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The Trinity Prattville **Monthly Newsletter** is available both online at www.trinityprattville.com and by mail by submitting a request to the church secretary at secretary@trinityprattville.com. Submission of articles for the monthly newsletter should be sent to communications@trinityprattville.com by the 20th of each month.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday		Tuesday	
9:40 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service	7:00 a.m.	Man Cave
9:40 a.m.	Children's Sunday School		
9:40 & 11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Wednesday	
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service	12:00 p.m.	Master Gardeners (3rd Wednesday of Month)
	Children's Worship	5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Supper
	Youth Sunday School	6:00 p.m.	Youth Worship
4:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study (3rd Sunday of Month)	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Studies
5:00 p.m.	Youth Dinner/Study	6:30 p.m.	Contemporary Band Rehearsal
		6:30 p.m.	Adult Traditional Choir

TRINITY TRADITIONAL CHOIR
Christmas Cantata
 DECEMBER 8TH
 11:00 AM SERVICE

Poinsettias
 Poinsettias are available for purchase in honor or remembrance of a loved one. Orders will be taken until December 8th by filling out the form in your bulletin. \$11 each.

Christmas at Trinity

CHRISTMAS EVE
Children and Family Service
 December 24, 2024 at 10 AM

Join us for our annual family Christmas Eve service! Children will be picking a costume to wear to be a part of the acting of the live nativity!

CHRISTMAS EVE
Candlelight Service
 December 24, 2024 at 5 PM
 SANCTUARY

Rev Ed Said...

Remain Peaceful in Mind and Heart

The words of the Christmas hymn "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" certainly directly applies to our lives today.

"O souls amid earth's busy strife,
The Word of God is light and life;
Oh, hear His voice, make Him your choice,
Hail peace on earth, good will to men."

The key to peace in your life is making Jesus your choice over self and the world's culture departed from God's Word. "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" is based on the 1863 poem "Christmas Bells" by American poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. The song tells of hearing Christmas bells during the American Civil War but despairing that "hate is strong and mocks the song of peace on earth, good will to men". After much anguish the carol concludes with the bells ringing out with resolution that "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep" and that there will ultimately be "peace on earth, good will to men".

When we seek Christ first, all the secondaries lose their discouraging destructive power over our lives. Yes, even those with religious titles who abandon sound doctrine, disobey God's Word, and pursue destroying the church. Yet, we at Trinity Prattville Church dwell in the peace of Christ. We stand on God's Word. We walk with the Holy Spirit. We always follow Jesus.

Rejoice that God's truth allows us to readily discern the godless foe. We are faithful to march in the shoes of peace. Trinity Prattville Church shall prevail because our trust is in the Prince of Peace. We know God's inerrant Word is unchanging. "If it conflicts with the Scripture, it is not the truth." Our confidence in Christ releases us from fears and provides peace.

So, this Christmas make Jesus your choice. Let others hear Christ in your voice. Surrender your hearts and minds to the Savior. Charles Wesley wrote, "By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all hearts alone."

In Trinity Prattville Church I pick Jesus.....Rev Ed

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

December Meeting

Dates:

Sunday Nights Small Groups:

- Dec 1 - NONE
- Dec 8- Christmas Party
- Dec 15- Christmas Caroling
- Dec 22 - NONE

Wednesday Nights:

- Dec 4-Worship
- Dec 11-Christmas Light Night
- Dec 18- NONE
- Dec 25- NONE

Christmas Party



December 8th at 5 PM

Join us for a fun night of yummy food, decorating cookies and karaoke! We will play some Christmas games and do a Christmas mission project! Invite your friends!

Christmas Light Night



Join us **December 11th at 5:30 PM** and we will load up in the vans and go look at Christmas lights! We will stop downtown and take some pictures and go look at some neighborhood lights too!

Christmas Caroling



December 15th at 5 PM

Youth Ministry is pairing up with Children's Ministry to go out and create some Christmas Joy! If you know someone who would enjoy being caroled to, please email theresa@trinityprattville.com.

Snack Donations

We are so blessed to have our youth at Trinity, and you know how teenagers love to eat! We are gladly accepting donations of MINI canned soft drinks and individual bags of chips so we can offer them to the youth on Wednesday nights! We appreciate these donations so much! They can be dropped off in the youth office in the back of Theresa's office!



Attention Parents:

Text @kkff48 to 81010 to join our remind for youth program

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Christmas Caroling

Join us on **December 15th at 5 PM** at Trinity for some cookies and cocoa and we will go out into the community to Christmas carol to several homes and locations! We will have the locations picked before we head out, if you know someone who would enjoy being caroled to email theresa@trinityprattville.com

Snack Donations

If you are interested in donating snacks for Children's Ministry we will gladly accept goldfish (in the large pourable milk carton looking container) and animal crackers. These can be dropped off to Theresa's office. Thank you so much!



Children's Choir

We finished off a great semester of children's choir and will start back when our Wednesday night suppers and programming start back in February! Enjoy the extra evening home with your family!

Christmas Eve Family Service



Join us for our favorite Christmas tradition of the Children's and Family Christmas Eve service. A few changes this year - we are moving the service time to **10 AM** and it will be held in the **Family Life Center** instead of the Sanctuary. Children will be picking a costume to wear to be a part of the acting of the live nativity! The best part: no practices necessary! We hope you all will enjoy this special service with us on **December 24th!**

Winter Retreat (Grades 3rd-5th)

Please be in prayer for our children as they travel for winter retreat. We are so excited to be taking this time for our children to grow together and in their faith!!



- December 1 Phil Dupree
- December 4 Matthew Bell
- December 4 Holly Caldwell
- December 4 Robbie Kincade
- December 6 Bekah-Jean Thomas
- December 7 Richard White
- December 9 Ed Steen
- December 10 Paul Moses
- December 12 Merrill Carter
- December 12 Sara Keith
- December 12 Vicki Moses
- December 13 Caroline White
- December 16 Linda Abbett
- December 18 Bryant Wilkins
- December 19 April Willis
- December 20 John Wallace Baxley
- December 21 Mike Rogers
- December 21 Amanda Veasey
- December 23 Carrie Martin
- December 23 Ann MeShell Neese
- December 24 Joyce Rice
- December 24 Don Strength
- December 24 Christian Wilcox
- December 25 Carolyn Wood
- December 27 Phillip Parker
- December 28 Elaine Rogers
- December 30 Madison Hollon



CHURCH STATISTICS LAST MONTH

	3-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov
General Fund Giving	\$8,462.47	\$3,987.00	\$5,041.00
Attendance			
- 9:40 Service	60	57	53
- 11:00 Service	63	58	110
- Sunday School	40	42	142

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

	Cross Bearer	Bible Bearer	Torch Bearer	Torch Bearer
Dec 1	Emma Ayers	Gavin Leverette	Maisie Petty	Maddox Morris
Dec 8	Ezra Cheney	Elodie Godfrey	Kyser Causey	Harrison Till
Dec 15	Maisie Petty	Maddox Morris	Gavin Leverette	Emma Ayers
Dec 22	Kyser Causey	Harrison Till	Ezra Cheney	Elodie Godfrey
Dec 29	Gavin Leverette	Emma Ayers	Maddox Morris	Maisie Petty

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Events:

- December 1** - Family Advent Night
- December 4** - Finance Meeting
- December 8** - Christmas Cantata 11 AM Service
- December 8** - Youth Christmas Party
- December 9** - SAM Luncheon and Guest Speaker
- December 15** - Missions Interest Meeting
- December 15** - Church Council Meeting
- December 15** - Ladies Monthly Bible Study
- December 15** - Christmas Caroling (Youth and Children)
- December 24** - Family Christmas Eve Service 10 AM
- December 24** - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5 PM

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed **December 23 through January 1** for the holidays.

Upcoming Meetings

- Finance Committee Meeting - **December 4th at 6 PM**
- Missions Interest Meeting - **December 15th at 1 PM** in the Seekers Classroom - Come share your thoughts and show your interest in helping with our missions projects!
- Church Council Meeting - **December 15th at 2 PM** in the Seekers Classroom



Stay Connected

Remind Text Messages: Text @6f6e4 to the number 81010

Facebook: Trinity UMC Children's Ministry



Take A Moment in God's Word

DECEMBER 1 - Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:1-10; 1 Thess 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36
DECEMBER 8 - Mal 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Phil 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6
DECEMBER 15 - Zeph 3:14-20; Isa 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18
DECEMBER 22 - Mic 5:2-5a; Luke 1:46b-55; Heb 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)
DECEMBER 24 (Christmas Eve) - Isa 9:2-7; Ps 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20
DECEMBER 25 (Christmas Day) - Isa 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-4 (5-12); John 1:1-14
DECEMBER 29 - 1 Sam 2:18-20, 26; Ps 148; Col 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

MISSIONS UPDATES

Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in our mission projects this year! Your donations of prayer, time, hard work, items, and funds helped us participate in several local and non-local mission projects! With your help, we:

- Had donation drives for the AICC and Adullam House
- Worked on building projects with Alabama Rural Ministries (ARM)
- Volunteered with the YMCA's Field of Dreams program
- Collected items for and prepared 98 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes
- Collected donations for the Angel Tree ministry
- and more!



We love how our Trinity family loves and serves!

Please take a minute to fill out our Missions Interest Survey!

Let us know what current mission projects you would like to participate in and suggest other mission projects dear to your heart for us to try to get involved in too!

Scan this QR Code to Take the Survey —————>



ADULT MINISTRY

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:30 AM

SEEKERS: MEETS IN THE SEEKERS CLASSROOM

9:40 AM

FELLOWSHIP: MEETS IN THE LIBRARY

HORIZONS: MEETS IN THE ROOM ACROSS FROM THE KITCHEN

11:00 AM

LEGACY: MEETS IN THE SEEKERS CLASSROOM

RENEWAL: MEETS IN THE ROOM ACROSS FROM THE KITCHEN

Man Cave Men's Group: Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00 am.

"Rejoice & Re-Join!" Ladies Monthly Bible Study: Meets monthly on the third Sunday of the month at 4:00 pm.



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Monthly Covered Dish Luncheons with Guest Speaker

The SAM group will meet the 2nd Monday at noon every month at Trinity for a covered dish luncheon with guest speaker. Bring a dish to share and come enjoy some fellowship! Check the bulletin board outside the library, or email secretary@trinityprattville.com for more details!

This Month: December 9th at 12 PM
Guest Speaker: Rev. Ed and Sharon Shirley