

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymnals are available in the back.  
Hard copies of the full content of the worship service are available in the back as well as on the church website.

The Second Sunday of Advent

### GOD CALLS US

**Gathering Song** *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

### Welcome, Greeting, and Announcements

*Childcare is available during the worship service.  
Infants/Toddlers (nursery); Two and Three year olds (Rooms 102, 103)*

**Call to Worship** based on Luke 1:46-50

### Prayer of Invocation

**Worship Singing** *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

### GOD CLEANSSES US

#### Confession of Sin

**Assurance of Pardon** 2 Corinthians 8:9

**(8:30) Prayer for the Church and the World**

**(11:00) Sacrament of Baptism** Jadon Kabernick

**(11:00) Reception of New Members** Jamie & Elizabeth Kabernick  
Jadon Kabernick, Elisa Kabernick

#### Worship through Giving

**(8:30) Worship Singing** *What Child Is This*  
**(11:00) Adult Choir** *The First Noel*

### GOD SPEAKS TO US

**Sermon** Immanuel: How is God with Us? Chad Smith  
Matthew 1:18-25 | *God with Us in the Flesh*

### GOD STRENGTHENS US

#### Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Gluten/Soy-free crackers are in the paper liners of each tray.

#### BREAD

**(8:30) Adult Choir** *The First Noel*  
**(11:00) Worship Singing** *What Child Is This*

### GOD SENDS US

#### God’s Promise of His Presence and Blessing

#### VISITORS

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## Immanuel: How is God with Us? Matthew 1:18-25 (NASB) | *God with Us in the Flesh* Chad Smith

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup> And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly. <sup>20</sup> But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.” <sup>22</sup> Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup> “Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which translated means, “God with us.” <sup>24</sup> And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife, <sup>25</sup> but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Children – Middle School (9:45 – 10:45 AM)

Infants-Toddlers – 100	Kindergarten – 105	Fourth Grade – 302
Preschool I – 102	First Grade – 107	Fifth Grade – 304
Preschool II – 103	Second Grade – 106	Middle School Girls – 403
Pre-K – 104	Third Grade – 303	Middle School Guys – 402

### High School – Adults (10:00 – 10:45 AM)

High School – High School building

#### Adult Classes

**From Family to Community: Discipling Your Family with a Kingdom Perspective**  
*Joe & Brenda Mullen; Steve & Joanne Wright (Room 205)*

We are covering topics such as: sorting out our idols so we see Christ more clearly, discerning between the flesh and the Spirit as we seek to parent our children, understanding a biblical concept of authority and discipline, learning how to give and receive forgiveness, and dealing with conflict among our family members. This course is geared mainly to families with younger children and we will have follow up opportunities to address issues that may not be fully covered in the class.

**The Heidelberg Catechism | Stephen Griffith, Eric Freeman, Judy Venning (Room 204)**

**Lord’s Day 34, part 2:** Idolatry is extreme admiration, love, and reverence for something other than the only true God who has revealed Himself in His Word. What are the idols to which we cling?

**Sola Fide: Jesus in Jeremiah | Steve Eargle and Bill Ressler (Room 203)**

In this course, we seek to learn more of what God is teaching us in each book of the Old Testament, especially as we clearly see the centrality of Jesus in the persons, events and symbols throughout Redemptive History.

## THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Prayer meeting.....7:45 AM in Room 205  
Worship Service..... 8:30 AM in Worship Area  
Sunday School for Middle School and younger..... 9:45 AM in classrooms  
Sunday School for High School and Adults.....10:00 AM in classrooms  
Worship Service.....11:00 AM in Worship Area

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

Preschool..... 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Session..... 6:00 PM in Room 205

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Preschool..... 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Staff Meeting.....10:00 AM in Room 202  
Ledgewood Christmas Party ..... 3:00 to 5:00 PM  
Staff Christmas Party ..... 6:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Preschool..... 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Personnel Team..... 5:30 PM

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Preschool..... 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Ladies Lunch.....11:30 AM in Room 205  
Preschool Family Party..... 5:30 PM in Room 202

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

Youth Christmas Party ..... 6:00 PM at church

### UPCOMING DATES

**Next Sunday:** Lessons and Carols Service (6:00 PM) **December 22:** Messiah sing-along  
**December 24:** Worship at 9:00 and 11:00; no Sunday School; Family Candlelight Eve Service at 7:00  
**December 25-27:** Office Closed

ELDERS			DEACONS		
Stephen Bates, Andrew Belz, Conley Brown, Brad Burlingham, Bryson Fleming, Ned Gibson, Stephen Griffith, Jim Hill, Calvin Marshall, Joe Mullen, Darrell Rhoden, Norman Riddle, Chad Smith, Stephen Todd, Aaron Voigt			Harry Buckner, Spencer Clark, Adam Foss, Harold Frost, Rick Green, Zach Holland, Josh Pacosa, Brandon Ray, Jim Smith, Tim Tyson, Scott Wilhelmi		
OFFERING UPDATE			OFFICERS ON DUTY		
Fiscal Year ending June 30	LAST WEEK	YTD	ELDER	DEACON	
GENERAL FUND GIFTS	\$36,674	\$461,731	TODAY	Burlingham   Eargle Tyson   Foss	
BUDGET	\$23,300	\$535,900	NEXT WEEK	Smith   Smith Clark   Morris	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Christmas Services and Schedule

**December 17: Lessons & Carols (6:00 PM)**

The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols celebrates the birth of Jesus through nine Bible readings covering the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus. Our informal service will alternate these readings with congregational carol singing and special music

**Sunday, December 24**

Worship at 9:00 & 11:00 AM; no Sunday School

**Family Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

7:00 PM; no childcare

**Sunday, December 31**

Worship at 8:30 and 11:00; Long Range Planning Presentation during SS

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**Play time!** Due to generous giving and commitments from the Trinity budget, plans are underway to upgrade and update the play experience at Trinity. Design and construction plans have been prepared to obtain permits and seek bids for contractors for installation. We are anticipating City permit approval by the end of this year, and contractor selection in January. Emphasis is being placed on security, supervision and a high quality play experience across a wide range of unique and differing equipment. Stay tuned for further updates and thank you for supporting this important part of our outreach and our lives here at Trinity!

**On December 31 during Sunday School,** Chad will present the recommendations of the Long Range Planning Team to address our current space needs as well as future growth. This time will be recorded and available online for those who are unable to attend.

**Year End Giving:** In order to meet the requirement of the Internal Revenue Service related to contributions qualifying for inclusion in your tax return for the current year, you should note the following:

- Your checks should be dated no later than December 31.
- The envelope must be postmarked no later than December 30.
- Donations hand-delivered to the office must be received by the end of second service on Sunday, December 31.

**Informal Messiah Singalong** - Friday night before Christmas (December 22), from 5:30 to 7:00 PM at Trinity. We have books. Just come ready to sing!

### COMMUNITY IMPACT

Friends, Kids, and Families, if you took one of the **Habitat for Humanity banks**, we are collecting them outside the reception office through the end of the year.

**Community High School (CHS):** Trinity is partnering with Community High School in Swannanoa to give all of their students a gift for Christmas. Thank you all for the tremendous response to this project!

- Wrapped presents, with tag taped to box, are due at church today.
- The Christmas party for the kids is on the 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at the school in Swannanoa. Contact Nicole ([nwasburn77000@yahoo.com](mailto:nwasburn77000@yahoo.com)) if you would like to attend.

Thank you for being light in these kids' lives, for showing them in a tangible way the love Jesus has for them.

### CHILDREN (contact Elaine or Tish)

**The Ledgewood Christmas** party will be held on Tuesday, December 12 from 3:30 - 5:00 PM. Help is needed with games, snacks and escorting children from one activity to another. Please sign up in the foyer or contact Elaine or Tish.

### WOMEN (contact Joy)

**CHRISTMAS COOKIES NEEDED!!!** If you cannot attend the luncheon but can send cookies, please drop off to the church office on Tuesday or Wednesday, (or Thursday before 11:00 AM) December 12-14.

**Ladies Christmas Cookie Lunch | Thursday, December 14 | 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM.** Come celebrate the season around a meal together and then help put together cookie platters for our local police and fire stations. Let's show some Christmas love to our community workers! Your \$7 registration to the church office is due by next Sunday. Childcare provided if registered.

## MISSION FOCUS

### New City Christian School

[Newcitychristian.org](http://Newcitychristian.org)

Dear Friends and Faithful Partners,

Several years ago, Demetrius\* (name changed to protect privacy), came to New City Christian School as a Kindergartener. Reeling from a court-ordered separation from his young mother, this young boy was sullen, defensive and erratic. He had frequent emotional outbursts and was quick to give up and shut down when confronted with challenges.

Today, Demetrius' school days are quite different. He admits when he is wrong and is quick to seek forgiveness. No longer daunted by challenge, he displays true resilience through dedicated effort and perseverance. His defensive manner has been softened by the hope of Christ. When asked about his plans for the future, Demetrius replies that his goal is to attend college and pursue a career as a teacher.

Far too often, students like Demetrius are pulled into a trajectory of hopelessness. New City provides an alternative firmly rooted in God's bigger vision for His children. The story of New City Christian School is characterized by hope as we regularly witness the Lord's transformative power in the lives of our students and families. Our mission is to equip students with the knowledge, confidence and hope to envision and pursue a bright future. In the New City Declaration, our students daily quote Isaiah 61:3, boldly stating: *"We will display a crown of beauty, instead of ashes; the oil of gladness, instead of mourning; a garment of praise, instead of a spirit of despair."*

Believing that our God makes covenant promises to His people, we claim the promise of Isaiah 61:3 each day. In this season of Thanksgiving, we praise God for each of you. You are helping transform these precious promises into tangible opportunities through your prayers and giving. Historically, 20% of our operating budget is received each December through your generous response to this appeal. We invite your continued partnership with New City in declaring God's glory and power. We trust His faithfulness to provide for our financial needs through His people!

With joy, gratitude and hope,

Coral Jeffries, Founder | Cathy Heck, Board Chair | Terry Wilken, Executive Director

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# TRINITY ASHEVILLE

CENTERING OUR LIVES AROUND JESUS  
LOVING ONE ANOTHER  
LOVING THE WORLD

**December 10, 2017**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**8:30 and 11:00 AM**

## Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

**We are glad that you are with us this morning!** We hope you feel welcome. Please let us know if we can help you in any way. Our Worship Service lasts for about 75 minutes. We hope you will find the service accessible whether you have spent your whole life in church or are attending for the very first time.

**There are a few options for your children.** We welcome children of all ages to remain with their parents in worship. We have children's bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers. Childcare is provided during the entire service for children up to age three. Children ages four and five are given the choice of attending a children's worship time in Room 105; dismissal is before the sermon. We love children here at Trinity. For their safety, please do not leave them unattended in or outside the building.

**Additional information is available at our welcome table in the foyer.** Please speak with someone at the table if you have questions. You may also complete a contact card (found on the stands in the back) or send an email to [visitor@trinityasheville.com](mailto:visitor@trinityasheville.com).

**To connect with our church,** please feel free to speak with one of our pastors, greeters, or welcome table attendants. They can give you information on our small group Bible studies and other ministry opportunities. Information may also be found at the welcome table in the foyer or on our website: [trinityasheville.com](http://trinityasheville.com).

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