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now for the
Parish
Retreat!



The Parish
Retreat is
coming home
February 24 &
25, 2012. Look
for more
details soon.

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When Jesus talked about the church in the Sermon on the Mount he painted a picture of a pretty compelling organization. He said: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden" (Matt 5.14). In the ancient world, when cities were often under threat by invaders, it was common to build a city on a hill because a city on a hill could be easily defended. In times of trouble, those villages that surrounded the city would gather their family, pack their valuables, and go to the city on a hill because they knew it was a place of refuge.

Not only was the city on a hill a place of refuge in times of trouble, but it was a place of prosperity and blessing in times of plenty. The spiritual, social and cultural benefits of the city would overflow out into the local countryside and bless the surrounding villages. That is why Jesus says to the church, the prosperous city on a hill to "let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matt 5.16).

Over the past six months the clergy, staff and a team of lay people have gathered to ask hard questions about Trinity Church and do a little bit of day dreaming. What many of us kept coming back to was this picture of a City on a Hill. We began to ask, what would it look like for the church to be a refuge in times of trouble for the people of Myrtle Beach? What would it look like for us to be a resource, giving the spiritual, social, and cultural benefits of the Gospel to the City of Myrtle Beach?

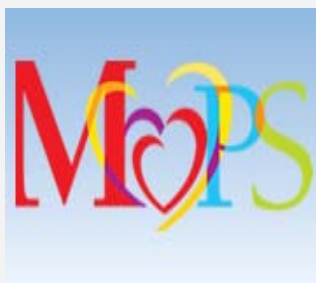
Trinity Church: A Place of Gospel Refuge

Trinity preaches a Gospel of grace that we believe creates a refuge for people in need of God's grace. But, as you know preaching isn't enough. We recently commissioned a report that did an analysis of the people in Myrtle Beach. Aside from very useful demographic information, we also gained invaluable spiritual insight into the people of Myrtle Beach. We learned through this report, that in spite of all the opportunities for play and pleasure in this city, the people that live here are some of the loneliest in the country. This report compiled a list of the top "felt needs" of the people of Myrtle Beach. By "felt needs," the report indicated those things that people would say they needed if asked. The number one felt need in Myrtle Beach was community. That is why over the next five years, we aim to place 70% of the existing congregation into small groups so that they can work out their faith in a close, supportive and encouraging community under the banner of the Gospel. More than that, we aim to respond to the other felt needs of our community such as divorce recovery, financial wellness, aging parent care, and marriage and parenting workshops. We will begin offering "felt needs" workshops as soon as this fall.

Trinity Church: A Place of Gospel Resources

As I've already said, the spiritual, social, and cultural benefits of the city must overflow into the countryside. We must "let our light shine before others, so that they may see our good works and give glory to our Father who is in heaven." This will take place in two different ways, one missional and one charitable.

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Trinity Church will again be hosting MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) starting this fall. MOPS International exists to encourage, equip and develop every mother of preschoolers to realize her potential as a woman, mother and leader in the name of Jesus Christ.

Please join us for our upcoming meetings from 9am-11am in Gravelly Hall: Oct. 24, Nov. 7, 21, Dec. 5, 19, 2011.

For more information and registration, find us on Facebook -MOPS Myrtle Beach or email us at MOPSmyrtlebeach@hotmail.com.

Newcomers Class

Are you new to Trinity and would like to know more about who we are & what we believe? Then join us for our Newcomers class. This Class lead by Rev. Rob will be from 5:00 - 6:00pm in the classroom. We will explore what it means to be "A Cross Centered Church". If you have any questions please call the church office at 448-8426. [The next session dates are October 23, 30, and Nov. 6, 2011.](#)

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, Chapel
8:45	Nursery Available (ages 5 & under)
9:00	Contemporary Worship, Rite II
10:00-10:50	11 o'clock attendees Sunday School Groups
10:15-11:00	Children's Sunday School
10:20-11:10	9 o'clock attendees Sunday School Groups
10:30	Trinity Church West Campus, Ocean Bay Middle School
11:00	Traditional Worship, Rite II

Around Myrtle Beach

Community Kitchen of Myrtle Beach is a lifeline in the community for the hungry and homeless; it currently serves lunch to 200-300 people daily, six days a week, with numbers increasing. It is staffed primarily by volunteers from churches in the community including Trinity. Call Jane Simpson at 390-0665 to volunteer, or if you have any questions. The 2012 dates are February 13-17, May 14-18, Aug. 13-17, and Nov. 12-16.

Helping Hand Month is October for Trinity Church. Please, while you are out shopping, pick up some extra items for them. Please take only non-perishable items; foods like cereal, grits, oatmeal, kool aid, peanut butter, jelly, pork & beans, pasta, beans, rice, macaroni & cheese, soups, box dinners canned vegetables-EXCEPT FOR green beans, are all needed. One of its most important ministries is the distribution of emergency food

supplies to local families. They rely upon area churches to fill their food pantries. Thanks for your help for the many less-fortunate residents of Myrtle Beach! Please call Lane Smith to find out more 692-8066.



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

October Birthdays

10/1 Barbara Hilgeman
 10/2 Fred Akel
 10/5 Joyce Singleton
 10/7 Joe Akel
 Weldon Smith
 Juliann Talbot
 10/8 Frank Goodwin
 10/9 Connie Bleaken
 Frank Sloan
 10/11 Jamie Colway
 Ray Foltz
 Larry Graham
 Sarah LaBruce
 Irene Lichy
 Gabrielle Moore
 Thomas Sloan
 David Sturdy
 10/12 Riley Casterline
 Carly Chrampanis
 Beth Fryar
 10/14 Jae Anderson
 Iain Boyd
 Gerald Jackson
 Sandra Lucas-Hyde
 Ginny Merritt
 Nancy Welch
 10/16 Helen Forehand
 Mary Marks
 Gary Pringle
 10/18 Patricia Drumwright
 Martha Weaver
 10/19 Tom Harrell
 Ann Monckton
 Garnett Ramsbottom, III
 Linda Shade
 Laurel Rose Urban
 10/20 Beth Ault
 Wilfred Brown
 10/21 Robin Akel
 Joy Graham
 Kelly White
 10/22 Matt Branstrom
 Stacey Fontaine
 Jim Grayson
 10/23 Trip Spann
 10/24 Dick Gehrman
 Anna Lewis
 Marcia Martin

Rodney Meade
 10/25 Logan Heirholzer
 Colton Swezey
 10/26 Eric Estes
 10/27 Pedgy Ficken
 10/28 Harriet Holliday
 Anna Grace Jordan
 10/29 Minerva Deegan
 10/30 Elizabeth Drake
 Erick Ficken
 Austin Wakefield
 Tyler Wakefield
 10/31 Joe Hoerner

October Anniversaries

10/1 Vance & Julie DeFelice
 Arthur & Heather Dionisio
 10/6 Walt & Cookie Sprouse
 10/8 Carter & Weldon Smith
 10/11 Tom & Patricia Drumwright
 Joe & Kim Perl
 10/12 Charles & Sandra Mercavich
 10/17 Bob & Mary Lauer
 10/18 Dick & Arlene Foltz
 David & Cynthia Lilly
 10/21 Mark & Mandy Basile
 10/23 Mackey & Joyce Singleton
 Robert & Nancy Welch
 10/24 Chris & Theresa Bellomo
 10/28 Wilfred and Shirley Brown



*If we haven't listed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office and give us your information.

Parishioners for whom prayers are requested

Joe Akel, Dick Arnold, Beth Ault, Genevieve Bestermann, Connie Bleaken, Ellen Bost, Keith Bowling, Harry Charles, Dionisio family, Elizabeth Drake, Pedgy Ficken, Dick Foltz, Betty & Rob Freeburger, Edward Gonzalez, David Hardin, Frankie Herring, Billy Holliday, Rev. Caroline Holmes, Belle Miller Hood, Emily Hubbard, Milan Johnson, Ryan Kee, Dyane & Fred Kellogg, Art Koch, Laurence LaBruce, Tamara Mack, Cathy Maffett, Mary Marks, Bobbie Mattiske, George Mattiske, Sally Nichols, Dolores Pringle, Elise Reed, Jack Reed, Norma Jean Revel, Tina Richardson, Christine Ridgeway, Helen Ridgway, Grace Rouse, Catherine Sims, Mary Slaby, Lauren Sloan, Frances Smith, Frieda Smith, Chuck Swank, Veanna Talbot, Trinity West Campus, Virginia Villani, Ellen Wheeler, Letty Wilder.

Others for whom your prayers are requested:

Kay Alford (Blakely Jenkin's friend), Carolyn Bellamy (Larry Wilson's friend), Christopher Bigart (Becky Bigart's son), Bradley Bowden, Doris Branstrom (Erica Davis' grandmother & Mark Branstrom's mother), Weston Brewer (Coleman Brown's friend), Rachel Byers, Danny (Keith Bowling's brother), John Disibbio (Kenny Pruett's grandfather), Dottie Elsea (Betty Stevick's friend), Martin Frank (Jess & Jordan Hoerner's neighbor), Becky Gallagher (Beth Slack's friend), Kristin Gardner (Pie Thompkins' friend), Ryan Gilroy (Mark Basile's step-brother), Liam Gilroy (Mark Basile's brother), Jenny Grant (Teah Grant's mother-in-law), Christen Hair, Donald Hildreth (Keith Bowling's friend), Todd Clayton Holmes (Caroline Holmes' son), Van Jeffords (David Gravely's friend), Karen & Bernie, Catherine Kresken (Nancy Jarrett's friend), Linda Lawson, Christian Markovitch (Suzy Sweeny's brother-in-law), Ellison Melton (Erica & Kris Davis' friend's daughter), David Mintcer (Mandy Basile's friend), Dorothy Mintcer (Mandy Basile's friend), Chris Moore (Dolorene Arruda's friend), Sue Neal (Chris Copeland's friend), Chip Neisler (Lane Smith's friend), Marie Niculcea (Art & Peggy Koch's daughter), Betty Patterson (Claudia Farmer's mother), Bob Patterson (Claudia Farmer's dad), Eileen Phillips (Donna Peck's mother), Susanna Prescott (Hunter & Walker Jordan's niece), Rett Quattlebaum (George & Cecilia Mims' friend), Vickie Tippins Ray (Donna & Rod Sanders' friend), Marsha Reed (Nan Hunter's friend), Nicholas Romita (Spencer & MaryAnn Birt's grandson), Chris Shanks (Cindy Lilly's brother), Sharon Sides (Donna Welsh's friend), Betty Stewart (Susan Shank's friend), Charles Strobino, Gary Stumpo (Tami Brooks' godmother), Gloria Surdi, Eddie Velez (Sammy Spann's employee), Pam Verble (Claudia Farmer's friend), Dee Weiss (John & Jean Ann Echternach's sister-in-law), York Place.

Sympathy is expressed to...

Donna Peck and family on the death of her dad, Harry J. Phillips, who died on Monday, September 5, 2011 in Darlington, Pennsylvania.

Connie Bleaken and family on the death of Ed Bleaken, who died on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

Helen Ridgeway on the death of her husband, and also to Christine Ridgeway on the death of her dad, Bob Ridgeway, who died on Tuesday, September 13, 2011.

Tom Katancik and family on the death of his sister, Joan Snyder, who died on Thursday, September 22, 2011 in Douglasville, Pennsylvania.

Youth News

Fall Calendar of Events

10/14-16 - Mondo Retreat for Middle School Students

10-16 – No Youth Group

11/11-13 - Regenerate Retreat for High School Students

11/13 - Ground Zero Event (No Youth Group)

12/11 – Youth Christmas Party

What's going on in Youth Ministry?

You may be asking the question, "What is going on in the youth ministry world at Trinity?" Well, here is an update. On Sunday nights we have youth group, which is a safe place for our students to come and hear a teaching on the Gospel and share in fellowship with other believers. We meet from 5-7 for middle school and 6-8 for high school. Everyone is welcomed in our group and over the course of the past several years our youth have found youth group to be a safe place to bring their friends. What a joy it is to see our youth wanting their friends to hear the Gospel that has changed their lives.

Our Church also supports me as I join with Young Life to go out into the high schools and build relationships with students that would never darken the doors of a Church. I go to the schools on a weekly basis to see these students and share life with them in the hopes that I will get the chance to share with them the good news of Jesus Christ. Young Life is a great organization. Please contact me if you are interested in learning more about this ministry and how you can be involved.

In Christ, Hunter



Trinity Music Blog

For full details about the music ministry at Trinity including upcoming events, music listings for services, and recordings of our choirs, please visit the Trinity Music Blog at

trinitymbmusic.wordpress.com.



Set Clocks
back 1 hour
before turning
in for the
evening on
Saturday, Nov.
5th.

Missional Resources:

In the year 1900 in the United States there was one viable church for every 430 people. Now, in Horry County, there is one viable church for every 2,000 people. To use an illustration, when Mary and Joseph arrived in Bethlehem there was no room at the inn. Not because the people in Bethlehem were stingy, but because the little town simply could not meet the demand of the hundreds if not thousands of travelers passing through the tiny village. The church in North America, like Bethlehem, is too small to meet the needs of the population. So we need more churches. That's why we're committed to planting a church in Carolina Forest. That's why we've recently initiated a partnership with thirty area churches to plan for church plants in Horry County. We want to make room at the inn for people who need a City on a Hill. Within the next five years we aim to have planted a viable, thriving church in Carolina Forest to do our part towards creating space for hungry, spiritual pilgrims.

Charitable Resources:

To begin to understand the potential of our charitable resources at Trinity we must first learn to ask the question, "How can I bless this city with the material wealth with which God has blessed me?". We hope to establish creative partnerships with local charities that aim to improve the quality of life for the poorest and most vulnerable in Myrtle Beach, like the approximate 200 homeless children currently occupying our school system. This will be done by our newly established "City on a Hill Fund" which will seek to annually distribute funds to local charities in shared ventures.

What does it require of you? I would ask you to pray for this vision. I would ask you to partner with us, particularly in building a community of small groups that is a refuge in Myrtle Beach. And I would ask you to consider your pledge, as we aim to increase our budget in order to begin building our charitable contributions towards a five year goal of \$40,000.

Why? The beginning of the Gospel teaches us that "God so loved the world, that he sent his Son." But the end of the Gospel teaches us that the Son so loved the world, that he sent the Church. We haven't strategized and prayed for how you can make Trinity a better church. We've prayed and strategized for how the Church, through the power of the Gospel, can make a better city. We hope you'll join us in this endeavor.

much love, *Rob*

Children's Ministry

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the launch of our new Sunday morning program for children. It has been fun to watch everyone come together with excitement about sharing the good news of Jesus with the next generation.

For everyone's safety we have made some changes to our Sunday morning flow. This year we started a sign in and out sheet so we can make sure the right people have the right child. We want you to feel safe about the environment in which your child is learning about Jesus. To insure their safety all of our teachers have been through training both to lead the curriculum as well as Child safety training. Our time on Sundays is a safe place for students to hear about Jesus for either the first time or the hundredth time. We can never get enough of the Gospel.

As a children's program we want to reach out to parents and lost kids. We are able to have a parenting class on Sunday mornings for parents to get together and learn how they can pass their faith along to their children. MOPS is also a wonderful ministry that we support in any way possible. It is a great time for moms to get away for a few hours, have fellowship with others in their same place in life, learn about different topics each meeting, and have a time together in the Bible each week.

Trinity's children's ministry is hoping to continue to be a safe place for children to hear about Jesus, and be able to reach out to parents and lost children. Be on the lookout for more information as to how you can help us reach the children and parents of this city with the Gospel.

In Christ, *Christi*

From The Associate Pastor

On September 20, 1954, the Coastal Carolina Junior College opened with 53 students. Today, Coastal Carolina University has grown to over 8,000 students! Not only that, but the University exerts a considerable influence on our area as graduates remain in Horry County to build their lives and become the future leaders of our city and county. For that reason, I have had a heart to see a vibrant college ministry at Coastal since I moved to Horry County in 2006.

I share this passion with Chad Young, area director for Cru in the Lowcountry. Although Chad has had his eye on Coastal Carolina for years, they do not yet have the staffing to build a vibrant ministry here, two hours north of their headquarters. In June, I approached Chad to talk about launching Cru at Coastal this year. He was ecstatic. We began by handing out bottles of water on the first day of class with the small handful of student leaders that we already knew. The next Monday, we launched our first weekly meeting with 12 students in attendance.

The weekend of September 23-25th, 6 students and I travelled to Camp Thunderbird in York, South Carolina for Cru's Fall Getaway. After meeting with our students to discuss building a movement on Coastal's campus, Chad and I were talking as we walked to our next event. As we were talking, Chad very nonchalantly stated, "Iain, if you got hit by a bus tomorrow, we'd still have the beginning of a movement at Coastal." While I'm not excited about the prospect of getting hit by a bus, my heart leapt at this observation. What Chad had noticed was that we had a handful of students who were zealous about the Gospel being spread at Coastal! I can honestly say that in 5 years I have not witnessed a group of students who were this excited about seeing Christ exalted at Coastal.

This group of students continues to meet on Monday nights at 8 o'clock. They are also meeting together throughout the week to study the Bible, pray for the campus, and promote Cru amongst their peers. I thank God that as the Associate at Trinity, I have the freedom to go and invest in the future leaders of Myrtle Beach and Horry County. Because of your support of our ministry here, students have a safe community where they can come and be encouraged in their faith.

What else can you do to support this ministry? If you do anything, pray. Six student leaders have a mighty task in front of them to help a student body of 8,000 encounter the Gospel! That is a truly God sized task. Also, please contact me if you would like to host any hospitality events for students (cookouts, laundry, etc.) Finally, if you see any of these students at our West Campus, please stop and encourage them.

In Him,
Iain

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Annual Parish Dinner

Each year, the parish gathers to celebrate another twelve months of blessings and joy in the service of our Lord in this place. This year, our celebration will be **Monday, November 14**. The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. We will gather round the tables between 6-6:45 pm to share a covered-dish supper. Beverages will be provided. The election for Vestry members will be held for four seats (three-year term). Also election of delegates to the Diocesan Convention will be held for two members. Mark your calendars now!

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