



**March
2011**

**WORSHIP
SCHEDULE**

Saturday
5:30 PM

Sunday
8:15 AM
AND
11:00 AM



Confirmation
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

**Sunday Church
School**
9:40 AM - 10:40 AM

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The Trumpet

Monthly Newsletter of
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

From the pen of Pastor Birkholz . . .

"For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Mathew 25:35

Recently, the congregational council went on a retreat in the Holy Trinity house at Lutheranch to have some time to talk, pray, and think about God's vision for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in the next year and in the years to come. What an amazing time! I have never been so proud to be a leader in a church where the priority is God's mission, not our personal agendas, in our community and throughout the world. Thanks to all the council members and staff who took some of their valuable time to participate in this retreat, and I want to ask the congregation to pray for your council and staff as we seek to follow Jesus and carry out His mission in the world.

As we seek to do this, we are beginning the season of Lent in the church year. It's a season of repentance, which sounds like no fun at all, but repentance means a "turn-around" or "turning back" to what is important in our lives; a reorganization, if you will. As part of this, during our Lenten meals, we'll focus on world hunger. Yes, there are hungry people right here in Cobb County, and one of our meals will focus on the American poor. The others will focus on certain countries' traditional foods (don't worry, nothing too spicy or strange!) so that we can enjoy it, and also to gain a little global perspective on hunger throughout the world. And it's okay for it to be FUN, and for it to feel good to learn something new as we turn back to Jesus' call....to "feed my sheep."

So I invite you to do two things this Lent....one, PRAY for your church leaders to see God's vision this year! And two, make the 90 minute commitment to go to dinner and then worship God at our wonderful new Lenten series, **The Body of Christ**.

Tell me about it . . . I think you'll be so glad you did!
God's peace,

LENT AT HOLY TRINITY

Wednesday Lenten Services

The Body of Christ Series
Starts March 16th ~ 7:00 PM
Celtic Service - The Feet of Christ
(See page 5 for details)

Wednesday Lenten Suppers

Starting 3/16 in the
Upper Room
6:00 PM

Adults - \$5.00
Children under 8 - \$2.00



2011 Guide Book & Directory

UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFO

Does our church database have your family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update your record for our annual Guide Book & Directory.

*Has your phone number or email address changed?
Have you moved or are you preparing to move?*

It's time to update our database with any changes that have occurred over the last year. If you have not already done so, please notify the church office so that the information in the 2011 Guide Book & Directory is correct.

3 Ways to tell us of your changes: 1) Call the church office at 770.971.4600 2) Write the updated information on your weekly yellow Member Worship card 3) Send an email to nwinkler@holylutheranmarietta.org

Avoid Social Security Mistakes

Come as our guest to hear Jim Caulder, "Mr. Social Security" present informative and entertaining updates on this important subject.

You will learn:

How to avoid costly mistakes. The most up-to-date information on Social Security.

The Guide Book is a BUSINESS ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

- Reach people right here in our community -

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for our congregation. This book will be the *Who, What, When, Where, Why and How* of our Church. This book is being provided at no charge to our church. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book.

What better place to publicize your service or product than to the community in which you worship and are already recognized. To find out about advertising in our book, please call the church office at 770-971-4600.

This complimentary event, with a light meal, is hosted by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and your financial representatives, Mary Peterson CFP® and Derek Peterson, CFP®

Monday, April 4, 2011 | 11:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church RSVP: 770-565-9912 or Kathleen.seraphine@thrivent.com



The Next New Member Class

If you have been thinking, praying, searching and hoping for a place to belong, welcome to Holy Trinity. Here is the schedule for the next New Member Class:

Sunday, March 6, 9:40 a.m.

Sunday, March 13, 9:40 a.m.

Saturday, March 19, 6:15 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, March 26 & 27

Class and "Meet & Greet"

New Members received at all services this weekend

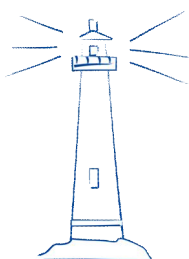
If you need more information, please contact Margaret Hulsey at 770-971-4600.

Lighthouse Mission Trip Yard Sale

Several volunteers are once AGAIN committing to serve at a Lighthouse Family Retreat this summer...and we are thrilled. Our team is not yet complete, but hearts are being called and Holy Trinity will once more be represented through the love that our volunteers will be sharing with these special children and their families. Watch for names of our team members in a future Trumpet.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL YARD SALE supporting our Lighthouse Mission Trip will be SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH in the church parking lot...please save your "stuff" for us...as it will add much to the treasures we plan to sell that day. More info re: the Yard Sale in the April Trumpet.

And once again Julie Fesefeldt and Marcie Hoffman have been asked to be on staff for Retreat 6, which will be held July 11-16 at Gulf Place, Florida. They both have a deep commitment to the Lighthouse Mission Statement, love children, and have abilities to lead, organize, and nurture at the same time. God chose well!!! (And we are proud!!!) Thank you for your prayers of support and love...and may God bless you.



Children, Adult & Family Ministry

Sunday School, we have something special for everyone. Check it out!!

Our 2-year-olds have a wonderful time singing and making crafts that help them remember that "Jesus loves them." They recently took a field trip to see Pastor Grunke in his office. It was a fun experience



that helped them realize that this is their church, too. If you know a preschooler or a family with a preschooler, be sure to invite them to attend Sunday School. They will be glad you did. Above is a photo of this special event.

All our preschoolers are very special. The 3 and 4 year old's class is learning 1 Peter 5:7, "He cares for you". Every week the lesson will be building on the Bible truth that "Jesus will help you." Make sure the preschoolers in your life have the opportunity to be in Sunday School each week. They can begin attending at any time during the year and it will be a wonderful experience.

Kindergarten - 5th graders are part of our Promiseland environment. They go to a small group first and then to large group called UpStreet (an alley where things get pretty exciting and kids experience Bible stories that come to life while focusing on learning Godly virtues while praising the Lord.) This month we are focusing on Courage and the Bible verse, "when I am afraid I will trust in God," Psalm 56:3. What a wonderful security we can give our children as they learn scripture that helps them feel safe because of Jesus and His love.

Children's Easter Pageant, April 23rd during the Sat. service.

Children Kindergarten - 5th grade can sign up to participate. There are 7 speaking parts that must be memorized and those children will need to be available for 3 practices.

The larger group of children will need to practice Saturday night, April 23rd between 4:30 PM. Our cast of children will be wearing colorful Easter clothes and they need to be able to stand with their group for 10 - 15 minutes while the program is presented. We will have a large portion of the service along with Chas and the Sat. night Praise Band. Begin now inviting your family and friends to this special Easter Celebration.

Sign-ups for children will be done at the attendance desk on Sunday mornings or you can email me at gayemarkham@yahoo.com. I need child's name, age, grade in school, along with your email and phone # and whether or not you want to sign your child up for a memorized part or to be a part of the group of children adding flowers to the cross.

VBS is June 6th - 10th, from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

Pandamania is our theme and the fun is about to begin! Please pray about your part in this year's Vacation Bible School. We need adults and teens to get on board and help us make this happen. Start now inviting children you see that live in our area. It will be here before we know it!

Family Movie Night, March 4th, 7:00 PM, VBS Fund Raiser Holy Trinity Premiere of the movie "Get Low"

Kid's movie "Despicable Me" - for children (in the Upper room)

This is a special event. We are going to have not one, but two movies on the same night. "Get Low" is the featured film. This movie takes a Holy Trinity family and makes them Hollywood royalty, (sort of.) The story is based on Pastor Birkholz' grandfather and uncle and Pastor Scott Seeke, Pastor Birkholz" husband, co-wrote the script. We are going to use the Academy Awards as a theme; the movie will be followed with a reception and interviews from our own red carpet. March 4th at 7:00 PM is one of the best opportunities to come out and play, laugh and just enjoy being together. Don't miss this Gala event! We are asking for sign-ups only as an idea of how to prepare for the reception and to have adequate child care coverage. There will be a freewill offering and anything over the cost of the evening will be donated to this year's Vacation Bible School. Hope to see you there.

Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday, April 16th from 9:00 - 10:30.

Help needed! Adults to help co-ordinate this event. We also need volunteers to decorate, provide light breakfast snacks, assist photographer, oversee the actual hunt and a lot of youth to hide eggs and greet our guests. Contact gayemarkham@yahoo.com You will enjoy being part of this event, looking forward to hearing from many of you.

First Communion Class is scheduled for April 17 at 2:00 PM

This class is very interactive and helps our children walk through some special events in Christ's life. At least one parent must be in attendance with each child and you need to sign up for this class at the check in desk in the Children's hallway. You may also email me at gayemarkham@yahoo.com to be included in the list. Due to the fact that Easter is the following weekend our new communicants will commune on May 1, at the 11:00 service. They will be recognized in the 11:00 service and have special recognition in the fellowship that follows. If you have a child that has not been part of a First Communion Class this is a very special opportunity for you to be involved and supportive of your child's faith walk.

Mission Trip to Guatemala needs kids to reach out to kids!!

We are sending a group from Holy Trinity to Guatemala April 2-10 and want our children and teens to have an opportunity to reach out to the young people we meet while we are there. If you would like to have a friend in another country and would be willing to put together a photo album (small) that we will provide, please come by the attendance desk in the Children's hallway for extra details and to pick up your album. You will fill it with photos of you and your life and we will take it to Guatemala and give it to a young person there along with film and have them fill in the last half of the album with photos of their life. It could turn into a continuing friendship, or a chance to let someone know that people care about them even though we may be far away. God can use this simple tool to reach out in his love. Will you help us? We would like to be able to take 40 albums. Contact gayemarkham@yahoo.com for more details.



Stephen Ministry

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Mathew 11:28

Going through a spiritual crisis? Or perhaps you know someone who is? Let a Stephen Minister stand by you with confidential Christian care.

Contact Pastor Birkholz at the church office or Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205.



The envelope of the month for *March* is "Right in the Community".

This Cobb county organization offers support & education for people with mental retardation.

This envelope is for March 5-6, but can be used anytime during the month of March.

Saturday Worship Update

Each Saturday night at 5:30 PM Holy Trinity offers a "come as you are" Praise Service. The music is contemporary and is sure to lift your spirit and feed you as you worship in word and song.

The Saturday Creative Worship Team, a sub-group of the Saturday Worship Committee, continues to plan ways to enhance the services through creative arts elements (videos, special music, and a Saturday drama team, etc). The team is also working on a Vision/Purpose Statement as the committee plans ways to strengthen our outreach efforts.

Come join us any Saturday night at 5:30 PM to experience our Praise Service, to be nourished as we hear the Word, lift our voices in praise and share the body and blood of Christ Jesus through Holy Communion. We will leave the service strengthened and ready to share the *Good News* with others.



Join us at our Saturday contemporary praise service.

Angel Food This Month

The March Angel Food orders will be taken on Sunday, March 13th from 12:30 - 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Food pick-up is on Saturday, Mar. 19th 8:45 - 9:30 AM in the Education Bldg
View menu on HT's website or order directly on the Angel Food website:
www.angelfoodministries.com
You may order online and pay with a debit card.

Run & Walk with the Lutheran Chicks!

Join up for the Atlanta Women's 5K on Saturday, March 26, at 8 a.m. All (women and girls) are welcome to the fun course through Candler Park. Email Pastor Birkholz if you would like to join the carpool from HT in the morning, or just meet there. Watch for info on Lutheran Chicks MOVE T-shirts to wear!

Memorials & Gifts to Holy Trinity

Gifts in Memory of Betty Caster (mother of Dave Hutt) for the Saturday Music Ministry were received from:

- Mr. & Mrs. Pat Vermeer
- Mrs. Cullene Harper
- Mr. & Mrs. Sam Miller
- Mr. & Mrs. Hans Schwantje



Gifts in Honor of the 50th anniversary of Vince & Sylvia Exley for the Sunday Music Ministry were received from:

- Mr. & Mrs. John Lundborg
- Mrs. Martha Lovich
- Mr. & Mrs. Stan Wise

ELW Setting 9

During the Season of Lent we will begin using ELW Setting 9. If you would like to hear and learn the congregation portions, join us at 8 or 10:45 AM on March 6th and 13th. We will sing through the portions used in the service for that day. This setting will be used all five weeks in Lent so that we can become comfortable with this beautiful music. Then it will become part of our liturgy rotation.

Lenten Art Series Premiere at Holy Trinity

We are pleased to host a gallery showing of spectacular photographs taken by member Scott Ranger. Scott serves as a nature tour guide in Alaska 6 months of the year and takes amazing nature photographs. He'll be using his bible knowledge by pairing his works with scripture verses appropriate to the Lenten season. This installation will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall. Times for viewing begin Ash Wednesday and then any time the church is regularly open for worship services or meetings. Come spend some time in contemplation using these works of art!

Sunday Worship in March

March 6
Transfiguration of Our Lord
ELW Festival Setting 1 with Gary Cosler, Trumpet. Choral anthems by Hofreiter and Baladireff. We will conclude the service with the Farewell to Alleluias liturgy.

March 13
First Sunday in Lent
ELW Setting 9 Introduction for the First Sunday in Lent and sung Responses. Choral anthems by Besig and Fettke.

Worship Matters

As we approach the Lenten season, we begin with the Farewell to Alleluias at the close of our March 6th worship services. We continue on the Lenten journey to the cross with our Ash Wednesday Service, weekly Lenten worship and additional Wednesday night services. Prominent in the sanctuary on Ash Wednesday will be a large container of ashes as a visual reminder of our own mortality.

Another visual element added to our Lenten services this year will be a new series of banners. Created by local artist Ellen Phillips and Tim Young, we'll see a banner added each week of Lent. The series will depict barren trees and a connected pathway, symbols of our own barrenness without the hope of the Easter Resurrection, and our journey through the weeks of Lent from Ash Wednesday through Passion Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and finally, Easter.

Worship on Wednesday evenings begins on March 9th with our Ash Wednesday service held at 7:30 PM and led by the combined Adult choirs and Jonathan Wright, violin. The following Wednesday worship services begin at 7 PM and will offer a variety of formats with the unified theme of the Body of Christ. They are:

March 16- The Feet of Christ/ Lenten Journey/ Celtic Service

March 23- The Hands of Christ/ Lenten Service of Healing

March 30- The Mouth of Christ/ Hunger/ Prayers Around the Cross

April 6- The Ears of Christ/ Drama/ Night Prayer

April 13- The Eyes of Christ/ Sung Vespers by Carla Giomo

Lenten meals begin with our annual Ash Wednesday Soup Supper, on March 9th at 6:00 PM, hosted by W-ELCA. The following weeks we will examine World Hunger, using the ELCA format. We will focus on a different part of the world including the USA, enjoy global cuisine and learn how we might make a difference. This is a new concept for our meals, and we hope you'll come with an open mind and an appetite. **Meals this year will only be \$5.00 per person, with a children's option for those under 8 at \$2.00 per child.**

Lenten Devotional Booklets are available for pick up on the wooden table in the Fellowship Hall beginning Ash Wednesday. There are two formats, one for teens and adults and one for families with children. We hope that you will find these useful as you set aside a few minutes each day for meditation and prayer as part of your personal Lenten observations.

The celebration of Easter cannot be observed without first going through the Imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday, following the Journey of Lent in weekly worship opportunities, and experiencing the emotions ranging from excitement of Passion Sunday, love of Christ on Maundy Thursday and the agony of the Cross on Good Friday. Join us as we make this pilgrimage together as the body of Christ on earth.



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Member Milestones

Happy Birthday

March 1
 Dawn Cantelmo
 Branden Eskew
 Ron Jacoby
 Mary Martin
 Kathryn Marvinny

March 2
 Avery Blenner
 Tara Borysiak
 Dan Grohs
 Luke Nelson
 Chelsea Pursley

March 3
 Christine Einertson
 Ansley Provost
 Meghan Schmidt

March 4
 Tom Hinkson
 Deanna O'Connor
 Lauren Serro
 Katy Vesper

March 5
 Denise Hazlett
 Tyler Ryan

March 6
 Bill Hetherington
 Gregg Limber
 Alexis Moore
 Erik Storla

March 7
 Reed Bearden
 Josephine Dawson
 Caitlin Plumley

March 8
 Sean Allen
 Donna Formato
 Jacob Lash
 Dainty Lovich
 Kurt Nemeck
 Bobby Parker
 Jan Schaffrick

March 9
 Cameron Benefield
 Andrew Fennell
 J.P. Fowler
 Rusty Krueger
 Connor Plumley
 David Rajecki

March 10
 Judi Clos
 Gavin Formato
 Allison Hagan
 Chris Morra

March 11
 Rick Brandt
 Allison Crenshaw
 Rosalind Howe
 Jodi Martin Post
 Steve Topp

March 12
 Jay Coe
 Mark Garrett
 Keldan Holm
 Marna Iverson
 Jacob John

March 13
 Jan Berkholtz
 Kathie Jordan
 Kurt Kalliomaa
 Lydia Parsons
 Kristen Schutte
 Andy Vesper
 Jim Wood
 Susie Wood

March 14
 David Lovich
 Carlos Meza

March 15
 Michael DePeder
 Diane Mathis

March 16
 Tim Hoon
 Alexandra Ingram
 Kristi Knapp
 Terri Landers
 Karen Van Buskirk
 Angelica Marie Webb

March 17
 Jerry Harris
 Olivia Mould
 Hans Schwantje
 Ethan Ziegler

March 18
 Brynne Carlborn
 Michelle Lorenz
 Amy Payne

March 19
 Cindy Adams
 Louise Harris
 Pat Vermeer

March 20
 Tom Langdon
 Kristen Reynolds
 Russ Stricker
 Rebecca Zavorski

March 21
 Lisa Krzyzewski
 Ashleigh Martin
 Ted Maxwell
 Al Roach
 Chase Schwartz
 Jim Zavorski

March 22
 Corrie Howard
 Annette Rhadans
 Cortney Whitehouse

March 23
 Renee Martin
 Kaylee Wood

March 24
 Judy Blackwell
 John Hagan IV
 David Stoffer

March 25
 Linda Cosler
 Jack Moore
 Diane Roush
 Earl Tyson

March 26
 Betty Phifer

March 27
 Amanda Diederich
 Jim Whitehouse
 Adam Wise

March 28
 Alexandra Mould
 Brian Van Buskirk

March 29
 Christian Boudreaux
 Liz Cleaton
 Sally McTish
 Chris Teem
 Jennifer Trethaway

March 30
 Isabella Hess
 Matt Mattice
 Sarah Oakley
 Bill Pomplun
 Laura Segers
 Craig Stack

March 31
 Pala Balasubramanian
 Louie George
 Katie Gregory
 Madison Hackler
 Sydney Piecuch
 Richard Radke
 Dylan Rhadans
 Charlene Yde

March Anniversaries

March 3
 1979 - Phil & Kim Roenitz

March 4
 1989 - Andy & Julie Fesefeldt

March 5
 1966 - Jim & Joy Schill
 45 years

March 10
 1990 - Paul & Nancy
 Gawryszewski
 1990 - Chris & Cindy Hugh Sam

March 15
 1952 - John & Pat Lundborg
 1980 - Dave & Leigh Lyjak

March 20
 1964 - Bill & Pat Vermeer

March 21
 1992 - Dan & Christina Hess
 1998 - Joe & Amanda Masters
 1998 - Scott & Karen Stephan

March 22
 2003 - Heather & John Michno
 1975 - Scott & Annette Ranger

March 23
 1985 - Tom & Diane Mathis

March 24
 1990 - Briant & Janine Holden

*Happy Anniversary
 to all!!*



Daylight Savings Time Reminder . . .
Spring Forward On Sunday, March 13th



W-ELCA Circles

Women of Holy Trinity are invited to visit and join our circles and to attend our activities and events

EVENING PEACE CIRCLE will meet Monday, Mar. 14th at 7:00 pm in the Library. They will continue their study of other religions and their relationship to Lutheranism. For more information, please call Joy Schill, 770-977-5326.

GOD'S GRACE CIRCLE will be hosting a Bible study this month on Saturday, March 19 at 9:30 AM at Colleen Plumley's home. Call Jan Pomplun for more information or if you would like to join the carpool that will meet at church. Jan's number is 404-422-5635.

TENDER LOVING CARE CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, March 15th at 7PM in the Fellowship Hall, Annette Rhadans will lead the program. For more information please call Judy Blackwell, 770-971-9079.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will continue their study from "Lutheran Woman Today" on Wednesday, March 16th at 10:00 AM in the Library. Please bring a brown bag lunch. For more information please call Faye Martin at, 770-427-1011.

RAINBOW QUILTERS will have their two monthly meetings on Tuesday, March 8th from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM and on Monday, March 28th at 7 PM in Room 7-8 of the Education building. Call JoAnn Moore for more information at 770-509-1967.

THE W-ELCA BOARD will meet next on Tuesday, March 1 at 7PM in EB6.

*Please contact
President, Sherrill McGraw,
(770-971-4929), or
Nicole Winkler, Vice-president,
(770-565-6635) for information.*

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W-ELCA News

Upcoming Events . . .

March 9

Ash Wednesday Soup and Sandwich Supper

March 13

Hunger Walk
See Pg 10 for details

March 26

Good N.E.W.S. Cluster Event at Grace Lutheran

June 4

Meet the Author
Kathy Lee Phillips at Holy Trinity

June 21

Game Night for all women of Holy Trinity. Bring a friend!!

Atlanta Hunger Walk/Run Kiss Hunger Good Bye!

This annual event is scheduled for Sunday, March 13. Get more info and/or sign up at the Ministry Station. More details on page 10.

March Lunch Bunch

"LET'S DO LUNCH BUNCH" FOR ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

The Lunch Bunch met in February at Sandra William's home...and the menu for that afternoon was delicious!! And now we are planning our March gathering for **Thursday, March 10th, 11:30 AM** at Ada Junge's home. Just call Ada at 770-992-7372 by **March 8th** and ask her to save you a plate, and we will save you a place....we can't wait to see you!

(Dine with the Lunch Bunch the second Thursday of every month... please mark your calendar now so you won't miss the fun, fellowship, and food!!!)

Annual Ash Wednesday Soup & Sandwich Supper

Beginning 6:00pm
Wednesday, March 9th
in the Upper Room: various soups, sandwiches, and dessert. Don't miss this annual event before the Ash Wednesday Service. Payment will be accepted at the door.

We need soap!!

When are more pounds a good thing??

When pounds = SOAP!

The soap is for Lutheran World Relief. The more pounds we collect, the less we have to pay in postage per pound. Please leave soap in the W-ELCA collection area of the Library. Look for the basket on the bookshelves.

We Collect Empty Printer Ink Cartridges

The collection box is just inside the Fellowship Hall to the left of the entrance. Money we receive for this recycling effort is normally given to agencies in the Atlanta metro area. Please help us support these groups.



Are you interested in meeting women away from church?

God's Grace Bible Study is having their Bible Study at Colleen Plumley's home on March 19 at 9:30 am. Interested in attending? We will be car pooling from the church. Contact Jan Pomplun at (404) 422-5635 or email her at jkpl942@netscape.net.

Jr & Sr Youth

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Valentine's Dinner Fundraiser! We had a great time serving you, and hope you all enjoyed your meal and service! We hope to see you all, and many, many more at our Easter Breakfast!!



Pictured L-R: **Alyssa H., Catherine G., Payton D., Lily J., Casey S.**

Don't forget to keep your eye on our youth calendars for all our youth events!

Jr. Youth: <http://tinyurl.com/jryouth>

Sr. Youth: <http://tinyurl.com/sryouth>

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Habitat for Humanity

We started our 20th Habitat for Humanity build in February. The build will be supported by Thrivent Builds and the Lutheran Coalition for Habitat (comprised of 10 local Lutheran Churches). Breakfast and Lunch is provided each work day for the volunteers.

The home is located in Woodstock at 405 Village Way. We hope to see lots of new participants this year along with all of our "Habitat regulars".

How can you participate?

- Volunteer to provide food for the build volunteers.
- The next time Holy Trinity is scheduled to provide lunch is on May 7th.
- Contribute with your financial support.

Look for more information at the Ministry Station or contact:

Charlene Yde 770-928-9589 cbyde@yahoo.com
Phil Torchio 770-426-0939 ptorchio@weoga.com

Monday School

Please join us at Monday School! The Monday School Ladies invite you to join them as they continue meeting on Mondays in the Upper Room. The book chosen for this session is "KALEIDOSCOPE" by Patsy Clairmont, and can be purchased at any of the local Christian bookstores or on Amazon.com. Monday School is a wonderful way to begin the week ... so ... bring your coffee mug, your book, and a heart for learning, growing, and sharing together ... and you will be a perfect addition to our class!!! We hope to see you on Mondays! If you have any questions, please call:

Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205 or
JoAnn Moore at 770-509-1967

SCRIP Gift Cards

SCRIP purchase dates will be Saturday and Sunday March 5 & 6, with distribution the next weekend on March 12 & 13. Lent begins March 9 and for many folks, that means seafood, so be sure to purchase some SCRIP gift cards to Long John Silver's, Red Lobster, Landry's chain (Oceanaire in Atlanta) or one of our other popular seafood dining choices.

I bet some of you are already thinking about spring break and summer family vacations, so DON'T FORGET TO PACK THE SCRIP for restaurants, gas and hotels.

Kroger cards are now available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 amounts. Remember to use your Wal Mart card at one of their stores that have a gas station and receive a .03 cents per gallon discount. SCRIP sales benefit Social Ministry "Bridge the Gap" fund and Saturday Worship equipment fund.

2011 Build Schedule:

Volunteer to provide sweat equity~
in other words, pound a hammer!

No special skills needed~Habitat Supervisors direct, teach and coach you on every part of the build.

Work days are the following Saturdays:

March 19	8am - Noon	Siding
March 26	Noon - 4	Siding/Drywall
April 2	8am - Noon	Siding/Drywall
April 9	Noon - 4pm	Drywall
May 7	Noon - 4	Painting
		HT provides Lunch
May 14	9am	Youth Landscape Day
May 21	8am - Noon	Landscape
June 11	TBA	Dedication

Almost time to RUN, DON'T WALK! (Or walk if you want; we don't mind!)

It is about 6000 miles to Jerusalem from Marietta, but we are going to begin our trek toward Jerusalem during Lent! Pastor Birkholz will lead a Bible study where we'll walk or run toward the cross and total up our miles to see how far we get! We'll meet at Leita Thompson Park in Roswell at 6:45 p.m. every Tuesday beginning on March 15 (don't worry, the time change will happen by then!) to run, walk, or a combination, for 30 minutes and then enjoy study and fellowship afterwards at a nearby restaurant (TBA).

Please email Pastor Birkholz if you will be there!
bbirkholz@holymarietta.org

Financial Status Report

Effective January 31, 2011

	Budgeted	Received	Spent
January 2011	\$68,021.00	\$72,024.00	\$82,151.00
Year-to-Date	\$68,021.00	\$72,024.00	\$82,151.00

General Fund Balance as of January 31, 2011: \$ - 31,162.00

Worship Attendance through February 19-20, 2011



	5:30	8:15	11:00	LOUD Svc	Total	SCS
1/29 - 1/30	83	151	194	9	437	107
2/5 - 2/6	106	111	228		445	101
2/12 - 2/13	95	136	252	11	494	132
2/19 - 2/20	93	86	329		508	100

Council President's Update

February was an eventful month for your church council. We had a great planning and visioning process retreat out at Lutheranch early in the month and a group of your church leaders were also involved in the Synod wide "Catch the Spirit" event at Redeemer Lutheran in Atlanta.

Coming out of our council retreat we are all energized with what we see happening at Holy Trinity. Saturday night continues to grow and we are blessed with our ability to provide God's message of Grace through this venue. Our Sunday services have also seen great expansion as of late with the 11:00 service being at near capacity for many of the recent Sundays. We plan to offer additional worship, fellowship, social ministry and evangelism opportunities as we move through the rest of this year and into the future. We know we will have the support of our congregation as we continue to discern God's vision for Holy Trinity.

So far this year we are keeping pace financially, but we still have to overcome some of the shortfall we experienced in 2010. I will address the congregation more on this issue in the coming weeks and I am certain our Holy Trinity Family will come together to continue our mission.

Yours in Christ,

Jeff Plumley - Congregational President

"Word in Action" - Drama Group

The goal of this group is to contribute a meaningful facet of our faith to the liturgy already in place. We will use dramatic readings and presentations of religious drama. Some other offerings may be made during Lent, Advent, or special church activities

In addition to Tim Young, who has helped us through the embryonic stage, we'd also like to thank those who have volunteered thus far. They are:

John & Colleen Plumley	Ron Ittner	Ben & Mary Moravitz
Annette Ranger	Mary Lou Fish	Stella Blenner
David & Leigh Lyjak	Martha Lovich	Roy Lantz
Doug Jones	Roy Talledo	Miriam Seeker
Joy & Jim Schill	Kari & Joss Jorgensen	

We are developing an ongoing schedule. If you have an interest in our endeavor, please let us know. Very sincere thanks and humble appreciation.

In His Service,	Christine Billies	Norma Hornack
	678-297-9576	770-286-2000

*"Worship is the
Work of the
People."
Martin Luther*

Campbell's Labels & Aluminum Can Tabs



Thank you all for saving the soup labels and the can tabs. On Jan. 20, 2011, I brought tabs to the Ronald McDonald House, totaling 7 pounds. This money goes for the upkeep of the local Ronald McDonald Houses, which helps families with sick children.

I am still collecting the Campbell's soup labels. They are sent to the Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi. Thank you all for collecting these items and please continue to drop them off on the book cases in the church library. Thanks again. Ada Junge

Hunger Walk / Run 2011

What: 5K walk/run through downtown Atlanta to benefit hunger relief efforts in our communities

When: Sunday, March 13, 2011

- 12:00 Park Opens/Event Registration begins
- 2:00 5K Run and Walk
- 4:00 Park Closes

Come early to enjoy entertainment, food and games before the races begin.

Where: Green Lot at Turner Field. We will meet by the Lutheran Services of Georgia tent. All walkers and runners are encouraged to park in the Turner Field Blue Lot to avoid crossing the street (parking is free). The Blue Lot is just above the Green Lot where the event is held on Capitol Avenue. The Run and Walk will go through downtown Atlanta.

Why: In Georgia 22.3 percent of children live in poverty ~ that's more than half a million children under age 18. Nearly 1.6 million Georgians (16.5%) are living in poverty ~ that's equivalent to more than 26 sold out games at Turner Field. Also, 11.9 percent of Georgia's senior

citizens live in poverty ~ that's more than one in every ten senior citizens in Georgia.

Who: Everyone is invited to participate. Event is family friendly for all ages.

How: Join our Holy Trinity team at <http://acfb.convio.net/goto/htlc> or sign up at our ministry station. If you raise \$25 you will receive a free t-shirt. If you are unable to attend the event, you can still go to the website above and donate to this worthy cause. We also have a ministry station setup for cash or check donations (checks should be payable to Hunger Walk/Run). Atlanta Community Food Bank can buy 10 pounds of food for just \$1. So, every dollar we raise goes a long way in helping fight hunger in our community. Finally, you can help us by spreading the word and recruiting your co-workers, friends and family to join, too.

Participate, donate and spread the word!

Thank you!

For more information contact:

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- Thank You -- Merci -- Gracias -- Dankeschön -- Grazie -- Thank You -

Dear Pastor Grunke and members of Holy Trinity,

As I reflect on 2010, I am in awe of what **Lutheran Service of Georgia** was able to accomplish because of you -- your giving of time, money, and spiritual support has truly made an impact. **LSG** made great strides in 2010 in helping those who needed support the most.

I am especially grateful for your financial support in 2010 that enabled us to bring our services to those most in need. We surpassed our record for refugee resettlement, by resettling a record-breaking 576 individuals, compared to 509 in 2009 and 278 in 2008. We assisted hundreds of children across the state through our foster homes, permanency solutions, and adoption services, in addition to youth and adults with developmental disabilities who are living in host homes.

We look forward, we are excited about 2011 as **LSG** remains committed to serving those in need across the state and further expanding our programs. **LSG** is proud to announce the start of the Family Intervention Services program in Atlanta, which is modeled after our A+ Parents program in Savannah. We are also very excited about the potential for opening a new refugee resettlement site in the Savannah area. These expansions will enable **LSG** to continue to meet the rising demand for services.

Again, I thank you for your support in 2010. Your generosity helps transform lives across the state. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 678-686-9613.

Sincerely, *Lorraine Dorough*
Vice President of Agency Advancement
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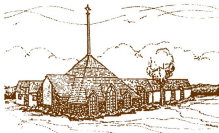
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The Trumpet - March 2011

Young at Hearts This Month

Monday, March 14

Cost: \$7.00 10:00 A.M.

Get into the spirit of a St. Patrick Irish treat, a catered luncheon in the Fellowship Hall by our own Sandra Williams, assisted by Marilyn Reardon. And what could that be? **Corned Beef and Cabbage with complimentary side dishes.** As our program, we will be pleased to hear a political figure, Helen Goreham of Cobb County, speak on "Senior Concerns".

It's time to reserve your spot for the April happening, "Cruising down the River" - a great cruise on the Southern Belle, along with a luncheon buffet of roast beef and shrimp Creole, etc. This special bus trip takes us to Chattanooga, TN and on to the Tennessee River. The cost for this package trip is only \$40 per person. Plan for it now and get your reservation and money in to Marilyn Reardon by **Monday, March 14th**, to assure your place on the bus and boat. We leave the church parking lot at 8:45 AM and return by 4:00 PM.

Questions? Contact Marilyn at 678-445-0157.

Ash Wednesday at Holy Trinity

On March 9th, our W-ELCA will host the annual Soup and Sandwich Supper starting at 6 PM in the Upper Room.

Cost: Adults - \$6.00
Children under 10 - \$3.75
Children Under 3 - Free

Following the Soup Supper will be the Ash Wednesday service, including imposition of ashes and communion, starting at 7:30 PM.

Ash  Wednesday