



THE BEACON

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

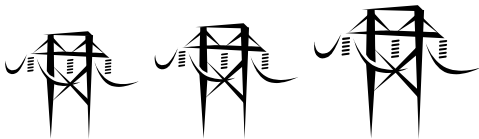
A Word... re: **PROJECTS!**

This summer we had a congregational meeting to take action on some projects for the church. The Boiler Replacement was at the top of the list, simply because it would be nice to have it installed and working *before* cold weather arrives! Worship Improvements and Emergency Readiness were the other areas that were approved also. Authorization for a Fund Appeal for these three areas was given. Let's take a look at these three project areas...



WARMTH!

Pretty basic if we want people to attend church in the winter! The old boiler had done a yeoman's job for around 38 years, far beyond its life-expectancy! Repairs were not an option, so research began on a high-efficiency boiler to warm the church now and in the future. Many hours were devoted to this task by a very able committee, and proposals were received from many companies. In the end, the Lord provided an opportunity for us to be blessed ourselves, and to bless another church. A new high-efficiency boiler was given to us at no cost. We would have to cover the cost of the installation. In return, we were asked to support the ministry of Hannaniah Lutheran Church in the City of Buffalo. This is an LCMS congregation, pastored by the Rev. Kenyatta Cobb (who is also the Buffalo Police Department Chaplain). This congregation has received a large building they are converting to a youth/community center to do ministry in some difficult areas. There are no "conditions" on our support in exchange for the boiler, just our commitment to help as God leads. This is a great way to be involved in a ministry that is very needed in the city!



POWER!

Electricity is a good thing J. As we found out last October, without electricity the boiler will not boil (no matter how efficient it is!), the sump pumps won't "sump," the freezers won't freeze, the refrigerators won't refrigerate, and the lights won't light! Extended power outages are too common in this area, and when they happen, parishioners are tied up trying to take care of their homes, relatives, and neighbors. The plan here is to have the church and the parsonage on natural gas powered generators that will automatically kick in when power is disrupted, thereby keeping the buildings warm, the sump pumps pumping, etc. Once this is a reality, the whole idea of Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response opens up as a ministry for us.



WORSHIP!

Worship is central to life of our congregation. Gathering in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit on Sundays to hear the Word and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord is at the very core of our identity as Christians. Making the worship experience as good as it can be for all who attend, as well as visitors, is the goal. This includes hearing and sound issues, seating, music, the visual aspect, and so much more. Over the last year, the Worship and Music Committee worked hard to identify areas of improvement, and sought input from professionals. When the improvements are completed, worshippers will be much better able to hear everything the pastor and assistants and readers are saying because of specialized microphones, moving the sound board, etc. Our great choir will be turned more toward the congregation, as it should be for best sound. The instruments will be near each other for easier use. A Cry Room is slated to be installed at the rear of the sanctuary. All improvements are designed to make for a better worship experience for everyone.



FUNDING!

Here's the good part! Everyone can participate AND direct your dollars to the project of your choice! First of all, please understand that giving to these three projects is NOT to take the place of the tithes and regular giving already committed to the church. These projects are above and beyond the regular budget. If the only way you are able to contribute to these projects is by decreasing your regular giving, then DON'T DO IT! The regular tithes and offerings always come first, then other projects and ministries.



Good News!

Each of these three projects already has funds pledged and committed to it by interested parishioners! We are not "starting from scratch." You may direct your gifts to any one of the projects, if you choose. Please put a notation on your gift with the name of the project you are supporting (or just write "Special Projects" if you have no preference).

Once again, the three project areas are called: 1) "The Boiler Fund," 2) "The Generator Fund," and, 3) "The Worship Fund." This will ensure your gift is directed to the right place.

As we make these improvements I want to thank everyone for their support. These projects will both maintain and improve our ability to do ministry at Trinity!

Pastor Terry

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR OCTOBER 2007

by Erik Polkowski

“TTYL Jesus”

“I call on you, O God, for you will answer me; give ear to me and hear my prayer.”

Psalm 17:6

Everyone is connected. Seems we can't get away from ourselves. The flood of information and connectivity has inundated our day-to-day life. We have gotten so bad government feels it necessary to regulate and legislate simple down to earth logic. When I am driving down the Kensington Expressway at 50mph, the last thing I really need to be doing is seeing whether I typed a D, an E, an F, or a 3.

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” – Romans 12:12

It used to be that the time in the car on the ride to or from work was quiet and could be used to reflect on the day starting or ending. You could listen to the radio and enjoy the scene as it passed you by. Now nothing is sacred. Once a field superintendent called our office and asked to speak with someone. The someone was unavailable, the professional method of saying he is currently using the restroom. The caller promptly said, “No message, I call him on his cell” and hung up. Seconds later, a clever little disco song resonated in the acoustically challenged restroom. If that weren't bad enough, the song stopped as the call was answered! ROTFLMBO

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.” – Philippians 4:6

Long before I had a cell phone. Long before I had an email account. Before the lingo and the tech savvy, there was prayer. I don't have to worry if in speaking with God I called after 9:00pm or it's a weekend. I don't have to worry if he is in my circle of 5 or even in my same calling network. No worry about if I use “What if God was one of us” for His ringtone. Like the red phone at the White House, prayer is our direct line. Regardless of the time, the place, someone's age or situation, He is there to take the call. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. There is no problem too big and no problem too small. One call can solve it all. He can give me the strength and answers I need. No pix messages, as he knows all and sees all. You never get His voicemail or are monitored for quality assurances. There are no roaming charges.



“If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.” – James 1:5

AFAIK, IMHO, SUM1 is U4E. Or as translated, “As far as I know, in my humble opinion, someone is yours forever.” Someone is there to ask RUOK? And tell you ILU. And give you that (((H))) , a “Big Hug” exactly when you need it.

“This is the confidence we have in approaching God; that if we ask anything according to his will, he will hear us.” – 1 John 5:14

While life seems to speed up and get closer at hand, sometimes we need to slow down and get closer to God. We need to let go and let God. So go ahead. Bow your head and close your eyes. Fold your hands and open up a line. The operator is standing by to take your call.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Overheard in line to get chowder, "I saw an announcement about the Chowder Sale on TV." Another person spoke up and stated they had heard about it on the radio!

Trinity Lutheran on TV and Radio!?!?! What is going on??

Trinity has recently increased its outreach to the community by the formation of a Public Relations Committee. The committee has been working diligently, advertising various events at the church throughout the year. To submit ads to the local media in a comprehensive and timely fashion, an "Advertisement Request Form" has been developed

by the committee. This form will help streamline the process of advertising in flyers, posters, newspapers, television and radio ads, as well as keeping the office informed if callers contact the church for information.

In other words, fill in one form and receive hours of advertising effort, placement of posters and ads in papers, on radio, and even TV! No longer does each committee or group have to go through all the effort (and frustration) of dealing with advertising... the Public Relations Committee will do it for you!

The committee asks that you submit this form at least *eight weeks* prior to an event. In fact, for your convenience, you may turn your form in up to a year in advance. This will allow

the PR committee the opportunity to plan publicity for your event and be sure nothing "falls through the cracks" when the time comes for adequately publicizing an event. The committee has spent many hours researching media outlets, finding out submission requirements, and developing the contacts needed to do a great job advertising your project or event on behalf of the church. A mailbox in the church office has been set aside to pick up these forms and resubmit them back to the committee. You may pick up and return the form in the mailbox over the copy machine in the office. The slots will be clearly marked for pickup and

return. If you have any questions, contact a PR committee member: Chuck Lowder, Ethel Kogut or Paula Kropelin.

Many thanks in advance for your continued support of this new ministry!

...a personal note from Pastor—Please take advantage of the hard work this committee has devoted to getting the word out about the great things happening at Trinity. Their work is truly a ministry, helping us to reach our community more effectively with Good News! Thank you!

TRINITY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

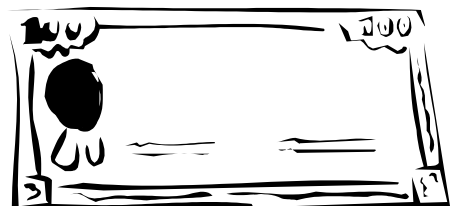
It's great to welcome back the youngsters to Trinity's Sunday School Education time. Believe it or not, the Confirmation Class is the largest class of students Trinity has at this time. If your children are ages 3 or

older, and have not been confirmed, please consider giving them an opportunity to learn more about Christ and his message to his children. The youngsters gather at 9:15 am for a brief time of sharing news and events they have experienced over the past week, recognition of birthdays, and

receiving an offering. The Sunday School class time runs from 9:30 am—10:15 am with a surprise time of games/crafts/stories/movies/etc. following until 10:30 am. Trinity welcomes all children to this time of learning, as well as to all adults, to share in a discussion of the Lord's Prayer.

BOND INTEREST TIME!

All bondholders are asked to complete & sign a form indicating your intent to collect or your willingness to decline the 2007 interest on your bond. Forms are located on the table at the back of the church. Please return your completed form to the Treasurer's mailbox in the church office as soon as possible, even if you are declining, so that either a check can be drafted or your interest amount can be added to your yearly giving. Any questions, please contact Lisa Kaminski at 542-4150.



FAMILY LIFE NETWORK



The Family Life Network invites you to a “Comedy Night” with Taylor Mason, Daren Streblov and Bob Stromberg. The Bible states “a merry heart does good like medicine.” Well, come and get a

good dose of health (along with some spiritual insights) on Thursday, October 25th at the Palace Theater on Lockport. If you’re interested in purchasing tickets or learning more, see the notice on the bulletin board in the coatroom.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS—OCTOBER 2007

October 7, 2007

Worship Assistant 8:00 am—Donna Kumpf 10:45 am—Diane McMullen
 Scripture Reader 8:00 am—Sharon Waff 10:45 am—C. McMullen
 Communion Assistant 8:00 am—Paula Kropelin 10:45 am—Diane Vogt
 Greeter 10:45 am—Thelma Parker
 Nursery 10:45 am—Lisa and Katie Kaminski

October 14, 2007

Worship Assistant 8:00 am—Helen Smith 10:45 am—Flo Goeseke
 Scripture Reader 8:00 am—Mark Jurewicz 10:45 am—Martin Szinger
 Communion Assistant 8:00 am—Lisa Kaminski 10:45 am—S. Schoenwetter
 Greeter 10:45 am—Shirley & Gordon Domon
 Nursery 10:45 am—Linda Kaczmarek

October 21, 2007

Worship Assistant 8:00 am—Donna Kumpf 10:45 am—Diane McMullen
 Scripture Reader 8:00 am—Ethel Kogut 10:45 am—Dale Kruschke
 Communion Assistant 8:00 am—Paula Kropelin 10:45 am—Gretchen Bruning
 Greeter 10:45 am—Jane & Gordy Dorr
 Nursery 10:45 am—Diane & Christian McMullen

October 28, 2007

Worship Assistant 8:00 am—Helen Smith 10:45 am—Tammy Johannes
 Scripture Reader 8:00 am—Ruth Knerr 10:45 am—Becky Fix
 Communion Assistant 8:00 am—Mel Knerr 10:45 am—Erik Polkowski
 Greeter 10:45 am—Gretchen Bruning
 Nursery 10:45 am—Wendy Schadt & Andrew Seguin

“BAND-AID II” FOR LUTHERAN CHARITIES

“Band-Aid II,” a worship service celebrating the mission and ministries of Lutheran Charities, will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, Clarence Center, on Sunday, November 11 at 6 pm. A sequel to “Band-Aid I” held at Zion in 2005, this service of praise and thanksgiving based on the theme “Light the Fire Again” will be led by Pastor Steve Biegner. Several worship bands from Niagara Frontier Conference churches, including “Living Stones” from Trinity, East Amherst and “Lifeline” from Ascension, Snyder will provide the music. The twelve agencies supported by Lutheran Charities will participate in a Mission Fair before and after worship, and everyone attending will have an opportunity to see first hand how these agencies reach out into the community to help those in need and share the Lord’s love. A free will offering will be taken during worship to assist Lutheran Charities in its on-going work.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

1st- Michael Aylsworth
 3rd- Sharon Wolcott
 4th- Donna Jurewicz
 Anthony Cinotti
 6th- Joshua Schmidt
 7th- Teri White
 9th- Sharon Waff
 15th- Clayton Francis
 17th- Tammy Johannes
 18th- Gordon Domon
 20th- Kathy Greiner
 21st- Raymond Francis
 22nd- Diane McMullen
 Ray Francis
 24th- John Covell
 25th- Ruth Bostwick
 Everett Meyer
 26th- Candy Kruschke



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES:

4th- Hank/Patricia Backes
 10th- Dale & Lois Kruschke
 15th- Whitey/Donna Kumpf
 18th- Alan & Denise Kumpf
 19th- Vince & Kristine Fazio
 25th- Terry & Teri White



THANK YOU

Pastor White and Members of Trinity Lutheran Church:

The members of your church made worshipping our Lord a great experience. You have a very warm, caring church. I had planned on visiting many Lutheran churches in my summer at Leisurewood, but on my second Sunday I attended Trinity, I saw no reason to attend any place else. As your winter sets in, if any member needs a getaway to my loved Florida, call me. I will have room for you. Just below Kennedy Space Center. God Bless,

Robert Carillion & Barbara Loos 1467 Barefoot Circle Barefoot Bay, Florida 32976
772-664-0102 Home
772-388-1319 Second Home
772-713-1342 Cell

NURSERY SCHEDULE—10:45 AM SERVICE

Thank you to the nursery volunteers for fall /winter season. Helpers will be assigned from the confirmation class for the open slots once the acolyte schedule has been finalized. If you are unable to make the Sunday you are assigned, please make an attempt to switch with someone from the list. If you cannot, please call the office to let someone know, so we can arrange a replacement. If you have an emergency on that Sunday, call Diane McMullen at 632-0156. Please plan to arrive by 10:30 am.

October 7

Lisa Kaminski
Katie Kaminski

October 14

Linda Kaczmarek

October 21

Diane McMullen Christian
McMullen

October 28

Wendy Schadt
Andrew Sequin

November 4

Gretchen Bruning

November 11

Tammy Johannes

November 18

Wendy Schadt
Andrew Sequin

November 25

Lisa Kaminski
Katie Kaminski

December 2

Shannon Cinotti
Anthony Cinotti

December 9

Wendy Schadt
Andrew Sequin

December 16

Becky Fix
Brandon Fix

December 23

Melissa Polkowski

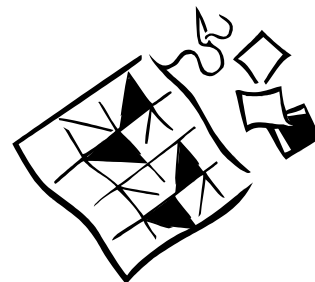
December 30

Open for now (possible
children's program)



QUILT-A-THON

On October 27 the members of Trinity quilters will attempt a service project. With the aide of any of you that would like to be part of this project, we will be making baby quilts for the Linus project, a nationwide drive to provide quilts to ill or endangered children, and also a number of lap quilts to be sent to the Erie County Home. Many hands are needed, if you can measure, cut, sew or tie a knot, we need you! Please help. Donations of thread, batting and cotton fabric are needed. Come enjoy the fellowship and doing a great outreach project. October 27 from 10 am—3 pm here at Trinity. Bring a lunch, beverage will be provided. Any questions, call June Hoffmann at 542-2378.



A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER . . .

It is very easy for me to forget something when mentioned to me in passing on a Sunday morning. Therefore, please be sure to drop a note or a copy of your receipt into my office mailbox. Having something in-hand will help make sure I 'giterdone'! *Lisa Kaminski*



LADIES OF TRINITY

Many thanks to all those who donated to the Country Kitchen at this year's Chowder Sale. A number of Baked Goods, Hand Crafted Items, Plants and other great items were offered for sale, along with the usual sale of knives, spatulas and sharpeners showed a collection of over \$300.

The ladies continue to meet and study the Book of Romans on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8th. They will also be discussing their Thankoffering Service, held in

November. The ladies invite you to set aside a bank or other collection dish to place your change in each day, as you give thanks to God for the blessings he has given you that day. These offerings are received during the Thankoffering Service.

Another endeavor the Ladies are embarking upon is a Home and Garden party, held on Sunday, October 21st at 12:00 pm. The ladies will join with the choir to host this event.

TRINITY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Trinity has welcomed several new members this past year. On Sunday, September 30, Trinity hosted a New Member Reception for all new members. The congregation joined these new members in the Fellowship Hall following worship to introduce themselves and make them feel welcome.

Alfred and Sharon Buza - 7/02/06
Marie Speder - 9/10/06
Roy Bauer - 9/10/06

Edith Schurr - 9/10/06
June Hartman - 9/10/06
Chris Mazur - 3/4/07
Lisa Malicki - 3/4/07
Edward Ingalsbe - 7/15/07
Jeanne Buterbaugh - 9/09/07
Dawn McCaffery - 9/16/07

If you know anyone who is looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Terry or the church office at 542-9828.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please pray for:

Ken Mekeel, Owen Pieber,
Sylvia Hebell, Kris
Halbauer, James Thomas,
Elizabeth Gaymon,
Dorothy Giacco, John
Stoter, George Keller,
Todd Seward, Miriam
David, Betty Robison,
Tony Jurewicz, Janice
Kirchner

And the families of:

Mildred Hoelscher, Kris
Hallbower, Betty Johnson

We remember our homebound:

Daisy Graff, Margaret
Baker, Bill Nehrbooss and
Joshua Schmidt.



Dates to note:

October 7
Homecoming Sunday

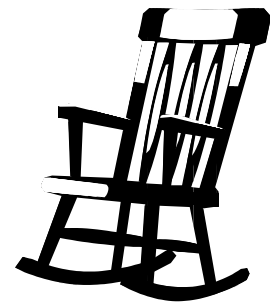
October 14
Surprise Storm '06
Worship Service

October 21
Home & Garden
Party @ Trinity

October 28
Reformation Sunday

November 4
All Saints Sunday

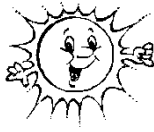
November 10
Rock-A-Thon



Are you ready to Rock?

The MDA committee is still looking for sponsors for this year's Rock-A-Thon. If you are interested, check out the flyer or contact Diane McMullen, Lisa Kaminski, or Jodi David.

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



TIME IS RUNNING OUT! October 19-21 is the final 2007 Western PA Lutheran Marriage Encounter weekend. Sign up now for this special and beautiful weekend at The Avalon Hotel in Erie, PA. Weekends are designed for the enrichment of ALL MARRIAGES. Housing, meals, and all costs are covered by a \$45.00 per couple registration fee plus whatever contribution you choose to make at the end of the weekend. Contact Western PA Chair Couple Fred & Julie Schamber at 724-325-3166 or fjschamber@comcast.net to confirm space available, and sign up today!

Have you decided what you're donating for the Talent Auction yet? Pastor Terry is working very hard, getting ready . . .

HOME & GARDEN PARTY

Sunday, October 21, 2007
12:00 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church

There will be pottery, cookware and decorative items available, along with catalogs to shop from to kick off your Christmas shopping season (it's only 9 weeks after the show). You won't want to miss this opportunity to purchase gifts with no sales tax or shipping charges. If you have questions, contact Helen Smith at 542-9504.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
6369 Wolcottsville Road
Akron, New York 14001
542-4444

Celebrating their 154th anniversary
Sunday, September 9, 2007
Join us for fellowship, food and fun

Our Annual Beef and Pork Dinner is served from 11 am-2pm
Tickets \$8.00
Children \$5.00 (ages 5-12)
Under 5 eat free

Church services are at 11 am
Pastor Donald Willman officiating

We will also be holding our annual gift auction with donations from area businesses and church members

CHURCH HUMOR (??)

A man was being tailgated by a stressed out woman on a busy boulevard. Suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to get through the intersection, dropping her cell phone and makeup. As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer.

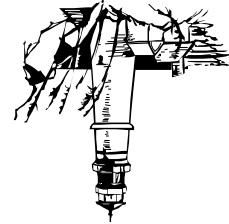
The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up. He took her to the police station where she was searched, finger printed, photographed and placed in a holding cell. After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects. He said, 'I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you, and cussing a blue streak at him. I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sunday School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk.

Naturally, I assumed you had stolen the car.'

Priceless.

October 2007

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SEEKING AND REFLECTING THE
LIGHT OF THE LORD”



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David Hofmeier/Candy Kruschke, Pianists

David McMullen, Choir Director

Sunday Worship Services: 8:00 am and 10:45 am

Sunday School (ages 3-adult): 9:15 am

Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 am—1:00 pm

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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