

La Trinidad United Methodist Church

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 A. M. DECEMBER 2, 2018

WELCOME

Visitors are encouraged to return a visitor card in the offering plate.

PRELUDE

GREETING

Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
That the King of glory may come in

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Christ came to bring us salvation and has promised to come again. Let us pray that we may always be ready to welcome him.

Come, Lord Jesus.

That the keeping of Advent may open our hearts to God's love, That the light of Christ may penetrate the darkness of sine, That this wreath may constantly remind us to prepare for the coming of Christ, That the Christmas season may fill us with peace and joy as we strive to follow the example of Jesus.

Loving God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 60:2-3

LIGHTING OF FIRST ADVENT CANDLE – HOPE

Reader: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation. O come, O come, Emmanuel.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: (to be sung)

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

PRAYER (In Unison)

Eternal God, in your providence you made all ages a preparation for the kingdom of your Son. Make ready our hearts for the brightness of your glory and the fullness of your blessing in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN

O Come, O Come Emmanuel UMH 211

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

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*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

THE OFFERING

UMH 588

**All things come of thee, O Lord,
And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

*SCRIPTURE

Luke 21:25-36

*HYMN

One Bread, One Body UMH 620

SERMON

Rev. John P. Feagins

“Expect The Unexpected”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 881

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH 196

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

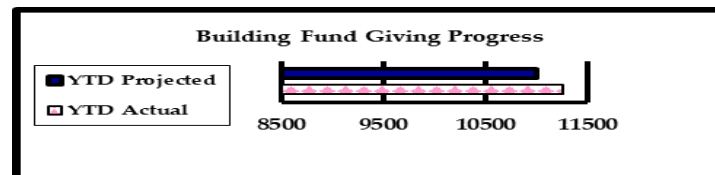
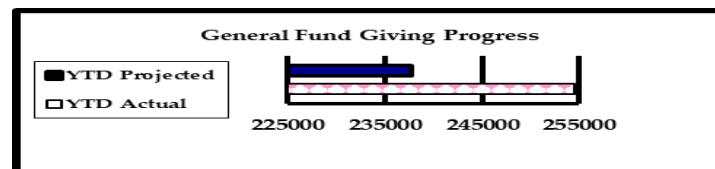
**Please stand if you are able*

THIS WEEK AT LA TRINIDAD UMC

Sunday Dec. 2	8:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast
	8:30AM	Worship
	8:30AM-9:30AM	Edith Parker Class-Escuela Dominical
	9:30AM-10:30AM	Sunday School for All Ages Sunday School/Bible Study for Young Adults
	9:30AM-10:30AM	Culto de Adoración
	11:00AM	Worship
	12:15PM-2:15PM	UMW Navidad Blanca, Parlor, Contact: Raquel Mariscal
	12:30PM	Youth and College Age, Gym
	12:30PM-2:00PM	Children's Ministry: Children's Christmas Program practice, Choir Room. Contact: Clarissa Rivera
	12:30PM	UMM Meeting, Contact: Smiley Nava
	3:00PM	LTUMC Charge Conference, Conference Room
Mon. Dec. 3	10:00AM	Banners
Tues. Dec. 4	2:30PM	Bible Study-Laurie Sorenson's residence, Contact: Laurie at 210-432-1777
	6:00PM	Youth Bible Study, Contact: Iris Chavez
Wed. Dec. 5	6:00PM	Music Rehearsal for 9:30AM Worship Service
	6:45PM	Music Rehearsal for 11:00AM Worship Service
Sat. Dec. 8	8:30AM-10:30AM	Trustees, Conference Room
	8:30AM-4:00PM	2018 Women's Advent Retreat: "From Preparation To Proclamation, LTUMC Contact: Rev. Raquel Feagins

November 25, 2018 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				SUNDAY SCHOOL
8:30AM	9:45AM	11:00AM	Total	Total
14	12	92	118	32

25-Nov-18	General Fund	Building Fund
Gifts Received Last Week	\$ 2,177.75	\$ 555.00
Gifts Received YTD:	\$ 254,460.00	\$ 11,257.00



UPCOMING EVENTS

• **SAFE GATHERINGS TRAINING:** If you have not completed the last step in the Safe Gatherings certification process, please register for an upcoming facilitated or online sessions. You may register at <https://riotexas.org/safetrainings/>Contact: Ms. Valerie Mendoza or Pastor Raquel Feagins with any questions

DECEMBER

- **POINSETTIAS-\$8.00 each.** Order(s) for Poinsettias will be through Sunday, December 9. Please fill out form and enclose with cash or check in envelope provided.
- **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**-Sunday, December 9
- **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**-Children's Christmas Program practice, Sunday, December 9, 12:30PM-2:00PM, Choir Room. Contact: Clarissa Rivera
- **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**-Children's Christmas Program practice/dress rehearsal, Saturday, December 15, 11:00AM-2:00PM, Choir Room/Sanctuary. Contact: Clarissa Rivera
- **SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**-Saturday, December 15, 2:30PM-5:30PM, Gym
- **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**-Sunday, December 16
- **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**-Children's Christmas Program, Sunday, December 16, 5:00PM, Sanctuary. Reception immediately following in the Gym.
- **UMW BUSINESS MEETING**-Sunday, December 16, Conference Room, Contact: Raquel Mariscal
- **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**-Sunday, December 23

DONATIONS FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

Envelopes are available in the foyer by the Flower Chart or in the pews.

Today's Worship Service is broadcasted on YouTube.com and is also on Facebook

2018 WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT:
"FROM PREPARATION TO PROCLAMATION"-Saturday,
 December 8, 8:30AM-4:00PM, at La Trinidad UMC.
 Cost: \$12 per person. Students and Youth Free. Childcare is available at no charge. Registration Form available at the La Trinidad UMC Office or register at eventbrite.com.

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