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## Christian Options and Opportunities to Love and Learn, Give and Serve, Work and Worship

As you can tell, this is a community-grounded church that is committed to serving and involving families from all walks of life and needs in our fair city. We do hope that you will participate in one or more of the following Christ-centered ministries of grace.

Registration is Open for Pre-School Summer Camp which will be held from June 1-5, from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon for Children ages 3, 4, and 5. To register contact the church staff at 404-378-3621 or go towww.DecaturDisciples.org.

Rev. Lynn Trapp is set to teach a Sunday Morning Seminar on Revelation - God's Images of Conquering Evil. Gather in the Church Parlor at 9:30 a.m.

\$10 Tickets Available for June 7 Concert -- 4 p.m.

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First Christian's own **Rev. Wendy Wyche** is preaching on Sunday, May 31st. Her sermon title is "*The Trinity: not Such a Mystery*". Scriptures are: Genesis 1: 26-27; Philippians 2: 1-11; John 1: 1-14.



### Choirs Sponsor All Church Luncheon Right After Worship on Sunday, May 31

Please join the choir for a baked potato and salad luncheon after church on Sunday, May 31! We will collect a love offering to raise money to send choir members to Music Workshop at Christmount Assembly in Black Mountain, NC in June. This year the workshop director and accompanist are going to be our own beloved Director of Music William Garner and our own adored organist Kathy Westbook! Come to lunch on May 31 and help the choir send as many members as possible to the workshop to support William and Kathy and to learn new music that our choirs will present in worship in the near future!



Trinity Sunday, May 31, 2015

Worship the Living Christ at 10:30 a.m.

# Holy Scriptures:

Genesis 1:26-27; John 1:1-14; Philippians 2:1-11 **Sermon Title:** "The Trinity: Not Such a Mystery" **Preaching:** Rev.Wendy Wyche Worship **Leaders:** Tom Rosenberger and Yolanda Lewellyn **Deacons:** Larry Todd, William Garner, Pat Oliffe **Acolytes:** Jacob



**Tate** 

# The Book of Revelation: God's Images of Conquering Evil

For many people, the Book of Revelation is a frightening picture of a coming end of the world. They read about the dragons and beasts, and envision a world inhabited with scary creatures and disturbing pictures of destruction and devastation. In our short study of this vivid book, we will see how it is NOT intended as a book about the end of the world, but about how God breaks into the current world to destroy evil and avenge the persecuted. It is a picture for ALL ages and ALL cultures. We will follow the outline below to guide us through God's pictures of bringing peace and happiness to the suffering in our current world. Please take the time to read the designated chapters in the Book of Revelation prior to coming to class each week. This will help you to prepare your minds for discussion and, probably, generate numerous questions that will help move the discussion forward.

Topic	Chapters to Read	Date
Introduction	1:1 thru 22:21	May 3, 2014
Reading the other Church's mail	1:1 thru 3:22	May 10, 2014
I heard and I saw	4:1 thru 11:19	May 17, 2014
The Dragon and The Lamb	12:1 thru 18:24	May 24, 2014
More than Conquerors	19:1 thru 22:21	May 31, 2014

This will have you reading the entire Book of Revelation, at least, twice in the Month of May. If you are adventurous, you might also want to read it more than that (perhaps once a week, or even more). If you think of the Book of Revelation as the first century equivalent of a motion picture, it will help you see the need for reading it in large chunks at a sitting – maybe even reading it through in its entirety each

# Welcome Home!

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"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us." --Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Statement of Identity.

Classes will start promptly at 9:30 each Sunday morning, but try to arrive a bit early for a little fellowship and family discussion time prior to class.

Lynn Trapp, Your guide through the Book of Revelation

## Please Help Us Send Church Youth to Serve as Counselors at Camp Balaam

Camp Balaam is a summer day camp for at-risk children held at Camp Christian in Gordon, Georgia. This special camp is sponsored by our Regional Ministry and staffed by youth and adults from Christian Churches across the Georgia Region. While our congregation has resources to supplement half or more of the costs to send our church youth to a week-long experience at summer camp, we did not budget resources to cover the costs of sending support staff to Camp Balaam. The joyful fact that we now have two young people who are eligible (16 – 18 years old) and want to serve and guide children in Camp Balaam is a double blessing. Please give what you can and earmark your gift to Camp Scholarship Fund. In case there is any overage the funds will be designated for 2016 camp scholarships. Thank you for consideration. vour prayerful

# Offerings for Spiritual Formation on Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

- Seeking Understanding in Scripture Bible Study in Carmack Room "Exploring the Bible"
- 2. Pathfinders Class gathers in the Pathfinders Room. This Week: "Formations Adult Bible Study"
- 3. Rev. Lynn Trapp is teaching a Sunday Morning Seminar on **Revelation God's**

- **Images of Conquering Evil**. Gather in the Church Parlor at 9:30 a.m.
- 4. Weekly Montessori-based **Godly Play for Children**, Sundays, 9:15 a.m. on the main floor near the Fellowship Hall.
- 5. **Jesus Junction Sunday School** for 3<sup>rd</sup>through 5<sup>th</sup> grade uses the study of Easter drawing on *Easter from the Back Side* by J. Ellsworth Kalas. Books are provided for class members. All are welcome.



### First Christian Church of Decatur Book Club

The Book Club is reading Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline. The Book Club meets every 4th Thursday at 7 p.m. at First Christian Church of Decatur.



### Over My Head, I Hear Music in the Air

World class singers: Indra Thomas, Ann Marie McPhail, Pamela Dillard, and Marcus Hill will give you a performance the likes you have never seen or heard before. Tickets are still available. Please plan to attend.

#### Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Rose Bianco-Szymanski, Melissa, Aeden, and Caitlin Fain, Randy Finley, Kayla Harriott, Christina Jetta, Rhonda Lederer, Weldon Sailors, Richard Spillane. Hope to see

you again soon.

### **Sunday AM Continental Breakfast**

Continental Breakfast Ever run late to church on Sunday morning and don't have time to eat? No problem; a continental breakfast is available! Feel free to sign up to bring breakfast once in a Blue Moon. First Christian Church offers Continental Breakfast year round, and everyone is invited to participate in both enjoying and providing delicious fare. Fill in your name on an open date, place in the offering plate or return to Church Office:

May 31:
Jun. 7: Janice and Helen Huyler
Jun. 14:
Jun. 21: Saundra Brundage
Jun. 28: James Brewer-Calvert

### **Watching Our Figures**

Sunday, May 24th Worship
Participation 49
Church Offerings \$902.00

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