



# The Visitor



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## Special Dates

- **Communion** will be held Sunday, March 2, at 10:40 a.m. and 4 p.m.; Maundy Thursday, March 20, at 7 p.m.; and Easter Sunday, March 23, at 6 and 10:40 a.m.
- **Daylight Savings** Time will begin at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 9.
- **Compassion** Sunday will be held March 9 (article on Page 3).
- **Youth Bowling** will be held at midnight Saturday, March 29, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 30.

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## Holy Trinity returns to regular worship hours

After two months on our winter worship schedule, Holy Trinity will resume its regular worship schedule on Sunday, March 2.

Worship will be held



at 8 a.m. and 10:40 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. We will also hold communion at 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of the month.

## Holy Week, Easter schedule set

Holy Week at Holy Trinity will begin with our Palm Sunday services at 8 and 10:40 a.m. March 16.



Holy Trinity will have communion at our Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. March 20. We will recall the Last Supper and Jesus' commandment to his disciples that we love one another, just as He has loved us.

On the evening of Good Friday, March 21, we will hold our Tenebrae

service at 7 p.m. Meaning "shadows" in Latin, the Tenebrae service began in the early years of Christianity and recreates the darkness those who knew and loved Jesus must have felt that night.

On Easter morning we will celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with our annual Sunrise Service at 6 a.m., followed by breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Our Sunday School students will hold their Easter program at 9:30 a.m., which precedes our 10:40 a.m. service.



## Community Lenten Services conclude

The churches of the Berlin Ministerium will participate in a rotating offering of Lenten services together. Services will begin each week at 7 p.m. at the host church and will conclude with the hour.

Then, at Berlin



Brethren Church at noon on Good Friday, March 21, we will

gather together at Berlin Brethren Church for remembrance of the day Jesus died.

The schedule of Lenten services for the community appears below:

Feb. 27 - Trinity

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## As winter ends, life goes on behind the scenes

Well, the winter's been with us for a while and it looks like it might hold on for a few more weeks. But spring and Easter are just around the corner. Snow and ice give way

to flowers and life. And even in the midst of winter life goes on hidden and behind the scenes.

The youth committee which has grown considerably, is working hard on the creation and filling of the proposed youth position (see the article on Page 9). Property Use meets diligently to see to our church plant and its physical needs and continues work on the steeple renovation project, church ceiling replacement, handicap accessibility and other needs. The new Council is pursuing several options including the possibility of a stewardship program in the spring (which would be the first effort in a long time). We continue to study needs and possibilities for a revamped confirmation program and how that might relate to a youth director position.



From the Pastor

But the biggest church of energy and time goes to our congregation-wide retreat on April 4 and 5. Registrations have started

to come in and we would love to have you join us. We are seeking representation across the board of segments of congregational life to help us focus our mission for the years ahead. We have a skilled outside constituent to lead us and we anticipate very fruitful discussions. We will grow individually and as a congregation by our joint efforts. If you haven't sent in your registration yet, please do so now. Make your voice heard.

To prepare for the retreat, participants are asked to read the book of Acts. There are also additional reading materials available in the church library. For more information, please contact Pastor John, Doug Bell or Larry Shober.

**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](mailto:htelc@verizon.net).



Andrea Kreinbrook  
267-5014  
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### Church Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed Monday, March 24, for the Easter holiday.

### Visitor Deadline

Please have all your information for the March issue of *The Visitor* turned in no later than Monday, March 10. Information received after that date may be held until the May 2008 issue.

### Join our Team!

We are still seeking members to join Holy Trinity's team to participate in the 2008 Daily American Challenge. I am once again the team captain and hope to recruit an even bigger team than last year.

The 5K/10K walk/run will be held June 14, and the Fitness Challenge runs through May 3. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board; Fitness Challenge information can be picked up at the Church Office. For more information, call me at 267-5014.

## Ongoing Events at Holy Trinity

### New Alpha Program

"Jesus, The New Way" -- a six-part Bible study by Tom Wright -- will start Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m. Please call the Church Office to register.

### Adult Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study meets the first Sunday of the month at 7 p.m., and the Men's Bible Study meets the second

Sunday of the month.

### Men's Fellowship Breakfast

On the second Saturday of the month at 8 a.m. Holy Trinity hosts the men's breakfast fellowship. We will gather for a hearty breakfast followed by a short devotional time devoted to prayer and strengthening our devotional life.

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## Board of Managers reorganize for 2008

**Submitted by  
Ron Yoder, Chairman**

The Board of Managers of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund held their reorganization meeting on Jan. 16.

Officers elected for 2008 are as follows: Ron Yoder, chairman; Kirk Dull, treasurer; and Wayne Schrock, secretary.

It was decided to give the church council a check for \$3,111.49 for earnings in the second half of 2007. The year

end totals for 2007 are as follows:

Total assets: \$119,610.47

Offerings: \$ 980.62

Net earnings given to church in 2007: \$6,068.61

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Managers is at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 24 at Luther Haus. If anyone has questions for the board, please contact one of the officers or members John Beachley II or Dave Long.

## Compassion Sunday set for April 13

“Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed. Rescue the weak and needy.” (Psalm 82:3-4) God instructs us to care for the poor throughout all of Scripture. And unfortunately innocent children are the hardest hit by poverty and have the fewest resources available to change their circumstances. Nearly 28,000 children younger than 5 die each day, mainly from preventable causes. More than



400 million children have no

access to safe drinking water. At least 120 million children are homeless. Would you like to make a difference in the life of a child who lives in poverty?

April 13 has been designated as Compassion Sunday at Holy Trinity. Compassion International was founded in 1952 and

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**Dear Members,**

Thanks for your continued support of our musical ministry.



I hope that this Easter season we all take time to remember the wonderful thing that God did for all of us by sending his son to die for us.

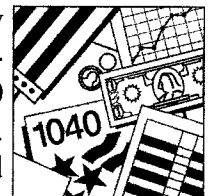
Although we are not doing a cantata, the Senior Choir will be doing a special number for Easter morning and anyone interested can come to practice at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. Also, after Lent and Easter, practice will be moved back to 6:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

**Maria Mowry  
445-6742**

## Tax aid for seniors

Tax aid for seniors will be provided at Holy Trinity's Fellowship Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 6, 20 and April 3.



This service is provided by the AARP and the Somerset County Area Agency on Aging. Volunteers will be on hand to aid people with their tax returns.

Please call 443-2681 to reserve an appointment time.

## Lenten Services

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U.C.C.

March 5 - Holy Trinity

March 12 - Trinity U.C.C.

Good Friday, March 19 --  
Berlin Brethren



### Endowment Fund

### Memorial Fund

#### **In Memory of John O. Ream:**

Frank & Ruth Ream

Marie Countryman

David & Linda Countryman

#### **In Memory of Emma Carver:**

Doris Jean Caton

#### **In Memory Of Marie Moore:**

Ray & Sue McKenzie

The neighbors: The Friedlines,

The Tarkers and The Englekas

#### **In Memory of James Scurfield:**

Dwight & Marjorie Maust

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.

## Birthdays - March

- 1 Mary Landis, Tina Stahl
- 2 Robert Kuhlman
- 3 Gerry Blubaugh, Pamela Crider, Cassey DeBiase, James Gindlesperger, Susan Straight
- 4 Susan Ferguson, Ryan Philip
- 5 Lana Clemens, Michael Countryman
- 6 Logan Webreck
- 7 James Broderick, Braden Durst
- 8 James Ferguson
- 9 Ryan Gardner, Julie Courtney
- 10 Elizabeth Adams, Rachel Custer, Jonathan Harmon
- 12 Samuel Marker, Amy Yost
- 13 Trudy Baker, Donna Brick, Kathleen Hoffman, Doran Walker
- 14 Brian Berkey, Doug Bittner, Norman Croner, Sara Gross, Dwayne Hittie, John Maust, Michele Shuey
- 15 Eric Blubaugh, Paul Bonus Jr.
- 17 Scott Etris, Jeanne Myers
- 18 Ciara Konhaus, Andrea Holland
- 19 Yzabella Bonus
- 20 Jeff Paul
- 21 Dorothy Brant
- 22 Blake Baraniak, Madison Marker, Larry Shoher
- 24 Nathan Barkley, Melissa Hainsworth, Ilicia Long
- 25 Hope Carpenter, Stephanie



- Noakes
- 26 Grace Weisenberger
  - 27 Derek Hummel
  - 28 Emily Moore, Vincent Pribelsky
  - 29 Molly Baker, Linda Croner, Joy Deem, John Landis, Misty Lowery
  - 30 Joshua Berkey, Candace Croner, Susan Walker
  - 31 Patricia Kelley, Thomas Yost

## Weddings - March

- 7 Lynn & Lori Hoppert
- 10 Dennis & Melissa Hainsworth
- 14 Jim & Jean Ferguson
- 16 Don & Joy Gardner, David & Tanya Berkey
- 19 Tim & Jacqueline Stauffer
- 24 Ed & Violet Zorn
- 28 Dwayne & Marian Hittie
- 30 Tom & Dorothy Gerber

## Additions/Corrections

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

## Prayer List

*As of February 14, 2008*

**HOSPITALIZED:** Alice Scheferston, New York; Dorothy Bittner, Cone-maugh; Ferne Schrock, Cone-maugh; Guy Baer, Meyersdale; Dwayne Hittie, Allegheny General

### RECUPERATING AT HOME:

Nicholas Alvares, Burton Baker, Marie Bender, Gene Blubaugh, Tim Clites, Florence Engleka, Katie Fisher, Don Gardner, Faye Glessner, Sara Gross, Rosalind Harkcom, Ed LaBute, Mary Meyers, Esther Mowry, Everett Nicklow, Lindsay Ohler, Mary Pritts, Edie Shipley, George Wisler, Robert Zorn

### RESIDING IN NURSING/PERSONAL CARE HOMES:

Trudy Baker, Joyce Beachley, Ferne Brant, Isabelle Gonger, Ella Hittie, Lee Hoppert, Kit Kuhlman, Catherine Maust, Jane Schrock, Patricia Smiley, Betty Smith

### PRAYERS REQUESTED:

Ann, Janet Alvares, LCpl. Michael Ashbrook, Barry Benning, Jody Berkey, LCpl. Chad Bittner, SGT Allen Brick, Dr. Bob Brown, Nettie Brown, Ben & Betty Chaney, Lt. Aaron Chonko, Charlotte Chonko, Richard Cober, Ashley Coddington, SSGT Elmer Contreras, Deborah Dilbon, Derek, Leo Emerick, Richie Engleka, Bill Farber, SSG Ryan Ferre, Elaine Franklin, David Fullard, Gage, AE 2 Carrie Gardner, SSG Jason Gerber, Jean Gerber, Justin, Hannah, Hunter & Nicolas Gerber, SSG Ron Helm, Travis Hummel (USAF), Travis Ingridi (Afghanistan), John, Mary Lou Krohn, Wanda & Eric Leer, 1st Lt. James Leister, Matthew Leydig, Cpl. Matthew Maust, Faye Maust, SSGT Ben Meese, Esther Mowry, Maria Mowry, Kim Oriole, Paula, Betty Petro, Roy & Jean Pletcher, Sandy Richards, Fred Scheferston, Chaplain George W. Shaffer, Pvt. Nathan Shaffer, Jacob Slingluff, Holly Smith, Patty Spangler, Matthew Spear, Patsy Titus, Frank Woida, Scott Woida (127 MP Co.), Carol Wright, Kathy Yarris, Phil Zimmerman

## News in our Congregation

**DEATH:** Our sympathies to the families of Warren Maust, Marie Moore and Mary Zorn, who passed away recently.

If you or a loved one has had a mile-



stone lately (birth, wedding, graduation, etc.) please let us know by calling the Church Office at 267-5014 or e-mailing us at [htelc@verizon.net](mailto:htelc@verizon.net).



**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

<b>Event Key</b> AB = Adult Bells      HTLCB= Church Band MBS = Men's Bible Study SC = Senior Choir UL= Uncommon Life WBS = Women's Bible Study			<b>Worship Key</b> W= Worship SS = Sunday School C = Communion				
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Easter <b>23</b> 6 AM - Sunrise Service Breakfast 9:30 AM - SS 10:40 AM - C	24 <b>24</b>  Church Office Closed	Quilters and Knotty Knotters <b>25</b>	26 <b>26</b>  6:30 PM -SC 8 PM - AB	27 <b>27</b>	28 <b>28</b>	29 <b>29</b>  Midnight Bowling for Youth	
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## Council Minutes January 8, 2008

Present: Pastor Harmon, Lenora Virtue, Shirley Largent, Jay Berkey, Rocky Ohler, Dave Marker, David Long, Darlene Hillegass, Mike Countryman, Jim Suder, Lisa Froehlich, Tracey Kiesnowski

Prayer/Devotions: Pastor Harmon

Meeting called to order by Pastor Harmon.

Minutes approved as presented.

A motion was made by Jim Suder, seconded by Shirley Largent and passed to approve the treasurer's report.

### Election of Council Officers

A motion was made by Darlene Hillegass to nominate Rocky Ohler Chairman, motion closed by Shirley Largent, seconded by Tracey Kiesnowski and passed to elect Rocky Ohler Council Chairman. A motion was made by Rocky Ohler to nominate Mike Countryman Vice Chairman, motion closed by Dave Marker, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and passed to elect Mike Countryman Council Vice Chairman. A motion was made by Dave Marker to nominate Tracey Kiesnowski Secretary, motion closed by David



Long, seconded by Mike Countryman and passed to elect Tracey Kiesnowski Council Secretary.

### Executive Committee Officers

A motion was made by Mike Countryman, seconded by Darlene Hillegass and passed to elect Dave Marker and Shirley Largent Executive Committee Officers along with the Council Officers.

### Old Business

A count was obtained for the Council/Staff Dinner January 15th at 6:30 p.m.

### New Business

A motion was made by Dave Marker, seconded by Jim Suder and passed to approve Pastor Harmon, Rocky Ohler, David Long, and Tracey Kiesnowski to co-sign checks.

### Committees

Jay Berkey – Property  
Dave Marker – Finance  
Mike Countryman – Youth

David Long – Property  
Darlene Hillegass – Deacons  
Rocky Ohler – Finance  
Jim Suder – Deacons  
Lisa Froehlich – Youth  
Tracey Kiesnowski – Youth  
Shirley Largent – Publicity

### Head Ushers

January – Dave Marker  
February – Tracey Kiesnowski  
March – Alice Hummel  
April – David Long  
May – Jim Suder  
June – Lisa Froehlich  
July – Lenora Virtue  
August – Shirley Largent  
September – Jay Berkey  
October – Mike Countryman  
November – Rocky Ohler  
December – Jim Mowry

### Pastor's Time

The Renewal Retreat will be held at the Christ Lutheran Church in LaVale, Md. The retreat will begin Friday April 4 with dinner at 6 p.m. and conclude around 9:30 p.m. Saturday April 5 will begin at 9 a.m. with breakfast and end the day with dinner. Hotel reservations are being looked into.

The publicity report submitted by Andrea Kreinbrook was reviewed.

The Berlin Food Pantry sent a letter stating the cancellation of the "Souper Bowl" competition due to the outstanding support they received throughout the year.

A motion was made by Mike Countryman, seconded by David Long and passed to adjourn.

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

**Faithfully submitted,  
Tracey Kiesnowski**

**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.**

Jay Berkey 267-3517  
Darlene Hillegass 267-4433  
Tracey Kiesnowski 267-7118  
David Long 279-3014  
Jim Mowry 443-3770  
Jim Suder 267-4825  
Youth Representative: Lisa Froehlich

Mike Countryman 267-3426  
Alice Hummel 267-4977  
Shirley Largent 267-4255  
Dave Marker 634-8563  
Rocky Ohler 267-6137  
Lenora Virtue 267-6486

Knotty Knotters: Thank you so much for the quilts. They are very nice. The residents are enjoying them. God bless you all. Dee Maust, staff and residents of Golden Living Center, Meyersdale

Dear Jolly Quilters and Knotty Knotters: Thanks so much for the generous check and the lovely decorated trunk. We'll use the check for special stuff and the trunk will remind us of your caring thoughts. Pastor John, Katharine, Rachel and Jonathan

I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way with my mother's funeral and also for serving a wonderful meal, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for the use of the church, Pastor Harmon for the visits at Meadow View doing the service and singing. Thanks for all the food, phone calls, cards and concerns over the past year. You are wonderful church family. In Christian Love, Carol Dickey & Family

Thank you so much for the beautiful lap robes and walker carriers. They're great. By using the walker carriers we can always have our glasses, tissues, newspaper, etc., right within our reach. The lap throws are a great delight on these cold winter days. Again, thank you and thanks for thinking of us. Come and visit anytime you can. God Bless You, Rest Assured Residents

To the Knotty Knotters: Thank you ever so much. I gratefully



## Thank You

appreciate every stitch and knot you put in the blanket to keep me warm at nights. Thank you for your thoughtfulness. May God bless each and every one of you. Bob Sarver and Family

Holy Trinity: I would like to thank you and tell you I really appreciate your help in time of need of fuel! It's nice to have people that care. God Bless You, Barbara Mishler and Family.

Dear Knotty Knotters: On behalf of the Meyersdale Lions Club, we would like to thank you for the beautiful lap quilts! The residents of our nursing home were just thrilled with the beautiful array of quilts. There were such an assortment of color and quilts. Everyone was able to pick a quilt with their favorite color! We certainly appreciate your willingness to assist us with this project. Sincerely, Sharon Clapper and Sharon Ackerman

Holy Trinity: Don and I would like to thank you all for the beautiful quilt. We appreciate it very much and the nice verse written with it. We appreciate it very much. God Bless you all, Don & Elaine Miller

Holy Trinity: Our family would

like to express our appreciation and gratitude for your support and thoughtfulness in our time of need. The quilt was a beautiful and thoughtful donation and has been put to good use. Thank you so very much. Dan, Sally & Gwen Yutzky

Dear Church Family, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for the generous Christmas gifts sent to the residents at Laurel View Village. Through your kindness we were able to give every resident in our Health Care Center and Personal Care Center a Christmas gift. They were touched by the thoughtful hands and hearts who provided these gifts. You have helped us make their holidays special. Your thoughtfulness has re-kindled the Holy Spirit that is in all of us. Sincerely, Christina Gorschak, Activities Supervisor

Dear Friends: I wish to extend a big thank you for the monies that were recently given to Troop 135. This contribution towards the window replacement costs has been tremendously appreciated. The Scout Hall has housed many boys busy working towards numerous achievements in the past few years resulting in many worthwhile fun times shared. These activities will continue on into the future. I certainly appreciate your generosity. Yours in Scouting, Cindy S. Mazanowski, Troop Treasurer

Thank You notes may be sent to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 507 Main St., Berlin, PA 15530, or they can be sent by e-mail to [htelc@verizon.net](mailto:htelc@verizon.net).

**Dear Members, family, friends and neighbors,**

In January we had eight of our hometown military in the war zone. Right now we only have five. That's a good thing, but it's still five too many.

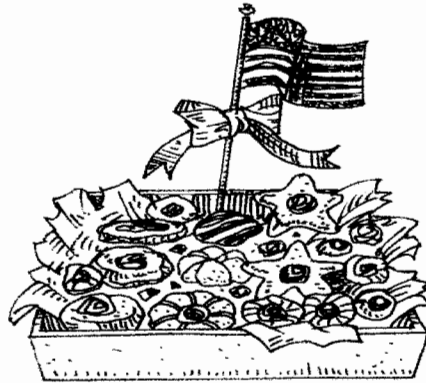
We sent their Valentine boxes on February 9. In March we'll be making Easter baskets and bags. Some of the things we'll need are Easter grass, plastic eggs, jelly beans, small Easter toys and any other Easter candy. If you can donate any of these things please drop them off at the Church Office. We also need white crew socks to put in their boxes.

I want to thank every who has donated to our cause so far. We have several people in our congregation who give almost every month. Thank you, thank you thank you! It means so much to know we can count on certain donors. God bless you.

We also need tin cans to send cookies and chips, so if you have any, we would gladly take them off your hands.

Also, remember all of our mili-

**Berlin**



**C.A.R.E.S.**

tary in your prayers. They sacrifice so much for all of us every day.

We're sending our next boxes March 15. So please have your donations to us by then. You can also make a money donation to help us buy things and pay for postage.

Before I forget, I also want to thank the elementary Sunday School classes for making the great snowmen to send to our troops. They were really special.

God bless all of you and your families,

**Peace and Love,  
Dorothy Gerber  
Berlin C.A.R.E.S.**

**Compassion Sunday**

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since then has touched the lives of more than 1 million children through the ministry of child sponsorship. Today the ministry is working in 24 developing countries around the world in Africa, Middle America, South America, and Asia. Compassion links caring individuals with children living in poverty. Through one-to-one sponsorship, a child is embraced in love and given the opportunity to escape the cycle of poverty and step into a future filled with hope. The sponsorship is a \$32 per month commitment that offers nutrition, health care, education, and shelter (if needed) to an individual child. Sponsorship provides a personal connection through letter writing, prayer and regular updates with the child. You may choose the child you wish to sponsor and you have the opportunity to watch the child grow and develop.

We would ask you to prayerfully consider sponsoring a child on April 13. The experience has been fulfilling to the Holy Trinity members who already sponsor children. It is a wonderful opportunity for individuals or families to reach out and make a difference for a small child with desperate needs. God has blessed us so richly – let's reach out and bless someone else in thankfulness.

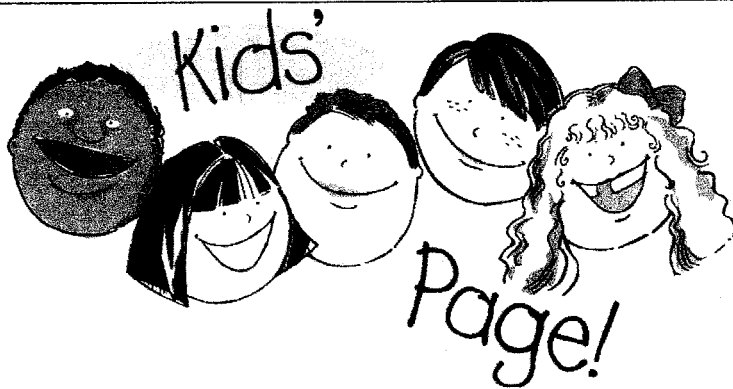
"...whoever is kind to the needy honors God." (Proverbs 14:31)

**LETTERS  
FROM OUR  
SOLDIERS**



Holy Trinity,  
I wanted to thank everyone at Holy Trinity for all their thoughts and prayers since I've been deployed. A special thank

you to Berlin C.A.R.E.S. All the guys are glad to see the care packages arrive. Thank you,  
Cpl. Matthew Maust  
Al Taqaddum, Iraq



you who aren't night owls, we will also bowl Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m. The \$1 games for kids still applies.

Our youth will hold a Rummage Sale from



9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 26. Proceeds will benefit Compassion International. If you have any items you would like to donate, please contact Lorrie Shaw at 267-6541 for information.

The next youth planning meeting will be held March 1 at 6 p.m.

## HTLC Seeking Youth Director

The Youth Committee is seeking information from anyone in the parish interested in applying for a proposed position as youth director. This is designed presently as a part-time position which could certainly revolve around other employment but would clearly involve substantial time and energies on Sunday and at other times mutually agreed upon by the director, the Pastor and the Youth Committee.

The focus is on youth in our parish and community 20 and under and their families. This proposed director would work with the Pastor, Youth Committee, our joint youth ministry with Berlin Brethren in Uncommon Life, and others to develop a greater youth presence in our church community.

We expect that it will involve a substantial investment of time initially to be followed by a mere regular part time schedule. We hope to fill the proposed position by May 2008. Anyone interested should contact Mike Countryman, Lorrie Shaw or Pastor John as soon as possible.

## First Communion

First Communion this year is scheduled for Sunday, April 20 at the 10:40 service. All 5th graders and older middle school youth who may have missed training are invited to attend. Classes for communion will be offered Wednesdays, April 2, 9, and 16 at 5 p.m. in the parlor. To register, please call Pastor John at 267-5014.

### Youth Ministry

Uncommon Life will continue to meet at 7 p.m. Sunday nights.

### Kids' Egg Hunt



Our Easter Egg hunt will be held during Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. on March 16.

### First Bibles

On Easter Sunday, March 23, nine of our third grade students will receive their first Bible from the John Fletcher Fund. Those receiving Bibles will be: Michael Alvares, Devan Broderick, Morgan Broderick, Natoli Farber, Jacob Fisher, Maeve Kreinbrook, Jacob Ott, Marisa Schrock and Logan Walker.



### Youth Bowling

Midnight Bowling will be held March 29 at Terrace Lanes in Somerset. Youth pay only \$1 per game. Bring along extra money for refreshments. Adults will pay full price.



For those of

## Youth Bells



Youth of God Bells, including kids in grades 1 and up, continue to meet at 6:15 p.m. Sunday nights.

If you haven't tried the bells yet, join us and see if you like it. For more information, call Lorrie Shaw at 267-6541.

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REQUESTED**



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 9.  
Make sure to move your clock one hour ahead the  
night before to get to church at the right time!

**WORSHIP  
ASSISTANTS**

If you are unable to help with worship on the day you are assigned, please try to find someone to trade dates with, or call the Church Office at 267-5014 to let us know you need a replacement. Thanks!

\*C = Communion

Head Usher: Alice Hummel Altar Guild: Jay & Joy Deem

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTE	CHILDREN'S SERMON	LECTOR/ WORSHIP ASST.	USHER
	8:00 AM	*C Madalyn Walker	NA	*C Kay Ann Cober	*C Jim Suder Team
	10:40 AM	*C Caitlin LaBute	Susan Ferguson	*C Andrea Kreinbrook	*C John Beachley II Team
	4 PM	NA	NA	NA	*C
	7 PM	Brianna Leydig	NA	NA	Jay & Joy Deem
	8:00 AM	Ryan Philip	NA	Stephanie Landis	Lynn & Lori Hoppert
	10:40 AM	Josh Riley	Dorothy Gerber	Shirley Adams	Ron & Kathy Yoder
	8:00 AM	Emily Philip	NA	Barbara Pyle	Scott and Lorrie Shaw
	10:40 AM	Kylie Froehlich	Maria Mowry	Joyce Meese	Doug & Kathy Bell
	7 PM	*C Lindsey Leydig	NA	*C Deb Cook	*C Jay & Emily Berkey
	7 PM	Logan McKenzie	NA	Katie Bell	Chuck & Thelma Robb
	6:00 AM	*C Mitchell Walker	NA	*C Dave Meese	*C Doran & Sue Walker and George & Susan Walker
	10:40 AM	*C Sara Ferguson	Pastor John	*C Connie Slope	*C Dale Leydig Team
	8:00 AM	Katie Vena	NA	Carey Brant	John & Elaine Landis
	10:40 AM	Marah Riley	Jeff Moore	Dorothy Gerber	Wayne & Nancy Schrock