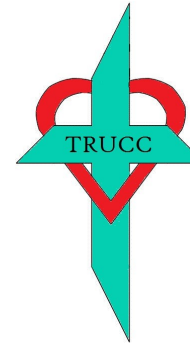


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JANUARY 2021

*Pastor's Chatter:*

## An Act of Kindness

*"You must give time to your fellow men—even if it's a little thing, do something for others—something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it." - Albert Schweitzer*



President Abraham Lincoln often visited hospitals to talk with wounded soldiers during the Civil War. Once, doctors pointed out a young soldier who was near death and Lincoln went over to his bedside.

"Is there anything I can do for you?" asked the President.

The soldier obviously didn't recognize Lincoln, and with some effort he was able to whisper, "Would you please write a letter to my mother?"

A pen and paper were provided and the President carefully began writing down what the young man was able to say:

"My dearest mother, I was badly hurt while doing my duty. I'm afraid I'm not going to recover. Don't grieve too much for me, please. Kiss Mary and John for me. May God bless you and father.

The soldier was too weak to continue, so Lincoln signed the letter for him and added, "Written for your son by Abraham Lincoln."

The young man asked to see the note and was astonished when he discovered who had written it. "Are you really the President?" he asked.

"Yes, I am," Lincoln replied quietly. Then he asked if there was anything else he could do.

"Would you please hold my hand?" the soldier asked. "It will help to see me through to the end."

In the hushed room, the tall gaunt President took the boy's hand in his and spoke warm words of encouragement until death came.

*The Best of Bits & Pieces*



**EACH SUNDAY**

**THE TRADITIONAL  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 am**

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*Remember In Prayer (& with your cards, calls, visits):*

- **Recuperating at Home:** Garland Whittaker, Jerry Mallonee, Check Mills, Marjorie Reaves, Virginia Brown, Wanda Sue Ammerman
- **Homebound:** Martha Sigmon, Joyce Potts, Peggy Wright, Bobbie Whisenant
- **In Assisted-Living Facilities:**
  - Abernethy Laurels:** Joan Williamson (Room 240), Mary Tuttle (Memory Care), Peggy Hollis (Apt 219), Joe Schell (Apt 205)
  - Trinity Ridge:** Odessa Whitmire (Room 807)
  - Carolina Rehab Center of Burke:** Peggy Miller (Room 110)
  - CV Assisted Living at Rock Barn:** Mary Crump (Room 114)
- **Also, please remember:** Homer Laube, Linda Hill, Sarah Hoffman, Wally Davis, Jo Ann Simmons, Vae Hamilton, Diane Loftin, Paul & Lula Towery, \*Michael Webb, \*Larry Riffle, \*Roger Bowman


*In the Lord's Service:*

	January 03	January 10	January 17	January 24	January 31
Flowers	Becky Setzer	OPEN	OPEN	Deb Hill	OPEN
Liturgists	Stephanie Anderson	Tim Lail	John Houston	Pat Bowers	David Eckard
Lay Readers	Jennifer Lingle	Gloria Hill	Deb Hill	Kelsey Wise	Tera Rockett

**ALL Sunday Services** are played live on 90.5FM at 10:30am — the only stipulation is that you must be close to the church to listen on the radio. (The best spot is in the parking lot!) They are also live-streamed to YouTube at 10:30am. We try to share the live-stream on Facebook and the website by 10:30am, but may be a little bit later on some days. Please know that you don't have to miss a thing! You may also request to have copies of sermon notes mailed to your house — just contact the church office. Thank you for your support of our church through this pandemic.



01—Sarah Hoffman	12—Dennis Falder
02—Dr. Tony Fox	18—Suzanne Finlayson
03—Ned Setzer	19—Charles Gantt
Ted Setzer	Rick & Stacy Helton
Rev. Peggy Stout	21—Lincoln Kilby
Ocean Spain	22—Greg Reitzel
05—Kevin Spencer	Jessica Levan
Jessica Spain	Amanda Houston
Jerry Mallonee	24—Bailey Sims
06—Lisa Lackey	25—Rose Abernethy
07—*Joe Schell* (turning 100	Steve & Gloria Thomas
years old today!!)	26—Riley Steller
08—Jeff Jackson	30—Ashlin Tellado
Nasin See	
09—Madelyn Birchfield	
Cal Harmon	



**Special Drive-through Celebration for Mr. Joe Schell's 100th Birthday!!**  
*(sponsored by Joe's two daughters and Abernethy Laurels)*  
 Saturday, January 9th  
 2:00pm

\*Please drive through the circle entrance at Abernethy Laurels. Stop and wave to Joe! If you would like to bring a birthday card, you may drop it in the basket by the exterior door.

*Thank You:*

- To all my Brothers and Sisters at Trinity, **THANK YOU** so much for all the cards, calls, prayers, and good wishes during the last few weeks. The hip replacement surgery went well and I am recovering quickly. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon. - Jerry Mallonee
- Dear Trinity Family, **THANK YOU** to so many of you who called, sent cards, and for those who prayed for us and our families during the loss of Jeff's mother, Betty Jackson, and Elizabeth's grandmother, Lois Richey. These past few months have been very difficult for our families. We are grateful for your support. - With sincere thanks, Jeff & Elizabeth Jackson
- We would like to say **THANK YOU** to everyone who volunteered to help with the Bell-Ringing on December 12th, the cheer basket deliveries on December 19th, decorating the church for Christmas (inside and outside), setting out Luminaries on Christmas Eve, and the Christmas gifts and goodies that were shared with us. Also, **THANK YOU** all for making the transition to the Sanctuary a smooth one and helping keep each other safe. We love you all and wish you a wonderful new year!! - Trinity Church Staff
- We would like to send a special **THANK YOU** to Trey Little, Ruth Little's son who made a monetary donation to the church this week in honor of his mother.
- **THANK YOU** for all the cards, calls and prayers during the illness and passing of my father, William Comby. I also want to thank the Hugs & Stitches group for my beautiful prayer shawl. It was all very thoughtful and much appreciated. - Alicia Deal
- We want to **THANK** you, Rev. Peggy, for your concerns, prayers, and support this year. The prayers and concerns of the church has been a help and have been answered for Vae's health— We thank the whole congregation. May everyone have a Merry Christmas! - Gene & Vae Hamilton

<i>Financials:</i>	Nov YTD Actual	Nov YTD Budget	Difference from Budget
Envelope Offering	\$ 225,228	\$ 211,090	\$ 14,138
Investment Income	\$ 20,966	\$ 22,458	-\$ 1,492
Property Support Fund	\$ 9,419	\$ 9,449	-\$ 30
Other Income	\$ 2,778	\$ 3,000	-\$ 222
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 258,391</b>	<b>\$ 245,997</b>	<b>\$ 12,394</b>
<b>TOTAL SPENDING</b>	<b>\$ 230,817</b>	<b>\$ 254,723</b>	<b>\$ 23,906</b>
Surplus/Deficit (-)*	\$ 27,574	-\$ 8,726	\$ 36,300





## 2020 Christmas Poinsettias

All donations this year were sent to Carolina Caring (Hospice)  
in Memory/Honor of your loved ones!!

Given to the Glory of God  
In Loving Memory of:

William Comby and Matthew Deal  
Given by Bruce and Alicia Deal

Thomas and Virginia Rockett  
Given by Bruce and Tera Rockett

Gloria Crews and Billy Roseman  
Given by David and Gina Setzer

My beloved wife, Louise  
Given by Joe Schell

Melvin Little  
Given by Bruce and Tera Rockett

Blaine and Henrietta Sherrill  
Given by the children (Louise, Libby,  
Coy, and Martha)

Gary Null  
Given by Martha Null

Doug and Peggy Smith  
Given by Debbie Rockette

Ray, Margie, and Jimmy Poovey  
Given by Ken and Shirley Poovey

Andrea D. Westbrook and Patricia Warf  
Given by Lawrence Warf

Martha S. Power and Mary Ann K. Power  
Given by Jack Power

Given to the Glory of God  
In Loving Honor of:

Chris Barrymore and Jo Ann Simmons  
Given by Tommy Simmons

Our children and grandchildren (Megan, CJ,  
Austin, Hunter, and Owen)  
Given by David and Gina Setzer

Rev. Peggy Stout, Tamara McCarter, Jeff  
Whisenant, and Marty Light  
Given by Charles and Brenda Gantt



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 10:30a—Traditional Worship (in the LEC) 11:30a—Consistory Meeting	4 <i>Preschool CLOSED</i>	5	6 Epiphany	7	New Year's Day 1 <i>Preschool &amp; Church Office Closed</i>	2
10 10:30a—Traditional Worship	11	12	13	14 9:30a—Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting	15	16 2p—Drive-through celebration for Joe Schell's 100th Birthday (at Abermethy Laurels)
17 10:30a—Traditional Worship	18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day <i>Preschool CLOSED</i>	19	20	21	22	23
24 10:30a—Traditional Worship	25 9a-4p—Helpers needed at ECCCM	26	27	28 9:30a—Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting	29	30
31 10:30a—Traditional Worship						

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