

# What's Happening at Trinity

May 1 **PostScripts** Deadline — June Issue  
 May 2 Youth Sunday  
 May 2 Girl Scout Troop  
 May 2 Youth Group (weekly)  
 May 3 Sew 'N Sews Mondays (weekly)  
 May 3 Weekday School Creative Movement Classes  
 May 3 Worship Committee  
 May 4 Sew 'N Sews Tuesdays (weekly)  
 May 4 Weekday School Creative Movement Classes  
 May 4 Staff Meeting (weekly)  
 May 4 Weekday School PoppySeed Theatre  
 May 4 South Mecklenburg COM Cluster  
 May 4 Celebration of Social Workers 2010 (set-up)  
 May 4 Al-Anon (weekly)  
 May 5 Wednesday Morning Devotions (weekly)  
 May 5 Celebration of Social Workers 2010  
 May 5 Take Off Pounds Sensibly (weekly)  
 May 5 Wednesday Class (weekly)  
 May 5 Adult Choir (weekly)  
 May 6 Shepherd's Center  
 May 6 Thursday Class (weekly)  
 May 6 Midday Prayer Service (weekly)  
 May 6 Mercy School of Nursing Graduation Rehearsal  
 May 6 Bridge (weekly)  
 May 6 Shepherd's Center  
 May 6 Girl Scouts  
 May 6 Weight Watchers (weekly)  
 May 6 Learn with Laughter (weekly)  
 May 6 Presbyterian Women  
 May 7 Mercy School of Nursing Graduation  
 May 7 Co-Dependents Anonymous (weekly)  
 May 9 Presentation of Confirmands  
 May 9 Presentation of Bibles to Fifth Graders  
 May 9 RAIN Team  
 May 9 Children's Choir  
 May 10 Myers Park IB Testing  
 May 10 Men's Breakfast  
 May 10 Weekday School Music Classes  
 May 10 Study Group I  
 May 10 Weekday School Committee  
 May 11 Myers Park IB Testing  
 May 11 Weekday School Music Classes  
 May 11 Shepherd's Center  
 May 11 Stewardship and Finance Committee  
 May 11 Trinity Book Club  
 May 12 Myers Park IB Testing  
 May 12 Weekday School Play Spanish Classes  
 May 12 Charlotte Latin Alumnae  
 May 12 Buildings and Grounds Committee  
 May 12 Christian Education Committee  
 May 13 Shepherd's Center  
 May 14 Adult Spring Social  
 May 15 American Association of University Women  
 May 16 Senior Recognition Sunday  
 May 16 End of the Year Sunday School Church Picnic  
 May 16 Girl Scout Silver Award Ceremony  
 May 16 Stated Session  
 May 17 Myers Park IB Testing  
 May 17 Weekday School My Gym Classes  
 May 17 Weekday School Staff Meeting  
 May 17 BOB Rehearsal

May 18 Presbytery of Charlotte Meeting  
 Bethpage Church  
 May 18 Myer's Park IB Testing  
 May 18 Weekday School My Gym Classes  
 May 18 Mecklenburg Education Book Club  
 May 18 Investment Club  
 May 18 BOB Concert  
 May 19 Myer's Park IB Testing  
 May 19 Weekday School Parent Support Team  
 May 19 American Needlepoint Guild  
 May 20 Myer's Park IB Testing  
 May 20 Weekday School Parent Support Team  
 May 20 Weekday School Chapel  
 May 20 Girl Scouts  
 May 21 Myer's Park IB Testing  
 May 21 Weekday School Chapel  
 May 23 Pentecost, Communion  
 May 24 Mecklenburg Historical Association  
 May 25 Shepherd's Center  
 May 26 Weekday School Last Day and Picnic  
 May 26 Care Corps  
 May 26 Embroiderers' Guild  
 May 27 Weekday School Teacher Workday  
 May 28 Weekday School Teacher Workday  
 May 30 Trinity Sunday

## Marriages

John Richards and Leigh McDonald March 13  
 Daughter of Augusta McDonald

## New Members

James Robert Riggins, Jr. (Bobby) and March 28  
 Lee Ann S. Riggins (Lee Ann)  
 6709 Benningwood Drive  
 Charlotte, NC 28270-2830  
 704-817-9389

## Congratulations

Selected to Class of Forty Under Forty in the  
*Charlotte Business Journal*:  
 Josh Durham  
 Katherine Lambert  
 Matt Smith

## Church Triumphant

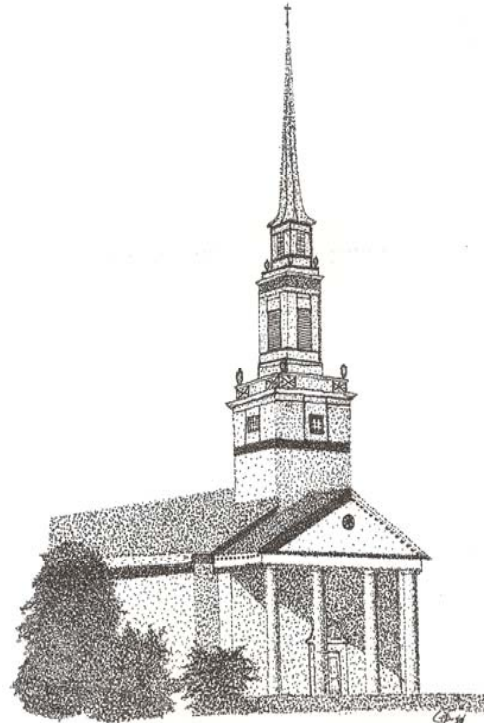
Jason B. Deyton, Jr. (Jay) March 28  
 Father of Jason B. Deyton, III

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

As of March 31, 2010:  
 Year to Date Receipts: \$ 154,653  
 Year to Date Expenses: \$ 238,245  
 Year to Date Deficit: \$( 83,592)

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## THE STAFF OF TRINITY

The Reverend Baron A. Mullis, Associate Pastor  
 The Reverend DC Horne, Minister of Congregational Life  
 Jane Bostian Arant, Minister of Music  
 Becky Purnell, Office Manager  
 Cheryl Jernigan, Financial Secretary  
 Dave Arrowsmith, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds  
 Juanita Gooding, Housekeeper  
 Nancy Pate, Weekday School Director  
 Anne Daniels, Weekday School Administrative Assistant

## TRINITY SESSION

John Baber, Moderator  
 The Reverend Baron A. Mullis, Associate Pastor  
 President of the Corporation, Katherine Lambert  
 Lynette Neel, Clerk

### Class of 2010

Doug Bradley  
 Mildred Davenport  
 Noël Humphreys  
 Katherine Lambert  
 Lynette Neel  
 Reta R. Phifer  
 Susanne Reid  
 Ron Twitty

### Class of 2011

Brian Field  
 Suzanne Hair  
 Melanie Hood  
 Rick Hutchins  
 Earl Porter  
 Peggy Savas  
 Matt Smith  
 Gary Sugg

### Class of 2012

Phil Blount  
 Doug Etheridge  
 May Johnston  
 Ammie Jordan  
 Marsha Nardone  
 Jeff O'Keefe  
 Dick Opdyke  
 Cookie Parnell

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## Worship at Trinity

**Sundays: 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School**  
**11:00 a.m. - Worship Service**  
**Wednesdays: 7:45 a.m. - Devotions**



## SESSION ADMINISTRATIVE ROSTER FOR 2010

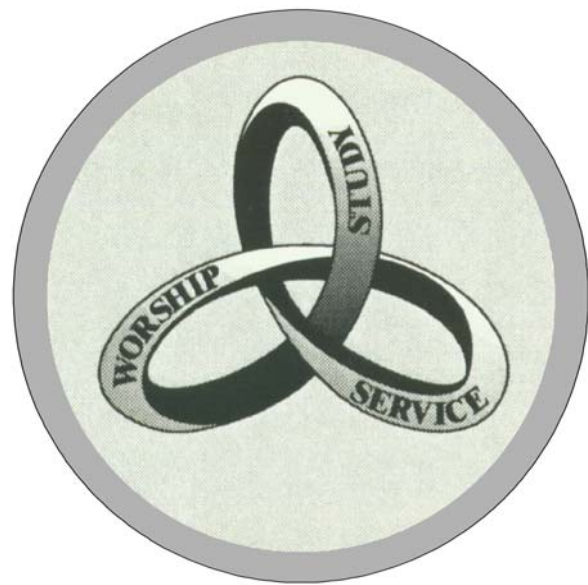
<u>CLERK</u>	Lynette Neel
<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>
Buildings and Grounds	Doug Bradley
Christian Education	Reta Phifer
Congregational Care	Peggy Savas
Congregational Life	Earl Porter
Events	Suzanne Hair
Membership	Doug Etheridge
Mission and Outreach	Gary Sugg
Personnel	Brian Field
Stewardship and Finance	Matt Smith
Weekday School	Melanie Hood
Worship	Ron Twitty
Youth	Katherine Lambert

## Publication Deadlines

**Sunday Bulletin/Church Notes: Wednesdays at Noon**  
**Newsletter - PostScripts and Website - 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month**

## Office Hours

**Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**  
**Friday: 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.**



# PostScripts

Volume IX, Issue 4/May 2010

## Beneath the Spire...

Dear Trinity Friends,

With temperatures in the 90's you can bet we are on track to experience fully our Vacation Bible Camp for 2010 entitled, "Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace". Our time is set for **June 21-24** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Make no mistake that the Fellowship Hall will be transformed into an Egyptian marketplace of sorts as we gather those children ages 4 years old (or those who have completed a 3 year old preschool class) to our rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders and even those who are older but still want to participate during the week as helpers.

What will we be studying? The Joseph stories of Genesis that begin in Genesis Chapter 37. Some stories may be familiar and others not so familiar. Parents and children are encouraged to begin reading these stories now to prepare themselves. Each day there will be certain Bible points to memorize if possible. We will be operating with daily themes that highlight God's gifts to us (HOPE, GIFTS, WISDOM, and FAMILIES).

Our Vacation Bible Camp will be co-directed by Michelle Payne and Patrice Pickett. As always we are looking for assistance from congregation members and Trinity Weekday School families to volunteer time and share their gifts and talents, be it on-site help through the week with recreation, group leaders, nursery workers, drama enthusiasts, decorations or something different for this year. Whether during the actual week itself or behind the scenes we are counting on this wonderful week of Christian education and fellowship being a church-wide event and not just for folks with children in these age ranges. If you would like to volunteer please give Michelle Payne an email at [mfpayne@att.net](mailto:mfpayne@att.net) or call her at 704-364-5135 and she will be happy to answer your questions and direct you to the right place. Registration fliers for the event are included in this issue of *PostScripts* and are also available outside DC Horne's office. Families in the Weekday School will have the opportunity to enroll beginning May 3 with registration closing on May 26.

Blessings to you as you make plans to live out the Easter Good News in a variety of ways and may you find the peace that passes all understanding.

Blessings,  
DC Horne



### TEACHER APPRECIATION

Teacher Appreciation Week was held March 29-April 1 and was a smashing success! Teachers were treated to breakfast each day by parent volunteers and also received flowers, cards and drawings from their very appreciative students throughout the week. A luncheon at Red Rocks was held and gift bags were presented to each teacher to cap off a fun week!

We are very lucky to have so many wonderful teachers and a dedicated administrative staff in Nancy Pate and Anne Daniels! It is amazing with all that comes with a regular school year AND summer camp that Nancy and Anne can get it all done with just the two of them! Trinity's teachers truly touch lives and shape minds and have helped the Weekday School earn such a fantastic reputation in the community—some teachers have been at the school for over 10 years! Thank you to all!!

### REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER SESSION . . . .

There are still several spots available for Trinity's Summer Camp program! The summer program is open to children ranging in age from rising Two's to rising first-graders. This year, camp will be held on the following days:

June 1-3  
June 8-10  
June 15-17  
June 29-July 1

Camp hours will be the same as regular Weekday School hours, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. There will be no carpool line. Registration has been ongoing since March 18 and is first come, first serve, as space is limited. As with all Weekday School registration, priority will be given to church members. Cost for registration is \$20.00 and weekly tuition is \$65.00. Hurry and get your application in and get ready for some summer fun with your favorite Trinity teachers and friends!

### . . . . AND FALL 2010!

We are excited to have several new class offerings including a Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

three year-old class and a Monday-Friday three year-old class. Information on the Weekday School, class offerings, availability and tuition rates are available from Nancy ([npate@trinitypreschurch.org](mailto:npate@trinitypreschurch.org)) or Anne ([adaniels@trinitypreschurch.org](mailto:adaniels@trinitypreschurch.org)) or by calling 704-366-3556.

We are excited for both the summer session and the new school year to begin and would love to have you and your child join our Weekday School family!

### Congratulations to Baron Mullis on the completion of his Doctor of Ministry!

We asked Baron to tell us about the program and the journey he began in 2004. The following is his response.

*The name of the program was "Doctor of Ministry," or D.Min. It differs from a Ph.D. in that its primary function is not to create academicians but to continue pastoral training at a doctoral level of study. The Princeton D.Min. was unique in its emphasis upon what it called a binocular focus: considering the problems of ministry from two vantage points: theology and social/behavioral analysis. The requirements were basically divided into three parts, the Seminars, the individual study project and the final project. The seminars take place in the first three years and they were my residency requirement - these were the summers where I spent a month in Princeton. The content of these seminars were very much designed as "case-study" learning, much like an MBA. The Individual Study Project, which was developed by me in conjunction with my advisors, was done in the third year in preparation for the final project. My ISP was particularly concerned with supplementing my knowledge of the magisterial theologians and sociological analysis of giving. I think I read about 50 different books during this year and wrote reflections on how they shaped my operating theology. The "Final Project" is qualitative research concluding in the dissertation. My research was on attitudes toward giving, and my dissertation was entitled, What Do They Believe About Giving: an analysis of the self-identified practices and beliefs of members of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC. For this I did interviews with 13 members of the congregation purposefully selected to be representative and analyzed the problems of finances that have been part of Trinity's existence from an early time.*

Thank you, Baron, for all your hard work. We'll look forward to learning more about your research and how we can learn and grow from it!

# Liturgical Arts Day Camp

July 26—30, 2010

Did you know that the span of the long jump that won Olympic gold for Carl Lewis at the Atlanta games in 1996 is equal to the length of the shorter pews (beside the columns) in the nave of Trinity? The vivid image of that comparison was among many items of information that the boys and girls who attended Trinity's first Liturgical Arts Day Camp (held in the summer of 1996) learned about our worship space. In the intervening years, students at the camp took part in archaeological "digs" one year and another year constructed a geometrically accurate labyrinth on the floor of the Fellowship Hall using paper "bricks" to form the pathways. On a field trip to a neighboring church, they heard architect Bonson Hobson tell about how he designed it and at another church they heard David Hipp describe his work in redesigning its interior. They have learned from Rosanne Brandt how to cut foliage on Trinity's grounds to build the Advent wreath, had direction from Sarah Henry in producing their own medieval mystery play (complete with flying birds), made block prints carved from linoleum tiles under the supervision of Betty McLaney, and learned from Baron Mullis how to write their own names in Hebrew.

Every one of the camp's 14 sessions has brought a group of twelve bright and energetic elementary students together for a set of unique experiences. This summer, the fifteenth version of the camp will explore the ways artists, poets, and dramatists have used their talents to retell, through their artistic gifts, the stories of scripture. A visiting professional calligrapher will join a poet and a dramatist to lead the students in making their own contributions to these forms of liturgical art.

Boys and girls who will enter fourth grade or higher in the coming school year are eligible to attend the camp. There is no upper age limit, and youth are encouraged to attend as teaching assistants. This year's camp will be held **July 26-30** (Monday through Friday) from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. If you are (or if you know) a boy or girl who would like to attend the camp this year, please contact Jane Arant through the church office to sign up. The group is limited to 12 students, so don't delay!

## "A Better World"

Got spring fever? Bored with the daily routine? Yearning for travel and adventure? I've got your ticket, and the sole cost to you is a little time and gasoline. Just twenty minutes from Trinity, you can enter a whole new world rich in opportunities for self-discovery and fulfillment. Come with me some afternoon to Christ Resurrection Church on Freedom Drive, where the after-school program "A Better World" is housed. Last spring, I was looking for a new way to use my time to help others. I learned about "A Better World" from a former neighbor. One afternoon I drove across town and met with the staff: Pastor Ken, Miss Kisha, and Miss Veronica. I've been driving across town every week since. Much to my amusement, I've discovered that I need what "A Better World" offers more than it needs anything that I can offer. I went to help deprived children and they have filled holes in my life and heart that I never knew existed. When I walk through the front doors each Tuesday afternoon, I am

greeted with whispers that soon turn to shouts: "Miss Wendy is here! Miss Wendy is here!" I envisioned helping middle and high schoolers with math, history and English; instead, a group of five and six year olds chose me to call out spelling words, read silly stories and, irony of ironies, draw for them. With no previously discernible talent or inclination for art, I've become the artist-in-resident, drawing tigers and lions and little mermaids and Mickey Mouse to the delight of Kareen and Nia and Jayden and D.J. and Imani, who, with all their wonderful qualities are abominable judges of artistic ability. The afternoon flies by each week, and I leave always with a sense of contentment that I find no where else. I wasn't pursuing happiness when I headed across town a year ago, but I found it at "A Better World," and you will, too—I guarantee it!

Wendy Smolen  
704-366-1124  
pwsmlen@aol.com

## Youth News

### Youth Sunday

Please plan to join the Youth of Trinity during worship on **May 2** for Youth Sunday. This service, in its entirety, is planned and led by Trinity's fabulous 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders.

### Youth Auction & BBQ Lunch Update

The youth would like to express their gratitude for Trinity's support over the weekend of March 15 and 16. This year marked our 5<sup>th</sup> auction and we added some new touches. We held our first "preview night" on Saturday evening with almost 50 in attendance. The group enjoyed the first bidding on items, fellowship and our favorite bartender, Baron Mullis! We look forward to expanding this evening in 2011. Many thanks to Susanne and Walter Reid who coordinated the evening.

Sunday saw the return of a delicious BBQ lunch, courtesy of barbeque connoisseur and chef, Matt Smith. Matt and his team of helpers spent Friday evening prepping, all day Saturday cooking and Saturday evening chopping. Special thanks to Fred Brandt who picked up the pig and Damon Coley and Earl Porter who helped Matt get started at 5:30 a.m. on Saturday morning. Thanks also to our chopping crew: Doug Bradley, Jimmy & Suzanne Hair, Rick Hutchins, John Lambert, Walter Reid, Thomas Shook and Scott Smith. The word has spread about how delicious the barbeque is – we had to bring in extra tables and chairs to accommodate the crowd for lunch!

The silent auction returned, along with three new components, numbered bidding for the silent auction, a live auction and several raffle ticket items. Our live auctioneer, Doug Etheridge, did a superb job in bringing energy and enthusiasm to the afternoon.

There was a tireless group of youth, parents and advisors who purchased food, set up, cleaned up and supported one another. The result of the weekend was the highest total raised in our history - \$10,850. This money will be used to fund the 2010 mission trip to Chicago.

## Sing Hallelujah!

On Sunday, **May 16**, the seventh Sunday of Easter, our 11 o'clock worship service will be led by the Trinity Choir and the Children's Choir as we celebrate the season through scripture readings and anthems. Karen Bliznik, principal trumpeter of the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra, will play works for solo trumpet and organ as well as trumpet descants for hymns and several of the anthems. This service will bring our celebration of this 50-day season to a joyous end as we sing, "Hallelujah!" For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth!

## Summer Worship Hours for Trinity

This summer, Trinity will be changing our Sunday morning worship schedule.

**Worship** will take place at **10:00 a.m.** with a Summer Sunday School following. With this change in worship time, we hope to have the opportunity to gather after worship in various fellowship activities throughout the summer. Look for exciting opportunities coming soon!

The summer Sunday morning worship schedule will run from **June 6 – September 5**. See you in church!

### CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATING SENIORS!



If 2010 is your year to graduate, please let Trinity know. We would like to recognize all 2010 graduates at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, **May 16**. Please send a current picture and tell us what high school or college you are graduating from and what your future plans are. If you are headed to college, we would like to know your choice. If you are stepping into the working world, please let us know your area of expertise or interest!

# Trinity Spring Social

Friday, May 14, 2010

7:00 - 10:00 pm

Home of Carol & Gary Sugg  
8246 Bar Harbor Lane

RSVP by May 10th - Bev or Doug Bradley

704.365.2938

or

[bevbradley@bellsouth.net](mailto:bevbradley@bellsouth.net)

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share  
Beverages provided

\$4.00 per person

## End of the Sunday School Year Church Picnic



Sunday, May 16, 2010

Immediately following the  
11:00 a.m. worship service



Please bring a dish large enough to share and serve 6-10 people. Your food can be brought to the kitchen prior to church. Tables and chairs will be provided but you may bring your own picnic chairs and blankets. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

### FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

## THANK YOU 2009-2010 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Heartfelt thanks go to the adults who have taught Sunday School this academic year! The time and talents they have shared with our adults and children is deeply appreciated by the Christian Education Committee and members of our congregation. Sunday School teachers for this year included:

### Two & Three Year Olds

Suzanne Hair  
Susan King

### Four & Five Year Olds

Claire Etheridge  
Margaret Rowe  
Lisa Bobbitt, Substitute

### Kindergarten & First Grades

Vicki Davidson  
Sandra Nutter  
Molly Nutter  
Reid Brawley, Assistant  
Reta Phifer, Music Leader

### Second & Third Grades

Katherine Lambert  
Phil Tappy  
Walter Reid, Substitute

### Fourth & Fifth Grades

Jeff O'Keefe  
Jane Blount, Assistant  
Elizabeth Morrison, Substitute  
Walter Reid, Substitute

### Other Substitutes

Cathy Click  
Melanie Hood

### Wonders of Worship

Rev. DC Horne

### Middle & High School Class

Marsha Nardone  
Amy McAllister Shook  
Wendy Smolen  
Susan Stone  
Debbie Thompson

### Adult Classes

Amy Bynum  
Frank Davidson  
Josh Durham  
Dr. Peter Hobbie  
Dr. Dedie Kelso  
Rev. Baron Mullis  
Dr. Douglas Oldenburg  
Dick Opdyke  
Earl Porter  
Susanne Reid

*Thank you for your willingness to serve!  
The Christian Education Committee*