



The Trinitarian

December 2022 Newsletter

Drive Thru Nativity

At the Fairhope Pier
December 11th 5 - 7pm



CHRISTMAS EVE

Candlelight Service

DECEMBER 24
4PM & 6PM



A Warm Welcome to our New Members!



Earl and Susan McCarty



Marilyn Morris



Eugene Newcomer



Christmas Giving Opportunities 2022

November 20 – December 11: Toy Drive Fundraiser

Presbyterian Women will sponsor a **church-wide toy drive** to support Ecumenical Ministries. Please bring new, unwrapped toys appropriate for children ages 6 months to 13 years. Please bring your donation to the church office by Sunday, December 11.

Suggestions: baby dolls, Barbie dolls, jewelry, hair ribbons, stuffed animals, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, baseballs, shirts/caps with sports emblems, watches, board games, books

November 20– December 11: Angel Tree

Pick up your angel's name(s) from the tree in Trinity Hall and bring unwrapped gifts for children to Trinity Hall by Sunday, December 11. Place name/family number on each gift and bring it in the bag provided.

November 20 – December 11: Nursing Home Tree

Presbyterian Women are helping to provide Christmas goodie bags (store-bought treats, not homemade) to residents of Fairhope Health/Rehab. Names are available on the tree in Trinity Hall. Please return your goodie bag with attached tag to Trinity Hall by Sunday, December 11.

December 24: Christmas Eve Offering

The Christmas Eve offering is being received for The Baldwin Family Village. This non-profit ministry is the first of its kind in Baldwin County and will provide transitional housing and support services for homeless women and their children. The facility was purchased in June of this year through church and community donations. The goal now is to fund the first year of operating costs (approximately \$540,000) by April 1, 2023, so that the facility can begin serving families in need. The Baldwin Family Village will operate as a program of the Dumas Wesley Community Center, and it's estimated that 100 women with children will be helped each year. Please make your check out to Trinity Presbyterian, designating "Baldwin County Village" on the memo line.



LiveStream Volunteers Needed!



We are looking for some **volunteers to assist the Livestream (L/S) team** for the 10am worship service approximately once a month. No computer technical expertise is required, although that would be helpful.

Duties would include operating the L/S software on a laptop and remotely controlling the L/S camera.

The operator is stationed in the organ room adjacent to the sanctuary where a detailed operator's manual is available. Training is provided - no charge!

If you are interested, please contact:

Dan Detman
251-454-9247

djdetman@att.net

Trinity Tables of 8



Trinity Tables of 8 is a fun and exciting way to connect with people in the church. If you would like to meet others from Trinity in a casual and relaxed atmosphere, then this group is for you!

These meals provide singles, couples, and families an opportunity to share a meal as a church family. The purpose is to mix our members up so that new relationships develop and grow. Each group plans its own meals and gets together once during each two-month period (Jan/Feb, March/April, May/June). The group can meet in one another's homes, at a restaurant, or anywhere else... it's up to you!

Being a host is really quite easy. You are responsible for coordinating the location, date and food sign-ups for the meal. Typically, the host provides the main dish, and the group members bring appetizer, salad and dessert to round out the meal. We think potluck dinners are the best way to go. No matter what you choose to do, have fun!

To participate, you can fill out a registration form in the church bulletin or you can email Stephanie Crowe sgcrowe@bellsouth.net. Once groups are formed, the first host will be selected for each group. They will contact the members to arrange the details of the first gathering.

**MISSION:
POSSIBLE**

Trinity's Mission Giving for 2022

Trinity's congregation has been generous in giving to the church budget, and the **Witness and Outreach Committee** has had charge of distributing our benevolence funds of \$107,000 throughout the year. We want the congregation to know how your monies have been spent and all the ways that you have touched lives and served others locally, nationally, and in foreign fields.

A large portion of our budget goes to support the work of South Alabama Presbytery in its many functions. The bulk of our foreign mission dollars has gone to Guatemala, both to serve the churches in and around Coban and to support the ministry of water installation in Monjas by our church members.

Other funds go to Presbyterian Children's Home, Kairos Prison Ministry, and Campus Outreach at the University of South Alabama. Locally we support several groups that aid youth: Neighborhood Bridges (an organization that helps local school children in need), Fairhope Rotary Youth Club / Point Clear, and Cory Martin's FIS Club for young boys. For the community at large, funds go to Ecumenical Ministries, Chili for Charity, Family Promise, Alabama Free Clinic, and the Drive-Thru Nativity. We are also contributing to the churchwide Christmas offering for the Baldwin Family Village. Our committee is thankful for the opportunity to act for the congregation in serving God through giving.

Prayer Requests . . .



Lisa Agnew (sister of Beth Horn)	Lupus
Joyce Allmon (daughter of Maurice and Fran Hocquard)	multiple myeloma
Mickey Bell (sister of Rebecca Mikulka)	lung cancer
Ginger Callahan	healing
Ella Comer (great-niece of Skip Boulter)	cancer
Richard Crum	melanoma
Gay Gibson (daughter of Blanche Wise)	brain aneurysm
Jack Grimsley (Fairhope High School student)	cancer
Susan Ham	healing
Katie Hamlin	neurological
Perry Hartley	general health
Frank James (friend of Em Johnson)	general health
Grace James (friend of Mike & Glenda Murphy)	dementia
Frances Jarrett (sister of Bonnie Robinson)	neurological issues
Denise Jones	recovery from fall/surgeries
Warren Krhut (brother of Fred Krhut & Donna Anderson)	general health
Pasha Majdi (son-in-law of T.J. and Jan Rosandich)	colon cancer
Hap Partridge	recovery from back injury
Brownie Post	cancer
Primm Scott (daughter of Margie Whiteside)	diabetes and healing
Tanya Spaulding (mother of Parisa Clarke)	ALS
Walter Stevens (friend of Sheri Vanche)	cancer
Melissa Walker (daughter of Brownie Post)	melanoma

Highlights from the November Session Meeting –

Linda Glaze, Clerk

- At the October 13, 2022, Stated Session Meeting, the Session unanimously approved the Personnel Committee's recommendation to grant a Sabbatical to Pastor Matt McCollum for three months during 2023. He will be away between January 3 – 16, 2023 and May 15 – July 31, 2023. In his absence, Pastor Bill Quinn and Rev. Dr. Julian Walthall will preach on Sundays.
- New members were received on Sunday, November 6, 2022: Mr. Earl McCarty (Susan) joined by Reaffirmation of Faith; Mr. Eugene Newcomer by Certificate of Transfer from Grace Brethren Church in York, PA; Ms. Marilyn Morris joined by Certificate of Transfer from Orange Beach Presbyterian Church in Orange Beach, AL.
- The request from Jay & Samantha Broughton for the Sacrament of Baptism for their daughter, Lucy Broughton, to be held on February 19, 2023, was approved.
- Charles Davis volunteered to serve as the second Commissioner along with Bill Hill at the December 6, 2022, virtual Presbytery meeting.
- The Session approved the following representatives for the Officer Nominating Committee: (Elders) Darrell Adams, Ginny McCrory, Cynthia Nelson, and Kit Smith; (PW) Martha Brechlin, Priscilla Comer; (Choir) Donna Wilson; (Youth) Virginia McCrory; (Ushers) Scott Mayes.
- Pastor Matt informed the Session that San Carlos Alzatate will be the location of the next Living Waters project (July 15, 2023-July 22, 2023). It is hoped that a larger group that will also install cook stoves will be able to participate. A small group will travel February 13-18, 2023, to establish the Covenant.
- Roger Ahrens reviewed the financial report for the period ending October 31, 2022. He noted that the financial situation overall is in a favorable position.



Joseph Graben	12/1
Rick Kirby	12/4
Nolan Yoho	12/4
Brian Hixon	12/7
Glenda Murphy	12/7
Harry Toothaker	12/7
Caroline Gaster	12/8
Denise Jones	12/8
Renee Davis	12/9
Debbie Hilderbrandt	12/10
Christo Kok	12/10
Michele Strength	12/10
Annalynn Clarke	12/11
Ethan Kok	12/11
Emma Strength	12/11
Sheri Vanche	12/12
Wright Wilcoxon	12/12
Beth Hamilton	12/13
Richard Lytle	12/13
Katie McKenzie	12/13
Heather Scroggie	12/13
Charlie Broughton	12/14
Dean Nolting	12/14
Wills Ready	12/14
Treasure Hervey	12/15
Grace Davis	12/16
LaVern Haver	12/16
Leah Teel	12/18
Ava Kuhn	12/19
Wes Havard	12/20
Tim Hudson	12/20
Jan Rosandich	12/20
Bill Byars	12/21
Richard Crum	12/21
Everett Mohler	12/21
Chuck Kiefer	12/22
Jane Turrentine	12/22
Aaron Watkins	12/23
Mitch Whiteside	12/23
Elizabeth Kuhn	12/24
Carol Smith	12/25
Vivian Allen	12/26
Pam Buck	12/26
Cole Wellborn	12/27
Kathy Hosterman	12/28
Joan Morgan	12/28
Buddy Brackin	12/29
Joanna Brandon	12/29
Colquitt Nolting	12/29
Sally Ussery	12/29
Susie Hamlin	12/31
Bob Hasewinkle	12/31
Cynthia Nelson	12/31



BAPTISM

anniversaries

"We promise to love, encourage and support you. And we promise to share the good news of the gospel with you, and to help you know and follow Christ."

Campbell MacKellar

December 23, 2008
Son of Hollie and Bryant MacKellar

Lillian Kate Rawson

December 24, 2005
Daughter of Kate Wellborn and Kevin Rawson



PW Coordinating Team will meet in the office parlor, Monday, December 5th, at 10:00 am.

Presbyterian Women will meet **Monday, December 12th**, for their annual **Christmas Luncheon**. We begin with our meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary and then move to Trinity Hall for the luncheon. **Please bring a salad to share.**

PW Night Circle will meet Monday, December 12th, at 6:45 p.m., in the home of Shirley Shipman, 222 Divot Loop in Fairhope.



Trinity volunteers helped spruce up the Family Promise home in Summerdale.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Grief Support Lunch 12 noon	2	3
4 <i>The Lord's Supper</i> Worship 8am & 10am Tri Youth 5:30pm	5 PW Coordinating Team 10am Congregational Care 1:30pm	6 Men's Bible Study 6:30am CBS Leaders 8am	7 Choir Practice 6:30pm	8 Session Meeting 6pm	9	10
11 Worship 8am & 10am Drive Thru Nativity 5-7 pm 	12 PW Study & Christmas Luncheon 10:30am PW Night Circle 6:45pm	13 Men's Bible Study 6:30am CBS Leaders 8am	14 Choir Practice 6:30pm	15	16	17
18 Lessons & Carols 8am & 10am All Committees 11:15am Tri Youth Lock-in 5:30pm	19	20 Men's Bible Study 6:30am  Send your news to Ana at the church office.	21	22	23 Church Office Closed	24 Christmas Eve Services 4 pm & 6 pm 
25 Christmas Day Worship 10am only 	26 Church Office Closed	27 Men's Bible Study 6:30am	28	29	30 Church Office Closed	31