

TIDINGS

HOLY TRINITY
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH
BURLINGTON, N.J.

Wednesday Evening Worship Services @ 7:30

July 8, 15, 22, 29 & August 5, 12, 19, 26

Angel Food Ministries - July 25 & August 29

Thursday Evening Ballroom Dancing @ 7:00

July 16 and August 20

Vacation Bible School 9AM to 12:30PM

August 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

**“Let the church in the center of
town be at the center of your faith”**

JULY-AUGUST, 2009

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Confession of Faith

This congregation confesses the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; and the

Gospel as the power of God for the salvation of all who believe.

PASTOR'S REPORT

NCD - "HOLISTIC SMALL GROUPS"

Research all over the world has shown that continuous development of small groups within a congregation significantly contributes toward spiritual growth.

"Holistic" small groups go beyond just discussing Bible passages -- they take biblical principals and attempt to apply the Bible's message to daily life. In holistic small groups, members are able to bring up those issues and questions that are of immediate personal concern.

Holistic small groups are the natural place for Christians to learn to serve others -- both in and outside of the group -- with their spiritual gifts. The meaning of the term "discipleship" becomes practical in the context of holistic small groups through the transfer of life, not the learning of abstract spiritual concepts.

For example, there is an enormous difference between discussing "evangelism," "loving relationships," or "gift-based ministry" and having each Christian, integrated into a small group, go through a process in which he or she experiences the meaning of these terms practically expressed in the life of the group.

To these ends, I call your attention to several things:

(1) browse around the bulletin board in the main hallway and notice the current and potential

small group ministries of our church - and then see if there is a place where you may serve.

(2) look for new small groups to become more visible in the year ahead: sports groups, musical groups, a railroad lover's group etc.

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(3) listen to and see the members of current small groups as they are introduced on Sunday mornings. Maybe one of those groups will be a place where you might like to serve.

A congregation is a Spirit-led group of Christians who, through Jesus Christ, are called to serve the world for the sake of the Good News. How privileged we are! And how fortunate to be a living part of this wonderful congregation.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Harald

PASTORAL ACTS

FUNERALS

6/3 Charlotte Scully

"I am the Resurrection and the Life" (John 11:25)

BAPTISMS

6/14 Julian Santana Jones

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.” (Matthew 18:19)

MEMORIALS

A Memorial gift has been given to the Glory of God by Dr. Carl Weber in loving memory of Marion Weber.

A Memorial gift has been given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Esther Peeders by:

Louise Sena
Clare McPherson
Vi Harting
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Potent



FROM THE BENCH

We've finished the Sunday School year and now it is time to say "Thank You" to all the people who have taken part in our worship services. We had cantors and assisting ministers this year and a couple of soloists, acolytes, ushers, choirs, lectors, an instrumentalist here and there, and let us not forget all those people who take the time to prepare our altar and those who serve us communion. There are those who work with the sound system and prepare our bulletins. I'm sure I have left someone out, but not intentionally. We are blessed at Holy Trinity to have so many people take their time to make sure we have an inspiring worship service every week.

However, although it's summer and everyone is thinking about vacations, we still have a church service every week. God is not on vacation and we shouldn't be on vacation from coming to a worship service. Yes, we still need all those people to ensure we have only the best worship service. Give yourself a treat and take the time to help with the altar,

encourage your child to be an acolyte, or try ushering some Sunday. There is always a need for some task to be done. I mean it when I say it will be a treat for you. Talk to Rick or me about sharing your musical talents during the summer. I was always told that God loves a cheerful giver. Put some cheer in your life and our worship services by giving your time or talent.

Have a blessed summer and don't forget to bring those bulletins back to us from the churches your visit.

SOLI DEO GLORIA

Shirley

Thank you, Hospitality!

On June 7, Hospitality came out EARLY to the park to set up for the Sunday School breakfast. Many thanks to you for graciously taking on this task each spring.

PRAYER LIST

Members and friends ill, hospitalized, or convalescing for whom prayers were offered on Sunday mornings:

Carol Bijack, Maryanne O'Brien, Carla, Diana, Linda, Karin & Gregg, Curtis & Deborah Baines, Marilyn Peeders, Ethel Matz, Sandra Gaus, Lucretia Vaccaro, Marie Santore, Jim Jacob, Betty Jacob, Wayne & Mary, Sallie Hogeland, Dennis Damm, Pat Nelson, Gene Staer, Clarence Sommerville, Gale Keohane, Doris & Dan Cliver, Nicole, Sarah, Allison Marshall, Lee Duffy, Pat D., Mikayla Johnson, Amanda Sterling, Yard Family, Jim Halstead, Buster Hayes, Audrey Liebler, Claudia Lange, Jeffrey Tims, Ed Shewell, Charlotte Scully, Joan Davis, Casey Triolo, Jacob DiOrio, Brenda May, Charmaine Holmes, Lila Berkowitz, Trish Eaves, Paul Faherty, Thanks for prayers answered, Diane Stahl, Edith Veach, Vivian Hill, Lisa Sickler, Pat Nagy, Bill Marshall, Jenny, Grace, Don Ryan, Josie Kiel, Dolly & son, Jennine Lund, Brian Lund, B.J. Lund, Eric Winter, Ralph Notaro, Rusty Notaro, Josie Montgomery, Mullin Family, Tony Gallagher, Al Brusco, Sunday School Children & Staff, Phyllis Pollio, Emma Kiesel, Irene Caruso, Claudia Lange, Jeffrey Tims, Jen Diaz, Bill Patterson, Sharon Edge, Dominic Palumbo, Family of Steve Oros (+).

Louise Sena, Peg Gullick, Diane Rogers, Family of Pat Nelson (+), Ralph Stevenson, Bob Powell, Angela Powell, Families of the victims of Holocaust Museum, Edie Ricci, Mary Matsko, Ann D'Ambrosio, Jacob DiOrio, Charles Schneider, Betty Schwoebel, Stahl Family (+), Will Mega, Ford Family, Dawn, Betty Garwood, Our Fathers, People & government of Iran, Paul Hill, Suzie Jenkins, Tony Bogden, Family of Peggy Gullick (+), Ralph Stevenson, Buster Hayes.

Military (M) Deceased (+) Travel (T)

Tidings Trivia

When Pastor Dorwood came to Holy Trinity he brought with him the idea for a monthly parish newsletter. He and Betty Jacob began publishing *Tidings*. It ran about 6 pages and covered news from every committee & group, a calendar of events, and greetings to ill members, as well as new addresses for folks who had moved away. Each page had to be typed on a stencil and copied on the mimeograph machine. Those were the days!

The “Tidings” is changing...

This is the last issue of *Tidings* in its current format. New, more cumbersome postal rules for bulk mailing, combined with a desire to “go green” and save some “green” have motivated your Church Council to use more up-to-date technology. The plan is to publish shorter, more frequent communiqués that will be available via email and our church web site. You may also pick up a paper copy in the narthex.

Council members will be calling you to make sure we have current email addresses. But what about the housebound who cannot attend worship regularly and do not use the Internet? We hear you. Of course we can mail paper copies to these folks. Even better, would you volunteer to hand-deliver *Tidings* to a shut-in in your neighborhood?

Because the format is changing, perhaps our newsletter needs a 21st Century name. Or maybe not!

Submit your suggestion(s) to the church secretary. Win a prize if we select your entry!

THANK YOU Letters

Dear Pastor Harald & Holy Trinity Congregation,

I would like to thank Pastor, members of Holy Trinity, and the Sunday School children for the kindness and thoughtfulness that was shown to me during my recovery after my surgery. I really appreciated Pastor taking the time to visit me. The card from the children was so very special. I also want to thank Lynn Immendorf for the lovely blanket that was included with the plant given to me over the Easter holiday. Your kindness meant so much to me. It is wonderful knowing people were thinking about me. Again, thank you and bless you all.

Florence Bartolomei

Dear Pastor, Council and the Holy Trinity Congregation,

I would like to thank you so much for the support that I have received from Holy Trinity. Holy Trinity has had such a big impact on me. The past two years while I have been away at school and away from home has given me many opportunities to make decisions and choices for myself. Holy Trinity has given me the kind of guidance that is the foundation to making the right decisions and choices. I can't say thank you enough for those teachings.

I also want to say thank you for the scholarships that I have received. I received several scholarships from Holy Trinity in the past and these have been very helpful with some of the expenses that I have at school. The money I have received this year will go towards purchasing my books, which are very expensive. Thank you so much. It is appreciated. Again, thank you for all your kindness and support. Holy Trinity will always be a place where I feel I am home.

Sincerely, AJ DeRita

Dear Pastor, Council and the Holy Trinity Congregation,

I would like to express my gratitude for all the things my church family has done for me. I am thankful and blessed to have been given the opportunity to grow up at Holy Trinity. I have gained so many things from Holy Trinity that will always be a part of me no matter where I am or where I end up.

I also want to say thank you for the monetary help that has been gifted to me. I received several scholarships and I am truly in appreciation. I plan on using these funds to purchase my books and supplies.

I would like to also thank Pastor Peeders for his support towards our youth. It is so important for the youth to feel as though they are part of the congregation and to know their church family appreciates them. I feel that Holy Trinity does so much to support the youth group and the Sunday School. I feel I have learned very important lessons from Holy Trinity and that I have a great foundation to continue my life in a manner that will make the church proud of me. Again, thank you for all your kindness and support. Holy Trinity will always be a part of me. Sincerely, Dan DeRita

July Calendar Highlights

Worship

- 5** 10AM Communion Worship Service
- 8** 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
- 12** 10AM Worship Service
- 15** 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
- 19** 10AM Worship Service
- 22** 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
- 26** 10AM Communion Worship Service
- 29** 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship

One Room

- Schoolhouse
- Sundays @ 10AM

Outreach

- 5** Pastor's Discretionary Fund
- 25** Angel Food Min.
- 26** Monthly Food Coll.

Meetings

- 2** Hospitality @ 6:30PM
- 6** Finance @ 6:45PM
- 7** Worship & Music @ 7:30PM
- 9** Property @ 7:30PM
- 20** Church Council @ 7:30PM

Fellowship

- 3** Lunch Bunch at the Dolphin Diner @ 12 Noon
- 16** Ballroom Dance @ 7PM

August Calendar Highlights

Worship

2 10AM Communion Worship Service
5 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
9 10AM Worship Service
12 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
16 10AM Worship Service
19 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
23 10AM Worship Service
26 7:30PM Wednesday Evening Worship
30 10AM Communion Worship Service

One Room

Schoolhouse
Sundays @ 10AM

Outreach

2 Pastor's
Discretionary Fund
29 Angel Food Min.

Meetings

6 Hospitality @ 6:30PM
31 Endowment

Fellowship

7 Lunch Bunch at the
Dolphin Diner @ 12 Noon
20 Ballroom Dance @ 7PM

Vacation Bible School

10, 11, 12, 13, 14 from 9AM to 12:30PM

Music Ministry

20, 27 Adult Choir @ 7PM

2009 Scholarship Awards

Thanks to the generosity of past and present members, the Christian Education Committee is able to recognize the continuing education of our congregants. The committee hopes that this small expression of support will help these students achieve their goals and dreams.

The scholarships awarded this year are:

the **Anne L. Shewell Memorial Scholarship**
the **Harold E. and Ruth B. Stinson Memorial Scholarship**
the **Philip Waldman Memorial Scholarship**
the **Pastor Charles Immendorf Memorial Scholarship**,
and the **Christian Education Scholarship**.

In addition to the fundraising efforts of the congregation, this year's **Christian Education Scholarship** is supported by

the **Otto P. Andersen, Sr. Memorial Scholarship**,
the **Pastor Charles Immendorf Memorial Scholarship**,
and the **Youth Committee**.

2009 Scholarship Recipients:

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| Kimberly Castle | Kevin Manning |
| Katie Chiarello | Lindsey Peed |
| Susan Chiarello | Jaclyn Sadlier |
| A.J. DeRita | Emily Storz |
| Daniel DeRita | Jennifer Travaglione |
| Joshua Johnson | |

The Christian Education Committee thanks Otto Andersen, Jr. and Pennie Andersen for their service to the Scholarship Subcommittee.

Genius without education is like silver in the mine. Benjamin Franklin
