

ATTENDANCE	Date	Worship	Sunday School
Last week	4/4/2010	284	140
Last year	4/5/2009	184	86

PRAYER LIST APRIL 11-17

HOSPITALIZED: Alice Scheferston, New York

RECUPERATING AT HOME: Dave Adams, Elizabeth Adams, Roger Duckett, Charlie Fisher, Faye Glessner, Rosalind Harkcom, Nancy Schrock, Helen Weigle, Doris Whipkey, George Wisler

RESIDING IN NURSING/PERSONAL CARE HOMES: Ray Adams, Trudy Baker, Florence Engleka, Isabelle Gonger, Ella Hittie, Catherine Maust, Louise Ream

PRAYERS REQUESTED: Jodi Abramowich, Janet Alvares, Jason Bailey, Ed Berkebile, LCpl. Bob Bittner, Brian Bittner, Cpl. Chad Bittner, SGT Bryan Brant, Cpt. Aaron Chonko, SSGT Anson Chonko, Charlotte Chonko & family, Cpl. Eric D'Carrion, 1st Lt. Robert Dickey, Deborah Dillon, Bob Ewing, Bill Farber, Ryan Ferre, Cpt. Brian Fisher, Elaine Franklin, David Fullard, CPO Carrie Gardner, SSG Aaron George, Alexis Gerber, SSGT Jason Gerber, Jean Gerber, Alexzandra Gonzales, Kathy Hay, SSG Ron Helm, Travis Hummel (USAF), Major Travis Ingrodi (Afghanistan), A.F., Gerald & Mary Johnson, Cpt. James Leister, Linda Leverknight, Andrea Moore, Rev. Clarence Moore, Grace O'Gara, Betty Cpt. John Paxton, Cpt. Cory Petro (Afghanistan), Chaplain George W. Shaffer, Private Nathan Shaffer, Matthew Spear, A1C Steven Spear, Kim Stayrook, Amy Svonavec

PRAYER LIST POLICY

If you or a member of your family are admitted to any hospital, please notify Pastor John or call the Church Office at 267-5014. Please also let us know when a family member or friend wishes to be removed from the prayer list.

We will keep names on the prayer list for one (1) month, unless we know the person is still ill because they are a member of our congregation or whoever put them on the prayer list calls to keep them on.

HOLY TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.

Sunday, April 11, 2010

Using "Great Hymns of the Faith" hymnal

CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***GREETING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God has given to all nations the repentance that leads to life. Let us come with repentant hearts to the God who makes all things new.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

we confess to you all the ways in which we dismiss the resurrection news. We are slow of heart to believe. We turn from others and retreat in fear. Come into our locked rooms and breathe into us your forgiving Spirit. Reawaken our trust and strengthen our hope, that we may be witnesses to your saving power. Amen.

Peace be with you, sisters and brothers. In baptism you have received a spirit of adoption; you are God's beloved children. In the name of

Christ your sins are forgiven. Rejoice, and welcome this freedom as a gift.

Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** 137 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CHILDREN’S SERMON (10:40 AM) Lee Woida

ANTHEM: Pastor John

FIRST LESSON: Acts 5:27–32 (p.709 in pew Bible; p.1572 in large-print Bible; p.1324 in Christmas edition)

PSALM 118:14–29 [Sung in Unison]

The LORD is my strength¹ and my song,
and has become¹ my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents¹ of the righteous:

"The right hand of the¹ LORD acts valiantly!

The right hand of the LORD¹ is exalted!

The right hand of the¹ LORD acts valiantly!"

I shall not¹ die, but live,

and declare the works¹ of the LORD.

The LORD indeed pun-¹ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o-¹ver to death.

Open for me the¹ gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks¹ to the LORD.

"This is the gate¹ of the LORD;

here the righ-¹teous may enter."

I give thanks to you, for you have¹ answered me

and you have become¹ my salvation.

The stone that the build-¹ers rejected
has become the chief¹ cornerstone.

By the LORD has¹ this been done;

	<u>Need Per Week</u>	<u>Received Last Week</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Current	\$2,579.35	\$2,827.50	4/4 - 284
Benevolence	\$322.43	\$323.50	3/28 - 167
Building	\$920.77	\$1,303.50	3/21 - 162

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY:	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday school
	10:40 AM	Worship
	2:00 PM	Cantata "Amazing Grace"
	6:15 PM	Youth bells
	7:00 PM	Uncommon Life
MONDAY:		Visitor deadline
	7:00 PM	Youth Planning Meeting
TUESDAY:	9:00 AM	Quilters & Knotters
	7:00 PM	Church Council
WEDNESDAY:	6:30 PM	Senior Choir
	7:30 PM	Joyful Noise practice
SATURDAY:	9:00 AM	Confirmation Class
SUNDAY:	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday school
	10:40 AM	Worship and First Communion
	12:00 PM	Youth luncheon and game day
	6:15 PM	Youth bells
	7:00 PM	Uncommon Life Tie Dye Event

ceived after that date may be held for the summer edition of the newsletter.

- The Youth Planning Committee meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, April 12.
- Joyful Noise band practice will resume on April 14.
- Next Sunday we will celebrate First Communion at the 10:40 a.m. service. We ask you to join us as members of our youth partake in the Blessed Sacrament for the first time.
- The next Confirmation class will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 17.
- After the 10:40 a.m. service April 18 we will hold a youth luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. After the meal board and other table games will be played.
- The Church Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, April 24. Almost anything in good condition may be donated, and the funds from the sale will benefit our youth programs. Items can be dropped off at the church basement entrance. Berlin C.A.R.E.S. will also hold a bake sale that day; a sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board, and baked items can be donated and dropped off the morning of April 24.
- Sign up by May 9 for discipline workshops with Focus on the Family beginning 7 p.m. June 4, 7 p.m. For more information, call Jeff Moore at 267-5703.
- There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for spring cleaning -- both workers and those needing work done. For more information, call Jeff Moore at 267-5703.
- A Creation 2010 coordination meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 16, at the church. For more information, call Jeff Moore at 267-5703.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

USHERS: 8:00 AM Cindy Gavel and Judy Maust
10:40 AM Chuck & Thelma Robb

LECTOR: 8:00 AM Barbara Pyle
10:40 AM Sue Clites

ACOLYTE: 8:00 AM Turner Paul
10:40 AM Emil Kiesnowski

NURSERY: 10:40 AM David & Mary Ann Marker

it is marvelous¹ in our eyes.
This is the day that the¹ LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be¹ glad in it.
Hosanna!¹ O LORD, save us!
We pray to you, LORD, pros-¹per our days!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name¹ of the LORD;
we bless you from the house¹ of the LORD.
The LORD is God and has giv-¹en us light.
Form a procession with branches up to the corners¹ of the altar.
You are my God, and¹ I will thank you;
you are my God, and I¹ will exalt you.
Give thanks to the LORD, for the¹ LORD is good;
God's mercy en-¹dures forever.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 1:4-8 (p.796 in pew Bible; p.1785 in large-print Bible; p.1505 in Christmas edition)

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31 (p.664 in pew Bible; p.1559 in large-print Bible; p.1314 in Christmas edition)

SERMON: "Inviting Persuasion"

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** 225 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the Third Day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the Living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING & MUSICAL OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** (*inside cover of hymnal*)

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***PRAYERS**

Rejoicing in the glory of the resurrection dawn, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

O God of life, we pray for the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, and especially for all the newly baptized. By your Spirit, empower us to be witnesses to the empty tomb. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for rainforests and deserts, mountains and tundra, rivers and grasslands, and all creatures that call this planet home. Breathe healing on our earth. Lord, in your mercy,

We pray for all the nations, especially those torn by violence and oppression. Send wisdom to all state and local leaders. Teach peace to our war-weary world. Lord, in your mercy,

We pray for the homeless and hungry, the sick and the dying, the abused and the neglected. Comfort all who suffer, and calm our fears. Lord, in your mercy,

We pray for our community and our congregation, the old and the young. Renew us this Easter season, and send us out to be bread for a hungry world. Lord, in your mercy,

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks for all the saints who have gone before us (*especially*) and who taught us to believe. Lord, in your mercy,

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from

evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***COMMISSION & BLESSING**

The God of life, who raised Jesus from the dead, who sends forth the Spirit to renew the face of the earth, be merciful to you and + bless you, now and forever.

Amen.

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

***CLOSING HYMN: 132 "He Lives"**

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS, PSALM AND GOSPEL

Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Robert C. Burk and Jean Burk by Norman & Carol Croner.
- The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Geneva McVicker and family.
- Our sympathies to the families and friends of Mabel Brady (Shirley Adams' mother) and Edward Baker (grandfather of Krista Spear, Jennifer and Ilicia Long), who died and were buried last week. We pray these families will experience the shepherding hand of God as he leads them past the valley of the shadow of death and guides them to find the green pastures of hope and the still waters of peace.
- Thank you to everyone who has donated to Holy Trinity's Steeple Fund. As of April 4 we have collected \$36,949.40. Because we are now depositing all donations into our Money Market account, please make donations separate from your regular contributions. Checks can still be made out to Holy Trinity.
- Holy Trinity's Senior Choir will present the Easter cantata *Amazing Grace* at 2 p.m. today, April 11.
- The deadline for next month's Visitor is Monday, April 12. Information re-