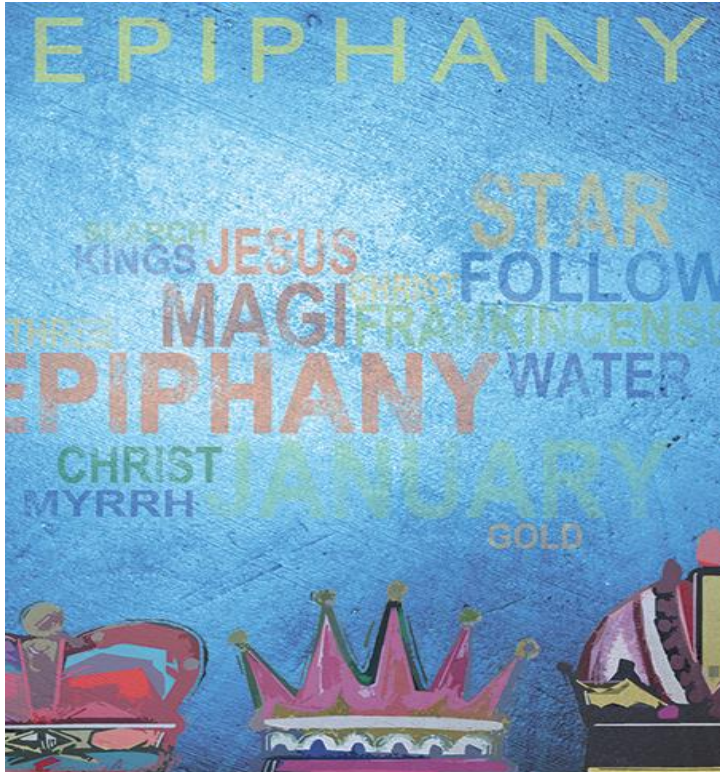


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January 1, 2017: The Celebration of Epiphany



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INVOCATION IN SONG “The First Nowell” New Century Hymnal #139

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(At this time children who are interested in attending Sunday School may go to the classroom downstairs)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

One: We begin a new year with hope for better things: among them greater love and understanding toward others and peace within ourselves. As a way of preparing our spirits for such blessing, let us confess our sins to God in silence.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVING PARDON

One: God of new beginnings, you wipe away our tears and call us to care for one another. Give us eyes to see your gifts, hearts to embrace all creation, and hands to serve you every day of our lives. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated) “Arise, Your Light is Come” NCH#164

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Tom duke (Lay Reader)

The psalms proclaim:

How majestic your name in all the earth, O Lord our Sovereign!

The heavens reflect your glory and the earth proclaims the wonder of your loving care.

In the fullness of time you crowned creation with the birth of your Son.

Continue your work of salvation among us and form us into a new creation that, as we behold the vision of a new heaven and a new earth, we may sing your glory. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Tom Duke (Lay Reader)

New Testament Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURE: Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (forgive us
our sins as we forgive those who sin against us)

PRAYER RESPONSE

**Lord, listen to Your children praying,
Lord, send Your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to Your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!**
(repeat)

CALL TO OFFERING: Tom Duke (Lay Reader)

At the beginning of this new year, we seek God's blessing upon our work and pray for the needs of this new year of grace. Let us offer our gifts to the glory of God and the works of this church.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Throughout all time you have blessed your people, O God, and dwelt among them. On the first day of this new year, inspire and guide us, that all we do may find in you its beginning and fulfillment. Amen.

COMMUNION LITURGY: *during this morning's offering of communion we will follow the liturgy that begins on p.16 of the black New Century Hymnal. We will follow liturgy A throughout.*

*CLOSING HYMN "Go Tell it on the Mountain" NCH #154

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION (inside back cover of New Century Hymnal)

*GO TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND ALL PEOPLE

*POSTLUDE

*indicates an invitation to stand either in body or in spirit

If you use social media we invite and encourage you to check in online as you attend today's service.

Portions of this week's service were excerpted and adapted from *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers* copyright © 2002 Consultation on Common Texts admin. Augsburg Fortress

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here - to explore your faith, to meet new people, and to strengthen your personal relationship with God. If you are a guest here today, please sign our guest book. If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please fill out the Welcome Card in the pews and put it in the offering plate.

Sunday Bulletins - Trinity offers a Children's Bulletin and a Large Print Bulletin along with the Regular Sunday Bulletin. We also have adjustable audio devices for better hearing. Each can be found in the narthex.

Columbia Food Bank – Please place all monetary donations in the marked bucket in the Narthex. Donations can be made in cash or by check. Checks should be made out to the Columbia Food Bank. All food donations can be placed in the baskets. Thanks!

Bible Discussion Schedule – All sessions run from 1:00 – 2:30 pm

- January 1: New Year's Day - NO BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP
- **January 8: Beginners Guide to the UCC** - Session 4- The local congregation (in its many forms): how are WE UCC?
- January 22 and January 29

January Guild Meeting - We are starting the New Year off right with a Guild Business Meeting. Please join us on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We need and welcome your ideas and help. The year 2016 was a good one for the Guild. With your help, we can make the year 2017 even better.

Blood Drive—Wednesday, January 4th from 1:00—6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Why give blood? The need is constant and your contribution is important for a healthy and reliable blood supply...and you'll feel good knowing you helped save a life! The Mountville Lions Club has snacks and refreshments available and are very supportive and friendly. For an appointment please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-red-cross (1-800-733-2767).

Annual Reports — Reports are due Monday January 9, 2017 from all Church Leaders, Committee chairs, Ministry Leaders and Staff. Reports can be emailed to Eileen Littell at trucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org or dropped in the church office mailbox.



Today is Sunday, January 1, 2017

- 10:00 am Trinity Café
- 10:30 am Worship – Communion Sunday
- 1:00 pm **No Bible Discussion**

Monday, January 2

- 9:00 am Columbia Ministerium
- 8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, January 3

- 8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, January 4

- 1:00 pm Blood Drive
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 5

No Activities Scheduled

Friday, January 6

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, January 7

No Activities Scheduled

Sunday, January 8

- 10:00 am Trinity Café
- 10:30 am Worship-Kenya Offering
- 1:00 pm Bible Discussion – **Beginners**
Guide to UCC –session 4
- 3:00 pm LIC Group Meeting

Sunday mornings couldn't happen without the many disciples here at TRUCC. Volunteers are appreciated and needed. If you're interested in serving please see the volunteer sign-up sheets in the narthex.

January 8th Volunteers

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred

Greeters:

Head Usher:

Lay Reader: Christine Macready

Children's Christian Education:

Nursery:

Counter:

Altar Flowers:

Attendance

December 24, 2015 114
December 24 2016..... 102

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Tom Duke

Ministry of Music

Music Director, Chancel Choir Shannon Edwards

Bell Choir Director: Daniel Molkenthin

Sound Technician

Mark Cote and Charlie Miller

Ministry of Service

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred

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Greeters:

Counter:

Nursery:

Children's Christian Education

Floral Arrangement donated by:

Bonnie Crone for the glory of God

January Greeting Cards: Gladys Drybred

Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ exists to render loving service toward humanity with Jesus as our example. We preach love, teach compassion and social justice, and welcome all into the full life and ministry of the church.

