

**Church Office Holiday Schedule...**closed December 26th, open Dec 27, 28, 29 from 8:00am to 1:00pm, closed Dec 30th thru Jan 2nd.

**Music...**thanks to all who participated in our music programs this Christmas season. You all did a marvelous job. See you back in January. Blessings to all! ~Vicki

**Church Leadership Training...** on January 8th @ 6pm for ALL committee members continuing and new and church council members. Please meet in the Sanctuary.

**Wednesday Fellowship Supper...** will resume on January 4th. Make your reservations and join us for good food and fellowship. Make reservations by completing form found on information tables or email Dian at anera\_dian@yahoo.com.

**Red Cross Blood Drive...**give the Gift of Life! Tuesday, January 10th from 1:00pm to 6:00pm in the Family Life Center. Call Debbi Crenshaw @ 747-6457 or email at crenshaws@comsouth.net for more information or to set an appointment.

**Youth...**Small Groups resume on Wednesday, Jan 4th, MYF resumes on Sunday, January 8th. Youth-Led is February 17th - 19th - cost is \$125. Thanks to Doug Decker for cooking a wonderful spaghetti supper for our Youth Christmas party.

**Thanks for Your Support...** thank you for the food, clothing and toys you provided for the children at Miller Elementary and others in the community during this Christmas season. We were able to help many families with your generous donations!

**Thanks...**for the great attendance & participation in our Walk to Bethlehem Advent Walk/Run and the neighborhood prayer walk and events on Sunday. Special thanks to Angie Sams, Anna Hill, Margaret Mathews, Ann Amis, Pat Smith and their crews for the time spent in preparing for the event!

**Altar Flowers...**its time to sign up for altar flowers for 2012. A chart for reserving your special Sunday is located in hallway, near the office, across from the trophy case. Cost is \$40 per order. Complete form located on the board and return to church office. Our altar flowers are not a budgeted item. Thanks ~Janet

**The Contemporary Worship Service ...** is interested in forming a young adult praise band. If you would be interested please contact Tammy Miller at 320-0571 or 929-8092.

**Trinity Prayer Garden...** needs additional gardeners! If you are interested in helping with the upkeep of this beautiful garden please contact Danis at 951-1535.

**Small group studies...**will begin in January. We will be using Rueben Job's book on the Three Simple Rules/ A Wesleyan Way of Living. Contact Margaret Mathews for more information.

*An Order of Worship for Christmas Day  
10:30am/Sanctuary*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

A Time of Greeting Each Other in Christ

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

An Invocation for Christmas

*Good and gracious God, find your dwelling with us here today. Let us never fail to find room for you. Come and abide in us that we also may abide in you. On this holy day, draw us into the mystery of your love. Join our voices with the heavenly host, that we may sing your glory on high.*

Carol #251 "Go Tell It on the Mountain" spiritual

Carol #249 "There's a Song in the Air" Holland / Harrington

Moment with the Children

Celebration of Baptism and Membership Covenant

Special Music "The Word Became Flesh"  
Boan, Brooks & Overcash Families

A Prayer Litany Celebrating Christ's Birth

Response: "Christ is born today ... Christ is born today!"

Offering Our Gifts to God

Carol #220 "Angels From the Realms of Glory" Montgomery / Smart

Special Music "What Child Is This?" Kathy Malone

Christmas Blessings...

Carol #217 "Away in a Manger" Murray

Carol #219 "What Child Is This?" Dix

Special Music Rick Womack

Three Poems for Christmas Day...

Carol #236 "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" Tate / Handel

Carol #246 "Joy to the World" Watts / Handel

Closing Prayer

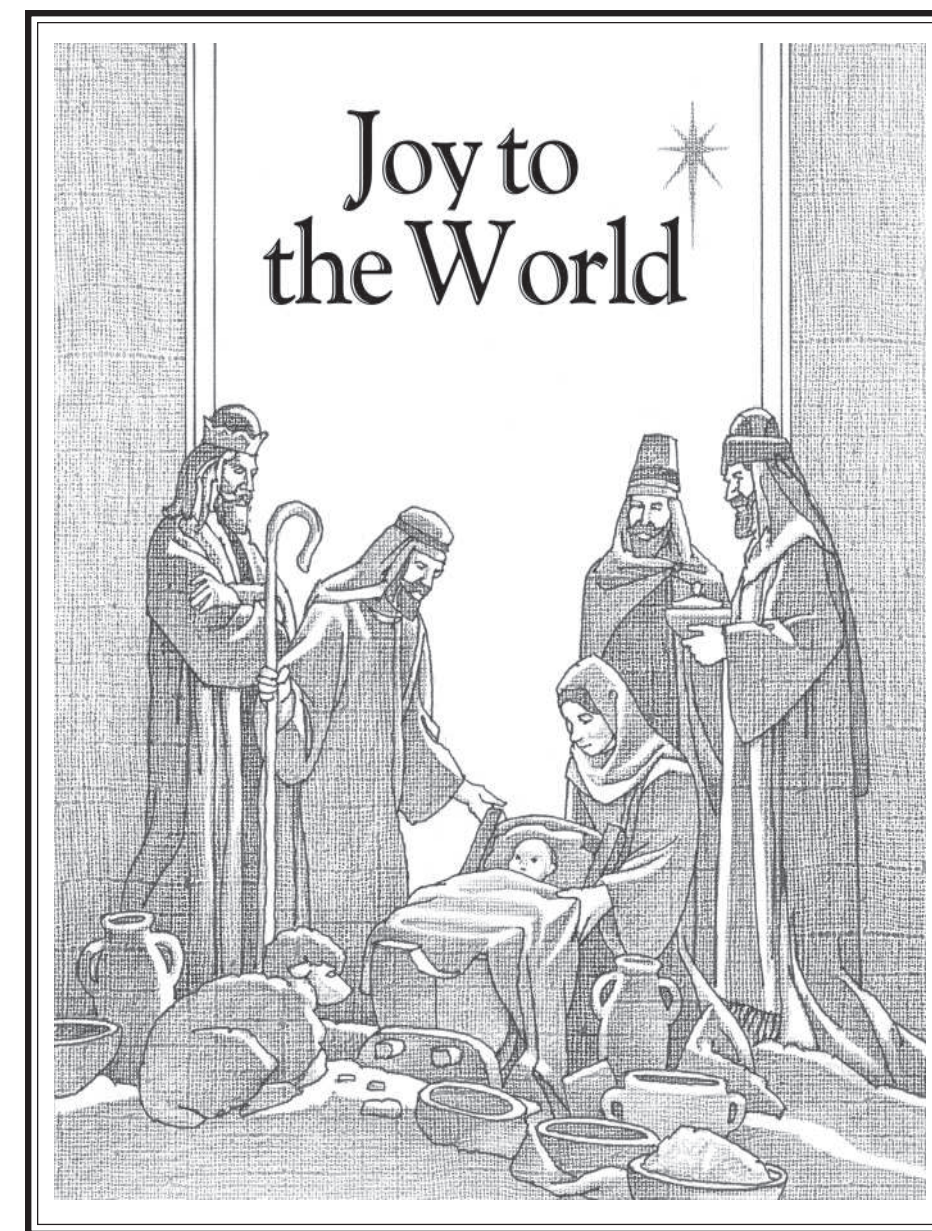
Altar Flowers are given by Karen & Charlie Hendrix in honor of the Trinity Chancel Choir - the best choir in the world!



TRINITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 24, 2011 ~ 4:00PM & 6:00PM  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH ~ 10:30AM



129 South Houston Road, Warner Robins, GA 31088  
478-923-3797/www.trinity-methodist.org

**PRELUDE**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVOCATION**

Holy God, come into this holy night with stars to light our way to the cradle of peace. Come with angels to sing us to a deep joy. Come to this moment and open our hearts so we may hear the familiar story new and fresh. Surprise us and remind us that the child in the manger is Emmanuel - God with us, now and always. Amen

**\*CAROL NO. 246** "Joy to the World"

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES** David Sams Family

*Prayer:* Gracious and loving God, we thank you tonight that in a world filled with difficulties, you have given us Good News! Thank you for the gift of Christ! Help us to reflect His light in the world. Amen.

**CAROL NO. 230** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (v.1&2)

**PROCESSION OF BANNERS**

**CAROL NO. 220** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (v.1&4)

**PROCESSION OF BELLS**

**CAROL NO. 234** "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful" (v. 1,3&6)

**PROCESSION OF FLOWERS**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "Silent Night" Justin, Abbie & Adalyn Carr

**CHRISTMAS STORY** Luke 2:1-14

**CAROL NO. 217** "Away in a Manger"

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

The gifts we leave at the altar rail go to support the "Agape Fund" which provides food, shelter and other assistance to the poor in our community.

**CAROL NO. 239** "Silent Night"

**\*CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT WITH US**

**\*BENEDICTION**

All are invited to the Family Life Center as we share a birthday cake in celebration of Jesus, God's gift to the world.

**Communion Servers:** Lozano Family, Croxford Family



Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright,  
Round yon virgin mother and child.  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior born.

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light;  
radiant beams from thy holy face  
with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;  
with the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

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**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES** Kurtz Family

*Prayer:* Gracious and loving God, we thank you tonight that in a world filled with difficulties, you have given us Good News! Thank you for the gift of Christ! Help us to reflect his light in the world. Amen.

**CAROL #230** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (stanzas 1&2)

**A CHRISTMAS PRAYER**

Liturgist: Loving God, deep in the night,  
**People: When all the world had locked the doors on love,**  
Liturgist: And closed the shutters on hope,  
**People: You pierced the darkness with Light and a baby's cry.**  
Liturgist: Never again shall we be alone.  
**People: No more shall we be controlled by fear.**  
Liturgist: For Christ, the Light of the World is born!  
**People: Gracious God, open us once again to this miracle,**  
Liturgist: This wonder that you became one with us.  
**People: Let the angels sing for us;**  
Liturgist: Let the star shine for us;  
**People: Let the child smile at us;**  
**Here and now on this holy night. Amen.**

**THE BIRTH IN BETHLEHEM** Luke 2:1-7  
**THE ANGELS AND THE SHEPHERDS** Luke 2:8-20

**PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**  
**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

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**SPECIAL MUSIC** "I Wonder As I Wander" Pam Alligood

**THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD** John 1:1-14

**\*SHARING OF CHRIST'S LIGHT**

**CAROL** "Silent Night"

**Communion Servers:** Margaret Mathews, Jean Noble, Ken & Pam Alligood