

# THE TRUMPET

**OCTOBER 2009**



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Saturday**  
5:30 PM

**Sunday**  
8:15 AM  
AND  
11:00 AM



**Confirmation**  
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

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

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### From the pen of Pastor G . . .

Jesus said *"Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."*

When I saw this text coming up for October 3rd and 4th I immediately checked the preaching schedule hoping that it would fall on Pastor Birkholz's shoulders. This text is very touchy and controversial and I quite frankly didn't want to deal with it.

Use whatever translation you choose, the Greek is clear. Jesus says that there is no provision whatsoever with him for divorce. If a divorced person chooses to re-marry he or she will be living in a perpetual state of adultery. What's a preacher to say?

In our day about half of all marriages end in divorce. So we must also assume that our congregation has members who are divorced and who have remarried. What are we to say? Maybe I should just switch with Pastor Birkholz and let her deal with this text. Or maybe I should pick a text a little less controversial. I could do one of the above, but then again I'm not one to run and hide from a text that might cause some serious weeping and gnashing of teeth.

What can we learn about Jesus from this text? What can we learn about divorce, remarriage and adultery from this text? And finally what can we learn about ourselves?

For answers to these questions I hope to see you in church October 3rd or 4th. Like Paul in Romans 1:16, *"I am not ashamed of the Gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith!"*

Peace, *Pastor G....*

*Annual*  
**Congregational Meeting**  
Sunday, October 18, 6:00 p.m.



- ◆ Approval of the 2010 congregational budget
- ◆ Election of Church Council Members
- ◆ Look for details in upcoming mailing

# Fall Pipe Organ Spectacular

**Hey all you kids and the young at heart.**

Put on your best costume or mask and join us for a HT first! Guest theater organist Ron Carter will be joining us **Friday night, October 23rd at 7 PM** for a one-of-a-kind **HALLOWEEN ORGAN SING-A-LONG**.

Ron is currently theater organist for the Strand Theater on the Marietta Square. He'll entertain us with spooky organ music, lead us in fun songs to sing, and accompany a 1920's era silent film, "*Haunted Spooks*". You won't want to miss this fun, family-friendly event. Tickets are \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 per child, purchased at a Ministry Station in mid-October, or at the door. So, grab a friend and join us for what promises to be the fun event of the year!!



## OBERAMMERGAU PRAGUE BUDAPEST VIENNA

As of September 1, we have signed up twenty-one travelers to attend "The Passion of Christ" play in Oberammergau, Germany. We will also visit the beautiful cities of Prague, Budapest and Vienna. Mr. Nawas has also agreed to prearrange attendance at a concert in Vienna. In order to have our own bus we will need to sign up at least seventeen more travelers. So get the word out to your friends and lets do all we can to reach our goal for this fantastic, once-in-a lifetime trip.

*Please call us if you have any questions.*

*Pastor G and Ginger*



**Thank you for going *GREENER !!!***

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## 2009 Prosperity Weekends

Dear Brothers & Sisters of Holy Trinity:

As I'm writing this letter to remind you of our upcoming PROSPERITY WEEKENDS in November, I am winging my way at 27,000 feet to Dallas on a business trip thinking about our upcoming September Council meeting. With budget planning for 2010 the major item looming on our agenda, a cascade of questions are simultaneously flooding my mind and tugging at my heart:

- ♦ How many of you in our church family have seen your incomes negatively impacted by the economy?
- ♦ If we build and budget for the many ministry programs that we offer here at Holy Trinity, will God bless us with the money to fund them?
- ♦ Have we asked the Congregation for too much over the past year during such economically challenging times?
- ♦ Should 2010 be one of those rare years when, instead of asking members to continue to loosen the purse strings, we should tighten our financial belts here at Holy Trinity?

I'm now looking out the window somewhere over Louisiana searching the clouds for answers when I'm suddenly struck by what I believe might be God's response. You see, on the ground before I boarded the plane, looking upward, all I could see were overcast skies and a pending storm, but at 27,000 feet, looking downward, all I can see are white, billowy clouds and a sun that warms my face through the glass.

Everything I see is His. And it's perfect. And it's awesome. And I remember that He has promised that He has great plans for us. Plans to prosper us. Plans not to harm us.

And as I'm listening to Chris Tomlin on my iPod singing "I Will Rise", I can't help but believe the lyrics are God whispering in my ear:

"There's a day that's drawing near,  
When the darkness breaks to light,  
And the shadows disappear,  
And my faith shall be my eyes."

And now I'm clear on what we'll do here at Holy Trinity in 2010. We'll look at these challenging times, not through human eyes, but through heavenly eyes, and we'll know that on the other side of the dark economic clouds lies the sunlight of God's promise of prosperity. And when we come together on November 7th & 8th and November 14th & 15th for our PROSPERITY WEEKENDS, I believe that we'll do what Holy Trinity members have done for more than 50 years.

We'll give with grateful and abundant hearts. And I'll be reminded how blessed I am to be part of this wonderful church family.

Abundantly Yours,  
Craig Stack  
Congregational Vice President & Stewardship Chairman

## Children's Ministry

God is so good! Have you looked around lately? We are so blessed! Our new Children's program is called *252Basics*, it is based on Luke 2:52 and it is fabulous!! We are staffed with a team in leadership that are eager to get involved with the children. They are ready and waiting on Sunday morning, wearing the new leadership tee shirts. It is so nice to walk down the hallway and know who belongs in the classroom and who to ask for help. I want to say a big "THANK YOU" to each one of you who takes part and make the morning such a wonderful opportunity, by reaching out and touching the life of a child. I hope some of you reading this, that aren't already serving somewhere, will consider joining our team. We need substitutes, builders, artists, painters, actors, youth and young adults and more. Hope to hear from you soon.

Blessings, Gaye

# W-ELCA NEWS

**All ladies of Holy Trinity are cordially invited to visit and/or join the church circles listed below.**

**EVENING PEACE CIRCLE** will meet Monday, October 12th at 7:00 pm, in the Library. Norma Hornack will lead a discussion of famous women. For more information, please call Joy Schill, 770-977-5326.

**GOD'S GRACE CIRCLE** will meet on Wednesday, October 21st at 7:00 PM in Room 7/8. We will continue the Romans study from the *Lutheran Woman Today* magazine, led by Sherrill McGraw. For more information contact Jan Pomplun, 404-422-5635.

**TENDER LOVING CARE CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, October 20th at 7:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Annette Ranger will host the evening and Eloise Ittner will provide the program. For more information please call Judy Blackwell, 770-971-9079.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Wednesday, October 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, 770-427-1011.

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

**THE W-ELCA BOARD will meet Tuesday, October 6th at 7:30 PM in EB 6.**

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



## We Recycle Empty Printer Ink Cartridges:

The collection box is just inside the Fellowship Hall to the left of the entrance. Money we receive for this recycling effort is usually given to agencies in the metro Atlanta area. Please help us support these groups by dropping off your empty ink cartridges in the collection box.



**The W-ELCA bookcase and collection site is now located in the Library. Come see our new, updated area. Drop off your Soap, Soup Labels, Pop Top Tabs, and Secret Prayer sister gifts at this location.**



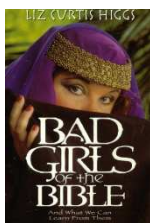
**Please pick up an extra bar of soap when you shop next** W-ELCA collects soap throughout the year for Lutheran World Relief. Please leave the soap in the Library in the W-ELCA collection box.



**The charity for the December Christ Child Shower this year is "It's My Very Own"**

It is a faith based non-profit organization committed to working with communities to provide for the immediate needs of children being removed from their homes by local child protective services. **It's My Very Own** seeks to make each child's life a little brighter by providing *Bags of Love*. Each hand-made bag contains a handmade quilt, new toys, a special stuffed animal, and personal care items.

## Women's Monday Morning Book Study



Hi Ladies! We just started our new semester of the "Monday School" Book Study.

The book we will be reading is Bad Girls of the Bible, written by Liz Curtis Higgs.

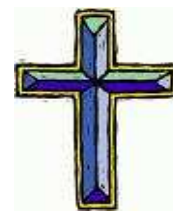
This book can be purchased at Sweet Spirit Christian Book Store, Lifeway Christian Book Store, etc. Or you may choose to order it on-line.

It is a great way to start your week and we urge and welcome all ladies to join us. If you have any questions please call Alice Rohrbach at 770-973-7205 or JoAnn Moore at 770-509-1967.

We will meet each Monday at 9:30 AM in Room 7-8 of the Education Building.

*We look forward to seeing you then!!  
Don't forget your coffee!*

## Jr. and Sr. Youth October NEWS!



Jr and Sr youth are both back in full swing. This October Sr. Youth is looking forward to attending one of the last **Braves Games** of the season. Both Jr. and Sr. Youth will be **Trick-or-Canning** on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October. Everything collected during Trick-or-Canning will be donated to **MUST Ministries**. To check out everything we're doing please **visit our calendars**.

On-line Calendars:

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

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

## "LET'S DO LUNCH BUNCH" For All Women of the Church



There were three tables of women eating delicious salad, sandwiches, and carrot cake... and they were still chattering, laughing, and sharing summer stories. What a great afternoon we all had at Gloria's! So... why don't you plan to join us for more of the same on Thursday, October 8th at 11:30 AM when we meet at JoAnn Moore's home. "Our *Lunch Bunch*" is meant to be a special time for all of us to be together...so please **CALL JOANN AT: 770-509-1967 BY OCTOBER 6TH** and tell her **you** will be there!

**(We will be "Doing Lunch" the second Thursday of every month in the home of one of the "Bunchees", so be sure and mark your calendars and make that call 'cuz we want you to enjoy our food . . .and be our friend!)**

### **Live Well:**

#### **A fulfilling retirement is about much more than money**

The Cobb Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans invites you to attend a workshop to help you prepare for your retirement.

How to Thrive in Retirement is a fun interactive program that explores how you can start now to enhance the richness of your retirement and meet personal goals regarding your family and giving back to your congregation and community.

**Tuesday, October 6th, 6:00 PM  
In the Holy Trinity Fellowship Hall**

Light Supper provided. Workshops are free.  
Reservations required.

#### **RSVP:**

Mary Peterson CFP® Derek Peterson CFP®  
770-565-9912  
or email [Kathleen.Seraphine@thrivent.com](mailto:Kathleen.Seraphine@thrivent.com)

## ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH



The envelope of the month for **October** is “**Campus Ministry**”

Donations support the ministries at Georgia Tech and the Atlanta University Center. The envelope is for October 3-4, but can be used anytime during the month of October.

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## Stephen Ministry

### What do Stephen Ministers do?

- Listen
- Explore Feelings
- Pray
- Share Christ's Love
- Maintain Confidentiality
- Attend to the care-giving process and leave the results to God



***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 WORSHIP NEWS

It has not taken me long to see that Holy Trinity has a great, dedicated and creative staff. For every service, event, or publication at HTLC, it is their desire to honor God through the creativity he has placed within them as they communicate the message of Jesus Christ with relevancy and excellence. This is a church where your creative gifts are celebrated and appreciated. It's that call to excellence that makes it fun and exciting for the new guy, like me. Thank you for being a church that loves to worship and for being open to the creative arts as an expression of that worship.

Our Saturday night worship team is a community of artists who, together, unleash the arts to create transformational moments in the lives of others and we would love to have you serve with us.

### What Are the Opportunities?

- Rhythm Sections (piano, guitar, bass, drums, and percussion). Plays on a rotating schedule for Saturday service.
- Horn Section (contemporary horn section; Saxes, trumpets and trombones) Plays every three weeks at Saturday Service. Orchestra (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, violin, viola, cello, double bass) Plays once a quarter and for special musical/worship events.

### What Are the Commitments?

- Ability to commit time to rehearsals, performances ( usually Saturday right before the service ) Strong playing ability / ability to read charts

### How Do I Get Connected?

Auditions are required for involvement. Auditions are set up with the Saturday Service Worship/Music director ( email or call church office for times )

For more information about playing with the Saturday Worship Band please contact Chas at church office extension 140



### **Blessings - Chas**

## ***Building Use Information***

### **Reserve / Set-Up / Maintenance**

As I settle into my new sexton position, I am trying to organize use of the facilities a bit more. First, always reserve a room for your group's use through the church office. Next, please fill out a "BUILDING USE" form, located in the "BUILDING USE" mailbox by the interior office door of Building B. Provide the information and indicate room set up on the form and then place it in my mail box. This will ensure accurate and timely set up and take down. Most rooms will be maintained in a Sunday ready set-up unless you request otherwise.

If you notice anything that needs attention as you use the buildings, the "Honey Do" list is again posted on the side of the mailboxes by the interior office door of Building B.

Also, let's all be good stewards of our facilities by following the following common sense guidelines:

- \*If you find a room or hallway light ON and the space unoccupied, please turn the lights OFF.
- \*If an exterior door is unlocked or unlatched, lock or latch it.
- \*Leave any space you use in better condition than you found it.
- \*Don't leave any opened food lying about. Put it in the trash and tie the bag closed.

We are blessed with a large facility. Your assistance is appreciated in helping to maintain it in tip-top shape.

*Thank You! Tim Young, Sexton*

## Sunday Worship in October

### October 4

**Liturgy for the Family of God** with music at the offertory arranged by Don Wrytzen.

The Children's Choir will be joining the Chancel choir for the service at 11:00.



### October 11

**ELW Setting 3** with the offertory anthem by Mark Hayes.

**The 11:00 Service** will feature the Georgia Boy Choir, under the direction of David White.

### October 18

**ELW Setting 4** with music for choirs arranged by Gregory Hamilton



### October 25

#### Reformation



**ELW Festival Setting One** with music for Choirs, Brass Quintet and Timpani.

The Offertory anthem is by Sue Mitchell-Wallace, commissioned in honor of Anne Murphy's 15 years of service to the music ministry of Holy Trinity.



## GEORGIA BOY CHOIR

The Georgia Boy Choir provides an opportunity for boys to experience quality musicianship and choral distinction in an organization where excellence is encouraged and expected. The Georgia Boy Choir was created not only to provide opportunities for boys to pursue beauty, but also to guide boys in leadership development and self discipline—something highly sought after by parents, but rarely found in many organizations available to boys today.

**You'll have an opportunity to hear the Georgia Boy Choir sing at Holy Trinity at the 11AM service on Sunday, October 11th.**



### *Holy Trinity String Ensemble is now forming*

Artist-in-residence Jonathan Wright is now calling for all age string players to come together and form a string ensemble.

High school students with at least 2 years of experience, and college students or any active or 'retired' adult string players are encouraged to speak with Anne, Tim or Jonathan.

Jonathan's contact number is 770-598-7610 or email [samoaviolin@comcast.net](mailto:samoaviolin@comcast.net).

Rehearsals will begin in September. We'll need a core of at least a trio to get the group going, so unpack that violin, viola, cello or bass and contact us soon!

## Attention Weekly Flower Donors



**We appreciate your weekly gift of flowers to enhance our worship space and want to make paying for them easier. So, we're changing our weekly floral provider! Beginning the first weekend in October, a representative from *Raelenes's Florist of Marietta* will call you for billing information. You may give your credit card number or arrange to set up a billing account. If Raelene's is unable to reach you by Friday noon, the church will have to be billed. You will then need to reimburse the church for the total cost of the arrangement and tax, plus a \$5.00 service fee. If you will be out of town the week you've signed up to donate flowers or wish to be proactive, contact Raelene's at (770)-565-2217 to arrange payment. Arrangements will continue to be \$65.00 plus tax. Delivery to the church is free. We hope this change will help with former billing problems and also upgrade our weekly arrangements. As in the past, specific arrangement requests can not be honored, as the arrangement will be made to enhance liturgical seasons.**



# Happy Birthday



## October 1

Abby Hilton  
Melissa Wright

## October 2

Stella Blenner  
Jayne Kieler  
Thomas Lash  
Lauren Martin  
Andrew Robertson  
Caitlin Robertson  
Jim Schill  
Nicole Winkler

## October 3

Dee Boudreaux  
Mindy Garrett  
Doug Jones  
Ken Pursley  
Sandy Tester

## October 4

Joe Carone  
Cole Gibbon  
Chloe Scholl  
Dan Vesper

## October 5

Chris Anderson  
Ryan Hanley

## October 6

Kelley Adams  
Nic Barton  
Donna Oleson

## October 7

Mackenzie Gebhardt  
Bess Ranger Horan  
Mac Schmidt  
Linda Simons  
Jim Watson

## October 8

Julie Fesefeldt  
Marcie Hoffman  
Gloria Hutt  
Russ Krueger  
Philip Novac

## October 9

Payton Doran  
Cindy Hugh Sam  
Renee Plumley  
Casen Stiber  
Reagan Stiber  
Krystl Wood

## October 10

Freyja Holm  
William Paonessa  
Bill Van Buskirk

## October 11

Sarah Allen  
Karen Jacoby  
Warren Wright

## October 12

James Biesecker  
Walt Collier  
Steve Weisbarth

## October 13

Ellen Casbon  
Blake Smith  
George Wagner  
Joe Wright

## October 14

Steve Aikala  
Carole Anderson  
J.R. Goodin  
Jimmy Lyle  
Christopher Morra

## October 15

Richard Hans  
Jan Lee  
Karen Nelson  
Joy Schill  
Elizabeth Talledo

## October 16

Erin Fesefeldt  
Eric Fish  
Mitchell Holden  
Matt Lyjak

## October 17

Anna Borysiak  
Curt Churchill  
Kyla Guenzerodt  
Brandon Meza  
Karen Peisel  
Kasey Pursley  
William Smyre  
Ralph Williams

## October 18

Caroline Casbon  
Connie Kalliomaa  
Darla Lightford  
Elaine Limber  
Terry O'Grady

## October 19

Andy Fesefeldt  
Espen Holm  
Kaitlyn Lange  
Amanda Moll  
David Rosado  
Jo Ann Schwantje  
Jacob Smith

## October 20

Mary Cutrone  
Zachary Fors  
Tyler Drury

## October 21

Craig Bergwall  
Jesse Karr  
Ellyn Mikkelson  
Gina Piepmeier  
Steve Stiber

## October 22

Debbie Gibbon  
Jan Gijlstra  
Jerry Hanley  
Margrit Hendricks  
Olga Noel

## October 23

Rebecca Browne  
Barbara Olson

## October 24

Nancy Nordland  
Sally Olson  
Kyle Phillips  
Van Scott  
Velma Tyson

## October 25

Jamie Knowles  
Kristen Murphy  
Gary Nizzi  
Miguel Talledo

## October 26

Mara Aguirre  
Leslie Graska

## October 27

Megan Dart  
Faye Martin  
Gerda McCoy  
Andy Totin  
Bill Trethaway

## October 28

Steven Holzapfel  
Mimi Jones  
Cheryl Nielsen  
Jason Schill  
Justin Schill

## October 29

Elizabeth Aiken  
Lana Apple  
Carol Fiorenza  
Channing Hans  
Dan Hess

## October 30

Karin Hetherington  
Kitza Muhlhausen  
Edward Rutter

## October 31

John Benson  
Caron Goin  
Chris Mould  
Carmen Neyra



# Happy Anniversary

## October 3

1992 - Tony & Louise Hanson

## October 5

1974 - Bob & Belinda Bock  
35 yrs.

1991 - J.P. & Colleen Fowler

1985 - Michael & Karen Lind

## October 6

2001 - Michelle & Benny Buice

1978 - Mark & Mindy Garrett

1984 - Leslie & Thomas Graska  
25 yrs.

## October 9

1982 - Skip & Karen Chonka

## October 10

2006 - Thomas & Cathy Ballantine

## October 11

1986 - Michelle &

Raymond Barton

1997 - G.T. & Krista Brown

1975 - Russ & Kathy Krueger

1969 - Jon & Carla Snyder  
40 yrs.

## October 13

1978 - JoAnn & Jim Wallace

## October 15

2005 - Angi & Michael Hendrix

## October 17

1993 - Joe & Melissa Wright

## October 19

2002 - Jesse & Mary Lou Karr

1991 - Thomas & Becky Lash

## October 20

1999 - Ben & Erika Hink

## October 21

1972 - David & Dainty Lovich

## October 27

1984 - Reed & Barbara Bearden  
25 yrs.

1990 - Eric & Leigh Fish

1990 - Jerry & Anita Hanley

## October 28

1955 - John & Colleen Plumley

## October 29

1994 - Randy & Holly Aitken  
15 yrs.

1954 - Al & Sue Hammock

55 yrs.

## October 30

1965 - Jerry & Betty Gravitt



## Calendar REMINDER

# Our Annual Congregational Meeting

Will be held on  
Sunday, October 18,  
6:00 p.m.

- ◆ Approval of the 2010 congregational budget
- ◆ Election of Church Council Members

## Holy Trinity Fun



## Runners

Beginning this fall, Holy Trinity runners will gather at local 5K races (3.1 miles) for a prayer, free food and drink, and a great way to start your day! To get on the email list so we know you're coming, email Pastor Beth Birkholz at [bbirkholz@holytrinitymarietta.org](mailto:bbirkholz@holytrinitymarietta.org).

There will also be a list on the HT website. In the spirit of Jesus and of Holy Trinity, walkers, run/walkers, joggers, and runners are ALL WELCOME! Next race will be October 17, the Cobb County Make a Wish 5k. Details and registration at <http://www.cobbcounty.org/makeawish5k/>.

**Next  
Trumpet  
Deadline  
is Saturday,  
October 10th.  
Please email  
your  
articles to:**

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

**Reformation  
is on  
Sunday, October 25th  
~ Choirs  
~ Brass Quintet  
~ Timpani  
Don't forget to wear  
RED**

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

**The Oktoberfest Planning Committee would like to Thank EVERYONE who helped with this year's event.**

*Special thanks to George & Gerda McCoy who helped in so many ways and kept us all on track to make our Oktoberfest authentic!*

Dear Friends,  
Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support during my recent surgery and rehabilitation. Your calls, cards, and visits were sincerely appreciated. Most especially, the love shown by the installation of chair lifts in our home cannot be adequately conveyed by words in this note. To all in the community, both within and outside the Holy Trinity family, these gifts will be treasured forever.

*With love, Sandra Williams*

This little note contains a hearty THANK YOU for your prayers and cards and well wishes over the past few months when I was in and out of the hospital a number of times. Surgery, last July, to straighten my spine went as well as could be expected, the "side effects" did not. The mixture in my system of anesthetic and other medications left me feeling neither here nor there. All this was followed by a month in a nursing home with stress on physical training to try to rebuild my strength. Now that I am home again, these efforts continue.

*Peace, Pastor Berkobin*



**Thanks to all who helped, participated and donated to this year's Hotlips Hustle**

***We raised enough money to pay for 27 children to receive cleft palate corrective surgery!!***

***~ The Ernstes Family***

Dear Holy Trinity Friends

Your support of MUST Ministries is helping so many people. Please accept their gratitude.

The current economy is driving thousands to our doors. Because of you, those people are finding help.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ!

Blessings,  
Kaye Cagle  
Associate Development Director

Dear Friends of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,  
Thank you for your generous support of our organization. With your help we are now serving more people than ever.

At the Barbara J. Crafton Center, named in memory of a board member's mother, we are now helping 20 women learn to become accountable to themselves, their families and the community, just like our men's program has done for years.

Thank you for your continued support.

Lynda, The Extension - Marietta

Dear People of Holy Trinity,

Thank you for your continuing generous support of Lutheran Campus Ministry at Georgia Tech, Agnes Scott College and Georgia State University. You are a blessing to so many young lives.

Peace,  
Rev. Deborah Halter  
Interim Pastor  
LCM @ Georgia Tech

## Financial Status Report

Effective August 31, 2009

	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Spent</b>
<b>August 2009</b>	\$87,702.00	\$91,270.00	\$84,710.00
<b>Year-to-Date</b>	\$636,603.00	\$582,782.00	\$564,037.00

**General Fund Balance as of August 31, 2009 - \$-6,330.00**

*“God’s work done in God’s way will never lack God’s supply.”* — J. HUDSON TAYLOR

## October President’s Corner

The month of October is packed with many exciting happenings here at Holy Trinity...and here is a snapshot at some of the key events: Starting off, we have been preparing for our Oktoberfest celebration for many months now. Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10AM to 7PM will be a day of food, fun and entertainment for the whole family as well as an outreach to our community. Our plan is to make Oktoberfest a major annual event each year so come out and partake of the festivities including dancing to live polka music in the tent...*Prosit!*

Your church council has been very busy working with the Committees and Ministry Teams in preparing the 2010 church budget. Please plan on attending the Annual Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM in the Sanctuary. Besides the budget, you will also be voting on two new council members to replace expiring council terms.

Two Special Health Events will be held at the church this month. Holy Trinity is hosting the American Red Cross Blood Drive in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October, 17<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 1PM. Please come out and give the “Gift of Life”. Additionally, Regular Flu Vaccinations (not H1N1) will be also given in the Fellowship Hall on the preceding Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 4PM to 7PM. The vaccinations are sponsored by Walgreens and there will be a charge for each shot administered.

Halloween comes to Holy Trinity on Friday evening, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7PM with a Halloween Family Concert and Festivities! Come and spend the evening with a very special guest organist, movies and refreshments. This looks like it’s going to be a scary good night!

We will welcome new members joining our church family this fall on October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> with a reception following each service. Please plan to attend and give our new members your usual warm Holy Trinity welcome.

Our music leaders and staff are currently preparing for the celebration of Reformation Weekend on October 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Special music and guest musicians will be at all services along with Combined Choirs on Sunday.

And...You never know what exciting event is going to pop up next here. Something that today caught my eye is a new adult Sunday school class which meets in the Chapel and is titled, “Wild at Heart...Discovering the Secret of a Man’s Soul”. “This is Sunday school to share what it means to be a man created in the image of God”. Finally, Sunday school for men! See we do have something for everyone at Holy Trinity! See you on October 18<sup>th</sup> at the annual Congregational Meeting....

In His Service,  
Bill Van Buskirk  
Congregational President

### Worship Statistics through September 19-20, 2009

\*Confirmation Only

	<u>5:30</u>	<u>8:15</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>SCS</u>
<b>8/29 - 8/30</b>	87	101	230	418	31*
<b>9/5 - 9/6</b>	85	81	154	320	-
<b>9/12 - 9/13</b>	103	133	186	422	154
<b>9/19 - 9/20</b>	94	103	175	372	158



*“All are welcome.”*

## It's Time For Fair Trade Coffee!



October 3rd and 4th after services

**Congregational Top Sellers:**

**Coffees- Love Buzz, Hazelnut Crème Decaf,  
& Breakfast Blend Whole Bean**

We offer *many items* in addition to our  
delicious coffees:

**A Variety of  
Teas & Chocolates**



**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.

## guatemala mission trip 2010



I heard Pastor Amanda Olson De Castillo speak to our conference meeting nearly a year and a half ago, and while she was speaking I knew that somehow God was calling me to go to Guatemala and experience the work that God is doing there through Pastor De Castillo and her family and many others. Well, now is the time! Or to be more specific, April 2010 will be the time (dates are tentatively April 10-18). My hope is that I can go on this trip with several Holy Trinity folks so we can experience the ministry firsthand.

The Southeastern Synod W-ELCA has given thousands of dollars worth of items plus contributions to these ministries (Guatemala has been a focus since they are a companion synod of the Southeastern Synod). But if you, too, feel that God is calling you to not just give money or items to these folks but to GO...to work, visit, and play among the people, please email or call me soon!

*Peace, Pastor Birkholz*

## Georgia Flood Victims Need Your Help

We will be collecting the following items here at Holy Trinity for distribution at a later date:

Toothpaste	Toothbrushes
Deodorant	Soap
Shampoo	Conditioner
Brushes & Combs	
Towels & Wash Cloths	
Non-perishable food	

\*\*Please drop items off at the Ministry Station

\*\*Financial donations also accepted,  
they will be matched by Thrivent

\*\* Volunteers also needed

Coming soon to Holy Trinity -  
an updated Pictorial Direc-  
tory.

*our first in five years*

Let everyone get to know you and  
match a face to a name. Sittings will  
be in November and early January.



## Help Needed!!

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

### 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.

### Nursery Volunteers:

Sunday Nursery help is needed. Youth, as well as adults who need a "cuddle" are welcome.

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

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MINISTRIES

### Signature Box

**\$30**

*Balanced Nutrition and Variety with enough food to feed a family of four for about one week.*

- 1.5 lb. New York Strip Steaks (3 x 8 oz.)
- 1 lb. Steak Fajita Strips
- 2 lb. Chicken Stir Fry Skillet Meal
- 1 lb. Lean Ground Beef
- 1.5 lb. Breaded White Meat Chicken Tenders
- 1 lb. avg. Center Cut Ham Steaks (Hickory Smoked)
- 1 lb. Bake or Fry Fish Sticks (32 sticks)
- 1 lb. Pasta
- 25 oz. Marinara Sauce
- 1 lb. Frozen Baby Lima Beans
- 1 lb. Frozen Mixed Vegetables
- 2 lb. bag Fresh Apples (approx. 8-10 ct.)
- 10 ct. Flour Tortilla Wraps
- 32 oz. 2% Shelf Stable Milk
- Dozen Eggs
- Dessert

### Senior & Convenience Meals

*For Seniors or People on the Go!*

**\$28**

*Ten perfectly seasoned, nutritionally balanced, fully cooked meals — just heat and serve. Each meal has been developed with the dietary needs of senior citizens in mind, and contains 3 oz. of protein, a starch & two vegetables or fruit.*

- Roasted Chicken
- Meat Lasagna
- Salisbury Steak and Gravy
- Meatloaf and Gravy
- Chicken Chow Mein
- Cheese Manicotti
- Chili with Beef and Beans
- Boneless Pork Patty
- Fettuccini Alfredo
- Lemon Pepper Baked Fish
- Assorted Cookies, Sugar-Free Applesauce, Vanilla Pudding Cup, Apple Juice, Orange Juice and Diced Pineapple

### 5 lb. Allergen-Free Food

**Box**

**\$25**

*Processed to eliminate the eight top serious allergens: Peanuts, Soybeans, Milk, Eggs, Fish, Crustacea, Tree Nuts and Gluten (wheat, rye and barley). Great for children and adults!*

- 1 lb. Breaded Chicken Breast Fillets
- 1 lb. Breaded Chicken Breast Nuggets
- 1 lb. Breaded Cubed Steak
- 1 lb. Breaded Wings
- 1 lb. Breaded Chicken Tenders

*Battered/breaded with water, white rice, brown rice, modified tapioca starch, flax seed, sugar, dextrose, salt, spices, dehydrated garlic, spice extractives and oleoresin paprika. Breading is pre-browned in Canola oil.*

## Available for Pre-Order September 1st-October 28th!!! Thanksgiving Holiday Box **\$36**

*This is a special order in addition to your regular order, and no Holiday Box orders will be accepted after the October 28th deadline. This Holiday Box will **ONLY** be shipped during the November distribution period, and not beforehand. SNAP benefits cannot be accepted with this order until 35 days prior to the delivery date, and cannot be accepted online.*

- |   |  |                               |
|---|--|-------------------------------|
| 7 lb. (avg.) Perdue Roasting Hen        | 2 lb. Frozen Green Beans                 | 4.5 oz. Brown Gravy Mix       |
| 2.5 lb. Boneless Netted Ham             | 1 lb. Frozen Cranberries                 | 1 Dessert Item (Pie or Cake)  |
| 2 lb. Frozen Diced Sweet Potatoes       | 17 oz. Ready to Cook Corn Bread Dressing | 1 Recipe Sheet with Scripture |
| 3.5 lb. (avg.) Frozen Corn Coblets (12) | 8 ct. Heat and Serve Large Dinner Roll   |                               |

\*\*\*Specials are now available with or without the purchase of a standard box listed above\*\*\*

### OCTOBER SPECIAL #1 **\$23**

#### 7 lb. Assorted Meat Grill Box

- 1.5 lb. Ribeye Steaks (3 x 8 oz.)
- 2 lb. Pork Chops (4 x 8 oz.)
- 2 lb. Lean Hamburger Steaks (4 x 8 oz.)
- 1.5 lb. Bratwurst Sausage with Cheese

### OCTOBER SPECIAL #2 **\$22**

#### 4.5 lb. Assorted Steak Combo

- 1.5 lb. Bone In Ribeye Steaks (2 x 12 oz.)
- 1.5 lb. Kansas City Strip Steaks (2 x 12 oz.)
- 1.5 lb. T-Bone Steaks (2 x 12 oz.)

### OCTOBER SPECIAL #3 **\$20**

#### 10 lb. Breaded Chicken Combo Box

- 4 lb. Breaded Chicken Pieces
- 2 lb. Breaded Chicken Tenders
- 2 lb. Breaded Chicken Breast Fillet
- 2 lb. Breaded White Meat Chicken Nuggets

### OCTOBER SPECIAL #4 **\$22**

#### Premium Fresh Fruit and Veggie Box

- 1 Sweet Golden Ripe Pineapple
  - 3 lb. bag New Crop Florida Tangerines
  - 1 Vine Ripened Cantaloupe
  - 4 Washington State Bosc Pears
  - 4 ct. Juicy Limes
  - 3 lb. bag New Crop Large Red Potatoes
  - 2 lb. bag New Crop Yellow Onions
  - 1 head Green Cabbage
  - 2 bulbs Jumbo Garlic
  - 2 ct. Large Green Bell Pepper
  - 3 lb. bag Idaho Potatoes
  - 1 lb. bag California Whole Peeled Baby Carrots
- AFM October 2009 Fruit and Veggie Recipe Sheet

October Orders Taken:	Sat, Sept. 19	10 – 11 am
	Sun, Oct. 11	12:30 – 2 pm
October Distribution:	Sat, Oct. 17	10 – 11 am

Or ORDER ON-LINE ANYTIME at: [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com) and pay with a debit card!!

## *Young Families Munch Bunch*



**To all the young families of HT:  
Do you wish you could meet other  
families at our church, or want to get out  
but it's hard to find a babysitter?**

This is your answer! Munch Bunch is an informal dinner that provides adult fellowship and kid play-time. Each month a different family hosts. The other families sign-up to bring food items. The location can be your home, a park or here at the church in the Upper Room or Pavilion. Join us for our first get-together on Saturday, October 24 from 4-7 PM in the Pavilion.

**The sign-up is on the wooden table  
in the Fellowship Hall.**

## **Upcoming Events of Interest at The River Church**

### **Surviving the 21st Century American Economy**

Join John Sicner of Sicner Asset Management, LLC, for a broad discussion of where the economy is headed and practical steps everyone can take to protect their families and assets. With \$50 million in client assets, Sicner Asset Management is a registered investor advisor.

Tuesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m.

### **Controlling Your Calendar (So It Won't Control You)**

Life getting out of control? Learn simple, effective ways to make your life the way you want it to be.

Monday, October 5th at 7:30 p.m.

### **God Grew Tired of Us**

A book discussion of the powerful story of John Bul Dau, one of the "Lost Boys" of Sudan. You can order the book at [http://www.amazon.com/God-Grew-Tired-John-Bul-Dau/dp/B000R8YC22/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&s=dvd&qid=1253125583&sr=8-1](http://www.amazon.com/God-Grew-Tired-John-Bul-Dau/dp/B000R8YC22/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=dvd&qid=1253125583&sr=8-1)

We'll see you for the conversation of this amazing story on Monday October 19th at 7:30 p.m.

### **Halloween and Christianity: Fact, Fiction and Fun**

Where did Halloween come from? Why do so many Christians get upset about it? What's true and what's false? Come for a lighthearted session on the religious facts about Halloween as well as the truth about some of the rumors that have been passed around. Free candy!

Thursday, October 29th at 7:30 p.m.

[www.wadeintheriver.org](http://www.wadeintheriver.org) / Alpharetta, GA / 678-860-0971

## Adult Ministry/Adult Education

Wow!! our adult Sunday School classes are fantastic! We have several classes using DVDs and it is such good material, we also are having some classes for special groups, like Men's Ministry. They are doing a discussion and review on *Wild at Heart*. It is rated very highly and has been part of a large movement of men around the country. They are studying this book and others that help them see what God intended to have men become, it can be life changing, come join this group in the Chapel each Sunday morning. We have a study of the book *Don't Sing Songs To A Heavy Heart* that can be a guide to all of us. It gives guide lines for helping anyone going through a crisis. This class meets in room #7. The continuing study of Arts In The Church is meeting in the Library and discussing the impact of art through the ages on worship around the world. A new study and format for us this year is *The Ultimate Gift*, it is based on the book and movie by the same name. The movie was shown on 9/19, but you don't have to see the movie to participate. Each class stands on it's own. Clips of the movie are shown weekly and discussion follows related to the biblical implications of each gift. Another class for women will also be movie based, but this will be a look at "chick flicks". It's called Cinema Therapy and it will show life situations reflected in clips from numerous films. It starts on Sunday, Oct. 4th in Room 8. This class will also be one that you can attend at any time and not feel you are behind in the study. A Christmas Carol will begin Nov. 8th with Roy and Bonnie Lantz providing this annual Holiday Event. The 1st week will be a dramatic reading in costume and the following weeks are a Bible study related to this powerful Holiday classic. It is a great way to prepare your heart for the Christmas season each year. As you can see, God is being lifted up in many ways this fall here at Holy Trinity. Don't miss the blessing, join your friends or make new friends in the class of your choice. It is such to serve the Lord with you.

**See you at church, Gaye**

**The Next  
Young At Hearts  
is Monday, October 12  
10:00 a.m.**

**Disaster  
Preparedness**

The program this month will include a brief talk by Nysea Lanier, president of Cobb Senior Council. She will distribute containers used by seniors for disaster preparedness. This will be followed by a Reformation skit given by Norma Hornack entitled, *From Fear to Faith*. The program promises to be informative and entertaining. Then we'll enjoy a lunch of homemade soup and salad, prepared by the YAH Committee, a perennial favorite.

**The Cost is \$5.00**

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\* Paid reservations for November's bus trip to North Georgia's Apple Country are due at October 12th YAH meeting.**

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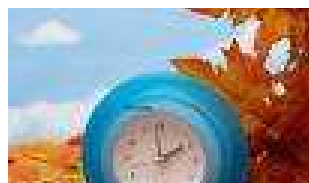
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## “ Fall Back ”

Remember to set your  
clocks back 1 hour on  
Saturday night October 31!!

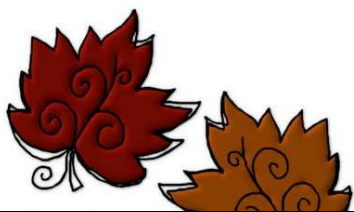


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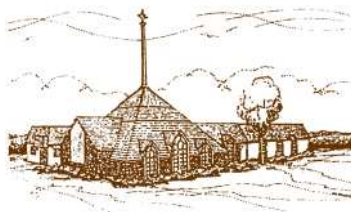
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## **Health Matters . . .**

*2 Upcoming  
Parish Nurse Events:*

**Flu Vaccinations**  
Available Here at HTLC  
Tuesday, Oct. 13  
4:00 - 7:00 PM

\$ 24.99,  
In the Fellowship Hall  
Sponsored by Walgreen's  
(Insurance claims will be submitted)

**Blood Drive**  
Sponsored by the  
American Red Cross  
Saturday, Oct. 17  
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
In the Fellowship Hall

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