

TRINITY IN TOUCH

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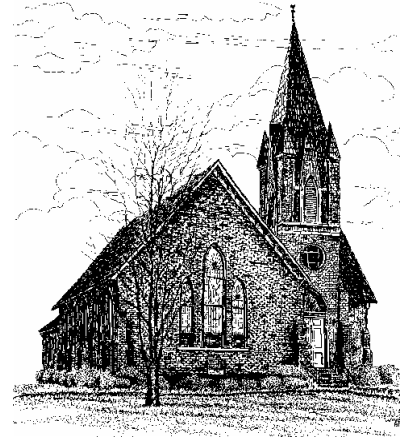
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

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

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



April 21, 2009

From the Pastor

We're almost there! We've been working diligently for around a year to prepare for Homecoming 2009, which is this weekend. On Saturday, beginning with the opening of the Cemetery Tour, we will be drawing our friends and families back to Trinity for fellowship, memories, and worship (and lots of food!). We can't say enough words of thanks to Judy Hanners, Eric Johnston, Liz Brown, Kenny and Ellen Jones, Spike and Melanie Myers, Dick and Jan Sweigart, Diane Wine, Melvin McKeown, Grace Ulbricht, and all of the others on the Homecoming Team who have given countless hours (and who have countless hours to go before Sunday afternoon!) and have done wonders as they have gone about the preparations for the weekend.

Thanks, too, to all who cared enough to send wedding pictures to Diane for the album of wedding pictures and dates. The pictures are fabulous, and the idea of having a record in pictures of weddings that took place in our Sanctuary is a great one. It has been great hearing from former pastors—even though many of them are unable to attend: at least two are committed to preach in other places and one has family responsibilities that will keep him from coming. Trinity has been blessed by having wonderful pastors serve here for 185 years. Thank God for all who have responded to the call and have served. At least one of the men and women who have entered into the ministry from Trinity has indicated an intention to attend on Sunday. (I won't tell you whether it's Johnny Hipp or Patti Parrish, but I will tell you that they live in Charleston—but both of them do!). In every congregation in South Carolina, there are young men and women who are being called into Christian ministry, and it makes a church proud when its sons and daughters in ministry come home to worship. (Take a look around and see if you can guess whom God is calling from our present crop of young people!)

Over the weekend we will be spending a lot of time looking back. There will be some wonderful stories told about people who have been a part of the life of Trinity over the years. There will be a lot of laughter, and probably a few tears, as the events of the past are recounted. There will be pictures shared, videos will show highlights of recent ministries and missions, and there will be a celebration of what God has done in the lives of folks here at Trinity. Even the Cemetery Tour will celebrate God's gifts in the lives of folks from our past.

But, Homecoming is not just a nostalgic look at the past. Homecoming is also a reminder that the God who has been with us in the past will be with us in the future. Homecoming is a time to look ahead, informed by what has gone before. As we gather, we will celebrate the ministries that we will be carrying into the future—missions in Sudan and in Mississippi, children learning and growing up knowing about God's love and God's call for each of our lives, older folks enabled to continue to worship and serve and grow in faith.

Even if you didn't fill out a card saying that you are coming, we want you and your family to join us—Saturday for the tour and then for the fellowship and music time, Sunday for breakfast and worship and then lunch, and any other time that you can come. God has been working actively in Trinity for a long time. God continues to work in our hearts and lives. Let's celebrate what he has done, and let's look forward to what he is about to do.

Remember that we are making memories now, so that in 10 or 20 years the folks who gather can talk about how God worked through us and in us. See you Saturday and Sunday! Gene Feagin, Pastor

April 26, 2009 – Homecoming Sunday

HOMECOMING SUNDAY – APRIL 26

NO 9:00 AM Worship Service.....

Homecoming Breakfast	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time	9:30 a.m.
Cherub Choir Practice.....	9:40 a.m.
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
York/Clover Cluster Worship & Song @ Kings Mountain Chapel	4:00 p.m.
Jr. Hi. UMYF.....	5:00 p.m.
Sr. Hi. UMYF	6:00 p.m.

Flower Ministry:	The Faulkenberry Family
Nursery Infants:	Meg & Jason Munn
Toddler Church:	Lee & Terri Keller
Children's Church:	Marian Garner & Dicksy Broadwater
Acolyte:	Maggie McSwain

MONDAY 27

Disciple Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 28

Dulcimer Class..... 7:00 p.m.

Adult Basketball 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 29

Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, May 3

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.

Board of Trustees..... tba

USHERS FOR MAY: *Donnie Shuler, David Burroughs, Jimmy Pridmore, Bill Wilkins, Jim Barrett, Chris Jones, Dicky Whitesides.

FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP/MAY: FRIENDS Class

TRUSTEES/MAY: Nancy Faulkenberry & Lee Keller

ALTAR GUILD/MAY: Mary Butler & Pat Childers

WELCOME VISITORS/MAY: Senior High Class

VISITOR CARDS/MAY:

PATH FOOD FOR MAY: Rice, any kind, any size

Sunday School Attendance April 12:	104	April 19:	81
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) April 12:	64	April 19:	39
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) April 12:	204	April 19:	112
Operating Fund received on April 12	\$5,468.99		
April 19	\$3,566.20		
Operating Fund received up to April 19	\$93,869.75		
Budget goal up to April 19 (\$6,500 x 16).....	\$104,000.00		

VISITORS ON SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Gerald & Esper Wilkins, PO Box 83, Stem, NC 27581

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our prayers are with Voight Hipp, John Smith, John Deyton, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Louise Smith, Bob Johnsey; Carol France, and Clark Warren.

Also, we remember Josiah Ayers, great nephew of Denise Burns & grandson of Rev. Dennis Ayers; Jack Stutts, friend of Denise Burns; Inell Bolin, sister of Smokey Childers; Gene Farris, father of Bubba Farris; Rick Glenn, friend of John Eite; Agnes Love, mother-in-law of Matt Feemster; Bebe Benfield, mother of Fredda Lee Culbreth, now under hospice care at Sandpiper Nursing Home; Dot Caldwell, Anne Hipp's sister; Karen Duncan, one of the members of our Mississippi/Katrina Team; Kinsley James, daughter of Skip James, a friend of Evelyn Johnsey; Essie Thompson, grandmother of April Smith; Jane Adkins, niece of Jimmy Pridmore; Roy Wilkerson, father of Denise Mitchell; DeAnna Greiner, granddaughter of Bill Huffstetler; Lacey Robinson, friend of Ann Bailes; Harold Dickson; and Mackenzie Decuir.

Our sympathy is with Lillian McSwain and her family, following the death of her former sister-in-law, Florence Smith.

We wish to thank our friends at Trinity UMC for their cards, calls and meals during our recent illness. We are doing much better and look forward to seeing each of you.

Herb & Bessie Lowman

The Homecoming Team is excited about our lunch following the Worship Service on April 26th. Our menu will be as follows: grilled chicken breast (provided), sliced ham (provided), green beans, hash brown casserole (use recipe provided), slaw, rolls, dessert and tea. We are, however, asking for some help from our wonderful Trinity cooks. In each adult Sunday School class and on the table in the hallway you will find a sheet for you to sign-up to bring an item or 2 that is listed above. We are expecting a wonderful day of worship, food and fellowship. Thanks in advance for your help and if you have any questions please contact Melanie Myers at 628-0289.

Reminder: After a busy "Homecoming Weekend" don't forget the "Worship In Song" Cluster worship service featuring the choirs from many cluster churches. The event will be held this Sunday afternoon, April 26 at 4:00 pm at the Kings Mountain Chapel Methodist Church.

Cherub & Children's Choir Next Performances:

Cherub Choir, Mother's Day, May 10 – "Together"

Children's Choir, June 7 – "How Deep Is Your Compassion?"

Thank you, YEC! We TUMC Members wish to thank York Electric Coop for their donation of CFL bulbs in honor of Earth Day. Any family who has not received its bulb may get one from the church office (684-4100), or Mary Jane Shuler of Melinda McKeown. (Members who do not have a TUMC shopping bag may get one from the same 3 sources.)

Thank you again to YEC!


Reminder: Homecoming cleaning assignments are to be completed this week. TC will be closed Wednesday through Friday for floor care.

Board of Trustees Meeting: The Board of Trustees will meet on Sunday, May 3 – time to be announced.

Sing a New Song! Something NEW and wonderful is about to come to the Trinity Center. On the third Sunday of each month beginning in May, at 6 pm, you will be invited to A NEW SONG. What is A New Song? Watch and wait and see.

ALICE'S CORNER

- The Jr. & Sr. Hi. UMYF will meet this Sunday evening, April 26. Jr. Hi. at 5:00 pm and Sr. Hi. at 6:00 pm.
- Two Flatrock Playhouse musicals – "Man of Lan Mancha" on June 24 and "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" on July 29 – tickets are on sale now. Cost is \$29.00 for each play. Sign up with Jill for one play or both. They will be a part of our summer programs. Only 15 tickets have been purchased for each play. Don't Delay! A few seats remain!

 **DRY OUTSIDE!** Save electricity and MONEY by hanging your laundry outside. Dry laundry for about 10-15 minutes to remove wrinkles then hang outside to finish drying. (They smell wonderful, too!)