

Trinity Parish

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YG Servant Trip

Dear Fellow Member of Trinity,

Greetings in the name of the Lord. This coming summer, the Sr. High YG (Youth Group) of our congregation will be going on a servant trip sponsored by LutheranHANDS to Lake Station, Indiana. LutheranHANDS is a servant ministry run by Jesse Woodrow and Michael Brommer, from St. Peter Lutheran in Middletown. They plan and coordinate service opportunities for youth groups and churches from the Central PA area. I've been working with them to involve our Sr. High YG in a servant trip, and we are excited about this summer's opportunity.

Lake Station, Indiana is still recovering from the flooding that ravaged this area last year. We will be helping to tear down and clean out homes, as well as do a lot of painting. For this six day trip, we will be taking a bus and staying at a local church. They will provide our meals and lodging throughout our stay. The estimated cost is \$400 for each youth to attend. We plan on raising this money through parents, YG fundraisers (car washes, Fiesta Nite & Pancake Breakfast) and donations. Since this is a servant trip, we would like to keep the cost minimal for the Sr. High participants.

Here is how you can help us: 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 out to "Trinity Lutheran Church" and put "Sr. High Service Trip" in the memo line. You can place it in the regular offering. If you mail it, please put "Attention: Peter Fox" on the envelope, and I'll make sure it goes to the right place.

Bottom line – we will need your help and support to make this trip happen. So please support our youth in making this endeavor a successful reality.



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. We cannot wait to serve our Christian sisters and brothers in the Lake Station community

Yours in Christ,

Peter A. Fox
Youth Ministry Director

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OUR VISION

"Disciples in the making, making disciples"

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"Called by the Holy Spirit to be Christ's Disciples, we seek to equip ourselves and others to live like Christ, and to be sent into the world proclaiming and living the Good News as daily witnesses of God's transforming love."

Blood Bank News!

It is all in the interpretation! Some of you have asked if we made the 200 unit goal set by the Central PA Blood Bank. Well, we didn't! However, we did finish 2009 with 184 units donated, and I have to admit, that I was both surprised and more than pleased that you did so well. As a matter of fact, that is the best that Trinity has ever done!



You can donate at any of the local hospitals, Central PA Blood Bank Donor Centers, or any of the Community Blood Drives that you see advertised. Just tell them #157, or Trinity Lutheran, Camp Hill. Your next opportunity at church will be at Trinity's "Community Health Fair 2010", on Saturday, April 17. Be sure to attend the Health Fair and bring your friends and neighbors with you – and, be sure to donate blood that Saturday morning! Call Jeanie Bentzel, 766-3526 if you have any questions!

Jeanie Bentzel

Trinity Parish Deadline

The deadline for the April 2010 edition of *Trinity Parish* is **Wednesday, March 10, 2010 – no exceptions**. If articles are e-mailed, please send to the Editor, Donna Sprowls at parish@trinitycamphill.org. Articles may also be dropped off in the *Trinity Parish* box in the church office.

Alzheimer's Support Group

Will meet Wednesday, March 24, from 7-9 p.m. in the Library. For more information, contact Donna Sprowls at 766-8075 or sprowlsd@aol.com.

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Thank You!

To the members, Staff and friends of Trinity,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the many humbling ways you found to honor my service and ministry and for the wonderful way you celebrated my retirement.

To everyone who organized and contributed to the reception: **Thank you**. What a wonderful way for us to come together and enjoy both each other's company and Trinity's wonderful hospitality. The layout of the room, the decorations on the tables and the food and fellowship were more than worthy of a five star Michelin rating!

The worship service was outstanding, retaining the Saturday evening format but bringing together pastors, staff, and congregation in worship. Bishop Edmiston delighted us in his use of first names and reminded us of the Him in whose name we gathered and in whose mission and ministry we serve. My thanks to Pastor Brock and to all who contributed to the planning and leading of the service.

The closing program was a deeply moving recognition of my service and ministry to Trinity, to our community, and to the Jewish and Christian community who share our dedication to God and His mission and ministry to the world. My deep gratitude to co-chairs Bob Frymoyer and Barbara Kriebel and their committee who developed and managed a wonderful evening of celebration and worship. I truly was moved by the remarks of the presenters Dr. Gerald Christiansen, Rabbi Peter Kessler, Father William Forey, Mayor Mark Simpson, Maggie Ackerman and Becky Enney, and my son Mark. I so appreciate that they were asked, and were willing, to participate in the program.

Your generosity in giving towards Trinity's Capital Debt-reduction, and to the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg scholarship fund - which you established in my name - is not only a gracious tribute to me personally, but also clear evidence of your willingness to make Trinity's ministry and the preparation of future pastors important priorities.

Thank you for the magnificent photographic record of our time together, for honoring me with a wonderful photographic portrait and for the generous gift that Barbara and I might enjoy New York City and all it has to offer. And most importantly of all, for giving Barbara the well earned and richly deserved last word.

Thank you for your recognition, your respect, and your love; for the truth of the matter is, without such a wonderful congregation and staff none of this would have been possible.

In thankfulness and the joy of retirement,

J. Stewart Hardy

Staff Notes

by *The Reverend Glenn E. Ludwig,*
Interim Senior Pastor

This “Staff Notes” article comes to you by way of a different voice (computer, actually). I had to virtually wrestle this space away from Pastor Easton, who thoroughly enjoys writing to you. I, too, love her style and how she models for all of us how to reflect theologically on life-circumstances and issues.

But I asked her if we could share this spot from time to time during my interim sojourn among you, because I, too, love to write and because there are times when I may have something to add to the community that might best be said in a broader forum.

This is one of those times. It seems to me that it is important for the members of Trinity Lutheran Church to understand the role of an interim senior pastor. What is it, exactly, that an interim is supposed to do?

I outlined this, briefly, for the Congregation Council recently and thought I would share it with the broader congregation in this column. The role, it seems to me, of an interim pastor includes three things:

1. Maintaining the current level of ministry and programming. In other words, I am to “keep the trains running on time.” Under this heading would be things like working with the staff to support and supervise their ministries, making sure all the current ministries continue to be done with integrity and an eye toward excellence, and overseeing the vast ministries that are part of your experience.
2. Guiding the staff, leadership and the congregation through the 5 Developmental Tasks of an interim time. More on this in a moment.
3. Consulting, observing, and reflecting on our life together. In other words, to be a mirror sharing what I see and observe based on my 37 years as a parish pastor. I am, after all, a fresh set of eyes, who is seeing things for the first time. It is my role to share what I see, to ask “Why?” when it is appropriate, and to offer any help I can as we seek to be the Body of Christ in this place.

Let me just say a word about the 5 Developmental Tasks that every church goes through during an interim time. Research into churches in transition has led to the development of these tasks being articulated. I have shared this list with many groups already here at Trinity, and the Council has committed to work on them in a systematic and regular way. I present them here for your information and for discussions with me in the months ahead.

5 Developmental Tasks During an Interim

1. Coming to Terms with History
 - Telling the congregation’s story
 - Dealing with grief
 - Celebrating strengths
2. Discovering a New Identity
 - An analysis of current perceptions
 - A fresh look at ministry context
 - Discovering spiritual gifts
3. Empowering New Leaders
 - Reasons for leadership changes
 - How to deal with change
 - Congregation as an emotional system
4. Renewing Denominational Linkages
 - Interim pastor
 - Profile/Self-Study
 - Call/Search Committee
5. Commitment to New Directions in Ministry
 - Readiness
 - Facing the future
 - Preparing for a new beginning

So, we have work to do. This interim period is not a time to stand in place and mark time. There is transitional work to do, as evidenced by the developmental tasks just named. There is ministry to continue to offer with energy and creativity. And, there is the guidance of the Spirit – prodding, poking, and pressing us on into greater witness and service to the Gospel.

I look forward to working with you during this important moment in your life together.

Who are we, and what do we believe?

“Men’s Third Saturday” on Saturday morning, March 20

Our subject for the March Third Saturday is “A follow-up to the Book of James”? Martin Luther wanted the book of James removed from the Bible, but our March leader, Roger Smith, has a different idea. Roger will lead us through James, illustrating his points with the following: “Spiritual growth occurs through service”, “We all have gifts to fulfill our calling”, “God has a unique purpose for each of our lives”, and more!!

A light breakfast will be provided. We will meet in the church Library at 8:30, enjoy breakfast and start the gathering at 9.

Our next “Third Saturday” is April 17. This session will be a “follow-up” to the April 10 Men’s Retreat.

No need to sign up, but if you have questions contact George Enney at georgebeckyenney@yahoo.com.

Council Update

Each month this column highlights actions and significant items of interest from the most recent meeting(s) of Trinity's Congregation Council.

From the February 2010 meeting:

- Studied "Approaching the global food crisis" from the January 2010 issue of the *Lutheran* magazine.
- Welcomed new council members Jennifer Hamaker, Tom Hoffert, Barb Musselman and Bill Tauriello.
- Approved the scope of services for Trinity's Facility and Property Master Planning initiative; a request for proposal will be prepared and shared with interested professional consulting firms. Bob Scaer is chairing the Master Planning Task Force.
- With great appreciation thanked and acknowledged the work of the Strategic Planning Task Force. The strategic planning process will be formalized with the forming and naming of a Strategic Planning Committee.
- Approved an increase in hours and responsibilities for Pastor Nancy Easton, effective July 1, 2010. Pastor Easton's weekly hours will increase from 25 (50% of full time) to 38 (75% of full time).
- Approved the appointment of Peter Pennington as chair of the Transportation Ministry Task Force.
- Approved the appointment of Nancy Martin and Douglas Bonsall as Trinity's voting delegates to the Lower Susquehanna Synod Assembly, June 10-12 at Messiah College.
- Approved Trinity's participation in several fund raisers for Churches Affiliated Child Care Centers; Advent calendars and Bon Ton coupons. Their fundraisers support CACCC's Student Scholarship Fund.
- Approved membership for the following new members who will complete Trinity's New Member Classes on March 7, 2010; Doug Champlin and Tamara McCoy, Mark and Karen Emig, Steve Kauffman, Frances McGovern, Carol MacConnell, Jan Miller, Luke and Kelly Pennsinger, William Reed, John and Carol Reighter and Glenn and Vickie Yeager.

The next meeting of the Congregational Council will be held on Monday, March 8, 2010.

Finding Your PLACE in Ministry Sunday, March 21, 28, April 11, 18 and 25 9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.

Today, more than any other time in history, people have more choices as to how to give of their time. They find themselves asking, "Where do I fit in?" and "What can I do to make a difference in my life and the lives of others?" God created us with gifts to be shared. This course can help you discover how God has uniquely designed you and provides direction in your journey with God and each other.

The self-discovery process will help individuals identify their personality, spiritual gifts, abilities, life passions and experiences. A workbook will be used throughout the five week course. (Limited space is available; pre-registration is required by contacting Judy Collins at 737-9921 x239.)

Trinity Campers and Amusement Park Enthusiasts

We are heading to Knoebels for 3 days of fun – June 4-5-6.

We need to make reservations by March 15. The rates are \$38 and \$40 per night. There is a limited number of cabins available. We will be having the traditional potluck dinner Saturday night with service afterwards. For those not interested in camping, come spend the day at the amusement park/watermark with your fellow members and join us for the potluck dinner and service Saturday night.

Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group invites you to the third Sunday of every month in Room 232-234 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Here is the list of books for March through June 2010:

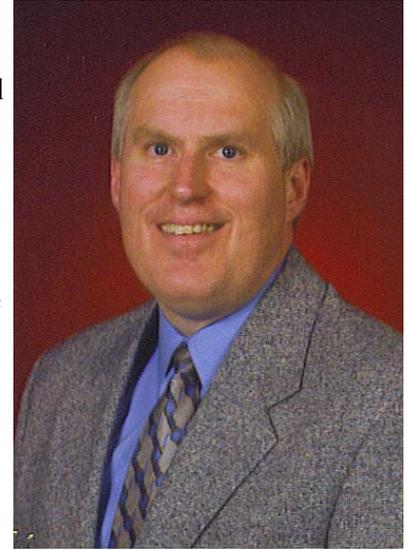
March 21: **The Secret Message of Jesus: Uncovering the Truth That Could Change Everything** by Brian McLaren

April 19: **Peace Like a River** by Leif Enger

May 17: **The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life of Frances Perkins, FDR's Secretary of Labor and His Moral Conscience** by Kirstin Downey

June 21: **War Trash: A Novel** by Ha Jin

New Council President



Craig Erdman will serve as Congregational Council President for 2010. Craig joined Trinity in 1994, his wife Christine Smeltz Erdman joined Trinity at age four with her family in 1962. Craig is a lifelong Lutheran, baptized at Zion, Jonestown, PA and confirmed at Salem, Lebanon, PA.

Craig and Christine reside in Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County along with their two Shar Pei, Luna and Bobby. Craig is employed as the Assistant Executive Director of Administrative Services with the Pennsylvania School Boards Association. He is a graduate of Shippensburg and Drexel Universities with bachelors and masters degrees in Business Administration and is a licensed CPA and CMA.

This is Craig's second term on council. He has also served on the Property Committee (1998-2000), Finance Committee (2000-2010, chairperson 2001-2002) and Administration and Personnel Committee (2001-2002 and 2008-2010, chairperson 2008-2009). Craig's other activities at Trinity include ushering, communion assistant and blood donor.

During 2009 Trinity established a new mission statement:

1. Called by the Holy Spirit to be Christ's Disciples, we seek to equip ourselves and others to live like Christ and to be sent into the world proclaiming and living the Good News as daily witnesses of God's transforming love.
2. During 2010 we will continue implementing our mission statement with our guiding principals.
3. Additionally, the congregation is asked to support the following Congregational Council Goals:
 - Support the Senior Pastor Call Committee in completing the Congregational Profile and regularly praying that they follow God's guidance in calling a new senior pastor.
 - Support our Interim Senior Pastor, Pastor Glenn Ludwig, as our spiritual leader during this time of transition regularly praying for God's guidance in his ministry.
 - Challenge the congregation to increase their participation in the life of the church, providing them with opportunities for Christian growth, sharing their gifts and fellowship.

2010 brings a period of transition to Trinity. With our mission statement and guiding principals we have set the way, we have identified our path and we will continue along that path. We appreciate the congregation's prayers for Trinity's Pastors, staff, Congregation Council, Committee Chairs and many volunteers to follow God's guidance in accomplishing their many tasks and activities.

"The Lutheran" Adult Forum – Sunday, March 28, 2010 Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in Room 232-234 for a discussion on **"Face Time: Social Media & Faith"** from pages 20-28 of the February 2010 issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. Technology has opened up a world of communication that would have been something out of science fiction only a generation or two ago. Through social networking web sites and messaging technology, a person can interact with thousands across the globe, instantly exchanging words, photos, videos and ideas with a few keystrokes. What does all this mean for people of faith? How can new media opportunities help our congregation fulfill its mission? It's happened so fast we've barely had time to access whether it will bring us closer together or keep us an electronic arm's length apart. If you do not have access to the articles, please contact class coordinators Craig Staller or Doug Bonsall (921-1957) for a paper copy.

Thirty-First Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Date: Friday, March 12
Dine from: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Place: Fellowship Hall
Cost: \$5.00 per person or \$6.00 at the door. Children under 12 dine free.

Meal includes: Salad, spaghetti, Italian bread, ice cream sundaes and beverages

Tickets go on sale: Beginning February 21 through March 7

Sponsored and cooked by: Lutheran Men in Mission (Master Builders)

Friends of Grace

February 8, 2010

Dear friends and partners of Grace:

Moments after all the exuberant and exhilarating cheering and high fives when it became clear that our beloved New Orleans Saints are Super Bowl Champions, all of you came to mind. This entire season has been much more than just about football. The New Orleans Saints have embraced this city in their recovery. Though their primary focus was winning football games, their secondary focus was to unite this city, state, region, country? to BELIEVE and recognize that our recovery is possible. There is a spirit that underlies this experience that is directly connected to God and His purpose for all of us (see Sunday's lesson from Psalm 138).

I hope you are celebrating with us because you have been a major part of that purpose! You have been on OUR team from the very beginning. The championship we celebrate (and we are celebrating---it's Mardi Gras season after all!!!) is just as much for you as it is for all Saints fans.

Folks, we have experienced a resurrection firsthand. What you are seeing is not only our football team, but our church and our city (thanks to you!). We have gone from the words that the prophet Isaiah describes to God's people as desolate and gone to waste to NEW LIFE. Jesus word's . . . "I AM THE RESURRECTION and the LIFE!" have great meaning and purpose for us. And then Jesus said . . . "DO YOU BELIEVE (DAT)?"

All of us in New Orleans say with confidence and a new swagger to our step . . . AMEN!

Incidentally, the front page of the Times-Picayune this morning says it as well! In big bold letter the headline reads ... AMEN!

We elected a new mayor on Saturday. Mitch Landrieu won convincingly with all the diverse constituents we have in New Orleans. There is a new air of political cooperation to really turn New Orleans into something new and better. Pray for our leadership that they carry this momentum.

We give thanks to God for you . . . for your grace to us that made us who we are today---CHAMPIONS of the RESURRECTION!

Keep the faith . . . BELIEVE DAT!

Pastor Leon Philpot

Synodically Authorized Minister
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)
New Orleans, LA

Letters to Trinity

Dear (Trinity) Members:

On behalf of the soldiers and families of the United States Army Garrison in Schweinfurt, Germany, I wish to thank all of you for your recent package of coupons. Your time and effort mean a great deal to us. Thank you for being such great patriots. Your efforts show that everyone can support our country in their own way and that each of us can make a difference.

Erin McCauley

Resource Center Coordinator

Mrs. Sprowls:

Thank you for placing the article in the Trinity newsletter about my journey with brain disease. It truly means a lot to me and my family. Keep my parents and family in your prayers.

Beth Ann (Telford)

(Beth Ann will be participating as part of Team BT, in the Race For Hope in Washington D.C. on May 2 to make a difference in the fight against Brain Tumors. To wish her well contact her at: BethAnn@teambt.org.)

To the Congregation,

Thank you so much for all of your prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy and support during this difficult time. They are truly appreciated.

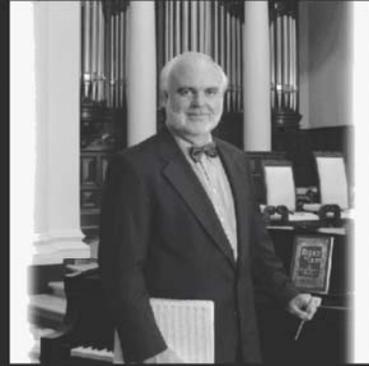
Grace Wallet

Artist of the Month Beverly D. Spitzer

As a mixed media artist, Beverly Spitzer combines watercolor and acrylic painting techniques as well as printmaking and graffiti to develop and enhance her colorful works. She says "I enjoy the pursuit of artistic creativity. My work is heartfelt, generated by a positive attitude about my life, family and community."

Spitzer, who lives in Camp Hill, attended Rhode Island School of Design where she concentrated her studies on interior architecture. In recent years she has studied with artists from around the country. She belongs to, and participates in, shows with the Art Association of Harrisburg, the Art Center School and Galleries, the Susquehanna Art Museum, the York Art Association and the Pennsylvania Watercolor Society. Spitzer is also a member of the National Watercolor Society, the American Watercolor Society, the International Society of Experimental Artists, and the International Society of Acrylic Painters. Galleries in Pennsylvania exhibiting her work include Art & Soul in Lemoyne at the Farmers Market and in Harrisburg by Arts @ 510 and SPRAMA Design.

March 20, 2010 at 7:30 PM
Trinity Lutheran Church
Camp Hill, Pennsylvania



K. Lee Scott
Guest Conductor

American
Composer's
Choral Festival

Join The Harrisburg Singers and members from seven local church choirs under the direction of K. Lee Scott for an evening of inspirational music.



Tickets available for \$5.00:

At Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill, PA 17011, Mon-Fri 9 AM-4 PM,
by remitting payment and a self addressed, stamped envelope to the church, or
at the venue door until sold out.

Participating Choirs

Trinity Lutheran Church of Camp Hill – Timothy Koch, director
Camp Hill Presbyterian Church – David Binkley, director
Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church – Suzanne Klinedinst, director
Camp Hill United Methodist Church – Keith Roden, director
Messiah Lutheran Church of Harrisburg – Dan Asmus, director
Zion Lutheran Church of Hummelstown – Sally Cummins, director

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Helping to wrap others in God's love is the special mission of the Women of Trinity's Prayer Shawl Ministry.

The unique ministry started several years ago and has touched the lives of countless people. Shawls are given to Trinity members and others who are ill, home-bound or in need of an outreach of faith.

Approximately 22 women participate throughout the year, meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month. They inspire each other and share their beautifully crafted prayer shawls. They're also willing to teach others and happily take time to show someone how to knit or crochet a prayer shawl.

Charlotte Lazarchik and Kathy Powers are such members who came to the group not knowing how to knit. Charlotte says, "It's such a wonderful project to be involved in. I enjoy talking with women to learn more about knitting."

The ministry originally started with a specific knitted pattern but has grown into an expression of creativity on the part of many of the women. They knit, crochet or cro-knit and create their own intricate patterns.

Kay Range is the group's leader. Kay began knitting in 1960 while working for the state and would knit during her lunch hour. Despite being legally blind, she continues to knit daily, creating 112 prayer shawls. The group as a whole has made more than 340 shawls.

June Stauffer has been knitting for nearly 50 years. Her mother-in-law taught her to knit and she also enjoys knitting hats to donate to the school children at Christmas.

Lynn Haar was taught to knit by her grandmother and likes to knit on a spool.

Mildred Stauffer's mother taught her to sew and she continues to create her own beautiful patterns de-

spite being visually impaired. She's made 18 prayer shawls.

Arlene Corso has created 23 shawls; Hannah Wood has made 20; Mel Robertson, 18 and Linda Penny, 19.

The shawls carry with them prayers to those in need, as the knitters pray when they start a shawl and pray together before it's sent to someone. Many often say prayers while they knit as well.

Trinity member Bob Landis received a prayer shawl when he broke his hip. His wife, MaryAnn, says, "The prayer shawl is visible love put into the shawl. You can physically see the love from these women and it's a reminder of how much being a part of the church community means to you. They do make something tangible with their hands out of love – God's love. It's such a loving gesture and a constant reminder of God's love and his community."

Others who have received prayer shawls have asked to have it placed in their casket. Sometimes, grieving family members feel comfort to see the shawl after a loved one has died.

Kim Shindle

Preorder Your WOT Cookbook

There's still time to preorder your copy of the *Tastes of Trinity* cookbook being published by Women of Trinity to raise funds for local and worldwide hunger relief.

The deadline for preorders is March 26. Orders, along with checks made out to Women of Trinity for \$15, are being accepted in the church office. Cookbooks are expected to arrive in May.

If you have questions, contact cookbook coordinator, Suzanne Malhenzie at 938-2129 or e-mail her at suzannem1014@aol.com.

WOT Circle Study for April

The Women of Trinity will continue the Circle Bible Studies in April. The groups will study Chapter 6 of I Peter 1:22-2:10 of the book *Stand Strong*. All women are invited to join a Circle Group that meets their schedules.

<u>Circle</u>	<u>Meets</u>	<u>Place</u>
Esther	Monday, April 5 at 7:00 p.m.	Library
Deborah	Tuesday, April 6 at 9:30 a.m.	Library
Ruth	Tuesday, April 6 at 9:30 a.m.	Room 237
Elizabeth	Tuesday, April 6 at 1:30 p.m.	Library
Sarah	Sunday, March 11 at 9:30 a.m.	Room 239

Community Health Fair - 2010

Fostering
Wellness of Body, Mind, & Spirit

Hosted by
Trinity Lutheran Church,
Camp Hill

April 17, 2010
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For Children to Seniors
Save the Date

March Prayer Concerns

Dear Heavenly Father,

As we continue through the Lenten season, help us to remember that it was for this purpose that you sent your son. Jesus paid the ultimate price for our sins. He was the perfect Lamb. Lord, we thank you for this sacrifice.

May we always remember to thank you not only for the good but also for the bad, for it is the bad that makes us strong in our faith. May we always remember to thank you for lifting us up and carrying us when life gets tough. Lord, we thank you for our trials, tribulations, and bridges over troubled waters.

We pray for our interim senior pastor, Pastor Ludwig. May he bring your message to us with love and patience. May we receive that message with open hearts and minds. Bless Pastor Ludwig and his family for helping Trinity in this time of transition. Lord, we thank you for people willing to help others.

We pray for Pastor Easton, Pastor Brock, Vicar Tom and the rest of the church staff. The tireless efforts of these people help Trinity to be your lighthouse to others in the community. Lord, we thank you for the community bridges we have built.

We pray for the sick and homeless. May the sick feel your loving, healing arms around them. May the homeless find shelter against the wind and rain. May the homeless find hot food for their bellies. Lord, we thank you for the people who can help the sick and homeless.

Finally, we pray for forgiveness. We are not worthy of the price that Christ paid for us, but we thank you for it. Help us to stay focused on you so that we will not stumble and fall as we so often do. Forgive us, Lord, and stay with us always. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

What's New on Trinity's Web Site?

Have you looked at the HOME page recently? Take a look! Now, the HOME page has a lot of basic information and direct links to frequently access pages, like the Daily Lectionary (our second most viewed page), recent sermons and staff photos. The page also includes worship service times, weather closing information (the building is closed because of snow as I write this), highlights of significant news and events and our Vision and Mission statements and Guiding Principles. Jeff Weaver, Webmaster.

Ministry to Grieving



Parish Ministry

The **Ministry to Grieving**, a group of Trinity members, contacts the immediate survivors of a deceased person who was somehow related to Trinity; a member of Trinity or a relative of a member of Trinity.

The surviving family members are contacted several weeks after the death and are referred to ministry coordinator Barb Musselman by the pastors. Individual members of the Ministry to Grieving are assigned to a surviving family so if a family desires continued contact the same volunteer is initiating that contact.

Most families appreciate a call, knowing the congregation is concerned about their loss. Some desire the continued relationship, especially those who have lost a spouse or have limited family in the area for support. We ask if they would like a visit. However, if they just accept a phone call, we are comforted in knowing we are still ministering to that individual.

When we visit we take prayer shawls, made by our Women of Trinity. (See article on Page 8.) The shawls are wonderful to take; they can make it easier to open conversation with the grieving person. Contacts are also made one month prior to the anniversary date of the death of a loved one. Support is offered about how normal it is to anticipate this date for weeks prior to the anniversary.

Some of our bereaved members may be facing illness or other limitations due to age. Many need transportation, food shopping, etc. or could use more visitors. **Parish Ministry** has volunteers ready, willing and able to fill all these needs. We are rich in resources through many ministries to assist our members.

The primary role of the lay grieving minister is as a listener. If you would be interested in becoming part of this ministry or learn more about it, contact Barb Musselman at 975-0988.

"So you may not grieve as others do who have no hope."

1 Thessalonians 4:13

Donna Sprowls



Boy Scout Sunday Celebrated at Trinity

On Sunday, February 7, Trinity celebrated Boy Scout Sunday at their three morning services. There were approximately 38 scouts in attendance. Scouts Matt Ehgartner, Ryan Smith, Colin Schonewolf, Ian Schonewolf, Evan Young and Grant Hoover served as greeters. Lectors were Jake Smith, Ben Fodness, Carson Ebel, Zach Wilder, and Ian Scott; Luke Ensor and Matt Lawrenson gave the temple talks. At the 11:00 a.m. service in the Nave the scouts and the adult scouters marched in following the colors. This was capped off with the presentation of the Cub Pack 51 and Boy Scout Troop 51 Charters to Pastor Ludwig by Dick Hess, Chartered Organization Representative, assisted by Scoutmaster Mark Lawrenson and Cubmaster Hugh Scott. This was a very special occasion as this year is the 100th Anniversary of Scouting and it is the 85th year of Boy Scout Troop 51 continuously being chartered and the 76th year of Cub Pack 51 continuously being chartered. Trinity is the troops' chartering/sponsoring congregation.

Attention Seniors and Friends

The spring retreat at Camp Hebron has been scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday May 4 and 5, 2010. Pastor John Brock has graciously agreed to be our leader; subject to be determined. The cost will be approximately \$82 per person for double occupancy. There is a \$25 surcharge for single rooms. The fee covers one night's lodging, two lunches, two dinners, one breakfast and one snack. Feel free to invite your friends. Camp Hebron is beautiful in the spring. There will be plenty of time built into the schedule to explore the grounds. Registration forms will be at the reception desk in the Gathering Space soon. Please direct any questions to Judy Messinger at 766-3692.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Spring 2010 New Disciples' Class* *Meet in the Library*

SUNDAYS - 9:15 a.m.

April 11, 18, 25 and May 2, 9, 16

RECEPTION OF NEW DISCIPLES
Saturday, May 22 and Sunday, May 23

For more information,
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Is it you?

Isaiah 6:8 (New International Version)

⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

We on the Evangelism Committee now have our mission statement...and our guiding principals. Now, we are waiting to see whom the Lord sends our way to help with the goals He helped us set:

Evangelism's Mission Statement:

Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Evangelism Committee exists to share the love of Jesus with all of God's children, engaging them right where they are, and encouraging them to join us as we continually grow into a richer, deeper relationship with the One Who loves us most: our Heavenly Father.

Evangelism's Guiding Principals:

- We will foster an atmosphere of passionate spirituality that encourages each of us to live out our faith through worship, study, prayer, and small groups.
- We will assist in helping develop loving relationships, and will practice genuine hospitality to all.
- We will support, motivate, and mentor individuals to be all God wants them to be.
- We will foster an environment open to changing needs and new ideas as we continually discern God's will for us in this place.
- We will strive to reach out to any members of our congregation who appear to have stopped worshipping with us.

Is He calling you? If so, get ready to "jump in with both feet" by contacting BetsyKnarr@aol.com or call (717) 730-6244. Thank you!

YG News

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord.

The month of January was a blast from start to finish. We started with WINTERFEST. This is a synod wide Sr. High event held every year at the beginning of January. It is in its 19th year of existence and I've taken groups there for 16 of those years. This year, 14 YG seniors and three advisors came for the weekend of faith, fun and fellowship. The theme was to "LIVE SIMPLY". It focused on ways that we can all be better stewards of God's creation by serving, conserving and preserving. There were large groups, small groups and workshops to teach the youth about the theme throughout the weekend. There was also lots of fun and fellowship time built into the weekend with a sports complex, blow-up games, karaoke, music jam sessions, dance and even a movie. As usual this event was awesome! I was especially excited because we had nine new YG at this event, so they got to experience everything for the first time. All and all, this weekend was a blast and the Sr. High YG all had a great time and learned a lot about taking care of God's environment.

The very next weekend was our first YG NITE for the new year. Around 50 YG and advisors came out for the nite of faith, fun and fellowship. The theme for the evening was MODERN CHRISTIAN. This YG NITE focused in on what it means to modern Christians in this world. We observed how we are viewed through the world's eyes and through the media lens. This nite evoked some of the best large and small group discussions so far this season! The YG learned so much and shared so much, it was amazing. We closed down the month with another YG NITE. Around 50 YG and advisors came out for the nite of faith, fun and fellowship. The theme for the evening was DEPRESSION. This YG NITE focused on what depression is, why it's caused, its many forms and what we can do as brothers and sisters of Christ to combat it. Depression is something that everyone goes through from time to time, and teens are no exception as this nite pointed out. Once again, the discussions were awesome and thought provoking. We reminded the kids that they are never alone to deal with bouts of depression; they always have God, YG and others to turn to in these dark moments. It was a powerful nite!

And there you have it, a fine beginning to the year 2010, with such a great start; I am truly looking forward to the rest of the year. I can't wait!

REMINDER: PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR YG FUNDRAISERS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. WE NEED TO RAISE A LOT OF MONEY FOR OUR SR. HIGH SERVANT TRIP THIS SUMMER. See Letter to Members of Trinity on Page 1.

Yours in Christ,

Peter A. Fox
Youth Ministry Director

Happy Birthday!

Homebound

- March 2 **Wallace Smith**
5225 Wilson Lane, Assisted Living 215
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- March 9 **Bob Landis**
360 North 28th Street
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- Milly Stotler**
140 Robin Lane, Unit Q 7
Hummelstown, PA 17036
- March 12 **Luke Gutshall**
510 Washington Terrace
Lemoyne, PA 17043
- March 14 **Janet D'Agostino**
3510 Walnut Street, Apt. 3
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- March 16 **Marie Kennedy**
26 Fieldcrest Drive
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
- March 25 **Bootsy Focht**
20 North 12th Street, Apt. 301
Lemoyne, PA 17043
- March 26 **Eleanor Black**
2800 NW 47th Terrace, Apt. 210
Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33313
- Ed Wirth**
524 Joyce Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- March 30 **Jane Eichenberger**
770 Poplar Church Road, Room 803
Camp Hill, PA 17011
- Betty Hauser**
5225 Wilson Lane, Oaks Room 13
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Staff

- March 11 **Debbie Wilson**
- March 12 **Bishop Edmiston**

An Irish Blessing

*May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
Until we meet again,
may God hold you in the hollow of His hand.*



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Additional Palm Sunday and Easter Services at 8:30 a.m.

In the recent past we have offered an additional contemporary service on Easter. This year we will offer additional services on both Easter (April 4) and Palm Sunday (March 28) to accommodate the higher attendance those days. These additional services will begin at 8:30 a.m. This time slot was chosen because 8:30 a.m. is the start time for the new Contemporary Worship Service coming in September. You know, in some communities in Africa they simply open the windows and doors and seat the worshippers outside when all the pews inside are filled, but that seems impractical here in central PA!

The Worship Task force is developing a unique and shorter format for the 8:30 a.m. service which will be different from our present 10:45 a.m. service. However, because of the nature of both Palm Sunday and Easter, and because we have not yet completed our process of developing the new service format, these first two 8:30 a.m. services will not be exactly like the new service nor will they be exactly like the present 10:45 a.m. service.

Watch for dates in June, July and August when we will do a few "trial runs" at 8:30 a.m. for the new service.

Your suggestions and comments are most welcome. Please feel free to talk with any of the members of the Worship Task Force: Becky Enney, chair, John Artevich, Christopher Couch, George Enney, Robin Fero, Kim Hannigan, Paul Walker and Jeff Weaver. Both Pastor Nancy Easton and Debbie Wilson serve as consultants.

Weekly Prayer List

February 28-March 6: Susan and Bill Brown; Marcia Brown; Kathy Brown; Cassandra and Meghan Brown; Betty Brown; Amanda and Liam Brown; John Brough; Doris Broude. **March 7-13:** Margie Brothers; Emily and Ian Brookmyer; Robert and Ruth Brommer; Gretchen, Carolyn, Madelyn, and Benjamin Brodie; John, Marianne, Benjamin, and Evan Brock; Amy Brinkley, and Jason and Em Frantz; Danielle Brier, and Adrienne and Caroline Staub; Carol and Katie Bricker. **March 14-20:** Elmer and Sharon Brice; Gretchen Brewer; Marie Bretz; Judith Bretz; Karen, Chelsea, Noelle, Kevin, and Tyler Brett; Barb Bressler; Nettie Brannan. **March 21-27:** Ruth Brady; Kevin, Adrienne, Zachary, and Megan Brady; John and Molly Brady; Elizabeth, Jessica, and Jennifer Brady; Cindy Boyne; Elizabeth Boyle; Wendy, Lindsay, and David Boyer; Jane Boyer; James Boyer. **March 28-April 3:** Helen Boyd; Ed and Romaine Boyanowski; Lew and Marsha Bowman; L. Kinch Bowman; James, Vicki, Daniel, and Eleanor Bowman; Bryan Bowman; Anne Bowman; Alan Bowman.