



First Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church



**June  
2009**

# **CONFIRMATION & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY, JUNE 28**

Chicken BBQ and Fellowship  
immediately after church



Sign-up sheet in the lounge!  
suggested cost: \$7.00

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## **Special points of interest:**

- 2nd Monday  
Elders Mtg 7pm
- 3rd Monday  
Cong. or Council Mtg. 7pm
- 1st Tuesday (APR-DEC)  
Ladies Aid 7 PM
- 2nd Tuesday  
Evan. Mtg. 4pm  
Prop. Mtg 6pm
- 3rd Tuesday  
Men's Club 6pm
- Saturday Bible St. 9:30am  
Saturday Worship 7:30pm
- Adult Bible Study  
Sunday 9:00am
- Sunday Worship 10:30am

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION** will be observed on Sunday, June 7th. The two youth being confirmed are :  
Jacob Cornelius and Carolyn Duttweiler.

## Confirmation Class Reunion and Christian Education Celebration

How many times to you remember hearing the words, "What does this mean?" As First Trinity Lutheran Church continues to celebrate 150 years of God's Blessings, we will be celebrating Confirmation Reunion Sunday on June 28<sup>th</sup>. During the service the congregation and visiting former confirmands will have the opportunity to renew vows, and give thanks to God for His many blessings upon our Christian Education program.

Lutheran confirmation is a public profession of faith prepared for by long and careful instruction. In English, it is called "affirmation of baptism", and is a mature and public profession of the faith which "marks the completion of the congregation's program of confirmation ministry". The German language also uses for Lutheran confirmation a different word (*Konfirmation*) from the word used for the sacramental rite of the Catholic Church (*Firmung*).

Just take a moment and think back to those days of your confirmation lessons, your Sunday of confirmation. Do you recall the members of your class? Do you wonder where they are now? Who was your confirmation Pastor? Did you suffer the public questioning testifying your knowledge and faith? Do you have stories to tell about those days? Have you viewed your confirmation photo in recent years? In what direction has life taken you since those early-teenage days? These questions and their answers are bound to make for some intriguing reflections and even zestier conversations.

The anniversary committee promises you a photo-glimpse of all from so many years ago. The confirmation records have been well maintained and really are quite interesting, going way back in years.

Mark your calendars and bring your friends and family as we enjoy a delicious chicken BBQ and fellowship. Many invitations are being sent to former members in hopes that they would visit and reminisce about their own confirmation years.

Come and sing Alleluia and join our brothers and sisters in Christ as we give thanks to God for his never-ending blessings. This is most certainly true!!

**THE ANNUAL MEN'S CLUB LADIES NIGHT BANQUET** was held on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00pm in the church fellowship hall. Carol English was honored with the "Woman of the Year" award. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16 at 6PM.



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 \* **Many, many thanks** goes to the Men's Club, in \*  
 \* particular Dave and Jackie Sweet, for Tuesday's \*  
 \* dinner and the "Woman of the Year" award. I must \*  
 \* say I felt very surprised and honored, especially \*  
 \* being there are so many around church who are so \*  
 \* worthy. \*  
 \* \*  
 \* *-Carol English* \*  
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## Ladies Aid

A wonderful evening of food and fellowship was enjoyed by 19 Ladies and two guests. Chef Shelly provided the delicious entrees of salmon or Chicken Cordon Blue. All the ladies brought their favorite dish to pass.

Pastor inducted the officers after the delicious meal and Dave Pinney's slide show of his trip to Haiti. Thanks Dave!

Officers are: President, June Helmer returns as does Sally Dannheim as Secretary. Shelly Dunne is Vice President and Dot Cornish assumes the office of Treasurer.

Respectfully,  
 Sally Dannheim, Sec'y.



## Dorcas Guild

Great News! Dorcas has a new member! Judy Brainard joined the Dorcas gals Monday, April 29th. Welcome Judy!

The ladies tied an adorable child's quilt—very colorful with three ducks marching across. Also Campbell Soup labels were trimmed and edges of a quilt pinned. Bethesda Lutheran Home was sent a memorial in honor of former member Mildred (Millie) Potter, who died recently. June Helmer gave a memorial honoring past members. We all enjoyed Betty Haven's reading of The Children's bible In A Nutshell.

Eight ladies tied one huge, colorful quilt—with large blocks on Monday, May 18th. Eleanor Cott and Janet Vargo engineered the set-up of the quilting frames with extensions, really a King-size quilt. June gave some interesting readings. No Dorcas in June, July & August! Please join Dorcas on September 14th & September 28th. Have a great summer!





# TRINITY CHRISTIAN DAYCARE

## TCD Busy with Various Events

On Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 4pm, the daycare is hosting parents, TCD board members, congregational members for a short program recognizing our children for their participation for this school year. The program will be in the sanctuary and will consist of songs, memory booklets for the children and their parents, and a short version of our “Wednesday Morning Church.” Cookies and punch will follow in the Fellowship Hall. **THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED!** This is great opportunity for our church people to mingle with our daycare parents, staff, and children.

TCD is reaping the benefits of the Middle School JUMP Day in which middle schoolers spend Friday morning, June 5, doing community service projects. Two small groups are coming to us: mural painters under the direction of art teacher Nancy Aborjaily and leaf-rakers supervised by a middle school teacher and a parent volunteer. Their rain date is Monday, June 8.

TCD is closed for children on Friday, June 12, for staff training. This will take place in one of the daycare rooms 9-4pm. **Day care open house will be held on Thursday, June 18 from 5 to 7 PM.**

The recent playground pulled pork fundraiser netted a profit of \$1314. Many thanks go to Kato, Shelley, board members, and all who supported this event by purchasing tickets. Progress is happening with the playground. Andy Crawford’s committee is currently doing the “look-see-and-price” for equipment and installation.

Enrollment is super at the daycare. Toddlers and preschoolers are full capacity; school age has one opening for summer. Nancy Link would like one more baby, but we do have a couple in the “incubating stage” targeted for August.

**Many thanks go to Kato for his donations of playground equipment. The little tots are happy!**



### June Birthdays

- 2 Stuart Ehrlich
- 3 Carolanne Schmitt
- 4 Kristin Fahs
- 5 Alexis Merrick, Mary Monroe
- 10 David Pinney
- 11 Courtney Klein
- 15 Janice Vossler
- 16 Gladys Sweet
- 18 Lauren Lynch
- 19 Tim Hand, Brooke Nicholas
- 22 Jada White
- 24 David Helmer, Sr., Brandon Strawser
- 26 June Helmer
- 28 Andrea Vossler
- 29 Haleigh Golish
- 30 Olivia Hanks

### & Anniversaries

- 16 Claire & Marie Coyle
- 18 Barry & Linda Gridley
- 20 Mark & Chris Wiedemann
- 27 Al & Ginny Vossler
- 28 Scott & Jennifer Patrick
- 29 Pete & Cathy Farwell



## ABBREVIATED MINUTES CONGREGATIONAL MEETING April 20, 2009

The meeting was brought to order by Jim Helms at 7:05 PM with a prayer offered by Betty Wood. In attendance were: Pastor Robert Morris, Jim Helms, Fran Lanphier, Kay McCulloch, Eleanor Cott, Betty Wood, Dick Kling, Linda Gridley, Kato Aldrich, Barry Dunne, Kristen Crawford, Carol English and Pete Carlin.

In the interest of time, Jim asked that most reports be accepted as written, to be reviewed later and any changes/additions will be made at the next meeting.

Carol reported that Daycare has maximized its enrollment and is operating in the black.

The proposed changes to the Constitution from the congregation were read. A discussion of consecutive terms resulted in a revision stating that there may be exceptions made in consecutive terms served. The motion was approved to accept the Constitution and submit it to District.

The board regretfully accepted the resignation of Janet Carlin as chairperson of the Evangelism Committee. Kay McCulloch was appointed to the position.

Betty received a call from Sheba with the good news that the land purchased in India for the Orphans Mission has been registered. Christopher has also received about \$12,000 of the \$30,000 loaned.

May 17<sup>th</sup> will be a potluck dinner sponsored by the Church Council for the church's continuing anniversary celebration. Baked goods will be sold for dessert and proceeds will go to Julie Shaver.

Barry discussed the Stepping Stones Capital Fund Drive. Hoping to raise \$75,000 to continue outreach programs.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay McCulloch



### CONGRATS TO TRINITY'S 2009 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

- Brandi Dice
- Kristen Fahs
- Kara Gallmann
- Courtney Klein
- Zack Martin
- Judson Scutt
- Kayla Vossler

*If there are other graduates who were omitted,  
please notify the church office so they  
can be recognized.*

### FIRST TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH ABBREVIATED TREASURER'S REPORT

YEAR TO  
APRIL 2009 DATE

| <b>INCOME</b>                |                  |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Offerings                    | 16,114.54        | 54,406.27        |
| Donations                    | 450.00           | 3,300.07         |
| Other Income                 | 15.44            | 123.03           |
| <b>Total Income</b>          | <b>16,579.98</b> | <b>57,829.37</b> |
| Transfers In Available Funds | 9,691.50         | 22,741.50        |
|                              | <b>26,271.48</b> | <b>80,570.87</b> |
| <b>EXPENSE</b>               |                  |                  |
| Payroll                      | 11,950.33        | 46,541.74        |
| Board of Elders              | 31.92            | 440.33           |
| Stewardship                  | 634.00           | 2,536.00         |
| Office                       | 480.46           | 1,159.10         |
| Properties                   | 4,017.02         | 20,293.85        |
| Evangelism                   | 484.37           | 1,565.40         |
| Education                    | 111.12           | 658.29           |
| Youth                        | 0.00             | 144.17           |
| Daycare                      | 0.00             | 8,500.00         |
| Conventions                  | 618.20           | 618.20           |
| <b>Total Expense</b>         | <b>18,327.42</b> | <b>82,847.08</b> |

Respectfully submitted, Linda Gridley, Treasurer

## Senior Citizens'

The next meeting of Senior Citizens will be Thursday, June 4 at noon in the Dorcas Room with Committee members June Helmer, Dorothy Herke and Edna Lehman.

We hope everyone can join us for good food and fellowship. New members are always welcome, please join us!

### Did you know . . . ?

The Senior Citizens Club was started when the Couples Club sponsored a dinner on May 21, 1970 for all members of the Congregation who were fifty-five or older or retired. The dinner was served to forty-one guests and the afternoon was spent getting acquainted, playing cards and bingo. The Couples Club council served another dinner to the group in November. Following the dinner, the group elected Muriel Kruger as president and Bror Larson as treasurer, and thus the Senior Citizens Club was organized. The group continued to meet for dinner on the first Thursday of each month. A monthly collection of twenty-five cents per person resulted in the group contribution nearly \$1000 to the building fund. The club stressed good food and fellowship and had an active prayer group.

Irene Ford represented the Senior Citizens at a meeting for the 125th Anniversary of the Lutheran Congregation celebrated from August 19—September 16, 1984.

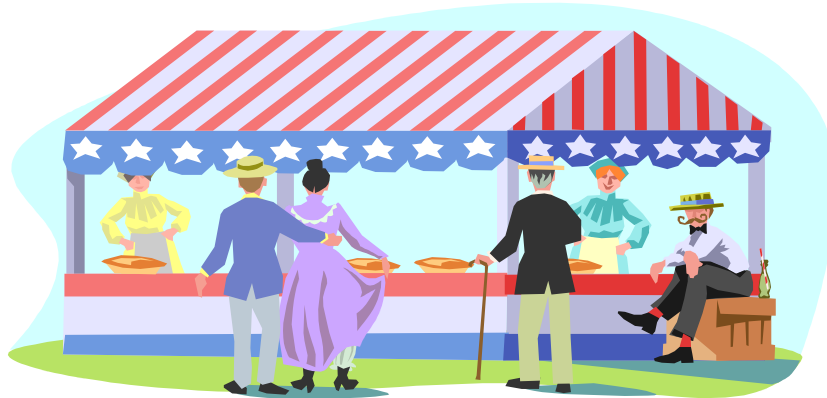
Presently, because of the deaths of many members, our membership has greatly reduced in size, resulting in a change in the number of our meetings. We contribute 25 cents per person for dues and 25 cents for missions at each meeting. However, because of our small membership, the future of Senior Citizens is uncertain.

### 150th Anniversary news . . .

When the 150th committee first met just about four months ago it seemed like a year was a very long time to make things happen. However we are already five months down the line and can look back with thanksgiving for the Christian companionship and outreach that this year's events has provided our church. The after church luncheons have given us a means to support and to pray for those who are struggling to live a faithful life after climatic events in their lives. We thank you all for being there and your help.

We would like to remind you that June is our confirmation reunion month. Invitations are being sent to every one we can recall. However your personal invitation would be more effective. So, if you would invite relatives and friends that you know who were confirmed at Trinity I am sure that world make a difference. Renewing our confirmation vows may be a turning point for some who have been drifting away from regular church attendance. Please keep this special Sunday service in your prayers and plan to be there.

The anniversary committee is trying to bring to mind the various church organizations for your consideration and prayers. **This month we thank the Senior Citizens group for sharing their history with us and they extend an invitation to you, to join them for lunch and prayer time once a month.**



# Upcoming Fun-tastic Carnival!!

**WHEN: SATURDAY, JULY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOON – 3 PM**

**WHERE: VACANT LOT NEXT TO PIZZA HUT –MAIN STREET WELLSVILLE**

**WHY: FUNDRAISER FOR JULIE SHAVER AND FAMILY**

**WHO: FAITHFUL AND FUN-FILLED MEMBERS OF TRINITY**

Volunteers are needed to create and man booths. Some of the activities planned are children's games, 50/50 raffle, bake sale, book sale, fire trucks, pie throwing contest, silent auction, cake walk, and a magician or two just to mention a few. There will be hotdogs, ice cream, and tacos. Think of the outreach to the community on this. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm, please come.

Contact Kay McCulloch, Shelly Dunne, or Betty Wood for more information.

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*Director Of Music: Carole A. Aldrich*



## **A HAPPY CHURCH AND HOME RECIPE**

4 Cups of Love

5 Spoons of Hope

2 Cups of Loyalty

2 Spoons of Tenderness

3 Cups of Forgiveness

4 Quarts of Faith

1 Cup of Friendship

1 Barrel of Laughter

Take love and loyalty, mix is thoroughly with faith. Blend it with tenderness, kindness and understanding, add friendship and hope, sprinkle abundantly with laughter. Bake it with sunshine, serve daily with generous helpings.

