

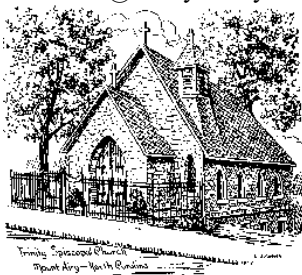
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Very Reverend Sarah Carper Morris, Rector
The Reverend Bill Pendleton, Deacon
Dr. Ryan Whittington, Organist/Choir Director

The First Sunday after Christmas
December 31, 2023

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Restrooms are located downstairs.

Kid's bags are in the narthex. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

A Service of Lessons and Carols

Prelude

Processional Hymn # 102 *Once in Royal David's City*

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Sing to the Lord and bless God's name;
tell the good news of salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations,
God's marvelous works among all the peoples.
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice.
**Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world, and those who live in it.**

Let the whole creation sing for joy
at the presence of God, who is coming.
**God is coming indeed,
to judge the earth with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity and truth.
Praise the Lord!**

A lesson from Isaiah 9: 2; 6–7

Read by Mark Appler

The prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour.

Hymn # 65: Prepare the Way

A lesson from Isaiah 11: 1–3a; 4a; 6–9

Read by Denny Jennings

The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.

Hymn # 66: *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

A lesson from the Gospel of Luke 1: 26–35; 38

Read by Wendy Tatman

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Choir: Where is this Stupendous Stranger

A lesson from Luke 2: 1; 3–7

Read by Kate Appler

St Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

Hymn # 115: *What Child Is This*

A lesson from Luke 2: 8–16

Read by Gloria Lawrence

The shepherds go to the manger.

Hymn # 109: *The First Nowell*

A lesson from the Gospel of Matthew 2: 1–12

Read by Brenda Goings

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Hymn # 128: *We Three Kings*

A lesson from the Gospel of John 1: 1–14

Read by Jesse Slate

St John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

Hymn # 87: *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And with thy spirit

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Announcements

Offertory

Doxology

Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn # 99: *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

Dismissal:

Officiant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Trinity's 2024 **Stewardship Campaign Update:** To date we have received 39 pledge cards for \$150,280. We have 14 parishioners representing \$39,530 who pledged last year but have not done so yet this year. If you have not pledged yet, please return your pledge card or call Tobi in the office and she will complete a card for you with your permission. **Thank you for continuing to support Trinity Church.**

Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for all of the many blessings that 2023 brought to our family and prayers that 2024 will shine bright and there will be peace, tolerance and love in our community and throughout the world by Theresa Gray and Nancy Taylor.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:

Emily	Gus Lewis	Kat Cook
Mary	Judy Liner	Mary Couture
Charlie Allen	Kay MacAllen	Melissa Roth Culver
Martha Allen	Kitty Martin	Roger Danley
Erin Apperson	Arba Montgomery	Paul Derrick
Cindy Blackwell	Craig New	Ron Doerschug
Bobbie Bledsoe	Wade Nichols	Linda Doerschug
Bert Bond, Jr.	Bill R. Pendleton	Mark Donnell
Tina Brown	Clara Powell	Barbara Embry
Marie Carl	Lorene Ramsey	Donna Fargo
Mazie Chilton	Kerry Reagan	Johnnie Gunter
Ripley Cottrell	Stephanie Serika	Betty Hoooven
Anne Cox	Emily Jarvis Simmons	Kelly Jarvis
Bishop Michael Curry	Angela Shur	Carrie Krahn
Sarah Springthorpe-Denmark	Eva Smith	David Kroupa
Liz Dilley	Wade Smith	Angelia Lawrence
Debbie Dockery	Rose Mary Smoot	Rebecca McNabb
Carmen Eldridge	Tammy Springthorpe	John Moore
Carol Ford	Sharon Sutphin	Michael Morgan
Marcus Ford	Arlis Thomas	Angie Nolfo
Gus Galloway	Celeste Tsaklis	Bill Pendleton
Angie Golding	Carroll Vick	Beverly Putynkowski
Polly Hall	Henrietta Williams	Victoria Rogelin
Steve Hines	Betty Wright	Candace Sammons
Melissa Hopkins	Long Term Needs:	Evedene Schafer
Max Hunter	Jean Amburn	Susan Slate
Sandy Hutchens	*Anonymous	Sid Spencer, Jr.
Adam Jennings	Beatrice Attuah &	Betty Town
Fred Johnson	Lailaity	Vicky Town
Joy King	Tina Brown	John Townsend
	Jane Carper	Stacey Turnmire
	Ann Cochrane	Jack Woltz

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Wesley Frye, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Luke's Tarboro
St. Michael's, Tarboro
Calvary Church, Wadesboro

BIRTHDAYS

January 1st Margie Martin, 5th Jay Vaughn

ANNIVERSARIES

January 1st Tom & Pam Dickenson



*No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
who wants to have a relationship with you*

