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“Seek First His Kingdom”

All members of Trinity are asked to mark Sunday, Oct. 19th, on their calendars as “Consecration Sunday” . That Sunday is the culmination of five weeks of spiritual growth that has been taking place in our Sunday morning worship services. This year’s stewardship program has focused on “Seek First His Kingdom,” based on Matthew 6:33.

The last two Sundays of September focused on the gifts of time and talents. The first two Sundays in October will focus on the gifts of treasure and joy, all based on Paul’s Letter to Philippians. On Consecration Sunday, the focus will be on “Giving to God.” In the worship service, all members of Trinity will be given the opportunity to bring to God’s altar their Personal Ministry and Financial Pledge forms that were mailed to them the end of September.

Following the worship service is a free Celebration Luncheon that will be catered by Mr. Terry Turner, a member of Trinity. For us to know how many to prepare for, we need your help!

Mission Statement of Trinity Lutheran Church

“The mission of Trinity is to preach and teach the Good News as it is commanded by God (Matthew 28:18) and to reach out with the hands and arms of love to all humanity to do the work Christ commanded us.”

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We are asking all members of Trinity to make reservations for the luncheon by completing the reservation form that will be available in the church bulletin on Sept. 28th and Oct.5th, or by phoning the church office by October 8th .

The procedure for requesting commitments from members on Oct. 19th will be done in such a way that no one will feel personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out the forms. “Seek First His Kingdom” works with people where they are and when they are ready. Members will make their commitments as an act of worship. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact me or a member of Trinity’s Board of Elders.

I want to thank you in advance for your enthusiastic participation in this year’s “Seek First His Kingdom” program.

- Ron Wiese

“How Blessed”

This has been a strange summer. We’ve seen a bunch of odd weather, yet we here in the mid-south have escaped most of the severe storms.

There has been excessive rain in the mid-west. Iowa saw rain and more rain - Iowa City, and Cedar Rapids (not far from where I spent my childhood) had 10 inches of water downtown. This never happens! My mom’s home had minor damage from a tree falling in front of her house. The Monday before I got there to work on her house, the same area had a straight-line wind storm, like our “Hurricane Elvis.” Then Hurricanes Gustav and Ike played havoc with Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, and Illinois.

My son Steve said they got 7 inches of “Ike rain.” My friends in Chicago had over 9 inches in a very short time. The sewers and creeks can’t handle that much water that quickly. We still haven’t been able to connect with our friends in Houston. Sounds like Katrina all over again: no power, no drinking water, and everything being wet makes life tough.

We know what it means to be without power, from our ice and wind storms of the past. This year our weather has been cool and moist, not like the 100 degree temperatures of last summer.

All of which is to say, “How blessed we are!” The next thought is, “how can we help?”

I’m sure Lutheran Disaster Relief will inform us what we can do. There are lots of Lutherans in Texas and in the Houston area. There may be relief projects like those (still ongoing) in the Gulf Coast area.

I spent the early years of my ministry in Houston, so the area is familiar to me. Jeanie and I still have friends in the area, and I know many of you have friends and family there, too. Please keep them all in your prayers as they put their lives and homes back in order.

- Phil Schmidt

“Lipstick, Houses, and Religion”

Election season is upon us, and the next month promises to be wild and crazy. Sound bites are easy to repeat, and the news media is quick to pounce on catchy phrases. That might be good in the entertainment world, but it's a bad way to choose a president.

One of the national news commentators remarked last week that, in the furor over Sarah Palin's lipstick (she wears it), John McCain's houses (he has seven), and Barack Obama's religion (he's a Christian), we're ignoring the real issues.

What about the economy (read that as national debt, home foreclosures, and failing businesses)? or affordable health care for all? or solid education for our children? or sustainable energy policies? or providing a hand up (not “out”) for those entrapped by poverty? or finding a resolution to a seemingly endless war in Iraq?

Let's acknowledge these facts: we don't know a lot about Sarah Palin; Barack Obama's got an odd name; John and Cindy McCain are rich. Legitimate questions might be raised about Palin and Obama's lack of experience, and John McCain's age. Okay. Now, let's focus on the issues.

It's our responsibility as Christian citizens to push all the candidates to state clearly their positions on the issues and explain in detail how they would go about addressing them. It's our responsibility as Christians to consider *all* the issues, not just one or two, and see how the candidates stack up. It's our responsibility to prayerfully consider all the facts and make an informed decision. Vote in November!

And, as discussions heat up in these next weeks, it's good to remind ourselves that God is neither a Democrat nor a Republican.

Let us pray continually for God's blessing and guidance on our country, our leaders, and all the citizens of our beloved United States of America.

- Martha Israel

Church Council Report

Trinity's Church Council met Sept. 7th. The Board of Elders noted that non-members are taking parking places behind the church on Sunday mornings. The Board of Evangelism will continue the "Dinner for 8" program this fall; a Downtown Churches Open House will be held Oct. 12, 1 to 5 p.m.

The Board of Youth will be in charge of games for the church picnic. The March2Morning for junior high youth will be Sept. 26th, and the youth group will hold a pumpkin sale in October.

In Old Business, a revised plan for Renovation of the Fellowship Hall was presented. The Council decided to return the plans to the TROC Committee and Board of Elders for some further changes. The grand piano has been removed from the fellowship hall, and four cemetery lots are being advertised in hopes they can be sold. Olan Mills took pictures for a new Pictorial Directory Sept. 5 and 6. The Church Picnic is scheduled for Sept. 21 at the Metal Museum. A Leaders Luncheon for the Fall Stewardship Program will be held Oct. 12, with food provided by Neely's. Terry Turner will cater the Church Luncheon Oct. 19.

In New Business, Budget Requests for 2009 are due by Oct. 1, with a meeting of the Elders and Board of Finance set for Oct. 5. The District "Ablaze Rally" will be held Oct. 10 and 11, and Pastor Wiese encouraged all council members to attend.

The meeting adjourned, and closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Sheely, Secretary

Reception of New Members

Trinity will receive new members in November. If you are interested in transferring your membership, please contact Pastor Wiese.

Adult Bible Studies

These Adult Studies are underway on Sunday mornings, 9:15 a.m.

Fellowship Hall Class is studying “Seek First His Kingdom,” a study of “Philippians.” The class is led by Pastor Wiese.

The Library Class, led by Ed Winkelmann, is continuing a video-assisted study on “We the People”

The New Covenant Class, led by Sarah Wiese, is studying a video series entitled “The Christian Story.”

Home Bible Studies

- * Tuesday Morning Covenant Seekers Bible Study led by June Wiese (454-1170) at her home, meeting at 10 a.m., Oct. 7 and 21, - studying “Bethel”
- * Tuesday Evening Bible Study led by Pastor Wiese (454-1170) at his home, meeting at 7 p.m., October 14 and 28, studying “Ecclesiastes.”
- * Tuesday Evening Bible Study, led by John Konnerth, meeting 7 p.m. on Oct. 14 & 28 at the Love’s home (662 781-0730) in Walls, MS - studying “Bethel”
- * Tuesday Evening Bible Study, led by June Wiese at her home, meeting at 7 p.m., October 7 and 21 - studying “Bethel”
- * Wednesday Evening Study, led by Sue Jones at the home of Barbara Sharp, (725-7259) meeting October 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 6:00 p.m., studying “The Lord’s Prayer.”
- * Thursday Evening Bible Study led by David Chester at Tom and Eileen Sanders’ home (373-1347) at 7 p.m., Oct. 9 & 23 - continuing a study of “Genesis.”
- * Downtown Bible Study at the home of Dr. Ron and Brenda Pfeiffer, (529-0983) meeting dates to be determined, continuing a study of “Mark.”

New members are welcome at each of these home studies. Telephone the host for more information or directions.

October Special Events

October 5th is Lutheran Womens Missionary League Sunday. Members of Trinity’s LWML circles will serve as worship assistants in the Sunday Morning Service.

October 5th is also MEMPHIS LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY. People will line the sidewalks of Union and Poplar, silently holding signs to express opposition to the killing of unborn children. Members of Trinity who wish to participate are invited to meet at 2 p.m. on Union, between Front and Main, for the sidewalk demonstration.

On Sunday, October 12th, the Downtown Churches Association will sponsor an OPEN HOUSE from 1 to 5 p.m. Trinity is one of the participating churches. Read more on page 18.

On Sunday, October 19th Trinity will celebrate CONSECRATION SUNDAY in the 10:30 a.m. worship service. A luncheon will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

October 26th is REFORMATION SUNDAY. The 491st Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation will be commemorated at Trinity along with Trinity's 153rd Anniversary in the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Invite your friends and family to come with you for this celebration of our Lutheran heritage. The 152nd Anniversary Offering will go to Trinity's Building Fund.

FALL BACK on All Saints Day. Daylight Savings Time ends early Sunday, November 2nd. Set your clocks *back* one hour before going to bed Saturday, November 1st.

Parish Nurse Notes

Recently I traveled to St. Louis to attend the Westberg Symposium for Parish Nurses. There I learned many new ideas for our health / wellness ministry here at Trinity.

Watch for a "Focus on Health" bulletin board on which we'll post monthly health emphasis news, upcoming events at Trinity as well as community health events, and any other news that would benefit us in our journey to better health. Please offer suggestions for optimal use of this board.

On Sunday, October 12th, Dr. Geater will be in the church library *immediately* after the church service to give flu shots. The vaccine is updated each year to help protect you against the latest strain of influenza virus. Protection begins one to two weeks after the injection and lasts for 4 to 6 months. Flu shots are particularly helpful for those over age 65, those with chronic illness, students, teachers, health care workers and anyone who would rather not have a bout with the flu. The cost of the shot is \$20 - free to Medicare recipients. (Bring your Medicare card and Dr. Geater will file for you.) There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall so we can give Dr. Geater an idea of the number of vaccines needed.

Upcoming Health Check dates are Sunday, September 28th and Sunday, October 19th. Watch the bulletin for reminders.

Please feel free to call me at home or leave a message at the church office if you'd like to discuss health concerns or need assistance in getting care. I'm also available on Health Check Sundays.

In His service....

- June Wiese

"Thank You" *from Miss Dolly*

Dear Trinity Friends,

I have had a wonderful birthday; your cards and greetings have helped to make it so happy! I treasure each card and thank each of you for remembering me. Sincerely...

- Dolly Oswald

Gifts & Memorials

In memory of IONE PULLIAM, gifts were given to the Martens Scholarship Fund by Mr. Donald Harlan and Mid-South AG Research, Mr. & Mrs. Billy McNeely, Dr. & Mrs. Lynn McGee, Mr. & Mrs. Gary C. Smith, Jan & Sallie Streeter, Ms. Janet Wright, Bubba & Mike Carlson, Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Seymour, Ms. Martha J. Israel, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Heyer, Mrs. Dorothy Martens, Ms. Paula Martens, Mrs. Bertha Huffman, Mr. & Mrs. Emmett Gadberry, Mr. Robert Cottam, Kenneth, Sally, and Miles King, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Mowry, Mrs. Linda Wilkins, Mr. & Mrs. Len Doss, Mr. & Mrs. Burton Berg, Mr. & Mrs. Erroll Spelhaug, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Ellison, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Spelhaug, Robert & Marie Fulton, Mr. & Mrs. David H. Cook, III; to Trinity by Mr. & Mrs. L.V. Schmidt; to Trinity Ministry by Miss Louise Oswald.

In honor of JUNE WIESE, a gift was given to Trinity by E. Greer & Carol Richardson.

In memory of MARY SUE COOPER, a gift was given to Trinity Ministry by Miss Louise Oswald.

In memory of CATHLEEN REED, a gift was given to Trinity Ministry by Miss Louise Oswald.

In memory of CATHERINE HOFER, gifts were given to Trinity by Mrs. Bertha Huffman, Mr. & Mrs. L.V. Schmidt.

Note from the Parish Assistant: We try to acknowledge all gifts promptly and accurately, but sometimes mistakes occur. If your special gift is not listed or is listed incorrectly, please give me a call at the office. Gifts received by September 19 are listed here.

“Dreaded Word”

Stewardship... ah, that dreaded word that strikes fear in the hearts of church members! Why does this word scare us so? It's simply: got money, got time, got talents? Each of us, to differing degrees and through our Lord's grace, are endowed with money, time and talents.

The money portion of the trio seems to bring the most fear to our hearts. Are you afraid of the Pledge Card? Why? It's simply a means for the church to know what funds they may depend upon to keep us a vital and growing congregation. For me personally, some of my Pledge Card concerns are the “what ifs.” “What if I pledge too much for my financial situation” or “What if I pledge too little?” “What if someone actually sees how much I pledge!” Aside from a few people who need to know, you and I should see this as a contract between us and our Lord. Pledging should be handled in the same way that all decisions are made in our lives - through prayer.

The time and talent duo seem very closely connected. What do you do with your free time? Using your talents takes time, whether through Christian service inside the church or outside in the community. I find it fulfilling to be about the Lord's work. I have made friends I never would have met if I hadn't been in His service. I can hear you saying that you have no time, yet our Lord gives each of us the same 24 hours a day.

I also hear you saying you have no talent. What have you tried to do? Sometimes it just takes a while to find what your special gifts are. Keep working and searching for your special God-given gifts. Often, what we consider ordinary things we do, to others is an astounding display of ability - your talent. Use it well to the glory of God and to do good to all people.

- Susan Jones

Sept. Church and Sunday School Attendance

	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>AVG.</u>	<u>S.S.</u>	<u>AVG.</u>
2007	442 (4) 111		226 (4) 57	
2008	464 (4) 116		192 (4) 48	

Communion Attendance

	<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
9/2/07	86 12		98
9/16/07	78 22		100
Private 9/07	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>
	174	37	211
9/7/08	105 0		105
9/21/08	94 0		94
Private 9/07	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>
	209	3	212

Directory Changes

Natalie Elder, P.O. Box 921, Lewisburg, WV 24901

Dan Grant, Squire Hill Apartments, 1449 Devon Lane Apt. E,
Harrisonburg, VA 22801 // 921-2309 // grantdj@jmu.edu

Jim & Karen (Cooper) Strom, 5618 Pinetree Loop South,
Southaven, MS 38672 // 662 794-8857 (*late October*)

Dave & Carole Verba, 3716 Oak View Ct., Matthews, NC 28105

Mitch Wood, 170 E. Griffith #509, Jackson, MS 39201

Young At Heart

Young-at-Heart met at Trinity in September and enjoyed a scrumptious lunch, inspiring devotion, and excellent company. All seniors and retirees are invited to the next Young At Heart potluck lunch, scheduled for noon, Wednesday, October 8th, in the fellowship hall. Bring a dish to share.

Von Bora Circle

The Von Bora ladies met in September to catch up on Altar duty and assist with several office projects. All ladies are invited to join us in October. Come at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 14th. Bring a sandwich for lunch: dessert will be provided.

Naomi Circle

The Naomi Circle met in September, where Elizabeth Brondos presented a most interesting program on calligraphy.

We will meet Wednesday, October 1st at 6:30 p.m. in Trinity's Fellowship Hall for a potluck dinner. The evening will also feature a presentation from Dr. Douglas Morrison on his work as conductor of the Memphis Youth Symphony. All Trinity members are cordially invited.

LWML Fall Zone Rally

The LWML Fall Rally will be held Sat., Oct. 18 at Christ the King Lutheran Church, where we will explore "Serving God through our Creative Gifts." Enjoy artistic, musical, dramatic and other talents of our creative LWML ladies. Quilt patterns that symbolize stories of the Bible will be shared during the program, and displays of handmade items used to proclaim the love of Christ will be available for viewing before and after the meeting.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., the program starts at 10, and lunch follows. Cost is \$5, and childcare is provided upon request. The ingathering is for the Brinkley Heights Youth Outreach Ministry and Food Pantry. Suggested items to bring include cups, paper plates, napkins, paper towels, kitchen cleaner, copy paper, bandaids, manila and hanging folders, trash bags, jump ropes, and kickballs. Contact Barbara Sharp (725-7259) or sign the sheet in the Fellowship Hall if you plan to attend.

Youth News

A big “THANK YOU” goes out to the guys who pitched in at the annual church picnic! As always, it was lots of fun, and the proceeds will help us “do-gooders” do some more GOOD!

YOUTH MONTHLY MEETING: Sunday, October 12, 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room! Fall events and Christmas plans to be discussed... Bring BRAIN!

Sunday, October 12, 19 & 26: Youth Pumpkin Sale. We NEED your MELON! a.k.a. pumpkin (bring either two small or one large) for our PUMPKIN SALE to benefit Fall/Winter YOUTH EVENTS! Bring them in for a polishing and perhaps a “face lift” before the sale. F.Y.I. Prices will range from \$3, \$5, \$10.

Saturday, November 1: Fall Ball at the Oldham’s Farm!
Bonfire, Cook-out, Games & Moolight Hayride.... Oh, My!

We will rendezvous at Trinity around 6:30 p.m., caravan to the Oldham Farm for the evening festivities! AREA YOUTH GROUPS have been invited, so we will need you to be there to show them a “spook”-tacular good time! Jr. Youth will be in charge of FOOD, and Sr. Youth in charge of GAMES! *I will need to hear from each of you if you plan to attend! Friends are welcome!!* RSVP to me @ 901- 626-6719 or rturner@tipton-county.com

See you in Sunday School. As always, remain in His path as you journey through your days! Your faithful servant in our *awesome God!*

- Rosie

Circle of Inspiration

“It’s my cross to bear.” “God doesn’t care for me.” These are some of the comments made by victims of domestic abuse referred to the Circle of Inspiration, an outreach ministry that began at Inspirational Faith Lutheran church in August, 2001, and is now housed at Trinity. The Circle of Inspiration offers safety assessment and planning, information and assistance in order to file for protection or Tennessee Victims assistance, or assistance in filing for emergency needs such as bus fare, lock changes, food, clothing, shelter.

At the heart of this service is a bi-monthly support group for survivors of abuse. This group is the only faith-based group for abuse victims in our community. All these services are offered free of charge because of donations and grants received from individuals and organizations. If you want more information on how you can help or if you know someone who needs assistance, phone the director of the program, Vernetta Eddleman, at 359-8516.

Auction Donations Needed

Trinity’s Annual Auction will be held in conjunction with the November FishFry, on Saturday, November 8th. Last year, over 60 items were donated to the Auction and over \$4,500 raised from the meal, the Auction and the matching grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

We need quality items to auction off. Perhaps you have something suitable to offer. No antiques hidden in the attic? Think about offering a service. Do you cook? Offer a dinner. Are you an ace gardener? Donate an afternoon of yard work. Or maybe you have a friend or business associate who would be willing to donate something. If you have something to donate, contact Gary Schwanke at 274-7229 or John Konnerth at 266-4704. The deadline for receiving auction items is Wednesday, Nov. 5th. All proceeds go to Trinity’s Tuition Scholarship Fund, which provides tuition support for Trinity member children attending area Lutheran schools

19th Annual Trinity Fish Fry

Trinity's 19th Annual Fish Fry will be held Saturday, November 8th from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu features:

An assortment of fried Fish
 French Fries or Baked Potato
 Hush Puppies
 Onion Rings
 Herbed Corn on the Cob
 Cole Slaw
 Pickle
 Dessert
 Beverage

Suggested donation for this All-You-Can-Eat meal is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under age 13. What a great deal! Proceeds will be matched by a grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for Trinity's Tuition Assistance Fund.

We start cooking early and continue throughout the evening, so hot food will be available, no matter when you arrive. Come early or come a little later, and you will enjoy one of the best fish dinners anywhere. Free parking is available in the "Central Parking" street lot, across from Trinity.

So that we can get a general idea of how many to prepare for, please sign the sheet on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board or call the church office and ask Martha to put your name on the list. (However, if you didn't sign up and find out at the last minute you can come, please come ahead. There will be plenty of food.)

Alert your taste buds and mark your calendar now for this once-a-year feast. Invite your friends to come for good food and wonderful fellowship!

Dates of Special Significance

Birthdays in October

- 1 - Angie Allen, Julie Morrison
- 2 - Madison Boles, Chudier Youl, Mary Miller
- 4 - Maggie Blank, Donna Eble
- 5 - Zachary Stovall
- 8 - Paula Martens, Hope Miller, Zack Zoeller
- 9 - Jared Scharfetter
- 12 - Stephen Anderson, Benjamin Gentry
- 13 - Carole Verba
- 14 - Nat Ellis, Ellen Hayes, Terry Johnson,
Ethan Miller, Troy Wininger
- 15 - Greg Scharfetter
- 16 - Nancy Bass

- 17 - Vanessa Lee
- 18 - Ron Wiese
- 20 - Montrell Beverly
- 22 - Lisa Little
- 23 - L.V. Schmidt, Cate Turner
- 24 - Gretchen Pfeiffer
- 25 - David Galbreath, Debra Kinsley
- 27 - Leslie Acred
- 29 - Gail Bramlet, Rosie Turner
- 31 - Isaiah French, Cody Schwanke

Wedding Anniversaries in October

- 4 - Ryan & Jennifer Flickinger (5th)
- 16 - Steve & Julie Schmidt (9th)
- 20 - Scott & Monique Loeschke (1st)
- 27 - James & Brooke Moore (7th)
- 29 - Bill & Linda Wilkins (42nd)
- 30 - Adam & Angie Laughlin (4th)

A note from the Parish Assistant: We try to list everyone's birthday and anniversary. If your special day is not listed when it should be, please give me a call so that I can update our records. Thanks!

News of Members and Friends

Congratulations to: Judge John Fowlkes, Jr., member of Cross of Calvary Lutheran, sworn in as Judge for Criminal Court, Division VI on August, 29.... Karen Cooper and Jim Strom, to be married at Trinity October 25....

May God Comfort the Bereaved: especially the families of Jack Buddenbohm (brother of Mickey Weiss), who died Aug. 24; Catherine Hofer (mother of Jim Hofer) who died Sept. 1; Walter Kennedy (former Trinity member) who died Sept. 4; Robert Dort (brother of Catherine Stewart) who died Sept. 14 in Galveston, TX; Ruth Kuenne (mother of Martha Hays) who died Sept. 21 in Baltimore....

Remember in Prayer: Ray Hilton, Dale Anderson, Florence Carter, Helen Denio, Jeffrey Dennis, Lisa Stovall Miller, Beulah Montgomery, Hank Mowry, Doug Oldham, Ruth Purdy, Doug Reed, Molly Wilkens-Reed, Edie Ringger, Marie Schmidt, Kay Seek, Ben Wessels, Ed Winkelmann, Louise Alspaugh, Lovell Barger, Howard Beam, Gene Breimon, Rev. Elwood Bush, Susan Coffman, Rosemarie Davis, Willie Gill, Adele Harrison, Caitlin Hodge, Terry Karnes, Mary Kilburn, Wesley, Cheri and Bradley King, Shirley Laster, Kimberly Lee, Kathy Liebman, Carla Mathena, Barbara McCreedy, Cam McDonald, Paul Norman, Jean Ramey, Charles Scott, Kathy Stracener, Carrie Szumila, Joyce Thuftedal, Donald Thuftedal, Betty White.... Hazel Barnett, E.W. Helms, Herta Kumitz, Marjorie Parham, Dannie Lee, Ray Pulliam, Walter Ringger, Nettie Snapp, Irene White....

“Thank You”

Thank you for all your continued support in helping me to succeed in life and to follow a life-long dream. The Martens Scholarship Fund has helped me a lot. Please keep me in your prayers as I continue college.

- Toshiko Wilson

Area Church News

The Annual 5K RACE FOR GRACE to benefit the Church Health Center will be Sat., October 8. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the race at 9. Contact Marty Lonvick to register (682-9867 or martylonvick@bellsouth.net.)

“HEARTS ON FIRE,” the Mid-South District Ablaze Rally, will be held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10th and 11th at the Memphis Hilton. Cost is \$50, which includes Saturday lunch. (Trinity is paying half the cost of the first 20 to sign up). A sign-up sheet is posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

Twelve churches of the Downtown Churches Association will open their doors for an OPEN HOUSE Sunday, October 12th, 1 to 5 p.m. Several churches will offer special music. The Wilkens-Reed sisters will play at Trinity at 1 p.m. Please invite your family and friends to come experience a great treasure in downtown Memphis - churches with a rich past and vibrant future.

The American Guild of Organists will present an “ORGAN PLUS ONE” concert Sunday, Oct. 19, 6 p.m. at Bartlett United Methodist Church (5676 Stage Road). This free concert features music for one organ, two performers. Don't miss this unique event!

The Thrivent OCTOBERFEST will be held on Sunday, Oct. 26th, 4:30 to 7 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church. Dinner is at 5 p.m. The OWLS will also be participating. For more information, contact Louelen Dearen at 829-4911.

Trinity Lutheran Church has four CEMETERY LOTS at Forest Hill Midtown for sale. The cost is \$600 per lot. For more information, phone Trinity's office at 525-1056.

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OCT. 1	Naomi Circle Potluck, at Trinity	6:30 p.m.
OCT. 5	21 st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST // LWML Sunday Sunday School - 9:15 a.m., Holy Communion - Luncheon for Bd. of Elders and Finance Bds. of Finance & Elders meeting Life Chain	10:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
OCT. 8	Young at Heart luncheon	12:00 noon
OCT. 10	"Hearts On Fire" Rally, at Hilton	6:30 p.m.
OCT 11	"Hearts On Fire" Rally, at Hilton	9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.
OCT. 12	22 nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Sunday School - 9:15 a.m., Worship Service- Flu Shots, in Church Library Council and Leaders luncheon Church Council meeting Downtown Church Open House	10:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
OCT. 13	Endowment Committee meeting	5:00 p.m.
OCT. 14	Von Bora Circle Workshop - 10, Luncheon -	11:30 a.m.
OCT. 18	LWML Zone Rally, at Christ the King Confirmation Lock-in	9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
OCT. 19	23 rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / Consecration Sun. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion- 153 rd Anniversary Luncheon	10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon
OCT. 25	Cooper / Strom wedding	2:00 p.m.
OCT 26	REFORMATION SUNDAY Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion -	10:30 a.m.

See page 6 for a listing of Home Bible studies meeting in October.

Visit Trinity's Web-Site at www.trinitymemphis.org

