

# TRINITY IN TOUCH

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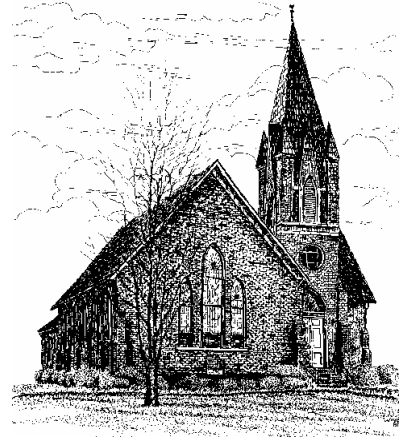
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

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

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



May 12, 2009

## From the Pastor

There have been a lot of questions asked about our new Sunday evening worship service which starts on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Some of you are worried that we are planning on doing away with our informal 9:00 service or our traditional 11:00 service. Some of you are concerned that we are expecting you to skip one of these services to attend on Sunday night. Some of you are concerned that you may be expected to attend even if you don't like the praise service format.

Let me see if I can answer these questions clearly. We are looking at the possibility of adding a worship service rather than subtracting. The once-a-month contemporary praise service will be an addition to our other services, serving to complement them rather than compete with them. We hope that as many in the congregation as possible will support the service at least at its beginning, but we know that many in the Trinity family are perfectly content to worship as you currently do. Our whole purpose is to meet the needs of folks who are not feeling that their needs are met, either by the type of music or the type of worship that our other services offer. We are hoping to answer the concerns of our youth, who brought the idea to us. If there is any group we **expect** to see on Sunday night it will be our youth! We have tried to involve everybody who is interested in the planning for the service and we are really hoping to meet the needs of folks who are in our congregation and others who aren't being reached by any worship opportunities. Even if praise and contemporary worship aren't your cup of tea, we know that you are as concerned about those who don't know the love and grace of God through Jesus Christ as we are. We know that we want to do all we can to live up to our mission "To share the love of Christ and to enable all people to grow in Christian discipleship." That's what our new service is all about! Join us and see how you like it, pray for the leadership and for all who attend, and reach out to anyone you know who might be helped by attending. If you have to bring them and sit in for one service in order to bring someone new, it really won't be painful, I promise. The message will be a different one from the one you'll hear on Sunday morning, and the chance to worship God in a different way will certainly touch some hearts.

You may have already caught the connection, but just in case you've missed it (as I almost did) the newest campaign by United Methodist Communications is called "Rethink Church." Rethink Church is based on the premise that our mission is to find ways to offer Christ to new people in various places. "It is an invitation to a relationship with a community that will care about you, that will talk with you about your questions and that will provide you with opportunities to become engaged to change the world," says Rev. Larry Hollon, General Secretary of United Methodist Communications. The idea behind the campaign is to imagine what church can be and how the church can reach more people. Our new service is a part of the response. Here are some questions to consider: "What if church was less about Sunday and more about the other days of the week?" "What if church wasn't just a place we go, but something we do?" "What if church wasn't just a building but thousands of doors, each opening up to a different concept or experience of church?" "What if church were a verb rather than a noun?"

We are called to share the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ. This takes place inside our walls and outside in our world. Programs don't do it. Worship and prayer and sincere reaching out to those in need are what fulfill our mission. This summer and all through the year we can be church, rethink church and live in ways that praise God. God bless each one, Gene Feagin, Pastor

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**Scriptures: 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17**  
**Sermon: "The Faith that Conquers"**

**SUNDAY, May 17**

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 .....	4:00 p.m.
Contemporary Worship Service.....	6:00 p.m.

Flower Ministry:	Kim & Chris Jones
Lay Reader:	Pat Childers
Nursery Infants:	Alicia & David Breakfield
Toddler Church:	Teresa Anderson & Linda Goss
Children's Church:	Scott & Julie Taylor
Acolyte:	Sarah Grace Garner

**TUESDAY 19**

Adults – IKEA .....	Meet at the church 9:00 a.m.
Adult Basketball .....	7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY 20**

Chancel Choir .....	7:30 p.m.
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**FRIDAY 22**

Red Cross Blood Drive .....	12:30-5:30 p.m.
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**SUNDAY, May 24**

Worship Service.....	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.
Dulcimer Class (Beginners).....	4:00 p.m.

**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:** Eric Johnston

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

Sunday School Attendance May 10:	108
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) May 10:	63
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) May 10:	158
Operating Fund received on May 10.....	\$4,937.88
Operating Fund received up to May 10 .....	\$109,779.24
Budget goal up to May 10 (\$6,500 x 19).....	\$123,500.00

**HONORARIUM TO THE CHOIR FUND**

**In Honor of all Mothers** by Renee Barker.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Our prayers** are with Havern & Helen Brindle, Voight Hipp, John Smith, John Deyton, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Louise Smith, Bob Johnsey, Clark Warren, and Bebe Benfield.

**Also, we remember** Howard Steele, father of Sandy Pursley; Emily Brown, mother of Kathy Brown; Angie Moss, daughter of Helen Pridmore; Samuel Kalb, husband of Mildred Kalb; Abigail Pierce, granddaughter of Donna Shugart; 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; 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; Roy Wilkerson, father of Denise Mitchell; DeAnna Greiner, granddaughter of Bill Huffstetler; Lacey Robinson, friend of Ann Bailes; Harold Dickson; and Mackenzie Decuir.

The congregation of Trinity United Methodist Church is invited to attend an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Ben Jones. The ceremony will be held in the sanctuary of Trinity on Sunday, May 17 at 4pm. Refreshments will be served in the parlor after the ceremony.

**PATH REMINDER: RICE** – any kind, any size. Please remember PATH when grocery shopping!

**A NEW SONG:** Trinity will begin a monthly praise service this Sunday, May 17th at 6 pm. Meet in the Trinity Center for praise, worship and fellowship. Feel free to come as you are and worship God with A New Song! The service will feature some of your favorite Contemporary Christian music, so be prepared to sing along. Bring all of your friends and come worship with us!

**NEW YARN** - The yarn box has been restocked! You'll find patterns for knitting or crocheting baby sweaters along with the yarn in the boxes in the hall. **THANKS** to all who have been working diligently on this project. The sweaters will be taken to Sager Brown by our UMCOR Team this fall.

**Please keep Justus Chol in your prayers.** He continues to search for employment since he has moved to New Port News, Virginia to live with a cousin. If you wish to send him a card to let him know you are thinking of him, his address is as follows:

Justus Chol  
 14557 Old Courthouse Way, Unit C  
 Newport News, VA 23608-2847

**ALICE'S CORNER**

- The Jr. Hi. & Sr. Hi. youth will attend the Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony for Ben Jones this Sunday, May 17 at 4 pm in the sanctuary.
- We have 2 tickets remaining for "Man of LaMancha" at Flatrock playhouse on Wednesday, June 24. Please contact Alice or Jill ASAP if you are interested in going.
- I am working on the Summer Activity booklet which contains activities and events for all ages. If you have suggestions or ideas of places to go or things to do (particularly events to be repeated) please let me know ASAP.
- The older adults will sponsor a trip to IKEA (the new mega shopping store in Charlotte) on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the church at 9:00 am, shop, and eat lunch before returning home. The store requires lots of walking and you need to bring your own shopping bag for the items you purchase. The store is quite interesting with lots of furniture, home items, plants, and other items too numerous to mention. Join us on another fun trip! Give your name to Jill in the church office. It is OK to go and just browse.
- Mark your summer calendars **NOW** for Vacation Bible School the week of July 13-17.
- I have forms for Salkehatchie Summer service, and Youth Annual Conference held at Spartanburg Methodist College (July 6-10) – a week of awesome stuff for teenagers who have completed grades 6-12. Remember the church pays half of your cost (up to \$100) to attend.



**NO MORE ROUNDUP** - pour undiluted vinegar on weeds instead of using Roundup which is bad for the environment.

**Thanks to everyone** who came to the Wednesday Night Supper. Money earned has been placed in the budget for Sudan needs and projects.