

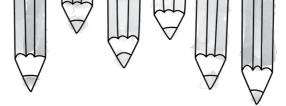
# Worship Bulletin

#### **Trinity Presbyterian Church**

#### **December 10, 2017**



Name: Jane Smith Age: 7



#### Just a word from Mr. Mac

Claude E. McRoberts III • Senior Minister

Dear Children,

Who is the Holy Spirit?

Well, God is what we call the Trinity. Our church is named for THE Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. There is ONE God, but He exists in three Persons. No one can really explain it, but it is what the Bible says about Him; it's Who He is; and, it just is.

You probably learned in the catechism that God is a Spirit and does not have a body like men. In fact, if your mom and dad taught you the catechism, you learned when you were THREE YEARS OLD(!) that God made all things for His own glory; that there is only one God; that He exists in three persons — the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and that God is a spirit, and has not a body like men.

I love those questions and answers, and you might recall the next two:

Where is God? God is everywhere.

Can you see God? No; I cannot see God, but He always sees me.

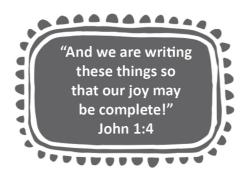
Listen this morning to how much the Holy Spirit does for us; especially listen to how much He helps us with our prayers. Did you know the Holy Spirit takes our prayers and ALWAYS prays them for us according to God's will. That means, God always hears your prayers in a way that He enjoys and agrees with.

He loves you so much, He sent His Son to die for you. When His Son left earth to ascend into Heaven, He promised a Helper. And He sent the Holy Spirit. One way the Holy Spirit helps us is by helping us pray.

You can always pray, "God, teach me how to pray."

I love you,

Mr. Mac



# Do you have a: Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for? Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

#### Mr. Mac wants to know!!

Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

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## A Guide to Family Worship December 3-8, 2017

# THE SIMPLEST OUTLINE FOR FAMILY TIME EVER!!! 10 EASY STEPS

#1 Just make sure you gather once a day as a family. Try really hard to make the same time every day. #2 It does not have to be long; it does not have to be perfect. #3 Read a Bible verse. Maybe a devotional. #4 Sing a song or two together. #5 #6 Take prayer requests. Pray. (Daddy, your children NEED to hear you pray.) Pray #7 for the children; pray for missionaries; pray for Trinity Church; give thanks. Everyone tell one thing they are thankful for. #8 Have a Leader of the Day: they get to read and/or pray and/ #9 or tell everyone to come gather and/or put out the Bibles/ hymnals and/or tell something that happened to them that day. #10 Dad, pray this over your children: Numbers 6:24-26 The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

# Sermon Art

use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Rob preaches on during the sermon this morning!

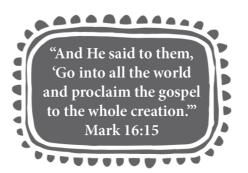
This week's lesson is on Romans 8:26-27

Want to see your artwork on the FRONT PAGE?

Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).

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## Meet Our Missionaries!



# William serving with A campus ministry in Asia

William was raised in Montgomery and began attending Trinity Church when he was in high school. While he was in college, he became interested in telling other college students about Jesus. He went to another country during one of his college summer vacations to do that. After graduating from college, he went to an Asian country for a year so he could learn their language and also tell other college students about Jesus. This past summer, he returned to that country for another year to do the same thing.

While you are not yet able to go to a college in another country, there are people from other countries who come to Montgomery. Some of them may be in your school or live on your street, or play on your soccer or baseball team. You can do many of the same things William does to help those people learn about Jesus by being their friend, playing games and sports with them and explaining how we worship God. Many people in other countries cannot do that because their laws prohibit them from reading the Bible or they just don't know about Him.

# Write a letter to our missionaries!

Would you like to write a letter encouraging our missionaries or thanking them for the work they do for God? A letter from you would make their day! If you would like to write a letter to the missionary or family shown this week, please write in the space provided below and put it in Mr. Tom's box. He will make sure they receive it!

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# Music and Hymns

#### #201 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Did you know that it was prophesied that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem hundreds of years before he was actually born?

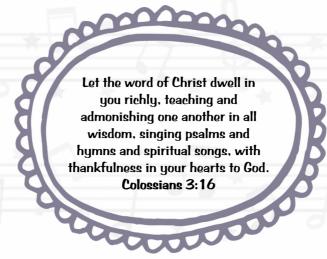
To prophecy means to predict, or to tell the future. The prophet, Micah, in Micah 5:2, predicts Jesus' birth when he writes, "But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days."

#207 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

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The most important thing about Christmas is that Christ was born! "He hath opened heaven's door, and man is blessed evermore." Praise God that He sent His only Son to live and die for us! Rejoice!

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11



# Hymn Word Unscramble

Try to unscramble these words from this week's hymn:

#### #207 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

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# Learning Together!

Did you know that there were TWO Bethlehems in Israel? Look at the map below. You will see one Bethlehem that is right above Nazareth, where Mary and Joseph were from and you can see the 2nd one right below Jerusalem, the one where Jesus was born. In Micah 2, it was prophesied that Jesus would be born in "Bethlehem Ephrathah." This is the Bethlehem down below Jerusalem. The other Bethlehem, Bethlehem of Zebulun, was only 6 miles from Nazareth, but this was not the Bethlehem Jesus was to be born in.

Mary and Joseph traveled 90 miles by donkey and by foot to get to Bethlehem Ephrathah, the "City of David" for the census called by Caesar Augustus. Can you imagine a woman who is 9 months pregnant walking and/or riding on a donkey for 90 miles?? This would take about a week, maybe longer if they had to stop a lot and rest. Mary would have probably stayed behind if it wasn't required for them to go....God works in mysterious ways!

Isn't it amazing how they got to Bethlehem at just the right time for Jesus to be born? If Caesar would not have ordered a census, they would have had no reason to go there at all. God always fulfills His plans and purposes!



### **Events**

#### **ADVENT SERVICES**

#### December 17 at 4:00 and 6:00 PM 22nd Annual Service of Lessons and Carols

A beloved Christmas tradition at Trinity featuring the Chancel Choir with orchestra and organ. A festive prelude will precede each service.

#### December 24 at 10:00 a.m. Christmas Eve Morning Worship

A family-oriented worship service with singing, prayers, and homily.

An infant nursery will be available. No Sunday school.

#### December 24 at 4:00 and 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion

Holy Communion services with music from the Chancel Choir and guest instrumentalists.



# children's ministry

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Jesus loves: