

# Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church

Trinity Avenue at Gregson Street  
Durham, North Carolina

*"A Friendly Community Church"*



*God make the door of this House wide enough to receive all who need human love, friendship, and the Father's care; and narrow enough to shut out all pride, envy and hatred. Make its threshold smooth enough for the feet of little children and rugged enough to call forth our mature powers.*



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1955  
MORNING WORSHIP                      ELEVEN O'CLOCK  
SUMMER ORDER OF SERVICE

QUIET PRAYER

"Almighty and most merciful Father, whose power and whose love eternally work together for the protection of Thy children, give me grace this day to put my trust in Thee. Show Thy lovingkindness to all who stand in need of Thy help. Prosper Thy Church in the fulfilment of her mighty task, and grant Thy blessing to all who have toiled in Christ's name. Amen."

PRELUDE "Andante Religioso" (4th Organ Sonata) Mendelssohn

DOXOLOGY                      INVOCATION                      THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN                      "O Jesus, I Have Promised"                      No. 253

SCRIPTURE READING                      PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM                      "Hear My Cry"                      Arensky

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

"To do good and distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

OFFERTORY "Larghetto" (Organ Concerto No. 13) Handel

SERMON "O ABSALOM, MY SON, MY SON!" The Minister

BENEDICTION

Choral Response                      "Threefold Amen"

POSTLUDE

AFTER THE SERVICE, TURN AND GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS

YOUR CHURCH CALENDAR

- Sunday: NURSERY: FOR THE HOUR OF WORSHIP.  
JUNIORS: 6:00 with Dr. Bennett at the Church.  
PIONEERS: 6:00-Rev. W. W. Benjamin, Advisor  
SENIORS: 7:30.
- Tuesday: WOMEN OF THE CHURCH CIRCLES WILL MEET AS FOLLOWS:  
#7 - 10:30 A.M. with Mrs. E. W. Busse, 1423 Woodburn Rd.;  
#3 - 3:00 P.M. with Mrs. Robert Black, 1105 Urban Ave.,  
with Mrs. Stuart Black, co-hostess; #9 - 8:00 P.M. with  
Mrs. Fuller Walker, 920 Lamond Ave.  
BOARD MEETING-WOMEN OF THE CHURCH:7:30 at the Church,  
followed by Presbyterian Planning Session. All  
Committees are urged to attend. Mrs. A. L. Foster is  
Chairman of the Group.
- Wednesday COVERED-DISH SUPPER: 6:30-Mrs. D. J. Smith, Chm.  
SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND STUDY: 7:20.
- Thursday: BOY SCOUT TROOP 412: 7:30 at the Church.  
CHANCEL CHOIR: 7:30 For Prayer; 7:40 For rehearsal.

Choir School opens September 15th for both boys and girls from 3d through 7th grades, at 3:45 P.M. (Every Thursday).

Young People's Choir opens September 18th at 4:30 for all boys and girls from 8th through 12th grades. (Each 1st and 3d Sunday).

Family Choir opens September 25th at 4:30. (Each 2d and 4th Sunday).

The Sanctuary flowers today are given by Mrs. Mittie Motley in loving memory of her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. West.

The Session is happy to receive into membership of the Church on Profession of Faith and Baptism, Mr. John Van Order, a senior at Duke University, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Welsh.

Dr. Bennett is a member of Granville Presbytery's Commission to install The Rev. Mr. George Edwards as Minister of Blacknall Memorial Presbyterian Church. Dr. Bennett will preach the sermon at the Installation Service tonight.



# The Church Directory

## THE CHURCH STAFF

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## THE SESSION

LIFE MEMBER, J. L. KIRKLAND

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## THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

|                             |                         |                              |                      |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| President .....             | Mrs. Edward K. Kraybill | Chairman, Circle Three ..... | Mrs. C. F. Carty     |
| First Vice-President .....  | Mrs. R. N. Barringer    | Chairman, Circle Four .....  | Mrs. Edwin Shoaf     |
| Second Vice-President ..... | Mrs. A. L. Foster       | Chairman, Circle Five .....  | Mrs. W. T. Farmer    |
| Secretary .....             | Mrs. G. R. Blanchard    | Chairman, Circle Six .....   | Mrs. Dan T. Carr     |
| Treasurer .....             | Mrs. Thurman Johnson    | Chairman, Circle Seven ..... | Mrs. James S. Wilson |
| Historian .....             | Mrs. L. E. Crabtree     | Chairman, Circle Eight ..... | Mrs. D. A. Woods     |
| Chairman, Circle One .....  | Mrs. Henry C. Carr      | Chairman, Circle Nine .....  | Mrs. Frank Barr      |
| Chairman, Circle Two .....  | Mrs. Charles Knott      |                              |                      |

## THE CHURCH SCHOOL

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Nursery: Mrs. Wayne P. Rambeau   | Junior: R. L. Blake          | Superintendent: Preson P. Phillips |
| Kindergarten: Mrs. P. M. Bussell | Pioneer: Gurney R. Blanchard | Asst. Supt.: J. C. Petrea          |
| Primary: Mrs. J. C. Petrea       | Young People: E. H. Shoaf    | Treasurer: C. C. White, Jr.        |
| Adult Dept.: Dr. Henry C. Carr   |                              | Registrar: Edward K. Kraybill      |

Classes for: Young Adults, Couples, Men and Women

## THE YOUNG PEOPLES' GROUPS

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|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Junior and Senior Fellowship   | Pioneer Fellowship              | Choir School       |
| Walter W. Benjamin   | Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamilton Miller | Mrs. A. L. Skillen |
| Day Nursery: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Mrs. Edward K. Kraybill, Teacher |                                 |                    |