

# Trinity Parish

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## “EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH”

**Sunday, May 7 – 7:00 p.m.**

Join FaithX as they present Expressions of Faith on Sunday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The concert is part of Trinity’s 2005-2006 Concert Series.

This annual event will feature contemporary Christian music with familiar songs like *Light of the World* and *At the Cross* as well as new music. Pastor Easton will provide a perspective on the music and its meaning for today’s Christians.

Special guest musicians will also be part of the concert this year. Trinity member Mark Heinly and Pastor Easton will both join FaithX for several songs.

Whether you have attended Trinity’s contemporary worship services or you enjoy an occasional upbeat song, you may find your toes tapping and your heart singing when you hear the music offered as an expression of joy and celebration of being children of God. Bring your friends and enjoy a memorable evening!



*Members of FaithX*

*Back Row: Kevin Brady, Paul Walker,  
Randy Ober, Carolyn Piaquadio-Sweeney*

*Middle Row: Mike Schwalm,  
Marianne Brock, Dan Henderson*

*Front Row: Debbie Wilson, Rick Wilson*

## A FORETASTE OF THE FEAST TO COME

A Foretaste of the Feast to Come: A Celebration of the Creative Gifts of God, for the People of God. Once again Trinity will work together with members of Zion Lutheran Church, on 4th Street in Harrisburg, to offer ministry to those in the city. A mid-week worship and luncheon is offered at Zion every Wednesday from 12:10 - 1:00 p.m. through the end of May. Those who participate come from the surrounding office buildings. If you would like to take a turn at making and serving a simple soup and bread lunch for two dozen worshippers, please contact Becky Enney (737-4115) or Mary Kichman (932-4717). Our participation with Zion for the Homeless Shelter program was most fulfilling. Together with members of Zion, we can share our talents to offer Christ's presence in the city of Harrisburg.



## FREY VILLAGE ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Frey Village, in Middletown, will be holding its annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 3, 2006, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch may be purchased. Strawberry pies may also be ordered by calling Frey Village. Crafters can rent a spot for \$20.00 if Frey provides a table or \$15.00 if you bring your own table. If you only want to donate a few items to be sold, bring them to Frey Village to the attention of Kathy Nelson. Volunteers are needed to help at the festival. Please come and join the festivities.

## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND Trinity’s own Barbara Catlin

Barbara’s exhibit of pictures of the Swiss Alps and small towns and cities she has visited will remain for our enjoyment throughout May.

## BLOOD BANK NEWS

Many, many thanks to all the hardy folks who rolled up their sleeves on Sunday, May 1 giving Trinity's Blood Bank another successful drive. On Thursday, May 4, Neil and I attended an Open House at the Central PA Blood Bank headquarters in Hummelstown. This Open House was held in recognition of 45 successful years of service to the community. Once again, Trinity's faithful blood donors made it possible for me to accept "praises and thanks" from the staff at CPBB, which I will now pass along to you. If you missed the May 1 blood drive, you can donate at the local hospitals and donor centers. Remember to tell them our blood bank number is #157. Call Jeanie Bentzel at 766-3526 with questions.

*Jeanie Bentzel*

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## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Selection for May

*The Picture of Dorian Gray*

By Oscar Wilde

May 21 – 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Room 234

EVERYONE WELCOME

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### DEADLINE:

June *Trinity Parish* is  
May 10

Please e-mail articles to:  
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## STAFF NOTES: "What are *You* Wearing?"

A couple years ago, I zipped directly from the church office to the elementary school to volunteer an hour in my daughter's classroom. There was no time to change from my more formal pastor attire. One little girl looked at my white clerical collar, then asked rather solemnly, "Did you break your neck?" It seems that, while some children are familiar with the "uniform" a pastor wears, this child was not.

Even grown-ups aren't always certain what the collar indicates. I remember several years back having a woman trail me down one grocery aisle after another, eventually screwing up the courage near the ketchup bottles to ask me if I was a nun. She at least recognized I was somehow involved in church work.

What I hope is that, even when I'm **not** wearing my clerical collar, I will still be recognized as a follower of Jesus. That is my hope for you, too, my brothers and sisters in Christ. Granted, there is no "uniform" for you to wear as a Christian layperson in the world. There is no article of clothing that will provide instant recognition. But we are indeed called to "put on Christ," to be clothed in Christ. And what might that clothing look like? In the New Testament letter to the Colossians, the writer exhorts: "As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony." (Colossians 3:12-14).

We have been celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ these last few weeks, and we have been made aware through scripture how, because he triumphed over death and the grave, we shall be resurrected, too. But our scripture also shows how we are to live as resurrected people today, as Easter people now. The earliest Christians were quite recognizable as they lived out their resurrection. They held their resources in common, they shared their blessings with the poor, they had fellowship and worship every day—breaking bread together, reading scripture together, singing songs of praise together. That was a particular way of being in the world that others noticed. Those others might not understand, might even misunderstand, but such recognition was the start of conversation and proclamation. Such recognition would lead others to faith.

As we continue gathering to celebrate this Easter season, I pray we would be encouraged by the Holy Spirit to put on Christ and be clothed with love. May we be noticed, not for our own glory, but so that our Risen Lord might be glorified. From the Easter hymn "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" I think of these words: *Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above that we conquer through your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life's day that by our lives we truly say: Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*The Reverend Nancy R. Easton*

## STEPPING FORWARD - GIVING BACK

“No matter how hard you work and how much time you spend with them, you will get back far more than you give. For it brings with it an emotional and spiritual fulfillment you can not experience in everyday life.”

This is Trinity member dentist Dr. Brice Arndt talking about his work among poverty stricken people in Central and South America desperately needing and wanting dental care.

The “them” he speaks of are struggling, poor, powerless. He is quick to add they are always grateful, often responding with smiles and hugs despite their plight in life. They are children and men and women who live like squatters in corrugated shantytowns on the outskirts of cities, in rural areas, in jungles, or in remote places at the edge of the wilderness.

Sometimes Arndt and the mission team he travels with work in churches or community centers where necessities like electricity/running water are available. But, those are not to be had in many other places. It is then generators supply electricity—but not running water or indoor plumbing. In fact, at times he and his colleagues can be found providing care outdoors in jungle communities where bathroom facilities used by the villagers is a nearby open trench.

It is a commitment to serve all these people as best he can with his experience and expertise in dentistry that takes Arndt to places like Costa Rica, Peru, Ecuador.

It is there he practices not only his profession, but engages in a ministry of “giving back.”

Doctor Arndt gets a pleasant grin of remembrance on his face when he talks of how glad the people in the cities, towns, villages are to see the team of dentists, doctors, nurses and translators who give of their time and talents on mission trips. Members of the team expect nothing in return for their services because they know full well these people can never repay them, he says, adding, but the smiles, the hugs, especially from the children, are heartwarming and reward enough for all of us.

“Those the team takes care of (it can be as many as 5000 during a two-week trip) appreciate everything we do for them. They take pride in their appearance even though their lives are a constant struggle and probably always will be.

“While none of us have a preconceived idea of what is important to these people, one thing I learned is that a good smile matters a great deal to them. Often after we’ve done what we can to help give them that smile, they beam and say “muy bueno” or “magnifico” as they look in the mirror, Dr. Arndt said, continuing:

“Most go away happy and that makes us feel good because we have helped them feel good about themselves.”

What is his workday like in these places?

“To begin, we’ve got to be able to work with much less than we’re used to. We work in sweltering heat, energy-sapping humidity (no AC there, no hot running water either, but sometimes cold showers can feel real good).

Strange critters abound, and at times a good night’s sleep is hard to come by because of mites in the mattress.”

The day is usually 12 hours of back-breaking work extracting, cleaning, scraping, drilling, filling. Back-breaking because most of it is done sitting on a collapsible type lawn chair bent over a patient on a rigid plastic chaise lounge. Added to that, the area in which he and his colleagues work can be nothing more than a makeshift room partitioned off by piles of cardboard boxes.

Not quite like your dentist’s office, you say. No, but—Dr. Arndt would have us remember “We knew we were not going on a vacation; that we would work hard, have long hours and have to rough it.”

“But even under these conditions and in the midst of language barriers, communication difficulties, vast cultural differences, these humble people respond to us in a positive way. They trust us, respect us and give back far more than we ever give to them. No matter how hard we work, we have a real positive experience every time, every place because of them.”

You’ll be interested to know that part of Trinity has gone with Dr. Arndt on some of his six mission trips. After hearing from him about the needs of these people, the men of Trinity helped, contributing some funding as well as money for supplies. The latter included all-important items like toothbrushes, toothpaste and fluoride.

In addition, one of our parishioners donated a hundred hotel-size bars of soap along with small bottles of shampoo to distribute. Dr. Arndt said the women do not normally have such items and the gifts went like wildfire. He said small mirrors are also popular.



Trinity was there among them in the Galapagos with Dr. Arndt when he distributed activity kits for the children, as seen in the photo above. The packets containing construction paper, crayons, etc. were put together and donated by a member of Trinity for him to share with the children.

Brice Arndt first became aware of this service work through a physician friend, Dr. Doug Cassel of Hummels-town. Brice spent two weeks in Costa Rica on three occasions, starting in 2003 and ending in 2005, traveling with a group from Colonial Park Methodist Church.

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He and his wife Kristi also traveled to Peru in 2004. There, he became acquainted with members of the Costner Medical Mission, a group based in Texas. In 2005 he joined that group for trips to Ecuador, the Galapagos, and then went from South America to South Africa, where he set up future visits to provide dental service to the Zulu Tribe.

He encourages anyone who has never made a commitment to give back in this way--but would like to--to get in touch with others who participate in these programs.

Asked why he chose to give back this way, Doctor Arndt said he feels each of us must make a choice as to what it is we are most comfortable doing which utilizes our time/talent/dollars to help those in need.

"In my case, I'm the vehicle with the hands and mind to do the work. My profession is dentistry, so giving dental care to those less fortunate is the road I chose to travel. My family is very supportive, and now that I'm at a place in my life where I am able to do this, it's a fantastic feeling.

"People need to be exposed to new ways to serve others. It can become an addictive aspect of one's life. Each trip, each experience can be so different. That's exciting!

Also, it is my hope that what I do will inspire others to step forward and give back."

***"For no matter how hard you work and how much time you spend, you will get back far more than you give."***

Betty Sawyer Brown

**About the Arndts** – Brice and Kristi (daughter of former Trinity members Mr. and Mrs. Allen Menke) met at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin, his home state. Married 24 years, they have three children: Ryan, 21; Sara, 18 (who was with him on one of his trips to Costa Rica), and Emily, 14. They have been members of Trinity 20 years. Their daughters, both baptized at Trinity, are members of the Youth Group. In addition, Emily is a member of the Order of St. Stephen and serves as an Acolyte. Sara babysits in the church nursery. Kristi is a lector and she and Brice, formerly an usher, are greeters.

## CD'S NOW AVAILABLE

**The Chancel Choir of Trinity Lutheran Church  
Dr. Joyce Jones, guest organist  
March 26, 2006 Concert**

Selections include:

Vierne: *Solemn Mass and Carillion de Westminster*

Mozart: *Fantasy*

Dubois: *Crucifixion and In Paradisum*

Bach: *Passacaglia and Fugue*

Sowerby: *Pageant*

Jones: *The Gift of Love* and *The Flight of the Bumble Bee*

Cost: \$10.00

Please call Jane Hess through the church office to place your order.

## HOUSING NEEDED FOR OCTOBER CONCERT

**It's not too soon to think about becoming a "host family"**. On October 30, 2006, Trinity will present a concert of major musical and logistical proportions – the 150-member Kyiv Symphony Orchestra and Chorus from Kiev, Ukraine. We will be the last stop on their east coast tour before they return home. Housing will be needed for the performers on Monday night following the concert. They would need a bed, a shower, and a light breakfast and ride to the church on Tuesday morning. Those for whom we cannot find houses will be put up in an area hotel *at our expense*. **Please call Host Family Coordinator Joan Conrad at 774-3331.**

Realizing that music has a profound effect on the hearts of people, the Kyiv Symphony Orchestra and Chorus proclaims the love of Christ and truths of Scripture through great Christian classics in its concerts.

The group began in 1992 when American choral conductor Dr. Roger McMurrin and his wife Diane were invited by an Episcopal priest to come to Kiev to perform Handel's *Messiah*. Roger hired 35 Ukrainian professional singers and a local orchestra to premier this work, which had been prohibited by the Communists for seventy years. The concert hall was overflowing with people that night, and the souls of the enthusiastic audience were touched by a glimpse of God's glory. This left a lasting impression on the McMurrins and shortly afterward they felt the call to leave their life in America, and move to this former Soviet country to continue their ministry to the people of Ukraine.

The Kyiv Symphony Orchestra and Chorus have premiered over 53 Christian classics, many of which have been aired on radio and television across Ukraine. On six tours of the United States, the KSOC has introduced Americans to Ukraine and the extensive ministries of Music Mission Kiev ([musicmissionkiev.org](http://musicmissionkiev.org)).

The KSOC has given the Ukrainian people the chance to hear great choral masterpieces for the first time – particularly those based on religious themes – which in Soviet days were banned. In addition to great music, hear testimonies of religious persecution behind the Iron Curtain and how so many have embraced Christianity through this ministry.

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## THE ANNUAL MEETING OF "On Eagle's Wings"

will be held on Saturday, May 20  
at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale, PA  
beginning at 5:00 p.m.

You are invited to hear  
Pastor Lee Berry and his staff  
tell of their work in the Northwest Territories  
Watch *Trinity Today* for further information.

## *Christ Renews His Parish*

### **Renewal Weekends Coming Soon**

Did you know there are 8,760 hours in a year? Now think about how you might spend just 30 of those hours – less than half of one percent of your time – renewing your faith in a dynamic spiritual experience. You've probably heard about it: *Christ Renews His Parish* is a proven process that brings people closer to God, closer to each other, closer to the Bible, and closer to our Trinity family.

Over 50 Trinity members have already attended a *Christ Renews His Parish* renewal weekend, and they're eager to share what they experienced with you. Many of them are likely to tell you that the weekend sparked a spiritual awakening, recommitment, and growth that they hadn't felt in years. As one attendee recently remarked, "faith is caught, not taught." You will not be asked to say or do anything uncomfortable, yet you'll be amazed how the experience will impact you.

The renewal weekend costs you nothing to participate, yet will pay lasting dividends in the quality of your life and your relationship with the Lord. Have you ever attended an informational seminar or event that required you to be "present to win" some sort of prize or gift? Consider then the gift beyond price that's already been purchased for you by our Lord and Savior. Take the opportunity to surround yourself with the presence of the Lord at the upcoming *Christ Renews His Parish* weekends May 20-21 (Men's weekend) and June 3-4 (Women's weekend).

Please register by signing up on the sheets provided on the bulletin board at the entrance to the Gathering Space or by calling the church office.

*Carol Smeltz*

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## **WOMEN OF TRINITY GENERAL MEETING**

*Women of Trinity's May General Meeting* will be held on May 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker for this event is Jan Holt. Jan is a teacher at Good Hope Middle School. Jan and her daughter, Melissa, will speak to us about their involvement and experiences with the Special Olympics. This general meeting will also include the installation of officers, blessing boxes, and a potluck supper. Also, during this event, WOT will be collecting dishtowels, dishcloths, scrubbies and potholders for Cumberland Vista. Cumberland Vista is a shelter living home for limited adults. If you would like to donate any of the items mentioned, it would be greatly appreciated. Please come and join us for this event. All mothers and daughters, of all ages, are welcome.

## **TEMPLE TALK**

When I was invited to attend the *Christ Renews His Parish* men's renewal weekend this past November, I recall my first thoughts weren't about whether I was "called" to attend, but whether I could come up with some really good excuse to weasel out of it. As I checked my calendar, I secretly hoped that I'd find some prior scheduling commitment that just couldn't be broken. Our Koinonia small group met on the weekends. I might miss a band rehearsal.

Did I really need "renewing," anyway? My family and I've attended Trinity regularly for 15 years, raised our sons here, spent summer vacations at Camp Nawakwa, and participated in other church activities. I was already "involved."

I knew the "CRHP" experience was probably a good idea, but when it really came down to it, I just wasn't thrilled with the idea of spending a whole weekend with a bunch of other guys talking about faith. And I had the notion that any "spiritual experience" that might take place during that weekend would be the result of some contrived "group dynamics," rather than the Holy Spirit. (I wondered if there might be hugging involved.) I was a skeptic, and stubborn and proud of it.

As it turned out, my schedule was free and, for reasons I don't fully understand, I attended...and I found it to be the MOST SIGNIFICANT SPIRITUAL EVENT of my lifetime. I don't have time to elaborate now, but I can tell you that what I experienced was the STATISTICAL EQUIVALENT of being LITERALLY STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

I've since learned that most everyone attending that weekend – whether or not they felt "called" to attend -- had misgivings similar to mine. Yet each also said that they'd never experienced anything like it. About 50 Trinity members have attended a *Christ Renews His Parish* weekend. While each has come away with his or her own experience, I believe you'll find virtually everyone in agreement that it was absolutely worth their time.

Now it's YOUR turn. We want to share what we experienced with you, at the upcoming men's and women's renewal weekends in May. I can't guarantee that you'll be struck by lightning, but I'm confident that you'll find it to be a weekend you'll be glad you attended. I hope to see you there. Thank you.

*Rick Wilson*

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*The promise of resurrection is written on every leaf that grows.*

Author Unknown

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. We are now midway through our BIGGEST & BUSIEST month of the year, APRIL! Our YG (youth group) calendar is fuller than ever, and there is no rest for the weary. With that said, this report will be a little bit on the short side because I have a lot to do. March was crazy as well with stuff on every weekend. Here are some of the highlights.

We started the month off with a YG meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup>. Fifty YG and advisors came out for the night of faith, fun, and fellowship. The following weekend on the 10<sup>th</sup> and the 11<sup>th</sup> we had a SR. HIGH OVERNITE at the Loft in Carlisle. Twenty YG and five advisors were at this night of total fun. The youth group of St. Paul's in Carlisle joined us for the evening. All and all, it was a blast! On the 12<sup>th</sup> we had a JR. HIGH MOVIE NITE at the church. Twenty-five Jr. High, plus a handful of Sr. High leaders, and four advisors came out for this night of fun and fellowship. The next weekend on the 19<sup>th</sup>, we had another YG meeting. Ditto the above. We closed down the month with a YG PANCAKE BREAKFAST on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Around 30 YG and six advisors came out for this morning of hard work. We were able to raise over a thousand dollars to go toward the ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING this summer. Thrivent also donated some matching funds for some of the money that we were able to raise. We still need all of the money that we can get to help pay for this event. It costs over \$1000 a person to attend this event. The youth and their parents are responsible for paying \$300 toward it, plus providing rides to and from the airport (BWI). Plus all of the youth going need to participate at four out of five fund-raisers. We have a fund-raiser every month leading up to the gathering. Since more money is needed, I recently put a plea out to the Congregation in the bulletin. Here is that plea exactly as I wrote it:

The Youth Group is looking forward to going to San Antonio this summer for the ELCA National Youth Gathering. We have 23 Sr. High youth and four advisors planning on attending this trip. Unfortunately, due to circumstances out of our control, airfare has doubled in price from what had been anticipated. This was not planned in our budget. We are asking for anyone in our congregation who would be more than willing to support our cause to San Antonio. We are looking for donations toward this trip. Anything that you could give would go a long way to help us. Please make your checks to Trinity Lutheran Church and put "National Youth Gathering" in the memo line. If you send a check into the church, put "Attention: National Youth Gathering" on the envelope to make sure it goes to the right place. Personally, I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your continued support of our youth group. We could not do anything that we do without your caring support as a congregation. Thank you.

Hopefully this will help us raise some more much needed funds. That is all for now.

Yours in Christ,  
Peter A. Fox, Youth Ministry Director

## THRIVENT FINANCIAL AND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, a not-for-profit membership organization, and Habitat for Humanity, a Christian ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing, have joined forces nationally in a program to give a "hand up" to people who lack decent shelter. In the local area, the Cumberland and Dauphin County Chapters of Thrivent are working together to build a house in Harrisburg. The site chosen is 79 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street (just off Market Street). The family has been selected, and the build schedule is in place.

To build this house, Thrivent provides 70% of the funding, Habitat provides 20%, and the local congregations provide 10%. The house will cost \$65,000. That means that the churches of Cumberland and Dauphin Counties need to raise \$6,500. The Lutheran Men in Mission have contributed the proceeds (\$500) from their pork and sauerkraut dinner that was held in February to the project and are now in the process of organizing their members for volunteer work on building the house.

If you have questions or comments or would like to volunteer, please call Elizabeth Winters, 697-3673, or Lois Tress, 761-4689.

**There will be a  
Re-Entry Pre-release Breakfast  
May 20, 2006  
Presented at  
Zion Lutheran Church, Harrisburg  
Sponsored by  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill**

As part of our continuing prison ministry, Trinity will be hosting a re-entry breakfast at Zion Lutheran Church, Harrisburg on the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m.

Re-entry breakfasts are held to encourage and affirm those folks in pre-release and work release programs at the Dauphin County Prison.

These folks are taking big steps and working very hard to change their lives. The breakfast provides a place for them to hear some encouragement, and receive strength and hope from those of us who are living on the outside. It is also an opportunity to connect with people involved in ministry in the area as well as folks who provide various social services such as half way housing and employment services.

If you would like to be a part of this great affirmation of our ministry please contact David Spear or Vicar Marie Meeks.

## WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

**April 30-May 6:** Sean Dunlop; Steven and Karen Dunlap; Ray and Barbara Dumas; Thomas and Cheryl Duffalo; Deidra Duffalo; Birgit, Christopher and Janice Duchene; Daniel, Jill, John and Benjamin Drury; Scott, Sandra and Michael Drummond. **May 7-13:** Larry, Joyce, and Clark Dromgold; William Dressler; William, Lori, Joanne, and Douglas Drawbaugh; Daniel and Margaret Drawbaugh; James and Kathryn Drawbaugh; Sue Dour; Dee and Dana Dorsheimer. **May 14-20:** Stephanie Donald; Edward and Carmella Donald; Mark and Val Doeing; Jody Dixon; Joseph, Zach, and John Dixon; Donald and Ruth Dietz; Mertie Dieterick. **May 21-27:** Howard, Kelly, Sydney, and Kelsey Dieter; William Dickinson; Kerry and Grace Dickensheets; Sara DeWalt; Margaret Devorick; Walt and Joyce DeVerter; Charles Detweiler. **May 28-June 3:** Frank DeStefano; Betsy DeStefano; Andrea DesRoches; Gregory, Karen, Brandon, and Ashley Derr; Margaret Deraclea; Lila Depew; Jennifer Denniston.

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

*“After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God.”*

Mark 16:19

*“Prayer is an indispensable part of our relationship with Jesus Christ.”*

Laurel Logan

We pray to bear each other's burdens so that we can fulfill the Law of Christ.

We pray that the Lord will be a good listener to our prayers so we can call on Him when we need His help.

We pray that our troops in Iraq are under Christ's blessed protection for as long as they must be over there!

*“He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay.”*

Matthew 28:6

## BIRTHDAYS

- May 2      **Ann Sponaugle**  
Essex House – Suite # 227  
20 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lemoyne, PA 17043
- May 6      **Roy Miller**  
Messiah Village – Room # 14  
100 Mount Allen Drive  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- May 14     **Jeanne Henderson**  
1903 Market Street  
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- May 23     **Allen Hull**  
423 Appletree Road  
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- May 31     **Florence Floto**  
363 North 29<sup>th</sup> Street  
Camp Hill, PA 17011
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## LETTERS TO TRINITY

Dear Friends of Trinity,

I gratefully thank you again for the phone calls, visits and cards I received while I was hospitalized. I am grateful for the Pastors' visits too. All these things meant so much.

God bless!

*Isabel E. Snyder*

Dear Friends of Trinity:

Thank you so much for the beautiful stole! It was a pretty design and every time I wear it I will remember the countless other gifts I received during my time on internship. Thank you for everything!

Many Blessings,

*Pastor Sarah Keilholtz*

Dear Trinity Friends,

We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the cards, kind words, Vicar/Pastor visits and prayers on behalf of my husband and our father, Orville W. Glass, Jr.

Sincerely,

*Yvonne H. Glass and Family*

Dear Women of Trinity,

Sincere thanks for your card, prayers and the lovely prayer shawl during my hospital and rehab stay.

Yours in Christ

*Jack Schelhas*

# **BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS SUNDAY – APRIL 30**

Through the work of the Holy Spirit and the will of the people, we can end poverty and hunger. If we can, we must.

On **Sunday, April 30**, the Missions Committee will hold the annual **Bread for the World Offering of Letters Sunday**. Please take time to write to our members of Congress and ask them to use our tax dollars to increase poverty-focused development assistance.

This assistance builds organizations that can deliver health care and education to poor people. It provides clean water, sanitation, roads, schools, clinics and hospitals to enable people to improve their livelihood.

Our members of Congress need to hear from us. We must educate them. We can tell them that this assistance saves lives.

Write a letter to help hungry people around the world on Sunday, April 30, for Bread for the World Offering of Letters Sunday. The Missions Committee asks that you stop by our table in the Gathering Space to write about hunger concerns to our members of Congress. The letter asks our elected officials to increase development assistance to poor countries.

The committee will supply paper, pen, envelope, and stamp. We'll even take it to the post office for you. All you need do is take ten minutes to write three short letters.

Visit [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org) to find out how we're working as advocates for hungry and poor people in our country and around the world.

Thank you for writing and making a difference for our poor and hungry sisters and brothers around the world!

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## **FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF LEARNING MINISTRY**

May is our last full month for the regular Church School year, though we won't have classes for children and youth scheduled for the twenty-eighth (Memorial Day Sunday). The last Sunday for the Church School year is June 11 (Trinity Sunday). The Sunday before, Pentecost Sunday, will be the time in which our Confirmands will affirm their baptismal vows, thus coming into full membership of the Trinity church family.

On the Sundays leading up to Pentecost, the children in our rotational program will take part in what has become a Pentecost tradition, planting red flowers around the church. Parents should take note which

Sundays their children may be planting so that appropriate attire may be considered.

The parents in our rotational program are also invited to attend a special Open House the last Sunday of the Church School year (June 11). Please join us in the Bibleland classroom (at 9:30 a.m.) for a time of sharing on mission, Vacation Church School, and a look ahead to new classes for the fall.

We will enjoy some "moving-up" time in the Church School in May. Confirmands not involved with their interviews on the given Sundays will visit with the Senior High Class to get a taste of that experience, which will be theirs in the fall. Fifth-grade students will have the chance to visit in the Middle School Class, which will be their new group come fall.

Sup and Study was a thoughtful, fulfilling time for us in Lent. I am grateful to the leaders of the Sup and Study Classes—Pastor Hardy, Pastor Easton, Vicar Meeks, and Donna Sprows—as I am thankful for the providers of the suppers themselves—the John L. Bush Bible Study Class, the Women of Trinity, Lutheran Men in Mission, the Affirmation of Baptism Class, and the Koinonia Group. Mary Ann Landis served as a guide and helper for the meals, and Kathy Powers handled registration and other logistical matters. Pastor Brock led us each week in grace. Thank you all and especially to the participants who came together in special community for the series.

Sup and Study will return in the fall.

I will be teaching a Special Topics Class in May on "The Lion, the Witch, and the Movie," which will be an exploration and discussion of the current film, the classic text from which the film was made, and the maker of the text himself.

And I remain open to having us explore any number of topics for study—for any age, for any consideration. We have already developed a number of studies based on interest expressed and are delighted to continue to do so.

Look for Vacation Church School in August, which will follow a "Fiesta" theme. ¡Viva Jesús!

Y Dios se bendigan,

*Christopher*

*Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so.*

Genesis 1:11



## TRINITY COUNCIL NOTES

Congregation Council met on Monday, February 13, and the following actions were taken:

- Council expressed its thanks to Barbara Kriebel for her faithful service as President of Congregation Council in 2005.
- Council's unifying theme for 2006 was set as the following: To encourage each member to find and act upon his or her personal ministry by: (1) identifying each member's God-given gifts; and (2) matching those gifts to the needs of Trinity and its communities.
- A Healthy Church Task Force comprised of Tim Trissler (chair), Joe Fidler, Mary Kichman, Arnie Greenlund, Christopher Couch and Maggie Ackerman, with assistance from Roger Smith and the Senior Pastor was formed. Its purpose is implementation of 2006 theme.
- The following persons were accepted into membership: Bill and Donna Campbell; John, Tracy, Matthew, and Megan Clista; Julie Evanish; Lisa Evanish and Matthew Wolf; Terry Frissell; Bob and Joan Fry; John and Jessie Gilson; Lori and Emilie Goss; Mac Keifer and Maria Waller; Mike, Stephanie, and Carliegh Morgan; Linda Penny and James Penny III; Jim, Tamara, Carson, Ethan, and Caroline Schultz; Ron and Val Williams; Ed and Barbara Wirth; Paul, Joanne, AJ, and Teddy Zanger; and Marija and Vesna Zorkic.
- Policy Page 2.15 (Employee Access to their Personnel File) was approved.
- Chris Lubold and Mary Kichman were elected as Trinity's representatives to the 2006 Synod Assembly.

Congregation Council met on Monday, March 13, and the following actions were taken:

- Membership was approved for Frank (Landis) and Cordelia Keller.
- Policy Page 2.15 (Employee Access to their Personnel File) was approved.
- Boy Scout Troop 51 was given permission to have their annual Flower Sale on April 13-15 at the far end of the lower parking lot.

*Barb Henderson, Secretary*

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*For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.*

Isaiah 61:11



Dates: Saturday, May 13  
Saturday, June 10

Time: 9 AM – 1 PM

Place: Killian Fireplace Centre  
4303 Carlisle Pike  
Camp Hill, PA

Cost: Cars - \$5.00  
Trucks, Vans & SUVs -  
\$7.00

All proceeds go to support our Sr. High for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in San Antonio, TX, this summer!

## GARDEN OF EATIN'/COFFEE HOUR

Ever wonder why coffee hour and Garden of Eatin' are called two different names but seem to be the same thing, just at different times?

Well, the Fellowship Committee folks wondered too, and we figured it only made sense to call it by one name. So from now on, the coffee, drinks and goodies that you find in the Gathering Space on Sunday mornings will all be at Garden of Eatin'.

And speaking of all those goodies ... we need volunteers to donate food or help to host after church. If you are able to lend a hand, contact George Enney, 737-4115 (Part I – original Garden of Eatin') or Kathy Holmes, 761-4977 (Part II – formerly coffee hour).

*See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come...*

Song of Songs 2:11-12

## OUR HOSPITALIZED AND AT-HOME MEMBERS

Our hospitalized and at-home members are listed in the narthex and Gathering Space. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which His people care for each other.

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## SUMMER CAMPING REGISTRATION MATERIALS AVAILABLE

Registration materials for summer camping in the synod are in the large tract rack by the main doors in the Gathering Space. Trinity provides a fifty-dollar scholarship for all campers. Any questions, please contact Christopher Couch, Director of Learning through the church office.



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## TRINITY GRADUATES

If you have a son or daughter who will be graduating from high school or college this year, please contact the *Trinity Parish* Editor at: [SPROWLSD@aol.com](mailto:SPROWLSD@aol.com). Your written notice should include: name of recipient, address, parents, college or high school, future plans if known, and a contact phone number or e-mail address. For college graduates also include degree and major. These students will be acknowledged in the next issue of the *Trinity Parish*. Information **may** also be placed in the *Trinity Parish* box in the church office. **DEADLINE is May 10.**