

# Trinity Parish

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## About Barbara Musselman President of Congregation Council 2012

Barbara Musselman is a native of the area and a lifelong Lutheran! She and her husband Brian have been members of Trinity since 1985. Over the years she has served in many of Trinity's ministries with current jobs as Grieving Ministry Coordinator, member of the Social Ministry Committee where she serves as Saturday Work Crew Coordinator and the chair for this year's "Day of Caring," a project to be held in March that will involve the entire congregation.

Barbara says "I take part in the Trinity 24 Hour Prayer Vigil and occasionally help with the Missions Committee at the warehouse in New Windsor. I took part in the 2011 mission trip to Maine and have plans to return in 2012. On Sundays I participate in the forum discussion group and the book discussion group and take my turn with altar care, communion assistant and greeter."

Barbara and Brian have been married for 32 years and have two children. Andy is working on two engineering degrees at N.C. State University and Georgia is majoring in music at James Madison University. They have lived in Camp Hill for 22 years.

"We are the fourth generation to serve families at Musselman Funeral Home & Cremation Services," Barbara says, and "my sister, Jeanette Bish and I operate a part-time business with the Bricker House in Lemoyne, a venue for special occasions. When time permits I like to garden and travel.



Barbara Musselman, 2012 Council President

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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."*

*Barb Musselman continued from front page.*

I consider Trinity my spiritual home and family. My relationship with Christ does not make my life easier but it does make it a whole lot better and I encourage all Trinity members to take part in our weekly worship, take advantage of our educational opportunities and become workers in Christ.

I look forward to serving all of you in the coming year as we continue to move forward in discipleship.”

### **Ash Wednesday Services at Trinity Wednesday, February 22, 2012**

7:00 a.m. - Spoken Service - Nave

6:30 p.m. - Contemporary Service - Fellowship Hall

7:30 p.m. - Traditional Service - Nave

### **Trinity Parish Deadline**

The deadline for the March 2012 edition of *Trinity Parish* is **Friday, February 10, 2012 – no exceptions.** If articles are e-mailed, please send to the Editor, Donna Sprowls at [parish@trinity-camphill.org](mailto: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.

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### **“The Lutheran” Adult Forum Sunday, February 26, 2012**

Please join an enthusiastic group of 15-20 adult learners at 9:30 a.m. in Room 126 for a discussion on **“Economic Disruption and An Evolving Church”** from pages 20-26 of the January 2012 issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. The United States is still feeling the aftershocks from the near meltdown of our financial system in 2008. The economic storm has disrupted our way of life and devastated our institutions, including the church. Even before 2008, the ELCA faced decreased financial support that was felt at the church wide level and in most synods and congregations. Now the downturn is forcing us, including Trinity, to consider new ways of “being” and “doing” church. 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).

### **Social Ministry Corner**



One of the highlights at Christmas for the dozens of children touched by Trinity’s tutoring program in the Harrisburg’s Downey and Foose Elementary Schools was a visit from our resident Jolly Old Elf, Santa Bob Foster. There is an urgent need for more tutors to help first and second grade children in these schools with reading and math for one hour each week. Contact Jane Hess (612-6633) or Doug Bonsall (921-1957) if you can help.

## Staff Notes

### “...In the Bleak Midwinter . . .” The Reverend Glenn E. Ludwig

Sometimes ideas for articles, sermons or presentations come out of nowhere, seemingly almost, as a gift. The idea for this month’s article came as I sat staring out at a gray, cold day during the beginning of a Staff Meeting while listening to Pastor Easton share a devotion based on a recent article in Christian Century. After the meeting, I asked her for a copy of the article, titled “In a dry season,” and have been ruminating on it ever since.

You see (and here is a bit of self-revelation), I find myself secretly enjoying “the bleak midwinter” or the “dry season” of life, as Rodney Clapp called it in his fine article. Which has led me to ponder why this is so? Why is it that I find myself staring quietly at the dead trees standing in relief against a gray, dull, flat sky? Why do I look forward to Advent, with nights getting longer and the dark ever more present? Why do I even look forward to Lent (beginning February 22 with Ash Wednesday, by the way) with its call to prepare and examine and reflect on life in deeper ways? What is it about the midwinter that opens up my mind, heart and soul in ways that are different and mysterious?

So, walk with me for a moment as I try to answer these questions in such a way as to shed light on our common life together.

First, perhaps, we should find common ground in understanding that which I experienced that staff day and know often during this season. One of the Desert Fathers, St. John of the Cross, called it “the dark night of the soul.” He was referring to those times, even stretches, of emptiness in our lives that all of us face or will face; those times when our minds and hearts seem heavy, the world around us appears in shades of gray, our souls seem filled with dust, and we just don’t feel or sense God’s presence.

Christina Georgina Rossetti put such feelings to poetry in a bleak January in 1872. An Italian poet and refugee living in London, she suffered a nervous breakdown at the age of 14, and had to deal with illness and depression much of her life. Her poem took hymn form in 1906 and appears in our own hymnal as one of the great Christmas hymns in the Christian tradition. Although the version in our hymnal con-

tains only three of the original five stanzas, her words stand as a witness to faith, as a delicate finger of a frail and fragile fellow pilgrim pointing us to a reality beyond our current experiences of the “bleak midwinter.” (Unbelievably, the hymn just came on my iPhone as I continue to listen to Christmas music even days past our celebration. That must be the Spirit’s way of telling me I’m on the right path with this article. I’ll take it as that, anyway.)

This solemn and quiet hymn holds the key, as I’ve discovered, to why I find meaning during the gray dullness of winter, because even if I don’t see or feel or taste God’s presence, I have grown over the years to trust God’s promises to me as his child. The contentment I feel in the midst of the cold world is only possible because I have known God’s presence in my life time after time after time and, even though I may identify with the lonely tree blowing in a cold wind against a slate sky, I know God is with me. As Rossetti points to in her second stanza, after describing so poetically the human condition:

*Heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
Heav’n and earth shall flee away when he  
comes to reign;*

*In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.*

So, the mystery of the “why” has an answer after all. My dry life in a bleak midwinter rests quietly in the arms of a God who sent his Son as the fulfillment of his promises and, further, my bleak life sits amid and among your lives, where I find warmth and comfort and support. “In the bleak midwinter” we gather together to find, once again, a Word and a Spirit that will fill this dry season with hope and promise.

Ah, yes. Being a part of the body of Christ means we are never alone – God’s Spirit and Christ’s Body surround us. God promised!

### *Alzheimer’s Support Group*

The Alzheimer’s Support Group will be held, Wednesday, February 15 from 7-9 p.m. in the Library. For more information, please contact Donna Sprowls at 766-8075 or sprowlsd@aol.com.

## 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 January 2012 meeting:

Opened the meeting with a devotions and a prayer by Barb Musselman.

- Received a verbal report from Dick Hess, Scout liaison, on his legacy project.
- Received and discussed reports from staff, standing committees, ministries of the ELCA and other task forces.
- Received the names of two of the four individuals who will be presented to the congregation to serve a 3-year term on Council beginning later this month: Bill Foos and Nancy Mock.
- Accepted Richard Barry into full membership at Trinity.
- Accepted Jennifer Hammaker's resignation from Congregation Council.
- Appointed Craig Erdman to fill the unexpired term of Jennifer Hammaker on Council.
- Approved Bill Foos as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee.
- Granted permission for the Social Ministry Committee to receive contributions and sponsorships needed to purchase supplies for the Trinity "Day of Caring" on Sunday, March 11, 2012.
- Approved the recommendation of the Fellowship Hall Project Finance Campaign Task Force of the Finance Committee to send a timely letter to the members of Trinity that would do the following: 1) Supply updated information about the project and the costs; 2) Thank those who have already pledged their support; 3) Encourage those who have pledged to send in their support; and 4) Encourage those who either haven't pledged or given to do so.
- Members and committee chairs were encouraged to attend the Synod's biennial "Congregations Together in Mission" conference on March 17, 2012, at St. Matthew's Church in Hanover.

- Recognized the third year class of Council who were attending their last meeting: Betsy Knarr, Ryan Hannigan, Dave Miller and Lorraine Graybill.

The next meeting of the Congregational Council will be held on Monday, February 13, 2012, under the leadership of new Council President Barb Musselman. An orientation for council members and committee chairs will be held on January 29 and a leadership retreat on February 13.

Thank you for your support this year when I have been honored to serve as your Congregation Council president.

*Lorraine Graybill*  
2011 Council President

## Fellowship Hall Improvements Update

Work started in Fellowship Hall on January 4. A steel beam has been installed from which the folding partition will be hung. Walls are being built that will provide storage for the folding partition when it's opened during worship services. These walls will also house the two new media screens. Sprinkler heads have been relocated as required. Work has begun on the ITAV equipment rack as well as the sound desk where all sound, video and lighting controls will reside.

This work reflects a larger vision of improving the worship opportunity in Fellowship Hall and aiding in the overall effectiveness for all groups using the room. We anticipate that work will be complete and equipment training will have taken place by the end of March.

## Winter Homeless Shelter

Trinity volunteers are needed to host the Winter Homeless Shelter overnight from Sunday, March 18 until Saturday, March 24. Watch for more information in early March. Direct questions to Becky Enney or Joe Hunter.



*Letters to Trinity*

Dear Trinity:

I would like to thank everyone who kept the Easley family in their thoughts and prayers during the past few months. We appreciated the cards and special meals that were delivered. It is great to know that we are part of such a wonderful family at Trinity!

*Pamela Easley*

Dear Trinity Lutheran Congregation,

An update, as my body is gleefully recovering – Please know I am grateful for the beautiful cards and messages, all of which inspire me to integrity, to seek knowledge, and to have courage (my three most important words); and to try to be the best person I can be every day I live.

With Christ's love,

*Jessie Gilson*

To all Trinity Members:

I enjoyed the two beautiful flowers you sent. They cheered me up. May the Lord's great love bless you.

Love,

*Dorothy Miller*

To my Trinity Family:

There are not enough words to express the gratitude in my heart to each of you who sent cards, made phone calls, remembered me in prayer and made your presence known to me in so many ways during the illness and subsequent death of my dear brother Jack. The pastor's phone calls and prayers over the phone during the worst times were what enabled me to go on with that day and the days afterward. I will always be indebted to all of you. May 2012 bring many blessings to you.

Sincerely and with great affection,

*Grace Morgan*

To My Church Family and Friends:

I would like to express my thanks to you for your kind expressions and cards of sympathy on the sudden and unexpected death of my brother Bill.

I am so grateful to be a member of such a loving and caring congregation.

Again, Thank You!

*Fay Pepperman*

Dear Trinity Pastors, Congregation and Women of Trinity,

I would like to thank the Trinity Pastors for their hospital visits, prayers, calls and comforting words during my recent surgery and recovery. I also appreciated the prayers from the Trinity members and the cheerful cards from the Women of Trinity. Your thoughtfulness and concern was instrumental to my rapid recovery.

*R. Dennis Welker*

*Blood Bank News*

Thanks to the fantastic Trinity members who showed up on January 22 to donate to the Central PA Blood Bank! Last year I thought you were great when we had 215 donations, but I challenged you to do better in 2011. **Well—you did it!** Trinity ended 2011 with 227 units, which is just tremendous!

In case you missed the blood drive held on January 22, remember you can always donate at the blood donor centers, the hospitals, and any Community Blood Drive you see advertised. Just remember to tell them #157 or Trinity Lutheran, Camp Hill! Winter is always a big drain on the blood bank because of all the traffic accidents. **Only “You” can prevent a blood shortage— donate today to the Central PA Blood Bank!**

*Jeanie Bentzel*

*February Birthdays*

**Our Homebound**

- February 3 **Virginia Bush**  
2100 Bent Creek Blvd. - Room 211  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- February 5 **Nellie Woods**  
4905 East Trindle Road - Apt. 1050  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
- February 10 **Helen Reichel**  
5225 Wilson Lane  
Room 231, Assisted Living  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

**Our Staff**

- February 12 **Tom Notestine**

## YG News

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. The YG (youth group) season is in full swing. New YG NITES, new retreats, new events, and new friendships all await our YG participants. The calendar is most jam-packed with something on almost every weekend. It will be all good!

The YG season so far has been quite busy. We kicked off the month of December with our YG WINTER RETREAT weekend. We had around 30 YG and advisors in attendance. The topic was PRAYER. We looked at the word PRAYER in every way imaginable. One of the main tasks was to have our YG (NOT advisors), come up with a YG PRAYER that we can use as a tradition to begin every YG event. Here is the YG PRAYER our YG created:

**Call:** "Where two or more are gathered"

**Response:** "You are there"

**Prayer:** "Thank you for allowing us to come together as we are and grow into who we are meant to be. Even though we come from different paths, let us unify with you as a family of unconditional love. Help us to experience this time to the fullest, and make us genuine in all that we do. Amen."

Pretty impressive stuff! The retreat YG really stepped up in their creation of this YG PRAYER. It rocks! It was hands-down one of the best retreats that I have ever been a part of as a Youth Ministry Director! It was awesome!

Wednesday, December 7 was our COMMUNITY NIGHT AT ISAACS in the Lemoyne Plaza; a night where church members, YG members and their families could come for a dinner at Isaacs with 25% of their bill given to the YG to go toward attending the National Youth Gathering next summer. We were able to raise just over \$300 to support this cause. Our next Community Night @ Isaacs is scheduled for April 2012.

We closed the month on Sunday, December 18 with our ANNUAL YG CHRISTMAS CAROLING & PARTY. Around 75 YG and advisors were in attendance for this most special night. The evening began by walking over to Manor Care Nursing Home and singing Christmas carols to all

the people there. We split the YG with advisors and sent the smaller groups to sing to everyone on all three floors of the facility. It is always a memorable experience and quite impactful for our YG to bring some Christmas cheer to all of the good folks there. The nursing staff loves having us every year as well. After caroling, we walked back to the church for dinner, lots of snacks and some great YG Christmas games. We closed the evening and year with prayer.

I want to use my last paragraph to highlight that our next YG Fundraiser definitely needs congregation support! In January the YG BULLETIN BOARD FUNDRAISER was placed in the Gathering Space with 150 envelopes on it. Each envelope was numbered from #1 to #150. Church members are invited to take an envelope off the board, open it and deposit the dollar amount listed on the envelope. If you take the #25 envelope you put \$25 in the envelope and return it to the church office. It's that simple. The bulletin board will be up for a few months, or until all envelopes have been taken and turned in. I like this fundraiser because it keeps our impending trip in the congregation's eyes, and gives them an opportunity to give what they want in support of the trip. Hopefully it will be a successful fundraiser.

I am looking forward to a great 2012! It will definitely be a busy one, but a good one all the same. This year will ROCK! I can't wait!!!

Yours In Christ,

*Peter A. Fox*  
Youth Ministry Director

### *The YG wants your help in: Souper Bowl of Caring 2012*

The YG will be using your donations of money & non-perishable food items to serve local families in need through "The Bridge" food pantry in New Cumberland.

All donations will be collected Sunday, February 5, 2012 at all church services and in the Gathering Space.

Help YG serve our community!!!

### Prayer Concerns

*Witnessing to the gospel and being a disciple of Christ falls on each of us.*

- Lord, help us reach out in love and service to those around us.  
*Lord, you have called us by name to serve you and your people. May we always be strengthened in our ministry as we reach out with the gospel.*
- Lord, guide us to be servants who equip others for ministry.  
*Through Christ we are made free that we may freely serve others. Lord, we know this is the responsibility of being a disciple of Christ.*
- We pray for Barbra Musselman, our newly elected Congregation Council President and all members of council as they lead our congregation.
- We give thanks for our pastors and that You will continue to empower them with wisdom and compassion.
- We pray that our congregation and churches everywhere may be filled with enthusiastic people serving others with the gospel.
- And we pray that our congregation will be blessed with an abundance of disciples (*especially for our Day of Caring*) and that others may come to see You through our love and our ministries witnessing to the gospel.

### Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group invites you the third Sunday of every month in Room 126 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The book list for February through June 2012 is:

- February 19: *The Woman*, by T. C. Boyle
- March 18: *In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American's Family in Hitler's Berlin*, by Erik Larson
- April 15: *The Invisible Bridge*, by Julie Orringer
- May 20: *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*, by Isabel Wilkerson
- June 17: *Tinkers*, by Paul Harding

### February Artists of the Month Three members of the Seven Lively Artists

A native of Wilkes-Barre, **Dominick Brandt** attended Wilkes College where he studied art history, design and composition and drawing and painting in different mediums at the Murray School of Art. He also studied under master artists in the Wilkes-Barre and Harrisburg areas. He is a member of the renowned Seven Lively Artists and a former director of the Art Association of Harrisburg. Don teaches oil and acrylic classes at the *Third Street Gallery*, New Cumberland and the *Art Center School and Galleries*.

**William Kerman**, a member of the Seven Lively Artists, resides in New Cumberland. He had good teachers, friends and mentors, some of whom are Don Brandt, Carl Foster, Don Lenker and Earl Blust. His works are hung throughout the commonwealth, but locally at the *Camp Hill Café*, the *Third Street Gallery*, the *Mechanicsburg Art Center* and the *Harrisburg Art Center*.

**Don Lenker** is a native of Harrisburg, a graduate of Penn State and a practicing registered architect. Don and his wife, Kathleen, reside in Lower Allen Township where they raised three sons. He began drawing and painting as a child under the guidance of his mother, Ivan Lenker, a well-known local artist and painting instructor, and studied watercolor under Andrew Case while a student at Penn State. In addition he has participated in numerous watercolor workshops and frequently exhibits his work locally and regionally. He is a member of the Seven Lively Artists and a charter member and past president of the PA Watercolor Society.

### New Member Orientation

Meet in the Library

**Sundays - 9:15 a.m.**

February 12, 19, 26

March 4, 11, 18, 25

### Reception of New Members

Saturday, March 24

Sunday, March 25

### The Giving Tree

***“It is more blessed to give than to receive.”***

***Acts 20:35***

The response was overwhelming from Trinity members for our seven **Giving Tree** benevolence ministries. Thank you from Parish Ministry, Missions and Social Ministry.

Parish Ministry collected 23 gift cards worth \$615 for Trinity members in need.

Missions collected 33 gift cards worth \$790 for Gettysburg seminarians.

CACCC received \$50 in scholarships and 28 various items such as arts and craft supplies, dolls, toys and activities for school children.

CROSS collected \$120 in gift cards and over 20 gifts such as board games, shaving kits for men, packages of craft supplies for children and picture frames for women.

Prison Ministry received approximately 30 gift cards worth \$740.

Delta Housing response for gift cards totaled \$625.

New Hope Ministries received 39 gift items such as appliances, games, clothing, toys and eight gift cards.

A thank you to all our Trinity members who reached out to give to others cannot be expressed any better than the words of Tom Hoffert in his New Hope Ministries report. “This is the first time I have had a leading part in the planning and execution of the Giving Tree project. **THE RESPONSE WAS FANTASTIC AND OVERWHELMING.** ... Please make sure you relay to the congregation just how thankful New Hope Ministries was, and that for my part, I am absolutely filled with joyful thanks with the response, not to mention supremely proud of my brothers and sisters here at Trinity Lutheran Church. I volunteered two of the three give-out days at New Hope Ministries as a parking lot attendant, and the emotional responses from the clients was heart wrenching at times. Some parents and grandparents were crying and/or speechless when their gift wrapped selections were loaded into their vehicles because of the generosity of those who gave. I am so thankful to be a small part of what New Hope Ministries does throughout the year that I can’t even express it with words.” *(Well Tom, I think you did a very good job of expressing it. “Simple gratitude helps us experience God at work in every moment of every day.” Editor)*

**Donna Sprowls, Giving Tree Coordinator**

Trinity Lutheran Church,

This greeting can only convey a small measure of the warm appreciation we have for you throughout the year. May this season bring you the best. Without your continued support, Christmas for the Delta families would not be as bright. Thank you for every minute you commit to making the days in the life of a homeless family a little brighter.

**The Delta Community**

Lorraine Graybill says that additional thanks were written on the card by several parents and one wrote a note saying “I will forever be grateful for the opportunity I have been given to one day stand on my own.”

### **Every Member Prayer List**

**February 5-11:** Susannah Lynch; Robert and Jean Lyman; Don Lyman; Scott Lux; Karen Lutz; Carol Lundquist; Kristin and Katharine Luce; Chris, Mary Alin, Jason, Nicholas, and Ethan Lubold; Edgar and Dorothy Loy. **February 12-18:** Donald and Lois Lowry; William and Susan Long; Stacy and Abigail Long; Robert, Debra, Matthew, and Kristen Long; Rob, Michelle, Max and Hanna Long; Kathy Long; J.R. Long; Ginny Long; Deborah Long; Brian Long. **February 19-25:** Rebecca, Megan, and Michael Lohr; Brian Lobel; Jon and Sara Lobaugh; Joe Lint and Rich Campbell; Larry Lint; John, Rebecca, Amanda, and Meredith Lingenfelter; Janette Line and Xavier Karlsen; Henry Line. **February 26-March 3:** Bradley, Joan, Chad, and Travis Lindsay; Chris, Shannon, Aidan, and Finn Lilienthal; Helen Liddick; Joyce Libby; Bernard, Nora, Mark, and Lisa Levan; Arianna and Gina Leto; Judy Leslie; Jim, Gretchen, and Cooper Leslie; Mark, Jennifer, Morgan, and Kathryn Leshniowsky.

## Learning in Lent

Wednesday

February 29 through March 28

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Due to Fellowship Hall renovation there will be **no evening meal** prior to class.

Childcare is available.

Sign-up at the Gathering Space receptionist's desk.

Class size is limited.

Registration is **strongly recommended!**

### **Bad Boys of the Bible: Character Study of Biblical Personalities**

*Dr. William H. Stotler*

This class is an intensive, reflective, engaging character study of several Biblical personalities: David, the men accusing the woman caught in adultery, Judas Iscariot and the Elder Brother.

What sets this Biblical study apart from others will be a brief overview of the New Testament and an introduction to Biblical study methods. Participants will find their detective skills useful and be informed by scripture, reason, tradition and experience.

### **Beyond the Taco: Understanding the Latino Community**

*Brad Gebhart*

- I. History: Immigration, Assimilation and Perspective
- II. Language: I may speak with an accent, but I don't think with one.
- III. Food: We are what we eat, and we eat Latin foods.
- IV. Latinos in our culture: The Who's Who of Latinos.
- V. Que Pas: What are your questions?

### **Confirmation 201: Religions of the World**

*Pastor John Brock*

This course is designed to compare and contrast our Christian faith to Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, Confucianism, Ba'hi and other non-Christian religions.

## God and Me Dr. Ryan Argot

This course is designed for boys and girls, grades two and three. The student book is \$3.50. An accompanying parent book, also \$3.50, provides additional opportunities to model Christian faith. Both books may be purchased by contacting Dr. Argot. In order to receive a medallion and certificate, the student must present their work to a pastor at the close of the last class. Arrangements will be made for a presentation and award recognition. Please contact [drargot@verizon.net](mailto:drargot@verizon.net) or 732-5969 for more details. This class is limited to 8 children.

## Friends of Frey Village - Auxiliary Membership Drive

February brings the kickoff for Super Bowl 2012 and the annual Auxiliary Membership Drive for Frey Village as well.

Please join us in helping to enrich the lives of residents by becoming a member. You will be supporting their ongoing activities:

- Birthday and holiday parties
- Tuesday variety programs
- Holiday decorating
- Aviaries' and aquariums' maintenance
- Piano and organ tuning
- Discretionary fund for residents' personal needs along with many more shared facility events.

The auxiliary has set a budget of \$23,700. Last year 21 members of our Trinity family joined them and gave a total of \$409 as recorded in the membership fund final report dated 5/31/2011. Please consider helping to meet their goal.

2012 Membership Packets will be available on **February 26** in the Gathering Space. You may join or donate at any time, so if you miss that Sunday or have questions please see or call Joy Snyder 737-8950 or contact the church office. The auxiliary will be grateful for your ongoing support!

## Women of Trinity News

### Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits

On December 16, 2011, a tropical storm struck the southern Philippines causing landslides and massive flooding. Lutheran World Relief was there to give aid.

When LWR distributes Personal Care Kits, it's often to people who have lost everything. In the wake of a tropical storm, an earthquake, or having fled from violence as their homes were overtaken, they clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a toothbrush ... and washing up, they know that they have not been forsaken by the world.

Receiving a Personal Care Kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew, starting with a bath. You can share God's grace and love by giving items for these kits and providing that simple comfort. Women of Trinity will be collecting items for Personal Care Kits during the month of February.

The following items are needed for each Personal Care Kit:

- ◆ One new lightweight bath-size towel (maximum 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- ◆ Two bath size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- ◆ One adult size toothbrush in its original packaging
- ◆ One sturdy comb
- ◆ One metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

Please place your items in the Personal Care Kit Box in the Gathering Space Closet. Thank you.

### WOT Circle Study Meetings

It's never too late to attend your first circle meeting! See if any of these can fit into your February schedule:

- Esther Circle: Monday, February 6, at 7:00 p.m., Library
- Deborah Circle: Tuesday, February 7, 9:30 a.m., Library
- Elizabeth/Ruth Circle: Tuesday, February 7, 1:00 p.m., Library
- Sarah Circle: Sunday, February 12, 9:30 a.m., Room 237

### WOT Book Blog

On January 16, the Women of Trinity Book Blog winter session began to discuss the book entitled *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew – Three Women Search for Understanding*. The book follows three young women as they reach out to learn about each other's religions while examining their own faith. Please consider joining in! You will find the blog at <http://wotbookblog.blogspot.com/>.



*Special thanks goes out to all who donated poinsettias and cookies to Trinity's At-Home Members this Christmas. WOT Visitation volunteers delivered these special gifts of love the first week of December.*

### Parish Ministry Corner

**TRINITY CD MINISTRY:** The good news is the CD Ministry services are expanding and use is increasing. However, due to the limitation of record time available on the CD (generally 70 minutes) parts of the service may be edited out of these copies. Also, some music is also removed for which the church does not have a license to record. All CDs will include the Liturgy and Sermons.

**HEALTH TIP:** Research has shown again that having a piece of dark chocolate every day may be good for your heart. It appears that a natural chemical in the chocolate may decrease bad cholesterol and elevate good cholesterol. Years ago, the Harvard Alumni Study showed that a daily piece of candy promoted longevity. *Good Advice:* One piece is great. Two might be too much for your waistline.

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# DAY OF CARING



DISCIPLES IN THE MAKING,  
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**Sunday March 11, 2012**

Answer God's call and join the body of Christ,  
move as one and see God in the hungry, the homeless, the imprisoned,  
the infirmed, the lonely, the naked and...each other.

In our first

## DAY OF CARING: A TRINITY CONGREGATIONAL EVENT

You are being called to share your time and yourselves to serve those who are in need of a hand up.

~Volunteer opportunities for all ages, skills physical abilities. ~

Day of Caring Begins With Worship on

**Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM**

**Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Traditional 8:15AM and 11:00AM**

**Contemporary 8:30AM and 10:45AM**

with a special sending at each service

**We need volunteers as listed for each of the following activities:**

**Visiting:** homebound and nursing homes with meals and gifts from Trinity

**Musicians:** vocalists and instrumentalists for performing at nursing homes and Work Release Service

**Worship:** 4PM service for Work Release at CCU Headquarters, prayer partners, lectors, communion assistants, worshipers.

**Packing Room:** packers and sorters for packing health kits for Lutheran World Relief, Military Care Packages, Coupon Program and Prison Release Bags

**Food:** food preparers, transporters, servers and clean-up volunteers for meals for homebound, men's shelter, women's shelter and gathering meal

**Simple Work Chores** – leaky faucets and other minor repairs, yard cleanup, cleaning, organizing, hauling and painting for the homebound and for Christian Churches United Headquarters.

Our day will end, after all projects for the day have been completed, with a Gathering Meal in Trinity's Fellowship Hall @ 6:00pm  
This is a time for thanksgiving and sharing of our day's experiences...



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The following have already volunteered for the  
DAY OF CARING

*Trinity staff, council, committee chairs and  
planning committee*



Our 3G Network:  
God,  
Gifts,  
Gratitude



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### *A Day of Caring*

As you can see from the display piece on page 11, every year our church sets aside a day that we come together as people of God to reach out to the community and do something of real purpose in the lives of others.

Our goal this year is to have as many people as possible commit their time and talent to helping those in need of our love that God has given us to share.

I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you what this day means to me. Being a member for a number of years I have the joy of knowing many if not most of you. I have seen the caring, sharing, hard work and most of all the love that makes me so proud to be a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

A few months ago Pastor Ludwig delivered a sermon entitled an "Identity Issue." Who do you say you are? What do you identify with? More often than not I tell people I am a member of Trinity Church Camp Hill because I know when asked to help, those of you who can, will. I feel I'm sharing the good news. Please set this day aside to be part of something special. "Do it in honor of someone you love or take this opportunity to teach our children. The future of the church, the real meaning of caring for the little, the least, the last and the lost." Quoted by Pastor Ludwig.

I thank you for the pride I feel knowing that together with God's help we do and will continue to make a difference.

To God be the glory.

*MaryAnn Landis*