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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

June 2011

End your prayers...in Jesus' name

In John's Gospel account, we read in John 16:23-24, "Truly, truly I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked for nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

Jesus is encouraging us to have a relationship with the heavenly Father. Praying to the Father is our part of the conversation with God. In our prayers, we tell Him what is going on in our life, in our family, in His Church, in our country. We lift up those things that give us pause to give thanks and we lift up those things where we ask for His involvement.

But most importantly, we bring those prayers to the Father in Jesus' name.

Why in Jesus' name? The obvious reason is because Jesus says so. But consider also, when we pray in Jesus' name, we constantly remind ourselves of who it is that restored our relationship with the heavenly Father...Jesus. Our faith is all about Jesus who died and rose from the grave for us. That is the context in which Jesus is talking to the disciples in the preceding verses. But in praying in this way, it is a future reminder for the disciples and a current reminder for us about how the relationship continues. And how answered prayer will make their joy complete.

Who would have thought it was about that? It is about our relationship with God and what God did to make that relationship possible in the first place.

My prayer for you is that you are in regular conversation with the Father. That He hears all about the joys, the sorrows, your cares and thanksgivings. For I know we have One who is listening and I too want your joy to be full. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Items to keep in your prayer list:

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Joplin, Missouri

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cullman, Alabama

All people who have been affected by the tornadoes and flooding

For discernment as we seek God's will as we consider the TCN prescriptions for Trinity.

For our family of God at Trinity, that we would be a praying people.

Serving the Lord with you,

Pastor Hopkins

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NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

We will be receiving new members on June 12th in the late service. Please join us for a reception afterwards to welcome them into the family of Trinity. This is your opportunity to introduce yourself personally to them if have not done so already.

DID YOU KNOW?

A Trinity sponsored outreach: For more than ten years Trinity Lutheran Church has been supporting a mission work at The Summit Apartments here in Savannah. A number of the residents do not have the opportunity to leave the building in order to attend church on Sunday mornings, so a church service is held there at the apartments on Sunday evenings.

Two of the men from our congregation have been leading these services. David Lewis has been doing this for over ten years. Since 2003 Rod Stephenson has been alternating Sundays with David. Please remember the people at The Summit in your prayers. Keep David and Rod in your prayers, thanking God for having blessed them with this opportunity to share the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ.

Trinity and the USO: How about this! Two of our members do volunteer work at the USO booth, located at the Savannah airport. What do they do there? Tom and Jackie Deemer offer food and beverages to traveling military men and women. They work a shift from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, offering assistance and support to members of the Armed Forces. They also hand out crosses and information brochures provided to them by Trinity's Board of Evangelism. The crosses and information are given to anyone. Jackie says "we hand them out to the military as well as other passengers who approach us. We feel they need the love of our Lord shared with them." What a wonderful blessing it is to have the opportunity to be a witness while going about in our every day life.

Trinity and Giving: Did you know that the summer months are some of the worst months of the year for offerings? In 2010 we had 3 of our 4 worst months of the year between June and September 2010. The other month was not as bad because it had 5 Sundays in it.

Did you know that we have a program called Simply Giving that allows you to give even when you are not here? You set up the amount and dates that you want to make your contributions and it is done for you. Giving made simple.

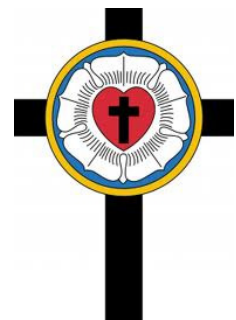
Trinity's Elders: There has been some change in the Elder assignments, but the changes have been kept to a minimum. So .. here's the breakdown. James Abernethy is the Elder for families with a last name beginning with T through Z. Bruce Bringman is for families from Cb through D, Bill Edwards from E through G. Todd Freeseemann continues with the families from H through J. Scott Idleman has picked up the group from A through Ca. Jonathan Schroeder has families with names started from K through Le. Rod Stephenson continues with families from Lf through Ma. JB Strange has families from Mb through Pe and Mark Waltz continues with Pf through S. If you have any questions about this list, please call the church office.

Trinity Helps Members: Did you know that the "Pastor's Discretionary Fund" is used for confidentially assisting folks in the congregation who find themselves in a difficult financial situation? Did you know that your pastor feels especially blessed to be in a position to provide that assistance to help others because the people of God at Trinity are so generous in supporting it?

BOARD OF ELDERS

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am humbled and a bit intimidated to now continue serving you on the Board of Elders as chair, but I know that in all things God's hand will guide me and us as his elect. Please keep our called workers, our board members and membership in your prayers not only in their daily work and service, but especially as we gather around God's Word and Sacraments. It is no small



miracle that we are able to maintain a worship life that is faithful to the Word.
To God be all the praise and honor.

As the Gary Watkins family continues their transition to the Atlanta area, I wish to extend to Gary our greatest appreciation for his service and care of the board and the congregation over the past several years. His leadership on the board and in teaching will be missed here at Trinity, but it will no doubt continue at whatever Parish his family settles into in the coming months. God speed my friend.

As I began to think about my new role on the Board of Elders it became obvious that transitioning from the ‘rank-and-file’ requires me to transition from care of my assigned elder group (last names beginning with T- Z) to an assignment that includes the elder’s and their families, as well as our Pastor and our DCE. But I must confess that at times, and maybe most of the time, I have failed to do this deliberately or diligently. I tend to seek my will, not God’s; I seek to emulate the Pharisee and not the tax collector. So I ask for your forgiveness. Do I hope that I may gain better discipline? Absolutely! But I do understand the Old Adam in me and know that I will fail again, and again, and again. That is why I am always drawn to St. Paul’s words, “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.” (Romans 8:26 ESV) What comfort for me this verse is, to know that in my weakness the Spirit does and will intercede. But then again St. Paul does remind the church at Corinth that “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” (2 Corinthians 12:9 ESV).

But I still seek that discipline in my prayers, and I would like to share with you a little flyer (published in this newsletter) that I carry with me that helps me in one aspect of prayer. Where I found this, I do not recall, but I do use it on occasion to guide my thoughts especially for Pastor, but also for our DCE, and even myself at time. It’s easy at times to focus on those tangible things like daily bread or our health, but for those other things that are less tangible like wisdom, like diligence, like zeal, like sound doctrine, like purity, like humility, or like power - we may need a reminder or two. Please read it over; please use it as a guide in your prayers. The Lord’s Prayer will always be our best model of what to pray and how to pray, but I hope this flyer may guide you too.

Faith by Grace,
Tom Wayman

PRAYER

Do You Know How To Pray For Your Pastor?

Do you know how to pray for your pastor? Do you understand the nature of the work your pastor does? Some areas of a pastor’s ministry are undisclosed. Many times the pastor is dealing with hurting people who need a high level of confidentiality, so your pastor is unable to talk openly about this work.

A significant part of the pastor’s life is devoted to the ministry of the Word (both study and proclamation) and to prayer. Other urgent matters in the church tend to put demands on the pastor’s time—time that should be spent in the primary responsibility of study, proclamation and prayer. This tension between urgency and primary responsibility has been with the church from the beginning.

Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, “It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word” (Acts 6:1-4 NKJV).

Because a pastor’s prayer life and study time are in solitude, it is often hard for people to understand what the pastor is doing, let alone how to pray for him.

The following are seven suggestions to expand praying for your pastor beyond general blessing and health.

1. Pray for wisdom. Your pastor faces many daily decisions. Sometimes they are life changing and at other times they are commonplace, but even the ordinary decision can have a long term impact. Your pastor needs wisdom to make the best use of time. It is easy for your pastor to become busy and neglect the primary responsibilities of the Word (study and proclamation) and prayer with demands coming from all corners.

2. Pray for diligence. It is easy for a pastor to become discouraged, especially with friends making far more money, with the pastor bearing the burdens of others, and also with him being a “transplant” into the community. Pray for God to bring people into your pastor’s life who will help furnish a spirit of renewed determination for the Lord’s work. Martin Luther said, “Watch, study, give attendance to reading! Verily, you cannot read too well; and what you read well you cannot understand too well; and what you understand well you cannot teach too well; and what you teach well you cannot live too well!”

3. Pray for zeal. When your pastor was ordained, he took solemn vows. Time has a way of eroding urgency. Sometimes your pastor needs you to intercede for motivation. Pray for your pastor to regain or retain the zeal from his ordination vows:

Determined to instruct from the Scriptures
Diligence to the Confessional writings of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church
Faithful proclamation of the Gospel and administration of the Holy Sacraments according to Christ’s institution
Adorning the Holy Preaching Office with a holy life
Diligence in careful study of Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions
Constant in prayer for the souls given to his charge.

4. Pray for soundness of doctrine. There are many sources other than God’s Word that can distract your pastor. Pray for your pastor to remain focused and to sort out false doctrine that can creep into the life of the church.

5. Pray for purity. Temptations to impurity abound on every side. Even the most innocent and godly pastors can fall into temptation. Pray not only for purity of body, but purity of mind. Pray that your pastor’s mind would filled with “whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy” (Philippians 4:8 NKJV).

6. Pray for humility. It can be difficult for a pastor to remain humble, especially if the church begins to grow. Even if your pastor is only preaching to a few people, it can be a source of pride. It is not the congregation’s duty to humble the pastor; true humility comes from intimacy with God. The pastor who is closest to God is the one who is most humbled (Job 42:1-6; Isaiah 6; Luke 5:1-11).

7. Pray for power. Your pastor needs to be empowered by the Holy Spirit. When stepping up to preach or telling the Good News of Jesus Christ in other situations, there is no substitute for the power that comes from being filled with the Spirit. Jesus said to His apostles: “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:8 NKJV).

Gerald W. Coates, February 2002.
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To God Alone the Glory

BOARD OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Congregational Workday Saturday June 11, 9-12 L.O.L.

Work Day Saturday June 11, 9-12 L.O.L. As in May, we have a few more things to attend to outside, weather permitting (heat or rain), and may start some small project work inside, and there are always a lot of odds and ends. We may also have some activity related to VBS at the end of June. As usual, fellowship and a great lunch, so join in the fun!



May Work Day Weather was great and reasonably cool, and a little rain late, but another wonderful crew! They had me hopping all morning. The shuffling crew included Kevin and Lisa & company, J.B., Larry, Linda, Lonna, Butch, Rick, Doris, Neil, Jan, Sherry, Bob & Sharon, Pastor and Anna. Lots of blasting, striping, planting, weeding, fixing, moving, installing, de-bugging, blowing, fertilizing, trimming, filing, strawing, and on top of that it was a banner day. Wow! Your time and talent are a blessing to Trinity. Thanks!

Fire Protection Our insurer advises us that our systems and equipment are in need of inspection and testing. We had two companies come in to bid and tell us what we need to achieve compliance. Primarily, we need several new extinguishers, inspection and testing of the existing extinguishers, check out of the suppression system in the kitchen, and check out of the alarm system in the new building. This service will cost us about \$1000 this year and (I hope) substantially less in coming years.

Van Use Inspection I have covered the need to have an up to date drivers list on file with our insurer and everyone has been very cooperative in getting there information to use. The next step is to install a pre-use inspection procedure when using the van. This may be no more than a visual or walk around, or it may be more involved. At issue is the type of van, the 18 passenger units have a poor accident history due their height and high center of gravity. There will be more on this later, suffice to say, check to be sure tires and brakes are in good condition before you use the van, and above all drive with care at all times. Thanks.

Energy and Going Green I am still looking for some help to design a system to shutdown our hot water heaters for the Sanctuary and Ed building when the buildings are not being used. If you have some knowledge of controls and relays, let me know and see if we can find a way to keep these units off-line until needed.

A Special Property Management Thank You To Shirley for the new frig and to the Nelsons for all the extra weeding they have done. And best wishes for a good summer to John and Ellen, you will be missed.

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BOARD OF SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Board of Social Ministry is excited by the prospect of expanding our outreach with the help of Thrivent and other area Lutheran organizations, such as Lutheran Services of Georgia. Todd Freesemann made a surprise visit to our last board meeting to encourage us to make use of the resources available through Thrivent. By partnering with organizations such as Lutheran Services we can not only extend the boundaries of outreach possible by our small group, but we can also take advantage of resources available through Thrivent that could amplify the effects of those ministries. Visions of helping an emerging refugee ministry being organized by Lutheran Services out of Atlanta, and the possibility of participating in a Habitat for Humanity type ministry here in Savannah were just two of the projects discussed. Realizing these visions will take lots of commitment and many hands. If these projects excite you please join the Board of Social Ministry and be part of what we hope will be a busy productive expansion of TLC's outreach.



Our Blessingdales' workday is scheduled for Saturday, June 4th at the Garden City store. Painting will be the biggest project that day for those who can do it, but there will be plenty of sorting, tagging and pricing for those of us not so talented with a paintbrush. Whether you paint, tag or use some time to shop this is always a great fellowship event that supports the Living Vine. We work from 10 a.m. to about 2 p.m. with lunch provided. If you need directions or possible transportation please contact any member of the Board.

The Book of the Month Club will meet on Friday, June 10th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Kevin and Lisa Reidl. The program is "Explaining the Scary Parts of Revelation", a series with Pastor Ken Clouse of Lutheran Hour. Bob Grefski will facilitate the discussion part of the evening. This program is likely to be ongoing for the next two or three months, so be sure not to miss the first session. This is a casual evening with a pot luck meal and lots of fellowship. Please join us!

Keep in mind the other ongoing ministries supported by our Board. The Food Pantry is always in need of donations of boxed or canned meals. Brenda Nuscher can answer your questions about what is low in the pantry. Trinity Cares could use not only meals we can have on hand in the freezer but information about those who might need them. Please let Deb Stephenson or the church office know if you have a need or would like to donate a meal. The Van Ministry is always looking for drivers who can donate a few hours every month or so to make sure that the Wednesday shopping trips for the Rendant seniors are always covered. Call Leann Grefski to volunteer.

Remember our Congregation Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 16th at New Ebenezer Retreat Center. If you like outdoor summertime activities this is the event for you. We BBQ, swim, play tennis, fish, etc. More info on this event will follow.

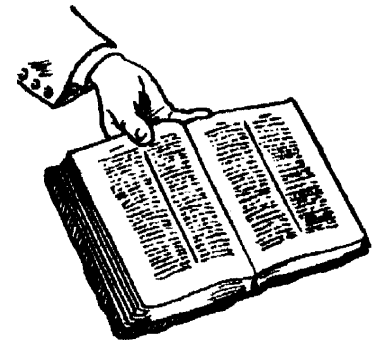
In his love
Sharon Grefski

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

It is time for all members of TLC to once again remember the ministry we are called to do. When I was elected to serve TLC as the chair for the Board of Evangelism we began with one word as our goal or vision as TCN wants to say:

"GO"

GO tell others about Jesus. **GO** to worship your Lord on Sunday. **GO** and serve your Lord each day. **GO** and let others see the Lord working in your life. **GO** out to all people and share the Good News that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Have you fulfilled any of that personally? What can you do to help the Board of Evangelism? Ideas? Our meetings are usually on the first Sunday of the month following late worship service.



There are Trinity window decals for your taking on the table in the narthex, next to the glass bowl with the 'Cross in My Pocket' cross and card. We also have recently purchased pens that you may also use for witnessing.

Jesus is the Bread of Life---eternal life, you can also share some bread with a friend or neighbor, a shut in. We are now able to receive bread pulled by a Pepperidge Farm agent. I can pick up as much as I want on Tuesday afternoons after 3. Some of the bread is double wrapped so it can be put in the freezer to use at a later date. The bread will have a label on it to let those that receive it that 'Jesus is the Bread of Life'.

Deb Stephenson has done a fantastic job at designing the pictorial directory. By the time you read this article they should be ready for you to receive your copy. They will contain information on the different Boards, the Elders, choirs, and other TLC groups. It will also contain an updated telephone directory. There will be a basket for you to make a donation, if you feel inclined to do so, to off set the expense incurred in the printing of this directory. The best part is that as we receive new members their pictures and information can be added to the directory. God is Good! Thank you Deb for sharing your talent with Trinity.

On Saturday, June 18th, there will be a mini Bazaar and Bake Sale and Evangelism will be serving up hot dogs and the trimmings. Invite your friends and children to a few hours of fun and fellowship filled with the talent of Trinity ladies in their baking and crafts.

In Christ's Service
Lonna McEwen
Board of Evangelism

THE BOARD OF YOUTH

Over the years our youth have represented Trinity Lutheran Church in excellent and Christ-like ways. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our youth and their parents for superiority in the following ministries.

- Caroling to homebound and Senior Citizens in housing
- Feeding the homeless at the Union Mission
- Assisting with the Multiple Sclerosis bike-a-thons
- Cleaning Tybee beach
- Taking part in the reconstruction of houses
- Participating in painting projects in homes and other churches
- Sending care packages to the military
- Providing Christmas meals for needy families
- Providing toys to a group of foster children
- Providing cuddly rabbits to children in a community shelter
- Providing canned goods for the food pantry
- Recognizing and celebrating community workers (police, nursing home workers and fireman) with treats and thanks
- Reading Christian books to children in the mall



These are just a few of the ways you have blessed our church and the community. Be prepared for the hard work yet to take place this summer. Remember with “hard” work comes “hard” play. We look forward to seeing you shinning your lights for Jesus in our neighborhood! Well done good and faithful servants!

THE ALTAR GUILD



If you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary for a worship service, there are still some open spots left in the year. In fact, the next opportunity is the first Sunday in June – the 5th. There are also Sundays during the rest of the summer that have not yet been selected by a member.

So .. “how do I go about donating flowers for the worship service?”, you ask. It is the easiest thing since a pencil. There is a flower chart in the Social Hall (to the left as you enter the hall from the Narthex). Simply sign your name for any available spot you wish. The church office will inform the florist of your sponsorship for flowers on that Sunday. The florist (Ramelle’s) will send you a bill after the Sunday has come and gone. Flowers for a center display are \$25 and flowers for side display are \$22. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

LWML

The LWML Ladies Guild will be undergoing some changes. We are very excited about our coming season. The Day Lily Guild and the Evening Guild are becoming one Guild. The new officers for the 2011-2012 year are; Pres. Jackie Deemer, V-Pres- Sherry Kreger, Sec'y - Ardell Hasenjeager, Treas.- Arlene Crofoot, Christian Growth - Willy Harris.



Our first Mini-Bazaar will be Saturday, June 18th. We call this a mini-Bazaar as it is just that... a small Novemberfest offering you a chance to shop for craft items. In addition we will have a bake shop, hotdog lunch, bouncy fun for the children and face painting. Plan to come and have a fun day with us.. Invite your friends and neighbors also.. The more the merrier.

Also would like to ask for donations to the bake shop .. cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc. Contact Eva Galbreath at 925-7342.

We have a bulletin Board in the social hall for you to keep abreast of any upcoming activities. Ladies, looking forward to an exciting year .. Come join in.

Serving Christ,
Jackie Deemer

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



Here it is, June already. We will be making quilts on Tuesday, June 7th and on Tuesday, June 28th. The meeting time is 10:00 AM on both days and we work until 2:00 PM. We always need help and always appreciate it. So if you have any time, just please come. It is for a worthy cause. The fellowship is great.

We especially thank everyone who helps us in any way. We still collect Campbell labels for Bethesda in Wisconsin and we can use any good, cotton sheets. We pray for all in our military and for their families and for our church and all its members.

With love and prayers,
The Quilting Committee

YOUNG AT HEART - OVER 50 GROUP

There will be no meeting again until September 20th – a Tuesday. On that day we will meet at 11:00 AM at a Chinese restaurant. We'll let you know more about it at a later date. Red Lobster was our meeting place in May, on the 17th and 16 members attended. It was great. The food and service were good.

So have a nice summer, enjoy and stay healthy. If you can, come back in September and join us.

With love and prayers,
Ardell Hasenjaeger



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Beginning on July 8th the Prayer Shawl Ministry is back. Charlotte Ross and Joan Vadella have joined forces to renew this wonderful program. The meetings will be on Fridays, beginning on July 8th, at 9:30, continuing until 11:30. There will be refreshments and a wonderful opportunity for fellowship. If you knit or crochet, y'all come. If you don't, y'all come anyway. There will be looms that non-knitters can use to learn the process. Not just a shawl ministry, but a Prayer Shawl Ministry.

The meetings will continue on Fridays – at least twice a month and perhaps developing to every Friday.

SISTERS IN SNEAKERS

Sisters in Sneakers meets on the second Saturday of each month to enjoy a Bible study meant to encourage women to be all that God wants us to be. We are currently using a Women of Faith study called a Grand New Day. We are a mix of young and not so young women, married, single, with or without young children at home. We learn from each other and our Bible study despite the differences in our ages and experience. If you would like to expand your network of sisterhood here at Trinity, please call Sharon for the location of our next meeting.

TORNADO DAMAGE

We have all seen reports of the terrible devastation caused by the tornado that struck Joplin, Missouri. Immanuel Lutheran Church is the only LCMS congregation in Joplin. The congregation also supports

Martin Lutheran School. Principal, Jeremy Schamber, reports that the school is damaged and at this time is unsafe to enter. It appears that the church did not sustain significant damage. The parsonage received structural damage including the loss of its roof. Immanuel Lutheran is using its website to gather information about the status of the membership.

While it is not possible to know about specific needs at this time, it is clear that our brothers and sisters in Joplin will need some financial assistance. If it is in your heart to send such support, it may be sent to:

The Missouri District Disaster Fund
The Missouri District - LCMS
660 Mason Ridge Center Dr. – Suite 100
St. Louis, MO 63141

Please keep all the residents of Joplin in your prayers. Through this disaster in Joplin we are once again reminded how temporary this world is. Thanks be to God that through faith in His Son Jesus Christ, all who believe in Him have His promise of a life that will never end. As the Scriptures teach, “For me to live is Christ and to die is gain.”

Editor’s Note: Thank you to the Florida/Georgia District Office and specifically to David Weidner for providing this information to us.

WE GET LETTERS

In the May issue I wrote about the presentation given by Karen Faith McGowan at Trinity on March 26th. After reading it, I realized that it did not communicate the essence of the event. It was entirely my fault and I would like to try again.

When asked about the most important commandment, Jesus said “...Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.” No human can obey this commandment, but Karen comes very close.

In December 2005 Karen was in a hospital with a serious lung problem. She was put in a coma and her body was totally paralyzed. By mistake her brain remained active. For 11 excruciating days she could not move a muscle but heard everything, including speculation of her death. She felt everything, including the lightest touch. Although the ordeal left her physically disabled, she considered it a blessing. She would gladly do it again because during this time she built a much closer relationship with God. Her continuing disability includes the loss of one third of her lung capacity and severe damage to her vocal cords. During her year long rehab she broke her left arm in two places, causing speculation that she may never play the piano again.

During the presentation she played the piano expertly (with both hands) and sang like an angel. It was an unforgettable experience. If Karen ever comes back to the area I urge all of you to make every effort to hear her testimony. The experience will change the life of all who listen.

Roy Hensel

PS – You can locate her web page by typing her full name in a computer search (www.FaithToFinish.com)



BIRTHDAYS FOR June

6/2 – Mary Helen Anander, Bill Lutes
6/3 – Chip Grefski, Michael Lewis
6/4 – Sonya Willis
6/7 – Ann Austin, Joshua Davis
Janie Dutton, Caroline Miller

6/19 – Dylan Masters
6/20 – Bruce Bringman, Darren Hanovich
Savannah Love, Mark Waltz
6/21 – Dianne Crosby, Anna Re
6/23 – Doug Duch

6/10 – Kristen Arnott
 6/11 – Louise Massey, Helen Niedzielski,
 Charlotte Ross
 6/12 – Michele Crofoot, Edward Lauer
 6/ 13 – Ashleigh Lewis
 6/15 – Rebecca Wayman
 6/16 – William Love
 6/18 – George Burr, Irita Love

6/24 – Katie Freesemann, Brittany Schroeder
 6/26 – Preston Yardley
 6/27 – Della Traeger
 6/28 – Edwin Baldwin, Micki Idleman
 6/29 – Beth Kenreich, Joan Moran
 6/30 – Shirley Lewis

We thank God for each and every person at Trinity who is celebrating a birthday this month and pray for the Lord's blessing upon each of them. This list is provided so friends may say a special prayer and acknowledge the birthday of loved ones. If you or someone you know at Trinity was not included in this listing, please contact Rod at the church office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!

IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Sunday	Attendance Early Service	Attendance Late Service
May 1 st	78	108
May 8 th	109	126
May 15 th	92	121
May 22 nd	66	

Average attendance per Sunday	200 (Estimated)
Percentage of Baptized members attending	39%

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 Michelle Pitts: michellepitts@bellsouth.net
 Rod Stephenson: tlcsecretary616@bellsouth.net

THE MISSION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

**To nurture and equip God's people for their daily ministry,
 as they reach out in word and deed with the good news of Jesus Christ.**

ARE YOU READY FOR A BIG JUNGLE ADVENTURE?



Trinity Lutheran Church
Proudly presents:
Vacation Bible school
June 27,28,29,30 & July 1
9:00 – 11:30



**"THE LORD WILL RESCUE ME FROM EVERY
EVIL DEED AND BRING ME SAFELY INTO HIS KINGDOM"**

Trinity will again offer vacation Bible school to all children ages 3 through grades 8. Visitors are not only welcomed, but encouraged. Use this opportunity to reach out to friends and neighbors encouraging them to travel with us on this "Big Jungle Adventure."

This year's format includes a special early childhood program for preschool children under the direction of Megan Yardley.

Children from kindergarten through grade 5 will participate in music, crafts, storytelling, Bible challenge and recreation. Children will be placed into classes according to last year's grade in school.

Middle school children, grades 6, 7 & 8 will attend opening and closing presentations after which they can join their peers for either fishing or cooking the fishing class will be off site at local ponds. The cooking class will be in the church kitchen. Both classes are limited to eight students so register early.

Registration forms are available in the church office, the narthex and on line at the church web site <http://www.trinitylutheransavannah.org>.

Featured Bible Stories:

- Day 1: Baby Moses rescued
- Day 2: Crossing the Red Sea
- Day 3: Sermon on the Mount
- Day 4: Peter & John run to
the empty tomb
- Day 5: John's vision of heaven

It's a
jungle
out there!

