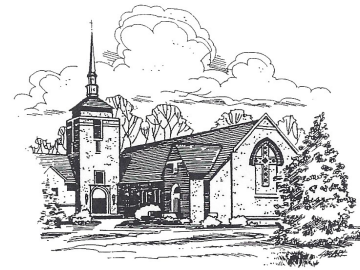


<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u></p> <p><u>Acolyte(s):</u></p> <p><u>Cross Bearer:</u> Nate Misenheimer</p> <p><u>Elder(s):</u></p> <p><u>Nursery Attendant:</u> Sonya Starnes</p> <p><u>Treasurer Assistant today:</u></p>	<p><u>Ushers for January:</u></p> <p>Patsy Wells' Sunday School Class</p> <p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u></p> <p><u>Liturgist:</u> Michael Lingle</p> <p><u>Lay Reader:</u> Deb Hill</p> <p><u>Treasurer Assistant:</u></p> <p><u>Flower Calendar:</u></p>
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
 INSTALLATION OF DEACONS/ELDERS
 JANUARY 5, 2020—10:30 A.M.**

**Denotes—"Those who are able may stand"*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

Marty Light, Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth. ***Christ dwells among us and is one with us.*** Highest of all creation, he lives among the least. He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary. Come now, all who thirst, ***and drink the water of life.*** Come now, all who hunger, ***and be filled with good things.*** Come now, all who seek, ***and be warmed by the fire of God's love in Christ.***

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" #323 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Responsively*)

Joye Lane, Liturgist

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of earth. ***Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.***

***ORGAN INTERLUDE**

Marty Light

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Responsively*)

Joye Lane, Liturgist

God of heaven and earth, you see all things. You know the depths of our hearts better than we can know ourselves. You know the great heights to which we aspire and the depth of our failures when we fall short.

We ask, O God, for your mercy and forgiveness.

Create in us the grace of Christ toward those with whom we disagree, just as He extended to those who conspired against Him,

and forgive us for hiding in the darkness of this world more than loving the light of your righteousness.

Guide us to be surprised by the clarity with which you show up to heal us and to cleanse us from guilt and shame. Lift our eyes from the problems of our lives to see ways you want to make us whole.

THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
 All Church Members, Ministers
 Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor
 Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
 Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choir
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We ask all these things in the name of Christ who taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*PRAISE RESPONSE “Joy to the World” (vs 1) #171 Blue Book
*Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
(Please be seated.)*

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*) Shuford Abernethy, Lay Reader
O Lord, our God, as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit. Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Sharpen our minds that we may discern your truth. Shape our wills that we may desire your ways. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalms 119:105-112* Shuford Abernethy, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC (*Piano Solo*) Jaiden Seechang

*GOSPEL READING *John 1:1-14* Rev. Peggy Stout
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

ANTHEM (*Communion Theme*) Chancel Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Peggy Stout

Invitation
(All who are confirmed or have made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion. Ours is an open table. The cups are divided between wine & juice. Red is the wine.)
The Words of Institution
Prayer of Consecration
Communion
 Sharing of the Bread
 Sharing of the Cup

The **Consistory** will meet in the Chapel immediately following Worship.

TONIGHT at 5:00pm, we will hold “Faith Alive!” Worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please join Rev. Peggy and our Praise Band (Clean Slate) for Live Music, Worship, and Light Refreshments.



Just a reminder... A Memorial Service for **Mary Ruth Lane Steelmon Schell** will be held on Saturday, January 11th at 1:00pm here at Trinity. Receiving will be prior to the service (from 12:00-12:45pm).

Singles:

The Singles will be having a planning meeting at Boxcar Grille in Claremont on **Saturday, January 11th at 6pm**. We will be discussing events for the coming year and decide what we want to do. *Due to the smallish turn-outs, we will not be taking the van, but recommend meeting there.*

Upcoming Events for January 2020:

- January 12: Church Staff Luncheon Planning Meeting; 11:45am
- January 13: Board of Worship to take down the Christmas Tree; 5:30pm
- January 14: Snack Supper Planning Meeting for Chairpersons’ of ALL Program & Administrative Boards; 6:00pm
- January 15: Conover Community Blood Drive; 2:30-7:00pm

Good Timers:

Coming on **Thursday, January 23rd**, we will hold “Everybody’s Birthday” at 11:45am in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a wrapped gift to exchange with one another (all gifts not needed at the end of the party will be donated to Gift and Thrift in Newton). Lunch will consist of homemade soups, Subway sandwiches, desserts, coffee, and tea. Cost: \$6.00 per person.





OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalms 119:105-112*

¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe your righteous ordinances. ¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted; give me life, O Lord, according to your word. ¹⁰⁸ Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me your ordinances. ¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law. ¹¹⁰ The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts. ¹¹¹ Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart. ¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING** *John 1:1-14*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

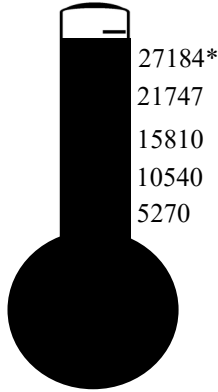
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

Congregational CARE NOTES today! There are notebooks provided at the end of each pew. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take the notes up after the service and mail them directly to the person's home.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

<p><u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u> Charles Gantt Mike Kilby Sarah Hoffman Garland & Darlene Whittaker</p> <p><u>HOMEBOUND</u> Paul & Lula Towery Martha Sigmon</p> <p><u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u></p> <p><u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u> Joan Williamson—Room 240 Mary Tuttle—Memory Care Peggy Hollis—Apt 219 Joe Schell—Apt 205</p> <p><u>BRIAN CENTER REHAB (Tate Blvd)</u> Wanda Sue Ammerman—Rm 503</p> <p><u>CONOVER NURSING & REHAB</u> Bobbie Whisenant—Room 402</p> <p><u>TRINITY RIDGE</u> Odessa Whitmire—Room 807</p> <p><u>CAROLINA REHAB CENTER</u> Peggy Miller—Room 110</p> <p><u>CV ASSISTED LIVING at Rock Barn</u> Mary Crump—Room 114</p>	<p><u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u></p> <p>Diane Loftin Peggy Wright Jeanne Michael Jasmine Badeaux Dr. Tony Fox Louise Sherrill Debbie Spencer-Ahrens & mother, Gloria DiSanto 7000 E. Ben White Blvd, #2103 Austin, TX 78741</p>
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THANK YOU again for all the cards and phone calls that were sent to me during my recovery from my fall. Your thoughts and prayers mean so much!
- Alma Barringer



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
December 01	14	139	55	208	51	\$ 3,972.00	
December 08	16	129	—	145	—	\$ 4,055.00	
December 15	14	154	—	168	61	\$ 7,123.00	
December 22	7	167	47	221	36	\$ 10,204.68	
December 29	—	101	—	101	24	\$ 5,239.52	
TOTALS	51	690	102	843	172	\$ 30,594.20	

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747 and for a five week month is \$27,184*.

This Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

Second Sunday after Christmas

*Installation of Deacons/Elders

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

11:45am—Consistory Meeting

5:00pm—“Faith Alive!” Worship

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

Epiphany

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines’

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

12:00pm—Receiving of Friends

1:00pm—Memorial Service for Mary Schell, Sanctuary

6:00pm—Singles Planning Meeting @ Boxcar Grille, Claremont

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

The Baptism of Christ

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

11:45am—Church Staff Meeting

*NO “Faith Alive!” Services Tonight!

Prayer of Thanksgiving *(Responsively)*

Loving God, you have given us your Son that we might live eternally; you have fed our spirits with bread and wine, and you have made us one body with all your children.

Accept our gratitude, O Lord, and send us forth to build your kingdom in the world. May your love and grace so shape us to reach out to others as Christ has reached out to us. Amen.

ORGAN MEDITATION

“Here I Am, Lord”

Marty Light

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Rev. Peggy Stout

Elders: Michael Lingle *(to be ordained)*, Dawn Kilby, Greg Reizel

Deacons: John Houston, Natalie Inman, Tim Lail, Kathleen Shuford

Congregation (when prompted): We gather in celebration of the joy that is ours to be partners with you in the service of Jesus Christ. We promise to love you, honor your leadership, and assist you that together we may be a faithful church of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Kathy Winters

Offertory

*Doxology

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer

*HYMN

“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”

#659 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

Marty Light



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given in Loving Memory of my parents, Dan and Essie Weaver.
- Given by Dianne Propst

THE FLOWERS on the piano today are given in Loving Honor of Ken & Shirley Poovey. Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary!
We love you, Michelle and Amy