

Trinity Parish

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Looking Backward and Forward

A year? It's really been a year, already?! Well, officially, as I'm writing this, that's not entirely true, but 11 months is pretty darn close!

How fitting, in hindsight, to have started this Vast Voyage on the High Seas of Adventure with Vacation Bible School. I still have those songs rumbling around in my head. Truly, though, this was a great way to quickly get involved in the community that "won" me in the Intern Lottery. As the year progressed, and I took on the daunting task of remembering names and faces, there were plenty of reasons and chances to interact, socialize and grow into the family that is Trinity. Just an observation about the names, though...there are a LOT more of you as compared to ONE vicar, so I am appreciative of the grace shown toward me when I mispronounced, forgot or called you by some other name you don't recognize.

Of course, in nearly a year's time, there is any number of encounters, big and small, that I could recall and risk filling the newsletter with (and possibly curing insomnia in the process). In no particular order of rank, among the highlights that propelled me through this time were: the amazing effort that happened in the kitchen for the Thanksgiving dinner; the Spring Men's Retreat; the Family Christmas Eve service; hospital visits; the AMAZING gifts and talents that exist among you; mid-week Advent/Lenten themes and breakfasts

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Bread Sunday

Sunday, August 7, is Bread Sunday, sponsored annually by the Missions Committee to benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. All types of bread, quick breads and other baked goods will be made available in the Gathering Space in exchange for donations to the ELCA Appeal. ELCA World Hunger uses multiple strategies — relief, development, education and advocacy — to address hunger and poverty in this country (and state!) and abroad.

We need your donations of breads, quick breads and baked goods on Sunday, August 7. Please also come prepared to make a generous donation in exchange for items offered.

A small group will be baking and wrapping bread in the church kitchen for Bread Sunday on Saturday, August 6. If you do not want to bake on your own but would like to join this group, please contact Douglas Bonsall at 921-1957 or douglas.b@verizon.net. Read more about ELCA World Hunger Appeal at www.elca.org.

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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."

"The Lutheran" Adult Forum Sunday, July 31, 2011

Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in Room 232-234 for a discussion on "Ten Trends to Watch" from pages 20-25 of the June 2011 issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. More than 2,500 years ago, the Greek thinker Heraclitus wrote "There is nothing permanent except change." For church leaders, the big question is not whether things will change, but how the church can stay abreast of changes so the gospel of Christ may be heard afresh and take root in each succeeding generation. We'll discuss issues like: declining church participation, the growth in no church affiliation, more spiritual but less religious, changing family structures, increasing diversity, the influence of individualism and living in a digital age. If you do not have access to the articles, paper copies will be available about two weeks in advance of the session and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, please contact class coordinators Craig Staller or Doug Bonsall (921-1957).

Alzheimer's Support Group

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet Wednesday, July 27, 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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Council Update

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

From the June 2011 meeting:

- ⇒ Opened the meeting with devotions and prayer from Frank Bertovich.
- ⇒ Established Congregation Council goals for 2011-2012.
- ⇒ Reviewed reports from Staff, Special Committees and Task Forces, Standing Committees and other Ministries of the ELCA.
- ⇒ Approved revisions to the Administration & Personnel policy page.
- ⇒ Approved reinstatement of Nicole Long McCoy into full membership.
- ⇒ Approved Roland Stern into full membership.
- ⇒ Celebrated the Summer Sunday Concert series with sundaes provided by Debbie Wilson and Steve Kauffman.

The next scheduled meeting of the Congregation Council will be held Monday, September 12, 2011.

Prayer Concerns

Let us pray for:

Wisdom. How does a man become wise? The first step is to trust and revere the Lord!

Proverbs 1: 7-9

Wisdom gives a long good life; riches, honor, pleasure and peace.

Proverbs 3: 16-17

- ◇ Trinity's Call Committee and Bishop Hoover and his staff as we call a new Senior Pastor to our congregation.
- ◇ Vacation Church School staff as they teach the children of our congregation.
- ◇ Our teachers and children, keep them safe during the summer months.
- ◇ Our continued support of the six benevolence ministries of Parish Ministry, Missions and Social Ministry Committees through the "Christmas in July Giving Tree."

Staff Notes
“The Growing Season”
The Reverend Nancy R. Easton

The rabbit sits smack-dab in the middle of my flower garden. People tell me, “Plant marigolds. Rabbits will leave your marigolds alone.” Well, apparently not *my* marigolds. The rabbits seem to love my marigolds. As well as my petunias, portulaca, and lobelia. Once the flowers take hold in the warm summer, they’ll be bigger than the rabbits, but as I write this, it is still early in the growing season, and my flowers are small and vulnerable. I could shout out and shoo the bunnies away, except they look at me with those big brown eyes...sigh. So I let them munch. Truthfully, I enjoy watching them from my kitchen window as they frolic in the backyard. It’s their growing season.

Time for me in spring and summer is marked less by a calendar, and more by the things that grow or appear within those seasons. In its earliest days, my backyard blesses me with the sight of golden forsythia, bright yellow daffodils, and pink cherry blossoms. As the season moves forward, our front yard becomes the visual blessing, filled with blooming azalea. As those blooms fade, the rhododendron with its rose-colored flowers takes over, marking the traditional spot where photographs of our prom-going teenagers are taken. The rhododendron is done by Memorial Day, when my mother-in-law brings local (York County) strawberries to top the homemade ice cream at our picnic. Independence Day offers the first taste of local sweet corn on the cob, and memories of helping my grandparents freeze container after container of corn on their farm. Meanwhile, under a hot July sun, my flowers hold their own against the bunnies, who now only venture out at dusk or in the cool of the morning. The growing season continues.

Some congregations in rural areas of our country still celebrate what is called “Rogate Sunday” or “Rogation Days” as a way to lift to God the growing seasons, and those who work the land. “Rogate” is from the Latin word meaning “to ask” and refers to prayers made to God for His creation,

those who farm our earth, and the wide variety of living and growing things. Rogation Days are typically celebrated in the season of Easter, just before Ascension Day. But individual communities have come to pray for agricultural and creation concerns at specific times as befits their community’s needs.

While our urbanized society seems far removed from farm life, it is only because we have forgotten the deep connection we actually have. Just one look out our kitchen window, one spade plunged into rich soil to dig a hole for a zinnia, one taste of sweet corn, and it is clear we have an abiding relationship with God’s good earth and those who help keep it. We have a stake in the earth’s well-being, and in the care of all the living things in it. As our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America website describes it, “Rogation Days are a way for the church to honor God for the gift of creation and to pray for the land, the gift of labor, and the needs of all people.”

I always thought the hymn “We Plow the Fields and Scatter” (ELW #681) to be a most lovely song. Once, at a wedding at which I was officiating, the couple asked that it be sung as the hymn during their service. How fitting, I thought, that a song about growing things and God’s care be used to celebrate a union we all hoped would grow and flourish in its season. The third verse goes like this: “We thank you, our creator, for all things bright and good, the seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. No gifts have we to offer for all your love imparts, but what you most would treasure—our humble, thankful hearts. All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above. We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.”

So let this growing season be filled with our thankful prayers for land and sea, sun and rain, farmers and bountiful harvests, and creatures great and small. Even the bunnies munching on marigolds in my garden.



Missions Corner

Making a Difference with Trinity Advocates

You can make a difference for hungry and poor people in our community and around the world by joining Trinity Advocates.

Trinity Advocates, a program of the Social Ministry and Missions Committees, encourages Trinity members to contact state and federal policymakers in Harrisburg and Washington on issues touching persons who are hungry and live in poverty. This program builds on our baptismal calling *to strive for justice and peace in all the earth* as we live out our faith with commitment, fire, and enthusiasm.

Requests for contact with policymakers come from three places: Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in PA, the ELCA Washington Office, and Bread for the World. These organizations provide analysis and resources on current social issues and public policy to help Lutherans understand the connections between faith and daily public life; and training and opportunities for Lutherans to become better advocates for justice.

Trinity member Craig Staller is coordinating the program. To become an official Trinity Advocates member or with questions about the program, please contact Craig by email at c.staller@verizon.net or telephone at 717-921-1957.

Trinity Advocates can receive these requests directly or rely on Craig to email them with the requests. To receive requests directly, advocates can sign up on these Web sites:

Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in PA:

www.lutheranadvocacypa.org

ELCA Washington Office:

www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Advocacy/Advocacy-Ministries/ELCA-Washington-Office

Bread for the World:

www.bread.org

(The policy positions taken by Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in PA and the ELCA Washington Office are based on the ELCA Social Statements and policy resolutions adopted by the Churchwide Assembly.)

THANK YOU for considering joining Trinity Advocates and striving for justice and peace for all people!

Social Ministry Corner

Saturday Work Crews Have a Productive Season

The Social Ministry Committee is pleased to report our Saturday Work Crews have had a very productive year. From September until May we have had 31 Trinity members participate at this year's work projects at Christ Lutheran Church on South 13th Street in Harrisburg. Thanks to all of the efforts of our congregation members the Bistro fundraiser produced three times the amount needed to renovate the Community Room at Christ Lutheran used for lab/triage functions on "Doctor Days". As a result, additional work has been done to benefit this ministry.

We have also been able to finish a room where neighborhood and displaced youth can now meet on Sundays. Formerly this group shared space used for many other purposes so it could not be outfitted for their specific needs and interests. Now their new location is freshly painted, has new carpet and some youth paintings are on the walls and will soon be equipped with a small refrigerator and microwave so the youth director can feed them breakfast on Sunday mornings. Words cannot describe the difference this clean and safe place to gather on Allison Hill has made for this vital youth outreach ministry at Christ Lutheran.

At this writing there are still some funds remaining so we are working with Christ Lutheran Church to investigate refurbishment of the area known as the "Waiting Room". This space is also used on Doctor Days as well as for many other church and community functions.

We hope all of you have found supporting this year's work projects gratifying. There are endless opportunities for Trinity's Work Crew. Plans are underway for future projects with new organizations to resume in September. Please join us as we answer the call to discipleship beyond the walls of Trinity. Keep your eyes open for news of Trinity's Work Crew in the orange insert. You may also contact Judy Collins or Barb Musselman at bdmusselman@verizon.net or 975-0988 if you would like to be added to the volunteer list.

Every Member Prayer List

June 26-July 2: Harold Rhoades; Edward, Sara, and Thomas Reynolds; Nancy Restagno; William and Lillian Ressler; Stephen, Wendy, John, and Ian Resig, and Ryan Stroup; Kelly and Tory Reppert, and Brianna Hannaway; Emily Renne; Kathryn and Maxwell Reisinger. **July 3-9:** Gretchen Reinhart, Katie and Michael Sullivan; Colleen, Renee, and Brett Reilly; Larry and Santina Reigle; John and Carol Reighter; John, Annette, Katie, and Andrew Reiersen; Deb Reidel; Janice Reed; Helen Reichel. **July 10-16:** Brooke and Ty Regan; Dave, Beth, and Izzy Reeser; Kent and Suzanne Reese; Robin Reedy; Todd, Kristin, and Charlotte Reed-Myers; Lois Reed; Dan and Lyn Reed; Bryan and Brianne Reed; Bill, Amy, Nicole, and Rob Reed. **July 17-23:** Wes Redman; Tom, Gerrie, and Carter Reddinger; Richard, Mary Kay, Colin, and Sebastian Rauenzahn; Ronald and Alice Rau; Bill and Kay Range; Brian and Susan Ranck; Craig, Jean, and Joseph Raisner; Parker Raffensperger. **July 24-30:** Thomas, Ann, and Trevor Quigley; Ronald and Lois Quigley; Christian Quarterson; August and Sandra Quarterson; Bill, Karen, Courtney, Kyle, and Nicole Purnell; Matt Prowell; Harry and Judy Prowell; Gil Prokop, Caroline and Juliana Avery-Prokop, Jayme and Bella Cashman. **July 31-August 6:** Jennifer and Katie Pritsch; John Pringle; George and Janet Preble; Kathy Powers; Joanne Powers; Brandon Powers; Miriam Powell; John and Teresa Powell.

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(I'm taking the baked oatmeal recipe with me wherever I go!); and, naturally, all the opportunities to worship together as God's people in this place. God, and the seminary, truly blessed me by matching me to work with Trinity. While it proved a place where I could continue to form and grow into a pastoral identity, it also afforded my family necessary stability during a challenging year.

As I approach my final year of seminary classwork, and try to imagine what the future in and with the larger church holds for my family, I go with greater confidence and hope because of my experiences as Vicar at Trinity. Together, we undertook this part of the longer journey, and I have been enriched by having you all by my side.

While I did have a gracious group of people who faithfully served as my official Intern Support Committee, I would not have been able to flourish at Trinity without the support and encouragement of the entire congregation. And, it is with the deepest appreciation that I extend my thanks to the entire pastoral staff: Pr. Ludwig, Pr. Brock, Pr. Easton, Judy Collins, A.I.M., and Pr. Edmiston. With gentleness, humor and care, they provided ample opportunities to see first-hand the various ways pastoral ministry and identity are lived out; all while making me feel like a colleague (or partner in crime).

May God continue to richly bless each and every one of you, as you seek God's movement in your lives, and tell the story of God's abundant love through the varied expressions of ministry at Trinity.

Vicar Bill Chamberlin

Farewell Reception

Please join us for a farewell reception honoring Vicar Bill Chamberlin on Sunday, July 17 with a reception in Fellowship Hall. The reception will begin after the conclusion of both late services. Please come to the reception and join us in wishing Vicar Bill and his family a fond farewell.



Trinity Parish Deadline

The deadline for the August 2011 edition of *Trinity Parish* is **Sunday, July 10, 2011 – no exceptions.** If articles are e-mailed, please send to the Editor, Donna Sprowls at parish@trinity-camphill.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.

Letters to Trinity

Dear Chancel Choir and Pastors,

I just wanted to give you a written letter of thanks. A heartfelt thank you for what everyone has done for me during my awful flooding disaster. What you have given up and shared. I shall ever be grateful for your kindness and love that all of you have shown. Thanks for being such good friends for listening, caring and sharing.

You have given me strength in so many ways to continue in working through the devastation and knowing that all of you are still with me, standing by my side, has been so comforting.

I am so glad to stand with my choir family who made me whole again in the presence of God.

Sincerely,

Maggie Devorick

Dear Trinity Family,

Jim and I have so many people to be grateful for ... Pastors Glenn Ludwig, Nancy Easton, John Brock and Vicar Bill Chamberlin for their phone calls and visits and Pastor Edmiston who gave Jim communion several times during his stay at the hospital and nursing homes ... Jim is now settled at Loyaltown of Creekview. I hope you know how much your cards, visits and calls have meant to us. Just knowing you are there is so comforting.

Thank you and may God bless everyone ...

Jim and Marie Olson

Dear Trinity,

During my hip surgery and recuperation, it has been a blessing to know the care and concern expressed by so many people of this wonderful congregation.

These thoughts and concerns came through visits from the pastoral staff, cards, telephone calls and last, but not least, prayers for a good recovery.

During our 45 years as members of Trinity, Kay and I have always felt the love and friendship that is so much a part of this family of God.

Blessings to all,

Bill and Kay Range

Dear Trinity,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers you brought me at Easter. Also the many visits.

Yours in Christ,

Marina D. Ritter

Dear Members of Trinity Lutheran,

Many thanks for your prayers, your support, and your generous gift to Matt and myself to help with expenses.

You all have helped not only in Mom's (Elizabeth) progress of healing – you have also given our family emotional support to continue to have faith that the Lord is walking with us each step – each day.

God Bless You All,

Debbie Winters

Dear Trinity Family,

Blessings to all my family and friends at Trinity Lutheran Church. I have been so blessed the last few months with your prayers, which were always with me, telephone calls, and cards of inspiration and emails of encouragement during my treatment for cancer. I am doing well and my doctor does not anticipate any further treatment. It is such a blessing to belong to such a loving and caring church. May God's love continue to bless each and every one.

God Bless,

Charlotte Wirt

Dear Trinity Family,

I would like to express my thanks to Pastor Ludwig and Pastor Nancy Easton for the wonderful sermon she delivered for my son's funeral. Also sincere gratitude to everyone at Trinity for their prayers, cards, and calls. Being a member of Trinity, where people are so kind, caring, and helpful, means a lot especially at a time like this.

Pearl H. Weaver

Thank You from Christ Lutheran

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we settle into summer, we thank you for the many gifts and wonderful support you gave us this year. Thanks to you, we have boosted to another level which allows us to provide more and better care to our neighborhood.

The Community Room you refurbished and refurnished has been put to immediate and expanded use. That room is used for meetings by outside groups like the Coalition to End Homelessness. Every other Friday, when the doctors are here, it's a lab and triage area. All have exclaimed on how nice the new surroundings are. Most importantly, the addition of ceiling fans allows us to use the room a lot more. Since you renovated it, we have added English as a Second Language classes in that room three mornings a week. Those students' gains may seem small to the outside world, but they are huge to those we serve. For example, one student is thrilled that she met her goal of being able to fill out her own prenatal paperwork and the birth certificate information for her new baby.

The Youth Room is in immediate, enthusiastic and noisy use. The kids feel safe having a space all their own, and only their own. The wear and tear on our Youth Director is lessened as she no longer struggles with others wandering off with her supplies. She's able to park and arrange what she needs while the kids are able to work on projects over several weeks. Predictability is one of the things our children crave and now we can better offer it.

We are grateful for your support. Thank you for being a partner in mission to the least of our brothers and sisters.

Sincerely,

*The Reverend Jody Silliker
and the People of Christ Church, Harrisburg*

Parking Lot Safety Closure of Market Street Entrance

The Property Committee would like to announce changes that will be implemented **beginning July 1, 2011**.

- With the backing of Congregation Council and a continued growing concern for safety, it has been decided the **Market Street parking lot entrance will be closed Monday through Saturday** to curtail use of our lots as a public thoroughfare.

The Chestnut Street entrances to Trinity's parking lot will remain open as usual. Please plan your travel to use these entrances anytime you come to the church during weekdays.

Property Committee and Congregation Council apologize for any inconvenience this may cause as you attend functions at Trinity. However, the closure of the Market Street entrance is a small price to pay for our safety. Questions regarding this new procedure may be directed to Bill Tauriello, Chair of Property, any staff member, or members of Congregation Council.

- Property (also in conjunction with Congregation Council) would like to remind everyone that **the area behind the kitchen is NOT to be used as a parking area**. This area is limited to loading and unloading at ALL times, seven days a week. Please refrain from parking behind the kitchen.

On behalf of the Property Committee and your Congregation Council, I thank you for your understanding and cooperation on these two matters.

Sincerely,

Bill Tauriello
Chair, Property Committee
Congregation Council Representative

July Birthdays

Our Homebound

July 2 **William Baker**
302 East Coover Street
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

July 20 **Adele Weltmer**
208 Senate Avenue, Apt. 803
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Our Staff

July 15 **Tim Koch**

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.

The books for July through December 2011 are:

July 17: *Unbroken: A World War II Story of survival, resilience, and redemption*, by Laura Hillebrand

August 21: *The Hunger Games*, by Suzanne Collins

September 18: *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, by Rebecca Skloot

October 16: *Cutting for Stone*, by Abraham Verghese

November 20: *Moby Dick: The true story of 28,800 bath toys lost at sea, and of the beachcombers, oceanographers, environmentalists, and fools, including the author, who went in search of them* by Donovan Hohn

December 11: *Things Fall Apart*, by Chinua Achebe

Help Us Celebrate "Christmas in July"

The popular Giving Tree you see every December will be returning to the Gathering Space during the month of July. **No we're not trying to be the first to get out the Christmas decorations.** Instead, Trinity's Parish Ministry, Missions and Social Ministry Committees have come to realize that the many needs of our friends, neighbors and some church members continue throughout the year and may be even more intense during the non-holiday times of the year when donations are at their lowest point. A mid-year contribution can make a big difference to those in need.

With the blessing of the Congregation Council, we invite concerned members of the congregation to take one or more ornaments from the tree and provide the designated gift(s) for a needy person or family. You'll recognize most of the ornaments since many are the same ones used for the Christmas Giving Tree.

Once again we are providing items for six benevolence ministries.

- **CACCC** (*Churches Affiliated Child Care Centers*) – Choose an apple, orange or banana ornament to supply cans of fruit for children's snack time at the centers.
- **CROSS** (*ministry for adults with special needs*) – Choose a cross ornament to purchase an individual gift card or a health care item.
- **PRISON MINISTRY** – Choose an angel ornament to contribute a gift card that will meet various needs for those released from prison and attempting to re-enter society.
- **DELTA HOUSE** – choose a house ornament to provide the designated gift card to support low-income parents who are striving to provide housing/food/clothing for themselves and their children.
- **PARISH MINISTRY** – Choose a church ornament to purchase gift cards from various local stores to provide gas, groceries, back-to-school supplies and health care items for members of our own parish in need.
- **MISSIONS** – Choose a Christmas tree ornament to donate gift cards to purchase basic living items needed by seminarians at Gettysburg Seminary.

Please choose any ornament(s) you wish and return your gift(s) to the church by July 31. You may want to give gift cards to the receptionist for safe keeping and there will be baskets in the Gathering Space where you can place larger items.

Thanks to all of you who have donated so generously to the Giving Tree each December and now we look forward to your continued support as we celebrate "Christmas in July"! Be on the lookout for Santa who thinks this project is so important that he just might make a mid-summer trip to Trinity.

Senior Pastor Call Committee Update

The call committee process is one that requires careful, prayerful discernment. And, as we expected, it is one that takes a lot of time. The Senior Pastor Call Committee began its work on January 17, 2010 - the day Pastor Hardy retired. During our first six months together, the nine members of the call committee primarily worked on completing the ELCA's Ministry Site Profile document and preparing for an initial dialogue with our first candidate. In the Lower Susquehanna Synod, Bishop Hoover and his ordained staff go through an internal process to discern what they believe to be an appropriate candidate for the call committee to consider. Call committees only consider one name at a time. One of the bishop's assistants meets with the call committee to present the name and the information that they have about the candidate. The call committee then takes over. We generally go through a staged discernment process that can include dialogue with the candidate's references, an initial dialogue with the candidate, observing the candidate preach and lead worship, a second dialogue with the candidate and possibly even a third dialogue. At each stage of the process, both the call committee and the candidate prayerfully discern whether we are being led by the Holy Spirit to proceed to the next step. We have gone through portions of the discernment process with two candidates so far. In each case we did not feel that the Holy Spirit was leading us further into the call process to the point of making a recommendation to the Congregation Council. Right now, the call committee is anxiously waiting for the bishop's office to provide us with the name of the third candidate for mutual discernment. We ask that you continue to uphold the call committee, Bishop Hoover and his staff and potential candidates in your prayers as we continue to seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in discerning a person to be our Senior Pastor.

In Christ,

*Jeff Weaver, Chair
Senior Pastor Call Committee*

Vacation Bible School Needs YOU!



Our VBS theme this year is Pandamania! VBS runs from July 25-29, 9 a.m. – noon. Children are placed in small groups called “crews.” Each crew has a Crew Leader who is like the parent of their crew family for the week. A few crews travel together from station to station for games, music, snack, crafts and movies. Volunteers are anyone who loves working with children and has finished fifth grade through adults. Volunteers do not need to be church members. We are still in need of Elementary and Preschool Crew Leaders, Elementary and Preschool Station Leaders, and Elementary and Preschool Station Assistants. Take a moment to fill out a volunteer form on the big bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Free nursery service is available for volunteers with children under age three.

Register your children for VBS by filling out a form on the big bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Our Elementary Program is for children who will be going into K-5th grades in the fall. Our Preschool Program is for children who will be 3 by July 25 through those going into Kindergarten in the fall. (Parents of Kindergartners may choose which program best suits them.) A registration fee of \$10 will be collected the first day of VBS. Please direct your questions to Amy Koch at 761-5902 or email her at: AmyLKoch@verizon.net.

Congratulations to Our Graduates!

Michelle L. Orner graduated from Pennsylvania State University, University Park with a B.S. in Food Sciences from the College of Agricultural Sciences. She is the daughter of Garry and Doris Orner of Dillsburg. Michelle will be moving to Bowling Green, Kentucky to start her career with The Kroger Co. as a Quality Assurance Trainee in their Career Training Program at Country Oven Bakery.

Rebecca Diane Swanger received her master's degree in history from Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh. She is a 2010 graduate of Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove and plans to pursue an additional master's degree in library science. Rebecca is the daughter of Bill and Trudy Swanger of Mechanicsburg.



Congratulations, Confirmands!

Trinity's Affirmation of Baptism Class of 2011 (pictured above) took for themselves the promises made by their parents at their baptism. Those confirmed were: Grace Anderson, Tyler Bendl, Justine Colestock, Rebecca Easton, George Hempt, Jacob Hunt, Matthew Jurkiewicz, Katherine Luce, Chase Ober, John Resig, Nicole Rupnik, Owen Shenk, William Shields, and Kyle Walters.

Parish Ministry Corner

If you would like to assist the CD Ministry by duplicating service copies, contact Donna Sprowls at 649-7919 or George Wirt at 432-114. Training will be given and you would only have to do this for a month of Sundays once a year.

Do You Know that large print versions of the weekend sermons are now available on Trinity's website? In addition to making them easier to read for people with vision impairments, they are formatted in a way that also makes them very readable on eReaders such as a Kindle, a Nook or a Kobo. Click on the Sermons tab of any page and then click on '2011 Sermons listed by date and service' or '2011 Sermons listed by date and pastor.'

You're invited to Trinity's **FREE**
Summer Sundaes Concerts

Sunday, July 24
Sunday, August 28

Concerts 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
outdoors on church grounds



Concert held indoors in the event of inclement weather.

Stop at the Umbrella Table in the Gathering Space in June to sponsor sundaes or volunteer to help with this fun project!

FREE
ICE CREAM
SUNDAES!!



YG News

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. The 2011 season has finally drawn to a close. This was definitely one of the best YG seasons to date! Tons of hard work went into this season to make it such a success. All and all, it was awesome from start to finish. Now I am looking forward to the YG summer. There are events, camps, and retreats to keep the YG connected until next fall's YG season begins. But, before we get ahead of ourselves, let's take a look back at what we did this past month.

The month of May served to close down the season in fine style. First off, on the first we had a YG NITE. Fifty YG and advisors came out for the nite. As has been our tradition in the past, we planned to take the YG outside to play games and enjoy fellowship with one another. However, the weather did not cooperate so we ended up having a soccer tournament inside. We also enjoyed fellowship with one another and ate some pizza together. We closed down the evening with one final candle prayer for the season. Secondly, we had SR. HIGH MINI-GOLF planned for the fifteenth. Once again, the weather did not cooperate. So I decided that rather than have nothing at all, we would have a SR. HIGH MOVIE NITE at the church. Twenty-five High YG and some advisors came out for this night of total fun and fellowship. We ate pizza and watched a fabulous 80's movie. The YG as well as the advisors had a great time. I'm glad we were still able to do something, and so were the Sr. High. Lastly, we closed down our YG season with our YG FIESTA NITE & TALENT SHOW. This event is in its third year, and going better than ever. Around 40 YG and advisors came out to make this night happen. This year we really wanted to promote all of the talented kids that we have in youth group, so that's just what we did. As well as having a great Mexican all-you-can-eat meal we featured many of

the YG youth sharing their talents and gifts. Around 100 church members, parents, family and friends gathered for this incredible night of fun and fellowship with one another. We were able to raise over \$600 to go towards our Sr. High Beach Trip this summer. The night ran very smooth from beginning to end. It is such a great way to end the YG year, in celebration with one another!

On another note, a great thing happened in YG towards the end of the year. A YG kid named Viet Pham, who is an exchange student who has been staying with the Foos family this year, came to me at the last YG NITE and talked with me about baptism. That conversation lead into him wanting to be baptized into the Christian faith before he left. So after that talk, I got together with the pastors to figure out if we could make this happen. As luck would have it, timing wise, we were able to make Viet's wish come true. On Sunday, June 5 he was baptized into our church family. About 20 YG and advisors were able to come out to the service to celebrate with him. This was awesome! It was a powerful and moving experience to all of those involved. Hands down, this was the best way to close down the season – period! With that said, I must go to start preparing all of the great YG SUMMER events. I can't wait!!!

Yours In Christ,

Peter A. Fox,
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Trinity's Youth Group and Advisors at baptism of Viet Pham.

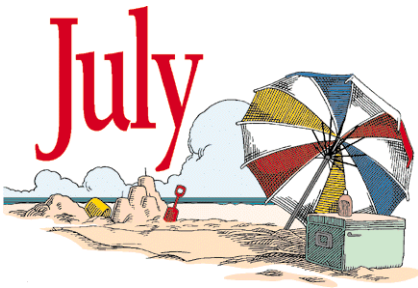


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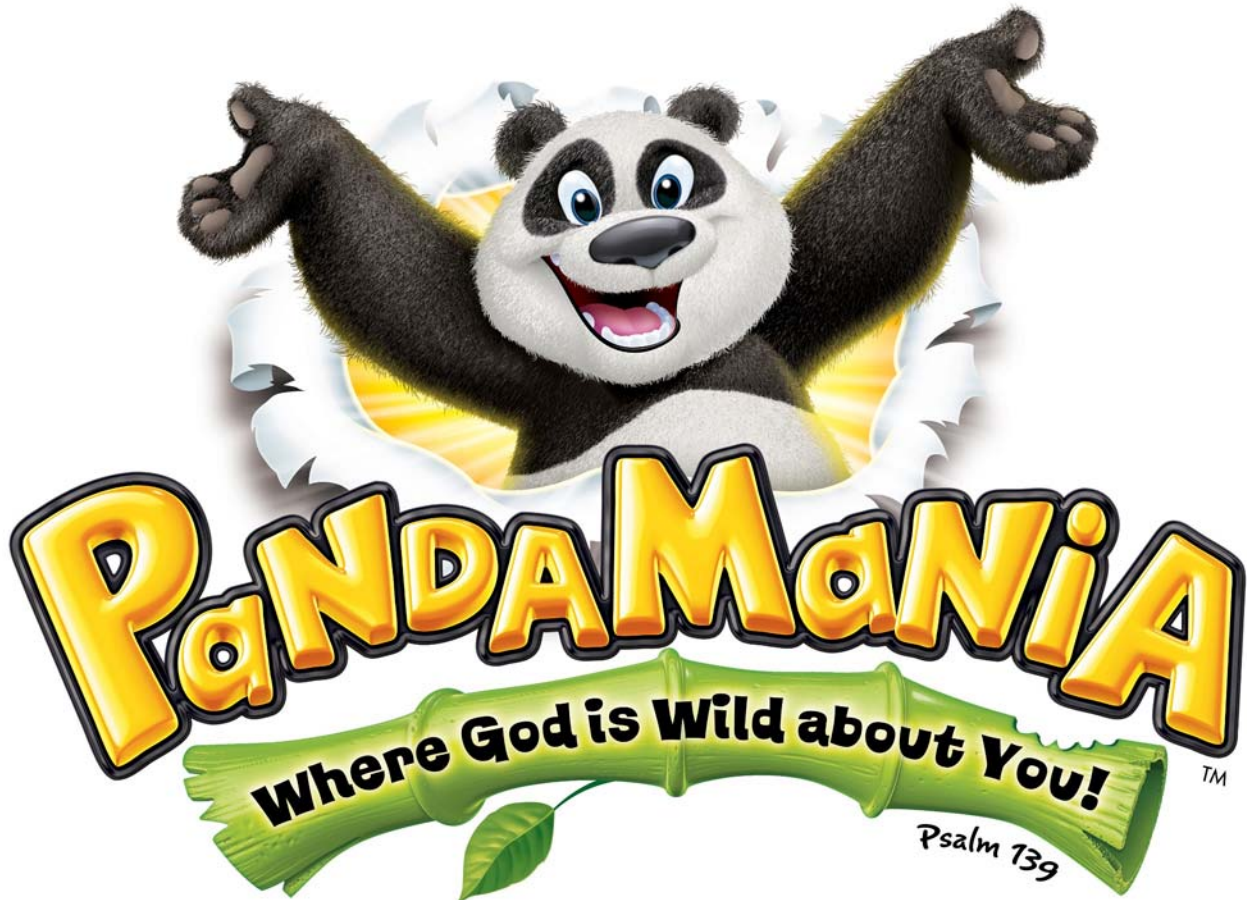
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