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Sermon Preview

"HOSPITALITY TO CHRIST"

The best time of the year for the Christian teacher and preacher is Advent. Most of the great themes and doctrines of essential Christianity are implicit in the form and substance of Advent. Among these are: the divine initiative; God's self-disclosure; Incarnation; Redemption.

The Service of Holy Communion is so rich in Christian content that it is the form of Christian Worship for all seasons. In no other is it more appropriate and meaningful than in Advent and at Christmas time. Its meaning is pointed up in the worship relationship of divine offer and human receptivity. The grace of God in Christ is offered through the bread and wine and the Communicant responds in faith by his "taking and eating." This shows forth his hospitality to Christ, which is deeply requisite to genuine Christian faith and experience.

As powerful as the symbolism is in this act of Communion, we must remind ourselves that the underlying reality, where offered grace and receptive faith combine to create dynamic covenant, is the essence of Christian Holy Communion.

George A. Foster

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday in Advent

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

*Congregation Stands

***Worshippers May Be Seated

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.

O God, grant to me in this Advent Communion a real experience of the presence of Christ. Even as I receive the bread and wine into my body, may I receive the Living Lord more deeply into my life. Amen.

PRELUDE. "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"—*Cologne, 1599*

THE CHIMES.

CHORAL INTROIT.

***HYMN NO. 87.** "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** Page 523

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Page 523

THE RESPONSIVE READING, Page 526. "The Beatitudes With Prayer Responses"

OFFERTORY ANTHEM.

8:30 A.M. "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates"—*Schutz* *Chancel Ensemble*

11:00 A.M. "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates"—*Schutz* *Chancel Choir*

*THE DOXOLOGY.

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES AND THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE.

COMMUNION MEDITATION. "HOSPITALITY TO CHRIST" *Dr. George A. Foster*

***HYMN NO. 95, (1,2,3,4).** "There Is Room in My Heart for Thee"

THE HOLY COMMUNION.

The Invitation

The Prayer of General Confession, Page 529

The Prayer for Pardon

Scriptural Words of Assurance

The Sursum Corda

The Sanctus

The Prayer of Consecration

The Prayer of Humble Access

Our Communion

The Prayer of Dedication

*Gloria in Excelsis

THE BENEDICTION.

POSTLUDE. "Prepare the Way, O Zion"—*Swedish Melody*
XVII Century

George A. Foster, Pastor

J. P. Floyd, Jr., Pastor

Jack Anderson, Pastoral Counselor

Walter James, Director of Music

Rachel James, Organist

Richard G. Milk, Missionary in Mexico

NURSERIES IN TRINITY HALL ARE OPEN DURING ALL SERVICES

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Seven-Thirty O'Clock

"A CHRISTMAS CANTATA"

by Geoffrey Bush

PRELUDE. "Savior of the Nations, Come"—Barlow

INVOCATION.

HYMN NO. 84. "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

RECEIVING OF CONFIRMATION CLASS AND MEMBERS.

EVENING OFFERING. "Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel"—Barlow

A CHRISTMAS CANTATA *The Trinity Chancel Choir*
..... *Directed by Mr. Walter James*

- I. Prelude. "Lullay, Jesu, Lullay"
- II. "The First Good Joy That Mary Had" *Traditional English Carol*
- III. "When Jesus Christ Was Four Years Old" *Hilaire Belloc*
- IV. "Little Jesus, Sweetly Sleep" *from a Czech Carol*
- V. "Make We Merry, Both More and Less" *16th Century Carol*
- VI. "This Endris Night I Saw a Sight" *16th Century Carol*
- VII. "I Sing of a Maiden" *16th Century Carol*
- VIII. "By By Lullay, Thou Little Tiny Child" *16th Century Carol*
- IX. "I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing In" *Traditional English Carol*
- X. Epilogue and Benediction.

BENEDICTION.

POSTLUDE. "To Shepherds as They Watched by Night"—Barlow

The Soloists (in order of solo)

Majel Barrett
Dorothy Palmer
Lucy Dyal
Judy James
Patricia Crotty

MEMORIAL BOOK FOR SUNDAY

This Sunday The Memorial Book in the Church Narthex, which contains the Memorials and Gifts given to the glory of God and in honor and in memory of loved ones and friends, is opened to the Bible (*Fellowship Hall*) and *Two Brass Floor Candelabra*.

THE RICHARD MILK WORK FUND

Gifts and pledges to the Richard C. Milk Work Fund now total \$2,023.00. The Commission on Missions, Pastors and Official Board express their deep appreciation to the membership of the church for their generous cooperation in this project. Our share of the salary support for the Milks is carried this year in our budget.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED

New members will be received into the church this evening at the beginning of the Evening Service. The group will include several Junior High boys and girls who have been in the Confirmation Class.

MUSIC NOTE

Next Sunday afternoon, at 5:00, in the Sanctuary, the Chancel and Altar Choirs, with guest performers, will present Menotti's *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, a Christmas opera. The cast will be the same as that of last year, being composed of Eddie Barnes, Charlotte Reinke, Lynn Stradley, Richard Collins, Walter James, and James May. The performers will be in costume and will act out the drama in the Chancel area. Dancers for the shepherds' dance will be from the dance department of the Florida State University. Accompaniment will be provided by Mrs. James at the organ, assisted by an orchestral ensemble of harp, oboe and clarinet from the FSU School of Music. You are urged to come and to bring friends with you to this vesper musical service.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Circle of Concern (Known to be in TMH)

Mr. Frank Black
Mr. Jack W. Simmons, Sr.
Mrs. Mary Quinn
Mr. Weldon G. Starry

Record of Our Faithfulness last Sunday:

Church School Attendance	617
Church School Offering	123.60
Receipts on Pledges	942.02
Plate Offering	98.71
World Service Offering	123.60

Christian Love and Sympathy to:

Mrs. G. C. Norman and Mrs. Lewie Moates on the death of their brother, Mr. Lester W. McKnight, November 22 in Marianna, Florida.

Mrs. John Starnes on the death of her father, Mr. Charles L. Barker of Redington Beach, Florida.

IN MEMORIAM

"I am the resurrection and the life."

Mr. T. J. Hawes
November 25, 1965

Mrs. Mary Messer
November 29, 1965

Congratulations and a Rose to:

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lowden on the birth of a daughter, Donna Kay, on November 27, 1965.

GREETERS FOR DECEMBER

8:30 A.M.—Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Neitzer, and Mr. and Mrs. L. V. McKinnon.

11:00 A.M.—Dr. and Mrs. Otis Beck, Mrs. Glenn C. James, Mrs. Ward Fletcher, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Huxley Coulter.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The General Meeting of the WSCS will be this Tuesday, December 7, at 10:30 A.M., in the Fellowship Hall.

Following the social hour and business a special Christmas observance will be held in the Glenn C. James Memorial Chapel. Those participating will be Mrs. John Crotty, Mrs. Pearce Barrett, Mrs. J. Lewis Hall, Sr., and Mrs. Robert Parker.

WSCS CIRCLE 13

Circle 13 of the WSCS will meet Wednesday night, December 8, at 8:00 P.M. The meeting will be at 317 Conradi and the hostess will be Mrs. O. L. Causseaux.

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday

8:30 A.M.	Early Morning Worship
9:00 A.M.	Church Broadcast, WTNT
9:45 A.M.	Church School for all ages
11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
11:00 A.M.	Melody Choir Rehearsal, Room 304
4:00-6:00	Recreation Room open for youth
5:00 P.M.	Altar Choir, Room 332
	Chapel Choir, Choir Room
	Elementary Bell Choir, Room 210
5:00 P.M.	Amahl Rehearsal
6:00 P.M.	Snack Supper
6:00 P.M.	Bonhoeffer Study Course, Room 332
6:00 P.M.	Missions Study Course, Room 330
6:15 P.M.	Wesleyan Boys Choir, Room 304
	Wesleyan Girls Choir, Choir Room
6:30 P.M.	MYF Discussion Groups
	College Discussion Group Parlor
7:30 P.M.	Evening Worship, Sanctuary

Monday

12:30 P.M.	Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
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Tuesday

9:00 A.M.	WSCS Executive Committee
10:30 A.M.	WSCS General Meeting

Wednesday

9:30 A.M.	Prayer Group
10:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Service
10:30 A.M.	Study Group, Conference Room
4:15 P.M.	Advanced Bell Choir, Room 210
6:30 P.M.	Choir Supper
7:30 P.M.	WSG Board, Room 212
7:30 P.M.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 P.M.	Study Group, Room 210

Thursday

3:45-4:45	Tower Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
5:00 P.M.	WSG Prayer Group, Library

CHRISTMAS CARDS AVAILABLE

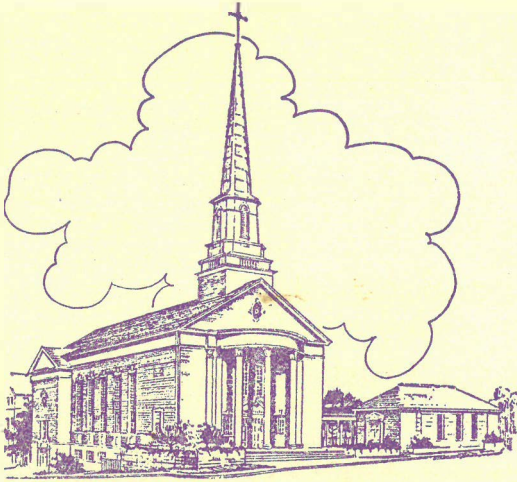
The Christmas Cards of our Church and Chapel are here—Have you purchased yours yet? Christmas is almost upon us and you will want your friends to share the beauty of our church buildings along with your thought. Buy yours today. See any MYF'er! Hurry!

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Sermon Preview

"WORD OF GOD AND WORDS OF MEN"

One of the promising areas of renewal in the Church today is the widespread rediscovery of the Bible. This seems to be taking place throughout Christendom, in Roman Catholicism as well as in Protestantism. More than a century of strong critical study of the Bible has made available a far greater understanding of its origins and its teachings than we have ever had. New and better translations are appearing, Bible dictionaries and commentaries of high scholarship are being published, so that any diligent student, even without knowledge of Hebrew and Greek, can acquire a good store of Biblical knowledge.

The sermon time this Sunday will be given over to a discussion of our heritage in the English Bible, from the Reformation to our time. Copies of two pre-King James Bibles, a Geneva Bible and a Bishop's Bible, will be on exhibit. Also a modern reprint of William Tyndale's New Testament of 1534 will be shown. The display will include copies of the American Standard, the Revised Standard Version, the New English Bible, several books of the new Anchor Bible, as well as many individually translated versions, such as Moffatt and Goodspeed.

George A. Foster.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Third Sunday in Advent

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

*Congregation Stands

***Worshippers May Be Seated

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.

Eternal God, who didst show forth Thyself to us so greatly in the Lord Jesus Christ, save us, we pray, from hardness of heart and dullness of mind, and enable us deeply to discern Thy so great self-disclosure in him. Amen.

PRELUDE. *The People in Devout Meditation*

"Hark a Thrilling Voice Is Sounding"—Monk

THE CHIMES.

CHORAL INTROIT.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 96.** "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

***INVOCATION.** *The Minister*

ANTHEM. 8:30 A.M. "Anthem for Christmastide"—*Maurice Greene Chancel Ensemble*

11:00 A.M. "Anthem for Christmastide"—*Maurice Greene Chancel Choir*
Soloists, Majel Barrett and Dorothy Palmer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION. *To Be Offered by Minister and People*

O God, whose nature is love and whose will it is that we should all know Thy salvation: We bow before Thee in humility and penitence, knowing and confessing our frailties, our faults, and our sins. We have been proud in spirit, hasty in word, and harmful in deed. Forgive, we beseech Thee, and evermore bestow Thy strengthening grace upon us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION. *Moments for Personal Confession*

PRAYER FOR PARDON. *The Minister*

THE LORD'S PRAYER. *The Minister and People*

***THE RESPONSIVE READING, Page 618.** "Salvation Made Known"

***GLORIA PATRI.** *Sung in Unison*

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, No. 1, Page 512.** "The Apostles' Creed"

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES AND THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER.

THE RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP.

THE RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING.

Offertory. "Pastorale" *The Advanced Bell Choir*

***THE DOXOLOGY.**

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION.**

***HYMN NO. 111.** "Fairest Lord Jesus"

PRAYER FOR DELIVERY AND RECEPTION OF SERMON.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth,

People: And the meditation of our hearts,

All: Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, Our Strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

SERMON. "WORD OF GOD AND WORDS OF MEN" *Dr. George A. Foster*

***RECESSIONAL HYMN NO. 368.** "O Word of God Incarnate"

BENEDICTION, SILENT PRAYER AND CHORAL AMEN.

POSTLUDE. "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"—*Williams*

George A. Foster, Pastor

J. P. Floyd, Jr., Pastor

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Walter James, Director of Music

Rachel James, Organist

Richard G. Milk, Missionary in Mexico

NURSERIES IN TRINITY HALL ARE OPEN DURING ALL SERVICES

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Five O'Clock

"AMAH! AND THE NIGHT VISITORS"

This is a production for the entire family that you will not want to miss! An all-star cast! Costumes! Scenery! Music and Singing! At 5:00 P.M. in the church.

MEMORIAL BOOK FOR SUNDAY

This Sunday The Memorial Book in the Church Narthex, which contains the Memorials and Gifts given to the glory of God and in honor and in memory of loved ones and friends, is opened to *Eight Brass Offering Plates*.



WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Monday, December 13

- Group 1—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. Thomas Wright, 2005 Seminole Dr.
- Group 2—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. Laurie Dozier, Jr., and Mrs. Glenn Goerke, 2803 Rebecca Drive
- Group 3—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. Fred O. Dickinson, 1416 Magnolia Drive
- Group 4—3:00 P.M.
Mrs. Travis Crews and Mrs. Wesley Carter, 1502 Old St. Augustine Road
- Group 5—3:00 P.M.
Mrs. Coyle Moore, 2021 Mission Rd.
- Group 6—10:30 A.M.
Mrs. Glenn C. James, 1212 Piedmont
- Group 7—8:00 P.M.
Mrs. Emmett C. Harrison and Mrs. Edd Gentry, 2104 Ridgetop Drive

Tuesday, December 14

- Group 8—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. William Macklin, 1107 Terrace
- Group 9—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. George McCain and Mrs. Howell Wadsworth, 1556 Spruce Avenue
- Group 10—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. R. C. Holmes and Mrs. Robert Jenkins, 1537 Lee Avenue
- Group 11—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. H. A. Curtis, 1712 Monticello Dr.
- Group 12—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. Robert Lawton, 1403 N. Randolph
- Group 14—10:00 A.M.
Mrs. Robert Nellums and Mrs. Harry Schmidt, Church Fellowship Hall

A CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE TRINITY FAMILY

Plans are now being made for a Christmas Party with a covered dish supper and a program which will be especially meaningful to the children. The ladies will want to begin thinking about a favorite "Christmas dish," and the men are asked to mark the calendar for this date—December 21, 6:30 P.M. We are all planning toward an evening of real Christmas spirit and fellowship.

OFFICIAL BOARD AND COMMISSIONS MEET

The Official Board will meet Tuesday night, December 14, at 8:00 P.M., in the Fellowship Hall. On the same night, the Commission on Missions will meet at 6:30 P.M., and the Commission on Membership and Evangelism, the Commission on Stewardship and Finance, and Commission on Christian Social Concerns will meet at 7:00 P.M.

METHODIST MEN MEET

The Methodist Men's Club of Trinity will meet Thursday night, December 16, at 6:30 P.M., in the Fellowship Hall.

The meeting this month will be a Ladies' Night. The speaker will be the Reverend Hubert (Baldy) White of Atlanta. An outstanding program is anticipated. Make reservations now.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITIES

You will be receiving in the mail a calendar of activities and opportunities for you at Trinity during this Advent and Christmas Season. We hope you will support your Church and enrich your lives by being a part of our ministry through these services of Worship, Communion, and fellowship.

**WANT TO SHARE THE BEAUTY OF
YOUR CHURCH SANCTUARY AND
CHAPEL WITH OTHERS? BUY YOUR
CHRISTMAS CARDS TODAY FROM THE
MYF.**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Circle of Concern (Known to be in TMH)

Mrs. Mary Quinn Mrs. Dorothy Brady
Mr. Huel Wheeler Mrs. Armstead Brown

Gainesville Medical Center:

Mr. Weldon G. Starry

Record of Our Faithfulness last Sunday:

Church School Attendance	713
Church School Offering	121.37
Receipts on Pledges	7,637.43
Plate Offering	156.62

IN MEMORIAM

"I am the resurrection and the life."

Mrs. Florence Ida Smith
November 28, 1965

Mr. David D. Cureton, Jr.
December 4, 1965

NEW MEMBERS:

Miss Jane Hollis
502 East 9th Avenue
Mrs. Hilda Humphreys and Ruth
219 West 6th Avenue
Miss Joan Oder
Route 3, Box 145, Monticello, Florida
Mrs. B. F. Page
2316 Trimble Road
Mr. and Mrs. James T. St. John, James T.,
Jr., and Joseph Wickliffe, Rt. 7, Box 579
Mr. William M. Weisert
1134 Sarasota Drive

Affiliate Member:

Miss Marguerite Pipkin, FSU
405 W. College, Apt. 111

The following youth members of the Junior High Confirmation Class:

Glenn Beck	Randy Newton
Andy Burrows	Debbie Palmer
Sharon Dillingham	Jimmy Prevatt
Everett King	Lucy St. John
Alan S. Mears	Jay Wilkison

Congratulations to:

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson on their
fortieth Wedding Anniversary on Decem-
ber 9.

ACOLYTES FOR DECEMBER

8:30 A.M.—Roy Lett and Bill Smith.
11:00 A.M.—Bobby Menzel and Jon
Peterson.

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday

8:30 A.M. Early Morning Worship
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youth
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Room 210
5:00 P.M. Amahl and the Night Visitors
6:00 P.M. Snack Supper
6:00 P.M. Bonhoeffer Study Course,
Room 332
6:00 P.M. Missions Study Course,
Room 330
6:15 P.M. Wesleyan Boys Choir,
Room 304
Wesleyan Girls Choir,
Choir Room
6:30 P.M. MYF Discussion Groups
College Discussion Group
Parlor

Monday

12:30 P.M. Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
7:30 P.M. WSG Joint Meeting,
Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

6:30 P.M. Commission on Missions
7:00 P.M. Commissions on Stewardship
and Finance, Membership and
Evangelism, Christian Social
Concerns
8:00 P.M. Official Board

Wednesday

9:30 A.M. Prayer Group
10:00 A.M. Morning Prayer Service
10:30 A.M. Study Group,
Conference Room
4:15 P.M. Advanced Bell Choir,
Room 210
7:30 P.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 P.M. Study Group, Room 210

Thursday

3:45-4:45 Tower Choir Rehearsal,
Choir Room
5:00 P.M. WSG Prayer Group, Library
6:30 P.M. Methodist Men's Club
Ladies' Night

USHERS FOR DECEMBER

8:30 A.M. — Mr. Charles Stephens,
Captain; Mr. Bill Peebles, Mr. Emory
Somerset, Mr. Harry L. Eppestine, Mr.
Samuel G. Betounes, Mr. C. R. Yates, Mr.
Gillette Chapman, Mr. Sam Langford.

11:00 A.M.—Mr. John Stead, Captain;
Mr. F. G. Byrd, Jr., Mr. Wesley Carter,
Mr. David Kerns, Mr. Clifford Ketchum,
Mr. G. S. Roberts, Jr., Mr. Robert White,
Mr. Stanley Davenport, Mr. Harold
Pierce.

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Sermon Preview

"HEAVENLY DRAMA ON EARTHLY STAGES"

The central doctrine of Christianity is the Incarnation. It is precisely put forth in the Prologue of the Gospel of John in the words, "and the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." Many other verses in the New Testament succinctly set forth this great idea, such as "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself."

The gospel story from Advent to Pentecost may well be understood as an act of the grand drama of redemption, which is the real story of the Bible. We Christian people believe that the events in the life of our Lord, as well as his life and ministry as a whole, represent some truth about God's nature and will. We may think of the Advent as an episode in God's mighty act, hence as an earthly event with a heavenly significance.

Even while we are in the midst of Advent, and pre-occupied with one episode, we must not forget the whole act, nor even the whole drama. To fragment the gospel is to weaken or destroy it.

We have difficulty in remaining spectators at this drama. It has a message which concerns us; to view it with sincerity and interest is to become involved in its meaning and movement. Witnessing it becomes encounter and encounter becomes confrontation.

George A. Foster

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

* Congregation Stands

*** Worshipers May Be Seated

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.

"O God, I open myself to Thee, spirit, mind, body. Purge me of all that crowds Thee out, all that drives Thee forth, and all that prevents Thy return." Amen.

PRELUDE. *The People in Devout Meditation*

"A Christmas Prelude"—Young

"A Nativity Suite"—Held

THE CHIMES.

CHORAL INTROIT.

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 89.** "Joy to the World"

* **INVOCATION.** *The Minister*

ANTHEM. 8:30 A.M. "Come to the Manger"—Kountz *Chancel Ensemble*
11:00 A.M. "Come to the Manger"—Kountz *Chancel Choir*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION. *To Be Offered by Minister and People*

O God, whose coming to earth is also a coming to our lives, be merciful to us even as we think upon our lack of hospitality to Thee. We have not extended Thee ready welcome, lest Thy entrance drive forth sins which we cherish. We have not opened to Thee lest Thy presence become stronger than our willing. Forgive, we beseech Thee, and by Thy spirit move us to greater readiness for Thy coming; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION. *Moments for Personal Confession*

PRAYER FOR PARDON. *The Minister*

THE LORD'S PRAYER. *The Minister and People*

* **THE RESPONSIVE READING, Page 620.** "The Magnificat"

* **GLORIA PATRI.** *Sung in Unison*

* **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, No. 1, Page 512.** "The Apostles' Creed"

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES AND THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER.

THE RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP.

THE RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING.

Offertory. "The Three Kings"—Held

* **THE DOXOLOGY.**

* **THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION.**

SOLO. "Heaven and Earth Rejoice and Sing"—Banks *Walter James*

PRAYER FOR DELIVERY AND RECEPTION OF SERMON.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth,

People: And the meditation of our hearts,

All: Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, Our Strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

SERMON. "HEAVENLY DRAMA ON EARTHLY STAGES" *Dr. George A. Foster*

* **RECESSIONAL HYMN NO. 90.** "As With Gladness"

BENEDICTION, SILENT PRAYER AND CHORAL AMEN.

POSTLUDE. "Joy to the World"—Held

George A. Foster, Pastor

J. P. Floyd, Jr., Pastor

Jack Anderson, Pastoral Counselor

Walter James, Director of Music

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Richard G. Milk, Missionary in Mexico

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EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Five O'Clock

A SERVICE of CAROLS and CANDLES

by The Trinity Choirs

Chapel Choir

Wesleyan Boys Choir

Wesleyan Girls Choir

Tower Choir

Melody Choir

Elementary Bell Choir

Directed by

Judy James

Terry Schreckengost

Pat Crotty

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LET US REMEMBER

Christmas is a time of pleasant memories, of old fires rekindled, of friendships cherished, of love strengthened. As we remember so many, let us not fail to remember those whose work is so greatly increased for our benefit in this season—the postmen, the shop girls, the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker, and even the garbage men. Christmas teaches that shared joys multiply in the sharing.

REMEMBER THESE DATES

Remember the following important dates in the Advent and Christmastide Seasons:

December 24—11:00 P.M., Christmas Eve Union Service, First Baptist Church.

December 25 — 10:00 A.M., Communion, Chapel.

December 31 — 11:00 P.M., Communion, Chapel.

January 1 — 10:00 A.M., Communion, Chapel.

TRINITY FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY

**TUESDAY EVENING, 6:30 P.M. — COVERED DISH SUPPER
WITH A PROGRAM ENJOYABLE TO ALL AGES**

Fellowship Hall, December 21, 6:30 P.M.

Everyone is invited!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Circle of Concern

(Known to be in TMH)

Mrs. C. C. Tyler

Mrs. Mary Quinn

Gainesville Medical Center:

Mr. Weldon G. Starry

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Receipts on Pledges	2,797.45
Plate Offering	260.78

Congratulations and a Rose to:

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lowden on the birth of a daughter, Donna Kay, on November 27, 1965.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pierce on the birth of a son, Charles Allen, on December 5, 1965.

CHOIR NOTE

All children and youth Choirs will not meet from December 20 until January 9.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF THE TOWER CHOIR REHEARSAL TIME

Beginning January 9 this group will sit in the balcony and leave during the second service when Mrs. Crotty comes up to lead them down to the choir room. We hope this will prove a more convenient rehearsal time for our 3rd and 4th grade children.

APPRECIATION

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OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday

8:30 A.M.	Early Morning Worship
9:00 A.M.	Church Broadcast, WTNT
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11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
3:30 P.M.	Chapel Choir and Wesleyan Boys and Girls Choir, Sanctuary
4:00-6:00	Recreation Room open for youth
4:00 P.M.	Tower and Melody Choirs, Sanctuary
5:00 P.M.	Vesper Carol Service
6:00 P.M.	Refreshments for Carolers
6:30-8:30	Caroling
6:30 P.M.	College Discussion Group, Parlor

Monday

12:00 P.M.	Staff Christmas Party
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Tuesday

6:30 P.M.	Family Night Christmas Party, Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday

9:30 A.M.	Prayer Group
10:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Service
10:30 A.M.	Study Group, Conference Room
7:30 P.M.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 P.M.	Study Group, Room 210

Thursday

5:00 P.M.	WSG Prayer Group, Library
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Friday

11:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve Union Service, First Baptist Church
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Saturday

10:00 A.M.	Communion
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CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Our children and youth will be caroling to the sick, shut-ins and friends this Sunday, December 19, 6:30-8:30 P.M. Parents should plan to pick them up at the following place and times:

3rd Grade—Parents should take children to Mrs. Robert Lawton's home, 1403 N. Randolph Circle, following the worship and pick them up at 8:15.

4th-6th Grades — Church Recreation Room, 8:30 P.M.

7th Grade — Mrs. Mallie Slater, 233 Chapel Drive, 9:30 P.M.

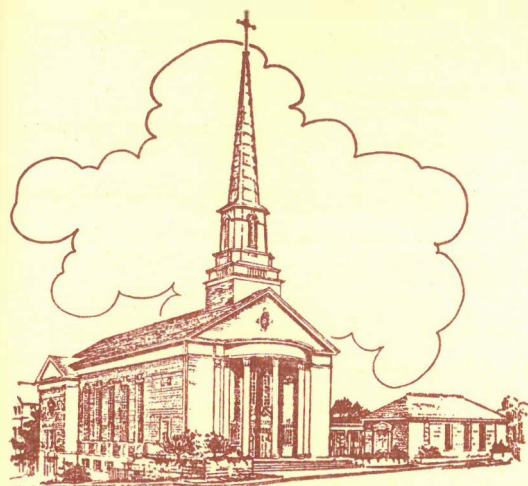
8th-9th Grades—Mr. and Mrs. Rex Toothman, 2223 Ellicott Drive, 10:00 P.M.

Sr. Hi. MYF — Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wright, 2005 Seminole Drive, 10:30 P.M.

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Sermon Preview

“THOU SHALT CALL HIS NAME JESUS” (Matthew 1:21)

The Names of Jesus is the title of a very interesting study by an English New Testament scholar, Dr. Vincent Taylor. The number and range of the names, titles and designations of Our Lord in the New Testament are astonishing. Taking the Synoptic gospels alone—Matthew, Mark and Luke—we are able to discern a line of development as the story unfolds. Jesus came to mean more to his followers than they seem at first to have anticipated. Their growing appreciation of him progresses from “Rabbi” through “Prophet” to “Christ” and “Lord,” with other titles in-between. The fact is that from the beginning his followers have had difficulty in finding a category which contains all that Jesus Christ meant to them. Some defended his humanity, some his divinity, and all together ended by proclaiming his full divinity and his full humanity, a combination which affirms his uniqueness. The richness of his person and ministry—his many faceted meaning for them—led them to the well known designation, “Jesus Christ, Son of God, Our Savior.” The first letter of each Greek word in this combination title forms the acrotic ICHTHUS, which was the Greek word for fish. This explains the origin of and use of the fish as an early Christian symbol.

George A. Foster

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday of Christmastide

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

*Congregation Stands

***Worshippers May Be Seated

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.

O God, Thou knowest that I am here because I know how greatly I need Thee. Help me to find Thee as Lord and Saviour. Amen.

PRELUDE. *The People in Devout Meditation*

"Christians, Sing Out With Exultation"—Van Hulse

THE CHIMES.

CHORAL INTROIT.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 110.** "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

***INVOCATION.** *The Minister*

ANTHEM. "Tell Me, Shepherd, What Did You See?"—Mueller

PRAYER OF CONFESSION. *To Be Offered by Minister and People*

O God, whose goodness to us is greater than we can ever deserve or understand, we are reminded by Thy presence of our frailties and our failures. We have neglected the cultivation of our own souls, we have forgotten the ways of Christ and have walked in the ways of men. The remembrance of wrongdoing is grievous to us. Forgive, we beseech Thee, and sustain us henceforth in ways of righteousness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION. *Moments for Personal Confession*

PRAYER FOR PARDON. *The Minister*

THE LORD'S PRAYER. *The Minister and People*

***THE RESPONSIVE READING, Page 622.** "The Glad Heart"

***GLORIA PATRI.** *Sung in Unison*

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, No. 1, Page 512.** "The Apostles' Creed"

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER.

THE RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM. (11:00 A.M.)

THE RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING.

Offertory. "O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is"—Van Hulse

***THE DOXOLOGY.**

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION.**

PRAYER FOR DELIVERY AND RECEPTION OF SERMON.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth,

People: And the meditation of our hearts,

All: Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, Our Strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

SERMON. "THOU SHALT CALL HIS NAME JESUS" *Dr. George A. Foster*

***RECESSIONAL HYMN NO. 100.** "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

BENEDICTION, SILENT PRAYER AND CHORAL AMEN.

POSTLUDE. "Christ the Lord to Us Is Born"—Van Hulse

George A. Foster, Pastor

J. P. Floyd, Jr., Pastor

Jack Anderson, Pastoral Counselor

Walter James, Director of Music

Rachel James, Organist

Richard G. Milk, Missionary in Mexico

NURSERIES IN TRINITY HALL ARE OPEN DURING ALL SERVICES

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Chapel

Seven-Thirty O'Clock

PRELUDE. "Noel"—*D'Aquin*

CALL TO WORSHIP.

Minister: Glory to God in the highest.

People: And on earth peace, good will toward men.

Minister: Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

People: Glory to God on high.

Minister: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

People: Glory to God in the highest, and an earth peace, good will toward men.

HYMN NO. 86. "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

COLLECT.

O God, who hast given us groce ot this time to celebrate the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ: We laud and magnify thy glorious name for the countless blessings which he hath brought unto us, and we beseech thee to grant that we may ever set forth thy praise in joyful obedience ta thy will; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON. I Corinthians 1:20-31

RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING. "Juletid"—*Hokanson*

SPECIAL MUSIC *Joneen James*

A CHRISTMAS READING. "A CHRISTMAS MYSTERY" *Mr. J. P. Floyd, Jr.*

HYMN NO. 107. "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child Lowly in a Manger"

BENEDICTION.

POSTLUDE. "The First Nowell"—*Gelerke*

MEMORIAL BOOK FOR SUNDAY

This Sunday The Memorial Book in the Church Narthex, which contains the Memorials and Gifts given to the glory of God and in honor and in memory of loved ones and friends, is opened to *Twenty-Four Silver Communion Plates* and the *Church Communion Cloth*.

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS PROJECT HELPS MENTALLY RETARDED

The Covenant Class is sponsoring a cottage of mentally retarded children at Sunland Institute in Marianna, Florida, and would like to extend an invitation to any other class or persons interested to help in this project of out-reach. If you desire information and would like to help, please call Mr. Floyd. Materials have been placed in the Narthex to inform you of the needs of the mentally retarded. Will you help?

APPRECIATION TO MEMBERSHIP

Pastors and all other staff members wish to express their very great appreciation to the membership of the Church for remembrances and good wishes of the holidays.

BUSY DAYS AHEAD

Even in midst of holidays we think and plan for busy days ahead. Our Church calendar is full for all the remainder of the Conference Year. We pray that our dedication and worth will be productive in the Kingdom.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Circle of Concern

Other Hospitals:

Mr. M. E. Brindley

Record of Our Faithfulness last Sunday:

Church School Attendance	589
Church School Offering	140.62
Receipts on Pledges	856.26
Plate Offering	124.01

IN MEMORIAM

"I am the resurrection and the life."

Mrs. Benita Collins
December 19, 1965

Mrs. Susan T. Tyler
December 19, 1965

Mrs. Mary Quinn
December 20, 1965

Christian Love and Sympathy to:

The family of Mr. E. H. Stockton on the death of his sister, Mrs. F. H. Failer, in Lima, Ohio.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES PLANNED

Confirmation Classes for 6th grade boys and girls, Junior and Senior Young People, and adults will soon be organized. Parents and Church School teachers are requested to cooperate with pastors in leading their children to Christian Commitment and enrollment in these classes.

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END OF YEAR BUDGET PAYMENTS

Our Church treasury anticipates a generous end-of-year replenishment as so many of our people make their annual payments and others catch up on pledges. Statements going out this week reflect all payments made through December 20.

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