



December

George Cox	12/3	Barry Appling	12/9
Beverly Weston	12/3	Billy Collum	12/10
Elizabeth Richards	12/4	Barbie James	12/11
Tommy Sartain	12/4	Karen Flowers	12/11
Karen Dixon	12/5	Lilian Allen	12/12
Betty Jones	12/6	Heather Mills	12/12
Lula Burchett	12/6	Natalie Boyatt	12/12
Alex Eoff	12/6	Peggy Walls	12/12
Caroline Adams	12/6	Dixon Aldridge	12/13
Keri Downs	12/7	Tina Mathenia	12/13
Tom Patterson	12/7	Adam Hicks	12/13
Catherine DeZemplen	12/7	Dhinakaran Gilbert	12/13
Dick Snyder	12/7	Travis Keenum	12/14
Nell Miller	12/8	Haley Andre	12/14
Abigail Mahoney	12/8	Bud Horner	12/14
Bailey Moore	12/8	Tyler Walsh	12/14

MEETINGS AND OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1
 WOM Prayer Group at Miriam Fitzpatrick's home, 10:30 am
 Tai Chi, 11:30 am
 Personnel Cmt. Mtg., 6:30 pm
 Youth Cmt. Mtg., 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2
 Fellowship Dinner, 5:15 pm
 Prayer Time, 6:15 pm
 Children's Choir Program, 6:30 pm
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 pm

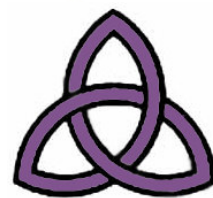
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3
 Tai Chi, 11:30 am

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5
 Deacons' Mtg., 6:30 am
 Alpine Village Set-Up, 8:00 am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6
 Morning Worship Service, 8:30 & 11:00 am
 Sunday School, 9:45 am
 Fingers of God Puppet Practice, 1:30 pm
 Churchwide Participation in Alpine Village Set-Up, 2:00 pm
 Alpine Village Set-Up Fellowship, 6:00 pm

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THE RIQUETRA

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Dr. Richard S. Hipps, Pastor



*From the
Pastor's Pen*

Having just returned from Ireland, I now love all things Irish. Before going there I just never knew how much we owe that Emerald Isle. For instance, did you know our beloved hymn, "What A Friend We Have in Jesus," was written by an Irishman? Lindsay Terry writes:

More than a century ago, on the streets of Port Hope, Ontario, a man could be seen walking along carrying a saw and a sawhorse. One day a rich man from across the street saw him and said to a friend, "He looks like a sober man. I think I'll hire him to cut wood for me." "That's Joseph Scriven," the friend replied. "He wouldn't cut wood for you. He only cuts wood for those who don't have enough to pay." And that sums up the philosophy of Joseph Medlicott Scriven, a devoted member of the Plymouth Brethren Church, who took the Sermon on the Mount literally.

Scriven was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1819. He fell for a lovely young woman, but on the eve of their wedding she accidentally drowned.

Scriven never recovered from the shock. The Irishman began to wander, hoping to forget his sorrow. At age 25, he finally settled in Canada.

His faith led him to do menial tasks for poor widows and the sick. He often worked for no wages and was regarded by the people of the community as a kind man, albeit a bit odd.

He later fell in love again and planned to marry a wonderful Canadian woman. But again, tragedy struck. His fiancée died after contracting pneumonia.

In 1855, a friend visited an ill Scriven and discovered a poem that he had written for his ailing mother in faraway Ireland. Scriven didn't have the money to visit her, but he sent her the poem as an encouragement. He called it "Pray Without Ceasing." When the friend inquired about the poem's origins, Scriven reportedly answered, "The Lord and I did it between us."

Scriven never intended for the poem to be published, but it made its rounds, and was set to music in 1868 by musician Charles Converse, who titled it "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." It has since become one of our greatest hymns.

Scriven died in 1886 (ironically, in an accidental drowning). In his memory, the town of Port Hope erected a monument with this inscription from Scriven's famous song: In His arms He'll take and shield thee. Thou wilt find a solace there.

As we approach the Christmas season, remember that those arms are open for you as well.

Blessings,
Pastor Richard

Book Signing with Dr. Earl Davis



Mark your calendars! Our founding pastor, Dr. Earl Davis, will be here signing three of his new books on **Wednesday evening, December 16, from 5:00-6:30 pm.**

 **DISCIPLESHIP/EDUCATION/OUTREACH**
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GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING

Marriage Fellowship and Seminar

When: Friday, February 25, 7:30 pm
 Speaker: Rev. Gary Long, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Gaithersburg, Maryland
 Where: Trinity Baptist Church, Rooms 128-130
 Free childcare is available at the church

Sunday Nights in December

December 6 - Assist setting up for Alpine Village
 December 13 - Alpine Village
 December 20 - No pm Services
 December 27 - No pm Services

Wednesday Nights in December

December 2 - Children's Musical
 December 9 - Alpine Village Prayer Walk
 December 16 - MDO Recognition, 6:15pm
 December 23 - No pm Services
 December 30 - No pm Services
 *Resume Wednesday, January 6

Men's Discipleship Group

If you are interested in attending Men's Small Group Discipleship, please contact Mark Moland.

New Adult Sunday School Class

Debating Sunday, December 13
 "Off The Grid"
 Facilitated by Butch Huguely
 The class is focused on reaching people with few connections to local church.

Looking Ahead...

- Personnel Committee, Tuesday, December 1, 6:30 pm
- Finance Committee, Tuesday, December 15, 6:30 pm

Note:

Sunday, December 27
 No Sunday School
 One Service Only at 10:00 am

Needed – Drivers for our Seniors

We need two volunteers who will help bring our "senior saints" to Sunday morning worship. This is a great opportunity to serve our faithful seniors who are no longer driving. If you would be willing to drive one Sunday a month or even less frequently, please contact Jim Caven-der at 452-7665. They will greatly appreciate it.



NIGHT FLIGHT
 No night FLIGHT in December

Wed NIGHT - Turbo Charged - 6:30 pm

December 2- Children's musical in chapel
 December 9- Alpine Village Prayer Walk
 December 16- No Turbo Charged
 December 23- No Turbo Charged
 December 30- No Turbo Charged

Youth Choir

No Youth Choir in December

Youth Christmas Party

Sunday, December 6 from 6:00-8:00 pm
 in the Youth Cafe. *Note location change.
 All you need to bring is a white elephant gag gift.

Alpine Village

All youth are encouraged to sign up and participate in the Alpine Village.
 The youth are needed in: Youth Card Shop and Nativity

St. Jude Marathon

Saturday, December 5 - The youth are going downtown to work a water station for the St. Jude marathon runners. We will leave the church at 7:45 am and leave downtown at 11:45 am. Drivers are needed. Please call Zack to help.

Kroger Gift Card Fundraiser

Kroger Card Fundraiser - Attention Trinity Members! Do you shop at Kroger? If so, you can raise money for your student's trips and shop for groceries at the same time! All you have to do is buy a \$5.00 Kroger gift card from David or Tammy Wood and then put your grocery (or Kroger Gas) money on that card. You can repeat this process as much as you want. 5% of what you load onto the card will go into your student's account. For example if you load \$100.00 onto it in December, \$5.00 will go to your student. You can buy one for yourself and your friends and they can earn money for your student as well! If you do not have a child in youth but would like to help, you can request a "general fund" card. The money you raise on that card will be put in an account that will be spread evenly to help the whole program.

 **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**
 Mrs. Lisa Buckner
 Mothers' Day Out Director, Dir. of Childhood Education
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HELP WANTED

Children grades 4-6 are needed to work the Alpine Village Tattoo Shop. There is a sign up sheet for 1 hour and 15 minute shifts for each session December 10-13 in the children's back hallway.

Make My Life a Bethlehem Advent 2009 Theme

- November 29 – First Sunday of Advent (AM)/Hanging of the Green with NewSong (PM)
- December 2 – End of the year Preschool/Children's Choir Christmas Presentation
- December 6 – Second Sunday of Advent/Adult Choir Presentation – Make My Life a Bethlehem
- December 13 – Third Sunday of Advent
- December 20 – Fourth Sunday of Advent
- December 24 – Family Christmas Eve/Lord's Supper Service
- December 27 – First Sunday after Christmas (10:00 am service only)

WOMEN ON MISSION PRAYER GROUP

The Women On Mission Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday, December 1 at 10:00 am at the home of Miriam Fitzpatrick.

THE UPPER CLASS MEETING

The Upper Class Meeting will be **Tuesday, December 8 at 10:30 am in Rooms 121-122.** Our guests are the "Senior Saints" Choir from First Baptist Firsherville. Their director is Rick Marshall. Devotional will be led by Jamie Moore.

NO FELLOWSHIP DINNER

There will be **No Fellowship Dinner on December 9, 23, or 30 due to Holiday Activities.**
 Dinner will resume on **Wednesday, January 6.**

If you would like a copy of the Community Thanksgiving Service from Sunday, November 15, please fill out a CD Envelope form and submit it to the church office.



**Sunday, December 13
 Goal: \$60,000**

Our Global Missions Offering is collected every December and is used to support Foreign Missions, that is, Missions that are done outside the United States. Our Global Missions Offering is divided between the Southern Baptist Convention (Lottie Moon Offering), the Co-Operative Baptist Fellowship and Trinity Foreign Missions. You can specify any of these or your offering can be divided between them. **Our goal this year is once again \$60,000.00.** The Global Missions Offering ingathering will be Sunday, December 13. Please begin to pray and consider what the Lord would have you give.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Christmas Poinsettias are on sale for \$10.00. If you wish to purchase a poinsettia in honor/memory of someone, please fill out an envelope (located in both foyers) and put it in the offering plate or church office mailbox.

FROM THE CHURCH MAILBOX

Dear Trinity Family,

Many of you offered to help Bill and me in the move to our new home. Thank you and God bless you.

We want to especially thank Osie Poore who moved our "treasures" that we trusted only to special care! His loving spirit was a joy in our move. Thanks Carolyn for loaning him to us.

It is good to worship in a church where love and caring abound. We thank you, dear Lord, for that gift.

Bill and Polly Arnold