

Trinity Parish

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Mission Trip to Indiana

Barbara Musselman participated in a mission trip in June 2010.
Here are her comments and reflections about the trip.

On June 20 I traveled to northwest Indiana to do flood relief work for an organization called LARRI, (Lakeshore Area Regional Recovery of Indiana). The communities of northwest Indiana, an area know for its high water table, sit on the shore line of Lake Michigan. In the fall of 2008 this region experienced massive flooding from the remnants of Hurricane Ike, which dumped 10 inches of rain three hours and raised the water level of Lake Michigan by three inches.

Since the area is not considered a flood plain, residents did not have flood insurance. Add to this the fact that communities such as Hammond and Gary have been depressed due to the decline of the steel industry and one understands why many people need help getting their homes and lives back in order.

The ages of our group of 19 adults were in their 50's, 60's and 70's, with four adults in their 20's. The trip was organized by St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Cumberland and Trinity Lutheran in Lemoyne. We rose each morning to a hearty breakfast and devotions, went to work, and returned in the evening for food, fellowship and lots of laughter and reflection about our work that day.

Our group was split into three work crews on three different sites: one, a community park hidden by the debris from the storm and from further dumping; the second, a private home with lower level flooding; and the third, a former medical suites building also with lower level flooding. This particular building had just been deeded over to the Gary Historical and Cultural Society for the creation of a community center.

I especially enjoyed my week working at the community center because the work crew were retirees who were developing evening programs for adults and enrichment programs for children such as music lessons, dance, creative writing and foreign languages. They consider their exposing the children to culture and promoting an enthusiasm for learning a ministry to their community.

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Senior Pastor Call Committee News

Step 1 of the call process is now complete. On June 28, the call committee met with the Congregation Council, Pastor Gwenn Trout, Dean of the West Shore Conference, and Pastor Cliff Eshbach, Assistant to Bishop Hoover, to review and approve the Ministry Site Profile. The Ministry Site Profile is the culmination of a self study process that began in January and included input from the congregation, the Congregation Council and staff. The document provides a glimpse of Trinity to prospective candidates for call as our Senior Pastor. The synod office will now be reviewing the list of potential candidates and will prayerfully determine which candidate should be presented to the call committee first for consideration. The call process is in God's hands and we have no idea how long it will be until we are able to call a new Senior Pastor. In the meantime, we continue to be very blessed with Pastor Ludwig's service as our Interim Senior Pastor.

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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!

The Central PA Blood Bank needs Trinity – that includes every one of you who are a donor, or a potential donor! They like first time donors! The blood supply is very low in the summer time, due to the fact that we have three major holidays (Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day), the increase in traffic accidents, and the fact that the schools and colleges are closed, thus eliminating a big source of blood donors.



We only had 16 units of blood accepted at the bloodmobile on June 27 which is about half of our normal amount! So, please stop by any of the hospitals, donor centers, or Community Blood Drives you may see advertised! Our # is 157. Check Central PA Blood Bank's web site, cpbb.org or call them at 566-6161, or call Jeanie Bentzel, 766-3526, to check locations.

As of June 30, Trinity is credited with 125 units of blood for 2010. Come on Trinity, we can make 200 units this year!

Jeanie Bentzel

Trinity Parish Deadline

The deadline for the August 2010 edition of *Trinity Parish* is **Tuesday, August 10, 2010 – no exceptions**. If articles are e-mailed, please send to the Editor, Donna Sprowls at parish@trinitycamphill.org. Please keep all articles to 300 words or less. Articles may also be dropped off in the *Trinity Parish* box in the church office.

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Staff Notes

Loss – grief – change. Cousins, all. They follow one another like “And also with you” follows “The Lord be . . .” (do I even have to finish it?).

Let me tell you about Mr. Dunkle. He is associated with one of my first memories of those three words impacting my life. Mr. Dunkle was my music teacher, from fifth grade up into senior high. He was also a friend. He took me under his wing, taught me the proper way to breathe and sing, helped me understand diction in singing, and nurtured a love of music in me. He led me to two district choruses, one state chorus and many opportunities to use this gift in service, both in church and in our community.

It was the summer going into my senior year when Mr. D told me that he wouldn't be coming back to the high school next year. He had felt a calling to do missionary work for the Church of the Brethren and would be going to Japan to teach music and English there. I was devastated. It was the year every student looks forward to, and one of my major mentors would be gone. It was the biggest loss I had ever felt.

Although I didn't have the words for it then, it was grief I was feeling. Things were about to change, and I didn't like it one bit. There would be a new music director and I was President of the Glee Club and would need to work with her, while missing Mr. D.

So, as a result, I realized I had choices to make. Do I continue singing in the chorus, or just quit? Do I find a way to continue to use the gifts in music I was given and that Mr. D helped bring to light, or do I ignore those gifts, choose not to use them, and let them wither without the light of day?

You see, Mr. D left me with a choice. Do I honor his legacy, dedication and love of music, or do I just stop my involvements in music, glee club, school musicals, and church choir?

But if I had done the later, I would have done more than lose Mr. D. I would have lost all he taught, nurtured, stood for, and passed on. I would have dishonored his memory and dismissed his legacy in my grief-reaction.

Do I need to spell out the parallels here to Trinity Lutheran Church? You were served faithfully and with extreme excellence by a pastor for many years, who understood his calling to be the preaching and teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He accomplished that with dedication and passion.

And now, TLC has a choice, just like I did – to honor the legacy and see beyond the loss, or to dishonor his memory and forget “what” Pastor H preached, taught, and lived all those years, because the loss, grief, and change it brings are too much to face.

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Is Trinity Lutheran Church different without Pastor Hardy? Of course: yes and no. Yes, his presence, gifts and personality are surely and sorely missed. But the Gospel is still being proclaimed, the sacraments are still faithfully presented, and the love of God is still being passed on through the many outreach ministries of this place.

So, my prayer for you: that this shared mission will continue far into the future, so that new generations will hear of the love and grace of God known in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, the Christ. I'll do my part. What choice have you made?

The Reverend Glenn E. Ludwig

SENIORS NEWS

Attention Seniors

The annual fall retreat will be held on Tuesday, October 19, at Camp Hebron. Pastor Glenn Ludwig has graciously agreed to be our leader. His subject is "Anatomy of a Sermon". There will be more information along with registration forms in the weeks to come. Please save the date and invite your friends to come along for an inspirational day in the beautiful setting of Camp Hebron. Contact Judy Messinger, 766-3692, for any questions.

Trinity Seniors Luncheons to Resume in September

Once again, our Senior (55+) Luncheons will resume in September with some interesting programs and lunch provided by the Trinity Kitchen Crew. The luncheons start with a light lunch at noon followed by enlightening programs. Mark the following dates now so that you don't miss out:

- Wednesday September 15 -featuring the "Singing Men" from Messiah Village.
- Tuesday October 19 will be the Senior Retreat to Camp Hebron with Pastor Ludwig.
- Wednesday November 17 - Becky Askey and her Dulcimers.
- Wednesday December 15 -Virginia Ely will present "A Measure of Merriment."
- Wednesday January 19 - Judy Smitley will give her biblical portrayal of "Abigail."

Pre registration is required each month. Registration forms will be available at the reception desk or the church office. Contact George Wirt with any questions or concerns.

Mission Trip to Indiana continued from front page.

At the private home and community center we cleaned out soggy debris, demolished walls and ceilings of rooms, hung new drywall and painted. Our third crew worked along with other crews from other parts of the country to restore the park. At the end of the week we left without seeing the projects completed but satisfied that we had moved the effort further along and made a difference.

That is what a mission trip is all about – working as part of the body of Christ to further the mission of the gospel. Volunteers from across the nation were there the week prior to our arrival and other groups will be there in the successive weeks. We were a blur of faces to those living in these communities.

On our last day working at the Community Center, one of the volunteers there prayed with us and for us. He referred to us as the anonymous Samaritans and we could not have asked for a better compliment – a blur of faces forming one body of Christ.

Welcome to the Summer One Room Schoolhouse at Trinity

Each Sunday morning in the summer through August 29, children in kindergarten through fifth grade are welcome to come to Room 122 (The Bibleland Room) during the Church School hour (9:30 to 10:30 a.m.) for lessons and activities. A preschool group meets in Room 221 at the same time, and the Nursery is open and staffed as well. (Okay, so it's a three-room schoolhouse.)

Each gathering stands alone well and so is adaptable to families' summer schedules of coming and going. Children are registered the first time they are brought to a class and a hand-to-hand leave-off and pick-up policy is employed, meaning that the parent or guardian brings the child to the classroom helpers at the start of the hour and picks up the child afterward.

Any questions about our One Room Schoolhouse may go to Christopher Couch, Director of Learning Ministries, through the church office.

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Bible Quiz Answers:

From Your Director of Learning Ministries

New School Year. The One Room Schoolhouse for children will conclude on August 29. On September 12, the Sunday after Labor Day, classes will begin for the new school year for children and youth. Our adult classes are now going year-round.

If I were to plug one adult class in particular just now, it would be the Parenting Class. The Parenting Class meets in Room 227 during the Church School hour on Sunday morning (9:30 to 10:30). The group tends to be on the younger side, but anyone concerned with parenting in a solid, relevant, and faithful way is heartily invited to come.

Summer reading. There's still a good deal of time for some good summer reading. And if you're looking for a good read, browse the shelves in our church library. New books and other media are always being added. Of course, you'll find engaging books on faith in our library. But you'll find many other works there, too. We have a meaningful selection of young adult literature, and our children's literature holdings are many and multifarious.

Family commitment. Some of us who are highly self-directed might find stick-to-it-iveness on our own. Most of us, though, commit ourselves best when we commit ourselves together. In what way are you committed to church? Looking at my job title, you'd rightly guess I'm talking about learning ministry, but I mean any kind of church commitment, really. My guess is that your commitment works best when it's shared. How often do we come to church with a friend, even because of a friend? How many of us come to meet our friends? How many of us—of any age, though, yes, children especially—are brought (okay, dragged) to church by others? And many of those are family.

Family commitment makes church commitment happen. Hopefully, you'll have a good time when you get to church, though that's a negotiation in commitment in and of itself. But nothing about church gets worked out by anyone, unless we're there first. Parents, bring your children to church. Children, bug (lovingly) your parents about coming to church. Friends, keep bringing and looking for each other. And once you've made it to the parking lot, everyone stay!

Thank you. I don't know how to thank all those who make learning ministry happen at Trinity. Between the Educational Ministry Committee, the Sunday teachers and helpers for all ages, the Circle leaders, the leaders and coordinators of men's groups, Koinonia groups, Sup and Study, Vacation Church School, and

are well over a hundred people to thank. Between the core of two hundred-plus who attend classes and other learning ministry experiences on Sunday morning, the hundred-plus who come to Sup and Study, the hundred-plus who come to Vacation Church School, the seventy-some who take part in the Circles, the dozens who are in Koinonia groups, the dozens who participate in other study groups, and more, there are—how many?—to thank.

Not to mention that it's all seed-planting. We dig in, grow, and the growing spreads. We learn, become wider and stronger in our faith, and our faith lives then affect others'. Sounds like some sort of Commission, doesn't it?

Well, thank you. Thank you. Thank you.
And God keep you,

Christopher

10 Great Dates to Energize Your Marriage

Having a healthy marriage requires friendship, fun and romance. There's no better way to encourage all of these things than having dates! A great date is more than going to the movies and tuning the world out for a while. Great dates involve communicating with one another, reviving the spark that initially ignited your fire, and developing mutual interests and goals that are not focused on your careers or your family.

Beginning **Sunday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m.**, a course of study entitled *10 Great Dates* will be offered in the church library. Minimal discussion takes place as a class. Participants are encouraged to read an assigned chapter prior to gathering in the library where they will watch a short video before leaving for their own great date.

Dates set for this course are as follows: September 12, October 10, November 7, December 19, January 16, February 13, March 13, April 17, May 1, and June 5. These date nights coincide with YG Nite.

Sign-up is strongly recommended with a commitment to attend all 10 classes and plan great dates with your spouse. Judy Collins has led this course on four previous occasions and welcomes any questions (737-9921 x 239).

Alzheimer's Support Group

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet Wednesday, August 25, from 7-9 p.m. in the Library. For more information, contact Donna Sprowls at 766-8075 or sprowlsd@aol.com.

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner? You are!

The Trinity Fellowship Committee is forming small groups of families, couples and singles who wish to gather for dinner and conversation to get to know one another. Ideally, the families, couples, and singles in a group of seven or eight individuals do not know each other, or at least not very well. The logistics are simple, each supper club consisting of approximately eight people meet at the convenience of the group members, rotating host/houses once a month, for the months of September, October, and November. The host prepares the main dish; the others bring the appetizers, side dishes or dessert.

Sign up during the month of August. The forms will be available in the bulletin and also at the receptionist desk **with a drop off box** in the Gathering Space. All participants will receive the names and contact information for members of their group by the end of August. Beginning in September, the group begins to meet for dinner and continues through November.

Small group ministries foster the growth of disciples by connecting participants to one another and strengthening relationships. Do you enjoy cooking; sharing meals with others; and/or trying new dishes? If you answered yes to any of these questions, sign up for the Supper Club and try something new to get to know your faith community!

Any questions please contact Pam Easley at 766-9165 or thomasmech@aol.com.

August Birthdays

Our Homebound

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| August 1 | Jan Hassinger
500 Joyce Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011 |
| August 4 | Carol Keesee
1901 North 5 th Street, Room 3 M 1
Harrisburg, PA 17102 |
| August 13 | Jacob Fischer
3604 Franklin Avenue
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 |
| August 17 | Ralph Kennedy
26 Fieldcrest Drive
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 |

Our Staff

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| August 6 | Paul Hensel |
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Artist of the Month John H. Shreffler

John Shreffler is the artist of the month for August. Watercolor landscapes are John's specialty. Several have been accomplished from various colored soils and dyes.

Upon retiring from the Navy Ships Parts Control Center, Mechanicsburg, John studied for 10 years with artists, David Lenker and later Nick Fehr (Paxton Art Association).

He achieved first place awards in Dauphin County and at the Gratz Fair. His artwork currently hangs in Ireland, Oregon, Texas, Florida, Virginia and throughout Pennsylvania.

John has resided in the Harrisburg area for 74 years, except for several years in Germany with the U.S. Army. He recently moved with his wife Twila to the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown where they are active in the Art Association.

Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Mark your calendars for the Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study which begins September 15, 9:30-11:30 a.m. The theme of this 8-session Beth Moore Bible Study is *Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent*. Workbooks are available on a window sill in the library. Pick them up at any time, mark the assignment sheet, and pay for them at the first meeting on September 15. Babysitting is available. For questions or registration, please contact: Judy Trissler (795-5919) or Bert Weaver (697-3259).

Fall Bible Study

Interested in an evening Bible Study in the fall? Pastor Ludwig is expanding his "Pastor's Bible Study." Beginning in September, the Thursday morning Bible study (9:30 – 11:00 a.m.) will be repeated on Thursday evenings, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. The topic is "Isaiah, the Prophet and His Message." This study is aimed toward those who are interested in learning more about the Bible, and in particular, this amazing prophetic book. No experience in former Bible studies is required. Just bring your sense of adventure and openness to learn, and a Bible of course.

Registration for the evening group will be available on the orange insert in August. It would be helpful to have a registration number for handouts and materials. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Ludwig.

SOCIAL MINISTRY CORNER

***Serving Individuals with
Developmental Disabilities***

CROSS, Inc. (Christian Residential Opportunities and Social Services) was founded in 1985 by the Peace Churches of the Cumberland Valley. CROSS, Inc. provides residential and social services to adults with developmental disabilities and their families. At present, CROSS, Inc. has three residences located in Dillsburg, Shippensburg, and St. Thomas and can accommodate thirty-two guests. The primary goal is to provide a home-like environment where each resident can achieve his/her potential in a supportive atmosphere of love and mutual respect.

In order to provide social outings for the residents and outreach to the community, Coffee Houses are sponsored by CROSS and hosted by local churches throughout the school year. The Coffee Houses are open to individuals with developmental and physical disabilities, ages 15 and up. Trinity's Social Ministry Committee hosted a Coffee House for CROSS residents during the month of June. The guests enjoyed games and conversation, a sing-a-long, a planting activity, and refreshments. Trinity members served as hosts and interacted with the guests sharing in a memorable evening. As the fall Coffee House schedule is developed, opportunities for Trinity members to host future outings for CROSS residents and members of the community will be announced.

In addition to the Coffee House which Trinity has hosted, CROSS, Inc. welcomes volunteers to assist them in the maintenance of their residences, to provide financial support, and asks that we keep the CROSS community in our prayers.

Val Williams

Seeking Tutors for New School Year

Would you like to tutor a child? It may be the middle of summer but thoughts of fall and the start of school are in the minds of the 30+ Trinity volunteers who tutor elementary school children each week during the school year. Tutoring is one of Trinity's Social Ministry outreach projects to serve others. It takes just one hour (plus travel time) each week to help a student at the Foose School or the Downey School, both in Harrisburg, with reading, spelling and math. You don't have to be a teacher or possess any kind of special skills to be a tutor, just the willingness to mentor struggling students that can benefit from a positive adult role model providing some one-on-one help with their schoolwork. Ask any of our tutors and they'll tell you enthusiastically how rewarding this simple act of helping a child can be. If you are interested in becoming a tutor or want more information about this program, contact Jane Hess (612-6633) or Doug Bonsall (921-1957) for details. A meeting of this school year's tutors will be held in September to review expectations and procedures before we return to the classrooms.

***"The Lutheran" Adult Forum - Sunday,
August 29, 2010*** Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in Room 232-234 for a discussion on "Caring for the Military" from pages 20-26 of the July 2010 issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. About 5,500 men and women in the armed forces have died in Iraq and Afghanistan since 2003, and tens of thousands of others have returned or will return home with physical or emotional injuries. The long-running wars provide an opportunity for the church to serve those who have served their country and their family members. If you do not have access to the articles, please contact class coordinators Craig Staller or Doug Bonsall (921-1957) for a paper copy.

Attention Trinity Campers!

The fall camping trip will be held at Gifford Pinchot State Park, September 24-28. There will be a potluck dinner Saturday night with services following. Gather around the campfire for food, fun and fellowship. On Sunday morning there will be a potluck breakfast. Please contact Tom Easley for information and reservations, 766-9165 or Thmasmech@aol.com.

Trinity Parish Online

You can always expect the next issue of *Trinity Parish* in your mailboxes early in the month of publication. However, for those who would like the news before it's printed (literally), it is available on our web site at <http://www.trinitycamphill.org/TrinityParish/>.

MISSIONS CORNER

Bread Sunday

Sunday, August 1 is Bread Sunday, sponsored by the Missions Committee. All types of breads and other assorted baked goods will be available in the Gathering Space for a donation to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Please bake your favorite breads or baked goods and donate them to the items that will be available that day. Of special note:

- A small group will be baking bread in the church kitchen for Bread Sunday on the morning of Saturday, August 1. Persons wishing to join the bread bakers are asked to contact Douglas Bonsall at 921-1957 or douglas.b@verizon.net.
- A forum on World Hunger will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in Room 126 on the first floor of the education wing.

A few years ago, drought hit the nation of Malawi, in southeast Africa, very hard. At least half of the families in the village of Chakwela faced severe hunger. But now community members pass along gifts of animals and seeds to others in need because of a few "good gifts."

Several years ago, the village of Chakwela received a gift of 12 goats from a neighboring community that benefited from an ELCA World Hunger partner in Malawi.

The goats provide families with fresh milk and fertilizer for the land. Extra milk, cheese, butter, or yogurt can be sold for added income – making it easier for families to escape the cycle of hunger and poverty. As the goats multiply, families often pass the offspring along to help others.

One woman in the village, Gladys, received her first goat as a gift. Now that her goat has given birth, she is giving back: She plans to give her new baby goat to her neighbor and good friend, Vernas. "Life has really improved for us," Vernas said. "Everyone has their own goats now."

Join the cycle of giving with your gifts to ELCA World Hunger and support livestock and agriculture projects in Malawi and in many other countries around the world. A gift of just \$50 can provide a goat for a family in need. Help with your generous gift today!

Mission Trip – Summer 2011

The Missions Committee is planning a summer 2011 Mission Trip. Ken and Judy Collins have worked with the **Maine Seacoast Mission** and will lead this trip which is located in Cherryfield, Maine. If interested in participating early next summer in a week long trip, plan to attend an orientation meeting on Sunday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the library.

**Missionaries Viking Dietrich
and Richard Sarker to visit Trinity**

Viking Dietrich and Richard Sarker, two missionaries we support, will join us on August 8 and August 15, respectively. Both men will bring greetings at worship and speak at a forum from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in Room 126 on the first floor of the education wing. Pastor Dietrich serves in Africa and Mr. Sarker, in Southeast Asia. Of special note for Mr. Sarker's visit on August 15:

- Members from other Lutheran congregations will be joining us. Please welcome them warmly!
- A luncheon featuring Indian food and a brief presentation by Mr. Sarker will be held at 1:30 p.m. To sign up for the luncheon, please see the sign-up sheet at the registration desk in the Gathering Space.

PARISH MINISTRY BULLETIN BOARD

Consider Becoming a Hospice Volunteer

Hospice of Central PA is looking for warm, caring, dependable people who can visit patients, support and help family care-givers, run errands, lend a shoulder, or give a hug. In addition to patient care and family support volunteers are also needed who are willing to help with special events and fund-raising projects throughout the year or technical folks who like computers and data entry.

For those who think they would be interested in visiting patients and helping family caregivers, fall training will be offered on Thursday evenings starting September 9, 2010. The deadline for registration is August 26.

For an application for the training or for more information about volunteering, call Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, Barbara Hardy at 732-1000 or 241-0014.

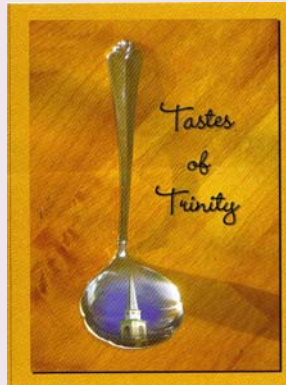
**Would you like to "gentle the journey"
for a Bereaved Individual?**

Compassionate Care Hospice is seeking volunteers to provide clerical and computer support, assistance with special events, and volunteers to do basic bereavement calls and companionship visits. Contact a Volunteer Coordinator at 944-4466 for more information or questions contact Rev. Donna Whitmore, Bereavement Counselor (same number) or dwhitmore@cchnet.net

WOMEN OF TRINITY NEWS AND EVENTS

**Tastes of Trinity Cookbook
Available in
Gathering Space**

On Sunday morning, August 22, the Tastes of Trinity cookbook will be sold in the Gathering Space from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. by Women of Trinity members. With its striking three-ring custom cover, the cookbook has been a huge hit. Many members have brought multiple copies to use as gifts. Proceeds from the cookbook sales are being given to World Hunger and the Ecumenical Food Pantry at Messiah Lutheran Church in Harrisburg.



The new cookbook, containing the favorite recipes of members and friends of Trinity, is also available on week days from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the church office. The cost of each cookbook is \$15. The supply is limited.

General Meeting of WOT

The fall General Meeting of WOT will be held on Wednesday, September 15 at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The program will feature the Oberammergau Passion Play and Reformation Heritage tour taken by Trinity members this June. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert to share. Any member of the congregation is invited to attend. Friends are welcome too.

Prayer Concerns

Pray for God's blessing on our church's mission and ministries.

Help us to always be open and welcoming to all and that our visitors will experience God's presence when they are with us.

Pray for our staff's physical, emotional and spiritual well being.

Help us to remember all who are hurting, living with violence or destruction around the world and at home, always being mindful of those in our own community.

We are reminded of our "Call to Prayer" for the Senior Pastor Call Process. Pray for all those involved in this process. (Find prayer cards at the Gathering Space desk.)

You're invited to Trinity's **FINAL FREE**
Summer Sundae Concert

Sunday, August 22

FREE PICNIC: 5:30 p.m.
Concert: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
outdoors on church grounds



Contemporary
Christian
Music
performed by
FaithX

**Bring your friends and lawn chairs and
join us for a relaxing summer evening!**

*Picnic & concert held indoors in the event
of inclement weather.*



**FREE
PICNIC &
ICE CREAM
SUNDAES!!**



Congratulations Graduate!

Paul Herold graduated from Muhlenberg College with a Bachelor of Science degree, magna cum laude, in Neuroscience, and departmental honors. Paul is working as a research technician at Janelia Farms, a Howard Hughes Medical Institute research facility in Ashburn, Virginia. He is the son of Chuck and Martha Herold.

YG News

Greetings to all the name of the Lord. The YG summer season is in full swing. We still have a few YG events, trips, and various get-togethers throughout the summer months to keep kids connected. So there is always time to get on out to YG and see what we are all about.

Looking back, the month of June was awesome and a great way to start off the summer! We had three events in the month and they were awesome. We started off with a YG POOL PARTY. Around 10 kids and a handful of advisors came for the afternoon of fun in the sun. There were lots of rainstorms in the forecast for the day, but we managed to avoid them during the pool party. But I definitely think that the rains might have scared away some YG. Bummer, because it was pretty beautiful weather-wise at least during the hours of 2-6 (which is all we needed). It all turned out well and everyone had a blast. On Friday, the 18th, we had JR. HIGH SERVANT DAY at "The Bridge". Ten Jr. High YG and three advisors came out for this day of pure service. "The Bridge" is the food pantry in New Cumberland that we've been helping out these past few years with our Souper Bowl Sunday collections. This was a day for our Jr. High to step up their service and help out firsthand. We helped with food distribution, unloaded trucks, packed and stacked groceries, helped people load cars, broke down boxes, and even got to help those in need with shopping. It was a very powerful and moving experience. It was great to see our Jr. High YG step up in their service. Altogether we got to help around 100 families with their food needs. After we finished at "The Bridge", we had a picnic together in the borough park. It was a great day! We closed down the month with CONFIRMATION CAMP at Camp Nawakwa. Seventeen YG and two advisors attended camp this year. Moreover, 12 of those YG were brand new to the Confirmation Camp experience. Hands down, this was one of the best Confirmation Camps yet! We had large group worship, camp fires, small groups, meals together, pool time, recreation time, and even a soccer tournament. Through small and large groups the kids all learn so much about their baptism. A lot of them learn more in this week than they do in a whole year. It's awesome to witness! And there you have it, what a month June was. YG summer is definitely here! I'm excited for what this next month holds!

Yours in Christ,

Peter A. Fox
Youth Ministry Director



Confirmation Camp

The Power of Prayer

Women of Trinity organizes and sustain two prayer groups:

1. **24 HOUR PRAYER VIGIL** is a group of 96 individuals who pray for intervals of 15 minutes during a 24 hour period. If you are facing a critical health situation, this group will pray for you. You may request a prayer vigil for yourself or a family member. Those who have received a prayer vigil testify to the comfort, support, and the love of God they felt during their crisis. To arrange a vigil, call Virginia Ely, 732-3949 or Jean Zimmerman, 763-9396. The 24 Hour Prayer Vigil is accepting volunteers at this time. If you can serve, call Virginia or Jean. Those who pray feel God's love as well.
2. **INTERCESSORY PRAYER** If you want to feel more hopeful in what sometimes feels like a hopeless world, join the intercessory prayer group. These individuals pray daily for the sick, our congregation, our church leaders, the military, and those caught in disasters and crisis situations. The first Thursday of each month they meet at 1 p.m. in the church library to pray together. If you would like Intercessory Prayer to pray for you or a family member, fill out a prayer card and place it in the locked wooden prayer box. A box is located at the Reception Desk in the Gathering Space and another is located on the right hand table in the vestibule next to the nave doors. The prayer cards may be found next to the boxes. Your request will be kept confidential.

New Worship Opportunity

Trinity will begin offering a new weekly worship service on Sunday mornings starting on September 12 at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

This new worship opportunity, to be held in Fellowship Hall, will feature several members of the Faith X band with quieter, more reflective music than the popular 10:45 a.m. service. Contemporary Christian music, communion, a children’s message along with Bible readings and a homily will be a regular part of the structure of the service. It is designed to begin at 8:30 a.m. and be completed by 9:20 a.m., giving time for worshippers to attend Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. The service will be projected on screens in the front of the room, allowing the occasion to save paper by worshipping without a fully printed bulletin. **Another opportunity to experience this developing service will occur on Sunday, August 15 at 8:30 a.m.**

The Purpose of the Church

He works on us in all sorts of ways. But above all, He works on us through each other. (People) are mirrors, or “carriers” of Christ to other (people). Usually it is those who know Him that bring Him to others. That is why the Church, the whole body of Christians showing Him to one another, is so important. It is so easy to think that the Church has a lot of different objects – education, building, missions, holding services. ... The Church exists for no other purpose but to draw (people) into Christ, to make them little Christs. If they are not doing that, all the cathedrals, clergy, missions, sermons, even the Bible itself, are simply a waste of time. God became man for no other purpose. It is even doubtful, you know, whether the whole universe was created for any other reason.

- C. S. Lewis

Bible Quiz

Around 450 years before Jesus, the prophet Nehemiah heard some bad news about conditions in Jerusalem. The city still lay in ruins following an invasion by the Babylonian army many years before. The news caused Nehemiah to sit down and cry. After mourning for days, he felt that he should lead men to rebuild the wall and gates around Jerusalem. He organized a work force and, despite some opposition, they rebuilt the wall.

A well-known verse describes the accomplishment: “So we rebuilt the wall, and all the wall was joined together to half its height; for the people had a mind to _____.”

Read Nehemiah 4:6 to find the answer.

Choose the correct ending to the statement:

- A. be protected
- B. work
- C. serve
- D. live

The answer may be found on page 3.

Letters to Trinity

Dear Trinity Friends,

Thank you for your prayers, cards and flowers, during my stay in the hospital. And my visit from Pastor Ludwig, his note and call. And the beautiful Prayer Shawl.

At the same time my one sister passed away, again thanks for the cards and words of sympathy.

Love,

Peggy Hofer

Dear Trinity,

Thank you for the concerns and prayers of the congregation for my speedy recovery. A special thanks to the Women of Trinity for the beautiful prayer shawl. It really meant a lot to me.

Frank Hughes

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.

A long life assured: Do you ever feel like the person who exclaimed, “God put me on Earth to accomplish a certain number of things, and right now I’m so far behind, I’ll live forever”?

Welcome, Vicar Bill and Family!

Trinity offers a warm welcome to our new student intern for the coming year, William Chamberlin (Vicar Bill).

Vicar Bill and his family (wife, April, son, Josh, and 2 cats) moved to Gettysburg in the late Summer of 2008, taking up residence on the seminary campus in order for him to begin his coursework. They moved from the Beaver Falls area, approximately 40 miles northwest of Pittsburgh, PA.

Vicar Bill is a native Pittsburgher, being born and raised in McKees Rocks, a suburb about 10 minutes west of downtown Pittsburgh. April, originally born in Missouri, moved with her family to Indiana prior to settling in Beaver Falls. They met at a bank where April was the Assistant Manager and Bill was a customer.

Prior to entering seminary, Bill had a 19 year career in the field of electrical design and engineering for several consulting firms in the Pittsburgh area. April has a background in banking and, after spending several years as a stay-at-home Mom, returned to the financial business in the realm of credit unions, presently managing two branches. Josh will be a Senior at Gettysburg Area High School in the coming year. Together, they are researching colleges that provide the opportunity for him to pursue his interest in Marine Biology. In his spare time, Josh trains in martial arts karate.

As a family, they have been very active in the church. Vicar Bill was a Lay Worship Leader in the Southwestern PA Synod. April has been a Sunday School teacher and VBS volunteer in the past. Josh has been active in the youth groups of the churches they have been a part, including attending local youth events and a mission trip to Rockville, IL in 2006.



Confirmation Mentors Needed

The Affirmation of Baptism (a.k.a. Confirmation) class is held on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. from September through May, with some exceptions for holidays. Typically, there are approximately 30 students, mostly 8th graders, and approximately 20 adult mentors. Some families choose to have a parent, grandparent, or other family member for their child's mentor; others prefer to have a mentor who is not a family member.

Although the class is conducted by Pastor Brock, discussion leaders vary from week to week. Topics presented include the Trinity, the sacraments, liturgical worship, Luther and the Reformation, spiritual gifts, and many others. The program also includes a Church Visitation Day when students attend a non-Lutheran worship service. Mentors are encouraged to go with their students so that they can participate in the discussion the following week when the students share their visitation experiences with the group.

The role of the mentor is to attend class each week with their student(s), participate in the classroom discussions, and encourage their students in their faith journey as they prepare to affirm their baptism. In previous years, many mentors have commented that they learned just as much as the students (if not more!) and they have mentioned that it was a very positive experience. For many it is a "refresher" of the confirmation program they attended as teenagers, and for those who were not raised in a Lutheran church it is an opportunity to learn more about the Lutheran denomination.

If you are interested in mentoring a confirmand or two, please contact Pastor Brock.

Join the Choirs!!!

"To sing like this, in the company of other souls, and to make those consonants slip out so easily and in unison, and to make those chords so rich that they bring tears to your eyes - this is transcendence. This is the power that choral singing has that other music can only dream of."

--Garrison Keillor

In the next few weeks, all K-12th graders will be receiving a letter inviting them to join the vocal and/or handbell choirs. All those interested should return the accompanying post card or contact directors Tim and Amy Koch at or call 737-9921 x 229 or 761-5902. Please urge your children to consider joining one or more of the choirs listed below. We also welcome anyone wishing to sing in the Chancel or Family Choirs. Please contact Tim Koch.



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Weekly Prayer List

August 1-7: Ward and Ruby Adams; Samuel Adams; Mitch Adams; Kim, Ashley, and Timothy Adams; Iva Adams; Craig, Deb, and Kayla Adams; Dorothy Acri; Gordon and Gail Ackerman; Devin Ackerman; Daryl and Maggie Ackerman. **August 8-14:** Adam, Susan, Lilly, and Samuel Abram; Ints and Mary Ann Abolins; Ed and Lidija Abolins; Gerrit, Patricia, Sarah, Nicole, and Samantha Zwergel; Marija and Vesna Zorkic; Charlotte Zorger; Dean Zirkle.

August 15-21: Bob and Jean Zimmerman; Rich and Robin Zerbe; Harvey and Gloria Zerbe; Robert and Shirley Zellner; Darlene and Alicia Zelazny; Michael, Stephanie, Shawn, and Mandy Zeiders; Deborah Zeiders; Paul, Joanne, AJ, and Teddy Zanger. **August 22-28:** Jon, Sandra, Drew, and Sara Yuen; Megan Yost; Anna Yon; Victoria and Michelle Yohe; Gary, Debra, Kevin, and Mark Yocca; James and Pamela Yerger; Glenn and Vickie Yeager; George and Karen Yeager, Kathryn and Jessica Hollinger. **August 29-September 4:** Richard, Molli, Jackson, and Conner Wright; Rachel Wright; Karen Wright; Austin and Henry Wright; Nellie Woods; Kevin Woods; Joel Woods; Greg Woods.

Book Discussion Group

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

Books chosen through December 2010 are:



- August 15: “**The Blue Orchard: A Novel**”, by Jackson Taylor
- September: “**The 188th Crybaby Brigade: A skinny Jewish kid from Chicago fights Hezbollah – A Memoir**”, by Joel Chasnoff
- October: “**As I Lay Dying**”, by William Faulkner
- November 21: “**The Jesus Wars: How four patriarchs, three queens, and two emperors decided what Christians would believe for the next 1,500 years**”, by Philip Jenkins
- December 12: “**The Tortilla Curtain**”, by T. C. Boyle