO RICO MISSION TRIP

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The registration period of our July 13-21 High School Mission Trip to Puerto Rico will be from Dec. 2-19. Be on the lookout for a letter and email with instructions on how to register and more information about the trip.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE

MS Girls

Sun. 7:15-8:15pm • Coach: Laury Holley

HS Girls

Sun. 3-4:30pm • Coach: Laury Holley

5th-6th Boys

Thr. 6-7:15pm • Coach: Logan Hall

7th-9th Boys

Mon. 7:30-8:30pm • Coach: Keith Bissette

10th Boys

Thr.. 7:30-8:30pm • Coach: Shannon Rouse

11th Boys

Tue. 7:30-8:30pm • Coach: Jeff Smith

12th Bovs

Thr. 7:30-8:30pm • Coach: Ian Trampe

Education & Families

Rev. Karen Metcalf Eickhoff, kmetcalf@tbcraleigh.com



During December we are asking children to collect pennies, dimes, nickels, quarters or dollars for Global Missions. We hope you will do extra chores or save coins to help the missionaries across the world. We will also have the Global Mission wishing well out in the lobby for a fun way to give.

KEEP COLLECTING!!!

RAGA SOLO MISSIONS PROJECT

GA and RA boys and girls may begin this Fall to work on Mission Projects. All grade school children are encouraged to do an individual mission project and both can choose to race in the RAGA car race in March. Plan now and begin serving in a special way.

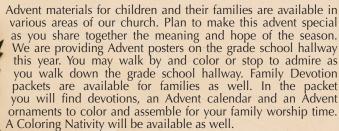
FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE in the Fellowship Hall



The Children's Ministry is responsible for the Christmas tree in the Fellowship Hall. This is a special tree decorated with ornaments provided by you—the families of Trinity. All you have to do is find an ornament relating to the Nativity, write your family name

on it with the current year –2018 and bring it to the tree in the Fellowship Hall. If you cannot make it to the Fellowship Hall—bring it to the office and we will get it to the tree. Become part of a wonderful Trinity tradition and bring a Family ornament for the tree!! The Tree will be up around Thanksgiving.

ADVENT ITEMS FOR FAMILIES



Advent is a time of reflection, hope, and waiting. As we wait and anticipate the holidays, my prayer is that each family will find Nativity in the season and a place to bow at the manger.

Love came down at Christmas. Rejoice!

CHILDREN'S DAY

Sunday, March 3, 2019

Children will be participating in all aspects of the morning worship services. If you are a grade school child that plays an instrument or has a special talent and you are willing to share with us in the service, please contact me. Also, begin to let us know if you would like to have a speaking part. We may not be able to use everyone but we would like to try to use you if possible. Mark the date!!! We will also need parent and adult volunteers for the children's day lead team. Contact me or Katie!

Katie Medlin, kmedlin@tbcraleigh.com



faith & family ... AT HOME

READ THE NATIVITY STORY

with Your Children

Isaiah 9:6

Luke 1:5-17

Luke 1:18-25

Luke 1:26-38

Luke 1:38-42

Matthew 1:18-25

Luke 2:1-5

Luke 2:6-7

Luke 2:8

Luke 2:9-14

Luke 2:15-20

Luke 2:19

Matthew 2:1-2, 9-10

Matthew 2:3-8, 11-12

Luke 2:22-33

Matthew 2:13-15

Matthew 2:19-23

Luke 2:40, 52

Christmas at Trinity

Dec. 12 Trinity Christmas Dinner (5:30pm)

Preschool & Children's Choirs Concert* (6:30pm)

Dec. 16 "A Noel Celebration"

Christmas Cantata (AM Services)

Church-wide Caroling Event

(4pm, Meet in FH)

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Services

(5pm* & 10pm)

Dec. 26 No Wed. Evening Activities

Dec. 30 Church-wide Breakfast

(9:15am, FH)

No Sunday School

Worship: Student Day At Trinity*

(10:30 am)

* Childcare provided through age 4

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

1/25/2019 * 6PM-8:30PM

For children ages 2 through 5th grade. Open to regular attenders, members, weekday preschool families, and Upward Families!

Come join the fun!

Rev. Spencer Good, sgood@rocraleigh.com △ (919) 787-4991



ROC Volunteers

The volunteers' schedule is subject to change. If no volunteer is available, the ROC may close, even during regular hours.

Monday, December 10

8am-11am Charles & Ronda Swindell

11am-2pm Billy Joyner 3pm-6pm Kim Royal 6pm-8pm David Earp

Tuesday, December 11

8am-11am Glenn & Sylvia Wellborn

11am-2pm Moose Beaudreau 3pm-6pm Mark Wheeless 6pm-8pm Gino Ginocchio

Wednesday, December 12

8am-11am Andy Ammons 11am-2pm Moose Beaudreau

Thursday, December 13

8am-11am Joyce Warren 11am-2pm Suzie Short

Friday, December 14

8am-11am Johnny Teal 11am-2pm Nell Campbell

Saturday, December 15

9am - 12pm Ron Brown

ROC HOURS

Monday • Tuesday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm • 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday • Thursday • Friday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday

9:00 am - noon

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

Contact Instructor for more info

Stroller Strides

M, W, F • 9:15-10:15 am • ROC Floor Missy Currin: missycurrin@fit4mom.com

Yoga

M• 3:15-4:15 pm • MP Room

T • 7:00-8:00 am • MP Room

Th • 6:00-7:00 am • MP Room Laurel Cavanagh: laurelcyoga@gmail.com

FIT4MOM: Body Back Class

T, Th • 5:30-6:30 am • ROC Floor Missy Currin: missycurrin@fit4mom.com

Dance-It Group Fitness

M,W • 7:00-8:00 am • ROC Floor T, Th • 8:00-9:00 am • ROC Floor Kathy Wilson: kathyknits62@gmail.com

Senior Adult Strength & Stretch

T • 10:00-11:00 am • MP Room Mary Ann Potts: mapotts4@gmail.com

Camp Gladiator

M, W, F • TBC Parking Lot 5:00-6:15 am

Amy Banfer: amybanfer@campgladiator.com

Recreation Outreach Center

Rev. Spencer Good, sgood@rocraleigh.com ▲ (919) 787-4991



Take a Hike!

With the TRINITY TRACKERS

Along the "Trinity Appalachian Trail." Walking Program Coming Soon!

Stay tuned! More Details to Come!

ROC VOLUNTEER SHIRTS ARE IN!

If you are currently a ROC volunteer, please come by the office and see Rev. Spencer Good to get your new ROC Volunteer shirt while supplies last.



COMING SOON

BE ON THE LOOK-OUT FOR NEW CLASSES IN 2019





Monday 3:15 - 4:15 pm

Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 am

Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 am

Multipurpose Room

Questions? Contact: Laurel Cavanagh laurelcyoga@gmail.com

ETC VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, December 9

Hostess: Angie Ferree

Assistant Hostess: Teran Canterbury

8:45 am Worship Service

Sally & Art Melvin, Jaden Kring*, Ethan Kring*, Natalie Kring, Jim or Kelly Beck

10:55 am Worship Service

0-4 mos Dianne Clausen

5-10 mos Melinda Cook, Brenn Kirton 11-14 mos Stephanie Treadway, Lisa Paula

15-19 mos Wally Hinkleman 20-24 mos Faye Hinkleman

2 yrs Tom Cook, Mark Blashaw 3 yrs Fred Paula Skyler Dreese

4 yrs Michelle Dreese, Gabrielle Paula*,

Marty Crump

Special Needs Worship Care

Barbara Owens, Anita Hall



VISION FOR GROWTH 12-02-18

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Children		71	0	3	
Preschoo	d	<u>75</u>	<u>0</u> 4	<u>2</u> 25	
Totals		769	4	25	
Sunday S	chool			Total 798	
Growing t	through W	Vorship			
8:45am Worship Attendance			ce	215	
10:55am Worship Attendance			nce	<u>614</u>	
Total Worship Attendance				828	
Growing to					
YTD General Fund Needs (Budget) \$2,498,568				498,568.75	
YTD Operating Receipts			\$2.2	\$2,291,391,50	

\$2,428,554.37

YTD Operating Expenses

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