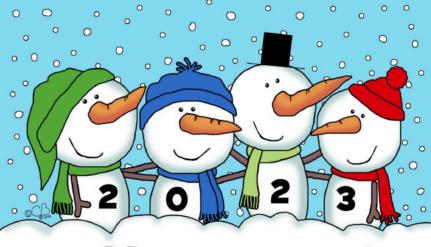


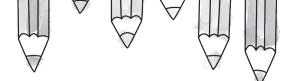
# Worship Bulletin

# **Trinity Presbyterian Church**

# January 1, 2023 New Year's Day



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



## Just a word from Mr. Mac

#### Claude E. McRoberts III • Acting Senior Minister

Dear Children,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Are you excited about a new year? 2023!

I am very excited. Sometimes we get excited because we know something great is going to happen like a trip or summer camp or a baby sister or brother is on the way! Sometimes we get excited because it is just nice to know that one year is in the past, and the new brings hope.

Not everyone is happy today. Did you know that many people get sad on holidays. They may be older and alone. Maybe they miss a loved one who has gone to be with Jesus. It's cold, and it gets dark early. And some might even be afraid of a new year.

Do you know what you can do?

1. Thank God for all your many blessings.

- 2. Thank God for all the wonderful things from 2022.
- 3. Thank God for the hope of a wonderful year in your life.
- 4. Pray for those who are sad today.

5. Find someone who is older (grandparent; Sunday School teacher), and give them a hug, and tell them you love them or that you are thankful for them. 6. Go home today and write a letter to an older person in the church or in your family, and tell them that you will pray for them in 2023.

- 7. Go visit a nursing home today.
- 8. Call your grandparents today to tell them you are thankful for them.

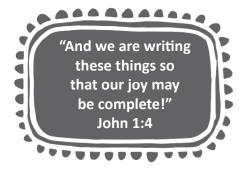
Also, this is a great time to ask God to show you all things He wants you to be doing to help you grow closer to Him: be in church, go to Sunday School, pray as a family. Some people will make what we call "New Year's Resolutions" to lose weight and exercise. Those are fine, and I will no doubt do that; but, you can also make this a new start to praying and reading God's Word.

I hope you have a great day today and very happy new year!!!

Jesus loves you, and He wants to be your Friend.

Love,

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.

# Dear Mr. Mac,

## A Guide to Family Worship January 2 - January 8

1. Parents, I would simply encourage you to take to heart many of the things writing in the letter to the children in this children's bulletin. What kinds of things can you and your family do in the new year to prepare for a new year and/or reach out to someone today or this week?

2. What kind of spiritual resolutions might you think of for your family for 2023?

3. And remember: one of the greatest gifts you can give your children is your own spiritual growth. Be encouraged to be in worship; to be involved in your Sunday School Class; and to have a small group and/or a prayer partner.

# <u>Sermon</u> Art

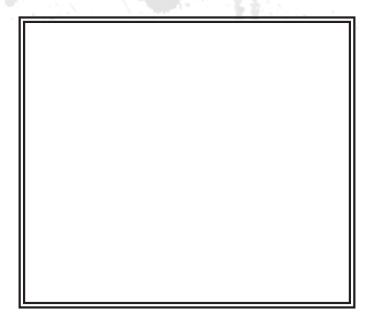
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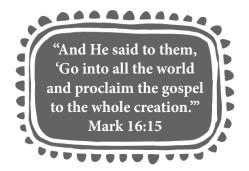
John 21:15-25

# 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!



### George and Phaedra Tolias MTW Greece

George initially studied Electrical Engineering and then taught as a university professor. He graduated from the Greek Bible College in 2010 and married Phaedra, who he met at the college. He completed a Master of Theology at Westminster Seminary in Philadelphia while also pastoring a Greek Evangelical Church in New York. Now, he pastors the Glyfada Church in the southern suburbs of Athens, which is ministering to Greek professionals and refugees.

# **Music and Hymns**

#### "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Psalm 90:1-2 says "Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God." In Revelation 22:13 Jesus says "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." There is nothing He has not seen, including the future. He knows EVERYTHING. Everything He does for us is for our own good. Sometimes we don't understand, but he does because He can see things we cannot see. He has always helped His people and He will continue to help believers today!

#### "How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"

Written by Isaac Watts, this one dates back to the year 1707. Read the story of the invited guests in Luke 14 to better understand this hymn. The gathering place (perhaps the church) of saved Christians is what he refers to as "a sweet and awesome place." And were it not for Christ's drawing us to Him, we would be lost forever!

> "Shout for Joy to the Lord, all the earth" Psalm 98:4



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# Jesus loves: