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The Trinity Tablet

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Dates to Remember:

- 2nd Sunday of Advent, Dec. 5th
- 3rd Sunday of Advent, Dec. 12th
- 4th Sunday of Advent, Dec. 19th
- First day of Winter, Dec. 21st
- Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th
- Christmas, Dec. 25th
- New Year's Eve/Watch Night, Dec. 31st



A SEASON OF WAITING

Our oven recently bit the dust, and the needed replacement part is no longer manufactured. Due to an appliance shortage, we had to wait eight weeks for a new oven! Yet even amid inconvenience, I see God's purpose. We were thankful to have a grill and slow cookers in the meantime. We creatively attempted to cook favorite meals in different ways. And though we craved anything baked in an oven — cookies, casseroles, even chicken nuggets — we realized that waiting eight weeks for an oven isn't truly a trying time.

Many of us wait for much greater milestones and miracles: physical healing, the return of a prodigal child, an end to financial struggles. Paul offers us hope as we wait: "May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had" (Romans 15:5, NIV).

When you're in a season of waiting — including Advent! — consider what you're thankful for and what you crave. Tell God how you're feeling and ask for endurance while you wait.

—Janna Firestone



*Second Sunday
of Advent*



*Third Sunday
of Advent*



*Fourth Sunday
of Advent*



Christmas Eve



Christmas Day

Continue to Follow the Light

No one appreciates the light until they have been in the dark.

I am reminded of a story of a man who was in an accident and lost his sight. When he returned home, he had to remember the location of everything in his house. Often, he found himself sitting silently in a chair frustrated and despondent trying to remember the location of the items in his house. It's easy to feel lost when you cannot communicate and connect to things you once did. And it's so easy to internalize that silence as a reflection of your worth. Do not allow the darkness to hinder you from seeing the LIGHT. However, as the weeks and months went by, the items became easier to locate. He realized that even in the dark the light began to shine.

John proclaimed to the world that there was one coming "whom we do not know" and one whose sandals John was unworthy to untie. John said, "He was the light that shineth in darkness." In spite of the darkness that may be all around us, we know that He is our Light, he is our Rose of Sharon, our Lily of the Valley, Immanuel, Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace, and His banner over us is love.

Let us continue to cherish and follow the Light that John spoke about "the light that shineth in darkness"—Jesus the Christ. He came into this world to give the gift of LIGHT. Hark! The herald angels sing. Jesus the Light of the world. Christ the everlasting Lord. Jesus the Light of the world.

I am grateful to God for the Light that is shining in our lives. Continue to follow the Light. In the course of all of our lives, anxiety and frustration will try to set in but do not allow the darkness to hinder you from seeing the LIGHT. The Light will help you see where you are going. The Light will keep you going in the right direction. The Light will shine a light on doors that seem dark. The Light will keep you from getting lost. The Light will give us peace in darkness. Let us remember during this holiday season and throughout the coming year that even in the darkness, His Light continues to shine. Continue to follow the LIGHT.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to Mount Pisgah Family and Friends.

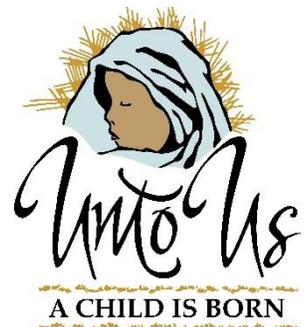
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FROM OUR PASTOR

I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Matthew 3:11 (NIV)



MISSIONARIES ON THE MOVE

The Women's Missionary Society is Thankful, Grateful, and Blessed for your generous donations Mt Pisgah! We were able to bless twenty-five families with turkeys, sides, and gift cards.

You are *LOVE* in action. Sis. Liz Smithay, President.



For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in.

Matthew 25:35 NIV

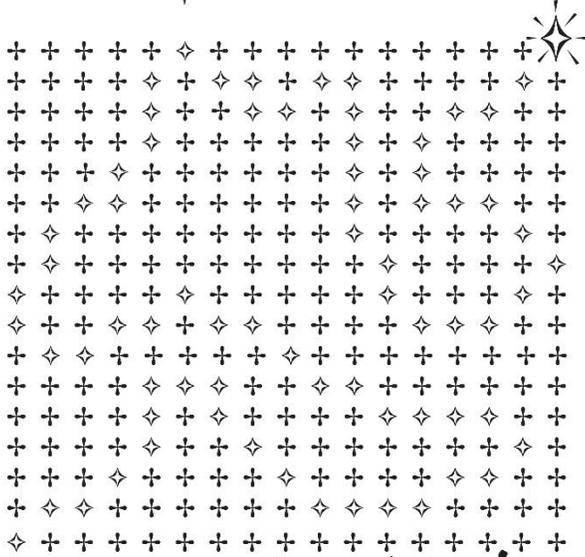




Kid's Corner

Puzzle!

Starting in the lower-left corner, help the wise men follow the ✨ path that leads to baby Jesus.



Now unscramble these words to discover what gifts the wise men brought Jesus.

LDOG NCAKNRIENFSE RYHMR

Answer: gold, frankincense, myrrh



F M K N L A D E G S C E J A T S

What's in a name?

An angel told Joseph what to name Mary's baby. Solve the puzzle to discover the name's meaning.

Directions: Begin at the circled H below and follow the arrows. Circle every other letter, and then place them in order to complete Matthew 1:21.

"S_e w_ll __ve b ir__
to __ s_n, and __u a_e to
gi_e _i_ the __me J__us,
b_c_u__ he _ill s__e his
__op_e f_o_ t__ir s_n_."

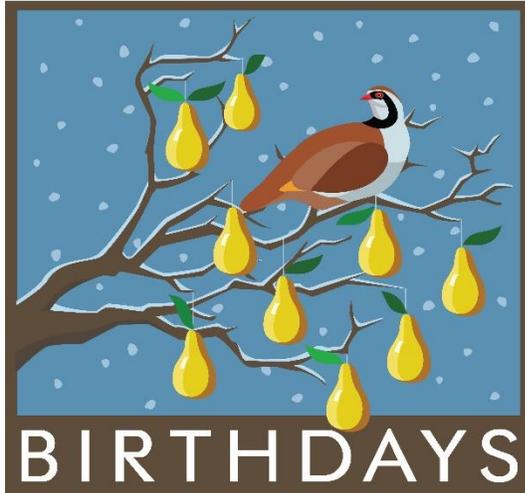
MATTHEW 1:21, NIV

START HERE

A I N G F I P **H** S C I B E J H A

Answer: "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21, NIV

DECEMBER



12/1	Melanie Walker
12/1	Tyleke Thompson
12/3	Don Glenn
12/3	Dorothy Hawkins
12/4	Jay Ethridge
12/4	Dylan Bradford
12/8	Rev. Sarita Kent-Wallace
12/8	Sharon Cooper-Kerr
12/8	Tavon Willis
12/10	Louis Alston
12/10	Tekelle Evans
12/11	Christine London
12/12	Joan Fletcher
12/12	Tristan Evan
12/13	Jacque Miles Humes
12/14	Gloria Bruce
12/18	Melanie Hill-Irby
12/18	Maya Robins
12/19	Marla Talley
12/19	Mia Walker
12/20	Dominique Thomas
12/22	Herbert Jackson
12/25	Shannon Cobb Williams
12/27	Carol Strickland
12/29	Loretta Johnson

12/13	Eugene and Rev. Veronica Beckley
12/21	Rev. Collin & Kim Figueroa
12/23	Rosalyn Sellman
12/27	Valerie Ashton-Thomas
12/31	Virginia Gray

DECEMBER



The Year in Photos

Reflecting on the Past Year ... We want to know about all the wonderful things you've been doing, or just see your beautiful faces! Please submit 1 or 2 photos to the following email address: TrinityTabletNewsletter@gmail.com. The photos may be individual or group photos. You may also include a brief description of the activity taking place and/or individuals in the photo(s). The deadline for submissions is Friday, December 17th. All photos will be published in the January 2022 issue. Let's stay connected!





MERRY
CHRISTMAS
&
HAPPY NEW YEAR

The central graphic features a large, teal, eight-pointed star at the top. Below it, the words "MERRY" and "CHRISTMAS" are written in a large, red, cursive font. A teal ampersand "&" is positioned between "CHRISTMAS" and "HAPPY NEW YEAR". The words "HAPPY NEW YEAR" are written in a white, sans-serif font on a teal, ribbon-like banner. Small teal stars are scattered around the text. The entire central composition is enclosed within a red double-line border.

