

## **“Encounters Before Dawn”**

Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of another Lenten Season. Lent (the word means “spring”) is a growing season. During Lent, Christians make time to hear God’s Word, and receive His Sacraments, so they can grow in their faith, hope and love in Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

This year, the Mid-week Lenten Services at Trinity will focus on “Encounters Before Dawn.” Each Wednesday evening service will include a two-person drama based on conversations that could have taken place between various people of the Passion Story in the time between Good Friday and Easter. Each drama will be followed by a brief message, applying the biblical story to our lives today. A complete list of the themes and conversations is printed on page 12.

This year’s Mid-week Lenten Services will not include the celebration of Holy Communion, but will feature a liturgy contained in *Lutheran Service Book*. The service is called “Evening Prayer” and includes an inspiring “Service of Light,” a psalmody, and scripture reading, message, prayers and benediction. Trinity’s Choir will be helping the congregation learn this beautiful liturgy that is new to Trinity’s members.

**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.”*

\*\*\*\*\*

Monthly Publication of Trinity Lutheran Church, Memphis, TN  
153-year-old Congregation of The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod

\*\*\*\*\*

**CHURCH OFFICE525-1056**

**CHURCH FAX525-0697**

**Dr. Ronald Wiese, Pastor454-1170**

**Rev. Philip Schmidt, Pastor Emeritus274-1340**

**Ms. Martha Israel, Parish Assistant327-7882**

**Mr. Bill Kratzke, Bookkeeper526-1378**

**Ms. Rosie Turner, Youth Director626-6719**

**Mr. David Love, Comptroller662 781-0730**

**Ms. Barbara Sharp, Nursery Director525-1056**

**Trinity’s Web Site: [www.trinitymemphis.org](http://www.trinitymemphis.org)**

\*\*\*\*\*

**I invite you to join us for these Mid-week Lenten Services. Each service will be preceded by a supper provided by one of Trinity’s boards. Supper will be served from 6 to 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in Lent.**

**I also urge you to invite others to come with you. Lent is a good time to urge others to find a new church home where they can be blessed and nourished in body, mind and spirit.**

**Spring is a wonderful time of year. It is a growing season, when trees fill out with leaves and fruit, crops are planted, grass turns green and flowers bloom. I pray that this Lenten Season may be a “growing season” for us and all Christians. May the Word of God be planted deeply in our hearts and minds, that it may take root and produce an abundant harvest of the fruit of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

## **“Powerless”**

**It seems that requests for volunteers to assist in clean-up after natural disasters are happening more often. A major ice storm battered northern Arkansas recently, and Bette Coatney from Christ the King contacted me to see if I would be interested in putting together a crew to help.**

**The call had come from the pastor at St. John’s Lutheran in Lafe, Arkansas, about 30 miles north of Jonesboro. All together, 21 people (including Gary Schwanke, Jim Hofer and me) from three churches picked up sticks and wielded chain saws, clearing about 10 yards. The pastor had picked people in town who were not able to handle the task on their own. Some may have been church members, but that wasn’t the issue. They needed help. Not only were they “powerless” because of downed electrical lines; the task itself was beyond them.**

**During this Epiphany season, we have encountered lots of powerless people – people with unclean spirits, folks overcome with fever, even a leper! While there are many theories about why Jesus healed people, certainly one reason is that he wanted the community to know that he was God’s messenger, who came to restore the world. The leper, for example, was cast off, separated from family and friends. Of course, he was powerless to make himself well. Yet, touched by Jesus, he was made clean. The writer of the Gospel of Mark wanted people to know that we are not powerless – evil has been defeated by God’s holy Son.**

**As we begin the Lenten season, we will once again see how God has overcome evil. We may feel powerless to solve lots of the social and economic problems of our day, but we can be assured that God will continue to send messengers – like the 21 who picked up sticks in Lafe, like those who stand by the ill and infirm today, assuring them of God’s restorative power.**

**Jesus chose fishermen as his assistants, ordinary folk, to bring his message to the people. God continues to use ordinary people – like you and me – to pick up the fallen ones, restore hope to the helpless and strength to the weak.**



## “Farewell to Alleluia”

As a church musician, I’m always interested in what hymns people like to sing. In Trinity’s favorite hymn surveys rarely does someone choose a song out of the Lent or Holy Week section. Even such Lenten hymns as “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” or “My Song is Love Unknown” or “O Sacred Head” don’t usually appear in the “favorites” list.

I suspect the reason lies in *why* a particular hymn is someone’s favorite. A favorite hymn usually has a personal, happy meaning for us. Perhaps it was sung at a child’s baptism or a sister’s wedding, or holds sweet memories of past Christmas celebrations.

Lent is not the part of the church year that inspires such pleasant recollections. The focus of Lent is not anticipation of the birth of the Christ Child or the unbridled celebration of Easter victory. Lent is the time when we must face up to the fact that Jesus died for our sins. Lent reminds me that *my* selfishness, willfulness, greed, lust, hatred, envy - *my* sins put Christ on the cross. The hymns of Lent and Holy Week reflect that reality and so, it’s not surprising that they’re not our favorites.

But singing them is vitally important for our spiritual growth. From time to time we need to take a good hard look at ourselves and acknowledge our sin – so that we can accept and appreciate God’s forgiveness. These hymns serve another purpose, too. Life is not one joyous round of pleasure, and we need hymns that reflect the realities of these difficult times.

On Transfiguration Sunday we symbolically bid farewell to “Alleluia” as a symbol of our repentance. The children laid the “Alleluia” banners to rest, and we sang the hymn “Alleluia, Song of Gladness.” We will forego the Alleluia during Lent, so that our Easter “Alleluia” might ring out with even more heartfelt joy as we celebrate the forgiveness of our sins and the victory over sin and death that Christ won for us on the cross. Blessed Lent!



## **Council Report**

Trinity's Church Council met on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, and heard reports from Pastor Wiese and the various boards. In Old Business, the Council approved a motion to purchase new chairs, tables and a table dolly for the fellowship hall, with the cost covered by special donations from members and by Trinity's Building Fund. The Council decided to keep the asking price for the cemetery lots at Forest Hill Midtown the same (\$400 per lot).

In New Business, the Council transferred April Anderson and her son Chad to Zion Lutheran Church in Dennison, Iowa. The next meeting of the Council was set for March 15<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting closed with prayer by Pastor Wiese

Respectfully submitted,  
Caroline Sheely, Secretary

## **Voters Meeting Report**

Trinity's voters met in a special meeting on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, after a luncheon catered by Terry Turner. The voters heard a report of Trinity's Endowment Fund from Dave Love.

In New Business, the voters approved a proposal to nominate President Ken Lampe for another term as Mid-South District President. They approved a proposal to nominate Rev. Timm Griffin and Rev. Don Schmidt for Memphis Circuit Counselor, and a proposal to elect Barbara Sharp as Trinity's lay delegate with Kathy Zoeller as alternate lay delegate to the Mid-South District Convention in June. The voters also received a brief report on the Fan the Flame campaign that will be conducted at Trinity this spring.

The meeting closed with prayer by Pastor Wiese

Respectfully submitted,  
Caroline Sheely, Secretary

## Education News

### SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES:

The Fellowship Hall Bible Class, led by Pastor Wiese, is beginning a video-assisted study entitled “Christianity, the First Three Centuries.”

The Library Class, led by Tim Tenner, is beginning a video-assisted study on “The Odyssey of St. Paul.”

### WEEKDAY HOME BIBLE STUDIES:

\* Tuesday Morning Covenant Seekers Bible Study (midtown) at the home of June Wiese (454-1170), meets March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, studying the Bethel Series.

\* Tuesday Evening Study at the Wiese’s home meets 7 p.m. March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, also studying the Bethel series.

\* Tuesday Evening Study (south side) at the home of Dave and Dot Love, (662-781-0730), meets at 7 p.m. on March 10<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>, Bethel preparation.

\* Tuesday Evening Study (midtown) at the Wiese’s home (454-1170), meets March 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., studying “Acts.”

\* Wednesday Evening Study (northeast) at the home of Tom and Eileen Sander (373-1347), are studying “Genesis” under the leadership of Dave Chester.

\* Downtown Evening Study at the Pfeiffer’s home (529-0983), will meet Tuesday, March 10, 7 p.m., studying “Mark.”

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

## **Nursery Attendant**

**There is an opening for another nursery attendant at Trinity on Sundays. This is a position that pays \$30 for a three hour period on Sunday mornings. There are actually four nursery attendants, two on each Sunday, with each pair alternating Sundays during the month. If you are interested in applying for this open position, contact Barbara Sharp, Trinity's Nursery Coordinator, at 725-7259.**

## **Sunday Volunteers Needed**

**Additional volunteers are needed to serve as ushers and sound personnel on Sunday mornings. If you would like to offer your services for one of these worship assistant positions, please contact Pastor Wiese.**

## **Easter Vigil 2009**

**Last year Trinity held an Easter Vigil for the first time ever. It was a memorable, well-received and well-attended service, and we plan to offer the Vigil again this year, on Saturday evening, April 11. There's a lot to this service – we need scripture readers, fire-tenders, candle bearers, readers, fire-tenders, candle bearers, furniture movers, instrumentalists, just to name a few. If you are interested in helping, please contact Martha Israel (525-1056 or 327-7882). And mark this date on your calendar now!**

## **Tables & Chairs Available**

**Trinity Church will be replacing the tables and chairs in the church fellowship hall during the month of March. If you would like some of the tables and chairs that are no longer needed at Trinity, or if you know of a non-profit agency that could use them, contact Trinity's Church Office or Tim Tenner, Chairman of Trinity's Board of Trustees.**

## **Endowment Fund Report**

The 2009 annual report of Trinity's Endowment Fund was presented to Trinity's members at a luncheon on February 8<sup>th</sup>, catered by Terry Turner. In nine years, the Endowment Fund reached half a million dollars. At the same time, over \$123,000 has been given out in scholarships. If you would like a copy of the exciting report, please contact Trinity's church office and a copy will be mailed to you.

## **Musicians Scholarship Fund**

Trinity's *Shirley Witte Musicians Scholarship Fund* is available to assist the congregation's children in their study of music. The fund will provide 1/4 of the cost of music lessons for youngsters in elementary or high school, and 1/2 of the cost if the child is studying organ. Applications are available from the church office.

Nearly \$900 has been distributed already this year. Special gifts are always welcome: please keep the Witte Musicians Scholarship Fund in mind when making a gift in memory or honor of a loved one.

## **from Music Scholarship Recipients**

Dear Friends at Trinity,

Thank you so much for the money you gave us for our lessons -  
Thea Wilkens-Reed

Dear Trinity,

Thank you soooooooooo much for the scholarship money. I enjoy playing music for people. Our concert is Feb. 22 at University of Memphis, Harris Auditorium at 3:30. Everyone can come!!! Thanks again!- Lydia Wilkens-Reed

Dear Trinity,

Thank you for the money for violin and viola lessons. It is a big help. God bless!- Molly Wilkens-Reed

## **Gifts & Memorials**

\*\*\*\*\*

**In memory of MARCIA JUNE WIESE (sister-in-law of Pastor Wiese), a gift was given to Trinity by Mr. & Mrs. L.V. Schmidt; to Trinity Ministry by Miss Dolly Oswald.**

**In memory of HAZEL BARNETT, gifts were given to Trinity by Mr. & Mrs. L.V. Schmidt, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Hokanson, Ms. Anna Lou Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Howell, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Drewry, Mrs. Sue Wells; to Trinity Ministry by Miss Martha Israel.**

**In memory of ED WINKELMANN, gifts were given to Trinity by Miss Paula Martens, Mrs. Catherine Stewart, Gary, Diane, and Cody Schwanke, Mrs. Mary Henderson, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Owen, Dr. Doug Campbell, Mrs. Dorothy Martens, Mr. Tim Estes, Mr. & Mrs. L.V. Schmidt, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Sheely, Mr. & Mrs. John Konnerth, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Klimek, Mrs. Dar Heidbrink, the Holston Anesthesia Association; to Trinity Ministry by Miss Dolly Oswald, Miss Martha Israel.**

\*\*\*\*\*

***From the Parish Assistant: We do our best to acknowledge memorial gifts promptly, but sometimes mistakes occur. If your special gift is not listed or is listed incorrectly, please contact me at 525-1056. Gifts made through February 18, 2009 are listed here.***

***Daylight Saving Time begins on March 8. Set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed Saturday, March 7th.***

## Feb. Church and Sunday School Attendance

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>AVG.</u>	<u>S.S.</u>	<u>AVG.</u>
2008	520 (4)	130	243 (4) 61
2009	494 (4)	123	252 (4) 63

## Communion Attendance

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
2/3/08	94	6	100
2/17/08	97	13	110
Private 2/08		<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>
204	22		<u>16</u>
		<u>226</u>	
2/1/09	94	8	102
2/15/09	81	25	106
Private 2/09		<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>
185	35		<u>12</u>
		<u>220</u>	

## Hearts for Jesus

Every year, the Mid-South District chooses a mission to receive the "Hearts for Jesus" funds raised by district congregations in February and March. This year's recipient is "Hope for Haiti." Monies raised by Mid-South churches and schools will be used to provide food

for the schoolchildren of Nouvelle Generation Vision 2000, a Lutheran school in Haut de Bourg, Saltadere.

Only 20% of these children have enough to eat at home each night, 50% of them will not have food at home in a 24-hour period, but 100% are taught about the love of Jesus Christ. You can help change the lives of these Haitian children and demonstrate Christ's love one bowl of beans and rice at a time.

Trinity will receive a special offering in the worship service March 1<sup>st</sup> for "Hope for Haiti." Make your check out to "Trinity" and mark it for "Hearts for Jesus."

## **Lutheran Children's Camp**

**LUTHERAN CHILDREN'S CAMP 2009** will be held June 1 - 5, 2009 at Camp Clark Williamson, near Humboldt, TN. Daily activities include Bible study, swimming, games, crafts, drama, music and hiking. Open to children completing grades 3, 4, 5, or 6 this spring, cost is \$215. (Discounts are available for families with more than one child attending.) For more information or registration forms, contact Trinity's church office.

## **Fifth Annual Trivia Night**

We hope everyone is planning to attend Trinity's Fifth Annual TRIVIA NIGHT, on Saturday, April 25, 2009. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. and the contest begins at 5:00 p.m. Each team will consist of six people, and we hope to have at least 10 teams participate. The entry fee is \$10 per person, with proceeds going to a local hospital. This year our goal is \$1,000.00. Last year we had a surprise performance by troubadour Zack Zoeller and this year promises more fun and, perhaps, another big surprise. Great prizes will be awarded throughout the evening!

Please consider being a Team Captain (responsible for gathering together a team and collecting the entry fee.) Registration forms will be available in the Fellowship Hall. Also, we need donations of gift items ranging from \$10 to \$50 for prizes. Please contact John Konnerth (266-4704) or Kathy Zoeller (853-9495) as soon as possible for help in these two areas.

Remember, this is a great way to reach out to non-church members, which, in turn, will help in the plan to revitalize Trinity over the next 10 years. Come together on April 25 for fun, Fun, FUN!!!

- Kathy Zoeller

# Mid-Week Lenten Worship

February 25 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Mid-week Lenten suppers and services will be offered at Trinity each Wednesday in Lent. Supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. and worship will follow at 7:00 p.m. The theme of these services is “Encounters Before Dawn,” (see Pastor Wiese’s article, page 1). The drama and message each Wednesday will be set within the liturgy of “Evening Prayer,” as found in *Lutheran Service Book*.

Trinity’s Board of Elders will begin the meals with the annual pancake supper on Ash Wednesday. Please plan now to come for food for body and soul, and bring a friend with you!

## Ash Wednesday, February 25

Communion Worship, with Imposition of Ashes

### Wednesday, March 4

“The Powers that Be”

*Joseph of Arimathea and the Roman Centurion*

### Wednesday, March 11

“Payment Must be Made”

*Peter and Judas*

### Wednesday, March 18

“This Cross has Made us Family”

*John & Mary, Jesus’ mother*

### Wednesday, March 25

“Right There in Front of Me”

*Pontius Pilate & his Wife*

### Wednesday, April 1

“When We had No Hope”

*sisters Mary and Martha*

*Please invite your family and friends to come with you for these special Lenten worship services at Trinity!*

## **Naomi Circle**

**The Naomi Circle met at church and enjoyed an interesting and informative program by Mr. Bill Kratzke about our tax system – its history and influence in society’s decisions.**

**We continue with current projects and look forward to programs and involvements. Currently, we are reading the book *The Shack*, and will discuss it at our next meeting. If you would like to join us, please come to the church on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**



## **Von Bora Circle**

**The Von Bora Circle met in February to tend to altar guild duties. Beginning in March, the starting time will change to 11:00 a.m. , with everyone invited to stay for the Young-At-Heart potluck lunch at noon. Come Tuesday, March 10 at 11:00 a.m. to help with altar guild duties and the “Portals of Prayer” mailing. And plan to stay for a delicious lunch in the company of our “Young-at-Heart’ers”! Please bring a dish to share!**

## **Young at Heart**

**On Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, a group of seniors with that “young-at-heart” attitude plan to get together for a potluck lunch in Trinity’s fellowship hall. Note the change from Wednesday to Tuesday - this will enable the Von Bora Circle to join in the lunch. The food is great, the fellowship even better – and there’s always room at the table. Whip up your favorite dish and join in at noon March 10<sup>th</sup>!**

## **Games Needed!**

**Trinity’s Youth are looking for donations of games – board games, card games, video games – you name it. If you’ve got some games that you’re not using, bring them to church for our kids!**

## **Easter Flowers**

**You are invited to help beautify Trinity's church nave for Easter by donating flowers in honor or in memory of loved ones. You may choose an Easter lily for the Sunday services or spring plants for Trinity's Meditation Garden. Lilies must be ordered by Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Gifts to the Garden should be made by Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> in order to be listed in the Easter service bulletin. Checks should be made payable to "Altar Guild -Trinity Lutheran Church." For more information, contact Trinity's church office.**

## **New Church Directory**

**A new 2009 Church Directory has been published and includes the latest addresses and phone numbers for Trinity's members. Pick up a copy or two at the church. Large-print copies are also available. If you need a copy mailed to you at your home, please contact the church office.**

**We want to stay in touch with you, so, please notify the church office of any changes or corrections so that we can keep current on everyone's address and phone. Thanks!**

## **Nordic Choir to Perform**

**The Nordic Choir, the flagship choral ensemble of Luther College in Iowa, will appear in concert Sunday, March 22, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary Catholic Church (4851 Park Avenue). Conducted by Craig Arnold, the Nordic Choir is one of the top college choirs in the nation, and will perform sacred choral works by Scarlatti, Barber, Poulenc, Willan, Christiansen and others. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$8 for students. And if you could help by housing a couple of choir members in your home the evening of the 22<sup>nd</sup>, please contact Martha Israel (327-7882 or 525-1056).**

# Youth News

Thanks to all of our CUPIDS out there who made the Valentine Sale in February a lot of fun and a BIG success!

We are now looking ahead to March and a whole *new and improved look for our Youth Room!* We are still accepting suggestions (until March 8<sup>th</sup>). Just leave your suggestions in the Youth Room marked "Youth Room Renovations." We will discuss the final plans at that day's monthly Youth Meeting @ 10:00 a.m.

The next Lock-In, Saturday March 21 - 22 will involve BOTH Senior and Junior High Youth for Preparation, Painting and Set-up *of the ROOM.* We have raised enough money for the purchase of all supplies, but your effort is necessary to make this venture *awesome!* We need *your* creative and talented hands, so plan to be there!

Trinity's Youth want to play! ...but we need GAMES. If you have board games, activities, even video games (in working condition) that are not getting the play time they deserve, please send them our way! Thanks!

Cheep! Cheep! Easter is on it's way! Set aside April 11-12 for our LOCK-IN and SUNRISE BREAKFAST! I want to year from YOU what would make it even better this year... Trivia game? Volleyball? Egg stuffing contest????

See you March 8<sup>th</sup>: Monthly Youth Meeting <sup>a</sup>t 10:00 a.m.  
March 21/22: Lock-In and Youth Room Renovations!



## Dates of Special Significance

### Birthdays in March

- 2 - Gerald Poll**
- 3 - Michelle Koehler**
- 4 - Goanar Jock**
- 5 - Phil Schmidt**
- 6 - Travis Pulliam, Katharine Sellers**
- 7 - Philip Schwartz**
- 8 - Jesse Johnson**
- 11 - Leah Sondheim**
- 12 - Renate Lee, Judy Pinson Sondheim**
- 14 - Hannah Gentry, Molly Wilkens-Reed, Adelina Wood**
- 15 - Reenalan Bailey, Anna Seleen**
- 17 - Cole Turner**
- 18 - Brad Clark**
- 19 - Bertha Huffman**
- 20 - Florence Carter, Linda Mauldin**
- 21 - Ava Chester**
- 22 - Virginia Hill, Mickey Weiss**
- 23 - Linda Wells**
- 26 - Holly Seek**
- 27 - Jeanie Boone**
- 29 - Jennifer Dewey, Anita Johnson**

### Wedding Anniversaries in March

- 10 — John & Kim Bennett (19)**
- 11 – Bob & Barbara Spahn (25)**
- 17 — Jerry & Angela Johnson (25)**
- 17 – Richard & Melinda Pulliam (30)**
- 17 — Doug Reed & Margo Wilkens (30)**
- 18 — Ken & Joy Wilkins (13)**
- 19 — Chance & Heather Gentry (15)**
- 20 — Andrew & Beth Chester (5)**
- 23 — Roy & Linda Wells**

## **News of Members and Friends**

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO :**

**Toni Pulliam and Jason Payne who were married at Trinity on February 7<sup>th</sup>. They are living in Little Rock, Arkansas.**

### **MAY GOD COMFORT THE BEREAVED**

**including the family and friends of: Hazel Barnett who died Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>; Charles Scott (father of Keitha Scott) who died Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>; Ed Winkelmann, who died Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>; and David Dlugach (father of Lauren Dlugach) who died Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> ....**

### **ILL AND HOMEBOUND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**

**including Dorothy Homann (Appling Wood Care Center), Hazel Lipa (HealthSouth), Loyd Berry (hospice care), Hank Pommer, Sharon Popp, Edie Ringger, Rev. Kenneth Taglauer, Mark Yarnell; Dale & Nancy Anderson, Florence Carter, Jeffrey Dennis, Gertie Eddleman, Beulah Montgomery, Hank Mowry, Doug Oldham, Ruth Purdy, Doug Reed, Molly Wilkens-Reed, Marie Schmidt, Kay Seek, Ben Wessels, Louise Alspaugh, Lovell Barger, Gene Brerimon, Robert Brindle, Susan Coffman, Harriet Davis, Rosemarie Davis, Adele Harrison, Rob Hugg, Mary Jo Ibrahim, Idell James, Terry Karnes, Mary Kilburn, Shirley Laster, Kimberly Lee, Kathy Liebman, Carla Mathena, Barbara McCreedy, Cam McDonald, Paul Norman, Jean Ramey, May Robinson, Kathy Stracener, Carrie Szumila, Joyce Thuftedal, Donald Thuftedal, Barbara Westberg, Betty White; E. W. Helms, Herta Kumitz, Marjorie Parham, Bruce Pulliam, Dannie Lee, Ray Pulliam, Walter Ringger, Nettie Snapp, Irene White....**

### **CEMETERY LOTS:**

**Trinity Church still has available for sale four cemetery lots at Forest Hill Midtown Cemetery. The cost is \$400 apiece. Contact Trinity's Church Office if interested.**

## **Area Church News**

**The 2009 LENTEN NOONDAY PREACHING SERIES** at Calvary Episcopal Church began February 26, and continues each weekday through April 3<sup>rd</sup>, featuring outstanding preachers from throughout the country. The service runs from 12:05 to 12:40 p.m. The Calvary Waffle Shop will be open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information go to [www.calvaryjc.org](http://www.calvaryjc.org).

**March 1-7 is NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK.** There are two Lutheran schools in Memphis that provide high quality Christian education: Christ the King on Park Avenue (682-8404) and Immanuel in Bartlett (388-0205). Contact their school offices for more information.

The Hospitality Hub , 146 Jefferson, will hold a **WORKSHOP** for volunteers on Tuesday, March 10, 6 - 6:45 p.m. There will also be a **CLEANUP DAY** on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Volunteers are needed to help clean up and stock this important ministry supported by the Downtown Churches.

**An OVER 30 CHRISTIAN SINGLES GROUP** will meet on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at Immanuel Lutheran Church. For more information, email Jennifer Woodall at [over30Christians@yahoo.com](mailto:over30Christians@yahoo.com).

**MIFA invites everyone to their ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION AND SERVICE** on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. MIFA suggests that people fast for two meals that day and donate the cost of those meals to MIFA. For more information, contact Linda Marks at 527-0208, ext. 218.

# March, 2009

## **MAR. 1 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

Boards of Elders, Finance and Evangelism 12:00 noon

MAR 3 Naomi Circle 7:00 p.m.

MAR. 4 MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE (Supper - 6 p.m.) 7:00 p.m.

## **MAR. 8 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (*Daylight Saving Time begins*)**

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Health Check, in Church Library 11:30 a.m.

MAR. 10 Von Bora Workshop - 11:00 a.m.

Young-at-Heart luncheon 12:00 noon

MAR 11 MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE ( Supper - 6 p.m.) 7:00 p.m.

## **MAR. 15 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion - 10:30 a.m.

Church Council meeting in Youth Room 11:45 a.m.

MAR. 18 MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE (Supper - 6 p.m.) 7:00 p.m.

MAR 21 Cleanup Day at Hospitality Hub 9:00 a.m.

Lock-in and Youth Room renovation 2:00 p.m.

## **MAR. 22 FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.

Nordic Choir, at Holy Rosary Catholic 7:00 p.m.

MAR. 25 MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE (Supper - 6 p.m.) 7:00 p.m.

## **MAR 29 FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

(Please see page 6 for a listing of March Home Bible Studies.)

*Tune in to "The Lutheran Hour" Sundays at 8:30 a.m. on WMC (790 on AM dial).*

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Non-Profit Org.**  
**210 Washington Avenue U.S. Postage Paid**  
**Memphis, Tennessee 38103-1982 Memphis, TN**

**Permit #41**

**ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED:**