

**April  
2010**

**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 - 10:45 AM

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# The Trumpet

Newsletter of

**Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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## Holy Week & Easter Schedule

**Palm Saturday - The Passion**

March 27 - 5:30 PM

*Sing to the King - Music led by HTLC Praise Band  
Palm Fronds will be distributed*

**Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday**

March 28 - 8:15 & 11:00 AM

*The Service will start with an outdoor Palm Sunday Procession (weather permitting)  
Palm Fronds will be distributed*

**Maundy Thursday**

April 1 - 7:30 PM

*Music by Combined Choirs, Holy Communion,  
Stripping of the Altar*

**Good Friday**

April 2 - 8:00 PM

*Tenebrae Service of Scripture & Music  
With Combined Adult choirs*

**Easter Eve**

Saturday, April 3 - 5:30 PM

*All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises*

*Families are asked to bring a fresh-cut flower to place on the Narthex cross*

**Easter**

April 4 - 8:15 & 11:00 AM

*Combined Adult Choirs with Brass Quintet & Timpani*

*Families are asked to bring a fresh-cut flower to place on the Narthex cross*

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## ANNUAL EASTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

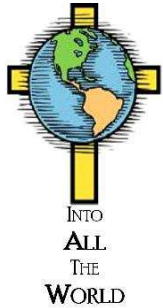
*Hosted by our Senior Youth*

**Sunday, April 4 ~ 9:00 AM**

**In the Upper Room**

*Your donations will support the  
Youth Trip to Lutheranch in June*





**We NEED 2 more Adults  
and 1 Youth to represent  
Holy Trinity  
at the 2010  
SE Synod Assembly.  
Please contact the  
church office if you'd  
like to attend as our Rep!!**



## 2010 SE Synod Assembly

The 2010 ELCA-Southeastern Synod Assembly will be held June 4-6, 2010 at the Chattanooga Convention Center, Chattanooga, TN.

### What is the Synod Assembly and who can attend?

According to our Synod Constitution, "This synod shall have a Synod Assembly, which shall be its highest legislative authority." (S7.01.) Anyone can attend the Synod Assembly as a visitor. Our Synod Constitution outlines that Lay Voting Members should be elected from each congregation and, of course, all Ordained Ministers, Associates in Ministry, Deaconesses and Diaconal Ministers under call on the roster of this synod should attend.

Congregations with:

- 1-499 baptized members elect two lay voting members (one male, one female)
- 500-999 baptized members elect one additional lay voting member (either male or female)
- 1000 + baptized members elect one additional lay voting member (to balance).

Youth and young adult voting members are also welcome!

On-line registration is now available on-line at [www.elca-ses.org/Assembly.html](http://www.elca-ses.org/Assembly.html)

## Oberammergau - Prague - Budapest - Vienna

For those who have already signed up for our Oberammergau trip, as well as anyone interested in signing up, we will have an informational meeting on Sunday, April 18 at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a Q & A time as well as a time to get acquainted with your fellow travelers.

*Pastor G and Ginger*

## Holy Trinity is now on Facebook!

You can now find us on Facebook! Search for Holy Trinity when you're next on your Facebook page and request to become a Fan. We'll add you so that you can keep up with the latest web page postings, and link with friends old and new. Facebook is also a great evangelism tool, giving you a chance to share what's going on at HT with your family and friends. Find us at:

**Holy Trinity ELCA, Marietta**

*Be sure to invite all your friends to join us as we share the gospel!*

## Calendar Reminder:

**There is no Sunday Church School, Confirmation or Sunday evening Youth during Spring Break - Sunday, April 4th through Sunday, April 11th.**

## Children, Adult and Family Ministry

This is an amazing time of year, everything seems to be celebrating with us as we rejoice in Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Our children of all ages are excited too. It is Spring Break!! No school for a whole week, but I miss them and many of you while we take this break. We will also miss Sunday School for two weeks. As I miss you it is my

prayer that in some of your moments together you are having some time to talk with your children about Jesus and His love for them. We have a luncheon scheduled for our Pre-school and Children's leadership teams. We are meeting at South of the Border for a meeting and lunch together. If you would like to join our leadership team

for next year, please contact me at gayemarkham@yahoo.com or at the church office 770-971-4600. We have a few spots to fill and would love to add you to this fabulous group of volunteers. First Communion will be the end of this month. It is on April 25th from 2:00-3:30 pm in the Library. Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall on

the wooden table, as well as in the children's hallway on the table by the phone. All are welcome. The communicants will take communion on May 2nd. Following the 11:00 AM service, there will be a reception in their honor.

*Blessings,  
Gaye*

### First Communion Class

***The Spring 2010 class will be on Sunday, April 25, 2:00-3:30PM. This class is informative and helps children understand the reason we take communion and why it is important. All ages are welcome, it will be held in the Library. Sign up sheets will be in the Children's hallway of the Educational building as well as on the wooden table in the Fellowship Hall. The class will take its first communion on May 2. There will be a fellowship following the 11AM service in honor of this special day in the lives of each child and the church family of Holy Trinity.***



### Adult Sunday School

A new Bible Study is being offered this Spring. It is a study on the **Book of Acts**. It is open to all ages, it meets in room 6 (by the office) This class is facilitated by Stacey and Jeff Schutte. It is very informative and everyone is welcome. Come check it out! Our **Parenting Class** is doing short studies on topics related to child rearing and in response to the interest of those in attendance. This is a very social group and you will feel right at home. The focus tends to be on families that have children from birth through grade school. This class is facilitated by Marvin and Shelia Ziegler and meets in room 9 in the children's hallway. **Faith of our Fathers** is a great class. It is very thought provoking and stimulates good discussion. It is based on the leaders of our nation from its beginning until now.

### Vacation Bible School

Guess what? Believe it or not VBS is just around the corner! The dates this year are June 14 thru 18. Sign up sheets will be at a Ministry Station in the Fellowship Hall beginning the last 2 weeks of April and all during the month of May. Vacation Bible School is one of our largest events of the year and we will need your help to make it all it can be. Decorating will begin May 17th and we will need painters, decorators, movers, leaders, workers for attendance and information tables, buyers, snack helpers and hostesses for our teacher snack room. It's not too early to begin inviting children you

There have been many sources used in preparing the material for discussion. It is interactive and you will enjoy the friendly debate. This class has had co-leaders. Dewey Staggs and Norma Hornack do a great job of researching the different leaders and bringing new facts to light. This class meets in the Library (just off the Fellowship Hall) If you are not currently involved in a Sunday school Class take a few Sundays to stop in and try out a few of these that are being offered. You will not be behind, each week is self contained and you will receive a warm welcome in whichever class you choose. Try a few, it takes time to get the right fit and you are encouraged to do just that. Hope to see you Sunday in one of our small groups!

know to this special event. It is a wonderful week where God is the focus of all that is done. It is fun and builds memories that remind each child in attendance that God is present, loving and caring for each one of them, every minute of every day. The week will include fun music, crafts, drama, snacks, a mission project and games. Children 3 years through completed 5th grade are invited. Childcare is provided for workers' children under 3 years old. This event requires a huge staff of youth and adults. Sign up early. God will use YOU in the life of a child.



## Stephen Ministry

“Why, God?” . . . Every Christian goes through periods of struggling with questions about faith.

If you are going through a rough time in your spiritual life, a Stephen Minister would like to care for you. Contact Pastor Birkholz at the church office or Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205.



The envelope of the month for *April* is “Habitat For Humanity”

(This organization helps fund the building of affordable housing in our community through the Lutheran Coalition for Habitat.)

The envelope is for April 3-4, but can be used anytime during the month of April.

## Saturday Night Praise Service

The Saturday Night Praise Band will be having auditions in April for singers and musicians. High School age through Adults may audition. Musicians needed are: Electric Guitar, Bass, Drums, Percussion, Acoustic Guitar and Keyboards. Musicians will play once a month on a rotating schedule. Must be able to read charts.

Rehearsals are on Saturdays at 3:30 and the service starts at 5:30.

For more information contact Chas Childers at [chazsongs@gmail.com](mailto:chazsongs@gmail.com)

## LOUD - Youth Worship Service

Junior and Senior Youth - don't' forget to be attending LOUD, our new Youth Worship Service. LOUD takes place during Youth Group every other Sunday night at 6:30 PM in Room 14 of the Educational Building.

Special Music - Special Worship Service . . . geared just for our Youth!!

## Holy Trinity Youth Runner-Up in Oratorical Competition

Christian Einertson, Holy Trinity member and 10th grader at Lassiter HS, place second in the American Legion Marietta Post 29 National High School Oratorical Competition.

Christian's oration, “Five Rights, One Amendment”, was presented as part of the 73rd annual American Legion competition, A *Constitutional Speech Contest*. Christian faced some very tough competition, since the winner of that contest, Joseph Rondone, an 11th grade home schooler, went on to win at the District, Area,

and State of Georgia competitions as well.

All Holy Trinity youth, grades 9 through 12, are encouraged to enter next year's competition, vying for over \$20,000.00 in prizes and scholarships awarded to the National winner.

For more information, contact Holy Trinity member and American Legion Post 29 High School Oratorical competition chairman, Roy Lantz. Roy can be reached at [roy@roylantz.com](mailto:roy@roylantz.com) or by calling 678-560-1082

## Angel Food News

The April Angel Food orders will be taken on Sunday, April 11th from 12:30 - 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Pick up is on Saturday, April 17th 9:30 - 10:30 AM in the Education Bldg

View menu or order directly on the *Angel Food website:*

[www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com)



## Children's Church

Children's Church has been a fabulous success this year! We only have 3 sessions left, April 18th, May 2nd and May 16th.

These are special times for our children to focus on our Lutheran Heritage and give parents the opportunity to focus on the sermon. Hope to see many of you there.

## Disaster Preparedness

Are you interested in how the church prepares for events such as, tornadoes and other natural disasters? Or maybe you have a medical background that can help us be ready for a medical emergency such as a heart attack?

Well ---

**WE NEED YOU!!**

We are looking for a coordinator to work along side our Property Management Committee to ensure that Holy Trinity is ready for whatever occurrence may happen.

Please call the church office for more information.

## Sunday Worship in April

April 4 Easter

*ELW festival Setting I*

with the combined choirs. Brass Quintet and Timpani featuring music composed by Chepponis, Perry, Courtney and Grundahl and hymns arrangements by Hopson, Bankson and Hobby.



April 11 Second Sunday of Easter

*Now the Feast and Celebration*

with offertory anthem by Bradley Ellingboe.

April 18

Third Sunday of Easter

*Liturgy for the Family of God*

with music for choirs arranged by Peter Crisafulli.

April 25

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*ELW Setting I* with music at the offering by Cindy Johnston Favreau.

## Lighthouse 5th Annual Yard Sale

### Lighthouse Mission Trip

### Awesome Yard Sale Saturday, April 24th

Please join us for a cup of coffee as you begin your shopping spree at our **Sixth Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, April 24th from 8 AM - 4 PM in our own church parking lot!** And stay for a hot dog lunch as you continue to load up your car with all your purchases. Again . . . please plan to join us for a day of shopping where your money will truly make a difference for our team serving this summer . . . as well

as for the children with cancer and their families attending a truly amazing week at the beach. We are gratefully accepting items to be sold at the yard sale and ask that these items be delivered, pre-priced, to Holy Trinity's Fellowship Hall on **Thursday, 4-22 or Friday 4/23 starting at 9 AM.** Please, no deliveries after 7 PM on Friday evening. We are thankful that Thrivent Financial will be offering matching funds to those monies made at the Yard Sale for the Lighthouse Family Retreat. **(We are humbly asking for volunteers this**

year to help us set up and organize on Thursday & Friday, as well as help us sell on Saturday . . . your assistance will make a difference for **THE LIGHTHOUSE!!!**

If you can join us any of those days, please call Julie Fesefeldt: 678-469-9874 or Alice Rohrbach: 770-973-7205 . . . Thank You!!)

We thank God for all the support you continue to give us . . . and look forward to seeing you in the church parking lot . . . at the cash register . . . where we can all give you a grateful hug.



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
*Member Milestones*

## Happy Birthday

### April 1

Jessica Krueger  
Hutton

### April 2

Michelle Barton  
Caroline Bergwall  
Zoe Buffington  
Neal Fesefeldt  
Richard Hoeckendorf

### April 3

Mia Erdmann

### April 4

Maia Aguirre  
Joey Hays

### April 5

Glenn Stoops  
Taylor Wayne  
Lindsay Wise

### April 6

Audrey Gijlstra  
Emily Stewart  
Bonnie Stricker

### April 7

Kevin Clancy  
Hannah Nemeck  
Dave Tester  
Lisa Watson  
Sara Zavorski

### April 8

Mya Borysiak  
Courtney Ellis  
Jack Jones  
Mirna Lee  
Jack Vogt

### April 9

Jared Carroll

### April 10

Michael Nizzi  
Gaye Markham

### April 11

Ellen Gros  
Mitchell Lee

### April 12

Rhonda Dart  
Leigh Fish  
Jessica Gembinski  
Dorothy Graham  
Lance LoRusso  
Amanda Michno  
Bryan Paulo

### April 13

Evan Ballenger  
Paula Bode  
Madison Houck  
Bryant Hugh Sam  
Katie Lee  
Michael Morra  
Kelly Teem

### April 14

Katie Aikala  
Mike Bode  
Jennie Harper

### April 15

Barb Kearney  
Terry Nelson  
Karen Stephan

### April 16

Sigi Barringer  
John Einertson  
Barbara Guthrie  
Katie Mathis

### April 17

Allison Lionberger  
Dennis Nordman  
Drew Sechrest

### April 18

Melissa Cosler  
Pam Patterson  
Paulette Rader  
Kelly Tester Saeli

### April 19

Bonnie Lantz  
Sarah Stoops

### April 20

Robin Brown  
Betty Lovich  
Steve Provost  
Gloria Salkin  
Kristin Storla  
John Stuetzer

### April 21

Dana Houck  
Caitlin O'Grady

### April 22

Tom Ballantine  
Carolyn Einertson  
Tiffany Eyrich  
Mike Heinzer  
Larry Stoffer

### April 23

Claire Cicero  
Randy Hanson  
Mike Kearney  
Sander Lee

### April 24

Sue Crenshaw  
Sarah Fish  
Dan Formato  
Allison Green  
Kayla Hazlett  
Jamie Klucsarits  
Parker Roush  
Spencer Roush

### April 25

Michael Diederich  
Stephen Schneider

### April 26

Halle Cutrone  
Bob Manly  
Jolene Orser

### April 27

Norah Howard  
Frankie Morgan

### April 28

Cathy Ballantine  
Marcia Heinzer

### April 29

Shirley Richards  
Lara Roenitz  
Carl Teem  
Linda Topp  
Drew Turnbeaugh

### April 30

Lauren Benefield  
Joel Phillips

## Happy Anniversary

### April 1

2006 - Mike & Jessica Berkholtz  
1997 - Mark & Lea Bessey  
1988 - Andy Totin & LaRetta Tubbs

### April 3

1972 - David & Sherrill McGraw  
1982 - Michael & Linda Medrow  
1983 - John & Mary Stuetzer

### April 4

2000 - Elizabeth &  
Stephen Vititoe  
10 years

### April 6

1968 - Doug & Patty Carroll  
1987 - Jan & Beth Gijlstra

### April 10

1999 - Jose & Paula Garcia  
1993 - Alan & Rene Machen  
1999 - John & Linda Vogt

### April 13

1968 - John & Kitza Muhlhausen

### April 18

1959 - Bert & Stella Blenner

### April 19

1997 - Steve & Ursula Higgins

### April 20

1991 - Steve & Johanna Aikala  
2002 - Jeff & Stacey Schutte

### April 23

1976 - Phil & Gail Torchio

### April 24

1965 - Louise & Douglas Harris  
45 years

### April 25

1980 - Elaine & Phillip Carlton  
30 Years  
1981 - Joel & Kathy Phillips

### April 26

2003 - Gregg & Elaine Limber  
1958 - Gerald & Dolores  
Oberholtzer  
1975 - Steve & Linda Topp  
35 years

### April 28

1972 - Pala & Beverly  
Balasubramanian  
1984 - Jeff & Kathy Pinkham  
2001 - Jeff & Maria Ragsdale

### April 29

2000 - Bill & Paige Hilton  
10 years  
2000 - Jamie & Andrew Knowles  
10 years  
1979 - Gene & Karen Peisel

### April 30

1988 - Roy & Elizabeth Talledo

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The next  
Trumpet  
deadline  
is *Friday,*  
*April 16.*

Please email  
your articles to  
Nicole Winkler at

[nwinkler@holyltrinitymarietta.org](mailto:nwinkler@holyltrinitymarietta.org)

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It's Not  
Too Late To  
Go **GREEN**

If you haven't started viewing  
The Trumpet on line . . .  
. . . *it's not too late.*

Help us save paper, postage  
and energy by contacting the  
church office and letting us  
know you'll be reading The  
Trumpet on line!! If the church  
office or send a message to our  
dedicated email address:  
[TheTrumpet@HolyTrinityMarietta.org](mailto:TheTrumpet@HolyTrinityMarietta.org)

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## W-ELCA Circles

*Women of Holy Trinity  
are invited to visit  
& join our circles*

**EVENING PEACE CIRCLE** will meet Monday, April 12th at 7:00 pm, in the Library. Norma Hornack will continue discussion of important women in history with Monica, mother of Augustine. For more information, please call Joy Schill, 770-977-5326.

**GOD'S GRACE CIRCLE** will meet on April 21st in Rm 7/8. They will continue the book study titled Giving God Your All, by Thomas Nelson. For more information contact Jan Pomplun, 404-422-5635.

**TENDER LOVING CARE CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, April 20th at 7p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Kathy Seraphine will host the evening and Olga Noel will provide the program. For more information please call Judy Blackwell, 770-971-9079.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Wednesday, April 21st at 10:00 AM in the Library. We will continue the Romans study from the *Lutheran Woman Today* magazine, led by Pastor Grunke. Please bring a brown bag lunch. For more information please call Faye Martin at, 770-427-1011.

**RAINBOW QUILTERS** will meet on Tuesday, April 13th from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM in Room 7/8 of the Education building. They will also meet on the 26th at 7pm. For more information contact JoAnn Moore at, 770-509-1967.

**THE W-ELCA BOARD** will meet on Tuesday, April 6th at 7:00 in Room EB 6.

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

## W-ELCA News

### 83 Quilts & 51 Health Kits Sent To Haiti

The Rainbow Quilters are happy to report that they made and sent 83 quilts that will be sent to Haiti through Lutheran World Relief. Along with the quilts, 51 Health Kits were sent. They were put together by W-ELCA with the various items donated by our congregation. **Many thanks to all those who donated fabric and Health Kit items.** The Rainbow Quilters would love to have more helpers. They meet on the 2nd Tuesday at 9 AM and the 4th Monday at 7 PM every month in Room 7-8 of the Education Building.

### W-ELCA Cluster 2 (Good N.E.W.S.) To Meet at HT

The Women of the ELCA's annual Spring Cluster meeting will be held here at Holy Trinity this year on April 10th from 9 AM - 2 PM. There will be many women in attendance representing the Good N.E.W.S. (North, East, West, South) Cluster from all around Georgia.

This year's theme, "Wind of the Spirit" is taken from Genesis 1:2. All those attending will get an opportunity to share their projects, programs, etc. with the other W-ELCA groups. They will also be electing a Coordinator for a 3-year term, a Recorder for a 2-year term and a Member-at-Large

With more hands, we will be able to make more quilts and help more people around the world.



### Secret Prayer Sister Reminders

When you are leaving a gift for your Secret Prayer Sister on the library bookshelf, PLEASE be sure that their name is visible on the package. If you are leaving a plant, or a perishable item, you may want to have another SPS contact them to let them know that they have a gift there that needs to be picked up ASAP.

### W-ELCA Area is in the Library

The W-ELCA bookcase and collection site is located in the Library. Come see our new, updated area for W-ELCA info and to drop off your Soap, Soup Labels, Pop Top Tabs, and Secret Prayer Sister gifts at this location.

### Ink Cartridge Recycling

The collection box is just inside the Fellowship Hall to the left of the entrance. Money we receive from this recycling effort will go towards our 2010 Scholarship program. Please help us support this worthy cause.

for a 1-year term. A MUST Ministry representative will speak on the good works they do, and a collection of underwear and socks for men, women and children will be taken. It will be distributed to MUST later in the year after the SE Synod Convention (to be held at the Marietta Conference Center, Sept. 10-12).

After meetings and a luncheon, at 1 PM, a worship service reflecting the "Wind of the Spirit" theme is scheduled to close the day's events. It will be led by Pastor Birkholz.

If you've ever wondered what W-ELCA is all about,

this will be a wonderful opportunity to learn about it both at the church level and Cluster level.

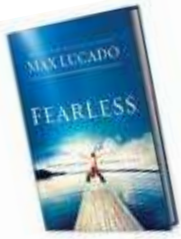
To get more information please contact:

Annette Rhadans at 770-424-1957 or Faye Martin at 770-427-1011.

*We hope to see you!*



only \$100.



### Women's Monday Morning Book Study

Monday School is a great study and we invite your coffee cup, your book  
Women's Book Study invite all the ladies of the and your Bible. We promise  
continues with the study of church to join us. We meet it will be a very inspirational  
Max Lucado's new book in Room 7-8 of the Educa- start to your week.  
entitled, "Fearless - Imagine tional Building on Mondays  
Your Life Without Fear". It at 9:30 AM. So just bring

See you then!



**It's NOT  
just for families!!  
Singles and those  
without kids  
are welcome too.**

### 2010 Family Camping

Family camping weekends a weekend full of fellow- Free at 1-877-444-6777. Our  
are a 30+ year tradition at ship, food and fun for all group activities will be in the  
Holy Trinity, with both ages. Saturday evening Fel- vicinity of site 145. Whether  
summer and fall outings lowship is followed by a you're an experienced camper,  
the past several years. Our potluck meal (bring your newbie, or maybe just want to  
summer camping weekend family's main dish and a dip your toe in the water and  
is May 21-23 at McKinney side or desert to share). On come up for the day/evening  
Campground on Lake Allat- Sunday, morning worship Saturday or Sunday ser-  
toona. This campground is vice/breakfast, contact Dave  
only 15 miles from the potluck breakfast including Lyjak (dlyjak@gmail.com or  
church and we have al- "The Grits Bar". Site reserva- 770-578-4627) for additional  
ready put in our reserva- tions can be made at info. (drlyjak@comcast.net or  
tion for great weather and www.recreation.gov or Toll- 770-578-4627) for additional  
and info.

### Youth Sign-UP Reminders

- 1) **AFFIRM** - registration is now open for AFFIRM. You may register online at <http://www.sesyouth.org/> or see Erin Chonka for a paper version to be mailed in.
- 2) **Lutheranch** - Don't forget to sign up for the Sr. Youth Mission Trip to Lutheranch from June 6-12! Cost is only \$100.00.



### Habitat for Humanity

We started our 20<sup>th</sup> Habitat for Humanity build on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>. This year our build is an Ecumenical Build. The churches of the Lutheran Coalition for Habitat, of which Holy Trinity is a member, will provide volunteer labor for 4-5 days of the 10 day build. We are building for the Berry Family, a family of six including three children and a grandmother. We hope to see lots of new participants this year along with all of our "Habitat regulars."

The home is located at  
5460 Blackhawk Drive  
in Acworth.

- Take Highway 92 West
- After passing the intersection for I-575, go 3.9 miles and turn left onto Seminole Way
- Turn left onto Cascade Dr.
- Turn right onto Blackhawk Dr and 5460 will be on left.
- Please park on the street.

Our scheduled  
Saturdays at  
this time are:

**May 1 - 8AM - Noon -  
For Painting**

**May 15 - Time TBD -  
Youth Landscape Day**



Look for the Ministry Station to sign up to work and/or get more information about the the build and Habitat for Humanity. Or contact: Charlene Yde 770-928-9589 cbyde@yahoo.com or Phil Torchio 770-426-0939 torchio@weoga.com

# Financial Status Report

Effective February 28, 2010

	Budgeted	Received	Spent
February 2010	\$84,011.00	\$65,201.00	\$79,144.00
Year-to-Date	\$158,328.00	\$135,809.00	\$166,025.00

General Fund Balance as of February 28, 2010: \$ -50,579.00

## Council President's Update

On March 20th, your church council along with our two pastors and staff participated in a retreat at The Holy Trinity House located at Lutheranch in Tallapoosa, Georgia. It was the first time at the camp for most of us. As the establishment of this lodge has been part of our "Today's Vision – Tomorrow's Mission" campaign, we were all very impressed with the accommodations and the facilities it has to offer our youth groups and others. Overlooking the lake on a beautiful, mild spring day, our purpose was to continue the process of focusing on what the church leadership team needs to do to take

Holy Trinity to the next plateau.

Using notions from the book "From Good to Great", we discussed many ideas. We reviewed statistics from the ELCA about our demographics which states that currently 41.4% of the population of Cobb County is un-churched. We defined traits of a great church and analyzed various forces and factors that impact Holy Trinity's likelihood of becoming a great church. We discussed our mission, vision and values. By the end of the day we had agreed upon three global growth and development areas for our focus to best serve our congregation, the community

and Christ. They are:

- 1) To be Inclusive to All with meaningful and inspiring education and programs grounded in Lutheran Doctrine.
- 2) To develop and implement a comprehensive internal and external communications plan and program.
- 3) To develop and equip current and future church leaders and volunteers.

Therefore, our next steps are to define what actions and resources are necessary to move ahead with these areas which are important to the long term sustainability and growth of Holy Trinity. We invite your participation in our

committees and ministry teams who will be working on these initiatives.

As we approach the holiest week in Christianity, the church council and I look forward to greeting you at our many upcoming worship services. May the true meaning of this week, from Christ's entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, to the Last Supper, to his crucifixion and to the joy of his resurrection on Easter Sunday, resonate and inspire you and your family.

In His Service,  
Bill Van Buskirk  
Congregational  
President

## Worship Statistics through March 20-21, 2010

	5:30	8:15	11:00	Total	SCS	
2/20 - 2/21	98	97	226	421	98	
2/27 - 2/28	112	126	227	LOUD Svc 22	487	127
3/6 - 3/7	112	121	235		468	117
3/13 - 3/14	125	95	201	LOUD Svc 20	441	118
3/20 - 3/21	80	116	216		412	128



"All are welcome."



**“LET’S DO LUNCH BUNCH”**

For All Women of the Church

**Lunch Bunch**

The food was delicious and we had such fun eating . . . and Ada’s house was noisy because of all the chatter and laughter. . .why don’t you join us as we meet again for a wonderful lunch time together at

**Doris Clement’s home on Thursday, April 8th at 11:30 a.m. Just call Doris at 770-973-4402 by April 6th and tell her you want to eat with the “wild and crazy Lunch Bunch!”**

We’ll be anxious to have you join us!! (Dine with the Lunch Bunch” the second Thursday of every month...mark your calendar...now so you won’t miss the food, fun, and fellowship!!!!)

**Lutheridge & Lutherock Summer Camps**

Children today need summer camp more than ever! Sixty per cent of ELCA Pastors say outdoor ministry was significant to their call to ministry. With the demands on our children’s time today, why don’t you consider investing in faith camps for your kids? At Lutheridge and Lutherock, we have two wonderful outdoor ministry facilities with a staff full of Christian spirit and a safe program. The camps are for 1st graders through 12th graders. A special Outdoor Adventure Program has been developed to attract middle and high school youth. Activities include:

rock-climbing, whitewater rafting, caving, backpacking, canoeing, high ropes courses, and more!

There are two ways to register:  
by phone at 828-684-2361 or  
on-line at [www.LLMI.net](http://www.LLMI.net)

**Lutheridge and Lutherock have scholarship money available, so don’t skip camp just because of the cost!**

Brochures are also available on the wooden table in the Fellowship Hall, feel free to pick one up!



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

To my Holy Trinity Family,  
I would like to thank my Holy Trinity family for their support of me and my family during the many years of my son’s illness, also the many who attended Alan’s memorial service and visitation. Although my relatives reside up north, my Holy Trinity Family takes excellent care of me.

Sincerely,  
Louise Hook

To my friends at Holy Trinity,  
I wish to express my sincere thank you and appreciation to the many get well wishes and prayers sent my way while I was in the hospital and recovering at home during December and January. Special thanks to Pastor Grunke and Pastor Birkholz for their visits to Emory while I was there. I attribute my speedy recovery to my having such a loving and caring congregation.

Thanks again, David McGraw

Dear Pastor Grunke and members of the congregation,  
One of the core beliefs at Lutheran Services of Georgia is that every person should be allowed the opportunity to live a life free of abuse and neglect. We believe that foster care children with special needs have the right to grow up in a loving home, rather than continue to suffer in an unsafe environment. We are grateful for your gift of \$200. Your generosity helps us to transform the lives of vulnerable children and adults. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Lorraine Dorough, VP of Agency Advancement

A big thank you to member Anthony Reddick for providing the delicious Wednesday night Lenten meals. It’s wonderful to have a trained chef in our midst. We’ll look forward to more opportunities to enjoy your kitchen talents. Thank you too, to the various W-ELCA groups who shared responsibility for setting up and serving our meals. Your support allowed us to break bread and fellowship in a very important way.

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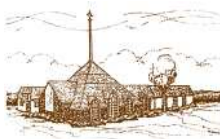
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## The Trumpet - April 2010

### *Groove - for Young Adults*

(20's & 30's, without children)

Groove is our **Young Adult Ministry**. Groove meets every other week in the Teacher's Lounge (in the children's hallway, Room 11) This group is in their 20's and 30's without children. Chris and Kristen Murphy are facilitators and have been gathering ideas for the coming months. If you are new to this group you can go to the Teacher's Lounge, and, if they aren't there, they will make a sign with directions to find them. They frequently go out to eat or do some interesting activity. Come and join the fun! Invite your friends, the more the merrier!! You can email Chris at: [tiger.64@att.net](mailto:tiger.64@att.net) for more information.

Also watch the Week to Week, Weekly E-mail or check our on-line calendar at: <http://tinyurl.com/htyoungadults> for information about upcoming events.

### **Young at Hearts**

Monday, April 12 at 10 AM

*Listen to the twang of guitar playing by Larry Rhadans and join him, at times with a sing-along. We will enjoy a "down home" Smokey Bones Barbeque lunch.*

Cost is \$7.00



*April is also birthday recognition month provided by the loving, Tender Loving Care Circle.*

For more information or to sign up, contact Gene & Barb Bensch at 770-640-0078

*Looking ahead, please note that our May event will be on TUESDAY, MAY 11TH (not on May 10 as listed in the Young at Hearts brochure.)*

Paid Reservations of \$30 must be made at the 4/12 activity for the May 11th bus trip to LaGrange for the Holy Land exhibit.