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## ADULT CHOIR CANTATA December 11 • 8:45 & 10:55 am Services

### Join Us As We Welcome the Advent Season Together!

#### December 7

Missionary Speakers (Chapel)  
6:15 pm • Dennis & Alita Blackmon (Brazil)

#### December 11

Third Sunday of Advent "Joy"  
8:45 & 10:55 am • Christmas Cantata  
"Hope Is Born...Emmanuel"

6:00 pm • Instrumental Ensemble  
& Bells of Praise Concert

#### December 14

6:15 pm • Blue Christmas Service (Chapel)

#### December 18

Fourth Sunday of Advent "Love"  
8:45 & 10:55 am • Worship Service  
6:00 pm • Children's Concert & Fellowship  
(Sanctuary/FH)

#### December 21

Church-wide Caroling to Homebound  
5:30 pm • Soups & Sandwiches (FH)

#### December 24

Christmas Eve Services  
5:00 pm & 10:00 pm • Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Communion Service

#### December 25 Sunday

10:30 am • Christmas Day Worship Service

# Taking the Next Step...

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The season of Christmas is a joyous and happy time for most of us. It is a time filled with parties, laughter, family and friends. Everywhere people seem to be in a different mood as music of the season fills the air. However, for some this is a hard season. There are those who have lost loved ones due to death and must pass through this Christmas for the first time without that loved one. Some have lost their employment and find a time of buying and gift-giving to be especially painful. Others have suffered the loss of health and well-being and are concerned about the months ahead. There are even some of us who are just “blue” and even though there is no obvious reason for it, the Christmas season is only magnifying our mood.

On Wednesday, December 14th we will have a “Blue Christmas Service” in the Chapel at 6:15 p.m. This service will be filled with scripture reading, carols and a time for prayer. During the service you will be given the opportunity to pray, reflect, receive communion and also pray with our ministers and deacons if you choose. The evening will conclude with a candle lighting service as we remember our loved ones and the other losses of life this past year. The purpose of the service will be to give us all permission to grieve at time when grieving might be hard and also to remember that we do not grieve alone, but with God’s people surrounding us.

I hope that you will come and join us for this special time of worship. I also want to encourage you to invite a neighbor, family member or friend who might benefit from this time of worship. This service can be a healing time for many lives. If you are not planning to come, then please pray for this time of worship and those who will gather.

## This Sunday At Trinity

### Third Sunday of Advent Christmas Cantata Both Services

- 8:30am Extended Teaching Care
- 8:45 Worship @ 8:45
- 9:30 Welcome Center Opens in Narthex
- 9:45 Sunday School: Bible Study for All Ages
- 10:45 Raleigh Arabic Baptist Worship (Chapel)
- 10:55 Worship @ 10:55 (Sanctuary)  
Extended Teaching Care (Birth to Age 4)
- 4:30pm Belize Mission Trip Meeting (Conf. Rm)
- 6:00 Instrumental Ensembles (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 Church Conference (Chapel)

## Blue Christmas Worship Service

Wednesday, December 14  
6:15pm • Chapel

This service is for everyone, but it is especially designed for those who might be grieving during this Christmas Season. Many times the holidays can be a painful and dark period for those who have lost loved ones, jobs, or are struggling with the loss that comes through illness. The Blue Christmas service is a time for prayer, reflection, and healing. It is a great opportunity to invite a neighbor or friend who might benefit from such a time of worship. This can be a wonderful outreach event to our community in addition to those in our church family!

## Deacon of the Week: Louis Pearce

Louis Pearce and his wife, Sylvia have been members of Trinity since 1984. Louis is a native of Rolesville, NC. Louis is retired. He serves as Disaster Relief Coordinator, and serves in the Missions Committee, Adult Choir and Prime Timers Choir. He serves the Willing Hearts and Lamplighters Sunday School Classes. Louis also works with deacons Ted York and Kerfoot Ritter.



## Year-End Contribution Reminder

Any contributions that you want to be on your 2011 tax statement, must be turned into the Financial Secretary by December 30th. The ONLY exception to this rule is an envelope postmarked by December 31st. Please remember that the church office will be closed:

Thursday, December 22nd  
Friday, December 23rd  
Monday, December 26th

Any stock contributions for 2011 must be received by Trinity or in Trinity's account by December 31st to be counted as a 2011 contribution. If you have any questions, please call Jan Brown BEFORE the first of the year at 787-3740. Thank you for your support of Trinity!

**The offering received on Sunday,  
January 1, 2012 is for 2012.**

## Deepest Sympathies

**Barry & Lisa Dale** upon the death of Barry's brother, Frank Dale of Raleigh, on November 30th.

**Kevin and Christy Lingle** on the passing of Kevin's mother, Sybil Lingle of Cordava, South Carolina, on December 2nd.

## Fellowship Dinner

Wednesday, December 14

**\$4.00 & \$3.00 Plate**

Chicken Cordon Bleu  
2 Sides, Salad, Dessert & Drinks

**\$2.00 Plate**

Chicken Nuggets  
1 Side, Salad, Dessert & Drinks

Reservations and cancellations  
need to be made by Monday 4pm.

## North Raleigh Ministries

**Items needed for  
Christmas Boxes**

- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Cream of Chicken Soup
- Stuffing Mix
- Boxed Potatoes
- Chicken Broth
- Pie Crust
- Pumpkin Pie Filling
- Evaporated Milk
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Gravy Mix
- Cranberry Sauce
- Mac & Cheese
- Jello
- Flour
- Sugar
- Oil or Pam
- Jelly

## Surplus Freezer Meals Available

**(First Come, First Served)**

- 11 Pecan Stuffed Chicken Breasts @ \$5 ea.
- 1 8 inch Chicken Pot Pie @ \$16
- 1 Florentine Shells @ \$6
- 1 Black Bean Tortilla Bake @ \$10
- 2 Quarts Arizona Corn Chowder @ \$16ea.

## Congratulations

**Mike & Phyllis Slawter** and big sister **Abigail** on the birth of baby girl, Beverly Kate, on December 1st.

## Seniors & Not Yet Seniors...

Dorothy Petty, Coordinator

### Get Out Your Baking Pans!

And bake a cake  
(or buy one that looks "homemade") for  
Christmas parties at Womens' Prison.

Bring your uncut, whole cake, wrapped in  
plastic to the church office

**by 11:00 on December 13.**

A senior driver will transport our cakes to  
the Raleigh Baptist Association  
for delivery to the prison.

### We Are Invited To Two Christmas Events

The 25th annual drive-through  
Living Nativity  
at Ephesus Baptist Church  
6767 Hillsborough Street  
December 16-18 • 7:00-9:00

#### Christmas in the Neighborhood

Apex Baptist Church • December 9, 10, 11  
Evening Shows: 7:30  
Afternoon Saturday & Sunday 3:00

### Monthly Visit to All Inactive Sunday School & Church Members

Wednesday, December 21  
10:00am • Meet in Fellowship Hall

### Ride the Rails & Whale Watching

Let Dorothy know if you are interested  
in a "Ride the Rails" trip in West Virginia  
in May for 3 days, about \$400, or a  
Whale Watching Trip to Cape Cod in  
September, 7 days, about \$600.

### Rembrandt Exhibit

January 10 • 2:00pm  
NC Museum of Art

**Ticket cost is \$15 (group rate)**

Sign-up sheets are on the tables outside  
Room A214 and Room B236, plus on the  
bulletin board beside the B236 hallway  
near the third floor stairway, and the Lost  
and Found area.

**Deadline for signing up is December 28.**  
**Van space for 30.**

### Do You Knit? Yes! That's great! No? No problem.

January 17 • 11:00am  
Conference Room

On January 17, Trinity knitters will  
teach you how to make a scarf for our  
Water-in-a-Bag Project. Come to the  
conference room at 11:00 to knit, to  
learn, and to have fun.

**Supplies will be provided.**

# Committee Kick-off Night

Wednesday, January 4 • FH

5:30 pm - Soup & Sandwiches

6:30 pm - Committee Meetings • Classrooms

If you have been elected to serve on a standing committee here at TBC next year, you will get an invitation in the mail to attend our Committee Kick-Off Night event. This is an evening when all committees can hold their first meeting of the new year, elect a chair person, set meeting dates, discuss goals, and make plans for the work to be done. The Church Staff will be on hand to assist the committees to which they are assigned as liaison. Cost of Soup & Sandwich Dinner is \$3 per person. See YOU there...and THANKS for serving our church family in this way!

## 2011 OCC Lead Team You were Fabulous!

I was overwhelmed by your generous and tireless efforts and ideas given for the Lord's work. God blessed our desire to touch the lives of children around the world with a small token of love by placing each of you on the team!

**Special thanks to each of you** – Anita Price, Brenda Lowrance, Cathy Rouse, Shirley Eason, Laurel Buffaloe, Martha Smith, Cari Waldick, Meagan Rooker and Ann Meyen. You made our 2011 promotion a great success!

**AND, Thank you Trinity!** You generously gave of your love this year by filling boxes to be sent to children all over the world! A simple gift with such an enormous impact! Start your collection now to fill a box for 2012 and begin praying for the children that will receive the boxes. I challenge you to consider being a member of the 2012 OCC Lead Team! Pray about it!

– Nita Gruttadauria

# Foreign Missionary Speakers

Dennis & Anita Blackmon (Brazil)

Wednesday, December 7 • 6:15pm • Chapel

December ushers in the season of our annual world missions emphasis. One of the highlights of this season is having a missionary visit with us at TBC and share about his/her ministry. We are delighted to have SBC Foreign Missionaries, Dennis and Anita Blackmon, with us this year. They serve in Sao Paulo, Brazil and will share the exciting things that God is doing there that we are a part of! Come hear their testimony and celebrate what God is doing through them and us!

## Church-Wide Christmas Caroling

To Homebound Members

Wednesday, December 21 • 5:30pm

Homemade soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall to all carolers! We'll assign folks to vehicles, hand out candles and carol books, then head out at 6:15pm to bring Christmas cheer to our elderly TBC members who seldom, if ever, get to come to our church services. This is a great family outing – bring the children!

## Spring Semester Clue Discipleship Classes

Brochure Coming Soon!

# Music Ministry

Rev. Steve Byers, slbyers@tbcraleigh.com

## Music Notes

**Our adult ensembles were wonderful this past Sunday in worship and also in concert Sunday night!** Thank you all for your investment of time and talent for the Lord at Trinity! It is always a special treat to see and hear the diverse musical abilities you each contribute to the music ministry, and once again, you moved us all with your beautiful music. Our special thanks to Joy Blashaw, Jessica Isaacs, and the Laymen for making this a wonderful day of music and celebration at Christmas!

**Adult Choir Cantata**

HOPE  
*is*  
BORN

*Emmanuel*

**December 11**  
**8:45 & 10:55 am Services**

RANDY VADER  
JAY ROUSE

## Instrumental Ensemble & Bells of Praise Concert

December 11 • 6:00 pm

## Music Calendar

**Musicians, please check the dates for worship and rehearsals below, as some events have changed.**

### December 7

Double Missions Night  
(Missionary Speakers)

No Children's Choirs

Adult Choir Dress Rehearsal  
7:30 pm

### December 8

Adult Choir Dress Rehearsal  
7:00 pm

### December 11

Adult Choir Cantata  
Both Morning Services

Instrumental Ensemble and  
Bells of Praise Concert  
6:00 pm

### December 14

Double Choirs for Children's Choirs  
No Instrumental Ensemble

### December 15

Adult Choir Christmas Dinner  
6:00 pm • Fellowship Hall

## Preschool & Children's Choirs Concert

December 18 • 6:00 pm

*Fellowship following  
in the Fellowship Hall*

## Words from Lydia

This Wednesday, we will have our annual Christmas Northbound in the Underground at 6:00p.m. As Andy and I have been planning this time of worship, I have had a lot to think about when it comes to the birth and life of Christ. Each year as Christmas comes and goes, we see reminders to slow us down from the commercial Christmas rush; but I think the most powerful reminder we can have as we wait in expectation is the image of Christ, the Healer; Christ, the Miracle-Worker; Christ, the Servant; and Christ, the King.

At Christmas, we are not simply celebrating the birth of a baby; we are celebrating the day that the entire cosmos changed. We are celebrating the day that God became human in order to love, to teach, to heal, and to redeem.

This Wednesday, as we come together for worship, we invite you all to examine your lives, so that you might see the healing that

is taking place all because of Christmas. This will be a time of deep reflection and joyous celebration. And, this will be a time where we experience worship through image, song, and spoken word. Come, let us worship our King for all the great things He has done!



# Christmas Northbound

**Wednesday, December 7**  
**6:00-7:30pm • Underground**

This combined MS & HS worship will focus on the Glorious Impossible, the person of Jesus. Come and participate as we prepare ourselves for Christmas!



# Youth Basketball

Please check our website  
([www.lifehonestly.com](http://www.lifehonestly.com))  
for game schedules.

# December Wednesday Night Schedule

**December 7**  
**6:00-7:30**

MS & HS Christmas Northbound (UG)

**December 14**  
**6:00-7:30**

D-Team Christmas Celebration  
(Each D-Team will be on its own)

**December 21**  
**5:30-7:00**

Soup & Sandwiches & Church-wide Caroling

# Childhood Education

Rev. Karen Metcalf Eickhoff, kmetcalf@tbcraleigh.com

**Be Like Jesus.** Our theme for the Children's Ministry 2011-2012 church year.

## Advent: "Peace"

We want to encourage family worship this Christmas. Set aside some time each week to do an Advent Wreath, open an Advent Calendar or read a story. You can find them located in the Preschool Suite and Grade School Suite.

## Mission Offering Quarters for Global Missions

This Sunday our boys and girls collected quarters and change for Global Missions. The amount is generous. Thanks children for making the effort to give to missions and our missionaries this holiday season.

## Family Christmas Tree

The Children's Ministry is responsible for the Christmas tree in the Fellowship Hall. This is a special tree decorated with ornaments provided by you—the families of Trinity. All you have to do is find an ornament relating to the Nativity, write your family name on it with the current year—2011 and bring it to the tree in the Fellowship Hall. Become part of a wonderful Trinity tradition and bring an ornament for the tree!

## Birthday Party in honor of Jesus

**December 18 • Fellowship Hall**  
Following the Children's Choir Concert

## Childhood Calendar

### December 7

Double Missions:  
GA and RA Classes Only  
Mission Speaker in Chapel

### December 14

Double Choirs:  
Music Makers and Young Musicians  
Both Choirs stay until 7:30pm

### December 18

Children's Choir Concert  
followed by Birthday Party • FH

### December 21

Church-wide Christmas Caroling

## Children's Day

February 12, 2011  
Theme: "Be Like Jesus"

Children will be participating in all aspects of the morning worship services. If you are a grade school child that plays an instrument and is willing to share with us in the service, please contact me. We can not use everyone but we would like to try to use you if possible. Mark the date!

## 2012 Summer Dates

Vacation Bible School  
June 10-13

Passportkids Camp  
June 21-24 or June 30- July 3

*Thoughts For Parents...*

## Keep Your Child Healthy

The winter season is here. Do you wish you could put your child in a bubble to protect her from germs carried by other children, especially children who are sick? Bubbles aren't realistic and children will get sick and spread germs. There isn't a magic formula for preventing an illness; however, parents can make positive steps to help keep their child healthy.

**Eat Healthy:** A child's diet is important in keeping him healthy. Parents are in control of planning menus. Begin the day with a healthy breakfast. A fast breakfast of doughnuts and pastry does not give the fuel needed to get a young child through the day. Start the day with protein foods, such as cheese, egg, milk; add complex carbs such as whole grain breads and cereals. Provide fruits and vegetables throughout the day. Avoid foods and juices high in sugar.

**Get Sufficient Sleep:** Establish healthy sleep habits. Be consistent. Set a regular bedtime. Establish bedtime rituals such as take a warm bath, brush teeth, read a story, say prayers. Younger preschoolers need an opportunity to nap or at least rest during the day, even though they may resist. Again be consistent and establish a routine such as read a book, hold a favorite pillow or stuffed animal and listen to quiet music.

**Exercise Daily:** Go outside for short periods, weather permitting. Fresh air and time in the sun provide vitamin D needed for staying

healthy. Provide opportunities for your preschooler to engage in movement activities during the day. Plan short nature walks around the block. Time spent outside is not only good for your child but for you too---physical exercise releases endorphins that energize.

**Prevent Stress:** Stress lowers the immune system and makes one more prone to illness. Let your child relax and enjoy being the child God created him or her to be. Pressure to achieve can be harmful to the child. Provide a safe environment that allows the young child to explore and discover things he enjoys.

**Be Preventive:** Wash hands. Wash hands. Wash hands. Guide your child to wash his hands before meals, after being outside, and after diapering or using the toilet. Teach your child to cover her mouth when coughing and sneezing. When your child is sick, keep her home from church and preschool to prevent the spread of germs. Know symptoms requiring a visit to the child's doctor.

Children will be children and one thing is certain, there will be illnesses and injuries. Parents need to be cautious, but not over protective. God gave you a great responsibility as a parent and he has promised to be with you and guide you. Relax and enjoy this season of the year with your child.

## *Upcoming Preschool Event!* Disney on Ice

**December 10 • 10:30am**

I still have a few tickets to Disney on Ice for Saturday, December 10 at 10:30am at the RBC Center. The tickets are \$12 a piece. Please see me if you are interested in purchasing tickets.

## Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to work in our preschool area during special worship events. The dates are as follows:

**Sunday, December 18 • 6:00 pm**  
Children's Choir Event

**Saturday, December 24 • 5:00 pm**  
Christmas Eve Service

If you would like to volunteer for any of these dates, please contact Tamara Rouse (844-7893) or Melanie Ward (787-3740).

## ROC Closings

- All Saturdays in December
- December 22 - 26 & 30-31

## ROC Volunteers

### Monday, December 12

8am-11am	Charles & Ronda Swindell
11am-2pm	Dwight Greene
3pm-6pm	Rhonda Davis
6pm-9pm	Mark McCoy

### Tuesday, December 13

8am-11am	Glenn & Sylvia Wellborn
11am-2pm	Marcel Beaudreau
3pm-6pm	Mike & Venetta Bowersox
6pm-9pm	George & Barbara Flanagan

### Wednesday, December 14

8am-11am	Andy Ammons
11am-2pm	Ernest & Ann Tilley
7:45pm-9pm	<b>Closed</b>

### Thursday, December 15

8am-11am	Charlotte Edwards, Beverly Munday
11am-2pm	Marcel Beaudreau
3pm-6pm	Pat Richardson, Jayne Simpkins
6pm-9pm	Erin Cross

### Friday, December 16

8am-11am	Johnny Teal
11am-2pm	Pat Altman

### Saturday, December 17

9am - 12pm	<b>Closed</b>
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## Muscle Sculpt Fitness Class

### Monday's at Noon • ROC

Muscle burns fat, so increase your muscle mass with light or no weights in a fun one hour class. Different exercises each week! First time is free!

## ROC December 12 - December 19

### ROC Hours

#### Monday

8:00am - 2:00pm • 3:00pm - 9:00pm

#### Tuesday

8:00am - 2:00pm • 3:00pm - 9:00pm

#### Wednesday

8:00am - 2:00pm

#### Thursday

8:00am - 2:00pm • 3:00pm - 9:00pm

#### Friday

8:00am - 2:00pm  
(Gym Floor Closes at 11:45)

#### Saturday

**Closed**

### ROC Activities

#### Group Fitness Classes

**M, W, F • 8:00-9:00am • Gym**  
Cardio Strength Training

**M & Th • 12:00-1:00pm • Gym**  
Muscle Sculpt

**T & Th • 9:00-10:00am • Gym**  
Dance-it Group Fitness Class

**Th • 7:15-8:15pm • Gym**  
Zumba

#### Recreation Activities

**M, T, W, Th, F • 10:00-11:30am • Gym**  
Weekday Preschool

**M, T & Th • 5:00-7:15pm • Gym**  
Upward Basketball & Cheerleading

**M, T & Th • 7:15-8:30pm • Gym**  
Youth Basketball

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays • Each Month**  
Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Th • 1:00-4:00pm • A214**  
Cards & Games Fellowship

## ROC Calendar

**December 19, 2011 though  
January 1, 2012**

No Practices  
Christmas and New Years Break

**Week of Monday, January 2, 2012**

Practices Resumes  
(All Players and All Cheerleaders)

**Saturday, January 7, 2012**

First Game Day

**Tuesday, February 28, 2012**

Upward Celebration Night

**Upward Awards Night**

February 28, 2012

**8th Annual  
ROC'n Golf Tournament**

May 11, 2012

**Fifth Annual North Hills 5k**

September 8, 2012

## Photoshop Elements Class

**December 8, January 5, 12, 19, 26**

**6:30 - 8:30 pm • Underground**

**Cost: \$60 per person**

Taught by Dick Cicone. Learn how to manipulate your photos and use Photoshop Elements. Starting just in time to have 2 classes before all of your Christmas photos.

To register or more information contact Ruth Ann Struble 919-818-5478.

# ZUMBA<sup>®</sup>

FITNESS

## Is Coming to the ROC!

**Classes begin Thursday,  
December 8 • 7:15 - 8:15pm  
Multipurpose Room**

The Zumba<sup>®</sup> program fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms with easy-to-follow and calorie-burning moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program.

**Come experience what the  
Zumba fitness "buzz" is all about!**

## ROC Group Fitness Classes

**Certified Instructors**

**All Classes are for All Experiences**

*(beginner to experienced)*

**Muscle Sculpt**

12 - 1pm Monday • Instructor Michelle Dreesse

**Cardio Aerobics**

8 - 9 am M,W,F • Instructor Mary Ann Potts

**Zumba**

7:15pm Thursday • Instructor Cuqui Gorman

\$5 individual classes

\$30 monthly fitness pass

*(Price does not include Dance-it classes)*

No contract or commitments required.

Longevity of participation at user's discretion.

## Join our Group on Facebook

Search for Recreation Outreach Center  
of TBC Raleigh

# Extended Teaching Care Workers

## Sunday, December 11

Hostess: Christi Melton

Asst Hostess: Laura Floyd

### 8:45 am Worship Service

Art & Sarah Melvin, Aloma Crenshaw, Jennifer  
& Martin Banning, Walt & Emily Nelson

### 10:55 am Worship Service

0-4 mos Dianne Clausen, Faye Hinkleman

5-10 mos Melinda Cook, Lynanne Rhoades

11-14 mos Stephanie Treadway,  
Michelle Dreese

15-19 mos Debra Cochran

20-24 mos Lisa Paula

2 yrs Tom Cook, Mark Blashaw

3 yrs Kia Thirakul, Christy Lingle

4 yrs Bill & Jennifer McFarling,  
Nit Thirakul

## Wednesday, December 14

Bed Babies Penny Cobb, Debbie Thomas

Toddlers Carol & John Donofrio,  
Suzanne Bass

Two's Jan & Andrew Ammons

**E-mail newsletter articles no later than  
Noon Fridays to: info@tbcraleigh.com.**

## Vision for Growth December 4, 2011

### Growing through Bible Study...

Members Age Group	Present	New Members	Visitors
Adults	609	3	17
Student	137	0	4
Children	112	0	4
Preschool	80	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>
Sunday School			<b>Total 967</b>

### Growing through Worship...

8:45am Worship Attendance	300
10:55am Worship Attendance	718
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>1,018</b>

### Growing through Stewardship...

(YTD totals through 10/31/2011)

YTD General	
Fund Needs (Budget)	\$2,173,468.00
YTD Operating Receipts	\$2,009,200.15
YTD Operating Expenses	\$1,992,382.88

## TBC'S Annual Christmas World Missions Offering

**Goal: \$50,000  
Given to Date: \$28,131**

Please continue to give through the  
month of Decemeber. Let's reach our goal!

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