

Trinity Church
January 6, 2019
Epiphany
Family Worship 10:30 a.m.

Church Life		Marc Putnam
Prelude	"Go Tell It On The Mountain" By Eugene Hancock	Xiuwei Xu
Invocation	"Bless His Holy Name" (twice) pg. 13	
*Opening Praise & Worship	"As with Gladness Men of Old" pg. 163, vs 1-4	
Mission Moment		Alberto Leiva
Morning Prayer		Marc Putnam
Welcome		Liz Doeblner
	<i>If you are seated on or near an aisle, please take out the red attendance register, sign it, and pass it on. Children 3 years and older leave for KidZone at this time.</i>	
Offertory		Xiuwei Xu
*Doxology		
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 2:1-12	
Sermon	"Gentiles and Journeys"	Marc Putnam
Communion		
Anthem	"This One Table" By Joel Raney	Chancel Choir
*Closing Worship	"All Who Are Thirsty"	
*Benediction		
*Postlude		Xiuwei Xu
	*Congregation stands	

If you are visiting with us today, please pick up a Visitors Packet at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for being a part of our service! Please join us again.

Welcome to Trinity Church!

Greeters today:
Bronnda Coleman, Shirley Latta, Hollis & Carol Bensen

Announcements:

Pioneer Club will resume tonight! Sunday, January 6th. See you at 5:00 pm!

Trinity Youth Fellowship for middle and high school students resumes this evening January, 6th at 5:00 pm. Food, fellowship and studies in Paul's letter to Titus kick off the year.

We will have our **Fellowship Covered Dish lunch** following worship on **Sunday, January 13th**. Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy this time with others.

Invest in making a difference! Trinity Church is an inviting community of Christ followers who gather for worship, encouragement, practical learning, and service. As we grow in Christ together the church reaches out in ministries to children, youth, and adults. Our facilities are available to the Trinity Preschool, Food Pantry, Scouts, Russian language ministries, and a variety of community organizations. Our mission fund supports 16 partners in Greensboro and around the world. Through the generous support of family and friends, \$125,477 was contributed to these ministries during the last quarter of 2018, leaving a shortfall of \$34,900 for the year. While there are challenges before us, we serve a great God who supplies what we need. Please continue to invite, pray, and invest in making a difference.

Join us Sunday evening, January 20th at 5:00 pm for a light supper, fellowship, and a chance to review Jim Cymbala's video series *Life Changing Prayer*. Our meals and series will run through February 24th.

A new small group discussion is launching at Trinity Church entitled, "**How to Live Closer to God in Early Christian Style Small Groups.**" Our facilitator, Trinity member Owen Allen, will explore what an Early Christian small group is and does, and give a taste of the Spiritual power that small groups can have. The discussion is for everyone who might like to participate in (or host) a future small group, regardless of whether they're church-ed or unchurch-ed. The discussion will begin Thursday, February 7th, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, in the Trinity Church Library. Instructions for signing up will be coming soon.

Remember to stop by the "mailbox" in the Atrium today to receive any remaining cards addressed to you.

Our **food pantry** has seen an increase of families that are in need. We are running low on rice, peanut butter, mac-n-cheese & fruit. We appreciate your donations!

Have you noticed the seasonal decorations on the tables outside the Sanctuary? We would like to thank Sherry Woodburn for her time and décor she has added monthly to make our entryway so welcoming.

January 6th
Nursery – TBA
Kidzone – Steve Joyce, Mimi Joyce, Doug Snyder, Ella McClellan

January 13th
Nursery – TBA
Kidzone – Kim Leake, Elizabeth & Ella McClellan



A New Year's Plan

*I tried to think of a clever new phrase –
A slogan to inspire the next 365 days,
A motto to live by this coming New Year,
But the catchy words fell flat to my ear.*

*And then I heard His still small voice
Saying, "Consider this simple, daily choice:
With each new dawn and close of day
Make new your resolve to trust and obey."*

*"Don't look back caught in regret
Or dwell on the sorrow of dreams unmet;
Don't stare forward anchored by fear,
No, live in this moment, for I am here."*

*"I am all you need. Everything. I Am.
You are held secure by my strong hand.
Give me this one thing – your all in all;
Into my grace, let yourself fall."*

*So, at last, I'm ready; I see the way.
It's to daily follow, trust, and obey.
I enter the New Year armed with a plan,
To give him my everything. All that I am.*

-Mary Fairchild



What's Happening

Sunday, January 6th

8:30 a.m. Early Worship in Library
9:15 a.m. Bible Reading Class
9:15 a.m. Sonshine/Fellowship Class
9:15 a.m. Good Medicine Class
9:30 a.m. Family Focus Class
10:30 a.m. Family Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Slavic Church

Tuesday, January 8th

10:30 a.m. Mary Martha Fellowship

Wednesday, January 9th

7:30 a.m. Men's Morning Fellowship
5:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, January 10th

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

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9:15 a.m. Sonshine/Fellowship Class
9:15 a.m. Good Medicine Class
9:30 a.m. Family Focus Class
10:30 a.m. Family Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Fellowship Covered Dish Lunch in CLC
1:00 p.m. Slavic Church

Lectionary Reading:

January 6th – Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14;
Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

January 13th – Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17;
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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■ Mission Moment

We are blessed to have Alberto Leiva with us this Sunday morning. Alberto and Minerva lead the ministries of Youth for Christ in Nicaragua. Please pray for the nation of Nicaragua. The country has been torn by unrest since April 2018.

Since September:

- Freedom of expression has been suppressed by military, police, and paramilitary personnel.
- 3500 people per month are leaving Nicaragua for Mexico, Spain, Argentina and other nations of refuge.
- As many as 500 presumed dead, 1000 missing, and 2000 people imprisoned.
- In December the last independent radio and television stations have been closed and managers arrested
- The Sandinista government closed the United Nations Human Rights office in Managua.
- Inflation effects everyday life as sanctions imposed by the United States and other nations impact the economy. An example, in October tomatoes were 10 cents per pound, now 90 cents per pound; gas bill from \$400 per month to \$900 per month.
- As the new school year begins in January only 30% of eligible students have pre-enrolled as parents fear indoctrination and violence
- Deep divisions in society have emerged dampening hopes that there can be peaceful reconciliation after a period of crisis.

How does one carry on ministry when students may not be in school; when students and parents are deeply divided from other students and parents; when the cost of life and ministry skyrockets; when there is the threat of violence and the real danger of death?



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