

# TRINITY IN TOUCH

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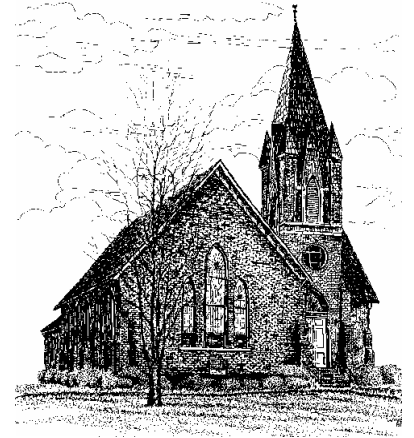
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am – 1:30pm (Closed Fridays)



October 6, 2009

## From the Pastor

By the time you are reading this, the Sager Brown UMCOR team will be about half way through with our week at the Mission Depot. I hope you are taking a little bit of time to look at the Trinity website to keep up with the blog there. We hope to let everyone at Trinity know how things are going and what we are doing this week. After our first mission trip, which was to Magnolia, NC a number of years ago with a group from Asbury Memorial UMC, I came to realize how much of a spiritual experience these trips can be. It is through these trips that we come to learn how other people live. It is through these trips that we can see where our mission money goes. We learn more about the work of the United Methodist Church in places other than right here. There is also a growth in the fellowship of the group that has gone together. It is amazing how God works in people's lives during these trips.

Of course, while we are gone, Trinity Church continues to minister in other places. Trinity folks are still working at PATH, there will be folks gathering on Wednesday night for the Fellowship Supper sponsored by the United Methodist Men. There will be circle meetings and the other activities that make us a congregation going on. One of the things that I learned when our kids left home is that they take some time to learn that things go on at home even when they are gone. One of our children took a long time to learn that Mom and Dad still have a life, even when the children think that they took all of the life away when they went to school or work. I know that life is going on at Trinity. I know that you are ministering, reaching out to the sick and the shut-in, caring for the folks in need, visiting new visitors, and doing all that needs doing. I am looking forward to Sunday when we can hear how much ministry went on at home as well as share what happened in Louisiana.

I guess what I'm trying to say is that it is easy to overlook how much work goes on daily and weekly at home. It is easy to dramatize the big events—the trips, the special projects and big efforts, and to overlook the daily ministries that make as big an impact (or even more of an impact) on the lives of the folks involved. When you think about the activities that are almost taken for granted in the life of the church, you realize how much goes on: your tithes and offerings are counted and posted every week, the newsletter is written, edited, printed, folded, addressed and mailed every week, the building is opened, heated or cooled, and ready for all of the weekly activities. The building is locked, the heating and air are turned off, the lights are turned off, and all of the building is secured when no one is present. (Of course, sometimes things slip by—bathroom lights get left on, an occasional door gets left unlocked and occasionally—but it's amazing how seldom these things happen). We have teachers preparing faithfully for church school; we have the choir and David, David and Carrie preparing faithfully for leading music in our worship services. We have Jill keeping close watch on the administrative functions, Alice working with programming for all ages, and me, trying to stay out of the way of all of the folks who are involved in ministry. It is amazing what God is doing through Trinity! Thanks are due to each of you for being so faithful in your ministry.

God bless each one,  
Gene Feagin, Pastor

*Sunday, October 11, 2009*

*Scriptures: Hebrews 4:12-16, Mark 10:17-31*

*Sermon: "Possible with God"*

**Passionate Spirituality**

*One of the most amazing things we discover when we grow deeper in our relationship with God is that we find ourselves motivated more by love than duty or fear. We will do things as a response to God's love for us and the overwhelming feeling of God's closeness that we would never do simply because we felt we "ought to." Prayerfully remembering God's love for us moves us to new places in our spiritual lives.*

**SUNDAY, October 11**

UMMen ..... 8:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.  
Children's Choir Practice ..... 9:40 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Jr.Hi. & Sr. Hi.UMYF/Bowling ..... Meet at the church 2:45 p.m.  
Lay Leadership Team Meeting.....4:00 p.m.  
Evangelism Team.....6:00 p.m.  
Lay Reader: Phyllis Barrett  
Nursery Infants: Kim & Emily Jones  
Toddler Church: Staci & Chip Rampey  
Children's Church: April & Mike Smith  
Acolyte: Amanda Breakfield

**MONDAY 12**

Islam Class ..... 6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY 13**

Islam Class ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Continuing Dulcimer Class .....7:00 p.m.  
Circle #4 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Adult Basketball..... 7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY 14**

Craft Work Day ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Trinity Travelers..... 12:00 noon  
Chancel Choir.....7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY 15**

Knitwits ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Mississippi/Katrina Auction (Supper 5:30 pm)..... Auction 6:30 p.m.  
Junior Troop 3495 (Conference Room).....6:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, October 18**

Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.  
Cherub Choic Practice..... 9:40 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
CROP Walk (Registration 2:00 pm)..... Walk 3:00 p.m.  
Novice Dulcimer Class..... 4:00 p.m.  
Beginner Dulcimer Class.....4:30 p.m.  
Contemporary Worship Service .....6:00 p.m.

**USHERS FOR OCTOBER:** \*Louis Ridinger, Ernie Wright, Sam Feemster, David Lancaster, Trip McGarity, David Breakfield.

**TRUSTEES/OCTOBER:** Nancy Faulkenberry & Frances Howe

**ALTAR GUILD/OCTOBER:** Glenda Helton & Kim Alexander

**WELCOME VISITORS/OCTOBER:** FRIENDS Class

**VISITOR CARDS/OCTOBER:**

Sunday School Attendance Oct.4: 74  
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) Oct.4: 44  
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) Oct.4: 95  
Operating Fund received on September 29 ..... \$4,960.30  
October 4 ..... \$5,448.35  
Operating Fund received up to October 4 ..... \$221,474.17  
Budget goal up to October 4 (\$6,500 x 40) ..... \$260,000.00

**MEMORIAL**

**In memory of Roy Wilkerson** by Chip & Staci Rampey.

**VISITOR ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

Joy Queen, 3000 Shannon Street, Sharon.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Our prayers** are with Carol Moody, Mildred Kalb, Carol France, Louise Smith, Clark & Geneva Warren, Havern & Helen Brindle, John Smith, John Deyton, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Bob Johnsey, Bebe Benfield.

**Also, we remember** Mary Emma Dickson, aunt of Carrie Hodges; Harold Wilson, father of Alicia Breakfield; Melba Jones, sister of Ellen Jones; Henry Wright, brother of Ernie Wright; Jewel Stackley, mother of Johanna Sipe; Betty Beck, sister of Bunny Whitesides; Virginia Baker, sister of Jo Hammond; Grayson Carroll, niece of Ken Cushman; Dot Caldwell, sister of Anne Hipp; Kinsley James, and Mackenzie Decuir.

**Our sympathy** is with Charles and Cynthia Bradford following the death of their sister-in-law Cynthia Bradford from Columbia.

**SOUP PLEASE** - PATH is in dire need of soup. Cool weather is here. **PLEASE HELP!**

**Our Sager Brown Mission Team** left last Saturday morning for Baldwin, LA, for the week. Please keep them in your prayers during the week. You can follow their progress by checking the website for the blog. The address is [www.trinityofyork.com](http://www.trinityofyork.com). There might not be updates every day, but several times during the week we will be checking in.

**Attention Church Officers:** If you haven't returned the Lay Leadership form that you found in your box, please fill it out and return it to Gene Feagin or David Breakfield by October 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, or didn't receive a form, please talk to Gene.

**The Lay Leadership Team** will meet on the 11<sup>th</sup> to begin making nominations for officers for 2010. If you have an interest in serving in a particular place, please let anyone on the team know.

**Trinity Travelers** will have their monthly luncheon meeting next Wednesday, October 14. Everyone is reminded to give Alice a picture of themselves from along time ago as soon as possible. You will get these pictures back – they will be used for a project (getting to know each other better). I am counting on your help. **Don't forget to put your name on the back of your pictures.**

**Knitwits** will meet on Thursday, October 15 at 9:30am.

**Mark Your Calendars**

Fourth Annual Mississippi/Katrina Auction  
Thursday October 15, 2009 in The Trinity Center

Hot Dog Supper starts at 5:30

Auction begins at 6:30

Donations are needed for the auction - call Kenny Jones  
684-7238 or deliver to the church

Let's work together to make this another huge success!

**The YCHS Women's Ensemble and Concert Choir** will present a fall choral concert on Sunday afternoon, October 18 at 4:00pm in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church. Hunter Ligon and Chris Suggs will participate. Everyone is invited.

**Is the Church clean?** The Board of Trustees is evaluating the cleaning schedule that is used by our cleaning service. We need your help? Please call Mary Jane Shuler or the church office if you have noticed an area that needs to be cleaned more often or more thoroughly. We need this information by Monday, October 19. Please do NOT hesitate to let us know your thoughts and observations!

**The Annual Harvest Brunch**, sponsored by Trinity's United Methodist Women, will be October 24. Tickets are \$5. and went on sale October 4. Anyone wishing to donate items for the Teacup Auction can contact Dawn McGarity or Kim Jones. The speaker will be Sharon Rawls. Sharon is a teacher at Clover High School who spent six weeks in Uganda working with the Invisible Children. Please mark your calendars for this great time of fellowship!

**Clean out upstairs classroom, please!** The Board of Trustees is preparing the room over the kitchen for use as a future Sunday School classroom. Please put any items that will be used again in the boiler room by November 1. After that time, items left in the room will be thrown away.

**The Sr. High MYF** will sponsor a "Full Potato Bar", soup, dessert and beverage lunch on Sunday, November 8 following morning worship. The proceeds will help with their cost in attending "Revolution", a Methodist youth weekend in Columbia in January. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 10 and under. Plan now to support our older youth. Tickets will be on sale next week.

**Needed:** Adults who can read music and are interested in playing handbells. Practice time **will be in the mornings**. Contact Alice or Meg Munn if you are interested.

Adults planning on attending the “Older Adult Spiritual Life Retreat” at Myrtle Beach, February 2-4, 2010 need to send in their \$35.00

registration fee. Dr. Leonard Sweet will be the speaker. Don’t miss out on wonderful singing, biblical study, and fellowship.

#### ALICE’S CORNER

- The York/Clover Cluster Senior Citizen’s Dinner is this Saturday, October 10 from 4-6 pm at Trinity. Great food, fellowship, entertainment, door prizes, and there is no charge. We are the “host” church so please support this event.
- The Jr. Hi. & Sr. Hi. youth will meet this Sunday, October 11 at 2:45 pm to go bowling in Gastonia. Please bring \$6.00 (for two games) and money for supper.
- The Western York County “CROP Walk” to help hunger is less than 2 weeks away, Sunday, October 18. Registration begins at 2 pm. and the walk will begin at 3 pm. Join forces with people around the world to stop HUNGER. This event is for all ages. Please bring staple goods or can foods, too! Bring a friend to walk with you!  
Watch out and be prepared for a new venture to be introduced to the congregation by our Sr. Hi. youth.

#### Letter from the Board of Directors - Released Time Bible Education, York District One.

Dear Church members,

Released Time Bible Education began its second year of classes on September 14, 2009 with an enrollment of 137 students. To date that enrollment number has increased to 167. This number is expected to continue to grow as more students register everyday. This year the program is expanded to include Hickory Grove/ Sharon Elementary School along with the continuation of Harold C. Johnson Middle School and York One Academy.

Due to the enthusiasm for this course, our Monday classes from Harold C. Johnson Middle School have become quite large. We are in need of more teachers and assistants as we attempt to reduce the number of students for each class. If you have a desire to make a difference in the lives of these students by becoming a teacher or assistant, please contact Mary Elyn Carroll at 684-4617 or email her at [maryelyncarroll2@hotmail.com](mailto:maryelyncarroll2@hotmail.com).

Your faithful support and dedication as a partner with Released Time Bible Education is THE reason this ministry is so successful and is able to grow. Our appreciation for your continued support cannot be measured in words of “Thank You”. We promise to honor your trust by faithfully fulfilling our obligation to you and to God as his servants by providing a safe and fulfilling environment for the children of our communities to learn about the love of Jesus Christ. The students and parents have expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to participate in a Bible Study class.

Together we are providing the avenue necessary for our youth to find their identity for which they hunger, which is only available in Jesus Christ.

To God be the Glory!