

**July
2010**

**SUMMER
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE**

Sunday

One Service at
10:00 AM

Saturday

5:30 PM
(no change)



The Summer Worship Schedule will be in effect from Sunday, June 6 through Sunday, Sept. 5.

We will resume two Sunday services on Sunday, September 12, the weekend following the Labor Day holiday.

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The Trumpet

Newsletter of

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

From the pen of Pastor Birkholz . . .

What a difference a week makes.....

Before the start of this past week, June 14th through the 20th, I wasn't sure what this summer was going to be like at Holy Trinity. Going through a salary cut, as many of you have, is not a pleasant experience, but we knew it would help us "catch up" to our budget. We appreciate everyone stepping up to the plate, but we haven't caught up yet, so please continue to give what you can! Because of these factors, we discussed whether or not to even hold our wonderful Vacation Bible School as usual because of the cost, and after much agonizing, the Christian education team decided that we should go ahead with VBS but to try to reduce costs by 1/3.

And then the miracles began to happen.

After this step out in faith by the team, the very next day, we found out that we could partner with another church for VBS. Eastminster Presbyterian was THRILLED to lend their set to us, and it will serve two more churches before finally finding a home as basement insulation! This is stewardship, financial and environmental, at its best!

VBS was wonderful for all involved, but the best part for me was what I heard in my own home: two small voices asking questions about the precious word of God.....BIG questions about who Jesus is and why we're here. As parents, we pray that these questions are asked and discussed in our houses, and this week provided that opportunity not just for my children but for EIGHTY-NINE visiting

children (as well as nearly 70 members' kids!). How amazing is God?!

When we took this vision and said, "God, we don't know how this is going to go, but we believe you want us to do this and so LET'S GO with it," we were given back more than we possibly could have dreamed, financially, spiritually, and in every kind of way!

I hope this is a metaphor and a beautiful picture of what life with God can be like....here at Holy Trinity and in every part of our lives! **God's Word is for everyone.....LET'S GO!**



Have a Happy & Safe Fourth of July!

May God Bless America!

HT Family Reunion 2

I hope everyone enjoyed our "First of Four HT Family Reunions" as much as I did. The brunch food was great and plentiful. Thank you for making the "First of Four" a real success. The "Second of Four" will be an indoor picnic

"Celebration of Independence" on Sunday, July 4th. It will be held in our cool and comfortable Upper Room immediately following Sunday worship. Everyone is encouraged to bring two items to share: a main dish and a side, salad, or dessert.

Let's all wear our red, white and blue picnic clothes and enjoy this "Second of Four Holy Trinity Family Reunions!" Thanks,

**July 4th
Fellowship!!**

Pastor R...

MUST Summer Lunch Program

We will again be making lunches for the MUST Summer Lunch Program!!

We are making 1000 lunches on Wednesday, July 14 at 6 pm in the LOWER Kitchen. Sign up to volunteer and to donate items at the Ministry Stations on July 3 & 10. Please drop off your donations supplies at church no later than Monday, July 12.

JR & SR Youth Summer Activities

Here's a listing of July's activities for Junior and Senior High School Youth.

- July 8th - White Water - 9:30am-5:30pm (JR & SR)
- July 11th - LOUD & Activity TBD - 6pm (JR & SR)
- July 16th - Braves Game - 3:30pm-11pm (SR)
- July 20 - Trivia Night @ Paradise Grill 7:30-10:30pm (SR)
- July 27 - Six Flags - 9am-5:30pm (JR & SR)

To look further ahead in the Youth calendars please check out their websites:

<http://tinyurl.com/jryouth>
<http://tinyurl.com/sryouth>

Call or email Erin Chonka if you have any questions. echonka@holyltrinitymarietta.org or 770-971-4600 ext. 103

Saturday Ice Cream Social

Save the date:

Saturday July 31st at 6:30 after the Saturday service.

The Saturday Worship Committee invites you to worship with us at 5:30 PM and stay following the service for an Ice Cream Social in the Fellowship Hall.

Lots of different ice creams, either in a cone or bowl, lots of your favorite toppings, too.

A great way to "cool off" in the middle of summer!

Confirmation 2010-2011

Attention Parents of rising 6th graders -

Your children are now entering the grade that they should begin our 3-year Confirmation program. Confirmation is taught mostly in small groups, led by parents using the "Here We Stand" curriculum.

If you wish for your child to begin our program this fall or have any questions regarding the program, please be sure to contact Erin Chonka, echonka@holyltrinitymarietta.org



VBS Wrap-Up and More

Childhood
Aidit
&
Family
Ministry

Thank you Lord!! What an amazing week we had in VBS! The most children we have ever had, the most guests we have ever had and the most wonderful team ever!!! Thank you to each and every one that participated in any way. We ended on a high note, with a Family Night at Saturday evening service. That was also a record breaking crowd. It was just great to have an opportunity to include the families in some of the things we learned in VBS. Pastor Birkholtz did such a wonderful job of making it all come alive and the children's participation in the service was so special. Chas was awesome as he led us in worship using many of the songs from VBS. We are so blessed at Holy Trinity to have the staff we have. Thank you again, everyone!!

I am wanting to put together something for children on Sat. nights. If you are interested in that happening or would like to be part of making it happen please call me at the church office. I am looking ahead to the fall and so many things are in the plans. We have new curriculum for our Preschool that is a continuation of the children's curriculum we use in S.S. It is a concept that is geared to giving children their 1st look at God and Jesus and the Bible. I believe it is going to have a big impact on the lives of our little ones.

We are also planning to do a new environment in the Education Building hallway. If you like to paint, draw or decorate you can be

of help. If you have extra paint or light weight construction materials (thin plywood, small wooden molding, scrapes of tin or Plexiglas, faux brick or stone pieces) these could help in this project. Please call me at the church office or email gayemarkham@yahoo.com to get on the crew. We want to have the complete face lift done before we come back to Sunday School. We start again in the fall on September 12th.

Mom's VBS was a real treat! We are planning another event soon. Watch for information in the weekly email and the Week to Week. These will hopefully lead to a Bible/book study for Women in the fall. For more info contact Karin Storla, or Gaye Markham at the church office or email. Please invite your friend and neighbors, these will be uplifting informative "girlie" events. Planned with the younger woman in mind.

What a wonderful savior we serve! Thank you for allowing me to serve along side of you here at Holy Trinity, I believe God is getting ready to do some more great things in our midst. I can hardly wait to see what He is up to, I want to be sure I am in on what ever it is! I hope you feel that way as well.

See you in Church, *Gaye*

"Grid Iron" Men's Conference

Men's Ministry, there is an exciting event being held this month. It is Gridiron Men's Conference. It will be in Tuscaloosa, Alabama at Coleman Coliseum on the University of Alabama campus. The cost is \$79.00 per person and it is for 2 days and one night, July 30-31, 2010. This price doesn't include the cost of lodging. Go with friends and split the cost of the room. For more details call 1-800-374-1550 or go to www.gridironmen.org. Lou Holtz and Gary Smalley are just two of the speakers at this event that is full of Biblical insight, strong spiritual impact, has exciting surprise appearances, as well as a great time together with other men that share your values and your struggles.

Contact Marvin Zeigler for more info: 770-592-3536





Stephen Ministry

A Stephen Minister is Christ caring for people through people. They are ready to provide emotional and spiritual care to those in need when faced with crisis or difficulties.

If you would like a Stephen Minister to care for you, contact Pastor Birkholz at the church office or Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205.



The envelope of the month for July

is

“The Extension”

Your donation will provide emergency shelter and supportive services during the Winter season, plus year-round transitional programs to give the homeless the skills necessary to become self sufficient. The envelope is for July 3-4, but can be used anytime during the month of July.

Memorials

Gifts to Holy Trinity were received in Memory of George Wagner from:

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cupp
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Walker

Mr. & Mrs. Hans Schwantje
Ms. Elaine Anderson

Angel Food This Month

The July Angel Food orders will be taken on Sunday, July 18th from 11:30 - 12 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Pick up is on Saturday, July 24th 9:30 - 10:30 AM in the Education Bldg

View menu or order directly on the Angel Food website:

www.angelfoodministries.com

You may now order online and pay with a debit card!

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MINISTRIES



Monday School Summer Luncheons

The “Monday School Ladies” will meet for lunch on Monday, July 26th at 11:30 AM at Gloria Salkin’s home, and the women with the last names starting with A - L will be the hostesses. If you plan to attend, please call Gloria to let her know you’ll be there!! (770-977-7055)

New ladies are always invited and very, very welcome.

Note: We’ll start up our regular “Monday School schedule on Monday, September 13th

MUST Ministry Facts

Did you know???

MUST Ministries Served: 31,612 clients, approximately half of whom were children

Volunteer Info: 4,596 Volunteers, serving 265,000 hours

Food Served: 544, 904 pounds of groceries, valued at \$898,878

Summer Lunch Program: Served 97,298 meals

Financial Assistance: 80 cents of every dollar (revenue and in-kind) donated goes directly to client programs

MUST has received a 4-Star rating from Charity Navigator, America’s largest independent evaluator of charities.

The next Trumpet deadline is Friday, July 16.

Please email your articles to Nicole Winkler at nwinkler@holytrinitymarietta.org

Children's Church

Attention parents of children 3rd grade and younger who attend Children's Church. Plans are being made to offer Children's Church every week beginning in the fall. To make this a reality we must have your participation. A schedule of dates will be available this summer in the fellowship hall, please make a commitment to share in this ministry by volunteering to help. We need 2 helpers each week, if you can work for a month at a time or every 1st Sunday of the month or whatever schedule that would fit your family, we would greatly appreciate it. You can sign up on the line by the dates that you will work or call the office and I will help you by giving more information about this new opportunity in children's worship. Contact Gaye Markham at the church office or email her at: gayemarkham@yahoo.com

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



Sunday Worship in July

July 4
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
1764 Liturgy with offertory anthem for combined choirs by Michael Compton.

July 11
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Setting 1 with selections for organ.



July 18
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgy for the Family of God with music by Gary Cosler, Trumpet.



July 25
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Setting 3 with Mimi Jones, Soprano, singing for the offertory anthem.

Worship Notes

Floral Arrangement Dedications

We still have three open dates for 2010 in our flower dedication book - October 2/3, November 27/28 and December 11/12

If you would like to dedicate the flowers on any of these dates, please contact the church office.

Lutheran Yoga ????

"Yoga provides both the time and the space for a profound quieting down of the external and internal noise that prevents many people – or at least me – from hearing the "still, quiet voice" that is God." Robert Joseph, Christian Yoga Magazine
Beginning August 4, Holy Trinity will offer a yoga class weekly on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! A local yoga teacher will offer each class at a discounted rate, \$12 per session. Please bring your own yoga mat (they are available at Target or Wal-Mart) and wear comfortable clothes. All levels are welcome! If you have health issues, please check with your doctor as to what you can do. No signups are necessary; just come when you can and experience this physical and spiritual discipline. Any questions, please contact Pastor Birkholz or teacher Ashlee Gray (ashlee.gray@gmail.com).

Mark Your Calendars:



On Saturday, July 31, there will be an Ice Cream Social following the evening's service.

build is finished and the house will be dedicated on June 5th at 9 a.m.

All are welcome to share in this special day for the Berry Family, see the beautiful house that has been built for them and join in prayer as they begin the journey to make the house their home.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Member Milestones

Happy Birthday

July 1

Cody Breitreuz
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
Michael McCaw
Ed Pardue
Don Simons

July 8

Samantha Barton
Cindy Breitreuz
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

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
Jacob Johnson
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

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
Jeanine Krenz
Nicole Meza

July 26

Carter Crenshaw
Sue Hammock
Kristi Hedges
Ashley Walls
Christie Walls

July 28

Carla Austin
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

Happy Anniversary

July 2

2005 - Stephanie & Christopher Belknap - 5 years
2005 - Jason & Kristin Carlbom - 5 years

July 7

1978 - Janet & Joel Hedlund
2000 - Scott & Sheri Parker - 10 years

July 8

2000 - James & Heather Hendricks - 5 years

July 10

1982 - Tim & Heidi Boring

July 11

1987 - Ronald & Tish Lanquist
1985 - Mary & Stephen Martin - 25 years

July 12

1971 - Earl & Velma Tyson
1980 - Warren & Sherry Wright - 30 years
1997 - Marvin & Sheila Zeigler

July 14

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

July 15

1978 - Glenn & Judy Stoops

July 17

1982 - Gary & Linda Cosler
1970 - Armando & Angela Mendez - 40 years
2004 - Joyce & Roger Miller-

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 - 10 years

July 26

1947 - Russ & Shirley Richards

July 29

2000 - Chuck & Tara Boysiak - 10 years

July 30

2005 - Sander & Katie Lee - 5 years

July 31

1982 - John & Kim Allen
1965 - Randy & Ellen Hanson - 45 years
1997 - Carlos & Nicole Meza
1993 - Chris & Jenni Mould

W-ELCA Circles

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

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

GOD'S GRACE CIRCLE will host a Yoga Class at 7p on July 21st in the Fellowship Hall. Cost \$12-15, please bring a mat and water bottle. For more information contact Jan Pomplun, 404-422-5635.

TENDER LOVING CARE CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday night, July 20th at 7p.m. This month they will enjoy a Potluck / Movie in the Youth Room. All are welcome. For more information please call Judy Blackwell, 770-971-9079.

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

RAINBOW QUILTERS will meet on Tuesday, July 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, July 13th at 7:00 in Room EB 6.**
(Note date change)

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

W-ELCA News

Yoga Class

July 21st, Wednesday at 7 PM - 8:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies welcome, bring a exercise mat or towel, cost will be \$12 if we get at least 10 to signup, otherwise it will be \$15 if less than 10. For further information contact Carolyn Klein at 770/509-9996, e-mail carolynjrobison@gmail.com or Jan Pomplun at 404/422-5635, e-mail jkp1942@netscape.net

Sponsored by God's
Grace Circle

W-ELCA Scholarships 2010

If you are a woman member of Holy Trinity, are taking post-graduate

Bridge the Gap

Life comes at us too fast sometimes. GOD is always with you and the Church family is a place to turn for help. We have set up a fund to help with those unexpected financial situations.

Do you know someone in need? Contact Vickie Crean at 770-974-6873 or email her at CREANV@BELLSOUTH.NET.

We are also accepting funds for this project. No amount is too small. Please write your checks to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and put Social

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 8/31/10.

2010 SE Synod W-ELCA Convention

Join us at the Hilton Marietta Conference Center off the square in downtown Marietta September 10 - 12, 2010. The theme this year is "Wind of the Spirit" and the Bible Verse is John 3:8. The Chaplain is Pastor Jill Henning and the keynote speaker is Cathy

Lee Phillips. Bishop Julian Gordy and Pastor Morgan Gordy are special guests. The Saturday banquet is **Belles of the Ball** with entertainment by *Alias Smith and Jones*. The love offering will go to the **Southeastern Synod Disaster Preparedness & Response** and In-kind gifts of socks, underwear and disposable diapers of all sizes will go to **MUST Ministries**. Donations can be brought to the church and left in the library W-ELCA area. Interested in attending the convention? Contact Judy Blackwell, Kathy Seraphine or Sherrill McGraw for more information.

Committee or Bridge the Gap in the memo section.

Bridge the Gap Guidelines are as follows:

- Must be event driven - For Example - Illness, Death, loss of job, unexpected family event.
- Not long-term assistance - 2 or 3 months maximum. Recommend MUST ministry for longer assistance
- The assistance can be in the form of food or money depending on the need.

- The assistance will be confidential with only the Pastors and Social Committee Chair having the full information.
- Each request will be handled on a case by case basis.

The committee will consist of the Pastors, Social Committee Chair and 2 other members of the social committee. The two committee members for 2010 are David Fricke and Irene Katen-Murphy. The discussions on assistance will use redacted (names and other identifying information) procedures.

Holy Trinity Grads

More 2010 Graduates...

University

Cassie Balasubramanian graduated from The University of South Carolina, Cum Laude, with a BA in Journalism and Mass Communication.

Megan Benson graduated from Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in accounting.



Passing the Peace - By Tim Young

Last night I was out with friends in a restaurant and at first it was just a really nice evening - eating out, surrounded by others having a good time, no worries . . . but all of a sudden I could just feel this incredible tension in the air. Some members of the waitstaff were apparently not getting along. And they were making it quite known to those around them. It really ruined the mood of the evening. And, even though it had nothing at all to do with me, it effected me... negatively. It made me want to leave (which we soon did); it made me not want to ever go back there.

As I was thinking about that this morning, I began to wonder... how often is church just like that? People come to a worship service, hoping to meet up with God and enjoy his presence along with some others... and then they get subjected to someone trying to create turmoil in the church; or someone with an agenda; or even a worship leader who happens to have an attitude problem that day. Man . . . I shudder to think of the number of times I have probably ruined the mood for someone - both as a musician and as a lay person. Forgive me, Lord. Help me to always be mindful of the effect and influence my thoughts, attitudes, and actions can have on others.

Did you know we already have a built in way to deal with this issue, already in our liturgy? Sure, we usually have a time to "greet" one another - to say "howdy, how are you." But Passing of the Peace is much more than

that. According to a Lutheran website, even beginning with the New Testament church it "took on a specific function of liturgy... It's function was to visibly demonstrate that all who were present were one in the faith and that no sin stood in the way of their unity." For example, "Consider this: what if you don't want to share the peace with the person sitting in front of you because you are mad at that person for something he did to you or said about you? The fact that you don't even want to shake hands with that person would suggest that indeed there is a need for reconciliation to take place - a gift that God freely offers through His Son." This is why the Passing of the Peace always precedes the offerings and Holy Communion. It is a way of setting things right with others before we approach God to ask our Creator to set things right with us.

I like that. A time during our service where we say to those around us, "The peace of Christ be with you," and hear back, "And also with you." We're not just greeting one another, sharing kisses and hi-fives; we are seeking God's peace upon the person(s) we greet; and therefore bringing His peace into our presence. We are creating a time and space for people to freely come to Him, to feel safe, and among friends. This would be a holy place. This is you worship leadership's desire for our weekly gatherings.

The peace of Christ be with you.

Financial Status Report

Effective May 31, 2010

	Budgeted	Received	Spent
May 2010	\$85,088.00	\$98,853.00	\$72,877.00
Year-to-Date	\$432,978.00	\$385,258.00	\$442,616.00

General Fund Balance as of May 31, 2010: \$ - 47,703.00

Council President's Update

Update on our Financial Crisis...

Your Church Council and Staff continue to monitor our financial situation on a week-by-week basis. Our appeal to you for increased giving to our General Fund has resulted in slightly higher numbers and we thank very much those who have responded to our need. However, we generally continue to have two very good weeks of giving each month but then two weeks of below budget giving. The result is we have made progress in the past six weeks but are far from being out of the woods financially.

As you know we have taken unprecedented steps to deal with this budget crisis in the short term. These included cutting the program

budget by over \$31,000.00; cutting all staff salaries and benefits by 10%; ending the "Vision Program" and temporarily suspending our monthly Benevolence Payments to the ELCA Southeastern Synod. Some of you have expressed concern over these actions but all of these cuts can be reinstated if giving continues to increase. Our Stewardship Ministry Team has placed a giving barometer in the Fellowship Hall in order to better communicate our progress.

Normally your Church Council does not meet during the summer but we have called special meetings to discuss this situation and what future actions we will need to take. We are very concerned about

paying our bills and expenses through the summer when church attendance generally drops off. I urge all of you to keep abreast of our discussions and decisions. We welcome congregants to attend our Council meetings which are open to all members to view the proceedings (except when personnel issues are being discussed). Copies of the minutes from the most recent council meeting are kept in a folder on the wall near the office. We suggest taking a copy and reading as this communicates our decision processes and actions.

Finally, you have seen the "Simply Giving" information in recent bulletins. Please prayerfully consider signing

up for this program which will help us better plan our budget now and in the future. If you have any questions or feedback that could assist us in our ongoing journey with God and Holy Trinity, please contact myself or any council member.

We again thank you for your increased giving and we ask for God's guidance during these trying times as we ARE a very dynamic, enthusiastic and spiritual church!

In His Service,
Bill Van Buskirk,
Congregational
President



"All are welcome."

Worship Attendance through June 19-20, 2010

	5:30	8:15	11:00	Total	SCS
5/29 - 5/30	102	77	166	345	-
Summer Schedule	<u>5:30</u>		<u>10:00</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>SCS</u>
6/5 - 6/6		105	257	362	-
6/12 - 6/13		115	274	389	-
6/19 - 6/20		289	191	480	150 (VBS Attendance)

**“LET’S DO
LUNCH
BUNCH”**

For All Women
of the Church

Lunch Bunch

The food was delicious . . . the jokes were silly . . . and we loved being at Marilyn Reardon’s home as we laughed and talked together once again. In July we will be venturing out and will be meeting for lunch at **Provinos on Thursday, July 8th at 11:30 AM.** (corner of Barrett Pkwy & Busbee Pkwy) **If you can join us, call Doris Clement at 770-973-4402 by July 8th so she**

can include you in the reservation count for our private room. (We don’t want our chatter & laughter to disturb other diners!)

Come eat and giggle with us on the 8th . . . we look forward to sitting beside you. (Dine with the “Lunch Bunch” the second Thursday of every month . . . mark your calendars now so you won’t miss the food, fun, and fellowship!!!!)

Oberammergau - Prague - Budapest - Vienna

It’s going to be here before we know it, but there’s still time to sign up until our travel planner says we’re done. If you think you might be interested in the Oberammergau trip, contact us as soon as possible.

Pastor G and Ginger

Lutheran Night at the Braves

It’s time for Braves baseball AND Lutherans on Parade!!

Lutheran Night at the Braves this year will be on Wednesday, August 4, at 7:10 pm The match up is the Braves vs. the New York Mets. always a great contest.

We need a Braves Coordinator from our congregation

So if you are able to head this up, please call the office.

The Trumpet

It’s Still 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!! Call the church office or send a message to our dedicated email address: TheTrumpet@HolyTrinityMarietta.org



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

Dear Holy Trinity,

I’ve always known that Holy Trinity was a very caring congregation. I recently experienced this caring first-hand during my triple by-pass heart surgery and recovery. Many thanks to Pastor Grunke and Pastor Birkholz for their visits and prayers as well as all the calls, visits, emails, cards, fruit basket, reading material and plants from HT members. You kept my spirits up. Just know how much you are appreciated!

Bert Blenner

Holy Trinity Staff

The Rev. Ronald C. Grunke,
Senior Pastor - ext. 106

The Rev. Beth Birkholz,
Associate Pastor - ext. 107

Margaret Hulsey,
Church Administrator - ext. 105

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Director, Music Ministry - ext. 114

Timothy A. Young,
Assoc. Director, Music Ministry; Organist - ext. 113

Chas Childers,
Saturday Praise Service Leader - ext. 140

Gaye Markham, Director,
Children, Adult & Family Ministry - ext. 104

Erin Chonka, Director of Youth
and Family Ministry - ext. 103

Nicole Winkler,
Office Manager - ext. 101

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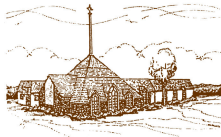
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2010 SE Synod Assembly

Five hundred and eighty members and visitors gathered to praise and rejoice in the Triune God from June 4-6 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Those from Holy Trinity were: John & Sharon Bost, Mark & Lea Bessey, Pastor Darryl & Mary Peterson and Pastor Birkholz.

Bishop Julian Gordy reported that he has spent much of the year dealing with the struggles many churches had with the decisions of the Church wide 2009 Assembly. Bishop Gordy stated that it's a hard time to be this church but that we are ready to work together, to disagree together and to do the work of the Gospel together. He said the church is stronger than any disagreements we have. "We do not have it all figured out, but we are a priesthood of all believers. The good news is that the Southeastern Synod has more new starts and redeveloping churches than any other synod in the country."

Information regarding the 2010 Synod Assembly, including photos and copies of passed resolutions and the youth harmony letter can be found at www.elca-ses.org/Assembly.html.

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The Friday night opening worship service was led by members of the Messiah Korean Lutheran Church of Norcross.