

Trinity Reformed

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 27, 2019 - 10:30 A.M.**

**Designates "Those who are able may stand"*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Dennis Falder, Consistory President

PRELUDE "The Dwelling Place of the Most High" by David Paxton
Marty Light, Organist

***PASTOR'S DECLARATION** Rev. Sandi Hood
This is the day you have made, O Lord; help us to rejoice in it and be glad!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "O Worship the King" #336 Blue Book

***CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Responsively*)
Kelly Barringer, Liturgist
Your voice, O God, is powerful and majestic, strengthening your people with peace.

By your Spirit, help us to hear today the majesty and blessing of your voice. Amen.

***CHORAL INTROIT** Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Guest Director

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** Kelly Barringer, Liturgist
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

*We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

In your mercy forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we shall be; so that, we may delight in your will and walk in your ways.

We ask all these things in the name of Christ our Lord, 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.

<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u> <u>Acolyte(s)</u>: Evie Belle Hight <u>Cross Bearer</u>: Nate Misenheimer <u>Elder(s)</u>: Pat Bowers & Joye Lane <u>Nursery Attendant</u>: Sonya Starnes <u>Treasurer Assistant today</u>: Ted Setzer</p>	<p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u> <u>Liturgist</u>: Dennis Falder <u>Lay Reader</u>: Terra West <u>Treasurer Assistant</u>: Kelly Barringer <u>Flower Calendar</u>: Tony & Patsy Wells</p>
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ECCCM's 50 Year Anniversary Celebration
Sunday, February 10—2:00pm at Grace Reformed UCC

Trinity was one of the original 17 founding churches of ECCCM. Representatives are invited to attend—as ECCCM honors each church and says THANK YOU for being a part of their journey!

Please **RSVP** by calling our office at 828-465-1702, ext 113 and leaving a message with Jo Ann Sherrill, Administrative Assistant.



THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Church Members, Ministers
Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor
Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
Marty Light, Organist
Joe Hart, Financial Secretary
Tamara McCarter, Church Secretary

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***PRAISE RESPONSE** *“Spirit of the Living God”* #155 Blue Book
*Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.*

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(Unison)* Natalie Inman, Lay Reader
*Eternal God, fill us this day with your Holy Spirit that we may be
sensitive to your Presence, attentive to your Word, and faithful to your
Way. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10*
Natalie Inman, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *“Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”*
by Lanny Wolfe/arr by Jack Schrader—Chancel Choir

***GOSPEL READING** *Luke 4:14-21* Rev. Sandi Hood
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON *“What About Now?”* Rev. Sandi Hood

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC *“The Majesty and Glory of Your Name”* David Hood, Soloist

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(Unison)* Rev. Sandi Hood

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I
believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the
right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living
and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the*

TODAY, please help us welcome our special guest Minister, Rev. Sandi Hood!
Rev. Hood serves as the Director of Community Outreach for Catawba Regional
Hospice. Prior to joining Hospice, she served as an Associate Pastor at
Viewmont Baptist Church in Hickory. She believes in giving back to the
community—is married to local attorney, David Hood—and has two
children, Callie and Wilson.

TONIGHT—We will have “Faith Alive!” Worship at 5:00pm!



We welcome our very special guest, [Megan Burns](#) from Catawba County DSS. Megan will be sharing a very special program with us about Foster Care.

“In Catawba County, there are almost 300 children in foster care.. We need your help. Of course we can always use financial assistance and volunteers, but our biggest need is for families to become foster and adoptive parents.”

If you are interested, or know of someone else that may be, please join us tonight to see how you can help!

Rev. Peggy will be on vacation from January 23rd—30th.

If there is an emergency, please contact one of the Elders for January:
Pat Bowers (828-464-4015) or Joye Lane (828-465-4228).

Volunteers are needed to help at ECCCM on Monday, January 28th—any time between 8:00am—5:00pm. If you are available, please show up at ECCCM on this date and let them know that you are with Trinity Reformed UCC!

Singles:

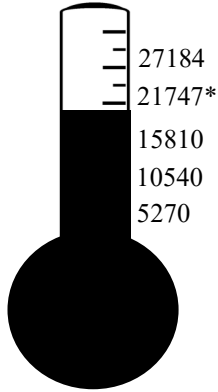
Monday, January 28th at 6:00pm, we will hold a Potluck Dinner & Gift Exchange here at the church.

Please bring your favorite dish to share with the group and a gift \$15 or under.



Youth:

Our **Confirmation Class** will meet again on Tuesday, February 5th at 6:00pm. Please make plans to meet in Rev. Peggy’s Office!



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
January 06	—	149	21	170	40	\$ 4,498.00	
January 13	10	77	—	87	—	\$ 4,116.00	
January 20	11	138	—	149	54	\$ 10,861.00	
January 27							
TOTALS	21	364	21	406	94	\$ 19,475.00	

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

This Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Rev. Peggy Vacation

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
(with Rev. Sandi Hood)

5:00pm—"Faith Alive!" Worship

(with Megan Burns from Catawba County DSS)

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

Rev. Peggy Vacation

8:00am—Volunteers to ECCCM

6:00pm—Singles Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

Rev. Peggy Vacation

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

11:45am—Consistory Meeting

*NO "Faith Alive!" Worship Tonight!

COMING SOON ... Sunday, February 10:

10:30am—Rev. Jaha Seechang to share about the Lahu Mission Trip!

10:30am—Sr. Adult Valentine's Banquet (for all adults age 55+). **Sign-ups are requested and forms are available at the back of the Sanctuary.**

11:45am—Kidz Club Meeting—with Jess, Suzanne, and special guest Mrs. Rose Bibeau (for children's music).

2:00pm—Representatives needed at ECCCM's 50th Anniversary Celebration at Grace Reformed UCC.

communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Dawn Wilson

Ministry of Intercessory Prayer

Offertory "Sum of My Soul" HURSLEY/arr by Edward Broughton

*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

"Blessed Be the Name"

352 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION (Responsively)

Rev. Sandi Hood

May the love of God uphold you, the light of Christ guide you, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy - now and forever.

Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

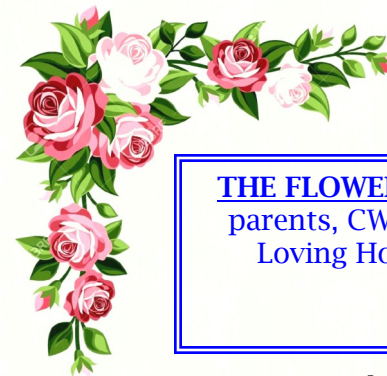
Chancel Choir

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

"Grand Triumphal March" (Opus 47 No. 2)

by Alexandre Guilmant/arr by Mark Williams—Marty Light, Organist



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given in Loving Memory of our parents, CW and Frances Hill's Anniversary. They are also given in Loving Honor of Steve & Gloria Thomas' Anniversary and Rose Abernethy's Birthday on January 25th.
- Given by Deb & Linda Hill

THE ROSE on the altar today is given in Honor of Lincoln Farrer Kilby, born on January 21, 2019, to parents Sean & LaKeyla Kilby. Lincoln is Mike & Dawn Kilby's grandson.



OLD TESTAMENT READING Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

¹all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹ And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING** Luke 4:14-21

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

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

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Mary Schell
Sarah Hoffman
Garland & Darlene Whittaker

HOMEBOUND

Peggy Miller
Odessa Whitmire
Paul & Lula Towery
Mary Tuttle
Martha Sigmon
Bobbie Whisenant
Wanda Sue Ammerman

IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES

ABERNETHY LAURELS

Joan Williamson—Rm 240
Peggy Hollis

CONOVER REHAB

Martha Null—Rm 406B

BRIAN CENTER REHAB

RJ York—Rm 514

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:

Mike Kilby
Mary Crump
Peggy Smith
Jackie Kanipe
Wally Davis
Evie Anderson
Sylvia & Julie Settlemyre

It is with a sincere and grateful heart that Mike and I want to **THANK** the Congregation for all the visits, cards and calls. It is a wonderful gift that we have received from all of you. - With deep appreciation, Dianne Propst & Mike Brittain

Dear Trinity Family, We wanted to let you know how much you mean to us. We could not have faced this past year without your love and support. Rev. Peggy was so faithful in her visits and in ministering to us. THANK YOU so much for your cards, phone calls, texts, and your prayers. Please continue to uplift our family in your prayers. We miss Jonathan and we are learning to live without him. We know God's grace will sustain us along with your love and support.

- May God bless each one of you, Jeff & Elizabeth Jackson

This is to give **THANKS** and appreciation to Rev. Peggy Stout for sharing such useful information during the Advent Bible Study—looking at Jesus from Mary's point-of-view. She discussed His birth, His experience at the temple at age 12, His death and Resurrection—per His mother, Mary's account. Thank you, Rev. Peggy. The study was very well done and very educational. - Larry Fox