

# Advent & Christmas

Season @ Trinity

## TONIGHT

5:00 pm Churchwide Christmas Party  
(Sponsored by The Alpha Course)  
*Skate Station Funworks*

### Wednesday, December 14

5:30 pm Family Christmas Dinner  
(Advance ticket purchase required)  
*in the Worship Center/Banquet-Side*

5:30 pm Live Nativity  
*Outside in front of the Worship Center*

6:35 pm A 6:35 Christmas Service  
(Contemporary Acoustic Worship)  
*in the Chapel*

7:30 pm Christmas Cantata  
(with Combined Adult Choirs & Orchestra)  
*in the Worship Center*

### Wednesday, December 21

6:35 pm Longest Night Service  
(A hope-filled service of darkness to light for those struggling with grief and living with loss)  
*in the Chapel*

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

#### Saturday, December 24

(Communion & candlelight at all services except Children's)

3:00 pm Children's

4:30 pm Traditional\*

6:30 pm Contemporary\*

9:30 pm Blended  
(Sonlight Youth Choir & Band Concert @ 9:00 pm)  
*in the Worship Center*

11:00 pm Traditional  
*in the Chapel*

### CHRISTMAS DAY

#### Sunday, December 25

10:00 am One Service Only  
*in the Worship Center*

\*Childcare available (ages 0-Pre-K) for the 4:30 and 6:30 pm services.

### Upcoming Sermons

#### Sunday, December 11

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - JOY  
Title: "Overwhelmed by Joy"  
Scripture: Isaiah 35:1-10 & Matthew 11:2-11

#### Sunday, December 18

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - LOVE  
Title: "Quiet Dismissal"  
Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25

#### Saturday, December 24

CHRISTMAS EVE  
Title: "Yes...and"  
Scripture: Luke 2:1-20

#### Sunday, December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY  
10:00 am One Service Only  
Scripture: John 1:1-18

#### Sunday, January 1

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

#### Sunday, January 8

SERMON SERIES: Love & Marriage

## Trinity UMC Connection Card

### Welcome Home!

We invite everyone to fill out a Connection Card and place it in the offering plate.

**SUNDAY**  8:15 am  9:40 am  11:00 am

9:40 am (Healing Service)

**WEDNESDAY**  6:35 pm

Mr./Mrs./Ms.

Please Print Name (s)

### Children in Family:

Names & Ages

First Time Guest  Regular Attender **How Did You Hear About Us?**  
 Member  New/Updated Info

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Email

### Want More Information?

- Small Groups/Classes  Youth Ministry  Music Ministries  
 Baptism  Opportunities To Serve  Missions  
 Children's Ministries  Care Ministries Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Name Tags:

- Yes, I would like a Name Tag. Please print how you would like your name to appear.

(Please pick up Name Tag at the Welcome Center)

8:15 am

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Hymn

*It Came Upon the  
Midnight Clear #218*

Lighting of the  
Advent Wreath - Hope

Family: Dora Lee Bryan

Response

*O Little Town of  
Bethlehem #230*

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Hymn

*Infant Holy,  
Infant Lowly #229*

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

*Prepare and Celebrate!  
(Martin)*

Chalice Choir

Sermon

Sacrament of  
Holy Communion

*Once in Royal  
David's City #250*

Closing Hymn

*Angels We have  
Heard on High #238*

Benediction

9:40 am

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Hymn

*Come Thou Long  
Expected Jesus #196  
(Wesley, Prichard)*

Lighting of the Advent  
Wreath - Hope

Family: Rick, Sarah,  
Clay & Nicholas Cain

Response

*O Little Town of  
Bethlehem #230*

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Song

*What Child is This #219  
Traditional English Folk Melody  
"Greensleeves"*

Offertory

*Grown-Up Christmas List  
(Foster, Thompson, Jenner)  
Sonlight Youth Choir & Band*

Sermon

Sacrament of  
Holy Communion

*Welcome To Our World  
(Chris Rice)*

Closing Song

*Sing We Now  
of Christmas #237  
Traditional French Carol (Riggio)*

Benediction

Postlude

11:00 am

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Hymn

*It Came Upon the  
Midnight Clear #218*

Lighting of the  
Advent Wreath - Hope

Family: Chad & Melissa  
McGinnis

Response

*O Little Town of  
Bethlehem #230*

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Hymn

*Infant Holy,  
Infant Lowly #229*

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Benediction

Postlude



A PLACE TO BELONG. A PLACE TO BECOME. A PLACE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Sunday, December 4, 2016

### CO-PASTORS:

Catherine Fluck Price & Steve Price

### ASSOCIATE PASTORS:

Aaron Rousseau & Lenora Rousseau



# When Pigs Fly

Isaiah 11:1-10

REV. CATHERINE FLUCK PRICE

Notes

### REGULAR WORSHIP SERVICES:

#### Sunday, Worship Center

8:15 am Early Service (Chalice Choir)

9:40 am Sonlight Service (Youth Choir & Band)

11:00 am Traditional Service (Chancel Choir)

#### Sunday School, Education Building

9:40 & 11:00 am For All Ages

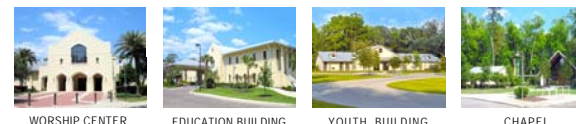
#### Sunday, Chapel

9:40 am Order of St. Luke Healing Service  
(Second Sunday of each month)

#### Wednesday, Chapel

6:35 pm Contemporary Service (Acoustic)

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday,  
8:30 am-4:00 pm / Friday, 8:30 am-1:00 pm



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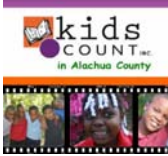


**Stay Connected:** There's so much happening at Trinity, it's hard to keep it all straight! You can always find the latest information here in the bulletin, on the website ([www.trinitygnv.org](http://www.trinitygnv.org)) and in the Tuesday Word (sign up at [www.trinitygnv.org/maillinglist](http://www.trinitygnv.org/maillinglist)).

## Missions

**Ted Gruesser, 352-416-3043 or (tgruesser@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/missions](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/missions))



**This morning's Mission Box supports Kids Count of Alachua County, which provides an opportunity for students who need extra support in the community to succeed in school and life.** Kids Count programs support the whole child and focus on three main areas; academics, social skill development, and enrichment. They currently have two program sites, and each program is led by staff and supported by volunteers. For more information, visit ([kidscountalachuacounty.org](http://kidscountalachuacounty.org)). Thank you for your support!

**Family Promise Spirit Night:** Help homeless children in Alachua County and enjoy a holiday meal with Santa and Mrs. Claus (6:00-8:00 pm) at the same time! Join other Family Promise supporters on December 12, 5:00-10:00 pm, at Northwest Grille (5115 NW 39th Ave) and 10% of what you spend will be donated to Family Promise ([familypromisegvl.org/events](http://familypromisegvl.org/events)). Kids eat for just 99 cents. Spread the word to family, friends and co-workers! For more information, contact Sandra Lovegrove ([canes64reunion@gmail.com](mailto:canes64reunion@gmail.com)).

A community needs your help! Trinity will be taking a mission team to **El Salvador** to drill a well with **Living Water International** (<http://water.cc>) from **January 22-28, 2017**. If you are interested in being a part of this great opportunity please contact Ted Gruesser. We have limited spots available so act fast.

## Children

**Elizabeth Jones, 352-416-3045 or (ejones@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/children](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/children))

Mark your calendars for the **Children's Ministries upcoming events**. For more details, see the bulletin board outside of the Children's Ministries Office (room 108) or visit ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/children](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/children)). **Children's Christmas Eve Service – New Time @ 3:00 pm!**

## Youth

**Brian Wittstruck, 352-416-3011 or (bwittstruck@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/yoots](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/yoots))



**Youth Ministries Christmas Caroling** - The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear! So come to UMYF TONIGHT and we'll meet and eat in the Youth Building, then go sing at the Atrium (Senior Living & Retirement Community), and finish up by coming back to the Youth Building for s'mores and hot cocoa! It's one of our favorite nights of the year, so don't miss it! Don't Forget: Confirmation and Middle School Mystery Trip forms are available at our webpage listed above.

## Sports

**Ben Haines, 352-416-3072 or (sportsministry@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/sports](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/sports))

**Upward Basketball and Cheerleading** season begins Monday, **December 5** (for girls and boys K-5th grade). You can register at ([trinitygnv.org/upcomingevents](http://trinitygnv.org/upcomingevents)) or for more information, call 352-333-7700 x105 or email ([myupwardinfo@gmail.com](mailto:myupwardinfo@gmail.com)).

## Adult

**Kim Lewerenz, 352-416-3074 or (klewerenz@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/adults](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/adults))



**Registration is now open for the upcoming classes beginning in January.** You can register at ([trinitygnv.org/upcomingevents](http://trinitygnv.org/upcomingevents)), stop by the table outside the Worship Center today or contact Kim Lewerenz.

### WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

- **Bible Basics:** 1/11-2/15, 6:30-7:30 pm, room 211, led by Jean Evans
- **Invitation to John:** 1/11-5/3, 6:30-8:00 pm, room 226, led by Richard Neiberger
- **A Disciple's Path:** 1/18-2/22, 6:30-7:30 pm, room 203/204, led by Revs. Catherine & Steve

### SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

- **Growing Wise with Proverbs:** 1/15-3/19, 3:00-4:30 pm, room 225, led by June Masters

### TUESDAY EVENINGS

- **Financial Peace:** 1/17-3/14, 6:30-8:30 pm, room 222, led by Richard Ritari (Childcare is not available for this course)

## SMALL GROUPS

**Tuesday Morning Moms** (9:30-11:30 am, room 203/204) will begin reading *Fervent: A Woman's Battle Plan to Serious, Specific and Strategic Prayer* by Priscilla Shirer on **January 10**. Books are \$10 and will be available on Sunday, January 8 or on the first day of class. Childcare is available. (Registration not required)

New Small Group called **Perspectives** begins Wednesday, **January 11**, 6:30-8:00 pm, O Dean Martin Prayer Room, led by Julie Crosby. Perspectives is a weekly discussion group that will explore current social justice issues in a supportive environment in order to consider the intersection of our faith and these issues in light of scripture, tradition, experience, and reason. All are welcome to join! Childcare is available. (Registration not required)

## Music

**Alice Wallis, 352-416-3016 or (awallis@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/music](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/music))



**Canticles in Candlelight - Family Christmas Dinner & A Cantata For Christmas:** This year's dinner will be on Wednesday, **December 14** at 5:30 pm, followed by the Cantata at 7:30 pm. Tickets for dinner are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5-9. Reservations/tickets required for dinner only (tickets are not required for the Cantata) and are due by December 11. To order tickets, contact Bree Kerwin at 352-416-3017 or ([bkerwin@trinitygnv.org](mailto:bkerwin@trinitygnv.org)).

## Care

**Lenora Rousseau, 352-416-3033 or (lrousseau@trinitygnv.org)**

For more information, visit our webpage ([trinitygnv.org/ministries/support](http://trinitygnv.org/ministries/support))

**Healing Touch Cancer Support Group** will not meet in December but we will be having a sandwich supper get-together for Christmas on Thursday, **December 8** at 5:30 pm in the Trinity Atrium. Our Christmas party is a time for patients, friends and family and survivors to join us as we look to Christ who brings us hope and healing. If we can help, call Marcey at 352-331-2960 or Margie at 386-462-9592.

Come join the Trinity **Widows and Widowers** group at Northwest Grill, 5:30 pm, on the **first Tuesday** of each month as we enjoy the fellowship of a meal together. For questions, contact Betty Greathouse at 352-559-3345 or ([bettycarrgreathouse@gmail.com](mailto:bettycarrgreathouse@gmail.com)).

**A Weekly Prayer Group** meets on Thursdays, 7:00 pm, in the Chapel. All are welcome to join or leave a Prayer Request in the Chapel. We love praying for others! For more information, contact: Jay Schnedl ([jschnedl@me.com](mailto:jschnedl@me.com)).

**Order of St. Luke Healing Service:** Meets every **2nd Sunday** of the month at **9:40 am, in the Chapel**. OS is a Christian healing ministry dedicated to the order of faith, prayer and service. For more information, contact Lenora Rousseau.

## Family



**Christmas Poinsettia Dedications:** Due by Wednesday, **December 14**. Please make out your dedication on one of the envelopes available in the literature racks around the church and insert \$15 (check payable to Trinity UMC) or visit ([trinitygnv.org/advent](http://trinitygnv.org/advent)) to make your dedication online. Place the completed envelope/donation in the offering plate during a church service or bring to the Reception Desk in the Education Building.

This morning's **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God.

If you wish to reserve the Altar Flowers, the cost is \$30.00 per arrangement. For more information, contact Shannon Rosselle at 352-416-3005 or ([srosselle@trinitygnv.org](mailto:srosselle@trinitygnv.org)).

## Advent

**Advent Devotionals:** Join Christians around the world as we all celebrate Advent, the season when we prepare our hearts, minds and souls for the coming of Christ! This year, for our Advent devotionals we will be participating in the **#pictureadvent program**. To sign up, visit ([lecfamily.org/advent](http://lecfamily.org/advent)). LECFamily is the intergenerational program ministry of the Life Enrichment Center, a retreat and conference center of the Florida Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.



**Traveler's Pack:** As we remember Christ this Advent season, we also have the opportunity to "be still" and listen to His invitation for us to participate in a new and deeper walk with Him. The Traveler's Pack is a 6 session discovery tool created by Christianne Squires to help you discover and prepare for such a walk. A new blog post will be added every Sunday during Advent along with a downloadable session of the Traveler's Pack. To learn more, visit ([trinitygnv.blogspot.com](http://trinitygnv.blogspot.com)).

## General



TUMW (Trinity United Methodist Women) hosts **Church Women United** (A racially, culturally, theologically inclusive ecumenical women's movement), Friday, **December 9**, 9:30 am, in the Chapel. The human rights program is "Experiencing Blessings at the Table." Jennifer Beagle, Director of Gainesville's Women's House of Hope, will be the keynote speaker. You are invited!

**Dorcas Needs a Leader!** Dorcas is the TUMW group whose members respond to expressed community needs for items which can be knitted, crocheted or sewn. The leader would meet with the group on a quarterly basis, make connections with community organizations who have needs for items made, and maintain a supply cabinet with patterns, yarn and fabrics. If you are interested, please contact Linda Cook at ([ldcook45@gmail.com](mailto:ldcook45@gmail.com)).

Join us for the **Live Nativity** on Wednesday, **December 14** from 5:30-7:30 pm. Invite your friends and neighbors to gather around the big oak tree, sip hot cocoa and view the live nativity (preschool and elementary children dressed as the nativity characters). It will be an evening you will not want to miss!



**Trinity Golf Cart Drivers Needed for Sunday Services:** We have picked up a few new recruits, but still need additional drivers for the 8:15 and 11:00 am services. If interested, please contact Russ Crowder at 314-630- 8922 or at ([stbeachbum@yahoo.com](mailto:stbeachbum@yahoo.com)).

**January - February Upper Rooms** are now available at the **Trinity Bookstore**.

**8th Annual "SHINE" Holiday Concert** benefitting the Mental Health Coalition of North Central Florida will be held Sunday, **December 18**, 3:00 pm, The Historic Thomas Center (302 NE 6th Ave, Gainesville). Dorene Webster will be singing with Kathy Plympton accompanying her on piano. Local artist/painter, Celia Burger, will also be displaying some of her beautiful works. The concert is FREE and open to the public. Donations are welcomed to help support the Mental Health Coalition of North Central Florida, particularly training Mental Health First Aid Instructors for Alachua County. For more info, call 352-256-3599 or visit ([dorenewebster.com](http://dorenewebster.com)).

## Prayer Requests & Praises

*Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:6-7 (NRSV)*

### How Can We Pray For You?

I Would Like This Prayer Request To Be Prayed For By:

- Our Intercessory Prayer Team, Staff & Pastors
- Our Pastors Only

### Please Pray Specifically For:

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- I Would Like A Pastor To Contact Me
- I Am Recommitting My Life To Christ
  - Please have a Pastor contact me
- I Would Like Information On How To Have A Relationship With Christ
- I Would Like To Receive Trinity's Tuesday Word Email Newsletter

Your Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

- Personal Assistance/Accommodations Needed During Sunday Services

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