

TRINITY TRUMPET

FROM THE MINISTER'S HEART ~

Each July I take a one-week sabbatical to clarify, organize and plan the sermons for the next year along with my personal goals in ministry. This is a time of prayer, reading, writing and focusing on my work here at Trinity, my work in the Presbytery, and the work I do with the New Wineskins Initiative. My planning this year will go through December of 2006. This discipline organizes my life and enables me to stay focused on my calling to lead and build the church here in Texarkana and worldwide with sons and daughters who worship and live daily trying to understand Jesus better and to become like Him so that others may receive that same benefit.



I am so thankful for all of you who keep my family and me in your prayers. We thank God for you every day. I do have a request that you keep my sabbatical time in your prayers. It's not just for my benefit; it's also for yours and those whom God has sent us to minister to together. My hope and prayer is that the Holy Spirit will do a mighty work here in each of our individual lives and in the life of our great church family, taking each of us to a better understanding of who Jesus is and actualize those benefits in this life here and now, not just when we die. Daily living our lives in the kingdom of God with an understanding that Christ is constantly changing us. He didn't finish his work in us when we accepted Him as our Lord and Savior. He continues to shape us and form us into the sons and daughters we were created to be, with specific talents and gifts that we are to develop for ministry right here in the Ark-La-Tex and beyond. Don't think your calling is limited to the Texarkana area. Nowhere in Scriptures do we see the Gospel just for individuals—it's for the whole body of Christ. I will be back in the office July 27th. As always, there's more to come!

Yours In Christ,  
Russell Wilkins, Your Minister

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**FEWSS**  
**5 Words of Mission**  
*Fellowship,*  
*Evangelize, Worship,*  
*Study*  
*& Serve*

THE FINANCIAL CORNER FYI 2004		
As of 5/31/05	Budget	Actual
INCOME	63,487.87	59,272.98
EXPENSE	63,487.87	61,197.72
NET	-0-	-1,924.74

THE SESSION OF TRINITY

Rev. Russell A. Wilkins Moderator  
Administration — Personnel Russ Richardson, Moderator  
Administration — Property Tom Wright, Moderator  
Tim Fette  
Christian Education Leslie Western, Moderator  
Niki Mizell  
Evangelism and Outreach Jean Crain &  
Suzy Davis, Co-Moderators  
B. R. Hughes &  
Lee Ann Hughes, Co-Moderators  
John Hamilton, Moderator  
Finance Russell Wilkins, Moderator  
World Missions Russ Richardson, Moderator  
Nominating Jim Findley, Moderator  
Stewardship Ginger Mann, Moderator  
Worship and Music  
*Ministry teams normally meet the first Wednesday of each month. The Session meets the third Sunday of each month at 7:00 PM.*

TEX-MEX Mission Trip

August 1-7, 2005

You can be a part of this mission by donating the following items. Please put items in the "Mission Trip Box" in the fellowship hall.

Coloring Books	Bubbles	Peanut butter
Crayons 16-24 ct	Balloons	Jelly in plastic jars
Hacky sacks	Small Soccer balls	Child's scissors
Slap bracelets	Frisbees	Glue
Bead bracelets	Whiffle balls & bats	Stickers

Assorted bags of wrapped candy.  
*Most of these items will be handed out to young children at the work sites. It is a great way to open communication and share God's love. If you would like to help financially you can make a donation to the church office and mark it TEX-MEX Youth Mission. Please keep the mission team in your prayers. Thank you for your support.*

Trinity's Youth Group

**Steady Growth**  
The Confessing Church movement, through today, in 46 states and Puerto Rico, is comprised of:  
  
Congregations: 1,308  
Members: 433,257

**Children's Church Volunteers**  
Are needed for our Fall Children's Church. We are not having Children's Church this Summer  
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**Nursery Volunteer**  
July 10th  
Jean Crain

**Sunday July 10, 2005**  
Our Sermon & Scripture from John's Gospel  
  
"The Good Shepherd"  
John 10:1-21

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TRINITY?

**Wednesday Night Activities:** There will be no Wednesday Night Activities July 13th. There will be no Choir Practice until July 27th.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Nancy Reep	Cristina Western	Jean Heilman
Clyde Johnson	Judy Fette	Brandi Cook and family
Sue Turner	Muriel Avery	Deane Mossier
Jo Marlowe	Frank Symonds	Paula Starling
Jerry Davis	Duane Haralson	Jeanne Ahlberg

**HUNGRY, HOT & HOMELESS**

Helpers are needed to provide a large salad for the Randy Sams Outreach Shelter for July 26<sup>th</sup>. The Evangelism and Outreach Mission Team thanks you for all you do.

**THE EDGE**

It is hard to believe but the summer is actually already 3/4 over. It seems like it was only yesterday that it started. With that being said, that means we are only weeks away from Tex-Mex. This means preparations need to be made such as: getting picture I.D. and birth certificate with raised seal/or a passport, paying money if you haven't paid yet. Also, if letters were not written, get those written and get a copy of them to me immediately, and your attendance of the final youth/parent meeting which is scheduled for July 20th at 5:30 pm in the church office. Please note all the above information and if you have not yet completed the checklist above do so immediately.

1 Timothy 4:12,  
Dylan

**This Week**

Sunday, July 10th

- ◆ Sunday School 9:45 AM
- ◆ Worship 11:00 AM

Monday, July 11th

- ◆ Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
- ◆ Kennel Club 7:00 PM

Tuesday, July 12th

- ◆ Twin City Sensations 6:00 PM

Wednesday, July 13th

- No Choir
- No Fellowship

**Actual Attendance & 2005 Attendance Goals 07/3/05**

	Actual	Goal
Sunday School	19	50
Worship	100	100

**FROM THE WALLS.....**

We couldn't see very well from our perch on the rafter Sunday morning so my little ones and I had to quietly sneak down to the top of the screen so we could watch while Rev. Russ baptized Paden. He didn't even whimper! His eyes were big and round when Rev. Russ introduced him to the congregation. Wasn't that a sweet baptism? Paden had lots of family present to watch him make his debut at church.

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That was an interesting video on the Dead Sea Scrolls Mr. B. R. showed last Wednesday night. Can you imagine writing on goat skin? But, more amazing is that those scrolls were about two thousand years old!

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We were happy to see so many of the Redeemer congregation worship with us Sunday. And the combined choirs sounded terrific! I especially liked the patriotic songs they sang.

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Rev. Russ mentioned the fireworks that were displayed Saturday night. My family and I didn't see those because we didn't know about them in time. We did hear about the fireworks at First Baptist on Sunday evening so my family and I climbed to the tip top of the Trinity roof and we could see the really high starbursts. We were so far away we couldn't hear them and this might have been a good thing because I believe if we had been closer my little ones would have been terrified.

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I am really disappointed to hear that the Wednesday night fellowships will only be held every other week for the rest of the summer. That means I will have to scrounge for food for my little ones. Maybe I can sneak enough each week to last until the next meal. Of course, there are always doughnuts and fruit on Sunday morning to help tide us over.

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I heard a couple of the choir members talking about Miss Orenne and Mr. Jim flying to England Sunday evening and a few days later going on to Scotland. Maybe they'll meet my Uncle Bruce who is church mouse at a Presbyterian Church in Glasgow. All I can tell you is that Mr. Jim and Miss Orenne didn't waste any time getting away from the church Sunday. They must have been eager to go!!

*The Church Mouse*

Sunday School Opportunities 9:45 AM

◇ Bereans, adults in room B-7 studying "**Faith Weavers**"

◇ Adults in room B-6 studying "**The Mighty Acts of God**"

◇ Foundations, adults in the parlor studying, "**The Westminster Confessions**."

◇ Youth in room B-9 studying the **Faith 4 Life Curriculum**

◇ 3rd-6th grade in room B-5 studying the **Faith Weavers curriculum**

◇ 1st-2nd grade in room B-4 studying the **Faith Weavers curriculum**

◇ Pre-K & K in room B-2 studying the **Faith Weavers curriculum**.