

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"1st Sunday after Christmas Day & Communion Sunday"
December 27, 2009

MINISTERS All Members
PASTOR Rev. Eric Williams
READER OF THE DAY Tom Stewart
CHOIR DIRECTOR / MUSICIAN Joyce Blackburn

"EXPECT A MIRACLE"

CALL TO WORSHIP Joyce Blackburn
CHIMES *"Ding! Dong! Merrily on High"*

PREPARING OUR HEARTS Joyce Blackburn
"Masters In This Hall"

Leader: "God is good", People: "All the time"
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Tom Stewart

CHORAL INTROIT Choir
"There Will Always Be A Christmas"

*OPENING HYMN #240 Congregation
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
(All verses)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #885 Tom Stewart
"A Modern Affirmation"

*GLORIA PATRI #70 Congregation

SHARING MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN Rev. Eric

ANTHEM *"Show Someone Else The Way"* Choir

PRAISE AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Eric
(A quiet time of sharing with others the names of family and friends
who need to be lifted to our Heavenly Father during this time of prayer.)

CALL TO PRAYER *"Little Babe of Bethlehem"* Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER (Unison) All
"Our Father which 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. Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory forever." AMEN.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Tom Stewart
OFFERTORY Joyce Blackburn
"I You Believe"

*THE DOXOLOGY #95 All
"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."

SCRIPTURE: Rev. Eric
Luke 2: 41-52 - Pew Bible Page #1592 & 1593

MESSAGE OF THE DAY Rev. Eric
"Growing In Faith"

HYMN OF RESPONSE #249 Congregation
"There's a Song in the Air"
(Verses 1, 3 and 4 only)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR CHRISTMAS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. In the fullness of time you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior, and at his birth the angels sang glory to you in the highest and peace to your people on earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. As Mary and Joseph went from Galilee to Bethlehem and there found no room, so Jesus went from Galilee to Jerusalem and was despised and rejected. As in the poverty of a stable Jesus was born, so by the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

As your Word became flesh, born of woman, on that night long ago, so, on the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

***CLOSING HYMN #251**

Congregation

*“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”
(Verses 1 and 2 only)*

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Eric

***SENDING FORTH HYMN #251**

Congregation

*“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”
(Verse 3 only)*

POSTLUDE

Joyce Blackburn

“The Hallelujah Medley”

(*Denotes Standing for those that care to and those who are able)

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COMING UP THIS WEEK:

Sunday,	Dec. 27 th ,	<i>“1st Sunday after Christmas Day” & “Holy Communion”</i> 9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Morning Worship
Monday,	Dec. 28 th ,	8:00 pm <i>AA / Fellowship Hall</i>
Wednesday,	Dec. 30 th ,	8:00 am – 4 pm / Church Office Open 8:00 pm <i>AA / Fellowship Hall</i>
Thursday,	Dec. 31 st ,	<i>“New Year's Eve”</i> Office closed
Friday,	Jan. 1 st ,	<i>“Happy New Year!!”</i>
Saturday,	Jan. 2 nd ,	Choir Rehearsal moved to Jan. 9 th
Sunday,	Jan. 3 rd ,	<i>“Epiphany Sunday” & “Communion Sunday”</i> 9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Morning Worship

COMING UP:

Sunday, January 3rd, “1st Sunday Family Luncheon”
*Bring your favorite foods to share as we celebrate
the beginning of a brand new year.*

Saturday, January 9th, “Choir Rehearsal”

*Because of the New Year Holidays, we have moved our
regular monthly choir rehearsal (Jan. 2nd), to Saturday
morning January 9th.*

“PRAYER CONCERNS”: In your prayer time today, and during the week, please remember these loved ones and friends.

Lisa Appling, Marie & new baby Samantha Appling, Neta Appling, Glenda Biddle, Katharen Billow, Ruth Black, Jonathan Calhoun, Wanda Carey, The Clower Family, Janice Cook, Vera Davis, The Deckers, Phillip Eddins, Pat & Melenda Edmiston:(Missionaries / Bible Translators), Barbara Frye & Family, The Fulghum Family, Betty Geer, Blayne Geer, Christen Geer, Jason Geer, Pat Geer, Richard Geer, Sheryl Geer, Janice Goldin, and Scott Gordon. Alice Hakes, Richard Hakes, Reggie Hall, JoAnn Hardin, Pat Heaton, Orin Hendrick, Bob Highland, Debbie Hill, James Aaron Hill, Jr., Mercedia Hines, Timmy, Alyssa, & Nicholas Holden, Shawna Holzer, Joyce Howard, Thomas Howell, Dana & Mike Hughes, Leslie Huntley & Daughter. Mark Jeune, Stephen Jeune, Arlene Johnston, David Johnston, Ivan Johnston, Danny Jones, Nettie Jones, Beth Joyner, John Junker, Paula Knezha, and Norma Lipps.

Christopher Lopez, Marcie's Granddaughter, Harold Maready, Nancy Masser, Jessica & Hugh Mears, Iona Mears, The Millans, Cheryl Miller, Barbara Moritz, Debbie Murphy & Family, The Naples Family, Clarke New, James Only, Our Gov. Officials and Military, and Patty Owen. Pam Pattee, Tom Phillips, Cheryl Plunkett, Ron Robinson, Carol Rumsey, The Artists at ShakeRag, John & Marian Sikes, Donna Shumaker, Olive Shupe, David Smith, Opal Smith, Roger Smith, Gail Stevens, Joe & Barbara Stiles, Jeff Suggs, Glenda's Dad Ron Thomaston, “Virginia”, “Wanda”, The Waynes, Laura & Tanner Williams, Jamie Willis, Jean Wirth, Paige Wolle, Charlotte Woodham and Marleen Wright.

(Prayers for the Appling Family as Doug Appling began his celebration in heaven last Saturday and will be greatly missed.)

PAPER GROCERY BAGS:

Our thanks to all who continue to bring in paper bags. “PLEASE”, keep bringing them in! Thank You!! With each batch of bags that come in, we can help in the distribution of food to those in need. (Isn't it amazing that we can give the simple gift of a brown paper grocery bag and help others!)

LET'S BEGIN: “BE A SALTY SERVANT IN 2010!”

Let's begin this brand new year with a brand new purpose! Won't you make a commitment to be a 2010 Salty Servant?

Please note that in the envelope holders of each pew in the Sanctuary you will find little “**SALTY SERVICE CARDS**”. Take a moment to read one of these cards (front and back) and if you have joined Jesus as a “Salty Servant” last week, place one of these cards in the offering plate. (No need to sign your name, as we will use these cards again each week.) We will count the cards placed in the Offering plates each Sunday and these numbers will then be e-mailed in our monthly report to the Conference. Thanks!

“Just a reminder”:

LIFE SAVING SCREENINGS

COMING TO JACKSONVILLE

WHERE: Jacksonville, Trinity United Methodist Church

SPONSORED BY: Orange Park Medical Center

WHEN: Wednesday, February 03, 2010

TIME: 8:15 am – 5:30 pm

Pre-registration is required.

Call: 1-800-679-5192

Source Code: ISC6050

(Detailed information available in the Narthex. Please look for the bright pink information letter regarding this special screening.) If you plan to come please call the church office (388-5546) and let Glenda know. Thanks!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES “THIS WEEK”:

Norman & Pat Jeune

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(Happy Anniversary!)