

TRINITY TRUMPET

FROM THE MINISTER'S HEART ~



Are you reading your Bible every day? Are you praying everyday? Are you in a Bible study? Are you attending Sunday school approximately 9 out of 10 Sundays, if ambulatory? Are you physically, if ambulatory, involved in a ministry? Are you in Worship 9 out of 10 Sundays, if ambulatory? If you answered no to any of these questions you are ignoring the basic practices of being a Christian. Catch that, BASIC! There is no way you can be growing spiritually if you ignore the basic spiritual disciplines of being a disciple of Christ. 30% of professing American Christians believe that it is ok to do whatever you want to do just as long as it doesn't hurt someone else. 30% of the American public believes the same thing. It is amazing that 3 out of 10 so called Christians believe that Biblical morals are not relevant today. Over 50% of professing Christians believe that making more money is a true measure of personal success and significance. These are the same numbers as the general public. I am convinced that there is no difference in these professing Christian's lives and in the lives of the general public because they are not practicing the basic disciplines of being a Christian. These disciplines are the evidence of a repentant life. These disciplines are the result of the Holy Spirit in your heart. These disciplines are the flowing springs of God's grace in your life. If you are not practicing these disciplines in your life, I want you to ask yourself why? How have

you rationalized living your life centered on yourself or someone other than Christ Himself? As my professor says, "You think about that." As always, there's more to come!

Yours In Christ,

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

THE FINANCIAL CORNER  
FYI 2004

As of 6/30/05	Budget	Actual
INCOME	76,185.47	70,044.23
EXPENSE	76,185.47	78,372.35
NET	-0-	-8,328.12

THE SESSION OF TRINITY

- Rev. Russell A. Wilkins Moderator
- Administration — Personnel Russ Richardson, Moderator  
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- World Missions Jim Findley, Moderator
- Nominating Ginger Mann, Moderator  
Orenne Niven
- Stewardship
- 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.

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

**Nursery Volunteer**  
August 21st  
Meta Savage

**Sunday August 21, 2005**  
Our Sermon & Scripture from John's Gospel  
*"Jesus Hides From the Crowd"*  
**John 12:36b-50**  
by  
**Rev. Russell Wilkins**

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**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TRINITY?**

***This Week***

*Sunday, August 21st*

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

*Tuesday, August 23rd*

- ◆ *Twin City*  
*Sensations*  
6:00 PM

*Wednesday, August 24th*

- ◆ *WOW Begins*  
3:30-5:00 PM
- ◆ *Choir Practice*  
5:30 PM

***Choir Practice***

*will be held each  
Wednesday night during  
August at 5:30 PM*

***Actual Attendance &  
2005 Attendance Goals  
8/14/05***

<i>Actual</i>	<i>Goal</i>
<i>Sunday School</i> 24	50
<i>Trinity Worship</i> 70	100

**Word On Wednesday:** Trinity will begin its 6th year of **WOW**, the after school Bible adventure for children ages 4 years through 6th grade on August 24th from 3:30 – 5:00 PM and continue through March 29th, 2006. For more information call the church office at 903-838-4594.

**Youth-Led Worship Service, Sunday, August 28th:** Make your plans now to attend the Worship Service led by the Youth.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Russ Richardson	Cristina Western	Jean Heilman
Clyde Johnson	Judy Fette	Nancy Reep
Sue Turner	Muriel Avery	Deane Mossier
Jo Marlowe	Frank Symonds	Paula Starling
Jerry Davis	Duane Haralson	

**SYMPATHY**

Trinity Presbyterian Church extends our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ahlberg, and family in the loss of their daughter-in-law, Jeanne Ahlberg, wife of their son, Michael, who passed away on July 26th, 2005, in Magee, MS

**HUNGRY, HOT & HOMELESS**

Helpers are needed to provide one more large salad for the Randy Sams Outreach Shelter for August 23rd. The Evangelism and Outreach Mission Team thanks you for all you do.

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

“School days, school days, good old golden rule days  
‘Readin’ and writin’ and ‘rithmetic  
‘Taught to the tune of a hickory stick....”. The younger ones may never have heard that song, but my grandmere used to wake me up for school singing that song. School did start this week and that means, of course, that WOW will begin Wednesday as well. Next week, I’ll tell you all about their first day at WOW.

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The children conspired against Rev. Russ again, but he finally coaxed them into saying “Good Morning” during the children’s sermon. They did a fine job acting out the dinner when Jesus was a guest at Mary, Martha, and Lazarus’ home.

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It was good to see Mr. Anderson back in the sound booth, but I understand he will be leaving for college this week. I’m sure he’ll have a great experience there. I’ll send him off with some words of wisdom from GrandMere: “ *Whatever the result may be, the one who sincerely tries with all the best efforts that he can input, will never be disappointed.*”

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My GrandMere was indeed a wise woman and I quote her a lot. Some of you may remember her as the first church mouse of Trinity. I remember her telling us about being carried in a cage across the street from the college when this church was finished and she was perched on the rafter above the cross during the first worship service in the sanctuary. Her stories about the people here are what brought me back to be your church mouse.

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*The Church Mouse*

- Sunday School Opportunities*  
9:45 AM
- ◇ *Bereans in room B-6 studying Faith Weavers*
- ◇ *Foundations in room B-7 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.*