ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today in Worship:

11:00 am One Worship Service Celebrating Rev. Dr. Regi Thackston as Pastor Emeritus of Trinity

Special Worship Music Provided by Trinity Orchestra

Special Worship Anthem Provided by Trinity Celebration Choir

We will share in a fellowship meal immediately following worship.

Beyond Sunday: Our Wednesday Night Ministry

<u>Dinner menu:</u> Lasagna, Caesar salad, French bread, and dessert. Please make your dinner reservations by calling the church office before noon on Tuesday.

Living Faith

As a child of God, each one of us has a powerful story to tell and yet sometimes we shy away from opportunities to share how God is at work in our life. As a result, we often don't say anything at all about our faith. But if God calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel, we have to start somewhere! Join us on Wednesday nights for our Beyond Sunday Series, "Living Faith". Each Wednesday we will have members and friends of Trinity share how they live out their faith in their daily life – in their home, career, community...etc. Come and listen...come and support!

UMW Circle Meetings will meet Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

Circles 1 & 2 ~ 10am, Trinity Parlor Circle 3 ~ 3pm, Anna Bynum 321C West Calhoun

Circle 4 ~ 4pm, Sandy Cone 2761 Powhatan Drive Circle 5 May 15th ~ 7pm, Norma Stone 160 Trad Circle

Sumter Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

The Sumter Prayer breakfast is THIS Thursday, May 3rd at Alice Drive Baptist Church. The breakfast is at 6:45 am, and the program begins at 7:30 am. The keynote speaker is Jennifer Benjamin Pickney, wife of the late senator Clementa Pickney, pastor of Emmanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC. You can purchase a ticket for \$10 in the church office, or you can pay \$12 at the door. For more information, you can call (864)430-4540 or go to www.sumterprays.com.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School Registration begins TODAY! Please take time to register your child and sign up to volunteer!

Our Service

<u>Preacher</u>: Rev. Joseph James <u>Liturgist</u>: Rev. Angela Marshall

Acolytes: Thomas Creech & Ember Salazar

Crucifer: Christopher Roberts

Media Team Volunteers: Ed Snyder, Bob Rearden, Susan Ward, Charlie Poag, &

Geoff Roberts

Greeters:

Parking Lot:

Council Street: Buck & Dena James

Nursery:

Sunday School:

Baby: Callie McAdams Toddler: Cam McAdams

11:00 Worship:

Baby: Ragin Lee Toddler: Eadon Lee Children's Church:

Carolyn Putnam, Paul Riggs, & Halle Stone

April Ushers:

Captain: Wayne Gamble, Danny Chandler, Arland Compton, John Pate Jr, & Eddie Drayton

April Trustee: Jamie Bateman

Your Church Staff

Clergy

Senior Pastor: Rev. Joseph R. James, Jr. Associate Pastor of Discipleship:

Rev. Angela Marshall

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Regi Thackston

Music Ministries

Director: Charles Haraway Organist: Beth Lewallen Senior Adult Ministries

Director of Visitation: Kristi Downer

<u>Trinity Day School</u> Director: Kristi Downer

Ministry Support

Artist in Residence: Worth Lewallen Business Manager: Gwen McElveen Church Secretary: Christina Kinley Church Custodian: Sherri Coulter Church Maintenance: Earl Coulter

Temporary Church Secretary: Kimberly Higham

Church Calendar Sunday, April 29

8:45 am Bluegrass Service 9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Service

Tuesday, May 1

UMW Circles 1-4 Meeting 6:30 am Iron Men Bible Study

9:30am VBS Work Day Wednesday, May 2

10:30 am Staff Meeting 4:45 pm Trinity Ringers

5:00 pm Bible Study with Rev. Joseph James

5:30 pm Asbury Ringers, Cherub Bells & Wesley Singers

6:00 pm Dinner 6:25 pm Hymn Sing

6:30 pm "Living Faith" 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

<u> Trinity Orchestra Members</u>

Violins: Worth Lewallen, Samara Castleberry, John Merkel, & Tyler Brown

Viola: Christopher Robinson Flute: Barbara Rearden Clarinet: Phyllis Haskins Trumpets: Charlie Poag & Paul Booth

Baritone: Arland Compton
Double Bass: Wesley

Castleberry

<u>Timpani:</u> Stephen Winn

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

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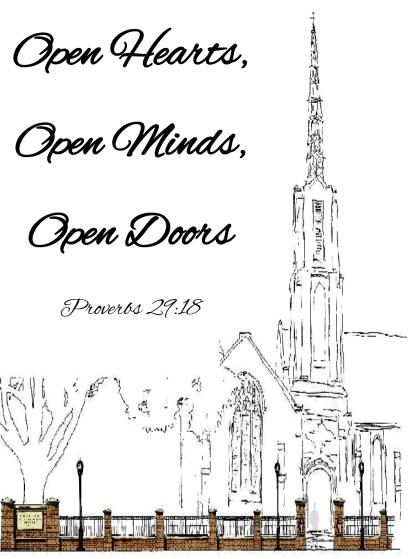
Sunday Radio Broadcast

Boyle Bible Class 10am WDXY - 1240AM 11am Worship Service WIBZ - 95.5FM Nursery Available





April 29, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Easter



11:00 am Worship Service

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

Fanfare

C. Tambling

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the wilderness, water brings life.

People: Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.
Leader: In the Word of God, the good news gives light
People: Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.
Leader: In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior

nourishes everyone.

People: Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.

Leader: Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity. Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

INTROIT

UMH #326

The Head That Once Was Crowned Kelly/Monk

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL

UMH #315

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

*OPENING PRAYER

Wondrous Vinegrower, you make all things new in water and Word, feeding your people with love, joy, and peace. Lead us today and every day to the font of new beginnings. Teach us to love what you have commanded and to prune what does not nourish your creation, in the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*PSALTER

UMH #759

Psalm 25:25-31

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #71

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Joseph James

Following Children's Message, children ages 4—2nd Grade are invited to attend Children's Worship

ANTHEM

Ray

He Never Failed Me Yet
Trinity Celebration Choir

RECOGNITION OF THE REVEREND DR. T. REGINALD THACKSTON AS PASTOR EMERITUS

*GOSPEL HYMN

UMH #598

O Word of God Incarnate (v. 1)

*GOSPEL LESSON

NT, pg. 878

John 15:1-8

*GOSPEL HYMN

UMH #598

O Word of God Incarnate (v. 3)

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Regi Thackston

"How Is It With Your Soul?"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #881

JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE MORNING PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #94

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*RECESSIONAL

UMH #303

The Day of Resurrection

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

UMH #549

Reinagle

Where Charity and Love Prevail

POSTLUDE

*Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

Welcome



There are no visitors in God's house, only family members we have not yet met. If this is your first time worshipping with us, welcome home! We are always glad to meet new members of God's family! Please fill out the friendship roster at the end of the pew so we will have a record of your visit.

Our Prayers

Family of
Janet Ague
Mary Elizabeth
Ariail
Tom Cook
Cathy Hanzlik

Laurelle Hartin Carol Kirven Frances LaRoche Jim Magee Madeline Meyers

Keith & Ann Schultz Louise Segars Gifford Shaw Don Tindall

Laura Onsrud

If you have a prayer request, call the church. Your request is posted for 4 weeks. If you would like it to remain longer, please call the church.



The flowers on the alter this morning are given to the glory of God in honor of our grandchildren Gracelynn McDougald and Chase Murphy and in memory of our grandson Ayden Vanderhoof by Wes and Robin Murphy.

Reverend Dr. T. Reginald Thackston

The Rev. Dr. Thackston has been in ministry since 1956; he was ordained an elder in 1961. In addition to service in the North Georgia Annual Conference, Regi has served in the South Carolina Annual Conference in churches throughout South Carolina: Norway Charge, Norway; First UMC, Hemingway; Trinity UMC, Conway; Asbury Memorial UMC, Columbia; First UMC, Marion; John Wesley UMC, Charleston; and Trenholm Road UMC, Columbia. Regi retired in 1997. He has had his charge conference membership at Trinity, Sumter ever since.

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Our Presence April 22, 2018

 Sunday School:
 152

 8:45 am Service:
 56

 11:00 am Service:
 196

 Total:
 252