

TRINITY TRUMPET

THANKFULNESS

The November issue of "Christianity Today" has an article by Ellen Vaughn that uses excerpts from her book, Radical Gratitude: Discovering Joy Through Everyday Thankfulness. In this book, she tells the story of the ten lepers, and writes, "Nine ran the wrong way. Only one ran for home base, where Jesus was." Only one thanked him. She writes about the process of ordinary day-to-day dependence on God and says, "We change most not in the great dramas of life, but in the small acts of submission that no one sees but him, like when we thank him in a hard circumstance, rather than railing, 'Why me?' ...Developing the meditative habit of constantly whispering thanks to him -no matter the situation- is, in fact, a mustard seed of life-changing power. Radical, for it goes to the root of who we are. Small, seemingly insignificant, yet it has the power to change our lives and blow our socks off, right in the midst of the everyday. When we really give God thanks in everything, we are acknowledging that he is sovereign and that we trust him. And we find it chants us." She tell of a family whose mantra is "Be the one". "Be the one who thanks Jesus....Be the one who is grateful."

A PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalm 100 (KJV)

- (1) Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.
- (2) Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
- (3) Know ye that the LORD he is GOD: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- (4) Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. be thankful unto him, and bless his name.
- (5) For the LORD is good, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

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

THE FINANCIAL CORNER  
FYI 2005

As of 9/30/05	Budget	Actual
INCOME	101,580.62	101,585.40
EXPENSE	101,580.62	113,466.85
NET	-0-	-11,881.45

THE SESSION OF TRINITY

Administration — Personnel  
Administration — Property  
Christian Education  
Evangelism and Outreach  
Fellowship

Finance  
World Missions  
Nominating  
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.

Rev. Russell A. Wilkins Moderator  
Russ Richardson, Moderator  
Tom Wright, Moderator, Tim Fette  
Leslie Western, Moderator, Niki Mizell  
Jean Crain & Suzy Davis, Co-Moderators  
B. R. Hughes & Lee Ann Hughes,  
Co-Moderators  
John Hamilton, Moderator  
Russell Wilkins, Moderator  
Russ Richardson, Moderator  
Jim Findley, Moderator  
Ginger Mann, Moderator, Orenne Niven

ADVENT WREATHS

The CE Ministry Team will provide the Wednesday fellowship program on November 30th. You will have the opportunity to make an Advent Wreath for your home. For \$5.00 you will be able to make a wreath of fresh greens and candles to take home and share the lights of the Advent season. There will be a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall so we can order supplies in advance. One wreath per family, please.

**Don't forget your pledge cards.** A copy of the proposed 2006 budget is now ready and will be available on the table outside the sanctuary. If you would like one mailed to you, please call the church office.

I hope everyone has had a great week so far, and has been enjoying all the sunshine we've received. With Thanksgiving approaching rapidly that can only mean one thing...it's just about time to get the Advent Tree for the sanctuary. I want to remind all the youth and any parents who may want to come that NEXT Sunday (Nov. 20th) after church is over we will be going with Jeff Addison once again to find and cut down the best looking tree to date. We will also have a cookout there and a great time of fellowship. If you have any questions, call me or email. God bless.

1 Timothy 4:12  
Dylan

TRINITY

**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**  
November 13, 2005  
**Jean Crain**

**Sunday November 13, 2005**

Fourth sermon in our six week series on "Salvation: It's All in Order"

This Sunday's Sermon "Adoption/Sonship"

**John 1:12-13, Romans 8:15-23, Ephesians 1:5**

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TRINITY

**This Week**

Sunday, November 13th

- ◆ Sunday School 9:45 AM
- ◆ Worship/Communion 11:00 AM
- ◆ Disaster Relief Offering

Monday, November 14th

- ◆ Ladies Morning Circle at the church 11:30 AM
- ◆ Merger Team Meeting 6:30 PM

Tuesday, November 15th

- ◆ Long Range Planning 2:30 PM
- ◆ Twin City Sensations 6:00 PM

Wednesday, November 16th

- ◆ WOW 3:30-5:00 PM
- ◆ Choir Practice 5:30 PM
- ◆ **Thanksgiving Dinner** 6:30 PM
- ◆ Youth Gathering 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 17th

- ◆ Cantata Practice 6:30-8:00 PM

**Actual Attendance & 2005 Attendance Goals 11/06/05**

	Actual	Goal
Sunday School	30	100
Worship	65	100

**Disaster Relief Offering:** We will be taking a special offering Sunday, November 13th to send to churches who continue to minister to those affected by the hurricanes.

**Ladies Morning Circle:** Will meet at the church at 11:30 AM Monday, November 14th. Hostesses are Margaret Turner and Kathryn Ivey.

**Wednesday, November 16th:** WOW at 3:30 PM, with choir practice starting at 5:30. Join us at 6:30 for our Thanksgiving Dinner!

**Merger Team Meeting:** Continue to pray for those who are meeting together from Trinity and Church of the Redeemer. They will meet Monday at 6:30 PM.

**Long Range Planning Meeting:** Tuesday, November 15th at 2:30 PM

**Annual Fall Snack Collection for College Students:** Please don't forget our college students during their exam times. Bring your snack items by November 20th, so we can send them a "survival" box, and let them know we are thinking of them.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

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|------------------|---|-----------------|
| Frances Phillips | Wayne Carmickle                           | Russ Richardson |
| Duane Haralson   | Cristina Western                          | Clyde Johnson   |
| Judy Fette       | Emily Smith                               | Sue Turner      |
| Deane Mossier    | Jo Marlowe                                | Frank Symonds   |
| Ted Moyer        | Edwin Day, grandson of Joanne & Terry Day |                 |

**NOTICE:** Session members and adult Sunday School Class members: Meet in the parlor Sunday, November 13, at 9:30 A.M. to participate in a survey.

It is time to order poinsettias to enhance our sanctuary during Advent. .

**POINSETTIA ORDER FORM**

Please fill in the information below. Each Poinsettia is \$7.50. Send or bring your order and payment to the church office.

**In Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Ordered** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Given by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(please print)

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

Say, have you heard anything about the bird that was flying around the fellowship hall a few weeks ago? Wonder if it found its way out?

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I heard lots of good comments Sunday morning about Mr. BR's sermon. He and Rev. Russ sure do like to watch movies —wonder if Mr. B.R. has ever watched "The Matrix", one of Rev. Russ' favorites. Miss Bobbye did a great job with the children's sermon, too. And, it's always a pleasure to hear Miss Julie sing. Boy, she really hit those high notes, didn't she? Shivers ran down my spine whenever I hear her sing!

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I was out of town last week and didn't return in time to get my letter to Miss LuAnn for the Trumpet so I didn't get to tell you about the Reformation Celebration. There wasn't a large crowd but those attending had a great time and many wore 16th century costumes. Hot dogs and chili were served for supper and Rev. Russ explained why the reformation is important to us, then the games began. The cake walk was the biggest hit of the evening, ubt bingo was close behind for the adults. Fishing was popular with the younger group, although they enjoyed the cake walk, too. Rev. Russ announced the costume winners and he commented the selection was very difficult. Thanks to Mr. Tim and Miss Judy for bringing their home made chili.

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Have ya noticed the WOW charts hanging in the hallway? Check them out sometime and see what progress the little ones are making in reading their Bible lessons, attending church and learning Bible versus.'

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Were those new fall flowers in the sanctuary Sunday? They are very pretty and are especially suitable for the season, even though the temperature outside doesn't reflect that it's Thanksgiving!

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Boy, oh boy, I really am tempted to get into those boxes of snack being collected for the college students! But, I know they will be studying hard for their tests and need the nourishment that candy and chips will give them. They'll know the folks at Trinity are thinking about them and wishing them well, too

*Sunday School Opportunities*

9:45 AM

- ◇ Bereans in room B-6 studying **Faith Weavers**
- ◇ Foundations in room B-7 studying, **"How To Grow In Christ"** led by Rev. Russell Wilkins
- ◇ 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.