

TIDINGS OF TRINITY

JANUARY 2012

We have come to a new year of time, 2012; I pray that this year will be a good year for everyone. When one comes to new beginnings, they usually make some resolutions to improve their life. I encourage you to make a few resolutions that will get you more involved in the life of Trinity. A new Pastor will be leading us, beginning in February; I hope you will resolve to help him make Trinity a growing and very concerned church.

Psalm 133:1 says: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Our life together begins with Christ. The miracle of our Lord to take up our life is just so very important. He has our human flesh, that He might bear our sin and be our Savior. In His bloody crucifixion at Calvary He draws all creation to Himself. Here is our salvation. Here is our life together. The crucified One gives us the gift of forgiveness and life everlasting. As He is so we shall be.

What joy and freedom we have in serving our Lord and His Church. We are no longer burdened by the law's requirements. The Gospel compels us to share His Word with all people. Life together is the best of living. Selfish ambition and pride disappear as we pray for and support the body of Christ. We belong to one another only through and in Jesus Christ.

Of course, the body and all its members suffer under the delusions of the world, the devil, and our own sinful nature. The promise of power, prestige, and possessions always comes at the expense of hurting those we love the most. Our life together can become isolation. The body and the community suffer. I encourage you to spend some time this year in studying God's Word. For as you do this, He will equip you to be strong in your faith. May 2012 be a exciting and very productive period of time. Be the Church here in Cedar City.

Pastor Jaster

PANTRY SHOWER FOR PASTOR AND

MRS. SHARP: It was suggested that we give the Sharp's a "Pantry Shower" since most of their belongings have been in storage for many months. They will probably need all of the following:

Cleaning & laundry supplies

Bathroom supplies

Spices/Cooking & baking staples

We would like to collect these items by Sunday, January 29th. The Sharp's should be moving into their new home February 1st, so it would be good to have these items available to them at that time. Please use the baskets in the Fellowship Hall for your contri-

butions. Any of the basics would be appreciated, or put the ingredients for one of your favorite recipes in a bag and attach the recipe. Diane Sharp loves to cook!

Any questions see Diane Molnar, Sharol Kleinschmidt, or Lynette Weber. Lets make our new Pastor and his wife feel welcome.

CHRISTMAS GRATITUDE - - - -

- * cleaning and decorating the Church
- * decorating the Tree
- * soup supper fellowship meals
- * choir voices
- * LWML Christmas Party

- * Breakfast fellowship at Iron Gate
- * Christmas Cactus Plant
- * Poinsettia sharing
- * Bell ringing

and to all the Trinity family for sharing Christmas joy and love with each other and the community.

OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE at

Trinity for the month of December are:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Income</u>
11/24	40	\$ 246.00
11/27	61	1,068.00
11/30	31	188.00
12/4	55	802.00
12/7	26	177.54
12/11	67	1,197.00
12/14	29	223.00
12/18	60	1,921.02

Avg. Sun. Attend: 60 Total: \$5,822.56

Advent Avg. Attend: 28

Thanksgiving Attend: 40

Last year our average Sunday attendance during the month of December was 56 each Sunday. We went up by 4 each Sunday this year. Last year our average Advent attendance was 28 each Wednesday night. This year it was the same 28 each night. Our Thanksgiving attendance last year was 33. This year we went up by 7 on Thanksgiving Day. Our attendance is doing a little better this year, let's try to improve our attendance in the year 2012.. Our income for the month of Deceluber last year was \$6,070.00; our income this year was \$247.44 less than last year. Our income was basically the same as last year. I believe we have got to do better in this area.

*** FULL WOLF MOON - JANUARY**

Amid the cold and deep snows of midwinter, the wolf packs howled hungrily outside Indian villages. Thus, the name for January's full Moon. Sometimes it was also referred to as the Old Moon, or the Moon

After Yule. Some called it the full Snow Moon, but most tribes applied that name to the next Moon.

DOUG DEUTSCHLANDER'S TACO SOUP RECIPE:

1 lb Ground Beef
 1 Onion (Chopped)
 Brown beef and onion together and then drain.

Put beef and onion into crockpot and add ...
 1 can Cornl (don't drain any of these cans)
 1 can Kidney Beans
 1 small can Tomato Sauce
 1 large can diced tomatoes
 1 package Taco seasoning

Stir and let sit on low for 3 to 4 hours. Serve with tortilla chips or fritos and grated cheese

I usually double this recipe for a large Crockpot full.

AN AUDIO SOUND MEETING will be held at the Heritage Center Theater on January 30th, a Monday, at 3:00 in the afternoon. This Meeting will focus on audio with a free systems tour of the Heritage Theater and will feature a sound listening clinic. Special guest—Brian K. Garlick, Director of Business Development, Performance Audio, out of Salt Lake City, Utah. Registration will be available at www.sutc.groupsie.com two weeks prior to the meeting date.

A VOTER'S MEETING will be held on the third Sunday in January, the 15th, right after our Worship Service. This is a very important Meeting, as we will be electing our new officers for 2012. If you are willing to serve, then please let the Nominating

Committee know. We will also probably be making the final arrangements for the Installation Service for Pastor Sharp. You are all asked to please be present at tIns Voter's Meeting.

CINDY MAYNARD is looking for work, she can use a few hours of work. If you need any light house cleaning done, or painting, or elder care, or child care, then please contact Cindy. Cindy, will also be our representative to the Forum in Provo, Utah. This means that she will also be our delegate to the district Convention in June. Cindy is becoming very active in our congregation.

WE WILL UNDECORATE the Church and the Christmas Tree on January 14th, a Saturday, at 11 :00 in the morning. We would like to have a number of people involved in this effort. Pastor will provide pizza for everybody when we finish this project.

A NEW BIRTH-A NEW LIFE

At the end of December each year we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Christ was on earth just thirty-three years according to history. Most of us will live on earth at least twice that time, some longer.

Though we are incapable of accomplishing what Christ did, we can do our best, as we share the same heavenly Father. We can try to do His will, with the emphasis on **trying!**

If we consider that Christ was born as man on this earth, we might compare our own earthly birth. We, like He, lived here and still live. We, like He, will some day die to this life. With God willing, our deaths will not be as dreadful! Unlike Christ, when we are reborn (or raised) it will be to a glorious new life in heaven with our Father. We will not have the job of coming back

here. He did that for us! So as we have celebrated Christ's birth. Let us look forward to our own Heavenly birth with our Father waiting for us!

In the meantime, is there more we can do to spread the Word, help others and pray for the Good News to be heard everywhere? I think so, do you?

Have a happy New Year!

Sharol Kleinschmidt

THE WISDOM OF FAITH



"I'm not interested in becoming real educated, Dad. . . . I just want to be like the average adult and feel that I know all the answers!"

Here are some pictures of the Lutheran Hour Float that was in the Rose Parade this year. I believe the Lutheran Hour is one of two religious groups that have floats in this parade. The other is the Salvation Army. What a great way to spread the Good News to millions of people.



Sandy Lott e-mailed these comments made by kids. Children sometimes are very intelligent.

Dear God,
I went to this wedding
and they kissed right in church
Is that ok?

Neil

Dear God,
I think the stapler
is one of your
greatest inventions

Auth M.

Dear God,
I am American
What are you?
Robert

Dear God,
Instead of letting people die
and having to make new ones
why don't you just
keep the ones you got now?

Jane

Dear God,
Thank you for
the baby brother
but what I prayed
for was a puppy

Joyce

Dear God,
I bet it is
very hard
for you to
love all of
everybody in the
whole world
There are only
4 people in our
family and I
can never do it.

Nan