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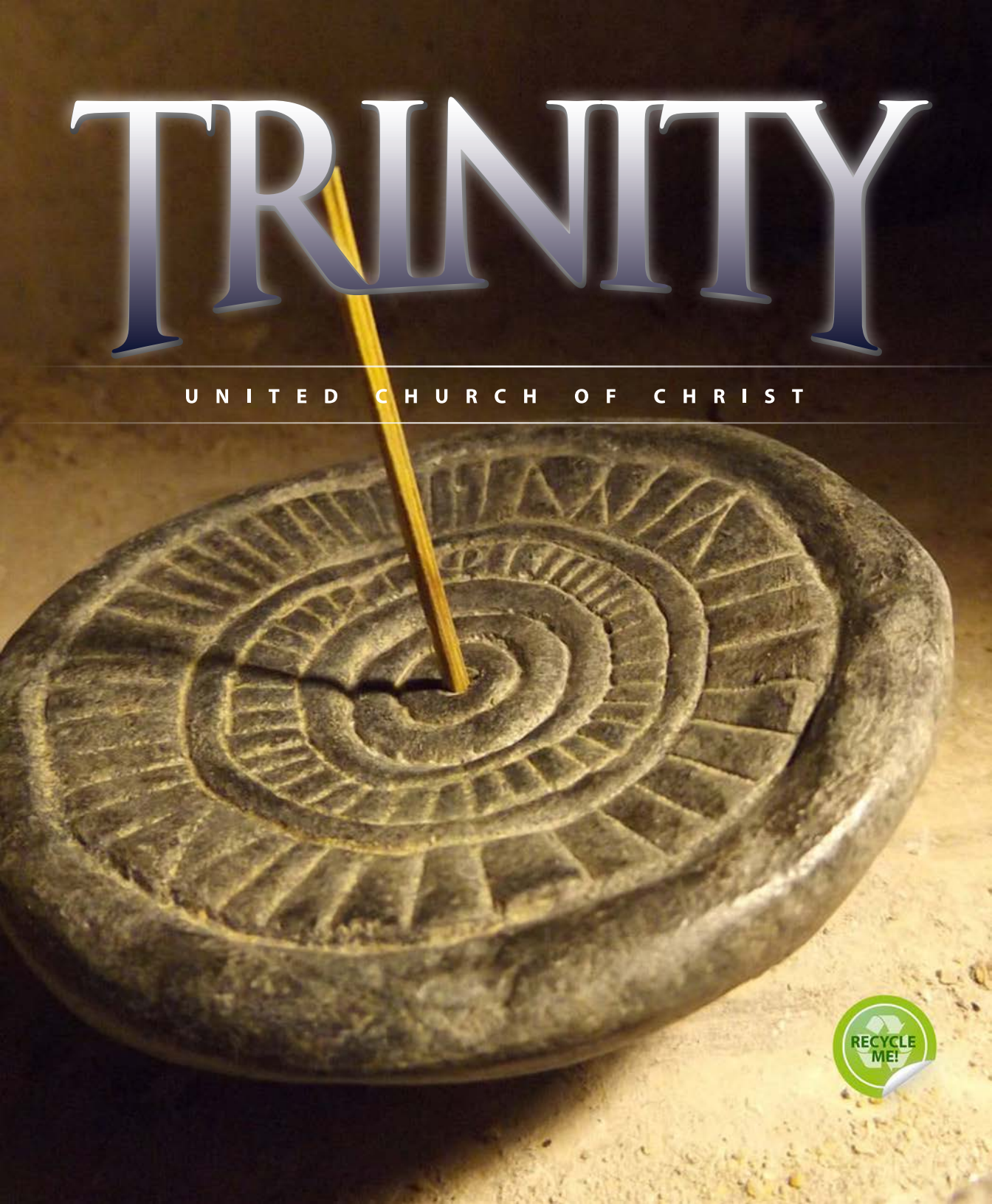

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Listening Assistance: As we endeavor to maintain a sacred worship experience, please return listening devices following the Benediction. An Audio Technician is available in the sound room for 15 minutes following each service for the return of your device.

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Order of Worship 7:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Opening Song (7:30 a.m.) ..... "Wait On Jesus"
Opening Song (11:00 a.m.) ..... "Hallelujah"
Hymn of Praise ..... "How Great Thou Art"
Unison Scripture ..... Jeremiah 33:14-16 (NIV)

[PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE READING OF THE WORD]

Invocation
Parish Concerns
- Visitor Recognition
- Passing of the Peace
- The Pastor's Word

The Service of Giving
- Offertory Sentences
- Tithes and Offerings/Scholarship

Altar Call
Sermonic Hymn ..... Selected
Sermon ..... "Is This My Season? Part 1: Waiting on God, Looking for Christ"

Hymn of Invitation

Order of Worship - 6:00 p.m.

Opening Song ..... Selected
Ministry of Music ..... "As"
Sermon ..... "The Character of Christ, Pt. 3: Jesus And The Disinherited"

Hymn of Invitation
The Service of Giving
- Offertory Sentences
- Tithes and Offerings

Altar Call/Benediction

**The Order of Worship is subject to change, at the dictation of the Holy Spirit…

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

Verse 1

O Lord my God,
when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made,
I see the stars,
I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thru-out
The universe displayed!

Chorus

Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul,
My Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!

Verse 2

When thru the woods and
Forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly
In the trees,
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze.

Verse 3

And when I think that God,
His son not sparing,
Sent Him to die,
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross,
My burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died
To take away my sin!

Verse 4

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home,
What joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim,
My God how great Thou art!

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Unison Scriptures

7:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

JEREMIAH 33:14-16 (NIV)

14 "'The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah. 15 "'In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land. 16 In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.'

6:00 P.M.

LUKE 14:15-23 (NIV)

15 When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God." 16 Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. 17 At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

18 "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.' 19 "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.' 20 "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' 21 "The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'

22 "'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.' 23 "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full.

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Sermon Notes/Prayer Concerns

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JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY FOR OUR

MIDWEEK MANNA WORSHIP SERVICE!

Powerful praise and worship! • A Preached Word! • Prayer!

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Giving Options at Trinity UCC

In order to make giving to Trinity UCC as convenient as possible, we have developed a variety of ways to suit many lifestyles:

- Giving Envelopes can be placed in the offering baskets on Sundays, or dropped in the Trustee slot any time the church is open
- First Fruits/ACH allows you to deduct directly from your bank account on a schedule of your choice (sign up or get questions answered with our Member and Guest Services team)
- Access ACS/TrinityChicagoNet provides you with the ability to make one time offerings, or scheduled offerings (Go to www.trinitychicago.org, menu item: Connections)
- SecureGive provides you mobile giving access from within the Trinity UCC Mobile App
- Text-to-Give through SecureGive – This is for targeted giving (Operation Share, Disaster Relief, etc.). Simply text to 855-781-8384 and enter the special offering (ExtraGift is active now) - ExtraGift $$ - you will then receive prompts to complete the transaction. Once set up, you will be able to text offerings with one step.
- Kiosks located in the Narthex

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PASTOR MOSS' ADVENT SERMON SERIES

IS THIS MY SEASON?

December 8th
"Waiting on God, Looking for Christ"
Jeremiah 33:14-16 (NIV)

December 14th
"Preparation for God's Possibilities"
Malachi 3:1-4 (NIV)

December 20th
"It's Time to Rejoice"
Zephaniah 3:14-20 (NIV)

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Announcements

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Service of Remembrance

TODAY!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019
3:00 P.M.
SANCTUARY

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THE GREETERS MINISTRY

WARM HATS AND HANDS 4 KIDS

Please consider donating new, unused hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves for children in need, ages 4-10. Donations will go to schools and organizations in the neighborhood.

LAST COLLECTION DATE:
TODAY!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH

Look for the Warm Hats and Hands drop-off table in the Atrium following the morning worship services.

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Announcements

akiba BOOKSTORE *(in partnership with AFRIWAREBOOKS.COM)* AFRIWARE

Book Signing with

LEE BEY

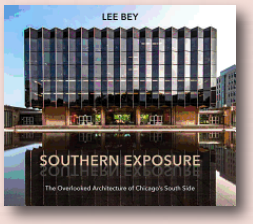
author of

Southern Exposure: The Overlooked Architecture of Chicago's South Side

TODAY, Sunday, December 8, 2019

After the 11:00am worship service

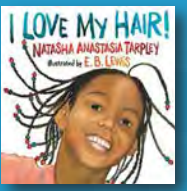
Atrium

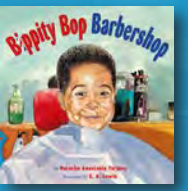


Southern Exposure **is the definitive guide to the often overlooked architectural riches of Chicago's South Side by architecture expert and former *Chicago Sun-Times* architecture writer Lee Bey. With lively, insightful text and gallery-quality color photographs by noted Chicago architecture expert Lee Bey, *Southern Exposure* documents the remarkable and largely unsung architecture of the South Side. The book features an array of landmarks—from a Space Age dry cleaner to a nineteenth-century lagoon.**

Natasha Tarpley celebrates 18+ years of sharing cultural awareness and appreciation through award winning books: *I Love My Hair* and *Bippity Bop Barbershop*

Join her for a book signing





Sunday, December 15, 2019

After the 11:00am worship service

Atrium

Every night before she goes to bed, Keyana's mother combs her hair. Though Mama is always gentle, sometimes getting her hair combed still hurts! To soothe her hurting places, Mama tells Keyana why she's so lucky to have her head of hair and explores with her all the wonderful styles that she can wear.

I Love My Hair is a Black Caucus American Library Association Top Recommended Book

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Closed Monday and Friday

Tuesday - Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. • Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. • Sunday, after each Worship Service

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Baptism, Baby Dedication, Right Hand of Fellowship, Photos, and more available online at *http://trinityucc.zenfolio.com!*

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TRINITY UCC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
Thursday, May 14 – Saturday, May 16, 2020
Grand Geneva Resort

7036 Grand Geneva Way • Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

REGISTRATION

Adults: $150.00/person
Teen Girls (high school student): $90.00/person

Register online at **www.trinitywomensweekend.org**
until Sunday, May 3, 2020
(online payment plan available!)

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(mention Trinity United Church of Christ) or visit:

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Announcements

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TODAY 12/8

7:15 a.m. Children's Church - WC
7:30 a.m. Worship Service - SA
9:30 a.m. Prayer of Consecration Service - WC
10:30 a.m. Children's Church - WC
11:00 a.m. Worship Service - SA
1:30 p.m. Lee Bey Book Signing - A
3:00 p.m. Amani Service of Remembrance - SA
6:00 p.m. Worship Service - SA

MONDAY 12/9

CHURCH CLOSED

TUESDAY 12/10

11:00 a.m. Big Mama's House Quilting Class - NII East
1:30 p.m. Big Mama's House Birthday Luncheon - BR
2:30 p.m. TUCC Cohort 2 Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) - Imani Village
5:30 p.m. Women's Chorus Leadership Meeting - 102
Worship And Arts Team Meeting - BR
6:00 p.m. Band Rehearsal - Band Room
Women's Committee Meeting - 120
Adopt-A Student Meeting - Library
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal - 116
Khayralla/Mwanabaraka Rehearsal - NII West
Women's Chorus Rehearsal - SA
7:00 p.m. Men's Chorus Rehearsal - WC
Drama-Mime Ministry Meeting - MH
Leadership Council Meeting - A

WEDNESDAY 12/11

11:00 a.m. Midweek Manna Worship Service - WC
12:30 p.m. Cafe' 400 - MH
Family Caregivers Support Group Christmas Party - A
3:30 p.m. Homework Zone/Tutoring - Library
4:00 p.m. Cafe' 400 - MH
6:00 p.m. Prayer Service - WC
7:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Well - WC

THURSDAY 12/12

6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Sectional Rehearsal - WC
6:30 p.m. Drill Team Rehearsal - NII East
Tangeni Dance Rehearsal - NII West
Inter-Generational Dance Rehearsals - A
My Brother's Keeper Ministry Meeting - 207
Domestic Violence Ministry Meeting - 203
6:30 p.m. Dr. Terry Mason Healthy Living Class - 116
Immabasi (Health and Wellness) Ministry - BR
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - SA
Media Ministry Meeting - 202
Men's Fellowship Meeting - MH

FRIDAY 12/13

11:00 a.m. Free N One Meeting - 207
12:30 p.m. Active Seniors & Friends - A
3:30 p.m. Immabasi Dementia Research Project for Caregivers - 102
5:00 p.m. Big Mama's House Sewing & Tailoring - 203
6:30 p.m. African Dance Rehearsal - SA
Green Committee Ministry Meeting - 102
7:00 p.m. Free N One Meeting - 207
Chaplains Ministry Meeting - BR

SATURDAY 12/14

7:00 a.m. Yoga Ministry - NII East
Food Share Ministry - A
8:00 a.m. Zumba - A
2020 Saturday Bible Class
9:00 a.m. Top Box Pick Up - Steamroom
Saturday Bible School: Adult Bible Class - WC
Saturday Bible School: Confirmation Class - Library
Saturday Bible School S.A.L.T - 203
Saturday Bible School: 3rd - 5th Grade - 202
Saturday Bible School: 6th Grade - 207
Saturday Bible School: Pre K-2nd Grade - 116
9:30 p.m. Quarterly Health and Wellness Ministry Meeting - MH
10:45 a.m. Little Warriors/Imani Choir Rehearsal - WC
Village Keepers Ministry Meeting - 207
11:00 a.m. African Dance Rehearsal - SA
Math Tutorial Ministry - 203
New Member Fellowship - A
Math Tutorial Christmas Party - 202
12:00 p.m. Drug & Alcohol Recovery Business Meeting - 116
Isuthu (Ashante Nation) Meeting - BR
12:30 p.m. Walaika Choir Rehearsal - WC
Intonjane Ministry - MH
1:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Recognition Luncheon - A
Grandparents Ministry - 203
2:00 p.m. Isuthu (Fante & GA) Meeting - 120
3:00 p.m. Internal Security Ministry Meeting - BR
3:30 p.m. Married Couples Ministry - MH
4:00 p.m. Baby Dedication Class - WC
Greeters Ministry - A
HIV/AIDS Support Ministry Meeting - 203
5:00 p.m. Inter-generational Dance Rehearsals - SA

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Events

CHURCHWIDE EVENTS

BLAINE DENYE LIBRARY Ministry partners invite you to visit our library and explore the volumes on Bible study, African American history and culture, Our focus for the month of December is books from the Pastor's library: *Don't Stop Believin',* by Robert K. Johnston; *No, I Won't Shut Up*, by Rev Barbara Reynolds; *Soul Sanctuary*, by Jason Miccolo Johnson; *Because of Them We Can*, by Eunique Jones Gibson; and *Pulse of Perseverance*, by Joseph Semien, Jr., MD, Library hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

MINISTRY EVENTS

BEAT THE HOLIDAY BLUES Saturday, December 24, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., Are you facing the holiday season without a loved one? Do you feel more alone now than ever before? Is the grief more than you can handle at this time? Attend this session and receive valuable information to get through the holiday season, Hosted by the Immabasi Health and Wellness ministry, Information, Call 773-966-1500, mailbox 2332 or email immabasi@trinitychicago.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS

REAFFIRMED AND REIMAGINED performance by Deeply Rooted Dance Theater, December 13-15, Reva and David Logal Center for the Arts, Dances from *Gesem: East of the Nile,* a collaboration between the Deeply Rooted choreographers and dancers, and Donald Lawrence, based on the music from *Goshen,* 10% discount, using discount code: TUCC, Tickets, visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/deeply-rooted-dance-theater-reaffirmedimagined-tickets-67243959493

TR2 COMMITTEE 2020 Youth Scholarship Awards application is available to high school seniors and continuing undergraduate students, Qualified students will be awarded based on criteria supplied with the application, Visit http://attmabellreunion.webs.com, for questions and application details, Submission deadline is February 29, 2020

DIVINE IMAGINATION CALL

Join Pastor Moss for his monthly Divine Imagination telephone message, 11:55 a.m., **Thursday, December 12, 2019.** Dial 712-775-7031,enter passcode 634787; press the "#" key.

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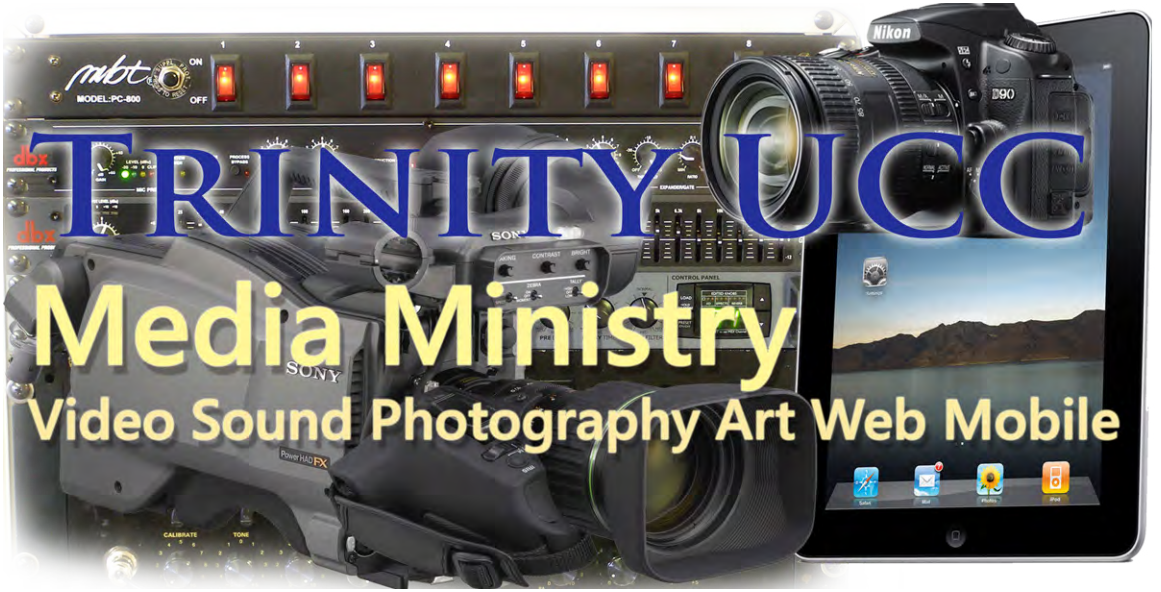

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Creating and maintaining Trinity UCC's global presence is no easy task. It takes a team of hard working Ministry Partners, as well as a dedicated Media Team to make it happen. With all of the new equipment we've installed, new strategies for digital engagement under development, and new media ministry assignments, now is a great opportunity to learn new skills while serving in one of the most dynamic ministries you could imagine. New positions include Remote Camera Operator, Worship Software Operator, and Media Ministry Administrator. These are in addition to traditional positions: Camera Operator, Sound Board Operator, Director, Lighting Technician, Social Media, Photography, Akiba, Recorder.

If you are interested in becoming part of the "greatest Media Ministry on this side of the Jordan," send an email to our Trinity UCC Digital Pastor, Rev. Jasmin Taylor, at jetaylor@trinitychicago.org.

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Service & Support Groups

Alama Ya Sali
(Sign Language Interpreters Ministry)
773-966-1500, Mailbox 2305
alamayasali@trinitychicago.org

Blaine DeNye Library
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2205
TUES and THURS
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Can-Cer-Vive Helpline
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2308

Career Development Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2309
careerdevelop@trinitychicago.org

Counseling Ministry
(773) 966-1500, Mailbox 2315

Credit Union
(773) 966 - 1505
(773) 723 - 8382 (fax)
TUES & THURS:
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
SUNDAY
After 7:30 & 11:00 a.m. Services

Domestic Violence Ministry Confidential Helpline
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2317

Drug & Alcohol Recovery Ministry
Tough Love / Free "N" One
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2319

The Endeleo Institute
(773) 966-1508
MON – THURS
9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Endowment Committee/ Planters Society
773-966-1500, Mailbox 2379
Endowment@trinitychicago.org

Financial Counseling Consortium
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2378

George Washington Carver Garden
TUES-THURS-SAT
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Healing Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2325

HIV/AIDS Support Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2327

Housing Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2329

Immabasi Health & Wellness Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2332

Immabasi Support Groups:
Diabetes
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2374
Family Caregivers
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2375
Lupus Support Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2342

Kujichagulia Special Citizens Support Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2344

Legal Clinic
773-966-1500 Mailbox 2339
legal@trinitychicago.org
1st & 3rd SATURDAYS
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Walk-ins Welcome

Math Tutorial
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2338

Prison Ministry
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2354

Trinity Computer Learning Center
(773) 966 - 1500, Mailbox 2333

2019 CHURCHWIDE THEME

"Faithful Servants, Serving a Faithful God: To Whom Much is Given, Much is Required!"

December

Matthew 25:21 (NIV)

His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!

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UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS

Trinity UCC 58th Church Anniversary
Sunday, December 1st
7:30 a.m. – Rev. Dr. Frank Thomas
11:00 a.m. – Rev. Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr.
6:00 p.m. – Rev. Dr. Ozzie Smith, Jr.

Women's Conference Committee Christmas Pop-Up Shop
Friday, December 6th
6:00 p.m. | Atrium

Amani Service of Remembrance
Sunday, December 8th
3:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Sanctuary Choir Annual Concert And Toy Drive
Sunday, December 15th
4:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Christmas Day Sunrise Service
Wednesday, December 25th
7:00 a.m. | Sanctuary
Rev. Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr.

Kwanzaa Service
Sunday, December 29th
6:00 p.m.

Kwanzaa Marketplace
Sunday, December 29th
Following the 7:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

New Year's Eve Watch Services
Tuesday, December 31st
7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

The Church will be closed for the Christmas holiday from Monday, December 23rd through Saturday, December 28th, except for worship services.

SANCTUARY CHOIR ANNUAL CONCERT AND TOY DRIVE*

"Celebrating the BIRTH and the PROMISE"

Yeshua Hamashiach (The Way, Truth, and LIFE)

Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

Sunday, December 15, 2019
4:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Special Musical Guest

Anisha McFarland Hill

***Please consider donating an unwrapped toy for children ages 0-18 years
For our 6th Annual Christmas Toy Drive for the Children of Lowden Homes****