

TRINITY NEWS

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Thoughts have coursed through my mind these past few days. What will they think of us? How will we be remembered - fifty years from now - thirty? Who, indeed, will "they" be, in any case? Do we care? These thoughts ignited as I scanned the Register of Trinity Church and barely read the flood-damaged journals from the 1950's. Whoever kept the registers and logs in those days had great penmanship. Even through the blotted ink stains, the entries are still legible. Names...families...individuals now long dead or far removed. What did they think of as their future which has become our day? We talk much about our future, and as we pass through these days...as Pentecost is observed, it dawned on me that we serve a Living God who knows the future. We may well say that the Ever Living One is our future. What is required of the people of God is that they be faithful in the now.

What exactly does that mean? Oh, certainly, we will not sneak over to our local Temple of Baal and practice some sort of rite - something clearly forbidden since God spoke to the people on Mt. Sinai. But how does the idea of faithfulness flesh out in our day?

Faithfulness results from an earnest seeking after God from the heart.

God promises to meet those "seekers" by the assurance that God will surely be found, when they seek with all their heart. This will insure an obedience on the part of the "seeker". A recognition of the truths spoken by Jesus - an acceptance of His maxims as one's rule of life - will change you. It will create in you a thirst...a "need to know" that won't let you be until you rest in Christ by faith.

What will "our church" look like? That is impossible to say. What will remain the same is what we do: worship, care, serve, and bear a witness. That has never changed. That is the essence of faithfulness. God promises to meet us. (Jeremiah 29:11-13)

How does this "flesh out" in the physical plant for us? Planning and decisions. We are on the lookout for innovative and creative ideas. We all have been over various scenarios time and again, so there is no need to repeat. What is needed is everyone's participation as best they can, as we remain faithful...and look for God to meet us.

See you in Broek Chapel (10:00 a.m.)

Pastor Dave

LECTIONARY READINGS - JUNE 2008 [A FIVE SUNDAY MONTH]

JUNE 1

Genesis 6: 9-22, 7:24, 8: 14-19 Psalm 46 Romans 1: 16-17, 3: 22b - 31 Matthew 7: 21-29

JUNE 8

Genesis 12: 1-9 Psalm 33 Romans 4: 13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

JUNE 15

Genesis 18 : 1-15 Psalm 100 Romans 5: 1-8 Matthew 9: 35 - 10:8

JUNE 22

Genesis 21: 8-21 Psalm 86 Romans 6: 1-11 Matthew 10: 24-39

JUNE 29

Genesis 22: 1-14 Psalm 13 Romans 6: 12-23 Matthew 10: 40-42

TAKE THE ROBE OFF CORNER

I received the following from an old dive-boat friend of mine. I have crewed for Captain Ed Boyle off and on since 1971. Over the years "Capt.Ed" has proven to be the best there is.

CELL PHONE VS. BIBLE

I wonder what would happen if we treated our Bibles like we treat our cell phone ?
What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets ?
What if we flipped through it several times a day ?
What if we turned back to get it if we forgot it?
What if we used it to receive messages from the text ?
What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?
What if we gave it to kids as gifts?
What if we used it when we traveled?
What if we used it in case of emergency?
What panic would result if we rummaged for it . . . and couldn't find it ?
What peace ensues when we realize it will *not have its hours expire . . . or be disconnected!*
. . . . because it is sent by the eternal, ever-living One.

There's good in the worst of us . . . and bad in the best of us . . . just enough . . . to bar any one of us from talking about any one of the rest of us.

- anonymous

Every man has a right to utter what he thinks truth, and every other man has a right to knock him down for it.

- Samuel Johnson



BROEK CIRCLE - will meet on Monday, June 9th for their annual "picnic" in the Library Lounge at NOON.

JACOBA CIRCLE - meeting to be announced.



During June, July and August, we will be collecting:

- Tomatoes,
- Tomato Sauce
- Spaghetti Sauce and
- Canned Fruit

for the Vermeule Center Food Bank. Trinity has been supplying food for this "Bank" since it began over 30 yrs. ago. (Cash is also accepted - we'll do the shopping. Drop it in the "wishing well" or see Ginger Smellie.)

Your generous donations to Church World Service were: 48 Health Kits
20 School Kits
\$871 for blankets and
Postage (for kits)

Thank you all very, very much.

Bunny Adams



In the month of April the hymn sings were led by our Joel Kenderdine. Here are the favorites:

Morning has Broken
This is My Father's World
What A Friend We Have in Jesus
My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
Praise Ye the Lord
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty
We Have Heard the Joyful Sound
Faith of Our Fathers
How Great Thou Art!

My thanks to you, our congregation, for all these loving hymns.

"Praise the Savior, Ye who know Him
Who can tell how much we owe Him!
Gladly let us render to Him, All we are
and have." Thomas Kelly, 1802

HELP WANTED !

Two sign-up sheets are posted on the hall bulletin board (opposite the coat closet).

1. If you would like to participate in the Worship Service by reading one of the Bible verses and
2. For refreshments after Worship.

Volunteer early - before all the good dates are taken!





JUNE 2008

10:00 a.m. Broek Chapel

June 1st through September 7th

Both entrances will have sign-up sheets for your prayer requests.

- 2. Carol Sorg
- 7. Janet Miller
- 8. Don Zolkiwsky
- 9. Barbara Conly

- 11. Allison Kravetsky
- 15. Lori Alcaro
Barbara Hildebrant
Dale Henderson
Cyril Macauley

Prayer List

- 17. Michelle Lynn Sheppard
- 23. Miep Devries
- 24. David Kichula
- 30. Nora Macauley

Please remember in your prayers, our members and friends who cannot be with us on Sunday.

- Joanna Agnone
- Ruth Carreno
- Marianne Clark
- Corey Coleman
- Joan Cornish
- Jim Dever
- Christopher Flood
- Jill Gaddis
- Emil Habeeb
- Belle Hayles

- Doris Hiebeler
- Pastor Rosie and
Dennis McLelland
- Sally McGahey
- Luke Nikorak
- Margaret Rubas
- Resi Sheppard
- Leona Wagner
- Henrietta Wermann
- Marie Wermann

JULY

- 1. John Gotberg, Jr.
Brad Wadlaw
- 5. Deena Zolkiwsky
- 7. Dawn Toth
- 10. Betty Jane Tingley
- 15. Joan Taylor
- 16. Bill Sorg
- 18. Andrew Sorg
- 19. Beth Kenderdine
- 23. Joan Beil
- 27. David Henderson

All Servicemen and Women

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Thursday, August 14th



AUGUST

- 2. Melissa Ann Sheppard
- 18. Elizabeth Sorg
- 31. Carol Henderson

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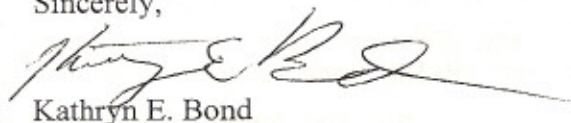
May 15, 2008

To the Trinity Reformed Church:

The Angelo L. Tomaso School is proud and honored to accept the gift of a Sundial and base in remembrance of Mrs. Pauline Kenderdine, who worked as the School Nurse at the school. Pauline was an advocate to all who were in need. She demonstrated her care and concern for all of us at ALT, and I believe the sundial, given in her memory, will be a delightful addition to Nature's Pathway, which is the outdoor classroom at ALT. This is certainly suitable since Pauline had a hand in the planning and organizing of this wonderful outdoor classroom project.

I believe that Pauline's family and friends will rest easy knowing that such a generous gift in her honor will be with the people for whom she cared. The sundial will continue to enhance the outdoor classroom and be used as a valuable instrument for years to come.

Sincerely,



Kathryn E. Bond



HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE

I was walking down life's highway, a long time ago. One day I saw a sign that read "Heaven's Grocery Store"

As I got a little closer, the door came open wide. And when I came to myself, I was standing just inside.

I saw a host of angels, they were standing everywhere; one handed me a basket, and said, "My child, please shop with care."
Everything a Christian needed was in that Grocery Store, and all you couldn't carry, you could sure come back for more!

First I got some PATIENCE; LOVE was in the very same row;
further down was UNDERSTANDING, you need it wherever you go.
I got a box or two of WISDOM, a bag or two of FAITH; I just couldn't miss the Holy Spirit, for He was all over the place!

I stopped to get some STRENGTH and COURAGE to help me run this race,
by then my basket was getting full, but ... I remembered I needed some GRACE!

I didn't forget SALVATION, for SALVATION ... that was free!
So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me.

Then I started for the counter to pay my grocery bill; for I thought that I had everything to do my Master's will.

But as I went up the aisle, I say PRAYER...and I just had to put that in!
For I knew that when I stepped outside, I'd run right into SIN!

PEACE and JOY were plentiful, they were on the last shelf;
SONG and PRAISE were hanging near, so I just helped myself.

Then I said unto the angel, "How much do I owe?"
He smiled and said, "Just take your basket wherever you go!"
Again I looked at him and asked, "How much do I really owe?"

He smiled again and said, "My child JESUS PAID YOUR BILL A LONG, LONG TIME AGO!"

...Judith L. Hoskins

And when in Earth's Grocery Store remember to buy something for the local Food Bank!

Ed.



JUNE

1. SUMMER Worship Broek Chapel 10:00 am	2. Consistory 7:30 pm	3. Choir 7:30 pm	4. Bible Study 7:30	5.	6.	7.
8. Worship 10:00 am	9. Broek NOON	10. Choir 7:30 pm	11. Bible Study 7:30	12.	13.	14. 
15. Father's Day 	16.	17. Choir 7:30	18. Bible Study 7:30	19.	20. Welcome Summer	21.
22. Worship 10:00 am	23.	24. Choir 7:30	25. Bible Study 7:30	26.	27.	28.
29. Worship 10:00 a.m.	30.	 July 11th - FISH Hospitality Week Aug. 14th - September NEWSLETTER Deadline				