

TRINITY HI-LITES "ABOUT US"

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The following members and friends of Trinity were sick, injured or hospitalized during July & August:

Nicholas Griffith	Mike Whitemore
Amanda Shifler	Betty Swain
Leona Long	Jo Anne Bossler
Colin Young	Zachary Tinsley
Paul Webber	Jo Ann House
Tammy Reed	Jim Semler
Chris Smith	Doloris Nepsund
Claude Eccard	Elaine Pace
Christin Ardilo	Cullen Talhelm
Imogene Robertson	Jan Spitler
Elaine Semler	Sylvia DeBaugh
Donna Sowers	Scott Hollinger
Joanne Ireland	John Burrier
Brooke Bodenheimer	Pat Boyer
Ralph Jones	Ira Haupt
Harold Bradley	Roy Semler family
Neida Otto	Ed Itnyre
Rob Wetzel	Tom Long
Tomas Immer	Craig Semler
Jenny Garver	Nancy Lloyd
Mary Ann Phillips	Matt Secrist
Debbie Shifler	Nancy Hebbard
Chad Moser	Corey Moser
Charlotte Kidwiler	Harwood Kidwiler

SECRETARY AND PASTOR OFFICE HOURS:
 Tuesday & Friday 9:00 AM – Noon
You may reach the pastor and secretary by leaving a message on the church answering machine. Messages are accessed several times a day.

		September Birthdays
Sept	1	Brian Bain
	1	Howard Boyer, Jr.
	1	Aaron Poole
	3	Heather Hoffman
	4	Josef Bikle
	5	Neida Otto
	5	Ed Plews
	5	James Seabright
	7	Bettie Houser
	8	Brady Doyle
	8	Debra Long
	12	Tara Garver
	12	Brooke Iager
	15	Wayne Garver
	15	Evan Reeves
	16	Jean Talley
	17	Brooke Neville
	17	John Sinnott, Jr.
	18	Robin Weaver
	19	Mark Semler
	22	Tristan Clevenger
	23	Gary Bridges, II
	23	Marion Carr
	23	Dale Ford
	23	Debra Miller
	23	Matthew Piston
	25	W. Ross Cunningham
	27	Ray Hoffman
	28	Barbara Holder
	28	Sarah Lefler

Do you want to use the social room for a church, community or personal family activity? Contact the church office at 301-432-2226 or by email at pastortrinity@yahoo.com for permission.

Andrew Landsman and Erin Darichuk were married on June 5, 2010 in Shenandoah National Park. Congratulations to them both and best wishes for a long and happy life together.

Dear Friends at Trinity,

Your prayers, cards, care packages, phone calls, meals, visits and monetary gifts have been greatly appreciated. Thank you for showing God's love to all of us during Cullen's surgery. This congregation is amazing!

Love,
 The Talhelm Family

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY goes out to Larry May & Family at the death of his uncle, Charles (Tubby) Clopper. May God comfort them in their time of need.

WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to Brenda Dellinger and family at the death of Brenda's uncle, George Eccard. May God bless them in their time of grief.

PLEASE NOTE THIS SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT! Through **Sunday, September 5**, Sunday morning worship begins at **9:30 AM**. **Sunday school class for the lounge adult class begins at 8:45 AM**. **Beginning Sunday, September 19** we resume our normal schedule: **Sunday school at 9:00 AM and worship at 10:15 AM**.

The Men's Bible Study meets in the Funk Education Center **9:00 AM on Sunday, September 5 & 8:00 AM on Sunday, September 19** to continue our study of the Book of Proverbs. Join us for this very meaningful opportunity for fellowship and study.

NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR 10:15 WORSHIP

Sept 5	Sharon & Ian Karraker
Sept 12	Boonsboro Days
Sept 19	Laura Iager
Sept 26	Tammy & Aimee DeBaugh

SEPTEMBER ALTAR FLOWERS

Sept 5
Sept 12 Boonsboro Days
Sept 19 Brenneman
Sept 26 Shifler

The above dates are for flowers placed on the altar in honor or memory of a loved one.

Dear Congregation,

Playing, practicing, and worshipping with the many people who have been a part of the choir and the congregation, has brought me great joy over the past 12 years, but it is time to take a break from the directing of the contemporary choir.

There are some things in my life that I am hoping to have time to do that are related to music and many things I would like to do that aren't. I am looking forward to pursuing some of these interests.

I would like to thank the many people of the choir and of the congregation who have been supportive of this ministry and singing praises to Christ.

When the choir began, we first started with a couple of guitars and soon added a harmonica. As time progressed, we used a variety of voices and instruments. From banjos to mandolins, from a plethora of guitars to a covey of keyboard players, from congas to bassoons, and drums to rain sticks, finding the right instrument has never been a problem. We have had over 45 people be a part of our choir over this time frame.

We have changed our musical style, enjoyed a huge repertoire of music, hosted our annual Christmas concerts, played at Shafer Park and BHS, and even made our own CD.

Working with all of the kids and watching them grow up has been great, but watching the adults learn to stretch themselves, sing some solos, and try things that were outside their comfort zone was just as rewarding.

I would like everyone to know that serving the church and worshipping with you as the contemporary choir director has been one of the great honors of my life.

In Christ,
Jeff

Contemporary Choir People I can remember. I am sure I have forgotten someone:
Kristy & Laurin Smith; Beth, Chip, Rebecca & Jacob Rockwell; Samantha Frew & boyfriend John; Matt & Samantha Cook; Jay, Laurie & Gabrielle Metz; John & Jean Talley; Dick & Natalie Palmer; Mike & Dan Schnackenberg; Scott, LaRhonda & Erin Eslick; Sean & Ian Karraker; Jim & Blake Smyle; Matt & April Piston; Bussie Everline; Emily

Reeves; Adam Dellinger; Mark Poffenberger; Bill Garrison; Matt Iager; Kyle Lefler; Laura McElroy; Stephanie O'Brian; Heidi Bodenheimer; David Adams; Marianne Talhelm; Charles Hutchinson; Fred Byers; Jan Tritipoe; Piano Sarah

It's time to park cars during Boonsboro Days! Please plan to help out with this important fundraiser on Saturday Sept. 11 beginning at 8:30 am. Any and all youth are welcome to help out!

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Rally Day

We return to our fall Sunday school schedule with Promotion/Rally Day on Sunday, September 19th. All of our classes for children, youth, and adults will gather at 9:00 A.M. in the Social Room for planned activities before being dismissed to their classrooms to begin the new academic year.

A reminder to all Sunday school participants and parents of Sunday school children- Everyone needs to make an effort to be on time. Sunday school starts at 9:00 A.M.

Sunday school Teachers Installation

During the worship service on Sunday, September 19th, we will install the Sunday School Teachers and Staff for the 2010-2011 school year. We ask all Sunday School Teachers to plan to attend worship that day.

Christian Education Planning Meeting

Come join the Christian Education team on Monday, August 30, at 6 pm in the Funk Education Building and help us plan the events/activities for the upcoming year. We have a wonderful team but always could use more hands and new ideas for our youngsters. Any questions, contact Laura Iager at 301-739-4885 or meidvm@aol.com. Thank you in advance for attending!

Our Children's Church Program at Trinity is a wonderful ministry to our young people ages 4 through grade 3. Children's Church is offered the 3rd and 4th Sunday's of the month as part of our 10:15 A.M. worship service. Volunteers are needed! Please consider leading 2 Sundays a month so that we are able to continue this ministry. Please call Cindy Hutchinson at 301-432-2602 or cinhutch@aol.com. Thanks so much!

Joyful Noise Choir

Children ages 3 and older are encouraged to participate in the Joyful Noise choir. We practice the last 15 minutes of Sunday school and sing to the congregation on the 4th Sunday of each month. We are seeing a significant drop of older children and would love them to participate so that we could sing more age appropriate songs but we need parents to encourage your child(ren) to participate or at least try it. If we have older children we will be able to sing the songs the children have enjoyed from past Vacation Bible Schools. Please talk to your child about it and encourage them to give it a try. Our first debut will be on Sunday, October 24th. Any questions, please call Laura Iager at 301-739-4885 or Jen Poffenberger at 301-432-0456. We would love to have your children sing with us!

**** Sunday School Teachers (Students age 3 through grade 3); Please encourage your students to come and sing with us. If they don't like it or are not participating we will allow them to return to their classroom but encouragement is needed. Thanks so much!**

We'd Like To Get To Know You!

J. Gilbert "Bus" and Frankie Everline have been in the pews here at Trinity for nigh on 64 years! They raised two daughters, Kathy and Penny, and their son, John, in the church. Today, they have six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren spread hither and yon.

The Everlines have lived out on Barnes Road for many years, returning to the area after an assignment in West Virginia with Potomac Edison. Their favorite memories of Trinity include the many Halloween, Christmas and Easter parties they assisted with, as well as remodeling projects, and their joint teaching/guiding of the teenagers in Sunday School and Luther League for more than 10 years. Bus has been involved in both choirs at one time or another, and served on the council. Bus has also provided many original written and visual art pieces for special occasions within our congregation.

It was Frankie's family affiliation with Trinity that originally brought them to Trinity so many years ago (she was confirmed 77 years ago at this altar). Frankie has served as a teacher and director of the primary Sunday

School, sang in the women's choir, taught confirmation, and prepared countless meals.

The Everlines are good neighbors, good friends, and good servants of God. If you don't know them yet, make it a point to do so!

Confirmation class for all 7th and 8th graders begins at **9 AM on Sunday, September 19**. **Students and their parents** will meet in the social room with the rest of the Sunday Church School for Promotion/Rally Day then move to a corner of the social room for an orientation meeting with this year's teachers, Bill Dellinger, Chip Rockwell and Pastor Donovan. We will discuss the program and answer questions about the program.

The area churches of Boonsboro will sponsor our annual **Boonesborough Days Community worship service on Sunday, September 12 at 10:00 AM** in Shafer Park. The New Creation Choir from Benevola United Methodist Church will provide special music. The speaker will be the Rev. Mary Dennis. The pastors of congregations from southern Washington County will participate in the service.

The offering for the day will support the Southern Washington County Emergency Fund. Please bring a lawn chair and enjoy the service.

Sunday, September 19 is "Bring a Friend" Sunday at Trinity. We set aside this day, the first day of our return to fall activities, as a special day when we ask you to reach out to the unchurched friends and neighbors in your community. Invite them to attend church with you and share in our worship and fellowship.

CONVERSATION WITH THE BISHOP

Our Bishop-elect, **The Rev. Wolfgang Herz-Lane** will be available for a Mission Conversation meeting in our Conference (and open to the surrounding area) on **Saturday, September 25th, from 10 AM to 11:30 AM at Trinity-Hagerstown**. This will be an opportunity for our members to meet our Bishop, very soon after his Baltimore-installation, but with time for face-to-face conversation and closer to home for our members. Watch for more details about these meetings, soon. We hope you will begin your questions, hopes, and concerns, along with your

interest in the new Bishop's approach to oversight and ministry among us and join us for that meeting.

MAR-LU-RIDGE CAMP & RETREAT CENTER WALK-A-THON

Annual Fundraiser

Reunion, Cookout, Program

SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

This year, Mar-Lu-Ridge celebrates its 51st year of ministry, and we ask for your help by sponsoring a walker in our very popular WALK-A-THON. This is a major fundraiser for Mar-Lu-Ridge, a facility of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, founded in December 1958. Because of the generosity of hundreds of people last year, about \$15,000 was donated to the five-mile Walk-a-Thon at Mar-Lu-Ridge Camp & Retreat Center, near Jefferson, Maryland. This year our goal is \$45,000. **Sunday, September 26**, walkers will climb down and up the ridge in response to sponsors like you. Of course you are welcome to come as a walker/sponsor and round out the day with a great free cookout, fun and fellowship. Sorry if you live in Texas, Colorado or Nebraska!

The funds raised at the Walk-a-Thon will go toward camperships for those unable to afford the cost of camp, and to maintain and upgrade our aging facilities. Check out our website: www.mar-lu-ridge.org.

Mar-Lu-Ridge provides the chance for kids from different backgrounds to get acquainted with one another and experience and appreciate the wonder of creation. Your generosity helps make that contact with the good earth possible for these children. Your contribution will also allow us to spend more money effectively advertising our facility to a wider audience. **I hope we can count on you to sponsor a walker?**

ADULT RETREAT

Join other members of Trinity for a day-long adult retreat from 9 AM to 4 PM on Saturday, October 2 at Haven Lutheran Church in Hagerstown. The retreat leaders are Roy Oswald and Joe Donovan. During the retreat, we will explore ways we can become closer to God through the practice of such spiritual disciplines as prayer, meditation, etc. We will discover what prevents us from experiencing God's presence in our lives and share our faith stories with each other. The cost of the retreat is \$20. Each participant will bring a bag lunch; beverages will be provided. You

may register for the event by filling out one of the registration forms or talking with Pastor Donovan.

Join us on Sunday, **October 3 at 2 PM** for a service of blessing for our pets. We invite you to bring your pets (please, no snakes or deadly spiders!) on a leash or in a cage. We will meet on the back lawn or in the social room, if we have inclement weather. Following the service, we'll enjoy refreshments for both people and pets.

CROP WALK THIS FALL

CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Project) provides food for hungry people internationally and within our own community. Each year the October CROP walk raises substantial money to alleviate hunger; a percentage of the total raised is contributed to the local food bank. This year's walk is **Sunday, October 10 at 2:00 PM** from Taylor Park in Keedysville.

Steve & Debbie Shifler are Trinity's representatives to the CROP Walk planning meetings and invite you to become involved. The next meeting will be Wed., September 15 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Keedysville. To become involved or for more information, contact Steve or Debbie at 304-274-3567 or contact Debbie at deb.shifler@comcast.net. Thanks!

3rd Annual Soup Supper October 23, 2010 St. Ann's Catholic Church Hagerstown, MD

Taste a bowl of Bill Garrison's famous Chili or Tom Scrivener's French Onion Soup or any of 10 other homemade soups. Have appetizers first and then soup, breads, drinks and deserts. **HAVE FUN TOO.** Then go home with the handmade pottery soup bowl of your choosing. All this for charity – medicines and food. Get tickets from Elaine Scrivener 301-797-1487 for only \$30.00.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Anyone interested in volunteering on the Habitat for Humanity House in Smithsburg, please contact Sharon Hawkins at 301-791-9009 ext. 10 for scheduling. Lunches & water is still needed for the workers, please contact Linda

Wigfield at 301-667-8348 or 301-745-1512, or e-mail her at LWigfield@cbimove.com.

2010-2011 Sunday School Classes Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church 9:00 – 10:00 A.M.

Classes for Children and Youth

Class: Preschool (Ages 2-5)
Location: Nursery
Teacher: Deena Long

Class: Kindergarten and grade 1
Location: 3rd Floor, Classroom 1
Teacher: LaRhonda Eslick

Class: Grades 2 and 3
Location: 3rd Floor, Classroom 2
Teachers: Karen Tribett & Laura Iager

Class: Grades 4, 5, and 6
Location: 3rd Floor, Classroom 3
Teachers: Theresa Foster & Laura Schnackenberg

Class: Grades 7 and 8 (Confirmation)
Location: Funk Education Center, 2nd Floor
Teachers: Bill Dellinger, Chip Rockwell,
Pastor Donovan

Class: Grades 9-12
Location: Lower Level, Classroom Beside Stage
Teacher: Chip Rockwell, Kristy Smith

Adult Classes

Location: Lounge
Teachers: Bev DeBaugh, Peggy Beeler, Neida Otto
Subject: Augsburg Series – Bible Study

Location: Funk Education Center, 1st Floor (front)
Teachers: Varies
Subject: Bible study

Location: Funk Education Center, 1st Floor (back)
Teachers: Varies
Subject: Bible Study

Hospice of Washington County Volunteer Program

Hospice of Washington County, Inc. volunteers are key members of the interdisciplinary team providing support to people dealing with illness, grief and loss.

Types of Volunteer Opportunities

1. *Patient Care Volunteers*: These volunteers can help patients and their families in a variety of ways:
 - A. A volunteer can stay with a patient in the home to allow the caregiver some time out of the house for:
 - Shopping
 - Meal with a friend
 - Taking a nap
 - Doctor appointments
 - Taking the dog for a walk
 - Etc.
 - B. A volunteer can provide socialization:
 - Provide active listening/emotional support
 - Assist with hobbies and special interests
 - Sit quietly while patients rest
 - Reminisce
 - Help write notes
 - Read to patients
 - Give hand and arm massages
 - C. A volunteer can provide 11th hour vigil to patients who are actively dying.
 - D. A volunteer can run errands or provide transportation.
 - E. A volunteer can help with housework, such as laundry and cleaning.
 - F. A volunteer can perform cooking and/or food preparation services.
 - G. A volunteer can provide special services, such as haircuts, massage, pet therapy and music therapy, with proper licensure.
2. *Bereavement Volunteers*: These volunteers support families who have sustained the loss of a loved one. Support is given through phone calls and visits as needed.
3. *Office Volunteers*: These volunteers assist the administrative staff with basic office related tasks, such as making copies, filing, and preparing bulk mailings.
4. *Community Outreach/Special Event Volunteers*: These volunteers assist our marketing and development departments at community events and fundraisers, providing education to the community about the services of Hospice of Washington County.

Time Commitment

The volunteer program at Hospice of Washington County is very flexible and patients are assigned to volunteers with their schedule in mind. The time commitment is usually about 4 hours per week. Volunteers are generally assigned to one patient at a time.

How to Become a Volunteer

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, we will teach you all you need to know in regard to the hospice approach to death and dying, and how to put these ideas into practice. Volunteers are more effective when they understand what patients and their loved ones are going through.

Steps to becoming a volunteer:

1. Complete an application for volunteer work.
2. Meet with Volunteer Coordinator for interview.
3. All those who are interested in becoming a patient care volunteer and/or bereavement volunteer must attend a volunteer training program, which is offered quarterly. The next training will be October 18, 20, and 22 from 9am-4pm.

Those interested in becoming an office or community/special event volunteer must attend a 2-hour orientation session.



The Bulletin Board

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 8 AM Men's Bible Study 8:45 AM SCS 9:30 AM Worship w/Communion	6	7 5-6:30 PM Tops	8 7 PM Adult Choir	9 1-3 PM Food Bank 7 PM AA Meeting	10	11 8:30AM Youth Ministry parking for Boonsboro Days
12 10 AM Worship in Park NO CHURCH OR SUNDAY SCHOOL AT TRINITY	13	14 5-6:30 PM Tops 7 PM Council	15 7 PM Adult Choir	16 1-3 PM Food Bank 7 PM AA Meeting	17	18
19 8 AM Men's Bible study 9 AM SCS/Rally Day 10:15 AM worship with children's Church	20	21 5-6:30 PM Tops	22 7 PM Adult Choir	23 1-3 PM Food Bank 7 PM AA Meeting	24	25
26 9 AM SCS 10:15 AM Worship w/Children's Church/Joyful Noise Choir	27	28 5-6:30 PM Tops	29	30 1-3 PM Food Bank 7 PM A Meeting		