

TRINITY VOICE

Week of November 28, 2010

“Changing Lives For Jesus Christ”

From David's Desk:

Preparations

I'll admit it. I was choked up this past Sunday. If you were here, you know that Sunday was the day when people brought their commitment cards forward. I had placed mine on the altar a week earlier. As is our tradition, the staff, Administrative Council, Finance and Stewardship committees bring commitments forward a week before everyone else. We do that to set an example. And then on Sunday, everyone else was invited to follow suit. That is when I got choked up.

I sat there as people... many of you... came to kneel at the altar and place your commitment card there. I watched people who have suffered the loss of loved ones this year. I watched people who have battled serious illness this year. I watched people who have lost their jobs this year. I watched as you came to kneel at the altar and place your commitment card there. For some, 2010 has been a year like most others. We have stayed healthy and employed. But that is certainly not true for everyone. Even though I don't know what is on anybody's card, the very sight of many of you coming and leaving that envelope was captivating to me. If ever there was a sign of the faithfulness of God's people, Sunday was it.

The decision to ask the congregation to turn in these cards is a decision of preparation. It gives the finance committee vital information as they plan to administer the 2011 budget. As I've said before, the Finance Committee does not know what any individual has committed, but we do know the total amount committed. And that number helps us prepare.

You might have figured out by now that it is no coincidence we turn in these cards just before the season of Advent. It is a subtle reminder that we are entering into a season of preparations. The season of Advent consists of the four Sundays prior to Christmas Day. It is a reminder that we don't rush straight to Christmas. But instead we go through a season to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Messiah. The hymn says, "Let every heart *prepare* him room and heaven and nature sing." The celebration of Jesus' birth does not just happen, it takes preparation.

As we move through the season, take the time to prepare. And as we move away from the stewardship campaign, know how grateful I am for your faithfulness to Christ and His Church. I'll admit it. I was choked up.

If it's Sunday, you want to be at Trinity,
David

This Week At Trinity:

Sunday, November 28	
8:30	Praise & Worship Service
9:45 & 11:00	Church School & Traditional Worship Service
4:00-6:00	Countdown to Christmas Party
Monday, November 29	
9:00-1:00	PALS (Mother's Morning Out)
2:00	LRE Visitation Team, Parlor
6:00	LRE Visitation Team Trinity Building, Large Conference Room
Tuesday, November 30	
5:30	Evening Intercessory Prayer, Trinity Building, Large Conference Room
Wednesday, December 1	
7:30	Prayer Breakfast, Mobley Hall
9:00-1:00	PALS (Mother's Morning Out) PALS Christmas Bazaar, Mobley Hall
5:30	Fellowship Supper
Menu: Chicken Breasts, Potatoes with White Sauce, Butter Peas, Rolls, Dessert	
6:00	Praise & Worship Choir Practice
6:15	Bible Study, Trinity Building, Suite 203
6:30	Finance Committee Meeting, Trinity Building, Large Conference Room
6:45	Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday, December 2	
10:30	Intercessory Prayer, Parlor
6:00	Sara McCrary Christmas Dinner @ The Drummonds
Friday, December 3	
Office Closed	
9:00-1:00	PALS (Mother's Morning Out)
Saturday, December 4	

Birthdays

November 28

Meagan Storey

November 29

Ricky Hardy, Sarah Fisher

November 30

Natalie Daniel

December 1

Jody Fincher

December 2

Beau Gordon, Janet Boyd

December 3

Nancy Abney, Debbie Jones,

Chris Nelson, Jason Stewart,

Paul Sills, Glenda Storey

December 4

Larry Miller, Steve Cordle,

David Cole, Amelia Curtis



Anniversaries

November 30

Lamar & Judy Allen

Joe & Joan Gittings

December 3

David & Carla Patterson



Attention Parents of Seniors:

Emails or letters about the Senior Luncheon 2011 have been sent to parents of all high school seniors who are members of Trinity OR who regularly attend Trinity and actively participate in our youth activities. If you have not received yours, please contact Karen Tucker at ktucker57@comcast.net or call her at 706-291-8360. Thank you!! We don't want to leave anyone out.

Stewardship

Operating Budget

*Received This Week	\$9,976.82
Received YTD	\$702,189.77
YTD Budget Needs:	\$755,826.88
Designated Gifts Given	
RAM, Mission is Possible, Flowers	
Total Designated	\$490.00

Attendance

Sunday School	9:45	200
	11:00	49
Sunday Morning	8:30	170
	9:45	103
	11:00	131
Children's Church	8:30	15
	11:00	4
Total Attendance		404

Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30, 9:45, 11:00

Message:

Harry Potter and the Bloodthirsty King
 Scripture: Matthew 2:1-8
 David Campbell

"Countdown to Christmas" Party



Our Kickoff of Advent Event, Countdown to Christmas will be in Mobley Hall this Sunday. From 4-6, tables will be set up where participants can make ornaments with their family. At 6:00, we will decorate the tree, sing carols, and Wayne Hopper will lead us in a devotional.

Prayer Concerns

Please help us keep the prayer list updated, if you know of someone who can be removed or needs adding, please call the church office.

Roy Goolsby	Grady King
Melissa Blackwell	James Crowe
Carolyn Simms	Marcy Dunn
Edna Tolbert	Cameron Mathis
Mike Parker	Judi Wade
Ruth Shaw	Joan Gittings
Betty Hatch	Dennis Freeman

This Sunday

Lay Helpers for Sunday November 28

8:30 Service

Lay Reader	Carol Franklin
Acolytes	Jamie Rhinehart
Greeters	Darryl Elder
Ushers	John Camp
Children's Church	Pauline Middleton

9:45 Service

Lay Reader	Amy Nelson
Greeters	Evelyn Clifton
Ushers	Greg Wood

11:00 Service

Lay Reader	Barbara Gale
Acolytes	Julianna Norris
Greeters	Barbara Gale
Ushers	Dwight Tolbert
Children's Church	Rob & Tracy Noland
Youth Snack	No Youth

Announcements

From the Finance Committee:

If you have any questions about the amounts you've given to the Church this year, please contact the church office for a printed statement. We also want to remind you that all gifts that you make to the church must be received by the church by December 31 to be reflected on your end of the year statement for tax purposes.
 Cheryl Huffman, Chair

Marriage Classes

Mark your calendars for January 9th. On that Sunday afternoon, we will begin short, six-week session on marriage taught by Dr. Dennett Gordon. Dr. Gordon is a Christian, who lives and practices here in Rome. Our goal in working with him is to strengthen marriages here at Trinity. Watch the Trinity Voice for more information.

Children's Musical

The 2nd-6th graders will perform the "Prime Time Christmas Musical" December 5th at 6:00PM in the Martha King Building.

Here We Go A Caroling

December 12th, you are invited to go caroling around Rome. We will meet in the parking lot behind Mobley Hall and travel around town singing to our members who can no longer join us here for worship.

Flower Calendar

The 2011 flower calendar will be on the table in the narthex beginning this Sunday. Please sign the calendar and complete a white form with your information. Please print so we can have everything accurate in the bulletins.

SS Teacher Appreciation

If you have a child in Sunday School, Sunday, November 21st will be a day to show our Children's Sunday School Teachers how much we appreciate them.

TNT Volunteers Needed

Anyone interested in volunteering for our next quarter of TNT in the Spring of 2011 can sign up now by contacting Jennifer Goble. Volunteers are needed for the 3's through 1st grade classes and 2nd through 6th grade classes.

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