

Trinity's Mission: We are a community of Christian disciples building pathways through which God's love is realized.

Holy Week at Trinity

aster is a special time at Trinity. It's a time for rebirth. It's a time to celebrate Christ's triumph over death. It's a time to renew, revisit, or reinvigorate a special relationship with Jesus Christ.

Yes, Easter is always a special time at Trinity and there are services for everyone. Listed below is the schedule of activities observed at Trinity during this year's Holy Week:

Palm Sunday - March 24

Services will be held at the usual times of 8:30, 9:45, and 11 a.m.

Elementary school-age children join in the procession carrying palms at the 11 o'clock service.

In the photo above, last year's 4th and 5th grade Sunday School class with Leslie Williams, Jan James, Ann Lumsden, and Edna Bennett.

Maundy Thursday – March 28

This service of communion is a traditional observance of the Last Supper of Christ. The service is held at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday – March 29

Trinity will be the host of fellow United Methodists throughout the city for this observance of the crucifixion of Christ. The service begins at 12 noon, followed by a \$6 lunch served in Moor Hall. Lunch reservations need to be made by calling 222-1120.

Easter Egg Hunt – March 30

Don't miss the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30 at Tom Brown Park in the Lake Leon Playground Area (the old

playground off of Conner Boulevard). The activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. with coffee, cocoa, games, and facepainting. The potluck brunch and Easter Egg Hunt will follow.

Easter Sunday – March 31

Get up early and attend the Sunrise service at 7 a.m. in E. Peck Greene Park across the street from Trinity.

Or, come to one of the other three services at 8:30, 9:45, and 11 a.m.

The services will feature special music including Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." This is a great opportunity to join the choir for at least one song! It's a Trinity tradition that is both fun and inspiring. Don't miss these special services!



Gifts to Trinity

Trinity received the following gifts from January 16 - February 20, 2013:

In memory of Dorothy "Carline" Moore from Jane and Richard McFarlain and Larry and Earline Adkison.

In memory of Joshua Morse from Monna Bryant.

Congratulations!

Trinity was the sponsor and coordinator for the city-wide Church World Services CROP Hunger Walk in November 2012. The final tallies are in and the numbers are great! Thanks to all the hard work, dedication and support from the congregation, not only did Trinity increase its prior year's monetary donations by more than 265%, but the city-wide initiative also exceeded its goal by over eight percent.

In 2011, Trinity collected \$950 for this worthy cause. In 2012, Trinity brought in \$2,525 and was designated as the second

largest donor in the city. Special kudos goes to Trinity CROP Hunger Walk Recruiter Gloria Colvin for all her effort. First Presbyterian was in first place with \$4,822, which included \$2,255 collected by one walker. The citywide monetary goal

had been designated as \$20,022. The numbers indicate a whopping tally of donations at \$21,687!

Twenty-five percent of the monetary contributions and the food collected during the event went to local not-for-profit organizations. These agencies were ECHO, the Good News Outreach's Shelter Noonday Meal Program, and the Catholic Charities.

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By E. Wayne Curry Senior Pastor

Dear Friends,

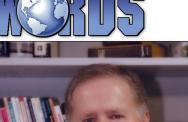
In this month of March we not only observe Lent but also celebrate Easter. So what do I write about - Lent or Easter? How about both?

Actually, we should always think about Lent and Easter together. One without the other is to proclaim only half the Christian message. To emphasize one over the other is to diminish the power of the gospel. But that is exactly what has happened down through the centuries.

At one point Lent, which is meant to be a time of repentance — a time to examine who we are and what we love and to what or whom we give our loyalty, a time to turn away from the little gods of our culture that claim our devotion and shape our lives, a time to turn toward God anew - came to be emphasized more than Easter. Even more, Lent became a time of morbid introspection and contemplation of the sufferings of Christ, and the Church seemed to be more concerned about how lost and lousy people were than about the new life and hope proclaimed in Christ's resurrection. Maybe that's why Lent is not really observed by many people today.

But to ignore Lent and emphasize Easter alone is just as misleading. We do need a time to take a hard look at ourselves and hear as well that suffering and death is part of Christ's story, the Christian story. It doesn't need to be morbid, but clear-eyed and honest. Without Lent, the Christian proclamation becomes one of triumph only, and Easter itself becomes little more than a celebration of the reproductive capabilities of chickens or the habit of flowers to pop out of the ground every spring. As such, it has little power to speak to our day-to-day lives and the hard truths and realities of this world.

So Lent and Easter must be kept together. When they are, they proclaim an honest, real, powerful message that leads to an honest, real, powerful faith. It is a faith that is deeply aware of how divided at heart we can be, how devoted we can be to the little gods of our culture, and how our values and wants and moods and opinions and actions are often shaped by the story our culture tells about the 'good life" than they are by the story the Gospel tells about Christ's life. And it is a faith that is deeply aware that there can be a great cost to following Christ, that often there can be little sense of triumph and mostly a sense of being on the losing side. And it is a faith that is deeply aware that pain and suffering and death are a





part of life, but that they are not the result of a failure of God or faith. So it is a faith that understands that we need to keep turning toward God, to keep struggling to be shaped by Christ's story, and to hold fast to God in the midst of all that happens and trust that though our faith may become tattered and torn, it will not be shattered.

Because it is also a faith that gives the strength to lift up our hearts in hope, even the strength to conquer ourselves and all things and live with courage and goodness and gladness and kindness. It is a faith that keeps our eyes open each day for the impossible things God can do. It is a faith that dares to dream the impossible for this earth -- the dream of peace, people coming together in peace and sharing the abundance of the earth, food enough and shelter enough for all God's children. And it is a faith that can look at death and see life, know suffering and yet live with hope, experience defeat and painful loss and yet be filled with the fullness of God and believe that somehow all shall be well.

A Lenten faith alone ends in despair; an Easter faith alone ends in disillusionment. So always, both together: a Lenten-Easter faith, the best symbol of which is a cross, an empty cross.

You are loved.



Music News for March

Mark Repasky Director of Music

Making a NETkids Musical

Each year in early January, NETkids choirs begin learning their upcoming musical. Most of the rehearsals for the next several months are devoted to this effort. This year, they will present "The Lost Boy" at all three worship services on Sunday, April 28. One of the first steps is to assign speaking parts and solos. These are usually reserved for children in the older choir, 3rd - 5th graders.

It is an exciting time for the children when we have try-outs during our Wednesday

rehearsals. The children are not required to try-out for these special activities, but most of them do. It's serious stuff, and the children come prepared to do their best! Fourteen children tried out for a speaking part. The next week fourteen children tried out for a solo. Then it was time to assign the speaking parts and solos, which is one of the most challenging tasks I face each year as Trinity's Music Director. I must say, we have an impressive group of singers and actors in the older NETkids choir. Whenever possible, I



arrange it so all children that auditioned are given a solo or speaking part, however small. This gives the children more "ownership" of their musical. Perhaps in a few years, we'll see a few of these same children auditioning for their high school musicals. Hopefully they will remember fondly their first musical auditions as members of NETkids Choirs at Trinity!



Don't forget -Easter Egg Hunt March 30

Bring your family and friends to welcome Easter at this Trinity family tradition.

Young and old alike are invited to join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Potluck Brunch on Saturday, March 30 at 10:00 a.m. at Tom Brown Park. Each family is asked to bring one dozen filled plastic eggs and a basket for each child who will be hunting, along with a dish to share. Drinks and paper

goods will be provided. The Egg Hunt and Brunch will be held in the Lake Leon Playground Area (the old playground area off Conner Blvd.) at Tom Brown Park. Follow the Trinity signs once you enter the park. Games and face painting by the Trinity youth will begin at 10 a.m. with the brunch and Easter Egg Hunt to follow.



Chapel organ gets needed care

Lynn Hogan

If you walked through the Chapel during the summer or early fall, you might have noticed that something was slightly different.



If the altar area seemed a little sparse, it was because the console for the Austin pipe organ was not there. It was in Georgia undergoing refurbishment as part of an update of the 50-year old instrument.

The organ in the chapel was installed in 1964, at the same time a larger Austin pipe organ was placed in the newly constructed sanctuary. While the sanctuary instrument was replaced with the current Casavant organ in 1999, the chapel organ has been in use since its installation, requiring only regular maintenance and minimal repairs. Recognizing the need to update the instrument because of the wear and tear of age, and because of a need to bring the instrument to modern standards, the church accepted proposals from three organ builders around the country. Ultimately, the contract was awarded to Proscia Organs located in Bowden, Georgia.

Refurbishment of the chapel organ involved several steps. First, the voicing of the instrument was modernized by adding additional (but historically accurate) pipes from the Austin Organ Company and modifying the stop list. A stop is the device which turns a particular set of pipes on and off; one produces different sounds on the organ by combining the stops in various ways. Second, the wind chests, which supply the air to the pipes, were reinforced. Third, the electronics in the console were converted to solid state, providing for more stable operation and easier modification in the future. Finally, and probably most noticeable, the console was raised by Trinity member, Bill Kappes, to the level of the altar floor, a move



intended to make the instrument more player-friendly.

According to Jonathan Hehn, Trinity's organist, "Trinity is fortunate to house two pipe organs. This congregation has always made important investments that speak to the importance of music in Trinity's life of worship and service. The chapel organ project is another example of that commitment. The recently completed modifications mean that the organ in the chapel is a stronger instrument, one that will serve the congregation's needs for many more years."

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The remaining contributions will go to state, national, and international emergencies such as Hurricane Sandy victims as well as long-term food and clean water development in 80 developing nations around the world.

Trinity is not done yet. We will be

coordinating the city-wide CROP Hunger Walk again in fall 2013. The date has not been set, but it may be moved up to October to avoid other event and holiday conflicts. So, start thinking about how you can get involved. One challenge to consider is ramping up

the non-perishable food donations. Food donations were a little disappointing at 2,000 pounds in 2012 compared to 4,000 in 2011. Contact Gloria Colvin at gpcolvin@yahoo.com or Phyllis McCranie at pamccranie@embarqmail.com to volunteer or offer suggestions.

Beth F. Curry, ACSM-HFS, AFAA

It's not too late to join the new Trinity 95210 Team! In February our church became the first paying entity, not only in Tallahassee but in the country, to participate in the new 95210 daily tracking system along Leon County, Leon County Schools, the City of Tallahassee, Whole Child Leon and Working Well. During the Health Screening Day on February 10th twenty four members signed up but we still have room for you! Our goal is to have 100 participants on our Team over the next few months. Imagine what our church will be able to accomplish with that many healthy people participating in this initiative!!

It's fast and easy! And, it doesn't cost you anything. In fact, you will be able to earn points for tracking your daily progress and use those points to enter into monthly drawings for gift cards as a reward. One card is even worth \$100. It's a win-win situation.

So here's how it works. Once you have registered as a member of Trinity's 95210 Team you will have your own account where you can post your daily progress as you strive to make these five healthy habits part of your regular routine. (And guess what ... you even get points for only seven hours of sleep or four servings of fruit and vegetables!) Your points will accumulate every day and once you reach a certain level you can spend those points to enter into a specific drawing of your choice.

As a Team, we will also have the ability to create sub-groups and challenge one another to meet or beat a specific goal. For example, one group may challenge another to eat the greatest amount of fruit and veggies in one week. Or maybe we'll see which group can drink the most water in a month. As this tracking system catches on across the city, state and nation, we will also have the ability to challenge other churches and teams to earn even more points.

If you'd like to be on our Trinity 95210 Team go to www.95210.org to check it out. Then email Beth Curry for instruction on how to register as

part of our Team which requires a special code. Come join the fun, earn some points and start to make these five healthy habits part of your daily life style!



Health Wellness Calendar **Upcoming Events** Tuesday, March 12 - 10:30 Mats for the Homeless Saturday, March 9 Shamrock Scurry Race – Killearn UMC Saturday, March 9 - 9:30 a.m. Community Garden Work day

 Tuesdays and Thursdays — • 9:15 ~ Staying Strong

BFC Series

Exercise Classes

in the Parlor

• 11:00 ~ Variety Mix**

** Nursery by reservation only

Drop in any time !

Wednesdays Better Balance

• 4:15 only **Power Hour**

5:30 through Lent

*\$3 suggested donation

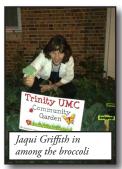
For more information: Beth Curry - BFCSeries@yahoo.com

Calling All Gardeners

Beth F. Curry, ACSM-HFS, AFAA

Spring is just around the corner and it's time to plant our spring/summer crops in

the community garden. Two morning work days are planned. On Saturday, March 9, the winter crops will be removed, the beds will be prepared, and some new crops will be planted. On Saturday, March 30, additional crops will be planted and finishing touches made around the



beds. No experience is needed, so please join us if you are interested in learning how to grow a wonderful raised bed garden. Contact Beth Curry for details of what to bring.

Health Screening Day is a Huge Success!

The Fourth Annual Health Screening Day was a great day! Over 80 people participated in the cholesterol and glucose screening, and numerous people participated in the other screenings that were offered. Over 30 pints of blood were collected at the blood mobile, and 24 people signed up for the new Trinity 95210 Team. And many visited the Ask the Health Care Professional areas, enjoyed the healthy soup salad lunch – and won some great door prizes too. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and all who came for making it another successful health event!

Calling All Runners/Walkers

It's Spring Race Time! Saturday, March 9 marks the third year in a row that the Trinity Runners/Walkers Club will participate in the Shamrock Scurry held at Killearn UMC. This race includes both a 1 mile fun run and a 5k, but you need not be a runner to participate. Our Team has a great group of walkers who enjoy walking the hills of the Killearn area. Registration forms are available at: www. shamrockscurry.com.

Our second spring race of this year will be the Springtime Tally Race on Saturday, April 6, 2013. This race will include a 1 mile fun run, and both 5k and 10k races. Again, both runners and walkers are encouraged to join our Team. There is an official "church" category for this race, so if you'd like to be part of our Team please email Richard Parsons to make sure he will add you to our list. Registration forms are available at: http://springtimetallahassee.com/ th_event/springtime-10k-and-1-mile/

<u>Tuesday, March 26 – 1:00 p.m.</u>

Diabetes Support Group

Saturday, March 30 - 9:30 a.m.

Community Garden Work day

Saturday, April 6

Springtime Tallahassee Race

Women in Ministry's Fellowship Luncheon Is March 5

Linda Yates Women in Ministry Communications

All women of the church are invited to the monthly fellowship luncheon of Women in Ministry beginning at 11:45, Tuesday, March 5, in Moor Hall. A St. Patrick's Day theme will be used. President Judy Levy urges all to come and bring a friend. On-going discussion about hunger ministry projects will be discussed. No executive committee meeting is scheduled.

For reservations, call Nancy Kerce at 877-6546 by March 1.

Women in Ministry Action Team Meetings

Alpha Action Team (Circle 1) will meet at 10 a.m., Monday, March 11, at the home of Mart Hill, 1489 Vieux Carre Dr. with Eloise Harbeson as co-hostess. Lora Chapman will speak on how Trinity serves the Providence Community. Members will bring books featuring heroes of color.

The Voice Action Team (Circle 5) will meet Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m., at the home of Lynette Halter, 406 Glenview Dr., Apt. 6.

Aultie Foster Action Team (Circle 4) will meet in the church library at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 12.

The Dorcas Action Team (Circle 2) will meet Tuesday, March 5, at 1:30 p.m. in the church library. Circle 6 will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, at the home of Julie Pararo, 2104 Randolph Circle.

For information and the time and place of Circle 8's meeting, call Marti Chumbler at 893-6596. Susanna Wesley Action Team (Circle 9) will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 19, at the home of Jane Pautsch, Westminster Oaks.

Celebration Sunday was lots of fun!

Celebration Sunday was celebrated at Trinity on January 27 with an "Olde-Fashioned Sunday Dinner." Members brought cold sides/salads, hot sides, and desserts for sharing with others and for judging. The final tally showed that there were 133 different dishes prepared and shared by Trinity members. Below are the results of the judging:

COLD SIDES/SALADS **DESSERTS** 1st placeMary Margaret Rogers and Cynthia Smith 1st place Earline Atkinson, Susan Merlau and Paula Smith 2nd place.....Ryan Aamodt and Diane Kroeger 2nd place.....Emma Jonas, Janice Flake and Beth Curry 3rd place Melanie Quinton and Beth Curry 3rd place Donna Bryan, Linda Rogers and Kristen Beach Honorable Mention Paula Smith and Pat Willis Honorable Mention Linda Yates, Judy Levy and Sheryl Hamm **HOT SIDES** 1st placeAnne Doonan and Lori Mattice 2nd place.....Sally Steinmeyer 3rd place Mary Friedle Honorable Mention Maxine Mantooth Betty Ashlock (above) helps get the desserts looking just right as people drop off their dishes for the celebration dinner. In the inset above, one of the first place desserts is presented with garnishes of Japanese Magnolias. Beautiful, and Luke Ihnen and Maxine Mantooth enjoy the festivities in Moor Hall.

Youth Happenings in March

Kelly Rains Youth Director John Freeze Youth Intern

A Note from Kelly ...

What makes you tick? What keeps you going on a daily basis? What little things do you need - what do you consume - to get through a hard day, or an exhausting week? I'm not talking the obvious like sleep, food, and exercise. I'm talking about the little things that we sort of get addicted to whether we realize it or not. I'm talking about the things that get us through a rough day, a stressful situation, or an overwhelming week. That little something which makes life bearable. Maybe

for a short period of time) How would you cope, manage, or survive? How long could you give them up? Would you want to give them up voluntarily? Or would someone or some reason have to be behind it? Well, our Middle School Bible Study group has just taken on this challenge. They have given up things that are near and dear to them on a daily basis. They have challenged themselves during Lent to give these items up and no one was forcing them! They each chose

an item that would be "good for them" to give up in order to make themselves better. I was amazed at the things they gave up. For example: soda, sweet tea, bad behavior in school, talking back, ketchup, sweets, fast food, meat, procrastination, Chick-fil-a, chocolate, video games, radio shows, and painting nails. We also had

some youth who chose to add an item to their life (rather than take away something) that would also be challenging. For example: daily Bible reading, more piano practice, taking vitamins, praying more often, better grades, using planners, and packing lunches.

And here is what amazed me. First, these youth were willing to take on something big, something difficult; something they knew would make them a better person.

But after the first week of Lent, they were all still on track and doing great! I am so proud of our youth today and the examples they set for us and each other. I hope you have taken on something great for Lent to make you a better person and to grow closer to Christ. If middle school youth can do this, so can we!



for you it's going through the drive thru and getting your favorite Starbucks drink. Maybe it's that much-needed chocolate at the end of a long day. Maybe it's the few moments you get to sit in front of the TV and do nothing. Or maybe it's several caffeinated beverages a day which keeps you going. Whatever it may be for you - these things we start to depend on to get us through - help us do what we have to do.

But what if you couldn't have them? (At least



UNDERGROUND ministries

Upcoming Youth events for March

Mar. 3 Praise Band 4pm, Choir 5pm, UMYF 6pm

Mar. 6 Middle School Bible Study Mar. 9 Day Trip to Little Grand Canyon

Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Begins Praise Band 4pm, Choir 5pm, UMYF 6pm

Mar. 13 Middle School Bible Study
Mar. 17 No Sunday School, No

Mar. 17 No Sunday School, No Youth Activities (Spring Break)

Mar. 20 Middle School Bible Study

Mar. 24 No Sunday School, No Youth Activities (Spring Break)

Mar. 27 Middle School Bible Study

Mar. 29-30... 30 Hour Famine

Mar. 31 Sunday School 9:45am (Easter) No evening activities

Upcoming Events

June 3-7 VBS

June 9-14 Youth Week

June 24-29 ... Warren Willis Summer Camp

July 8-15...... High School Mission Trip August 6-9... Middle School Mission Trip



Ends (with Feast) at 7 p.m. March 30





New members join Trinity

Two new member classes, one each from December and January, have joined since the last update. They have found Trinity by visiting, by referral of friends or family, and by looking on the internet. Please reads these brief bios in order to get to know your fellow members better.

Heath and Kristen Beach learned of Trinity through their friends, and Trinity members, Dave and Rachel Cone. They have one son, Gavin, who will be 3 in June. Kristen works for Gate Petroleum Company, and Heath works for the City of Tallahassee.

Mike and Shana Carroll have a young son, Moxley, who turns 2 in August, and are also expecting a baby in May. Shana is self-employed with The MoxC Group, LLC, and Mike works for Martin Marietta Materials. Kristin Cline just graduated with a Master's degree in special education from UF. She is now teaching second grade at Oak Ridge Elementary. Kristin loves playing softball, outdoor activities, and watching sports.

David and Jennifer Dickson have two boys, Tyler, who is 13, and Christian, who is 9. Both David and Jennifer joined from another denomination. Jennifer is a homemaker, and the volunteer coordinator at DeSoto Trail. David works for Cardno ENTRIX as an environmental consultant. They learned of Trinity from Trinity member, Cheryl Hamm.

Caitlin Fetzer joined from another denomination. She is a freshman at FSU, having moved here from Port Charlotte. She is majoring in Hospitality Management. Her interests include traveling, playing volleyball, and hiking.

Amber Halstead joined by transfer of membership from another Methodist church. She is a student at FSU, and wants to teach Middle School science. Her interests include, reading, traveling, and environmental service.

George Hanna transferred his membership back to Trinity from another Methodist church. George is a former member of Trinity (1966-2004), and recently moved back to Tallahassee from Leesburg.

James and Holly Hunt both work for FSU and learned of Trinity through Trinity member, Jordan Perry. James works in the Division of Student Affairs, and coordinates research and assessments of student programs and services. He is working on a PhD in Higher Education Administration. Holly works in the Academic Center for Excellence, and is pursuing a PhD in Educational Psychology. Lance Jacobson joined from another denomination. After moving to Tallahassee from Michigan in August, Lance learned about Trinity through Spiritual Outreach committee members handing out water bottles at the Saturday market downtown. He is working toward a Master's degree in Geographic Information Systems. He enjoys spending as much time as possible exploring God's creation.

> Jarrett and Ashley Lafferty came to Trinity from other denominations. Jarrett works for Gulf Industries, and Ashley works for Anesthesia Associates in Tallahassee.

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Mark and Jennifer Nabors recently moved to Tallahassee from Georgia. They both transferred their membership from another Methodist church. Jennifer works for the Florida Board of Governors and will graduate from University of Georgia at the end of this semester. Mark enjoys traveling and watching college sports.

Angela Petrizzo transferred her membership from another local Methodist church. She just graduated in May of 2012, with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology. Angela now works for Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley. She loves being outside, playing sports, and spending time with friends and family.

Nancy Porter joined from another denomination. Nancy sings in Trinity's Chancel Choir and in the Tallahassee Community Chorus. She works for Parsons Brinkerhoff.



Matt Granger joined from another denomination, He began attending Trinity after meeting Associate Pastor, Tony Fotsch, at the Downtown Marketplace. Matt builds mobile websites for Mobile Apps., a division of Titan Services. He is also working on a degree at FSU in Healthcare Administration. He looks forward to making many new friends in his new church family.

