

THE TRUMPET

July 2009

From your Pastor...



**Have a
Happy &
Safe**

Fourth of July!

God Bless America!!

Please Note:

**Summer
Worship
Schedule**

at *Holy Trinity*
Through July 26th

**Sunday, One Service
at 10:00 AM**

(Our two services will resume
on Sunday, August 2nd)

Saturday, 5:30 PM

(No Change)

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On April, 19, 2009 Holy Trinity voted to call Pastor Beth Birkholz to full-time ministry. She will begin full-time status as of July 1 and will be installed on August 23rd.

Pastor Birkholz joined us on a half-time basis in September of 2008 and has already had a very positive impact on the ministry of Holy Trinity. Our weekly attendance is on the rise and our demographics are changing as well. We are seeing the activity among our young families with children on the increase which will give Holy Trinity a healthy balance in membership for years to come.

Pastor Birkholz is a young, intelligent, and gifted pastor and I believe she was sent by God to make a positive and substantial difference in the life and ministry of Holy Trinity. Pastor Birkholz, we welcome you.

At this same congregational meeting we voted to make Tim Young, our Associate Director of Music Ministry, a full-time staff member. Half of his time he will continue in music ministry. He will spend the other half of his time as sexton and building manager. Tim has shown over the past several years his commitment to the ministry of Holy Trinity. He has always given us time way beyond his contract. This was most visible in the countless hours he gave to us in the designing and renovation of the sanctuary and organ.

As sexton and building manager he will do a multitude of tasks to see that our property is properly maintained and prepared for all that goes on here in this busy congregation. His impact on Holy Trinity will be immediately visible. Tim, we welcome you.

In order to maintain our sixteen-year record of sound financial support our Financial Management Committee chairperson, Mark Ritter, told us at this congregational meeting that these two new positions will require each family-giving-unit to increase their weekly offering by three dollars and twenty-two cents. That would be twelve dollars and eighty-eight cents per month beginning July 1. Considering the value these two new positions will bring to Holy Trinity, I am asking you all to join me in rounding that number up to an even four dollars per week per family or sixteen dollars per month. This increase in giving will allow us to maintain our financial health while increasing our programs of ministry within and without the walls of Holy Trinity.

As your pastor, I am very proud and appreciative of all of you and I look forward to all the exciting things we will do in our Lord's name in the near and distant future.

God's Peace...

Pastor G...



MUST Summer Lunch Program

Wednesday, July 15th, 6:00 PM

Upper Kitchen



Holy Trinity will once again be supporting MUST Ministries this summer by making bag lunches for their Summer Lunch Program.

We need people to donate food items, make sandwiches, put the lunches together and to deliver the lunches to the Walker School.

Signup sheets to donate bread, chips, juice, etc. will be at the Ministry Station on July 4th and July 5th also July 11th and July 12th. Signup sheets to help assemble the lunches and for volunteers to help take the lunches to Walker School will also be at the Ministry Station. All donated items must be at the church no later than Tuesday, July 14th.

For further information, contact Linda Topp
at 678-445-7374
or ltopp@bellsouth.net



The Passion of Christ Oberammergau 2010

September 2010 is closer than you think. And we all know how time seems to slip quickly into the future. I heard from Sami Nawas this week and he said that as the time for the Passion play in Oberammergau draws near interest has dramatically increased. There are still tickets available for the date we have chosen but for how long no one knows. We are just a couple of people away from having a majority on our tour which means we would have options for unplanned or unscheduled side-trips. Two of which might be a concert in Vienna or a concentration camp near Oberammergau. If you would like to join us on this adventure please call me or Ginger and we will answer any concerns you might have about this trip. Looking forward to at least two of you all calling me soon.

Thanks, Pastor G and Ginger



GREENER EVERY DAY !!!

**OVER 100 PEOPLE HAVE STOPPED THE MAILING OF THE TRUMPET
HERE'S THE SCOOP:**

- ◆ Would you like to get all the information from our monthly newsletter, *The Trumpet*, without waiting for the U.S. Post Office to deliver it to you?
- ◆ Would you like to be **green** by using less paper?
- ◆ Would you like to cut down on the cost to produce *The Trumpet* each month?

In order for this to be a success, we'll need to know to stop printing and mailing **your copy** of *The Trumpet*. Please let the office know that you no longer want *The Trumpet* mailed to you by emailing the office at this special email address:
TheTrumpet@HolyTrinityMarietta.org

The Trumpet is now available to you via our website [www.HolyTrinityMarietta.org], simply click on "The Trumpet" on the left side of our home page and you will be able to get the most recent version. Print out only the pages with items of interest to you, no need to print the entire newsletter.

Each time the latest version is placed on the website, we'll put a notice in the **Weekly E-newsletter** and the **Week to Week**.

Children's Ministry

VBS RECAP

God Bless America!! How blessed we are. We have just completed, what to many of us seems like an American tradition, Vacation Bible School. Bible School this year was amazing, it was the largest we have ever had (126 children and 63 volunteers). Thank you to everyone that brought your children, grandchildren, neighbors, friends and family. I believe God worked in several ways during this special week. We taught each day about the fact that we can "FEAR NOT" because of God's faithfulness to us. We were on the "Louisiana Bayou" at Crocodile Dock, in an environment that allowed God's promises to us to be magnified as we learned to trust in Him. Thank you also to all the adult and youth volunteers that made this week possible. It takes so many to provide an experience that is fun and has the potential to change lives for eternity. The gift of your time and talents is precious to us, and my prayer is that it was also rewarding to you.

Gratefully yours, Gaye

Sunday School Update



We are in our "Summer Break" but Sunday School is still a very important part of our church's ministry. If you were a Sunday School teacher last year, THANK YOU so very much!! I hope that you received a huge blessing from your commitment to serve the Lord through being a leader in our Sunday School program, I also hope that it is something that you want to continue. Obviously we need you, but more importantly the families you touch need you. I can't tell you the number of adults that tell me that they were first introduced to the reality of Christ in Sunday School, many were brought by friends and neighbors. It is such an important part of our whole church's ministry. If you were not a part of our leadership team, begin praying about being available to the Lord to take a position in the up coming year. Our new programs will begin Sept. 13, 2009 and there is a place for you. Call Gaye Markham, at the church office, for details of areas needing to be filled.
Thank you so much, Gaye

2009 Hot Lips Hustle 5K



Saturday, September 12!

The 5th annual Hot Lips Hustle 5k walk/run will again be held at Holy Trinity at 8 am on Saturday, September 12th. Founded by our own Ryan Ernstes, the proceeds from the first 4 races have already paid for surgery for 95 children born with cleft lip and palate.

We need corporate sponsors! If you know of anyone who may be interested - please direct them to the website www.hotlipshustle5k.com for more information.

We NEED Sponsors!! Mark your calendars!!

W-ELCA NEWS

Health Kit Assembly For Lutheran World Relief will take place in July

EVENING PEACE CIRCLE
GOD'S GRACE CIRCLE
TENDER LOVING CARE CIRCLE

Instead of their regular monthly meetings, the above W-ELCA Circles will meet on Tuesday, July 21st in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM to assemble LWR Health Kits. A pizza dinner will be served. For more information contact:

Evening Peace Circle-

Joy Schill, 770-977-5326

God's Grace Circle-

Jan Pomplun, 404-422-5635

Tender Loving Care-

Judy Blackwell, 770-971-9079

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet on Wednesday, July 15th at 10:00 AM in the library and will enjoy a Salad Luncheon together. They will start the Summer Bible Study, found in Lutheran Woman Today. For more information please call Faye Martin, 770-427-1011.

RAINBOW QUILTERS, will meet on Tuesday, July 14th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and Monday, July 27th at 7 p.m. in room EB 7&8. For more information contact JoAnn Moore, 770-509-1967.

THE W-ELCA BOARD will meet
July 7th at 7:30 PM in EB 6.

Call *Kathy Seraphine, President,*
(770-419-7914), or, *Sherrill McGraw,*
Vice-president (770-971-4929)
with any questions.



Lutheran World Relief Health Kits: People who must flee their homes quickly often do not have time to pack essential items. Health kits can help refugees maintain personal hygiene while living in exile. Items may also contribute to a new start for those who can return home. Please contribute the following items for each health kit:

- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- One washcloth, dark color recommended
- One bath-size bar (4-5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in its original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail file or nail clippers with file attached, remove packaging (do not substitute cardboard emery boards for the file), Six Band-Aids® (or similar brand), preferably 1/2" to 3/4"; secure together with a rubber band



YWCA of Northwest Georgia:

Because of your generosity, we were able to donate night-clothes, shoes, towels, and washcloths to the domestic violence shelter. Their thank you note stated, "On a daily basis, we are able to assist women and children through our domestic violence shelter, sexual assault programs, counseling center, and transitional housing programs. They are finding a new and better way of life . . . one free of violence and despair. We are a safe haven for them in a time where there is no where else for them to turn.

"Thank you Holy Trinity!"



2009 W-ELCA Southeastern Convention

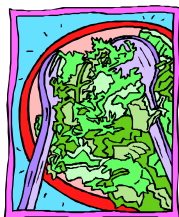
Join us at the Inn at Ellis in Savannah. September 18 – 20, 2009. The theme this year is "In One Spirit" and the Bible is Ephesians 4: 1-6. The Chaplains are Pastors Shelley Nelson-Bridger and our very own Beth Birkholz! The Saturday luncheon will be catered by Paula Deen's **The Lady and Sons**. The love offering will go to **Prison Ministry for Women** and In-kind gifts of baby clothes and diapers for newborns - 6 months old will go to **Lutheran Services of Georgia**.

Donations can be brought to the church and left at the W-ELCA ministry station.

Interested in attending the convention? Contact **Kathy Seraphine** or **Sherrill McGraw** for more information.

“LET’S DO LUNCH BUNCH”

New for All Women of the Church



Choices of salads, drinks and dessert... plus enjoyable conversation mixed with laughter... a perfect way to spend a Thursday with friends... old and new. Why don't you consider joining us as we continue "Doing Lunch" in the summer months? We will meet again on **THURSDAY, JULY 9TH**, in the home of Ada Junge. Our "Lunch Bunch" is meant to be a special time for all of us to be together...so please **CALL ADA AT: 770-992-7372 BY JULY 7TH** to tell her **you** are going to be there!! (We plan to "Do Lunch" the second Thursday of every month in the home of one of the "Bunchees", so be sure and mark your calendars now...)

If you can join us on June 9th at 11:30AM, please call Ada at 770-992-7372 by July 7th.

More

W-ELCA NEWS:

W-ELCA EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS:

If you are a woman member of Holy Trinity, are taking post-graduate classes, and could use \$500 to help with educational expenses, you are in luck! Forms for the scholarship(s) are available on the W-ELCA bulletin board, located in the educational building. Please turn in the form by 8/3/09.

Secret Prayer Sister

Reminder:

When leaving a gift or card for your *Secret Prayer Sister* on the Library shelf, **PLEASE** put the name of the person it's going to on the outside of the package or envelope. Do not put your name on the item (it will spoil the SECRET!)



There are several items on the W-ELCA shelves in the Library that do not have a name on them. If you know who they belong to, please mark them.

Jr. and Sr. Youth JULY NEWS!



July is here, which means it's time for the youth's trip to the ELCA National Youth Gathering. You've seen the youth doing fundraisers for the past year to raise money for this trip. We thank you again for all the support, and we ask for your continued support and prayers as we actually make our trip. We leave bright and early on the 22nd, and return late on the 26th. While we're there we'll be spending time doing service-learning projects, learning other ways to serve and how to take back to our community what we've learned, worshiping in the Superdome with 36,000 youth from all over the country, enjoying the sites and culture of New Orleans and much more. We look forward to our trip, and can't wait to share all about it when we get back!

For details on all Youth Events be sure to check out our online calendars:

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

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

ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH



The envelope of the month for **July** is **“The Extension”**
(formerly Cobb/Marietta Winter Shelter)

Your donation will provide emergency shelter and supportive services during the winter season, plus year-round transitional programs for the homeless. The envelope is for July 4-5, but can be used anytime during the month of July.

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Stephen Ministry

How can I keep my help confidential?

Confidentiality is the foundation of Stephen Ministry. No one but the person involved and his or her Stephen Minister knows what they talk about.

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.
John 10:10b



If you feel the need for this kind of care, or know someone who does, contact Pastor Birkholz at the church office or Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205

Saturday Night Worship



Our Saturday night Contemporary Worship Service continues to experience growth in attendance.

We've added four (4) trained sound techs to our volunteer worship servants: Bill Vermeer, Mark Hinkson, Sam Miller and Rich Murphy. Thanks to our trainers – Rick LaRosa and Roy Talledo. If you have any interest in serving in this way, please speak with Stella or any of our sound techs.

The Saturday Music Ensemble Leader Search Committee continues to meet regularly. We are very fortunate to have had several wonderful Interim Worship leaders who have shared their own style of worship with us. We are seeking feedback from everyone in attendance as we go through the selection process. We will keep you posted via the Saturday bulletin and the Week-to-Week email.

We dedicated the new piano given to the Saturday Music Ministry by Pat Prosch and family in memory of husband and father, Terry Prosch. This has been a wonderful addition to our music program and is used at all three of our services.

“Come as you are” and join us at 5:30 PM on Saturday for our contemporary/praise service.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts were received in Honor of Louis and Gail Georges' 50th anniversary for the Today's Vision, Tomorrow's Mission Program:

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Miller Mrs. Ada Junge
Mr. & Mrs. David Hutt Mr. Marv Adams
Mr. & Mrs. Bert Blenner

Gifts were received in Memory of Oleen Kidd, Faye Martin's sister from: Mrs. Emily Wickham

Gifts were received in Memory of Theresa Kern, mother of Linda Johnston from: Mr. & Mrs. Lee Morgans

Gifts were received in Memory of Joan Adams for the Today's Vision, Tomorrow's Mission Program from:

Mr. & Mrs. Stan Wise Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Heiser
Mr. & Mrs. Barry Hall Mr. & Mrs. George McCoy
Mr. & Mrs. David Bigler Mr. & Mrs. Bill Thomas
Mr. & Mrs. John Lundborg Mr. & Mrs. Bert Blenner
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Jaccard Mr. & Mrs. Jim Wood
Mr. Charles C. Lee, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Donald Brooks
Mrs. Mary Lou Fish Mrs. Emily Wickham
Mrs. Frances Keim Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Harris
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Tatum Mr. William K. Winkler
Ms. Josephine Smith Mrs. Cullene Harper
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Boland Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Gravitt
Mr. & Mrs. John Luthy Mrs. Jan Shaffrick
Horseshoe Wood, Inc.



Sunday Worship in July

July 5 5th Sunday after Pentecost
1748 Liturgy with Gary Cosler, trumpet.



July 12 6th Sunday after Pentecost
Now the Feast with the Chris Anderson,
Soloist.



July 19 7th Sunday after Pentecost
A Southern Gospel Music Service, with
“BlueGrace returning as our
guest musicians.



July 26 8th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Setting 4 with the Men’s Choir of
Holy Trinity.



Notes from your Sexton

Rock? What Rock?

You may have noticed plastic “rocks” located just outside the entrances to our buildings. These, in fact, are exterminator devices. **Please do not touch or try to dislodge them.** We’re deterring furry critters from finding a home in our buildings by their presence.

Baby, it’s cold outside.

No, actually it’s quite hot. And it’s cooler inside if we keep our doors closed. Please be mindful of exterior doors propped open for more than a few minutes. Keeping the doors closed will help keep our cooling equipment from doing extra work, and will lessen our utility expenses.

Anyone care to help out?

As your new part-time sexton, I’ve spent the last few weeks evaluating the condition of our buildings and grounds. I’ve also tried to begin minor repairs as time allowed. However there are bigger projects that will require congregation involvement. Two large areas of the church are in need of painting, namely the administrative offices and the upper room. Please watch in the next Trumpet for dates and times for these projects to begin.

It is my goal to provide this congregation with beautiful and well maintained buildings and grounds from which to carry on your ministries. Your assistance is appreciated.

Thank you,
Tim

2009 SE Synod Assembly Notes.....

- Sharon Bost and Meredith Hendricks were elected to two-year terms as at-large members of the synod council.
- Sharon has been appointed to the executive committee for one year.
- Bill and Karen Van Buskirk, and Mark and Leigh Bessey were voting members in attendance from HTLC as were our pastors Grunke, Birkholtz and Darrel and Mary Peterson.

We had a wonderful and informative time. Our own Tim Young played for opening worship on Friday. All the Worship services were uplifting and inspiring. The Keynote speaker, sermons and Bible Studies were amazing.

**Visitors are always
welcome at the annual
SE Synod Assembly.**

Worship is open seating for all.

We invite you to attend any
and all sessions in the future.

Please check the Synod
website at www.elca-ses.org
for current SE Synod information.





Happy Birthday



July 1

Cody Breitzkreuz
Zebulon Hilton
Emilee Lash

July 2

Megan Gawryszewski
Michael Quinn
Michael Satchwell

July 3

Amanda Boley
Eric Rhadans
Jenny Simpkins

July 4

Mike Cicero
Max Erdmann
Jeff Fischer
Steven Nemeck
Julia Wiley

July 5

Chelsea Turnbeaugh

July 6

Bob Landers
David Muhlhausen
Chris Susskind
Rachel Zavorski

July 7

Jennifer Ankrom
Mary Lou Karr
Ed Pardue
Don Simons

July 8

Samantha Barton
Cindy Breitzkreuz
Karen Chonka
George Clos
Philip Roenitz
Halie Walther

July 9

Jason Clark
Edward Shields

July 10

Mark Bessey
Kevin Graska
Brian Moore
Annette Norton
Ashley Wilson

July 11

Jessica Burch
Alison Clott
Geoffrey Clott
Kelly Morra

July 12

Jay Harris
Chris McCarthy

July 13

Martin Quinn
Kristen Stack
Daina Vetromile

July 14

Michael Ballou
Sara Coker
Gabrielle Harris
Veronika Holden
John Lundborg
Heather Michno
Mary Peterson

July 15

Jessica Astin
Casey Fox
Barbara Harris

July 16

Carrie Buffington
Sandra Moore
LaRetta Tubbs

July 17

Beth Gijlstra
Anita Mattice
Patti Phillips

July 19

Matthew Barfield
Zachary Lorenz
Casey Ernstes

July 20

Lillie Boring
Dan Dranzek
James Ealy
Regina Lange
Karen Lind
Avery Sechrest
William Smith

July 21

Tracey Coe
Jim Helgeson
Janae Goodin Howell
Dawn Manning
Sherrill McGraw
Jeff Plumley

July 22

Patricia Cleaton
Sarah Cleaton
Lois Collier
Joan Faust
Ronald Grunke
Elizabeth Payne
Jim Schill
Linda Zollweg

July 23

Justin Plumley
Lauren Taylor

July 24

Anja Fomin
Katja Fomin
Guy Gebhardt
Judy Hays
Ben Hink
Amelia Mendez
Jeanne Ryan

July 25

Sabra Black
Christian Einertson

July 26

Carter Chrenshaw
Sue Hammock
Kristi Hedges
Ashley Walls
Christie Walls

July 28

Susan McLaughlin
Monica Walsh

July 29

Ron Hendricks

July 30

Ron Apple
Patricia Harned
Bob Houck
Anne Murphy
Drew Tornatore
Bill Vermeer

July 31

Susan Grohs
Jordan Krenz
Mary Reynolds

**Next
Trumpet
Deadline
is
Friday,
July 10th.
Please email
your
articles to:**

nwinkler@holyltrinitymarietta.org



Happy Anniversary

July 2

2005 - Stephanie & Christopher
Belknap
2005 - Jason & Kristin Carlbom

July 7

1978 - Janet & Joel Hedlund
2001 - Kent & Sasha Oberbeck

July 8

2000 - James & Heather Hendricks

July 10

1982 - Tim & Heidi Boring

July 11

1987 - Ronald & Tish Lanquist
1985 - Mary & Stephen Martin

July 12

1971 - Earl & Velma Tyson
1980 - Warren & Sherry Wright
1997 - Marvin & Sheila Zeigler

July 14

1979 - Walt & Lois Collier-
30 years
1984 - Chuck & Doris Dressler-
25 years
2007 - Janae & Beau Howell

July 15

1978 - Glenn & Judy Stoops

July 17

1982 - Gary & Linda Cosler
1970 - Armando & Angela
Mendez
2004 - Joyce & Roger Miller-
5 years

July 18

1992 - Ron & Karen Jacoby
1998 - Greg & Allison Lionberger

July 19

1958 - George & Gerda McCoy

July 20

1957 - Larry & Annette Rhadans

July 22

2000 - Brent & Jen Clifton

July 26

1947 - Russ & Shirley Richards

July 29

2000 - Chuck & Tara Boysiak

July 30

2005 - Sander & Katie Lee

July 31

1982 - John & Kim Allen
1965 - Randy & Ellen Hanson
1997 - Carlos & Nicole Meza
1993 - Chris & Jenni Mould

Back to
School
in August!



Cherokee County
Monday, August 3

Cobb County
Monday, August 10

Fulton County
Monday, August 10



Telephone Book Recycling Locations Now Available

Metro-Atlanta residents are receiving new phonebooks and are encouraged to recycle their old ones. Phonebooks are accepted at the following locations, as well as designated magazine recycle bins.

- **Cobb County Transfer Station** (770-528-2500) 1897 County Services Parkway, Marietta
- **Kroger** (770-924-7930) 3595 Canton Road, Marietta
- **Cherokee County Recycling Center** (770-516-4195) 470 Blalock Road, Canton
- **East Cobb Government Service Center** (770-499-4444) 4400 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta
- **Sandy Springs Recycling Center** (770-551-7794) 470 Morgan Falls Road, Atlanta
- **Smyrna Recycling Center** (770-431-2869) 645 Smyrna Hill Road, Smyrna

Another way to be
a "little" Greener



For directions or more information, contact the recycling centers directly

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

Dear Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,
 Thank you for your recent donation of pop tabs. The Pop Tab program is an essential fundraising effort for the Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Charities. Since the program began in 1998, more than 100,000 pounds of pop tabs have been recycled, generating revenue to help provide housing and emotional support for the families of critically ill and injured children

Thank you.
 Cari Olson, House Manager
 Atlanta Ronald McDonald House



How can one say thank you to such an awesome, loving congregation? Sunday, June 14th 2009 will live in our hearts forever. The love, caring and friendship that you expressed for Joan at her Memorial Service will help us heal our broken hearts. Over the past 12 months, the cards, phone calls and visits helped Joan through this difficult time. Love is ever healing. May God's love and peace be with you forever.

Thank you from the Adams Family



Baby Sitting,

Pet Sitting,

Lawn Mowing, etc.



Available to do tasks like these for the congregation??

Please feel free to post a flyer on the Community Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall.

(They will be updated every month)

Meals To Go



During a difficult time, we can all use extra help! Please do not hesitate to call either Marilyn Reardon at 678-445-0157 or Doris Clement at 770-973-4402. We have a list of volunteers who are willing to contribute meals. In order to avoid duplicating meals, Marilyn and Doris will coordinate the appropriate dates.

If anyone wishes to be added to this list of volunteers, please call either Marilyn or Doris.
Thank you so very much!!

Worship Statistics through June 13/14, 2009

	<u>5:30</u>	<u>8:15</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>SCS</u>
5/16 - 5/17	100	255	416	516	111
5/23 - 5/24	113	103	151	367	-
5/30 - 5/31	130	115	144	389	-
6/6 - 6/7	108	-	10:00 224	332	-
6/13 - 6/14	128	-	10:00 231	359	-



Financial Status Report

Effective May 31, 2009

	Budgeted	Received	Spent
May 2009	\$75,238.00	\$81,674.00	\$76,597.00
Year-to-Date	\$388,892.00	\$376,6184.00	\$395,080.00

General Fund Balance as of May 31, 2009 - \$53,379.49

July President's Corner

Synod Assembly Results:

In June, I along with several Holy Trinity participants, had the honor of being voting members at the ELCA-Southeastern Synod 22nd Annual Assembly attended by over 600 Synod representatives. I thought it appropriate to give an update on the Assembly to include the Resolutions which passed and inform about the approved Synod Restructuring. The Assembly approved a number of resolutions as follows:

To create a **Suicide Prevention Ministry Task Force** to examine it's impact throughout the ELCA; encourage the promotion of the church's suicide prevention programs; identify and study the occupations most prone to suicide; promote the ELCA Suicide Prevention Endowment Fund; support for congregations to promote suicide education and links on the ELCA home page for suicide prevention resources.

Resolution on Safe Schools to endorse efforts to pass legislation in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee supporting anti-bullying policies.

A Memorial Concerning Human Sexuality – By a 238 Yes to 183 No vote on a written ballot, the Assembly urges the ELCA 2009 Church-wide Assembly to be held in Chicago in August, to adopt the proposed Social Statement on Human Sexuality including all four parts of the proposed recommended Ministry Policies. The resolution also asks the Church-wide Assembly to (a) direct the development of congregational resources “to support the same-gender relationships by holding them publicly accountable in the exchange for life-long love and fidelity” and (b) encourage the ELCA's Vocation & Education Unit to develop procedure to expedite the reinstatement of those whose status on the ELCA roster has been precluded by the current policy of same-gender relationships.

A Resolution Calling for the Celebrating of Appalachian Heritage Month to be held each October.

A resolution calling for the August **Church-wide Assembly to require a Super Majority Vote (66%+) for Policy Changes Pertaining to Ordination Practices** was defeated by a 174 to 150 No vote. Therefore this and all other votes will remain as a simple majority to pass.

Additionally, the Assembly approved the Synod structural changes recommended by the Synod Task Team. **This included the reduction of Southeastern conferences from 14 to 9.** The purpose is to balance the number of churches per conference to an average of 19. Holy Trinity will now be in the new Conference 2 which stretches along I-75 from Kennesaw in the North to Valdosta in the South. ELCA Churches within I-285 will now be Conference 3. Churches in North Georgia will be in Conference 1.

There were a number of elections held for Synod positions. Pastor Terri Stagner-Collier of Mississippi was elected to a four year term as Synod Secretary. But most importantly, our own **Sharon Bost was elected to a two-year term as member at large of the Synod Council.** We send our prayers with Sharon as she represents the Southeastern Synod at the Church-wide Assembly in Chicago in August. If you have any questions about this Synod Assembly, please contact Pastor's Birkholz, Grunke or myself who were in attendance.

And finally...You have been hearing all the excitement surrounding The First Annual Holy Trinity OCTOBERFEST to be held on Saturday, October 3rd. We would like participation from all member families to make this a great day of Fun, Food, Fellowship and welcoming of our Marietta community. Please keep watching the bulletins, *The Trumpet* and holymarietta.org for upcoming details and mark your calendar now for October 3rd!

In His Service,

Bill Van Buskirk, Congregational President

Women's Monday Morning Book Study

Summer Fun!

The "Monday School" ladies will be meeting for food, fellowship and hugs this summer on the following dates:

**Monday, July 13, 10:30 AM at
Sandra William's home - 770-977-0680 (Brunch)**

**Monday, August 17, 10:30 AM at Alice
Rohrbach's lake house - 770-973-7205 (Lunch)**

If you can attend, call the hostess for directions and what food to bring. AND if you are thinking about joining our study in the fall, please take this opportunity to be with us this summer, just for fun...

It's Time For Fair Trade Coffee!



July 11th and 12th
after services

We offer a wide variety of delicious coffees:

Whole Bean: Decaf & Breakfast Blend

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Caramel, Bright Day Brew, Breakfast Blend,

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Reminder: By purchasing these delicious products, you are supporting a ministry that helps struggling farmers and funds programs of Lutheran World Relief around the globe.

Help Needed!!

Many hands are needed to keep the activities of our church up and running. Please prayerfully consider the following open positions:

Endowment Committee: This committee serves as the custodian of the monies in the Endowment Fund which was established to enhance the mission of Holy Trinity apart from the general operational budget. This appointed committee meets on an "as-needed basis."

Ushers: Will welcome worshippers, hand out bulletins & children's bags, assist attendees in finding seats, and offer assistance as needed. Usually scheduled in 2-week increments.

11AM Worship Coordinator: Primarily needs to make sure that the acolyte and communion assistants are properly robed and prepared for worship and to find a substitute in case of an absence.

Disaster Preparedness Committee Leader: Planning, organizing and directing committee members while keeping in mind the committee goals related to HT disaster preparedness through it's Disaster Preparedness curriculum.

If would like more information or are interested in any of these positions, please contact the Church Office at 770-971-4600.

DOES ANY OTHER CHURCH IN OUR AREA HAVE A COLUMBARIUM?

The last issue of the Trumpet contained an article which defined the term "columbarium" and explained that several of our families were investigating the possibility of establishing a memorial garden and columbarium at Holy Trinity. The church has a tradition of laying the dead to rest with reverence in places set apart for that purpose. The space that is replacing the churchyard cemetery is a columbarium. The term comes from the Latin for dove-cote, or "from dove," the symbol of God's peace and spirit. A columbarium consists of a wall of sealed sepulchral niches designed to inter cremated human remains. Each niche contains one or more urns. Many churches have constructed a wall adjacent to the columbarium designed to remember loved ones who have no permanent resting place or who rest elsewhere. Frequently, the columbarium and memorial wall are located in a memorial garden. A memorial garden allows churches to provide their members with the options of burying ashes in the ground, scattering them, or interning them in the columbarium. Some congregations have chosen to allow internment in the columbarium as the only option. Local congregations which have a columbarium, a memorial garden, or both include Roswell United Methodist Church, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and the Cathedral of St. Phillip.



Please go to the link
on our website to
view the
Angel Food Order Form



Save Campbell's UPC Code & All Can Tabs

Thank you all for saving the labels and tabs. **The Ronald McDonald tabs and the UPC codes from Campbell's are now being collected in the library.** On June 18th, I brought 18 lbs. of tabs to the Ronald McDonald house. Thanks to many of you and especially to Al Schwab of Melbourne Beach, Fl. for taking the tabs off of the cans in his condo. We also have a wonderful network of national friends collecting. I love the outreach that these tabs have created. They are coming from Chicago, and Colorado and possibly other places which I am not aware of. Many of these people are friends of Marv Adams. While he and Joan were collecting tabs on the golf course, Al asked what they were doing and that is how this collecting began. Tell your friends and family to collect them and then put them in the library. The Ronald McDonald House at Peachtree Dunwoody Road is always so appreciative of these tabs since the money that they receive for the tabs offsets the cost of running the house. Without the support from people like us they would not be able to operate as efficiently as they do. Please remember to pull the tabs off the cans and bring them to the church.

We are also saving the **UPC codes with the child symbol on the Campbell's Labels.** Please do not tear through this part. The front panel is no longer needed, therefore you can cut through this side. A copy showing what is needed is on the WELCA Bulletin Board in the library. These labels will now go to the "Enrich" program in Mississippi. This stands for: Enhancing Needed Resources, Increasing Children's Horizons.

*Thanks to all of you who have
contributed the labels and tabs.
Please continue to keep
them coming!*

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Dave Ramsey News

Total Money Makeover coming in September!

Dave Ramsey will be in Atlanta Saturday, September 19th, 2009 at the Atlanta Civic Center for a live event. It is his "**Total Money Makeover**" that corresponds with his book by the same title. It will be from 1:00 - 6:00 pm and a discount of \$13.00 is available to churches that register as a group. The regular price of tickets is \$49.00, but with our discount they are only \$36.00. It will be limited seating and is on a first-come basis to register for these tickets. You can go to his website at www.daveramsey.com for more details. We will have fliers at the Ministry Station beginning on Sunday, July 12th. This could be an exciting prelude to Dave Ramsey's "**Financial Peace University**" that we will be offering in September. He gives discounts to churches allowing us to provide the materials and the classes for \$99 per couple or family unit. This is a 13-week course and has made a huge difference in the lives of many people that have put it in to practice. Begin praying about your participation in one or both of these special opportunities.

Contact Gaye Markham for more information.



**Be sure to save the date
For the 5th Annual
Taste of Habitat!**

Friday, September 25th

**We will be looking for
Chefs, Sponsors &
Donations for the
Silent Auction.**



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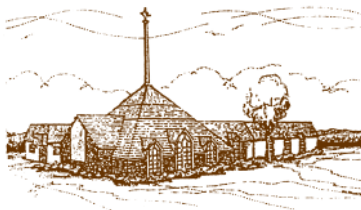
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Worship Schedule

Sunday

**Through the end of July
One Sunday Service
at 10:00 AM**

**No Sunday Church School
or Confirmation Class
during the Summer**

*(Our two Sunday Services of 8:15 & 11:00AM
will resume on Sunday, August 2nd)*

Saturday

**5:30 PM
Worship &
Holy Communion
(NO Change)**

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