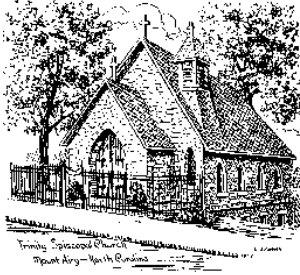


TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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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 29, 2024

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*

Opening Sentences

Psalm 96

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 Ann Vaughn

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 Margie Martin

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 Brenda Goings

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Choir: Where is this Stupendous Stranger

A lesson from Luke 2: 1; 3–7

Read by Wyatt Fallin

St Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

A lesson from Luke 2: 8–16

Read by Brett Willis

The shepherds go to the manger.

Hymn # 115: *What Child Is This*

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

Read by Mark Appler

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Hymn # 109: *The First Nowell*

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

Read by David Silvia

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 # 100: *Joy to the World*

Dismissal:

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:	Lorri Martin	Kelli Vincen
Gene	Kenneth Matthews	Joe Waddell
Riva	Barbara McGatlin	Henrietta Williams
Bromage Family	Cheryl Menezes	Dakota Wood
Jo Causer	Cheyenne Montgomery	Western NC
Ann Cochrane	Katie Nichols	Long Term Needs:
Lisa Elliott	Will Nichols	Linda Carroll
Glenn F.	Wade Nichols	Doris Fawcett
Carolyn Flippen	Angie Nolfo	Steve Hines
Nancy Follett	Phyllis Rose	Mary Kilby
Carol Ford	Candace Sammons	Carrie Krahn
Phyllis Frye James	Mac Sammons	John Moore
Denny Jennings	Kris Saunder	Rev. Bill Pendleton
Eric Jennings	Jeanette Staples	Lorene Ramsey
Gus Lewis	Matthew Stevens	Locke Rowe
Cynthia Light	Mary Theard	Denny Shelton
Debra Martin	Betty Town	Vicky Town
Kitty Martin	Celeste Tsaklis	John Townsend

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

Diocese of Botswana

BIRTHDAYS

January 1st Margie Martin

ANNIVERSARIES

1st Tom & Pam Dickenson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be **no Wednesday evening service** January 1st. Services will resume on Wednesday, January 8th.

The bishop's visit scheduled for January 5th has been postponed. We'll let you know when the new date is scheduled.

Staples is asking for packets of chili seasoning. We have ingredients to make a pot of chili, but we just need the spices.

The **2025 Stewardship Campaign** is in full swing, and our goal is to raise \$227,000 in order to support the operations of Trinity. Last year we had 52 parishioners pledge. To date, for the current year, we have received 44 pledge cards totaling \$213,685. Thus, we are 94% of the way there. We would like to have this year's campaign completed by December 31st in order that we can finalize the budget for 2025. We thank you for your past, present and future support.

We have a **new nursery attendant** named Maddie Tate. **We need volunteers willing to stay in the nursery with her to help. The list will be scheduled on a rotation.** Please let Tobi know if you are willing to assist.

Confirmation Class-If you are interested in Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation, please see Sarah. We will be continuing classes each Sunday morning at 9:30. This class is for anyone who wants to go deeper in their faith or to revisit or learn the basics of our Episcopal tradition.

Trinity Book Club - We will reconvene on Wednesday, Jan 8th, and begin our next book, *Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy*, by D. Kraybill, S. Nolt, & D. Weaver-Zercher. If you have any questions, or need help finding a copy of the book, please call Wendy Tatman.

From Heresies to Doctrines[©]

—A continuation of our study of the early development of the Christian faith—

Part 3: The Trinity

—*The Evolution of a Defining Christian Doctrine*—

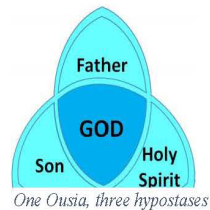
Facilitated by: Jack Ciancio, DRS

Your choice of dates and locations. Cost: \$15 donation at the door*

Saturday, December 7, 10 am—1 pm Jamestown Friends Meeting, 509 Guilford Rd, Jamestown, NC	Saturday, January 11, 10 am -- 1 pm Trinity Episcopal Church, 472 North Main Street, Mount Airy, NC
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In this session we will examine the progressive illumination of the foundational Christian doctrine of the **Trinity**. It will include:

- Trinitarian Terminology
- Pre-Nicene Perceptions of a Triadic God
- Conventional Christian Doctrine of the Trinity
- Professed Trinitarian Scriptural Support
- Hellenic and Second-Temple Judaic Influence
- Heresies Necessitating Doctrinal Development
- Western and Eastern Foundational Christian Apologists
- Augustine's Seven Trinitarian Principles
- Development of the Doctrine of the Holy Spirit
- Progression Through the Great Ecumenical Councils
- The Filioque Controversy
- Medieval Theological Contributions and Challenges



To register and help with the planning please notify Jack at Jcian@surry.net of which location above you plan to attend. Put **H2D** in the subject line.

***IF you want a printed copy of the power point presentation (\$5.00) please order no later than 7 days before your chosen session date.**

Note: For information on how to sponsor the “*Introduction to Medieval Theology*” seminar, or any of the topics covered in this series, as a Christian educational fund raiser contact Jack at jcian@surry.net. Put **MTC** in the subject line.



*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*

