

Tryon Presbyterian Church

430 Harmon Field Road ~ Tryon, North Carolina

January 1, 2023 - 10:00 am

First Sunday of Christmas

Our Mission Statement:

To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

Organ
“Prelude sur l’Introit de l’Epiphanie”

Makena James
by Maurice Durufle

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Charles Drawdy

CALL TO WORSHIP

*We recount the gracious deeds of God, all the praiseworthy acts the
Lord has done for us:*

Praise God for coming to dwell among us, Immanuel.

Praise God for the good news of Jesus, the pioneer of our salvation.

Praise God for making us brothers and sisters in Christ.

Praise God who is present with us still, lifting us up and carrying us.

God’s glory shines in heaven and on earth.

Praise the Lord!

†HYMN

“What Star is This, with Beams So Bright”

Hymnal Number 152
Tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in great love you have claimed us as your children. We confess that we have not loved you as we should. We have not participated fully in your purposes and plans; we grow weary and give up when the way is hard. We have not loved our brothers and sisters as you intend. Complacent in the presence of injustice and violence, we fail to recognize our own complicity. Forgive our misuse of power against people, and against your creation. Help us to praise you by living in harmony and peace. Do not be ashamed of us, we pray, but strengthen us in our time of testing. Set us free from fear that we may wholly trust in you. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who shared our flesh and blood.

SILENT PRAYERS AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

†GLORIA PATRI

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymnal Number 581

Tune: GLORIA PATRI

No “Time With Children” today.

Children who wish to go to Children’s Church may now be dismissed.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

CANTICLE

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (refrain only)

Hymnal Number 408

Tune: SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Art Brown

Holy God, your Son Jesus Christ grew in wisdom as a child. Send your Spirit to this place that, in the reading of this scripture, we may, too, grow in wisdom by the proclamation of your Word. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 2:10-18 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 219

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SOLO

“Who Would Send a Baby?”

Alexander Harrelson
by Mary Kay Beall

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Drawdy

Matthew 2:13-23 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 2

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Word that Makes the World a Better Place”

Dr. Drawdy

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

- *The Apostles' Creed -Traditional Version*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

†DOXOLOGY “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Number 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Hymnal Number 306

Tune: DENNIS

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Drawdy

†CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

†POSTLUDE

Organ

“Fugue in A Minor, P. 163”

Makena James

by Johann Pachelbel

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†*The congregation is invited to stand. Those who wish to remain seated are welcome to do so.*

Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill at RevAllanPurtill@gmail.com or call the church office at (828) 859-6683. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.



The church office will be closed
Monday, January 1, 2023

Chancel Meeting

There will be a chancel meeting on Wednesday, January 4th at 4:30 pm in the sanctuary to discuss construction changes.

All are welcome to attend. - *Hank Sibley*

Men's Bible & Breakfast

The Men's B&B will be meeting Thursday, January 5th at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a round table discussion on, The Desert: School of Self Discovery. Ken Shull's team will be preparing breakfast. See you there. - *Pete*

Veteran Pancake Breakfast

Our church will sponsor another free pancake breakfast for Veterans on Saturday, January 14th from 8:30 to 10:00 am. All veterans are welcome. For questions or to offer to help, contact DeAnne Zaeske 828-894-9335.

First Annual Chili Cook Off

You are invited to participate in the first...what we hope will become Annual.... Chili Cook Off in our Fellowship Hall on Saturday, February 4th at 5:30 pm. This is a family event for members and guests with good food and lots of fun.

Prizes will be awarded for the Judge's Best chili and the People's Choice. Those wishing to attend may enter a crock pot of chili or bring food items to accompany the meal...a salad, dessert or cornbread,or just come to enjoy the food and the fun!

A soup alternative and tons of salads will be offered for non-chili eaters. Everyone who plans on attending MUST register by Sunday, January 29th at the table in the welcoming area in order for the committee to plan appropriately.

Come and enjoy a "chili" meal on a "chilly" evening with your family/friends. Surprise entertainment will follow the meal. - *Alan Zaeske*

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 1

First Sunday of Christmas

10:00 am Worship - S

Monday, January 2

Office Closed

Tuesday, January 3

Wednesday, January 4

10:00 am Prayer Group - S

11:00 am Stephen/Friendship Ministry - JCR

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

4:30 pm Chancel Meeting - S

Thursday, January 5

8:30 am Men's Bible & Breakfast - FH

11:30 am Tryon Rotary Club - FH

Friday, January 6

Saturday, January 7

Sunday, January 8

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

10:00 am Worship - S

11:30 am Discussion Group - EB

6:00 om Glory Girls

S=Sanctuary; **FH**=Fellowship Hall; **EB**=Educational Building;
JCR=Jones Conference Room; **CR**=Choir Room; **PS**=Pastor's
 Study; **TE**=Tryon Estates; **WO**=White Oak

We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Hayden Britton
Fran Creasy
Kay Davis
Merle Greene
Amy Leidheiser
Joan Post

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Betty Chamberlain
Mimi Child
Dan Schutter

LAUREL WOODS - COLUMBUS

Gerri Cegielski
Penny Kuether
Ruth Rose

WHITE OAK - TRYON

Ruby Ferverda
(Terri Hendrix's Mother)

MILLITARY MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Michael Meissner

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Debbie Potter
(Mary Potter's daughter-in-law)

...our church family and staff

... our Pastor and Family
Allan, Jenny, Syler and James Purtill

...our partner church, El Mesias
in Flores Costa Cuca, Guatemala
Maria Luisa Lopez Basilio

Daily Bible Readings For This Week

S	01-01	Isa. 63:7-9; Ps. 148; Heb. 2:10-18; Matt. 2:13-23
M	01-02	Psalm 20; Genesis 12:1-7; Hebrews 11:1-12
T	01-03	Psalm 72; Genesis 28:10-22; Hebrews 11:13-22
W	01-04	Psalm 72; Exodus 3:1-5; Hebrews 11:23-31
T	01-05	Psalm 72; Joshua 1:1-9; Hebrews 11:32-12:2
F	01-06	Psalm 72; Isaiah 26:1-9; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18
S	01-07	Psalm 72; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

Weekly Giving
December
Weekly Offerings

	<u>Given</u>	<u>Need</u>
12-04	\$ 5,877	\$ 8,064
12-11	\$ 6,330	\$ 8,064
12-18	\$ 7,209	\$ 8,064
12-25	\$ 20,425	\$ 8,064

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8 am - 11:30 am, 12:30 pm - 5 pm
(11:30-12:30 lunch hour)

Friday
Closed

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