

THIS WEEK AT TRIUNE

Sunday, December 13

Sunday School via Zoom, 9
Worship, 11
Bag Lunch, 9-1

Monday, December 14

Bag Breakfast, 7-8
Mail pick-up or other needs 9-1
Closed for lunch, 1-2
Staff Appointments, 2-5

Tuesday, December 15

Mail pick-up or other needs, 9-1
Closed for Lunch and Staff meeting, 1:00 - 3:30
Staff Appointments, 3:30-5

Wednesday, December 16

Food Pantry, 9-11, Parking Lot
Mail Pick-up, Pop-Top Bags, Other needs, 9-1
Prayers for the City, Nation and World, 12-1
Closed for lunch, 1-2
Staff Appointments, 2-5

Thursday, December 17

Mail pick-up or other needs 9-1
Closed for lunch, 1-2
Staff Appointments, 2-5

Friday, December 18

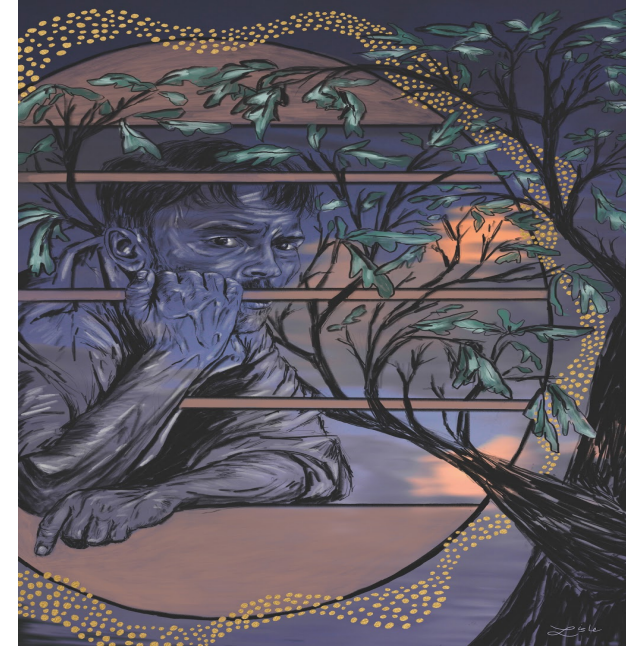
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Saturday, December 19

Mail Pick-up, Pop-Top Bags, Bag Lunch, 9-12

Triune Mercy Center

Greenville, South Carolina



God of Justice, by Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity
Inspired by Isaiah 61:1-4; 8-11, Digital Painting

I like to think of this passage from Isaiah as “The Great Exchange,” as God’s dreams painting the world with promise. The oppressed receive good news, the brokenhearted are bound up, captives and prisoners are released and liberated. Mourners are not only comforted, but crowned with gladness.

In this image, I invite you to look into the eyes of the one held captive. What do you see? What do you imagine is his story? Now imagine how God sees him. He grips tightly to the bars that hold him in place. Yet, the oaks of righteousness sown by the God of justice, break through, proclaiming a different fate. God’s dreams, represented by the gold strippling, become a garland crowning him with glory instead of mourning. This is his Great Exchange. May it be so for us as well. - Rev. Garrity, *A Sanctified Art*

Pastor: Jennifer Fouse Sheorn
Music Director/Piano: Andy Welchel
Guitar: Jacob Johnson
Sound: Ben Sheorn & Sydney Anderson
Carolers: Phyllis Henderson, Bronwyn White, David Raulston

Associate Pastor: Tandy Taylor
Bass: Sam Krueer
Percussion: Ike Maddox
Video: Justin Garrison

Moment of Silence/Prayers of the People

Mary Keller

ORDER OF WORSHIP
December 13, 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent/ Lessons & Carols

Prelude Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Jacob Johnson

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Reading Isaiah 61: 1-3

The Lord God's spirit is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up the brokenhearted,

to proclaim release for captives, and liberation for prisoners,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and a day of vindication for our God,

to comfort all who mourn,

to give them a crown in place of ashes, oil of joy in place of mourning, a mantle of praise in place of discouragement.

We are in the presence of God. Let us sow joy!

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Jesse German, Elaine Nocks

Prayer of Confession (in Unison)

God of Joy, instead of having prophetic vision, we trade justice for convenience. Instead of embodying joy, we let it slip away. We barely notice the beauty around us. Forgive us, O God, and teach us the ways of those who rejoice in you, the God of our salvation. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In Jesus Christ, the Lord had done great things for us! Even if we have gone out in tears, God brings us home shouting for joy. Thanks be to God: we are forgiven! Amen.

First Lesson Genesis 1:26-28; Genesis 3:8-15

God equally creates man and woman in God's image. Adam and Eve disobey God's command and disrupt the order and goodness of creation.

Song It Came Upon the Midnight Clear Jacob Johnson

Second Lesson Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 and 35:1-6

The people who walk in darkness receive the promise of the Messiah. The desert will blossom, God's people will return with joy.

Song Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming Carolers

Third Lesson Luke 1:26-38

An angel appears to Mary and announces that she will bear a holy child.

Song Breath of Heaven (Mary's Song) Phyllis Henderson

Fourth Lesson Matthew 1:18-25

The birth of Jesus the Messiah

Song Silent Night Jacob Johnson

Fifth Lesson Luke 2:8-14

Angels appear to the shepherds and announce the birth of the Messiah

Song Hark! The Herald Angels Sing/Angels We Have Heard on High Carolers

Sixth Lesson John 1:1-14

The Word of God becomes flesh and lives among us, full of grace and truth.

Song I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day Jacob Johnson

Benediction

Postlude Go Tell It On The Mountain Band

Due to the high Covid numbers and due to trying to keep everyone safe, especially Triune's staff, we will be worshipping online until further notice. We will reevaluate after the holidays (sometime in mid-January).

Please plan to join us for a special outdoor Christmas Eve service at 5 pm, in the parking lot off Stone Avenue. Please park in the lot at Tommy's Ham House; there will be limited handicapped parking in our own lot. Please dress warmly. Bring a blanket and an outdoor chair, if you have them. We will provide a limited number of chairs. In case of rain, worship will be online only.

Last Week's Attendance: 64