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Special Dates

- **Winter schedule:** Beginning Jan. 4, worship will be held at 10:40 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. The 8 a.m. service will return in March.
- **Communion** will be held Sunday, Jan. 4, at 10:40 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- **Church Office** will be closed Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1, 2009.
- **ALPHA** course on "Jesus of Nazareth" begins 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22
- **Confirmation** Class will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 in the Fellowship Hall.

Holy Trinity to hold Christmas Cantata

A Christmas Cantata will be held at Holy Trinity at 10:40 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4.

Because of this musical production, it was decided by council to cancel the 8 a.m. service on Dec. 28 to encourage everyone to attend this special event.

The cantata, entitled "Born To You This Day," and created by



Christmas Cantata

Dennis and Nan Allen, encourages you to make it personal this Christmas! Jesus was promised to the nation

of Israel and born to save all of humankind, but have you ever reflected on the fact that He was born for you as an individual? This musical will draw you close to God through the angels' messages told so long ago to Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the wise men—reminding us that God did want this news to be personal. Jesus was born to you!

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How to Reach Us:

Church: (814) 267-4795
 Church Office: (814) 267-5014
 Parsonage: (814) 267-6255

Souper Bowl of Caring begins in January

This January we will again be competing in our annual "Souper Bowl" Competition.

The four quarters of the competition will be the four Sundays in January. Food items should be taken to the basement entrance. Monetary donations should be placed in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Souper Bowl" (any checks should be made payable to HTLC).

One point will be awarded for each item donated and two points for

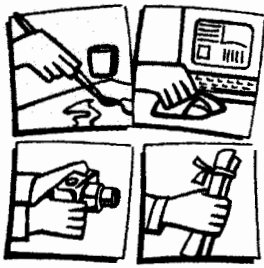


every dollar donated to the Food Pantry. The winners will be the churches with the most points.

Our local food pantry continues to grow.

The food pantry is serving many families from the Berlin and Shanksville school districts. We have a great group of volunteers that truly enjoy the fel-

lowship at the food pantry. Nonperishable food, paper supplies, toiletries and monetary donations are always welcome.



A NEW YEAR & NEW OPPORTUNITIES

As we turn the page on the big Christmas rush, we rake a natural pause in life's rhythms, in the parish worship life we still have our Christmas decorations to enjoy and we'll be able to enjoy it's music longer with a special performance and brief worship at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, for those who did not get a chance to hear it on Dec. 28 at 10:40 a.m., or simply want to hear it again. This will be a special treat. This special performance will be opened to the entire community.

Our worship life will be together for January and February with one service at 10:40 a.m. Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m., and fellowship time will begin at 9 a.m.

On Sunday, Jan. 4, during our 10:40 a.m. communion service, we will bless and commission our Mission Trip Group for their trip to the Dominican Republic. They will leave on Jan. 10 and return Jan. 17. During the trip they will meet children we sponsor through Compassion International and help with the construction of a new dining hall for Summer's Best 2 Weeks' camp. This camp is to serve orphaned



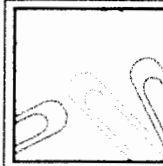
From the Pastor

or abandoned children in the Dominican Republic and will teach morals, the Bible, social skills, pride, athletic competition and family values with the approval of their government. We expect to hear many inspiring faith stories when our Mission Group gets back.

I am pleased to report that through November our attendance and giving here held steady with last year. Attendance is currently averaging 146 with weekly ups and down, and giving to all causes is just over \$165,000. We thank you for your faithfulness in worship and financial offerings. We hope December attendance and Christmas offerings will further support our many ministries. All financial gifts for 2008 must be received by Sunday, Dec. 28.

As I have completed just over four years of ministry with you and now 32 years in the ordained pastorate, I give thanks for the opportunities we have had to work together to spread the name of Jesus. I look forward to many more.

Pastor John W. Harmon, D. Min., can be reached at the Church Office at 267-5014. He can also be emailed at htelc@verizon.net.



FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Andrea Kreinbrook
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Church Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 2008, and Jan. 1, 2009, for the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays. Announcements for the Dec. 28 bulletin must be turned in by Tuesday, Dec. 23; information for the Jan. 4 bulletin must be turned in no later than Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Visitor Deadline

Please have all your information for February issue of the Visitor turned in no later than Monday, Jan. 12. Information received after that date may be held until March 2009 issue.

Offering Envelopes

If you haven't been able to pick up your offering envelopes (located on the back tables in the Sunday School area of the church), let us know and we can arrange delivery. Let us know if you weren't able to find your envelopes, too, and we'll correct that as soon as possible.

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New Alpha course focuses on 'Jesus of Nazareth'

The next Alpha presentation will be the theatrical movie and TV miniseries *Jesus of Nazareth*, which will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday evenings from Jan. 22 to April 16.

The movie stars Robert Powell as Jesus and includes Anne Bancroft, Ernest Borgnine, James Farentino, James Earl Jones, Stacy Keach, James Mason, Sir Laurence Olivier, Donald Pleasance, Christopher Plummer, Anthony Quinn, Fernando Rey, Rod Stieger, Peter Ustinov and Michael York. Although it sounds like a Hollywood blockbuster, it is not. The movie was the creation of famed director Franco Zeffirelli and was based on the biblical guidance of noted scholars, including Dr. Bruce Metzger, our most recent Alpha presenter on *Revelations*.

During the course of the Alpha presentation on *Jesus of Nazareth*, we will look at the birth, life, death, resurrection and impact of the Son of God. The movie was shot on location in Tunisia and Morocco, which today bears a close resemblance to first-century Palestine. Zeffirelli sought to achieve not only a high degree of historical accuracy, but also in the period setting details that distinguish this presentation from previous Hollywood versions. *Christianity Today* wrote in its review of the film that it is "the first film of Jesus that spurned grandiosity for the quiet adherence to the word and the spirit of the New Testament."

The Alpha offering will open with a brief introduction to the



Alpha

evening's viewing, followed by a 30-minute video segment. Biblical background and passages will then be presented along with opportunity for questions and discussion. As with all Alpha offerings, there is no cost, but there will be opportunity to obtain a low-cost introduction to the life of Jesus at cost to be used for reflecting and to support the impact of the film. If you cannot make all of the evenings, please consider coming for those

you can. Invite your friends.

The schedule follows. In the event of an evening cancellation due to bad snow or ice, two evenings will be presented together.

Jan. 22: The Annunciation

Jan. 29: The Nativity

Feb. 5: Jesus' childhood and John the Baptist

Feb. 12: Beginning of Jesus' Ministry

Feb. 19: Jesus' Ministry Expands

Feb. 26: The Middle Years of Ministry

March 5: Who do you say that I am?

March 12: Easter week begins

March 26: The Opposition Grows

April 2: The Trial

April 9: No class -- Maundy Thursday

April 16: The Crucifixion and Resurrection

To register for the class, please call the Church Office at 267, 5014, or email us at htelc@verizon.net.



Thank you to everyone who contributed musically to our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

There will be no music rehearsals Dec. 24 or 31. Our Joyful Noise band will not meet again until Jan. 14, 2009.

Our regular music schedule is as follows: Senior Choir meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays; Adult Bells meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 8 p.m.; Joyful Noise meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 8 p.m.; and Youth of God Bells meets at 6:15 p.m. Sundays.

For any information about our music ministry at Holy Trinity, please contact our Music Director Maria Mowry at (814) 445-6742, or you can e-mail her at maria_htelcmusic@verizon.net

Birthdays - January

- 1 Marie Bender, Jim Black, McKenna Broderick, Missy Miller
- 2 George Walker, Robert Bittner
- 3 Saige Boyce, Matthew Hainsworth
- 4 Joseph Bonus, Colleen Maust
- 5 Cameron Bell, Ray Engleka, Lee Hoffman
- 6 Sheree Blubaugh, Dwight Maust
- 7 Joy Gardner
- 8 Daria Kiesnowski, Krista Spear, Rebecca Woida
- 10 Dave Countryman, Mildred Countryman
- 11 Betsy Stern
- 12 Lauren Lapinski, Edie Shipley
- 13 Bryan Schrock
- 14 Linda Leverknight, Carline Mitchell
- 15 Breanna Fisher, Korina Kralik
- 16 William Baker, Carolyn LaBute, Violet Zorn
- 17 Leanne Heiple, Judy Little
- 18 Adam Barton, Max Dull, Winona Farber, Katie Fisher
- 19 Debbie Custer, Melissa Suder
- 20 Troy Glotfelty, Don Noakes, Rocky Ohler
- 21 Emily Farber, Natoli Farber, Tracy Schrock, Scott Woida
- 22 Robert Glessner, Cliff Horner
- 23 Scott Marker, Leah Kreinbrook, Pastor John Harmon, Wendy Morgan, Bill Shipley

Birthdays &*Anniversaries*

- 24 Brett Bittner
- 25 Mary Borg, Wesley Coleman, Patricia Smiley, Zack Vena
- 26 Jackie Bowman
- 27 Lindsay Ohler, Gerald Johnson
- 28 Bonnie Beeman, Landon Hoppert, Turner Paul
- 29 Eric Berkey, Rodney Crites
- 30 Josana Baraniak
- 31 Jennifer Gardner

Anniversaries - January

- 1 Dave & Trudy Baker
- 20 Brian & Selina Critchfield
- 21 Dave & Linda Countryman
- 25 Jim & Lynn Suder
- 28 Norman & Carol Croner

Additions/Corrections

If you have any additions or corrections, please call the Church Office at 267-5014.

Prayer List

As of December 15, 2008

HOSPITALIZED: Dot Dilling, Somerset; Florence Engleka, Conemaugh

RECUPERATING AT HOME: Gary Barton, Joyce Beachley, Gene Blubaugh, Charles Dunn, Faye Glessner, Rosalind Harkcom, Dwayne Hittie, Sara Gross, Carol Leydig, Dave Meese, Geneva McVicker, Clyde Miller, William Mothersbaugh, Dale Mowry, Esther Mowry, Irene Mowry, Hayley Oakes, Alice Scheferston, Tracey Schrock, Edie Shipley, Pat Smiley, DeVon Walker, George Wisler

RESIDING IN NURSING/PERSONAL CARE HOMES: Ray Adams, Guy Baer, Trudy Baker, Marie Bender, Ferne Brant, Isabelle Gonger, Ella Hittie, Lee Hoppert, Catherine Maust, Louise Ream, Jane Schrock, Betty Smith

PRAYERS REQUESTED: Ann, Jodi Abramowich, Janet Alvares, LCpl. Rev. Bartholomew, LCpl. Bob Bittner, Cpl. Chad Bittner, SGT Bryan Brant, SGT Allen Brick, Nettie Brown, Jo & Bob Cawthern, Edna Mae Chappie, Lt. Aaron Chonko, Charlotte Chonko, Richard Cober, SSGT Wesley Coleman, Amy Cook, Beth Conn, Ernie Devine, Deborah Dilbon, Marlyn Drummond, Elaine, Bob Ewing, Bill Farber, SSG Ryan Ferre, Elaine Franklin, Floyd Fritz, David Fullard, AE 2 Carrie Gardner, SSG Aaron George, SSG Jason Gerber, Jean Gerber, Marsha Grossman, SSG Ron Helm, Arron Hersh, Travis Hummel (USAF), Wanda & Eric Leer, Cpt. James Leister, Matthew Leydig, Cpl. Matthew Maust, SSGT Ben Meese, Maria Mowry, Hayley Oakes, Kim Oriole, Betty Petro, Cpt. John Paxton, Nathan Richards, James Ryan, Fred Scheferston, Buster & Dorothy Schrock, Chaplain George W. Shaffer, Private Nathan Shaffer, Dick Sines, Matthew Spear, Josh & Heather Sprowls, Wanda, Judy & Barry Warren, Frank & Peggy Woida, Carol Wright, 25th Infantry Div., 1st SBCT

News in our Congregation

BIRTH: Emma Grace Lowery, the daughter of Chad & Shannon Lowery, was born Dec. 3, 2008.

WEDDING: Chad Lowery and Shannon Taylor were married Sept. 14, 2008; Ashley Pribelsky and Randy Ohler were married

Nov. 18, 2008.

If you or a loved one has had a milestone lately, please let us know by calling the Church Office at 267-5014 or emailing us at htelc@verizon.net.



Office Hours
 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
 Monday - Thursday

- Office 267-5014
- Church 267-4795
- Parsonage 267-6255

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Event Key AB = Adult Bells HTLCB= Church Band SC = Senior Choir UL= Uncommon Life Youth Ministry YOGB = Youth of God Bells		Worship Key W= Worship C = Communion SS = Sunday School Contact us online at htlc@verizon.net www.htlcberlin.com		1	2	3	
9:30 AM - SS 4 10:40 AM - C 4 PM - C 6:15 - YOGB 7 PM - UL 7 PM Christmas Cantata		5 6 PM Brownies 7 PM -Cub Scout Pack Committee	6 Epiphany Needlepoint, Quilters and Knotty Knotters 7:30 PM - Property Use	7 6:30 PM -SC 8 PM - AB	8	9	10
Baptism of our Lord 11 9:30 AM - SS 10:40 AM - W 6:15 - YOGB 7 PM - UL		12 Visitor Info Due	13 Needlepoint, Quilters and Knotty Knotters 7 PM Council	14 6:30 PM -SC 8 PM - HTLCB	15	16	17
9:30 AM - SS 18 10:40 AM - W 6:15 - YOGB 7 PM - UL		Martin Luther King Jr. Day 19	20 Needlepoint, Quilters and Knotty Knotters 6:30 Council & Staff Dinner	21 6:30 PM -SC 8 PM - AB	22 7 PM - ALPHA course begins	23	24 9 AM - Confirmation Class 2 PM - Baby shower
9:30 AM - SS 25 10:40 AM - W Snow Tubing at Hidden Valley - TBA 6:15 - YOGB		26	27 Needlepoint, Quilters and Knotty Knotters	28 6:30 PM -SC 8 PM - HTLCB	29 7 PM - ALPHA	30	31

Mission Trip Group Report

Compiled by Lorrie Shaw

18 persons attending - need \$18,000

Plus Hotel Room 5 rooms/2 nights \$1,400

Total Needed \$19,400

Minus money raised - \$17,779.60

Minus \$1,600 from Shaina & Devin - \$1,600

Total funds above what is needed \$18.60

We are traveling to and from Pittsburgh together and may be using the Berlin Church Van and another vehicle for transportation with drivers being Denise Leydig and possibly Scott Shaw. At this time we are planning two nights in Santo Domingo, as we are arriving in Santo Domingo at 11 p.m. and feel it is not safe to be traveling 40 miles out of the tourist area at night. Also, at this time, we are uncertain if the bus transporting us to the camp will be available to bring us back and forth from Sunday to Monday as we are meeting with our Compassion Youth on Monday in Santo Domingo. Since there will not be work for us on Sunday at the camp, we are staying in Santo Domingo and sightseeing that day. After meeting with our youth on Monday, we will be traveling to the camp to start our work for them.

Fund-raisers

We still have a pizza/hoagie fundraiser and the craft booth.

Hoagies and pizzas will be made Saturday, Dec. 13 starting at 7:30 a.m. All persons traveling to Dominican Republic should be there to help make them.

Missions Report



Many people have given towards our fundraisers and are not listed individually such as the Crusaders SS Class. They purchased and served 2 of our luncheons. For all those who have donated or helped in any way, it is greatly appreciated.

Insurance - Each traveler should check with their insurance carriers to let them know they are going out of the US. Also, the council is checking with their insurance carrier about a rider on their policy since it is a church function.

We have purchased trip insurance from CSA Travel Protection

Travel

Must be at Pittsburgh Airport at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10
Flight: US AIR Flight #1463 Pittsburgh to Philadelphia leaving Pittsburgh airport at 3:30 p.m. Arrival to Philadelphia is 4:41 p.m. Leaving Philadelphia airport: Flight 1065 at 6 p.m. Arrival to Santo Domingo at 10:50 p.m.

(When we arrive in Santo Domingo we have to purchase an identification card for \$10, we have to turn it in when we leave. Do not lose this.)

Hotel: Quality Hotel, Santo Domingo Jan. 10 & 11

We will be bused approximately 40 miles on Monday, Jan. 12, to camp grounds in Monte Plata, Dominican Republic - c/o Pastor Juan Ramon Prensa - Escuela Hogar, Duarte 51, Monte Plata, Dominican Republic

Carry on luggage: You are allowed one carry-on bag and one personal item. Personal items include a purse, briefcase, laptop or diaper bag. Carry-on size requirements. Up to 51 inches-11x14x26 inches or 28x35x66 cm

There is a baggage embargo during our flight time. Excess, oversized, or overweight bags and all boxes are not permitted during this time. Excess baggage embargo applies to all southbound flights only. Checked baggage - first bag if under 50 lbs is charged \$15, 51-70 lbs is charged \$65.

All youth traveling need a permission slip from the church and a notarized letter stating that they are under the guardianship of a traveling adult and that guardian has permission to make medical decisions for the youth.

**Council Minutes
November 11, 2008**

Prayer/Devotions: Pastor Harmon. Meeting called to order by Rocky Ohler.

A motion was made by Mike Countryman, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and passed to approve the minutes.

A motion was made by Shirley Largent, seconded by Lenora Virtue and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

A request from the American Cancer Society Daffodil Committee for the use of our fellowship hall was approved; further details will be obtained.

Sacristy Renovation: Kimmel Cabinets completed the final measurements and ordered the cabinets to be installed in January.

A motion was made by Darlene Hillegass, seconded by Jim Mowry and passed to approve the donation of \$250 to the Berlin Fire Department annual fund drive.

A motion was made by Mike Countryman, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and passed to approve the transfer of funds to higher interest CD with the ELCA Mission Investment Fund with the total investment of 39,000. The term will be 18 months at 4.22%. A \$20,000, \$10,000 and \$9,000 CD will be opened. Our current CD was for 1.1%.

A motion was made by Mike Countryman, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and approved to present the 2009 Budget to the congregation at the Annual Congregational Meeting. There is a 3% increase in salaries across



the board.

A motion was made by Darlene Hillegass, seconded by Mike Countryman and passed to approve the Verizon telephone long distance and internet package at \$79.99/month. We will save \$46.50/month.

Church Council nominees are: Lee Woida, Brian Waydo, Kathy Bell, and Nita Swank. We are still looking for a youth representative. Board of Directors: Rocky Ohler. Delegates: Charlie and Joyce Dunn and Lee Woida.

A motion was made by Darlene Hillegass, seconded by Jim Mowry and passed to approve to re-instate Bob and Gwen Mays as members. Their membership had lapsed due to moving out of the area. We welcome them back.

A correction was made to the motion to purchase robes for the Pastor with the money to come

from the Memorial Fund was redirected to the Restricted Funds.

December 28th Pastor Harmon will be away, we will have a Christmas Hymn Sunday.

A motion was made by Jim Mowry, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and passed to adjourn.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer and the Sharing of the Peace.

**Faithfully submitted,
Tracey Kiesnowski**

**Offering Statements
Arriving Soon**



In January all contributing members will receive a statement of their annual contributions to Holy Trinity.

Please review the statement when you receive it; if you find any discrepancies, please call the Church Office so we may make any necessary corrections.

If you have questions, concerns, suggestions, or anything else regarding our church, please contact your council representatives (below). They welcome your input! Our suggestion box is located at the rear of the church, if you'd prefer that.

Kathy Bell	267-4095	Jay Berkey	267-3517
Mike Countryman	267-3426	Darlene Hillegass	267-4433
Shirley Largent	267-4255	David Long	279-3014
Dave Marker	634-8563	Jim Mowry	443-3770
Rocky Ohler	267-6137	Jim Suder	267-4825
Nita Swank	267-6839	Brian Waydo	267-4348
Lee Woida	267-4420	Youth Representative:	

Altar flowers, bulletins may be donated

Altar or chancel flowers may be donated in memory of a departed loved one, in honor of someone or to recognize a special milestone. The suggested donation for flowers is \$22.

While Louise Ream is cooperating, our church contact is Tracey Kiesnowski, and she can be contacted at (814) 267-7118 to order flowers.

Sunday bulletins may also be donated in someone's memory or honor. The suggested



donation is \$20. If interested, please call the Church Office at 267-5014.



Have you started to consider what your New Year's Resolution will be? If not, please consider providing the gift of companionship to terminally ill patients and their families. There is no time requirement and FREE training is available in the areas of Companion Volunteer, Music Outreach, and Vigil Volunteer.

Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator Rachel Eardley at Asera Care Hospice for more information at 1-866-921-1710.

HTLC Fellowship Hall Policies

If you would like to use the Fellowship Hall for an event like a dinner, shower or party, please call the Church Office at 267-5014 to be placed on the schedule. There is no set fee, but donations will be accepted.

Members may borrow the **old** tables from the Fellowship Hall, which are stored in the back of the church basement. If you would like to use these tables, you must first call Sherry Noakes at 267-5165 .

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the members of our staff team here at Sequanota I am happy to write this letter of thanks for your recent gift. Your contribution will assist Sequanota in many ways, especially as we prepare for the upcoming summer camping season. Please keep the Sequanota ministry at a special place in your daily prayer life. In Christ's service, Pastor George Mason, Interim-Executive Director.

Dear Church Members: Thank you for your congregation's gift



for counseling in Somerset. We are sincerely grateful for your generosity and support of the services we provide. Sincerely, Pat Savage, President/CEO ALSM

Thank You notes may be sent to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 507 Main St., Berlin, PA 15530.

Ed's nieces: Paula Tirpak, Lisa LaBute, Karen Harris and Doris Wadsworth

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C. Eileen Zeplin

Memorial Donations may be sent to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 507 Main Street, Berlin, PA 15530. Please include your name and address with the donation, along with the name of the person for whom you are donating and the fund in which you want it placed.



Endowment Fund

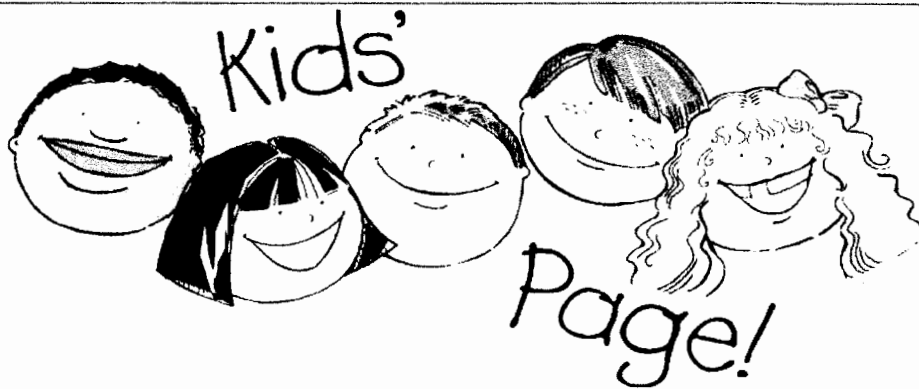
In Memory of Paul E. Pritts

Debra Fogle

Shirley Zimmerman

Building Fund

In Memory of Edward LaBute



Greetings,

We just had a wonderful morning baking cookies with our youth. Tomorrow we deliver them to Meadowview and enjoy a time of caroling and worship with the residents there, led by Lee Woida. This is an extremely busy time of year, isn't it? Hope your Holy day season was blessed, and filled with many grand memories. There are times I wish everyday could be like Christmas. Yet, really, they are. I think we are the ones that allow the joy and enthusiasm present during the Christmas season to fade away as our lives go on. Heavenly Father, fill us with your joy, as we move on into this winter season!!

As you read this, some of our high school youth should be packing for the Dominican Republic mission trip. I 'blame' them for this, as they were the ones that really came up with the idea!! Pray for us!

January 25 will find us, the Holy Trinity youth, with the Uncommon Life group, at Hidden Valley, snow tubing. This is a great outing for all the young at heart. Watch the bulletin for details.

Our next youth meeting will be held February 7th, 6:30 at



FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR

the church. We will hopefully be planning an abundance of 'stuff' to have our youth get to know their creator.

February 13th, 6pm, pizza and family movie night. Watch your bulletin

Our confirmation bible study continues. We will be through Leviticus and at Numbers 27:23, the January date is set for Saturday, the 24th, if you have any questions, e-mail me, I now actually check my e-mail!! Jeffmoore_htelcyouth@verizon.net

Creation 2009, a Christian music and ministry festival, Mt Union, Pa is June 24-27. It does involve 'roughing-it?!' I would love to get A GROUP TO GO!

In addition, grease up you bikes, petal kind that is, I think we need to hit the bike trails this summer.

I have in my possession, at the moment, "Essentials of Discipline," what's ok, what's not, and what works. A focus on the family; Your Child Seminar

One interesting thing I found is when you buy anything; it comes with directions, sometimes not very clear, but directions. Where are the directions for our children? Maybe this seminar can give some direction. I would like to schedule something in February or March. I need feedback!

We are checking out an event to be held Sat. April 4, 2009, in Pittsburgh, with Youth Specialties, on Bible Study with youth, designed for all youth workers. Also, there is a Youth Leader Conference at Messiah College, March 28th, '09. Stay tuned.

Uncommon Life will be meeting 7-8:30pm, Sunday evenings, January 4th, 11th, and 18th .

In Christ's service,
Jeff Moore

Uncommon Life Current Events

30 Hour Famine for Compassion International

From noon Sunday, Dec. 28, until 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29, the New Teens and Senor YG (6th grade and older) will participate in this fast to raise money to be used to buy mosquito netting for children in Africa. Youth ask people to make a financial pledge to support them in their efforts.

Youth Hoagie Sale

Orders will be taken in January until Sunday, Jan. 25. The youth group will make them at the church and deliver the hoagies on Saturday, Jan. 31. Youth will receive order forms in January.

Questions? Call Youth Pastor Thomas Sprowls at 267-3863.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



If you are unable to help with worship on the day you are assigned, please find someone to trade dates with, then call the Church Office at 267-5014 to let us know about the change.

Thanks!

*C = Communion

Head Usher: Dave Marker

Altar Guild: Larry & Sandy Shober

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTE	CHILDREN'S SERMON	LECTOR/ WORSHIP ASST.	USHER
Jan. 4 *C	10:40 AM	*C Emily Philip	Jeff Moore	*C Kerrie Broderick	*C Chip Landis, Calvin Pyle and Carey Brant
	4 PM	NA	NA	NA	*C Dave Marker
	7 PM	Rachel Harmon	NA - Christmas Cantata	NA - Christmas Cantata	Larry & Sandy Shober and Deb Cook
Jan. 11	10:40 AM	Trevor Moore	Maria Mowry	Carolyn Rastrelli	Linda Leverknight and Keith Kimmel
Jan. 18	10:40 AM	Jason Ocker	Lee Woida	Christine Blubaugh	Nita Swank and Lee Woida
Jan. 25	10:40 AM	Sara Ferguson	Susan Straight	Esther Mowry	Jean Ferguson and Joy Deem