

# TRINITY IN TOUCH

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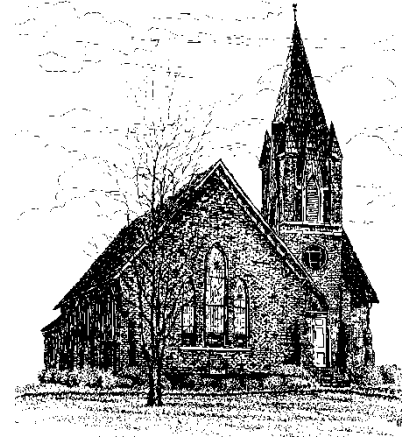
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

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



November 1, 2011

## **From the Pastor**

The UMCOR Sager Brown mission team would like to thank each of you for your prayers and concern as the 19 of us represented Trinity for a week at the UMCOR Mission Depot in Baldwin, LA. During the week that we were there, we packed the 1000 school bags that our Thursday morning crafters had sewn; we packed health kits, layette kits, and birthing kits in addition to more school bags. Others in our group worked in construction in the community, helping an elderly gentleman get a new roof, and helping with other projects. On Wednesday a large number of the folks who were at Sager Brown took part in a food distribution project which was a partnership between Sager Brown and Catholic Charities. Some folks went to the Head Start program and worked with the children, even going back with Halloween treats later in the week. If I were to estimate the number of people who were or will be touched by one week's work by Trinity folks in Louisiana it would be in the thousands. But if I were to try to estimate the way in which the 19 of us were touched during that week it would be hard to measure or describe.

During our morning devotions one morning someone mentioned that they would never think the same about things again. This person had been packing the Health Kits on the day before and had noticed that some folks had gone beyond what was expected, spending the time to find good towels and wash clothes for the kits that they had mailed in. Others had not just gone the "cheap" route, but had actually sent towels and wash clothes that were so thin as to be almost sheer. "Why would we give something that we wouldn't even use to someone who has nothing?" One man interacting with our group asked, "How many of you are married?" He then proceeded to tell the folks from Sager Brown who were close to be sure to tell their spouses every day how much they loved them. His wife had been gone for about five years and he was still grieving.

Our interactions at Sager Brown weren't simply with the kits and with community folks. There were three (or 2 ½) other teams present. One group was from the area around Kent, OH. The other groups were from Texas, one group from around Tyler and the other, smaller, group from Longview. Our interaction with these groups was very interesting. On Thursday night Sager Brown always has a Vesper Service, planned by the volunteer teams, and including communion. As one of the two clergy who were still present, I was blessed to celebrate communion. Renee Barker brought the message, Kenny Jones was one of the communion servers, and Anna and I played the dulcimers for the gathering time. A soloist from Ohio sang and a soloist from Texas helped prepare for communion. The experience was a real blessing!

Imagine the joy of returning to Trinity on Sunday morning for our Consecration Sunday worship and to hear Dr. Eddie Usher talk about the life and ministries of the church in the same terms—the people whose lives are touched, the places where we share the love of Christ, the ways in which we make York and the world a better place—what a gift Eddie gave to us. Isn't this what stewardship is all about? Isn't this what ministry is all about—sharing the love of Christ and helping folks grow in discipleship? Matt and Christina Dover have done a beautiful job this year of helping us focus on our stewardship of all of our lives. Please take a moment to thank them. I told Anna the other day that we can recognize the presence of Trinity by two things—the flashing light on the bus and the sound of laughter. I think we can add one other thing to that list—wherever Trinity folks are present, there is a sense of promise and grace. God bless each one. Gene Feagin, Pastor

**All Saints Sunday, November 6**  
**Scriptures:** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13  
**Sermon:** "A Time to be Ready"

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY, November 6**

Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
 Cadette Troop 3311 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Lay Reader: Renee Barker  
 Nursery Infants: Lee & Leah Youngblood  
 Children's Church: Alicia Breakfield & Amberly Sammons  
 Toddler Church: Brad & Stacy Hanna  
 Acolyte: Madeline Keller

**MONDAY 7**

Morning Circle ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Circle #2 ..... 7:15 p.m.

**TUESDAY 8**

Beginner Dulcimer Class..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Continuing Dulcimer Class ..... 6:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY 9**

Sr.Hi. Youth – Bojangles ..... 7:30 a.m.  
 Trinity Travelers..... 12:00 p.m.  
 KFC (Kids for Christ) ..... 2:30 p.m.  
 Mite Boys Basketball Practice ..... 4:30 p.m.  
 Bible Study..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Adult Choir..... 7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY 10**

Women's Craft Group ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Men's Craft Group ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Cadette Troop 3495 ..... 6:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY 11**

Red Cross Blood Drive ..... 12:30-5:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY, November 13**

UMMen ..... 8:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Fellowship Time..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.

**USHERS FOR NOVEMBER:** \*Donnie Shuler, David Burroughs, Jimmie Pridmore, Bill Wilkins, Jim Barrett, Chris Jones, Dicky Whitesides.

**FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP/NOV:** Jack Benfield Class

**TRUSTEES/NOV:** Reid Smith & John Bailey

**ALTAR GUILD/NOV:** Jan & Dick Sweigart

**WELCOME VISITORS/NOV:** Senior High Class

**VISITOR CARDS/NOVEMBER:** Susan Jones

**PATH FOOD FOR NOVEMBER:** Soup – any size, any kind.

Sunday School Attendance October 30: 98  
 Worship Attendance October 30 (11:00 am): 170  
 Operating Fund received October 30..... \$5,620.00  
 Operating Fund received up to October 30 ..... \$259,860.91  
 Budget goal up to October 30 (\$6,732.00 x 44) ..... \$296,208.00

**MEMORIALS**

**To the Operating Fund in memory of:**

**Ernie Ulbricht** by Bill & Marion Fischer; Sam & Gay Feemster; Johnny & Diane Wine; Jim & Wally Burch; Anadell Burch; Reid & Karen Smith; Betty J. Jones.

**Mildred Faulkenberry** by Johnny & Diane Wine; Anadell Burch; Reid & Karen Smith; Betty J. Jones; The Bible Study Class.

**Helen Childers** by Betty J. Jones.

**Allen Miller** by Eddie & Susan Jones.

**To the Mississippi/Katrina Fund in memory of:**

**Ernie Ulbricht** by Kenny & Ellen Jones.

Mildred Faulkenberry by Kenny & Ellen Jones; Ernie & Laura Wright.

**VISITORS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30**

June Masnu, 118 McDaniel Greene, Greenville, SC 29601.

Margaret Bailes, 2207 Bailes Road, York.

Donnie & Sandra McCarter, 293 McGill Road, Smyrna.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Our prayers** are with Irene Williams, Lois Smith, John Smith, Geneva Warren, Helen Brindle, Margie Castillo, Isem Pennington, Carol France; and Lois Smith hospitalized at Piedmont Medical Center.

**Also, we remember** Floyd Jackson, father of Nancy Childers; Lee Hardin, friend of Darlene Dunlap.

**Our sympathy is with:**

Tom Faulkenberry and his family following the death of his mother Mildred Faulkenberry on Monday, October 24.

Bill Miller & his family following the death of his brother, Allen Miller on Friday, October 28.

**Elementary II, III, IV Class** will meet November 6, Sunday afternoon, from 2-4 pm to work on crafts for the Bazaar.

**To our dear friends at Trinity:**

*It is at times like this that we realize how blessed we are to have dear friends who lend a hand, an ear, a shoulder; helping us realize we are not alone. The food, cards, phone calls, kind words, visits, flowers, church preparations for the funeral, the uplifting funeral message, delicious dinner, etc. were all so very much appreciated. We thank each of you from the bottom of our hearts. We are truly blessed.*

*Sincerely, Grace and Family.*

We had a great crowd and excellent response during our Consecration Sunday on October 30<sup>th</sup>! Rev. Dr. Eddie Usher was our guest speaker. Scripture lesson came from Matthew 9: 35-38.

**Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."**

Dr. Usher's sermon was titled "Why Do You Give". In summary, our giving makes a difference in our families, our work, our community, our world and our church. We want our lives to count and we all want to make a difference. Our lives count best when we direct them to the Mission of God with 3 major keys guiding our giving: Compassion, Community and Love.

We want to thank you for your stewardship during 2011 year. The outpouring of God's grace has allowed a tremendous amount of improvements to be accomplished here at Trinity. Our prayer is that these improvements will allow us to witness to the love of Jesus Christ.

If you have not filled out a pledge card, please let us know. The church is preparing the budget for 2012 and this information would greatly help in completing the church's plans for the coming year.

Matt and Christina Dover -Stewardship Chairs

**Don't forget the UMWomen's Harvest Brunch on Saturday, November 12.** Anyone wishing to donate items for the UMW's Harvest Brunch teacup auction can contact Dawn McGarity or Kim Jones. Craft items, baked goods, and gift items are well-liked at the auction.

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 5K "Running of the Turkeys"** through downtown York will take place at 8AM on Thanksgiving Day, hosted by TUMC and 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church. This is a walk/run/stroll to benefit PATH. We hope for a HUGE turnout and we hope you can join us to run/walk/stroll or volunteer. Please contact Leann Mellon at 280-0511 if you can help. Registration forms are in the hallway or church office. Exercise with fellowship then you can eat more for Lunch or Supper!



**ALICE'S CORNER**

**Many, many thanks to Kristen & Jamie Patterson** and their girls for hosting our Halloween party/fellowship on Saturday night. It was a great night for hotdogs, trunk or treat and a wonderful hayride. Thanks too, to all the people who prepared food and organized this traditional event.

**Trinity Travelers** will have their monthly covered dish luncheon on Wednesday, November 9 at noon. Ken Spaulding will have the program "Granny Had It – What do I do with it NOW?" Join us for fellowship, food, and laughs.

**The KFC** will meet next Wednesday, November 9. Alice will pick up from York Intermediate School at 2:30pm. Plan to come!

**The Children's Christmas Play** will be held on Sunday night December 11. If your child ages 4 and older would like to participate please contact Alice or Leann Mellon right away. Parts will be assigned soon and we will have a preschool choir also for those too young to have an individual speaking part. All children are encouraged to participate. **Play practice will begin this Sunday at 5:00 pm for 1 hour.**

**Church Basketball** will begin soon for ages 5-18. Please sign your children up soon. The sheets are located in the Trinity Center. Teams will be formed based on who signs up!



**Daylight Savings times ends November 6<sup>th</sup>.** Set your clock **back one hour** before you go to bed on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.