

**Welcome:** We welcome all who worship with us today and we hope you will sign in on our pew pads.

**Visitors:** We welcome those who visited Trinity on Sunday, December 2nd: John, Jane and Charlie Aulerich, Jack Awtrey, Kimberly Bacon, Gail Concanon, Joyce Constante, Bill & Sherry Cowan, Janet Cross, Linda Foster, Ralph Foster, Trevis Foster, Tommy Janosky, René Kirby, Jim & Lee Kruzan, Clare Lasier, Mike & Saralee Mollo, Kay & Mike Neal, Ellie Patterson, Kimberly Rowen, Paul & Sandy Scarpa, Tom Smith, Billy Therrell & Family, and Josh, Lauren and Hannah Winkler.

**Get involved!** Make plans to join one of our Small Groups for kids, youth and adults on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. Ushers and Greeters are available to give you directions!

**We welcome Winn Williams as our lay liturgist today.** If you are interested in serving as a lay liturgist, please contact Rev. Mason.

**Flowers:** The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in gratitude and to the glory of God by the Worship Committee.

**The Lord's Supper** will be celebrated in worship Monday evening, Christmas Eve, December 24th in the 7:30pm worship service.

**Today we are receiving new members.** Please welcome these friends into the Trinity church family:

Naomi Corsini, René Kirby, and Winn & Gwen Williams

**Christmas Joy Offering:** Each year during the Advent and Christmas season, we turn our eyes to Bethlehem and celebrate the wondrous gift of Jesus Christ, our Savior. By giving to the Christmas Joy Offering, you honor this gift by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges. Special envelopes are in the bulletin.

**The Advent and Christmas Family Activities Bags:** If you haven't already received your bag, you may pick one up at the Welcome Center in the Narthex today.

**Hot Dogs and Caroling:** Trinity's church family and friends are invited to our Hot Dogs and Caroling event this evening at 5:30pm. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight!

**December 24, Christmas Eve Worship Services:**

5:30pm—A family service welcoming everyone of all ages. Please come "as you are" for a joyful celebration! (Child care is provided.)

7:30pm—A more traditional worship experience for all, including a Celebration of the Lord's Supper. (No childcare is provided.)

**Annual De-Greening of the Church:** This will take place on Saturday, December 28th at 10:30am. It's a pretty quick process- we just take down all the Christmas decorations, repack them, put them back in storage, and enjoy coffee and donuts! To join this fun group of volunteers, please call Lucy Hammack at 864-895-5211. THANK YOU !!

**North Greenville Crisis Ministry has IMMEDIATE NEEDS:** Blankets, Coats/Jackets, Winter Clothes all sizes - adult and children's.

**Current needs** also include: Canned Meat, Canned Tomatoes, Tomato Sauce, Macaroni & Cheese/Pasta, and Plastic Grocery Bags.

Thank you for your continued support for this ministry. **Please note: Donations are now being collected in the Narthex at the Welcome Center.**

**Trinity Basketball Games:** There will be a 2-week break for Christmas and New Year's, and then games will resume on Saturday, January 5. Thank you for supporting our Trinity teams!

**What's Coming Up!**

**December 16**  
Hotdogs, Caroling & Bonfire

**December 21**  
Youth Christmas Party, 6:00-8:30pm

**December 24**  
Christmas Eve Services  
at 5:30pm &  
at 7:30pm with Communion

**December 25 & 26**  
Church Office Closed

**January 1, 2019**  
Church Office Closed

**January 13**  
Officer Ordination and Installation

**January 27**  
One Worship at 10:00am  
Chili Cook-Off

Please note that **Wednesday Night Live** will resume on Wednesday, January 9th.

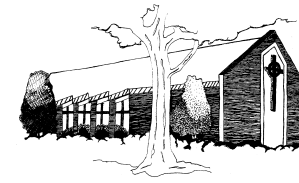
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**December 16-22**

**Sunday**  
9:00am First Worship  
10:00am Small Groups and CWE  
10:15am Called Session Meeting  
11:00am Traditional Worship  
2-5:00pm Youth Basketball Practice

**Monday**  
5-9:00pm Youth Basketball Practice  
6:00pm Discipleship Comm. Mtg.

**Tuesday**  
9:00am Staff Meeting  
9am-1pm Mother's Morning Out  
10:00am Ladies Bible Study/  
Christmas Luncheon  
5-9:00pm Youth Basketball Practice

**Wednesday**  
7:30-9:30pm \*WNL will resume Jan. 9th  
Youth Basketball Practice

**Thursday**  
7:30am Men's Fellowship at Stax's

**Friday**  
4:00-9:00pm Youth Basketball Practice  
6:00-8:30pm YWE Christmas Party

**2019 Flower Calendar:** A new flower calendar is available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex, where you can sign up to provide flowers for the sanctuary in 2019. Flowers can be given in memory or honor of a loved one and it will be noted in that day's bulletin announcement.

**2019 Pledge Cards** for both the Operating Fund and the Building Fund are available in the Narthex.

# Trinity Presbyterian Church



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**2018 Financial Review**

		<u>November</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
<b>Operating</b>	Deposits	39,020	364,718
	Expenses	<u>26,893</u>	<u>382,308</u>
	Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>12,127</u>	<u>(17,590)</u>
<b>Building</b>	Deposits	21,787	187,294
	Mortgage & Expenses	<u>14,148</u>	<u>164,679</u>
	Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>7,639</u>	<u>22,615</u>
<b>Mortgage Balance</b>			<u>2,139,759</u>

Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Minute for Mission** Christmas Joy Offering

**Introit**

**\*Call to Worship** Isaiah 61

L: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,  
my whole being shall exult in my God.  
**P: For you have clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
You have covered me with the robe of righteousness.**  
L: For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up.  
**P: So the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all nations.**  
L: Let us worship God!

**\*Unison Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you...  
**P: And also with you.**  
O Shepherd of Israel, you open our lips;  
our mouths give you praise.  
You shepherd your flock,  
gathering us from our wanderings,  
assembling us in Christ's name to learn of your will.  
Your covenant names us, your law guides us.  
The prophets attest to your promise that we shall not be forsaken.  
With great expectation we watch for your unfolding plan of salvation.  
Be present with us and guide us toward the truth in Christ's name.  
Amen.

**\*Hymn No. 10**.....*On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

**Call to Confession**

**Silent Confession**

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

God of the future,  
you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule.  
We confess that we have not expected your kingdom,  
for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment.  
We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors,  
abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Grant us wisdom to welcome your way,  
and to seek things that will endure  
when Christ comes to judge the world.  
Amen.

**Kyrie Eleison (Hymn 572)**

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Assurance of Pardon**

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*Response to God's Grace** *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**Reception of New Members**

**Time With Children—Advent Candle Lighting** Terri Luzynski

**Anthem**

**Scripture Lesson** Luke 3:7-18

L: The Word of the Lord ...  
**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "Called Out From Ourselves"

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (traditional)  
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**\*Hymn No. 8**..... *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** ("debts/debtors")

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology**  
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 and Thanksgiving**

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*Hymn No. 20**..... *Watchman, Tell Us of the Night*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response** *Immanuel* Barnhart

**Postlude**

\*Congregation stands.

Church Directory

Pastor ..... The Rev. Dr. Marc V. Mason  
Director of Music Ministry..... Eric Barnhart  
Choral Director .....  
Director of Christian Education and Youth ..... Terri Welch Luzynski  
Office Administrator ..... Myriam Vest  
Sexton ..... Tom Wall  
Church Treasurer ..... Janie Burton  
Nursery Director ..... Emily Huminski  
Mother's Morning Out Director..... Julie Ramsey  
Ministers ..... All Trinity Members

SESSION & DIACONATE COMMITTEES

Benevolence & Missions..... Dennis Tavernetti  
Congregational Care ..... Lark Waldrep, Nancy Simonton  
Discipleship ..... Dennis Mitchell  
Evangelism ..... Chris Marsh, Linda Bierbaum  
Fellowship..... John Short, Nancy Simonton, Ryan Huminski  
Finance ..... Mary Pace  
Stewardship ..... Dwight Hammack  
Long-Range Planning ..... Bob Lewis  
Personnel & Administration ..... Sherry Ogletree, Olin Blanton  
Property & Grounds ..... Lawrence Garabedian  
Spiritual Development..... Justin Mullis  
Visitation..... Jim Capobianco  
Worship & Music & Ushers ..... Jeff Burton  
Session: Moderator- Marc V. Mason; Clerk- Chuck Verdin  
Diaconate: Chairperson- Eric Smith; Linda Bierbaum- Secretary



**Have you remembered Trinity Presbyterian Church in your will?**

Ushers This Sunday: Frank Ogletree, Paul Wright, Bill & Linda Curran  
Ushers Next Sunday: John Bishop, Eric Smith, Dennis Tavernetti, Bob Lewis  
Greeters This Sunday: Colin & Lynda Sayer  
Greeters Next Sunday: Terry & Sandy Thrasher  
Cookie Baker This Sunday: Lisa Clark  
Cookie Baker Next Sunday: Dave Thompson  
Hospital Visitation This Week: Sandy Thrasher  
Shut-In Visitation This Week: Cherry Booth  
Flower Arrangement This Week: Linda Bierbaum  
Communion Preparers:  
Elder of the Week: Justin Mullis

WE PRAY FOR: As an expression of their Christian love and concern for all members of Trinity Presbyterian Church, the Prayer Chain has taken upon itself the ministry of prayer for every member of Trinity. They invite other members of the congregation who may wish to do so to join them in this mission. This week we are praying for:

Sunday: Marshall & Rebecca Hartley Thursday: Loretta "Tink" Helms  
Monday: Dr. John & Elizabeth Hartman Friday: Nancy Herron  
Tuesday: Ashley, Ashton and Brooks Haynes Saturday: Bill & Carolyn Horner  
Wednesday: Dan Heltness & Liz Crosland