

The Triune

For December 2004

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Dear Members and Friends:

As we celebrate this wonderful month of The Gift of Love, let us remember that behind every gift is the giver and behind the giver is God. Two thousand years ago, Jesus went out to spread the good news, the greatest news that has ever come to the world -- peace on earth and goodwill among men. He told us to love one another and that God is Love.

Today, as never before, the world needs good news. It needs the heavenly light. Christmas is a day when we gladly give our gifts of love. Every day is our opportunity to be The Gift Of Love in action.

Three very special events are occurring this month. Rev. Bonnie, Rev. Celeste, Jeanette Butler and Debbie Borges have put together a beautiful, new Children's Christmas Program. All of the children are involved and all of the adults are loving it. It is being held on December 19 at 11:30 AM. The Candle Lighting Service is being held December 22, the Wednesday before Christmas. The World Peace celebration is being held at 4 AM on Dec. 31. We hope you can join us at these special events.

You are each a gift to me! I love you!

Merry Christmas!

Dr. Jay

December Lecture Topics

Sunday Services

Dec. 5

9:30 Tis The Season

by Rev. Darlene Sykes

11:30 Healing Your Spiritual Crisis

by Dr. Jay Scott Neale

Guest Artist: Meagan Gallup

Dec. 12

9:30 Joy

by Rev. Mary Jo Sparry

11:30 How To Serve Your Purpose

by Dr. Jay Scott Neale

Guest Artist: Andy Anderson

Dec. 19

9:30 and 11:30 The Hidden Meaning of Christmas

by Dr. Jay Scot Neale

11:30 Special Program: The Spirit of Christmas by The Tri-City Church Youth

Guest Artist: Jeanette Butler

Dec. 26

9:30 I have Arrived

by Rev. Lacy Atkinson

11:30 How To Celebrate Your Gift

by Dr. Jay Scott Neale

Guest Artist: Eli Herrera

Wednesday Night Celebration Service

Join with Dr. Jay Scott Neale, our wonderful Ministers and Practitioners at 7:30pm.
Invite a friend for an evening of music, love, laughter and a great lesson.

Focus for December: The Gift

Dec. 1

Open Your Gift

by Dr. Jay Scott Neale

Power Talk: Bob Ahrenkiel

Dec. 8

The Gift of The Possible

by Rev. Bonnie Anderson

Power Talk: Pamm Frederickson

Dec. 15

The Gift of Wonder

by Dr. Jay Scott Neale

Power Talk: Kent Yunk

Dec. 22

Christmas Candle Lighting Ceremony

Dec. 29

The Gift of New Beginnings

by Rev. Celeste Terken

Power Talk: Rev. Tim Mauro

Savoring the Holidays

Wednesday Night Workshop

December 1, after the Wednesday night talk.

Facilitated by Rev. Pam McClure Roman

The holidays can be a busy time where we get so caught up in doing that we miss the full experience. In this workshop, we will explore the practice of being fully present and savoring each moment.

Candle Lighting Ceremony

Our annual Candle Lighting Ceremony will be held **December 22**, the Wednesday before Christmas, beginning at 7:30PM. This wonderful event is a special prelude to Christmas. Practitioners will light the candles of Love, Life, Light, Power, Peace, Beauty and Joy as we open our hearts to recognize these qualities in each other and in ourselves. Seeing the darkened sanctuary alive with candlelight and holiday music is an experience not to be missed! Join our Church family in singing joyous Christmas carols and illuminating our circle with candlelight.

Moon Circle-A Gathering of Women

Saturday, December 4, 10AM to 12:30PM

The Elf And Self, A Seasonal Program

Presented by Rev. Celeste Terken

Do you believe in Santa's cause? Can you practice the presents? What does it mean to be a subordinate clause? Rev. Celeste will inspire you to bring out the Christmas Spirit of your inner elf. She'll also share her favorite non-traditional Christmas carols with us. Come and join us for this inspirational, humorous, and spiritual program where we can all kick-off the season with other like-minded women. It's a sure thing that everyone who attends will be given the Christmas Spirit!

You're invited to put on your Christmas sweaters, vests or other holiday clothes, bring food to share for the potluck lunch and, if you baked holiday cookies, bring a few of those to share in addition to your dish. It's a great opportunity to get to know each other better as we eat lunch together. All women are welcome, so bring your friends.

Sun Circle-A Gathering of Male Power

Sunday, December 12, 1:15PM to 2:30PM in the room behind the Bookstore

Facilitated by Rev. Bob Ahrenkiel

Rev. Bob will introduce a book by Bill Kauth entitled, "A Circle of Men," the original manual for men's support groups. The price of having to be right can help cause a divorce, break up families or get you fired. Come and attend our men's support group where we help one another learn new ways to *be*: socially, personally, professionally, and in relationship to each other. Bring a friend who is ready for change and we'll extend this circle.

The Spirit of Christmas

Sunday, December 19 at 11:30AM

Please come and enjoy the youth of our church as they present "The Spirit of Christmas." The Christmas play is being produced and directed by Debbie Borges, Jeanette Butler, and Lygia Byrd. The youth will be building on last year's play, "The Meaning of Christmas," and will explore the spirit of Christmas.

The youth will attempt to answer questions like what is really meant when we speak of the spirit of Christmas; what we are celebrating and



how the teaching of Jesus affects the holiday today. Share the adventure with the youth through discussion, symbols, and music.

If your child would like to be a part of the experience, please sign up in Carol Hall.

Thank you,
Debbie, Jeanette, and Lygia

Garden Club and Special Projects Team

Join Dona Cotton and Jay Borges on Saturday **December 11**, from 9AM to 1PM.



This is a marvelous opportunity to get to know other church members and make new friends. And there is plenty to do; you will not get bored. Your assistance is truly needed. A homemade lunch will be served at noon.

Coming In January 2005

"Storytelling Class" By Mary Ellen Hill

Have you a desire to enhance your skill at telling a story? Learn to engage imaginations, evoke hope and compassion, and make your story meaningful for people of any age, faith and culture. Mary Ellen Hill is a professional storytelling teacher. The class is three Sunday afternoons. Cost: \$80 for three classes: **January 16, 23, 30** from 1:15PM to 4:15PM.

Tri City Church Young Adult Group

The Young Adult Group will be meeting from 1:30PM to 3:00PM on Sunday, **December 5**. If you're between the ages of 19 and 30, come join us. Led by Roberta Blackburn, this group meets monthly to discuss our goals and visions and to support each other in reaching them. This is a great opportunity to meet new friends and grow in consciousness!

Practitioner Sunday

The fourth Sunday of the month is Practitioner Sunday. This is a time when the Practitioners offer you a free gift of treatment. Simply ask a Practitioner on that Sunday for this gift and know wonderful changes will occur. For more information, please contact Cher Wollard, our head Practitioner.

What is Santa's Secret Shop?

On one Sunday morning, for three hours only, the most incredible event takes place, Santa's Secret Shop. For several years now, we have transformed Classroom A into a wonderful place for our children and grandchildren to "shop" for Christmas gifts for their families and they don't need money.

We use this magic event to teach them the joys of giving and that, with their love, anything is possible. Children who want to participate should attend Junior Church at 11:30AM on **December 5**, so they can get their official Santa's List. The following Sunday, **December 12**, Santa's Secret Shop opens at 10AM and stays open until 12:30PM. We can hardly wait! Merry Christmas to all!



Santa's Helpers Needed

We will be setting up Santa's Secret Shop on **December 9**, beginning at 9:30AM in Classroom A. Your help is needed in organizing this wonderland of gifts. More volunteers are needed on Sunday, **December 12**, from 10AM to 12:30PM, to help the children select and wrap gifts. This is a very joyous and rewarding job. If you have any questions, please contact Verna Kubli at (510) 782-3523 or vkrootbeerlady@aol.com.

Santa Now Accepting Donations

Santa's Secret Shop can always use more gifts, especially presents for men, medium and large gift bags, Polaroid film, cash donations and bubble wrap. Please take your donations to the office or bookstore, marked for "Santa's Shop."

World Peace Meditation



December 31, 4AM

You are invited to join with members and friends of Tri City Church in a worldwide Spiritual Realization of Peace on Earth. For the past eighteen years, we have united with millions of people in the consciousness of Peace and Love. This year, we have the opportunity to join our minds and hearts again and realize Peace on Earth.

BOSS:

There will be no BOSS meeting in December. Look for the announcement of our return in next month's Triune.

**FROM ALL OF THE MINISTERS, PRACTITIONERS AND STAFF
OF TRI CITY CHURCH OF RELIGIOUS SCIENCE, "MERRY
CHRISTMAS AND A LOVE FILLED NEW YEAR!!!!"**
