



Worship Times
10am Traditional
11:15am Contemporary

December, 2023

Trinity Heights United Methodist Church, 1200 Boyd Avenue, Newton, KS 67114
Phone: 316-283-6410 Email: office@trinityheightsumc.org

From the Pastor...

Advent and Christmas Worship Series 2023

Mary the Great; Prophet, Servant, Leader
A Series Based on the Magnificat

12/3— *Blessed*

12/10— *Strong*

12/17— *Lifted Up*

12/20— *Perplexed—Longest Night Service—6:30pm*

12/24— *Filled with the Spirit—10:00am*

12/24 *Christmas Eve Candlelight Service —*
The Journey— 6:30pm



Trinity Heights UMC
Sanctuary, Community, Renewal

Trinity Heights United Methodist
1200 Boyd Avenue
Newton, Kansas
Sundays 10:00am and 11:15am



**WOW will start again
on Wednesday,
January 17, 2024**

Watch for more information!

***Wednesday, at 6:15pm Discussion Group
Theology Matters, Matters of Theology
Have Questions?***

I want to invite our THUMC Community to a discussion group in conjunction with our WOW gathering on Wednesdays, at 6:15pm. After our meal we will gather, location to be determined, for a time of discussion and conversation around matters of faith, theology, journey, and community. I will always have some topic prepared though, I want this gathering to be open to questions or topics the group might bring with them on any given Wednesday. This invitation to join the group is to anyone of any age, youth through our more seasoned members and friends. If you are interested in being a part of this group you might let me know, just so I can get a sense of how many might show up in regards to space and where we might meet. However, letting me know you might show up is not a prerequisite to joining the group. I look forward to this time of conversation, learning, and continuing to deepen our understanding of our journey with God and one another.

Peace and Light for Our Continued Journey Together,
Rev. Kent

YouTube livestream

<https://www.youtube.com/@NewtonTrinityHeightsUMC>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/newtontrinityheights/>

Website

<https://www.trinityheightsumc.org/>

Giving

<https://secure.myvanco.com/YHMB/home>



Sunset Angel Tree ornaments will be coming again soon! There will be a tree in front of both worship centers. The ornaments will have items of clothing, toys, and gift cards to support families of Sunset Elementary School this Christmas. The ornaments may be taken, purchased, and brought back to the church unwrapped with the ornament attached. Thank you in advance for helping provide gifts for these families this holiday season. **Please return unwrapped gift and the ornament to the church by Wednesday, December 13th.**

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VOLUNTEER

Greetings,

I am wanting to explore the possibility of bringing live music back to our Contemporary Worship and Celebration Service in the Fellowship Hall at 11:15am. I am reaching out to our community of faith here at Trinity Heights to see if there is interest in this and if there are those who might have the gifts of music leadership; keyboard, drums, guitar, or other instrumental gifts as well as vocals to discuss this possibility. Please feel free to drop me an email, stop by the office, or give me a call if this is something you in which you might be interested. Thank each of you for all you do for our church!

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USHERS

Good Morning Members and Friends,

I am reaching out to put together a list of persons who would be willing to serve as ushers for our 10:00 am service in the Sanctuary here at Trinity Heights. My hope is to create a group of persons who are willing to serve and have enough where we can spread it out some so it wouldn't have to be a weekly commitment. Responsibilities of the ushers are to hand out our order of service before we begin as well as greet people as they enter the sanctuary. In addition to this at offering time the usher passes the offering plates to the persons in the pews and then bring the offering down at the end of the offering time during the doxology. To accomplish this, we need five persons each week. Let me know if this is a way you would like to serve our community of faith, it is an important part of our worship time together as we strive to be good stewards of our gifts and create a welcoming and meaningful Sunday morning experience for all. Thank you for your consideration. You can either call the church office and let Donna Thiesen, Diane or myself know of your interest or drop me an email at klittle@greatplainsumc.org. I look forward to hearing from many of you soon. If you have already contacted me in regards to helping with ushering, thank you.

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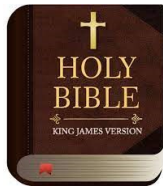


BOOK CLUB No Book Club in December. Do you enjoy reading books? And do you enjoy discussing what you've read with a group of friends? If so, you might be interested in the Trinity Heights Book Club. For more than 10 years, a group of women have met monthly in THUMC library to share their thoughts about the book they've read. The Book Club meets at 2 p.m. on the third Monday of each month, January through May. Members take turns choosing a book and leading the discussion. If you're interested, you may contact Marian Stubbs (316-518-8830) for more information.

Last chance to enroll for State Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) available to Wednesday, December 6.

Harlan Rittgers will be available for sign up for plan C, D, and Supplemental Medicare on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Call the church office to make an appointment with Diane at 316-283-6410. Please bring your Medicare card, Plan C/D card, and/or Supplement Ins. card with you, as well as a list of your medications, dosages, and times per day. Sign up time is NOW!

THUMC Bible Study for Women
led by Sue Swender
THUMC Library, Thursdays, at 12:30pm
We will study the Gospel of Mark
Bring your Bible! Hope to see you there!



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ann Adrian
Dan Buchanan
Mike Farrell
Deb Hamm
Jonathan Krueger
Joe Slehta
Scott Seirer
Richard Walker
Cheryl Williams

*The executive committee to meet next on
Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 7:00pm*

Thank You

Thank you to the United Women in Faith for the donation from the proceeds of the Christmas Bazaar. Also, thank you to all those that helped with the bazaar. Big thanks to the National Honor Society for setting up, taking down, and providing day care for the bazaar. The vendors were successful with their sales, and many of our community came. It was a great event. Thank you for your support. -Connie Rickard

Thank you to all who participated in the Harvest of Love Food Drive on Sunday, Nov 5.

Thank you to all who helped with the Church Charge Conference at THUMC on Sunday, Nov. 12. The pie & ice cream was great.

We want to thank all that got the Christmas decorations into the church, put up the decorations inside and outside, from the bottom of our hearts we thank you all. -Frank and Sue Meacham

A special Thank You to Sue and Frank Meacham and all who showed up to help decorate the church for Advent and Christmas! The church looks beautiful!

Thank you Marci Brenneman and Kay Larson for covering the church office on November 20,21,22 while I was on vacation. Much appreciation, Diane Hite, Administrative Assistant

Prayer Requests

Prayers for Celebration

Prayers for Recently Hospitalized

Prayers for Healing

Patricia Wheeler Cindy Gruver
Joanne Kilgore Tom Adrian
Barb Stucky

Prayers for Hope

Our Sister Church in Zimbabwe

Prayers for Loss

Prayers for Shut-ins

Lee Cannon Duane Miles
Leona Clithero Ottmar Lang
Vere English Shirley Long
Bev Gering Iva Reber
Marge Graham Marie Ward
Phyllis Greene Chris Wilson
Bill Kepley

December BIRTHDAYS

Barb Stucky 12/1
MaKayla Reeves 12/2
Rhonda McDaniel 12/5
Linda Lyles 12/6
Lucas Kaufman 12/9
Jeanie Galemore 12/13
Judy Brenzikofer 12/18
Kristen Webb-Wiens 12/19
Ed Hodge 12/20
Tristan Meyer 12/23
Joanne Kilgore 12/24
Pat Rosing 12/24
Jodie Thatch 12/24
Gene Wilson 12/24
Taylor Jaworsky 12/28
Kay Larson 12/28
Phyllis Schneider 12/31

December Friendly Reminders

- Dec. 2** Respite Parents Day Out
- Dec. 3** Holy Communion
- Dec. 6** Bell Practice
- Dec. 16** Respite Parents Day Out
- Dec. 20 at 6:00pm** Longest Night Service
- Dec. 24** Christmas Eve Sunday
 10am Worship Service
 6:30pm Christmas Eve Service
- Dec. 25 & 26** Christmas
 Church office closed
- Dec. 31** New Year's Eve Sunday
 10am Worship Service (No Brunch)



December ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Julie Sadowski 12/21
Bob & Edna Mae Grant 12/28
Willis & Jan Heck 12/28
Frank & Sue Meacham 12/29
Jerald & Celia Franz 12/30
Nyle & Paulette Wollenhaupt 12/30

*Important
DATE!*

Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, Dec. 13
for the January Newsletter

