# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Partnered in Christ with

Fuente de Vida Presbyterian Church
Guatemala

# **Human Trafficking Awareness Sunday**

January 12th, 2020 - 11:00 A.M.

They have become plunder, with no one to rescue them; they have been made loot, with no one to say, "Send them back." - Isaiah 42:22b

Introit

"On Eagles Wings", Michael Joncas & Douglas E. Wagner

**Call to Worship** (responsive)

One: Creator God, we bear your likeness in our souls and in our bodies,

MANY: because you made us in your very image.

One: You delight in our diversity,

MANY: and call us to share in your delight.

One: When any of our brothers or sisters are diminished,

we are all diminished,

MANY: and so we are called to comfort the hurting

and lift up those who are oppressed.

ALL: Let us worship the God who made us all as persons of infinite worth,

made in God's own image and likeness.

\*Hymn 769

"For Everyone Born"

# **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Loving, Infinite God of all peoples and places, you created the earth, with its mountains and valleys, oceans and plains, with no boundaries. Yet we have drawn lines between peoples, created barriers that make it difficult for people to reach their full potential and make it far too easy for others to exploit the most vulnerable amongst us. Forgive us for our complicity, and strengthen our resolve to bring justice and dignity to all our brothers and sisters. This we pray in Jesus' name; Amen.

# Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

\*Congregational Response 126 "Jesus, Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child"

\*Passing of the Peace

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:18-23

Choral Anthem

"I Choose Love"

Mark A. Miller

A Moment for Children

Gospel Lesson

Romans 8:5-13

Sermon

"Eyes Forever Opened" Genevieve Holmes

\*Hymn 772 "Live into Hope"

\*Affirmation of Faith (unison) from The Confession of Belhar

see insert

I.S. Bach

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Prelude in D minor Offertory

\*Doxology no. 607 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn 372 "O For A World"

\*Charge and Blessing

**Choral Response** "What Does The Lord Require of You?"

Postlude Gilbert M. Martin Festive Trumpet Tune

**GREETERS:** Barbara Pickwoad, Ken Sugawara, Bob & Claire Lux

11:00 - Diane Bowers, Betty Lockwood, & Nancy Shefield **USHERS:** 

FLOWERS: Given by an anonymous donor in honor of God's glory **CHILDCARE:** Room 201; 8:30 am - 12:00 pm (for Birth through Preschool)

RESOURCES: Children's worship activity bags, hearing aids and boosters, and large print bulletins

available upon request. Please ask the ushers for assistance.

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 183** 

Thank you for remembering the church in your will.

<sup>\*</sup> Stand, or remain seated

This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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Office hours: Mon - Fri 9:00 - 4:00pm Preschool hours: Mon through Fri, 8:30 - 11:30

# TODAY - HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

9:45 - Learning Hour

**Adults:** Special Topic:

"On Eagles Wings" presentation

# Children and Youth:

9:45 - Youth Assembly (Sanctuary)

10:00 - Sunday School Classes

Young Children (Pre-K through K): Room 203

Elementary (Grade 1-5): Room 103

Youth (Grade 6 and up): Room 101

10:30 - Choir Rehearsal

### 11:00 - WORSHIP SERVICE

12:00 - Trinity 30 (Fellowship Hall)

12:30 - Out to Lunch Bunch

1:30 - Art League Meeting

#### Monday

1:00 - Rebekah Circle

4:00 - Tai Chi

4:00 - Worship Ministry Meeting

## TUESDAY

9:00 - Staff Meeting

9:30 - Painting Workshop

10:00 - Coffee/Issues

10:00 - New Members Subcommittee Meeting

10:30 - Trinity Preschool Board Meeting

3:00 - Origami Group

3:30 - Deacons Meeting

5:30 - Local Missions Ministry

6:30 - Session Meeting

### WEDNESDAY

9:30 - Painting Workshop

10:30 - Friends in Christ

11:00 - Preschool Chapel

7:30 - Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

9:30 - THRIVE Meeting

10:00 - Isaiah Bible Study

4:00 - Tai Chi

6:15 - Cub Scouts

## FRIDAY

## SATURDAY - YOUTH GROUP SKI WEEKEND

2:00 - Memorial for Phyllis Dills

## SUNDAY - ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

9:15 - Special Session Meeting

10:00 - WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 - Annual Meeting

12:30 - Out to Lunch Bunch

NOTE: Only ONE service at 10am on Sunday, Jan 19th, followed by the Annual Congregational Meeting

Weekly Calendar: Jan 12th - Jan 19th

WEEKLY PRAYER PEOPLE: Prayers, calls, and notes are encouraged: (please check pdf directory)

Charlie & Peggy Hunnicutt, Millicent Hunnicutt,

Eric McAnallen & Diocles Wells,
Alice McCullough, Hannah McCullough

PRAYER CONCERNS: In Sympathy: Doris Klimach upon the loss of her husband, Emil, Ted Dills upon the loss of his wife Phyllis, Tim Simmons upon the loss of his father Home: Bud Weeks, Eric McAnallen, Barbara Garrison, Charlie Hunnicutt, Evans Thibodeau, Barbara Nichols, Sue Elsasser, Dan Kincaid, Ann Fennell, Bill and Juliette Blakely, Merritt Roach, Connie Moore Rehabilitation, Nursing: Harry Papazian (Heritage Hills); Jean Gach, Ron Hoverson (The Lodge), Phil & Julia Sellers (The Bridge); Audrey White (The Laurels); Alice Gantt, Bob Brackett (CV Care Center); Ted Dills, Eleanor Beardsley (Carolina Reserve); Others: Ryan Thibodeau (Sarah & Evan's son), Grover Louis (Alice McCullough's son-inlaw), Jeremy Baker (Sandra Dwork's grandson) and Lisa Merritt (her daughter in law), Gillian (Edie Clark's granddaughter), Joanna Dorsey Duncan (Diane Dorsey Pearce's daughter), Jeffrey Presseau (the Presseaus' son, brain tumor), Tim Dale (Diane Bowers' nephew), Jean Stanfield Walters, Jay, Lorrie and Robert Pelc (family of Carole Ball), Don Cunningham, (Sarah Thibodeau's brother). Please remember mission coworkers and our Guatemalan partner church, Fuente de Vida.

**IAM NEEDS FOR JAN:** canned soup, instant grits, instant oatmeal, paper towels, toilet tissue

JAN 19: ANNUAL MEETING - You are invited to a special 10AM worship followed by our 11AM Annual Meeting. <u>NOTE: only ONE service at</u> 10AM on Jan 19th.

**OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH** heads to the *Inn on Church* with Barbara Johnson today. Next week, join Myrl Jean Hughes at *Three Chopt* downtown.

JAN 20: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. UNITY BREAKFAST, 8:00AM at BLUE RIDGE COMMU-NITY COLLEGE - Tickets \$15. Featuring keynote speaker Dr. Vergel L. Lattimore III, President and Professor of Pastoral Psychology and Counseling at Hood Theological Seminary. The goal of the breakfast, titled "Intelligence plus Character: The Goal of True Education," is to celebrate and remember Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to empower those in our community toward his vision: a community united in justice, peace and reconciliation. The MLK Unity Breakfast is held at Blue Ridge Community College's Conference Hall in its Technology Education & Development Center (TEDC). Doors open at 8 a.m. with breakfast starting at 8:30 and the program beginning at 9:15. Contact Jerry Miller for tickets and details 828-697-0690 ORIGAMI GROUP resumes Tues, Jan 28 at 3pm and will continue every 2nd and 4th Tues. Come learn this meditative art form and make art for our

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE, JANUARY 22: CARVER & CARMODY. Roots music? Country blues? Americana? You be the judge. Michael "Country" Carver and Mare Carmody blend their voices and guitar styles in a combination of grit and honey, covering classics, original songs, and a few unexpected gems too. Dinner (sub sandwiches and fixings) at 5:30; please sign up for dinner in the Narthex or call the church office. Concert at 6:30; bring a friend!

card ministry.

CELTIC SPIRITUALITY II: PWNC ANNUAL SPIRITUALITY RETREAT • MARCH 13-14, 2020, AT BONCLARKEN CONFERENCE CENTER. The Presbytery of Western North Carolina invites you to join retreat leader Carl McColman in an experience of the prayer, poetry, folklore, and spirituality of the Celtic Christians of old—and how their down-to-earth, lyrical, and hope-filled wisdom still speaks to us today. More information and registration forms can be found on the Events bulletin board in the Narthex.

	justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
Luke 7:22	that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
Psalm 146	that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;
James 1:27	that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;
Micah 6:8	that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
Amos 5:14–15, 23–24	that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;
Psalm 82:1–5	that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against in-justice and with the wronged;
Leviticus 19:15	that in following Christ the church must wit-ness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.
	Therefore, we reject any ideology which would legitimate forms of injustice and any doctrine which is unwilling to resist such an ideology in the name of the gospel.
Acts 5:29–32; 1 Peter 3:15–18	We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them, and punishment and suffering be the consequence.

We believe that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged

that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings

that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a

Isaiah 42:1-7

Luke 6:20-26

Luke 4:16-19

CHURCH CELL PHONE: The church office has a new number! (828) 699-1218 is our church cell phone. THANK YOU to those of you who've tested it out already. Katie LOVES the accurate caller ID, the ease of seeing missed calls, and being able to check voicemails from anywhere (though she doesn't take it home with her, so if you don't connect, leave a message - she'll get back to you when she's at work). Don't forget that she can also receive texts or even fun photos from Trinity events (which she'll use for Tidings, etc.) Give her a call!

REV. MARK'S CELL PHONE: Speaking of cell phones, Mark saw how happy Katie was using the church cell phone and he'd like to encourage you to use his cell phone as well. Our pastors are often busily out visiting the sick, shut-ins, the bereaved, and others in need, but can be reached via cell. So call Mark at (828) 553-6425. He may not be available, but will always get back to you.

THANK YOU to those who have already signed up to be part of the Fellowship Ministry's Trinity 30. Hospitality is a very important service which nourishes the church as we are all individual and collective members of the body of Christ. Plus, Trinity 30 is an opportunity to show love and a spirit of welcome in your own personal and tangible style. We are grateful to those who help this valuable ministry grow. But there's always room for more "party people"...sign up in the Narthex!

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** warms chilly shoulders. Wrap yourself in prayerful warmth (shawls available on bench by sanctuary door). Please don't forget to return after service!

ON EAGLES WINGS (OEW) was founded in 2007 and established as a nonprofit organization in March of 2008. OEW is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization. The OEW Mission is to restore girls that have been sexually exploited through the commercial sex industry with emphasis on pre-

vention, outreach, empowerment, and aftercare. OEW actively educates the public about domestic sex trafficking, and offers presentations and workshops to churches, community groups, youth groups and colleges. We have also helped educate the public through various radio, television, and including national print, recognition in Christianity Today magazine and a segment on CBN's 700 Club. Our founder was invited to speak before members of Congress in Washington D.C., at a caucus briefing on Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking. She has also been the recipient of several awards including the Good Samaritan Award by the Trafficking in America Task Force and the FBI's Director Community Leadership Award.

OEW began as an outreach to women in the adult entertainment industry in 2007. They learned very early on that some of the women employed by the clubs were victims of sex trafficking and were not there by choice. They read a report in 2008 written by Shared Hope International about the commercial sexual exploitation of U.S. Children. This report documented evidence of child trafficking in the U.S. indicated that average entry age was 13 years old, and indicated 300,000 youth were either being trafficked or were at high risk. The report specified there was a severe lack of shelter for these children and many of them were being held in juvenile detention centers and treated as criminals. OEW felt compelled to respond to this need. In 2009, through partnerships with service providers, law enforcement, community members, and Shared Hope International; OEW launched the OEW Hope House<sup>TM</sup> a holistic, residential care program for domestic minor victims of sex trafficking. It was the first faith-based home in the U.S. for this population. Since then, the OEW team has established an effective network of programs under the OEW umbrella. In addition to the OEW Hope House<sup>TM</sup>, OEW launched Youth4Abolition TM, SHINE, Fields of Hope, and an international arm.