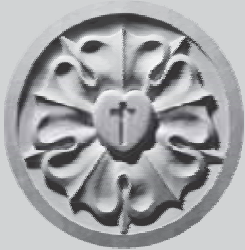




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Pastor's Page

Trapped!

No, I'm not talking about how I feel right now, sitting at home writing this, at the end (I hope!) of two weeks of some respiratory infection, unable to spend time with people and get my work done. God willing, I'll be well when you read this!

I'm talking about Trinity, trapped inside the last century, and trapped inside ourselves.

Trinity has been very successful in building a great church for people to come to, with a great school that parents could bring their children to, and a great CDC to take care of the babies of downtown workers. Many people have been ministered to by our programs and buildings. We've been a wonderful central location for accomplishing much in the Kingdom of God here in Orlando.

Along the way we've acquired over five acres of valuable downtown property and tens of thousands of square footage inside sixteen buildings, some very historic and beautiful. Five dozen people earn their livelihood working here every day, and hundreds contribute many thousands of volunteer hours.

Many people have been brought out of the darkness of sin and death into the marvelous light of God's love through Jesus Christ because of the faithful work of pastors, teachers, staff, volunteers and the "average" church member here. Many have received a foundation here that has equipped them to be laborers in the Lord's vineyard all over the world.

But, (you knew that word was coming!)

by Pastor Jeff Moore

Trinity is trapped in a model of ministry that tries to bring the world to us. If we can get them into our buildings or into our groups, we have so much to offer. We're attractive to people who are looking for a church—but the majority of people in Orlando aren't looking for a church!

I'm trying to say that we're trapped by success! We've built a great church (I'm not ignoring the work of the Holy Spirit when I say that, hear me out!), but there's just not much demand for great churches!

So should we give up? Roll over and play dead? I don't think so! I believe we need to remember the driving force that was, or should have been, behind all that has been done here in the past. That driving force was, and is, the truth that God loves

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people and brings them out of their sins and to Himself through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God has called us to join Him in rescuing people from a life that is no life at all, to join Him in loving the people of Orlando and building relationships with them.

I know that some of you are intentionally doing this. I hear of Bible Studies in workplaces, of members of Trinity praying for their friends and co-workers right on the spot. The work of the Kingdom happens Monday through Saturday, with Sunday empowering and refreshing us to *go out there* and work again. What I'm saying is that we need to picture our ministry in this way—our weekend worship services and other on-site gatherings are the rest and relaxation, not the job. Our work is *out there*. When we do that work, the goal is to help our friends discover and build a relationship with Jesus Christ, not to *bring them to* 123 East Livingston. If they are called by the Holy Spirit to join us in the work of the Kingdom, they may very well also join us in

our R&R "at church," or they may go somewhere else for their nourishment and edification.

Trinity has a circle of influence. Each of us is in contact with many people outside of Trinity, and, God willing, we're exerting a very positive influence with those folks on a daily basis. God willing, we're carrying out to them the insights and passion that we gather and cultivate in our weekly time together.

In the 20th century the model of ministry was to build a church and invite people to come to it. I believe that in the 21st century we'll be more like the 1st century, with a model that envisages God's people huddling up, deciding what the play is, encouraging each other, and then each one going back out on the field to do his or her part of the real work.

God bless you!!

Just in Time

Pastor's Easter sermon got me thinking about God's plan for Trinity. I'm always looking for clues as to just what that plan is, and this was one time I didn't have to look very hard.

You'll recall he preached the Easter message from the viewpoint of the word "QUICKLY!" - as the very first witnesses to the Risen Christ were implored to spread the word immediately.

I'm reminded of an old accounting term near and dear to the heart of every corporate business executive: "just in time" inventory control. (The term means avoiding warehousing costs by delivering raw materials or components just in time for their use on the manufacturing line.)

by Wren Aber, Trinity Executive Director

Then, my imagination turned to the frightening specter of a miles-long winding line of sinners on judgment day. Some are true believers, but many have either never heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ or they heard it a long time ago and deliberately chose to ignore it.

Now, imagine you and I and a "committee" of our peers standing near this line of people debating about what we should be doing:

- Should we go tell these people or is it simply too late for them?
- If we do go tell them, whom should we pick first? - those who look like us?
- Should we try to work our way to the front of the line (taking the "just in time" concept literally!)?

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- How could we best “divvy up” our committee's limited resources (people, time) to reach the ones most likely to “hear”?

And, as time passes and those in the front of the line continue to disappear, we wonder amongst ourselves whether or not we made the right choices about sharing the Gospel. You get the picture.

Yes, there's some urgency intended here. The long “judgment” line we visualized might include people who live and work right around us every day and others who are

moving here to join our communities from all over the world.

Even though we're a lot of generations forward from those first Easter Morning witnesses who ran “QUICKLY” from the tomb to tell the good news, our charge remains the same.

Now's the time to spread the Word. QUICKLY. Now's the time to invite our friends and neighbors, our co-workers and our visitors to come to church with us. For any moment could be “just in time” for them.

A  from Your Music Director

by Lisa Moore, Music Director

Parish Choir to Sing at New York's Carnegie Hall this Fall!

We will be singing the Christmas portions of Handel's “Messiah,” with English composer John Rutter.

Carnegie Hall is a concert venue in midtown Manhattan in New York City located at 881 Seventh Avenue, occupying the east stretch of Seventh Avenue between West 56th Street and West 57th Street. Built by philanthropist Andrew Carnegie in 1891, it is one of the most famous venues in the United States for classical music and popular music, renowned for its beauty, history and acoustics. Carnegie Hall has its own artistic programming, development and marketing departments and presents about 100 performances each season; it is also rented out to performing groups. It has no resident company, although the New York Philharmonic officially resided there until 1962.

The only other Carnegie Hall in the United States is located in Lewisburg, West Virginia. It was built by Andrew Carnegie in 1902 after an existing building burnt to the ground. The building was originally used as a school for

women but was converted to the music and art hall that it is today in 1983. The WV Carnegie Hall, Inc. is smaller and far less famous than its New York counterpart.

The 'original' Carnegie Hall, in Dunfermline, Scotland, was also financed by Andrew Carnegie, as Dunfermline was his birthplace. It is also much smaller and less famous.

May Singing/Ringing Schedule

May 1	7 p.m.	Parish choir, bells and brass
May 4	11 a.m.	Parish choir and bells
May 11	6 p.m.	Kinderchoir and moms
	8 a.m.	Men's Choir
	11 a.m.	Women's Choir
May 18	11 a.m.	Parish choir and bells
May 20	7 p.m.	School Spring Concert

Trinity Family Picnic

The Parish Choir will be hosting a Trinity Family Picnic with hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixin's on Sunday, May 18. A Trinity Family Talent Show will follow lunch. Ice cream with all the toppin's will be served after the show.

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The Talent Show is open to individuals, families and groups. Choir members will be signing up “acts “and taking your reservations for the picnic. Free-will donations will help the choir cover their New York trip expenses.

Please complete the sign-up sheet and return to the church office or e-mail Lisa Moore at lmoore@twinitydowntown.org and supply the requested information. Thank you.

<p>Trinity Family Church Picnic and Talent Show</p> <p>Sunday, May 18, 2008 12:30 p.m. in the gymnasium</p> <p>Hot dogs, hamburgers and all the fixin's! Ice cream with all the toppin's!</p> <p>A free will offering will be taken.</p> <p>Do you sing, dance or play an instrument? Can you whistle, yodel or tell a joke? Can you perform a family skit? Are you an artist?</p> <p>Sign up for the talent show by returning this form or by e-mailing lmoore@trinitydowntown.org</p>	<p>Name(s) _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Age (if a child) _____</p> <p>Phone # _____</p> <p>Talent _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p><i>Sponsored by Trinity's Parish Choir</i></p>
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A Servant's Heart

A JOY-FULL Retreat from the Everyday World

On a Saturday last month, women of Trinity and friends gathered for a refreshing JOY-FULL retreat from daily routine. Respite and peace of mind is easy when all is well, but how can you rejoice and sing and dance when your son or daughter is defiantly squaring against you; or your spouse emotionally or physically abandons you? Where is the joy for a teen who sits alone on Friday night and sees a misfit in the mirror? How can a young child who hears fighting and feels the tension of a

by Liz Borth, Deaconess

dysfunctional household be joyful? Here are some of the lessons we learned to be JOY-FULL.

Did you know that happiness is not the same as joy? Happiness is based on a happening or event in your earthly life. Spiritual joy comes from the one-time death and resurrection event in Jesus' life. So, the source of pure joy for the human soul is Christ's absolute unconditional love for you. True joy comes from the Lord.

Joy is found when you empty yourself of all the

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thoughts and worries that chatter in your head like squirrels. The noise of busyness clouds our focus on God, and although scheduled meditation for even a few minutes every day seems impossible, we must purposely devote time in order for the squirrels to stop their chatter. Refresh and focus on our Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.

The joy of living in Jesus starts anew every morning, and is visible in the sunrise, plants, sunshine, rain and wind. All this comes from God solely for His beloved treasured children. Joy is expressed in movement of muscle and

nerve. Whether we move about slowly, stiffly, awkwardly or with limitations, we can offer our praise in reverent motion expressing our devotion and praise to our triune God. King David rejoiced by dancing freely and celebrated with songs, harps, tambourines and all manner of musical instruments known in that time (2 Samuel 6).

Despite the struggles this worldly life serves us, we have joy in faith, peace and hope - not held back for any reason, in any season of life. Joy is knowing who we are and the promise of life eternal because of the cross of Christ.

Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep It Holy

by Liz Borth, Deaconess

“For the sake of young people...the ministry of the Word should be the special concern of this one day.” (excerpt from Luther's Large Catechism)

The Board of Parish Education recognizes these Sunday School children who had perfect

attendance for the month of March:

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| Katherine Spirduso | Isabel Bermudez |
| Tyler Beasom | Katie Emling |
| Sarah Emling | Hallie Krzyzak |

“Thank You” from Gail O'Rourke

For close to 17 years, I was chairperson of Trinity's Altar Guild. Now the leadership position is in the capable hands of Marcy Shively, with Michelle Gregorek assisting.

Being chairperson has been a joyous time for me, not only because of the contribution to our worship services as we honor our Lord, but also for the many years of fellowship with all the guild members, elders and pastors. I want to thank all the members, past and present, for their support of me and willingness to serve on the guild. I held the

guild close to my heart, so letting go has been a bittersweet experience. That sentiment was punctuated at the March 15 Saturday night service with the recognition and gift given to me. Thank you all so much! And, I am still a guild member, just not in a leadership role. I would highly encourage any Trinity member who is looking for a rewarding ministry, one that is behind the scenes and not time consuming, to join the guild. It has most certainly been a blessing in my life. - Gail O'Rourke, Altar Guild

LWML SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Florida/Georgia District provides student aid for every student from our District who is preparing for full-time church work at one of the colleges or seminaries of the Concordia University System. If you are interested in applying for this scholarship opportunity, please visit the LWML Website for additional information at <http://www.flgalwml.com>.

Vacation Bible School Friends Needed

We are looking along the trail for friends just like you! 2008 Vacation Bible School needs your help. It will take more than 30 people and about 640 hours of pre-planning and actual execution during the week of June 16-20 to give kids ages 4 through 12 a fantastic trek through the Bible. We are specifically looking for:

CAMPFIRE STORY TELLER: Tells the Bible story of the day to groups of 20 or less 6-year-olds to 9-year-olds who will travel to you for 20-minute sessions. You will be stationed under a large dining fly or tent on the front lawn. You will sit on a camp stool in front of a fake campfire.

WILDERNESS CRAFT LEADER: Helps decide on the type of crafts children will make. You will have assistants to help you set up and guide groups of 20 or less 6-year-olds to 9-year-olds in making a different craft each day in 20-minute sessions. You do not have to be "crafty" or have any particular skills. We will be using purchased kits - all you do is follow directions.

BACKPACK SNACK LEADER: Organizes the snack for the day with the help of 2 assistants. Children will come to you in groups of 20 or less 6-year-olds to 9-year-olds. They are accompanied by youth or adult guides who will be available to help the children. You will not be cooking anything.

SURVIVOR GAMES LEADER: Leads groups of 20 or less 6-year-old to 9-year-old children in games for emphasis of the day's main idea and for controlling "the wiggles." Games are supplied for you, as well as most of the materials to use in the games. You will be inside the gym unless you decide to go outside.

BIBLE CHALLENGE COURSE LEADER: Helps children learn memory verse with an activity led by adult or youth guides. You will use rhythm and actions to help children in groups of 20 or less 6-year-olds to 9-year-olds remember the Bible verse.

PRE-SCHOOL LEADERS (Three are needed): Either as a team or as one leader and 2 assistants, you help 4-year-old and 5-year-old children. You will tell the story, guide making the craft supplied to you, reinforce the story with a memory verse challenge activity and a daily activity leaflet, and lead them in games. Backpack snacks will be brought to you and you will join the older children for opening and closing activities.

MIDDLE SCHOOL HIKERS: Leads the 5th - 8th grade children on actual 1-1/2 to 2-hour daily hikes. Planned walking trips will give the kids opportunities for service projects and special time of their own away from the campus. Backpack snacks will be brought to you upon your return and you will cool off in your cavern with a supplied craft activity. Middle School hikers will join the whole group for opening and closing activities.

CIRCLE GUIDES: Supervises, leads and cares for a group of 6 or less children mixed ages 6 - 9 years old. You will participate in all the activities with your group. You do not have to teach, but you will lead discussions with your group at the Campfire Bible story, Bible Challenge Course and Backpack snack area.

Please contact Deaconess Liz at 407-422-5704, ext. 127 or eborth@trinitydowntown.org; Marietta Hinton at 407-328-2799 or kevinlhinton@aol.com; or Amy Fischer at 407-812-7559 or awtlm@aol.com as soon as possible. The leader training session is scheduled for Saturday, May 31 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

A New Opportunity To Serve Our Community From the Human Care Board

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to reach people with the Gospel message. And, here is an opportunity for you to be part of this mission in downtown Orlando. United by the goal to offer free identification cards to homeless and needy persons, representatives from five churches in downtown Orlando have met frequently for the past six months working to develop "Project I.D.ignity". Pastor Moore, Deaconess Liz and Gary Oakley have participated on Trinity's behalf, but now it is your turn!

An I.D., which is essential for a job, as well as assistance programs, instills dignity and self esteem. While the process is not costly, it can be complicated and frustrating for someone without a home or permanent address. Although all of the downtown churches meet people asking for help in obtaining an I.D., none of the churches can individually support a program large enough to meet this need. Together, we can do it!

The once-a-month program begins a three-month trial period on May 28, continues on June 25, and ends on July 27. Our site is the Orlando Rescue Mission on Washington. (Some of you will remember this location from the Easter meal we helped staff on Good Friday.) The Florida Driver's License mobile unit, representatives from legal aid, representatives from Orange County Department of Statistics and volunteers from five downtown churches will assist persons in obtaining identification cards. Our job is to fill 3 spots on each of those days for 6 hours. Hold on before you stop reading and say "No"! We can offer as many people as can work any amount of time to fill the needed 3 spots. For example, if you can only give 2 hours from 9 to 11 a.m., that's great! Someone else from our church can take over for either the rest of the day or for another 2-hour shift. The volunteer opportunity is designed to

accommodate everyone's schedule. Your job requires little training. You will be needed to escort individuals to the various stations, greet them with a smile and offer them a place to wait comfortably, or perhaps, help fill out forms. The exact duties are "under construction." Remember, this is ONE DAY each month and a total of only 18 hours for the entire trial period. You could share as much as 18 hours or as little as 2 hours. Trinity Lutheran has pledged as many as 12 people or as few as 3 people for each day.

The opportunity to share the love of Jesus is here. The opportunity to live the mission of Trinity Lutheran Church by reaching out to downtown Orlando is here. Believe me, there isn't SOMEONE ELSE TO DO IT. Brothers and sisters, we are asked to share a small amount of our time to make a permanent and huge difference in the lives of at least 240 people in the next three months. Step forward in faith and share what you can. Call Deaconess Liz, talk to Pastor Moore or contact Gary Oakley today.

Sometimes, as we walk with the Lord, He places experiences in our path that leave us at a loss for words. That may have been the reaction of many who shared God's Word among the homeless during the Easter season. Whether distributing goodie bags and New Testaments in and around area homeless camps, assisting at the Good Friday luncheon, or both, many of us, try as we might, have been unable to put into words what we saw and felt. While this can be an uncomfortable feeling, as those who have been in Stephen Ministry will tell us, it is not always up to us to know all the right words. Rather, we are to care, share and plant the seed of God's Love with those who are hurting. For those who shared God's Word and Love with the homeless, the difficulty of putting the

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experience into words can be a blessing. It can cause us to be thankful for our Trinity family and for the generosity and love shown in providing the people and supplies needed to carry out this outreach and ministry. It can move us to thank God for the hope we have in Christ Jesus.

We may be asking, "What's next? What does God expect from us now?" God's answer is clear. In 1 Thessalonians 4:1, we are told, "Finally, brothers, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more." The

Human Care Board will continue to ask for your prayers, time and talents as we reach out to those in need. We pray you will approach church leadership, continue to read this newsletter, the *Triune Weekly* and *The Viking News* for news of upcoming ways to serve. Pray and ask God for His guidance as we continue to share His Word. We may not always know how best to use our time and talents. We may not know the right words to say when ministering to those in need. Thankfully, this is not up to us. God will show us the way.

HEALTH NEWS AND NOTES *presented by the Human Care Board*

Trim the Fat

Summer is knocking at our door with its outings, picnics and parties. So, now is the time to start taking care of our bodies. A good place to start is with our daily diet and food intake. Remember, we keep our bodies' engines running to do His work, so we need to use premium fuel for top performance.

Picnic, barbeque and beach foods traditionally tempt us with fatty items such as fried burgers, ribs, bacon, pork sausage, ham, etc. This season, limit the amount of deep fried foods you consume. A premium fuel diet means avoiding high fat items. Instead of frying, try baking or grilling chicken or a favorite fish. Ground turkey breast is a delicious alternative for ground beef and is so much leaner.

Choose side dishes that not only compliment your entree, but are heart healthy. There is a wide variety of vegetables that can be steamed on the grill and are light and nutritious. Try baked sweet potatoes instead of white potatoes for a potassium boost. Fresh fruits are

submitted by Beverly Middleton, Licensed Nurse not only refreshing, but satisfy your sweet tooth.

The fats found in the dairy group of cheese, milk, ice cream, cottage cheese, etc., can be lowered using low fat choices. There are many tasty low fat or fat-free products or substitutes that will keep your amount of fat intake at the lowest level.

Now is also the time to change your grocery shopping routine and give yourself and your family a healthier future. Check products for a zero (0) trans fat marking on the label before purchasing. Shop more in the produce section for fresh fruits and vegetables. Visit the bakery less and keep processed foods purchases to a minimum.

Summer's knocking... Think lean, and be a fat-burning machine... You'll be healthy and heart happy!

Summer Stewardship

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing...” (Hebrews 10:25). “Summer time and the livin' is easy” the old song goes. Warm weather, vacations, no school, golf, tennis, fishing, hiking, swimming, relaxing, less hectic schedules...all seem to define summer time. Thankfully our Lord never takes a vacation from blessing us with His abundant love, gracious gifts and providential care. The Psalmist writes about our Heavenly Father, “He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand.” (Psalm 121:4-5). The Lord's care is ongoing. He never tires of caring for us.

Summer presents God's people with numerous opportunities to be good stewards of His manifold gifts. We care for the wonderful world He has given us when we are outdoors. We treasure the important relationships we enjoy as we spend time with loved ones. Also, we use wisely the material blessings He gives us.

by Tony Ramiz, Board of Stewardship

There is great temptation during the summer months to neglect the most precious of all our Lord's gifts, His holy Word and Sacraments offered in worship. As many other responsibilities are taken more lightly in the relaxed atmosphere of summer living, so, too, are we tempted to take lightly the spiritual aspect of our lives. Vacation plans and recreational activities often replace worship. And we diminish in the stewardship of our Christian faith by letting worldly things take precedence over God in our lives.

In response to our Lord for His grace and mercy, may we place Him first in all our summer plans and activities, allowing adequate time for worship, Bible reading, meditation and prayer. May we be good stewards of God's rich blessings. May we all continue to support the mission and ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church and School with our regular tithes and offerings given from thankful hearts, even when we are away from home.

You Are Invited To Join A Trinity Ablaze! Small Group.



Complete the form. Bring it to church, mail it or send a note by e-mail to the church office.

TRINITY ABLAZE! SMALL GROUPS

Trinity Ablaze! Small Groups are formed to build faith and relationships among members of Trinity and their friends who meet regularly for God's Word and prayer.

I believe that small group ministry is important for Trinity Lutheran Church and for my Christian life. I, therefore, accept God's call to participate in this ministry.

I will participate as follows:

Leader Host Contact Person

Participant

I would like to attend a leader training session

Other: _____

Name: _____

Phone/E-mail: _____

SCHOOL NEWS

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Trinity students are taking their annual field trips this spring. Fifth Grade took an overnight trip to the Kennedy Space Center in mid April. In May, the sixth grade will go to science camp off the Georgia coast and the seventh and eighth grades will travel to Williamsburg, Jamestown and Yorktown. All of these trips relate to our curriculum and provide exciting and meaningful experiences for our students.

RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT

The new four R's for May are recruit, recruit, recruit and recruit. Religion, Reading, Riting and Rithmetic will always be our four R's, but during the month of May, we need to focus upon the growth of the school. We will continue to have school tours, day or night - any day of the week. We need you as a

recruiter. First, we ask you to pray for our school for the next twenty days. Second, we ask you to identify families that are seeking a Christian education with a strong academic program. Third, we ask you to promote our school with a friend, neighbor or coworker. Our new brochures are available at the church, school and CDC offices. Go and tell about your school. Urge your recruits to call the school to schedule a tour: 407-843-4896.

Important May Dates:

- May 1 Sports Banquet at 5 p.m.
- May 20 Spring Music Concert and Awards at 7 p.m.
- May 30 Eighth Grade Graduation at 7 p.m.

News from Anna in Macau

by Anna Moore

I racked my brains last night trying to think of anything newsletter-worthy that had happened in the past month, but all I came up with was... Nothing spectacular. Nothing remarkable. Nothing out of the ordinary. And it struck me that that's the way ministry really is. We all like to hear about the inspired conversations, the incredible opportunities, the inspirational moments. Sure, it's wonderful when those things happen. But most of the time, ministry consists of patiently plodding along, doing our daily work, hoping, praying and waiting. And that's what I've been doing this month—the little everyday tasks that keep our center running and our students coming. So if you're looking for an extraordinary tale, do yourself a favor and stop reading right now. But if you want to know what being a missionary is really like on a day-to-day basis, read on.

I'm writing this on a Saturday afternoon. Saturday is our busiest day because most of

our students are businessmen and women and students. My first class of the day is Jane. Jane wants to improve her English so she can communicate better with her daughter, who is living in Canada. Jane and her family practice a combination of Buddhism and Chinese folk religion, which means she is one of the countless people in Macau who burn sticks of incense outside their doors every morning and evening.

Rick is 24 years old, is married, is working a high-stress job as an accountant, and is avidly studying Mandarin and English. He is not happy with his job, but his goal in life is to make more money. He envies my sense of purpose in life, but as yet he isn't open to discovering the source of that purpose.

I have been teaching Elisabeth since I came to Macau more than a year ago. She manages several shops in one of the casinos. She is interested in Christianity, but not necessarily

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as it applies to her. She reads the children's Bible I gave her off and on, but with no visible results as yet.

My afternoon is filled with children. Cynthia is nine. Her English level is low, and she is shy and hard to draw out. But she loves to draw and is my most creative student. (Creativity is squelched at an early age in China. Kindergarteners' drawings all look identical because the teacher has told them where to place each line. Incidentally, kindergarten now begins at age 2.)

Ten-year-old Nathan is next. He is very bright and loves playing Pictionary with vocabulary words, but it is next to impossible to find out anything about him as a person. You can only get so far with one-word answers.

My final two classes of the day are a brother and sister: eleven-year-old Peter and fifteen-year-old Gloria. Peter seems to truly enjoy learning English but says almost as little as Nathan. Gloria, on the other hand, loves to speak English, and her enthusiasm and sense of fun are hard to resist. Peter and Gloria's parents are Christian, but they want their children to make their own decisions. I haven't been able to determine what, if anything, Peter and Gloria actually believe.

Sunday is officially our “day off.” We attend St. Paul's Lutheran Church, which is more or less conducted in Cantonese and English (usually more of the Cantonese and less of the English). I play piano for the service about once a month, and I do my best (which is still quite pitiful) to interpret for the deaf girls whenever they come. I also attempt to lead a Bible study for the deaf girls when they can make it. Once a month, we hold an activity for the students at the Center, the beach or one of the teachers' apartments. Sunday is also a good day to

spend time with students.

Monday is truly a day off—a chance to catch up on sleep and laundry and to kill some brain cells in front of the TV, although I often spend the evening with a student.

On Tuesday afternoons, we have team meetings and prayer time. Then I have Andrew, my four-year-old, who comes twice a week. It's a real challenge for me to teach him, but he seems to love me, and his mother keeps paying for classes—so something must be going right!

On Tuesday nights we have a free English Bible class. We usually have about fifteen students, but our paying students rarely attend. After an opening “mixer” (song or game), we divide into three groups—low, medium, and high—for the Bible study. Most of the students are not Christian. Many have been coming for years but still haven't discovered how Christianity relates to them.

Our second free class of the week is on Wednesday morning. I have to admit, it's probably my favorite class to teach. I usually have a group of about six women plus Tom, varying from low-intermediate to high level, and including baptized Christians and unbelievers. I love watching the high-level speakers helping the lower-level students along and the Christians explaining concepts to the unbelievers.

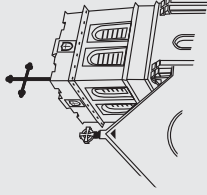
Every other week, I help Susan translate Sunday's sermon. We use the off-weeks to read “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.” I grew up with that book, so it's really fun for me to watch someone reading the story for the first time. I have four students on Wednesdays: Patricia, Fred, Ruth and Kevin. Patricia is a computer teacher with a twelve-year-old son, and I have yet to meet Ruth.

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7:30pm 9:00pm Roby Bible Group (Roby Home)	6:00pm 7:00pm Cub Scouts--Tigers (S106 School Library) 6:00pm 7:00pm Webelos (S202) 7:00pm 9:00pm Property Board Meeting (M201)	6th grade Outdoor Ed Trip and 7th/8th grade Williamsburg Trip 7:00am 9:00am Free Coffee Evangelism (S110K) 7:00am 8:30am Men's Bible Study--Christ the King (OC) 10:00am 12:00pm Lutheran Haven Bible Study 6:30pm 7:30pm Bells Practice (S100b) 6:45pm 8:30pm Monthly Adult Sunday School (M115) 7:00pm 8:30pm HS Youth Group (M201) 7:30pm 8:30pm Choir Practice (S100b)	6:15am 7:45am Men's Prayer Breakfast (City Diner) 9:00am 12:30pm LWWL Quilters (M201) 7:00pm 9:00pm Stephen Minister Training (M115)	8:20am 9:20am Moms in Touch, Prayer Meeting (S100a)	5:00pm 5:50pm Adult Bible Study (S110) 6:00pm 7:00pm Saturday Worship (S100A)
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Thanks to those who serve in May 2008

Date	Time	Elders	Ushers	Readers	Acolytes	Greeters	Nursery
5/3/08	6:00 p.m.	Carl Fabry	Charles Hammack, Lenore Hammack	Donna Wegner	William Conine, Matthew Spotorno	Tom & Rita Thomas	
5/4/08	8:00 a.m.	Gary Schumacher	Clayton McCoy, Dave Wilson, Rodney Brown, Don Liesch, Bud Yeager	Kristine Zook	Evan Zook, Emma Kate Tesch	Mary Beth & Mark Brink	
	9:30 a.m.	Mike Hofmann, Jeff Alexander	Lance Bell, Chuck Butterfield, Thea Butterfield, Jeff Alexander	Ron Logan	Shyanne Alvarado, Thomas Foschini	Shelly & Shyanne Alvarado	Mary Hohman
	11:00 a.m.	John Strandquest	Mike Trapp, Brendan O'Brien, Greg Ackerman, Darryl Kennedy	Frank Knoblauch	Olivia Levine, Kevin Hinton	Jay Barfield & Mary Gene Carr	Sandra Sweatt
5/10/08	6:00 p.m.	Gregg Yawman	Dick Eggert	Clay Brice	Cassy Crowell, Sarah Fabry	Ed & Darlene Sabin	
5/11/08	8:00 a.m.	Vern Retzlaff	Glen Schumacher, Gary Schumacher, Jody Bowman, Carl Schroeder, Jim Jones	Kelly Lane	Hallie Krzyzak, Jessie Schumacher	Angie Friedel	
	9:30 a.m.	Lance Bell, Mike Kunze	Kent Wolfe, Linda Wolfe, Shane Kunze, Michael Kunze, Chantal Jost	Omar Dittmer	Nathan Bond, Edna Butterfield	TBD	Christina Becker
	11:00 a.m.	Kevin Hinton	Cookie Abney, David Abney, Tony Ramiz, Martin Ramiz	Gayle Cavaretta	Parker Lange, Vanessa Lange	Greg & Dardie Yawman	Kerri Barnes
5/17/08	6:00 p.m.	Dick Eggert	Mike Schneider, Lori Stanley	Mary Hohman	Will Conine, Matthew Spotorno	Tom & Rita Thomas	
5/18/08	8:00 a.m.	TBD	David Wilkosz, Eric Oelschlager, Vern Retzlaff, Felix Hamilton, Marcus Hamilton	Traci Brown	Emma Kate Tesch, Evan Zook	Glen & Beth Schumacher	
	9:30 a.m.	Mike Hofmann, Jeff Alexander	Bert Foschini, Shane Simonson, Wynona Boast, Alan Smith	Linda Wolfe	Sarah Seward, Mikaela Hyder	Bruce & Bonnie Hahn	Leah Weber
	11:00 a.m.	Walt Wolters, Ken Grover	Bill Wilson, Jr., Don Merrick, Carolyn Merrick, Larry Evanchyk, Chuck Boogher, Frank Gregorek	Brendan O'Brien	Alexandra Stewart, Makayla Aspeslet	Martha Pfantz & Amy Dittmer	Angie Friedel
5/24/08	6:00 p.m.	Rocky Smothers	Thomas Finger, Terri Finger	Nancy Stentz	John Michael Bell	Ed & Darlene Sabin	
5/25/08	8:00 a.m.	David Wilkosz	Lo Phillips, Joyce Phillips, Wendy Churchville, Tommie Smothers, Gary Oakley	Susan Roby	Lea Wilson	Dave & Becky Schernikau	
	9:30 a.m.	Lance Bell, Mike Kunze	Brent Killinger, Peter Killinger	Rob Stuendel	Spencer Cotton, Zach Finell	Lisa Harris, Karen Seward	Lynn Hogan
	11:00 a.m.	Gregg Yawman, Leo Nagy	David Fritz, Bob Short, Linda Short, Richard Berkley, Betty Berkley	Jo Ann Trapp	Kaitlyn Beier, Paul Gundian	Jim & Jane Congrove	Kimberly Collier

May Altar Guild: Jean Camichos, Mary Beth Brink, Artha Curnutt, Patsy Fabry, DiAnn Starr

News from Anna in Macau, continued from page 11

Fred holds a management position in an insurance company and wants to learn the nitty-gritty rules of English grammar. (I should mention that most Chinese students of English know more about English grammar than most Americans.) One of Fred's sons is studying in Canada; the other is in Macau. Fred has asked questions about Christianity but has never told me definitely what he believes.

Kevin is a civil servant. He and his wife are Christian, and he is both thoughtful and generous. Kevin offers me a ride home every week and brings me back gluten-free cereal whenever he visits Hong Kong.

Thursday is another busy day with five classes. In the morning I have Pat, a high-level speaker and a Christian, who likes to talk about everything from Macau politics to scientology. In the afternoon I have Andrew again, as well as Mary, Susan and Kevin. I've only been teaching Mary for a term, and I still don't know much about her. Susan is a young mother with a two-year-old girl and another child on the way. As far as I can tell, she practices the traditional mixture of Buddhism and Chinese folk religion.

Friday is a light day. My only student is Rick, who also comes on Saturday. I also lead our team Bible study in the afternoon. On Friday evenings we head over to the church for our third (and final) free class of the week with an average attendance of about fifteen students. This Bible study is led by Chinese Christians, and it's been a real joy to be able to fade into the background as the Chinese leaders become more confident in their roles.

Friday may technically be a light day, but it's also my least favorite day of the week. Why? Because it's the day before Saturday, of course, and I have seven classes on Saturday, which means that I'm usually up until 3 or 4 A.M. planning my lessons on Friday night.

So there you have it - a week in the life. In between teaching classes I've been reviewing my Hebrew, planning lessons, writing Bible studies, eating dim sum with students and reading the Anne of Green Gables books to my roommate Carol. Perhaps next month I'll be able to share an exciting story with you, but in the meantime, I'll be plodding along, praying, hoping and waiting to see what God has planned for the missionaries and students here in Macau.

Items for prayer:

- for my students and our free classes
- for the leaders of the Friday night classes and for continued growth in attendance
- for volunteers to help with our summer children's program
- for more workers for Macau as many of us will be leaving in August
- for encouragement for those who work here
- for my remaining time in Macau and for decisions regarding the future
- praise for the short-term team that is giving the Center a much-needed paint job
- praise for continued improvement in our relationship with the Church
- thanks for all of you who support me with your prayers and gifts

PORTALS OF PRAYER

Portals of Prayer, daily devotional booklets, are available in the back of the church. Please take one. A limited number of large print editions are also available in the church office.

Youth Minister Call Plans Advance

The Youth Director Call Committee (consisting of Board of Youth Ministry director Carmen Ramiz and members Angie Friedel, Glenda Frazier and David Tesch, along with Gregg Yawman, Wren Aber, Pastor Moore, Matt Bergholt, and high school students Trey Poole and Martin Ramiz) defined the following steps in our process to call a Youth Director:

1. Meet with Dave Weidner, District Executive, Florida/Georgia District, to receive guidance in the call process based on his many years of expertise in youth ministry. (Completed)
2. Review (by small group -- Matt Bergholt, Glenda Frazier and Carmen Ramiz) LEIFs (Lutheran Education Information Forms) for potential candidates to create a “long list” of candidates to present to Call Committee. (Completed)
3. Review long list with the Call Committee and agree on a short list of candidates to be contacted for telephone interviews. (Completed)

4. Hold telephone interviews with each candidate on the short list. (Completed)
5. Meet to determine which candidate(s) to present to the congregation at a voter's meeting.
6. Present the candidate(s) at the voter's meeting.
7. Extend the call to the approved candidate.

The Call Committee has completed the first four steps. We conducted telephone interviews during the week of April 7 with four potential candidates, all of whom are DCEs who have indicated they are open to a call. We met on April 17 to determine which of these highly qualified candidates might best suit the needs of our youth groups. Please pray for God's continued guidance that we may follow His path in this decision!

If you have any questions about the Youth Director call, please contact Carmen Ramiz at 407-812-9632 or jlmtik@earthlink.net.

Parish Growth Team Progress Report

By Francine Brice

Members of Trinity's Parish Growth Teams are continuing to work to provide a stimulating Christian environment for current and future members of our church, school and child development center. This month's progress report outlines teams' accomplishments. If you are interested in becoming a member of a team, please contact the team leader. Team leader telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are listed in the congregation directory or can be obtained from the church secretary by calling 407-422-5704.

Team # 1 – Produce Everybody's Bible Study
Team Leader – Pastor Moore

· An initial orientation and planning meeting was held last month for Trinity Ablaze! Leaders will form Bible study groups where they live and/or with people they know or who show an interest in the group. Each meeting will focus on fellowship, the study of God's Word, prayer and concern for others.

Team # 2 – Create Trinity Brand Development and Marketing

Team Leader – Paul Soost

· Branding research has been rescheduled for late spring/early summer.

Team # 3 – Introduce Trinity Entertainers/Events

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Team Leader – Wren Aber

- The "Downtown Productions" team met twice in March to develop initial plans for two 2008 events: "Trinity Neighborhood Chili Cook Off" in early November (supporting cast for the Fellowship Board); and "Downtown Christmas 2008" at the Lake Eola band shell December 6. Primary task teams were identified and various Trinity members and friends will be asked to fill production positions in the coming weeks.

Team # 4 – Emphasize Music and Fine Arts

Team Leader – Wren Aber

- Several meetings were held in March aimed at improving the church and school music programs. In addition, a series of small concerts anticipated for the winter season will be planned this summer as part of the "Trinity Performing Arts Series."

Team # 5 – Create Rotating Dinner Club

Team Leader – Kathy Aber

- Four group meetings were held in March and groups are being assigned for May.
- We are considering the possibility of an all-member dinner in late May or early June for the 40 current participants.
- To sign up for the club or to receive more information, please contact Kathy Aber at kaber1017@aol.com (407-295-6269) or Kim Hofmann at khof3964@aol.com (407-578-4489).

Team # 6 – Grow the Church Family

Team Leader – Omar Dittmer

- Believing that the church family will grow when members are meeting together for study and prayer, an emphasis on increasing the number of Trinity Ablaze! small groups is underway. The April meeting's goal was to begin groups throughout the Orlando area.
- Another effort is to recognize the service of community servants. The first event will be a breakfast for the downtown fireman May 24.

- A cooperative project to improve the signage for the Wednesday morning coffee ministry is in progress.

Team # 7 – Inspire Sunday School Attendance
Team Leader – Gladys Dittmer

- Publish regular invitations and a listing of various Sunday School activities each week in The Triune Weekly
- Planning a change in the Sunday School curriculum for this Fall – a new and different format
- Rally Sunday now in planning stages – scheduled for August 17
- "Missed You" cards sent regularly to children absent from Sunday School

Team # 8 – Commit to Youth and Young Adult Development

Team Leader – Carmen Ramiz

- Call Committee interviewed four candidates for the position of Youth Director. The committee met last month to decide which candidate to call and will present their choice at the next congregational meeting.
- Continue to plan events for fundraising for those youth who are attending Camp Lone Star in July.
- Regular youth group meetings – high school and middle school – well attended each week. Website up and running.

Team # 9 – Integrate and Retain Members of the Church Family

Team Leader – Gregg Yawman

- Small team Bible Study kicking off right now – Trinity Ablaze! – make sure you're in a group!
- Sunday Bible Study continues with Pastor Chormann through the summer. Classes have been well attended.
- Elder assistance with shut-in visits underway by helping Pastor reach our members with Communion.

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Team # 10 – Initiate Future Church and School Planning

Team Leader – Ron Roby

- “Envisioning Trinity” workshop results are being further studied by the Development Committee.

Team # 11 – Formalize School/CDC/Image and Enrollment Programs

Team Leader – Mark Brink

- The Image/Enrollment Programs Team coordinated the publishing of a new, full-color school/CDC brochure for distribution at community events and as an informational piece for parents who indicate interest in enrolling their children at Trinity.
- An interactive web-based “Tour of the Trinity Campus” is in the developmental stage.

Team # 12 – Develop a Long-term Personnel Plan

Team Leader – David Tesch

- Work continues on timing for called positions for the church, school and CDC.

Team # 13 – Grow the “New Dimensions” Service and Experience

Team Leader – Mark Brink

- The “New Dimensions” Service Program team will meet within the next three weeks to begin work formally on the issue of worship in the 9:30 a.m. Sunday time frame. Initial conversations with Pastor Moore, Lisa Moore, Wren Aber and at least two “outside consultants” have helped to give initial direction for the work of the team.

· Team # 14 – Dramatically Grow Stewardship

Team Leader – Tony Ramiz

- Ongoing programs continue.

Team # 15 – Improve Internal Communications

Team Leader – Francine Brice

- Continue editing monthly newsletter Trinity Downtown
- Identifying specific communications challenges within and between church, school and CDC

Team # 16 – Produce Five-year Financial Blueprint

Team Leader – Ginny Ellis

- This special project will be undertaken following the “Envisioning Trinity” process, most likely beginning in 2009.

Team # 17 – Produce “Virtual Tour” of School and Church

Team Leader – Mike Hofmann

- Continue work to complete production plan including assembling needed video, photos, scripts, equipment and talent. This will outline a flow of the virtual tour and where it will transition from point to point.
- Schedule production; complete script; get on calendars; schedule time.

Team # 18 – Investigate Producing Radio Broadcast “Orlando Lutheran Hour”

Team Leader – Wren Aber

- This team will not formally begin until other programmatic changes, including “New Dimensions,” have been fully developed.



Stephen Ministry



- *"Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing." 1 Thessalonians. 5:11*
- *"With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith. We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in turn in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Thessalonians. 1: 11,12*
- *"The people were amazed at His teaching, because He taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law." Mark 1:22*
- *"Whoever serves Me must follow Me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves Me." John 12:26*
- *"For since death came through a human being; the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ." 1 Corinthians. 15: 21, 22*

Connected - Growing - Fruitful: The purpose of Stephen Ministry is to help a hurting person stay connected to Jesus, and, grow in faith and health so they can better serve their Lord. The five Bible verses above are the theme verses for the five lessons in May. Deaconess Liz

Borth, Lena Jones, Marty and Julie Lasater, Helen Lerner, and Loren Roby, and leaders will be studying/discussing and practicing:

- Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care – Part, Module T-16 (May 1)
- Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care – Part 2, Module T-16 (May 8)
- How to Make a First Caring Visit, Module T-17 (May 15)
- Follow Me, Module T-18 (May 22)
- Ministry to the Dying, Their Family and Friends, Module T-19 (May 29)

The training Stephen Ministers receive will give Trinity a new team of skilled caregivers equipped to bring Christ's healing love to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing other stresses in life – divorce, loss of job, hospitalization, relocation or loneliness. Through the more than 20 weekly lessons they are learning to: give distinctively Christian care; provide one-to-one confidential care, prayer and non-judgmental support to a Care Receiver; and, provide encouragement to each other in care-giving situations. We request your prayers of *spiritual support and encouragement for this ongoing ministry.*

Prayer: Compassionate Lord, you walked the earth to show God's forgiving love to all. You showed us by example how to love and care for one another. As we continue our training, grant Your Spirit's presence in our hearts. Help us understand how best to use the gifts You give us. Use us to bring Your healing love to the lives of people within and without our congregation. We pray – trusting in Your promise to hear and supply our every true need according to Your will. Amen

EMAIL ADDRESS?

Do you have an email address that you have not turned in to the church office? Please email or call in your new or updated email address to the church office, tlc@trinitydowntown.org or 407-422-5704

Prayer List

In order for the Triune prayer list to be up to date and functional, we have started to date the prayer requests and put them in a rotation. After three weeks of prayer, we will automatically take off that particular prayer. If you want us to continue the prayer, call the Church Office and request the prayer be put back on the prayer list for another three-week rotation. The prayer list of the monthly newsletter will consist of prayers that are longer term. If there are any changes on the list below or if you would like them in the Triune prayer list for three weeks, call the Church Office, 407-422-5704, or email tlc@trinitydowntown.org.

During the Month of April we prayed for:

Prayers for Health Concerns

Jenny Alvis	Lena Jones	Ron Salgado
Elaine Ambrose	Ruth Kasper	Tony Santos
Karen Anderson	Leigh Kaufmann	Meg Scott
Eugenia Anderson	Lena King	Warren Scott
Shawn Arter	Will Knudson	Mary Seidel
Janice Bailes	Eugene Kome	Wyatt Sexton
Michael Barrett	Frances Kuhn	Jane Shaffer
Lois Blair	Chris Lackey	Jailynne Shaw
Polly Boggess	Everett Lackey	Darrian Shaw
Jim Borth	Scott Lasater	Jeanine Shaw
Kathy Codd	Rose Lents	Jessamine Shaw
Elizabeth Cohen	Jim Leone	Tim Springer
Tina Collyer	Kathy Levey	Sadie Starrett
Pat Cording	Joe Lilavois	Dorothy Stephens
Linda Craft	Deedee Lovelace	Carolyn Strandquest
Cheryl Crowell	Sally Beth	Joyce Taylor
Michael Dasher	MacMaster	Louise Tesch
Eddie DelloRusso	Jim Mallmann	Christina Thomas
Ernestine Eastlick	Janet Mathews	Alice Thurmond
Debbie Ellwood	Jack McElye	Dave Tilney
Marie Ersch	Sue McGowan	Dave Tilney
Sheryl Finnel	Mike Meeske	Katie Tootle
April Flemings	Samantha	Isabelle van Sliedrecht
Randy Foster	Middleton	Lawrence Webb
Florence Fritz	Jocelyn Moore	A.J. Weyant
Jennifer Gallagha	Britton Nastasi	Chris Whitlow
Cheryl Gaynor	Susan Newberger	Jackie Williams
Neil Graubner	Denise Pertree	Liam Woodall
Jerry Guinn	Rose Petrino	Gregg Yawman
Chris Hahn	Barbara Phillips	Dardie Yawman
Rowland Heaton	Karen Phinney	Albert
Bill Hegert	Dewey Ramsby	Carman
James Hilliard	Bobby Rigsby	Deb
Dale Holasek	Bonnie Roby	Jack
Dustin Holbrook	Mike Rushing	Jackie
Aiden Hurst	Alta Salamond	Larry

Lisa
Lyn
Marjorie
Marylin
Rose
Terri
Taus

Celebrations and Thanks

Thanks and praise for the engagement of Duane and Rhonda, friends of the Lange family.

For the recent marriage of Richard Mast.

The birth of David Alexander Gallant, son of Richard and Jocelyne Gallant, born Wednesday.



Please contact the church office if any of the names of the prayer list are wrong or need to be taken off or added.

Prayers, continued from page 17**Losses**

The family of Tyler Rogers, the 22-month-old who was shot and killed on Sunday. They were neighbors of The Killinger family.

For the family and friends of Esther Heumann who passed away on March 12, 2008.

For the family and friends of Bonnie and Mike Turner. Their home was destroyed by tornados in Georgia this weekend. Bonnie did not survive, and Mike is in critical condition with severe injuries.

For the family and friends of the Hickman family as they mourn the loss of their husband/father.

For the family and friends of Christine Cunningham, who was killed in a car accident last week. The family are friends of the Alvarado family.

For the family and friends of Omar Roman, who was killed on March 16.

For the Rohner family and friends of Josephine, who passed away March 23 at the age of 99.

For the family and friends of Jeffrey Shaw who passed away Saturday March 29.

For the family and friends of Katie Tootle, Judi Pearson's mother. She passed away this past week.

Special Needs

Prayer Campaign for Pine Hills	Michael Font and family.	Dana	Turner Family
Ellis Andrews & Raeann Mason	Josh & friends as they travel	Allen Simoneau	
Laura Marks Family	Duke	Carol Demlow	Call process for a Director of Youth
Carla Marks Family	Bonnie Rigsby	Dorrell	Pastor Roger and
Strength for our Country's Leadership	Janet Wolbert	Jamie & Hector	Pastor Tim and their
Valerie and Sam	Jim Wile and family	Jonathan	ministry to the
The Hohenstern Family	Karen Padgham and family	Jordan & Terra	homeless.
Trinity Lutheran Church and School	Barbara Lee	Larry	Rebuilding of
Gloria Saulk & Rev. Charles Jackson	Jen & Jeff Cadman	Norman	marriages
	Bill & Liz	Paula Hazlett	
	Dave	The Cavaretta family	
	Albert Constante	The Hohenstern Family	
	Eric	The Lindsey Family	
		Tiffany and Jeff van Sliedrecht	

Those Serving Our Country

Lauren B	Ronald Cohen	Dave Lucas	Jeremy Ross
Joshua Bell	Will Cravens	Richard Mast	Laura Rossow
Brian Boisselle	Matthew Finton	Steven McGregor	Cpr. Royston
James Bond	Roger Fringer	Stephan Merlics	Antonio Saunders
Benjamin Booth	Rev. Jeremy Gorline	Justin Niznik	Brian Snider
Joe Branneky	Philip Grant	Adam Niznik	Jesse Steele
David Buck	Adam Inbody	William Payne	Lauren Stives
Alexis Bustamante	Robert J. Kasper	Audys Perez	Corey Surber
David Buck	Sam Lazarus	Matthew Rodrigue	Adam Wilcox

Please contact the church office if any of the names of the prayer list are wrong or need to be taken off or added.

Anniversaries & Birthdays

The following people who were born or married in May. We thank the Lord for His great gifts of life and love! **If there is a mistake or we have missed you, please let us know so we can update our records.**

May 1	Henry, Curtis & Alison	Anniversary	May 10	Clancy, Shannon	Birthday
May 1	Jackson, Elizabeth	Birthday	May 10	Foster, Helen	Birthday
May 1	Van Horn, Elva	Birthday	May 10	Mendel, Matthew	Birthday
May 2	Crowell, Cassanadra	Birthday	May 10	Stevens, Carole	Birthday
May 2	Deutsch, Aiden	Birthday	May 11	Munoz, Jennifer	Birthday
May 2	Jecks, Timothy	Birthday	May 11	Price, Stanley	Birthday
May 2	Kennedy, John	Birthday	May 11	Schumacher, Kathy	Birthday
May 2	Scott, Michael	Birthday	May 11	Yawman, Dardanella	Birthday
May 3	Bell, Ingrid	Birthday	May 12	Bronson, Marla	Birthday
May 3	Hocor, Lynn & James	Anniversary	May 12	Logan, Ronald & Carol	Anniversary
May 3	Short, Robert	Birthday	May 12	Revels, Jeffrey & Karen	Anniversary
May 3	Zook, Randy	Birthday	May 13	Docton, Paul	Birthday
May 4	Barnes, Erik & Kerri	Anniversary	May 13	Dragotta, Karen	Birthday
May 4	Ellis, Kelly	Birthday	May 13	Hoevenaer, Payton	Birthday
May 4	Walberg, John	Birthday	May 13	Merrick, Donald	Birthday
May 4	Wegner, Jeffrey	Birthday	May 13	Speelman, Ruth	Birthday
May 5	Anderson, Jake	Birthday	May 13	Zastawney, Megan	Birthday
May 5	Barrett, Nicholas	Birthday	May 14	Bowman, Jody & Gaye	Anniversary
May 5	Brown, Andrew	Birthday	May 14	Camichos, PJ & Jean	Anniversary
May 5	Ramirez, Lorenzo & Julie Carrington-Ramirez	Anniversary	May 14	Kunze, Nancy	Birthday
May 5	Schacht, Kim	Birthday	May 15	Roby, Ronald	Birthday
May 6	Cunningham, Allen	Birthday	May 15	Stanhope, Lois	Birthday
May 6	Foster, Randolph	Birthday	May 16	Brown, Cameron	Birthday
May 6	Hammack, Jr., Charles	Birthday	May 16	Clark, Rhiannon	Birthday
May 6	Lubold, Pierre & Victoria	Anniversary	May 16	Fair, George & Barbara	Anniversary
May 6	Willson, William	Birthday	May 16	Karnes, Dalene	Birthday
May 7	Adkins, Abby	Birthday	May 16	Kimmel, Allen	Birthday
May 7	Fabry, Paul & Cynthia	Anniversary	May 16	O'Rourke, Darian	Birthday
May 7	Glover, Dennis	Birthday	May 17	Kupfer, Robert	Birthday
May 7	Kasper, Wendy	Birthday	May 17	Schroeder, Michael	Birthday
May 7	Nagy, Leo	Birthday	May 17	Tesfazghi, Letebrhan	Birthday
May 7	Neubauer, Craig & Melissa	Anniversary	May 17	Trapp, Jo M.	Birthday
May 7	Smith, Randy	Birthday	May 18	Cotton, Amy	Birthday
May 7	Velez, Gilbert	Birthday	May 18	Hansen, Scott	Birthday
May 8	Borth, James & Elizabeth	Anniversary	May 18	Jezeq, Tim & Holly	Anniversary
May 9	Cameron, Lawrence & Dawn	Anniversary	May 18	Schroeder, Celia	Birthday
May 9	McFadden, William & Debra	Anniversary	May 19	Sharp, William	Birthday
May 9	Shaw, Arlene	Birthday	May 19	Simonson, Marlene	Birthday
May 10	Chormann, Julie	Birthday	May 19	Smalley, Jessica	Birthday
			May 19	Yeager, Jeff	Birthday
			May 20	McCaleb, Mellissa	Birthday
			May 20	Tesch, Cooper	Birthday
			May 20	Torres, Alex	Birthday
			May 20	Young, Lisa	Birthday
			May 21	Cohen, Jules & Elizabeth	Anniversary
			May 21	Dragotta, Jon & Karen	Anniversary
			May 21	Hoard, Mary Jo	Birthday
			May 21	Oelschlager, Eric	Birthday
			May 22	Barth, Jamie	Birthday

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May 22	Berkley, Richard	Birthday	May 26	Lopez, Naomi	Birthday
May 22	Kunster, Gilbert & Anna	Anniversary	May 26	Reid, Allen & Katrina	Anniversary
May 22	Short, Robert & Linda	Anniversary	May 26	Tedder, Richard & Felicia	Anniversary
May 22	Zavitz, Jason, III	Birthday	May 27	Carter, Jennifer & Nathan	Anniversary
May 23	Beier, Alissa & Matthew	Anniversary	May 27	Haney, Daniel	Birthday
May 23	Fritz, David	Birthday	May 27	Lasater, Julie	Birthday
May 23	Haskett, Lynda	Birthday	May 27	Schneider, Michael	Birthday
May 23	Lerner, Chris	Birthday	May 27	Smith, Alan & Silke	Anniversary
May 23	Sauer, Jason	Birthday	May 28	Blackwood, Lydia	Birthday
May 23	Trapp, Joan & Brendan O'Brien	Anniversary	May 28	Cunningham, Brett & Jill Stephens	Anniversary
May 23	Van Winkle, Jenna	Birthday	May 28	Schacht, Clay	Birthday
May 23	Woideck, Alisa	Birthday	May 29	Feliciano, Rebeca	Birthday
May 24	Becker, Christina	Birthday	May 29	Fischer, Thomas	Birthday
May 24	Ford, Cory Lynn	Birthday	May 29	Houston, Iris	Birthday
May 24	Knudsen, Charles	Birthday	May 29	Veaudry, Karina	Birthday
May 24	Smith, Hannah	Birthday	May 29	Wacker, Lynn	Birthday
May 25	Bailes, Janice	Birthday	May 30	Conine, Ben	Birthday
May 25	Beasom, Jeffrey	Birthday	May 30	Hamilton, Kristie	Birthday
May 25	Bernoska, Wayne	Birthday	May 30	Voss, Karen	Birthday
May 25	Collier, John	Birthday	May 30	Zepeda, Jevannie	Birthday
May 25	Kunze, Patty	Birthday	May 31	Ackerman, Barbara	Birthday
May 26	Christiansen, Jo	Birthday	May 31	Friedel, Sara-Elizabeth	Birthday
May 26	Fedder, Patricia	Birthday	May 31	Lasater, Jr., Marty	Birthday

Readings for May**May 1 Ascension****First Lesson:** Acts 1:1-11**Second Lesson:** Eph. 1:15-23**Gospel:** Luke 24:44-53**May 4****First Lesson:** Acts 1:12-26**Second Lesson:** 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11**Gospel:** John 17:1-11**May 11****First Lesson:** Num. 11:24-30**Second Lesson:** Acts 2:1-21**Gospel:** John 7:37-39**May 18****First Lesson:** Gen. 1: 1-2:4a**Second Lesson:** Acts 2:14a,22-36**Gospel:** Matt. 28:16-20**May 25****First Lesson:** Is. 49:8-16a**Second Lesson:** Rom. 1:8-17**Gospel:** Matt. 6:24-34

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Don't Just Stand There! Do Something!

Have you ever thought about what would happen if an adult near you suddenly collapsed at home, work or in a public place? What would you do? Would you be sure enough to give CPR? If you have taken a CPR course and are confident enough to administer CPR that includes breaths and high-quality chest compressions with minimal interruptions, that's great! But if you aren't as sure of your CPR skills, not to worry! You can still be a lifesaver with what the American Heart Association calls "Hands-Only CPR."

When an adult around you suddenly collapses:

- 1. Call 911**
- 2. Push hard and fast on the center of the chest**
Continue this Hands-Only CPR until an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) arrives and is ready to use or Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers arrive and can take over care.

Many victims don't get the help they need because bystanders are worried they might do something wrong or that they will make things worse.

When an adult collapses from a sudden cardiac arrest, receiving Hands-Only CPR can more than double their chance of survival!

The American Heart Association recommends using conventional CPR utilizing a combination of breaths and compressions for:

- infants and children
- victims of drowning, drug overdose and other respiratory problems
- adults found already unconscious and not breathing normally

You should still learn conventional CPR.

By taking a CPR course you can:

- Learn additional skills for helping other victims, like the ones listed above
- Get more practice performing the two steps needed for Hands-Only CPR
- Be more confident in your CPR skills
- Be more likely to help in an emergency

Find out more information about Hands-Only CPR and even see a video demonstration at <http://handsonlycpr.eisenberginc.com/>.

Information from the Hands-Only CPR website of the American Heart Association. "Home" and "Learn More" pages. Available at <http://handsonlycpr.eisenberginc.com/>; Internet; Accessed 4/11/2008.



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