

# Triad

*We welcome you here. We welcome you without reservations, regardless of your circumstances of faith or life.  
We welcome those who seek, those who doubt, those who wish to deepen an existing faith.*

## AUGUST 2010 NEWSLETTER

### *Holy Trinity Episcopal Church*

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### *Sunday schedule*

**8:00 am**

Eucharist Rite I

**10:30 am**

Sunday Eucharist Rite II

*(with music)*

**Refreshments** after 10:30 service

The Rev. Karen Burnard, *Rector*

William Bausano, *Choir Director*

Frank Jordan, *Organist*

Nicole Murphy, *Communications  
Coordinator*

John Pheanis, *Sexton*

Chris Church, *Senior Warden*

Susan Kay, *Junior Warden*

Steven Elliott, *Treasurer*

Jack Southard, *Assistant Treasurer*

Mary Bausano, *Interim Clerk*

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## RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

As many of you know personally, these financial times are challenging. In all times, we are called to discern how to be the best stewards of all God has entrusted into our care. Recently I have been pondering: "How much money does it really take to live a reasonable life?" Like so many other times, once I begin thinking about something, then I begin hearing stories and other examples that address it (often without me even bringing up the subject). This is one kind of "answer to prayer," our prayers sometimes being questions.

Some of you have shared your own stories about simplifying your life.

Choosing to rent rather than own. Changing your residence to a much smaller abode, thereby making decisions about what you can keep, which calls into question what you truly need. Turning off the air-conditioning except in extreme heat, or using one air-conditioner in one room for those hot, balmy days. Some have given up the dream of paying for children's higher education, which may be a blessing in disguise: their children are responsible for paying for their own education, which can be especially motivating. I rarely meet a college student who is partying so hardy he is a poor steward of his college education and experience, when he is paying for it himself.

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Naturally, how much money it takes for our life varies from person to person and household to household. Yet, in the midst of the current angst about our monetary system, from how it affects our country and the world, to how it affects “me and mine,” we have been presented with the opportunity to truly reflect on our corporate and personal stewardship.

Accompanying the financial landscape is the environmental landscape. The oil spill in the gulf invites us to re-evaluate our lifestyle, and how much of the planet’s resources we are accustomed to using. Recently we have raised several questions at Holy Trinity, even about such simple things as

light bulbs. Fortunately, when we checked our exit lights, we discovered that good stewards before us had already changed them to environmentally-friendly (and long-lasting!) bulbs. I pray that corporately and individually, we will continue to make active changes in our lives, however big or small. When we do, we often discover that in caring for Mother Earth, and in helping others as ourselves, we are blessed in unexpected ways: sometimes even lowering the amount of money it takes to live a reasonable life.

Thanks be to God!

Karen+

UPCOMING EVENTS

### Episcopal Church Women

ECW will meet at noon on Tuesday, August 3 at the Knolls Commons for lunch and socialization. All are welcome to this event which is held on the first Tuesday of each month.



#### Knitting Group

The Episcopal Church Women will be meeting Thursday, August 19, from 10 am – 12 pm at the Knolls. This group meets on the third Thursday of each month and will be knitting

prayer shawls, though all forms of handiwork and projects are welcomed. For more information, contact Joyce Rouse (513-523-8322) or Harriet Schmitt (513-796-5621).

### Community Dinner

Community Dinner will be held at Holy Trinity Wednesday, August 25 at 5:30 pm in the Undercroft.

**The Great Episcopal  
Tour De Ohio Bike  
Ride**  
August 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>

Ride from Columbus to Cincinnati and back on the scenic rail to trail pathways to raise money for the Episcopal Relief and Development Fund.

The Entry Fee is \$100. For more Information Contact: The Rev. Stephen Smith no later than August 4 at-  
[revd\\_up@att.net](mailto:revd_up@att.net)

## Calling all Christians! High Time to Build the Beloved Community

As job loss and foreclosures continue to pile up, it's more crucial than ever to combine Gospel courage with rigorous practicality. Join us for inspiration and tactics at ECSF's summer workshop Aug. 7 at Procter Conference Center. The morning is designed for anyone striving for high-impact community ministry, and the afternoon for grantseekers. You're welcome to attend either or both sessions:

- **10-noon:** From Table to Transformation: can a tiny congregation make a dent on this huge recession? Yes! Join us to hear from Methodist lawyer and urban missionary Deborah Archie how her congregation of 35 started with homely, familiar parish outreach – a food pantry and free meal – and developed life-changing ministries in partnership with their low-income neighborhood on Columbus' south side (see [www.4allpeople.org](http://www.4allpeople.org)) Then dive into a rich discussion with fellow Christians: what's the change you yearn to see in your community? What values and strategies bear fruit? How can you tell if you're making progress?
- **Noon-12:45:** lunch and the chance to talk to ECSF's grants committee and other people working on the same issues as your church.
- **12:45- 3:** Grantseekers's workshop. First up: a panel on how to find the right funders, and escape common grantwriting pitfalls. Richard Martin, ECSF Grants Committee Chair, and Beverly Cooper, grants specialist for the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives, will give you great advice from their years of leadership in private and public sector grantsmanship. Then, ECSF's staffer Ariel Miller will go over ECSF's grant application for anyone interested in applying for a grant in 2011.

The workshop is free – if you're coming for lunch, please bring \$9 or pay online.

To sign up, go to [www.ECSFsouthernohio.org](http://www.ECSFsouthernohio.org) or call Ariel at 513-221-0547

## Don't Miss Your Chance for the New Directory!

We are now taking photos for our new directory of the Holy Trinity community. There's a fellow parishioner or two behind a camera after church each Sunday just waiting for a chance to take your picture, so don't miss out!

Remember that the directories are for fellow parishioners only -- no privacy worries about appearing on the web site. And remember that there's no pressure to buy lots of prints of the photos. This is all in-house; you don't have to pay a thing. Our interest is in strengthening the HT community by giving everybody in the parish ready access to up-to-date pictures and addresses of other parishioners.

Can't get to church? We'll come to you. You can help by calling the office and giving us some times that might be more convenient for you.

Having trouble corralling the family during this hectic summer? Call Susan (523-8651) and she'll try to meet your family at church for a quick photo session on your way to your next family activity. (Advance warning would insure a better chance of meshing schedules.)

Be sure to call or email Nicole at the church office if you need to update your address, telephone number, and/or email address.

See you soon through the lens!

Junior Warden, Susan

**WANTED** About 12 missing white tablecloths from Holy Trinity. Could they be in your laundry... trunk...? Please call the office (523-7559) if you know anything about their whereabouts! Thank you.

**LOOKING AHEAD** After the 10:30 service on Sunday, September 12, we will hold our annual Back-to-School Brunch. Please invite any Miami students you know to join us - bring them with you!

**WANTED** A volunteer to chair or co-chair this brunch.

**OFFICE HOURS** Fall office hours will resume August 1: Monday-Thursday, 8 am - Noon

# RELAY

Holy Trinity's recent participation in the Oxford Relay for Life was a

spectacular display of your Christian stewardship!

**FOR** A mere six weeks before the annual Relay, a small group of parishioners

gathered to brainstorm what we could do at the Relay;

**LIFE** only one of this group had ever participated actively in earlier Relays, so we had very little experience to count on. But, of course, that didn't matter. Ideas flowed; some caught our attention, others passed on by.

Before long, we had loosely formed plans to do some of the things we learned that Relay does. We planned:

- to have a tent
- to offer brats, metts, and cold drinks for sale from 5:00 – 8:00
- to have a sign up sheet for walkers to choose times to walk
- to have a banner created of a clothesline with Holy Trinity T-shirts, aprons, and tote bags hanging from it.



'Holy T-Birds'

Several weeks later, we gathered again to review our plans. At this time, one person suggested we call team the Holy T-Birds; she came with a dozen 'bird hats' that she had gleefully purchased at the new Dollar Tree store.

Soon, it was Relay time. Three members of this "Organizing Team" went to the site at 9:00 am and set up the tent. Others began to arrive to have a closer look at the Relay space. Some Survivors participated in the Survivors lunch at 11:30. At 1:00, the Relay



Luminaries

began; the first group to walk around the track consisted of Survivors; next, each team walked around with its banner; after that, everyone was encouraged to walk. From that time on, until 9:00 the next morning, people from all over Oxford, and beyond, walked the track, remembering those whom we have lost and sharing thankful thoughts about those who are surviving. It was a thrill to see that Holy Trinity had someone on the track during each hour of the Relay.



Food & drink booth

Although the planning began with the "Organizing Team," it immediately became clear that the "Holy Trinity Team" consisted of the entire congregation.

Parishioners came to walk, to visit at the tent, to help cook, to provide moral support. During the Relay, 48 parishioners and their friends walked the track. In addition to being there and walking, parishioners were generous with their financial contributions for the American Cancer Society. As of the end of July, the Holy T-Birds team had donated approximately \$2,500.

As I said above, it was a fabulous display of Holy Trinity Stewardship—a generous sharing of time, talents, and treasure. One team member summarized it perfectly: "Isn't it wonderful how a simple request generates such an outpouring of involvement among our fellow parishioners."

We are delighted with our first Relay for Life experience, and look forward to keeping the Holy T-Birds active during the year and at the 2011 Oxford Relay for Life.

*For further information, please contact Bonnie Mason or Mary Melvin.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Finance Committee, Wardens and Vestry are continually working to help us be the best stewards we can at Holy Trinity. During the July Finance Committee meeting it was reported that we needed a new disposal in the kitchen which costs about \$2000. This was the conclusion of both professional electricians and plumbers who checked it out.

At the meeting Jack Southard, Assistant Treasurer, offered a way to try to fix it. Later Chris Church, Sr. Warden, tried Jack's suggestion. Voila! - it worked, and the disposal is working well. Special thanks to Jack, Chris, and the sophisticated "tools" Chris used to save us \$2000: a broom handle and pencil.

This is but one of the "stories" made in working together at Holy Trinity. Sometimes it's not just transformations of disposals, but transformations of people. At the very least, you'll often find us smiling and laughing in the midst of our church activity. Thanks be to God for the blessed life we share.

## Holy Trinity Pantry

Holy T maintains a non-food pantry for our guests at the monthly community dinner. We always need toilet paper, paper towels, baby wipes, and trash bags. No time to shop? Give us some money and we'll do it for you. As always, thank you for your generosity.  
Geoff, Judith, Stephanie

# AUGUST SCHEDULE

## August 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 7:30 PM AA (OR)	2	3 11:00 AM Prayer Grp (OR) 12:00 PM ECW Lunch (Knolls) 7:00 PM Vestry (Undercroft) 7:30 PM AA (UC)	4	5	6 Office Closed	7
8 7:30 PM AA (OR)	9	10 11:00 AM Prayer Grp (OR) 12:00 PM Bible Study (OR) 6:00 PM Serve City 7:30 PM AA (UC)	11	12	13 Office Closed	14
15 7:30 PM AA (OR)	16	17 11:00 AM Prayer Grp (OR) 12:00 PM Bible Study (OR) 7:00 PM Finance Cmte (OR) 7:30 PM AA (UC)	18	19 10:00 AM Knitting Group (Knolls)	20 Triad Submissions Office Closed	21
22 7:30 PM AA (OR)	23	24 11:00 AM Prayer Grp (OR) 12:00 PM Bible Study (OR) 7:00 PM Exec Council (Rector's Office) 7:30 PM AA (UC)	25 5:30 PM Community Dinner (UC)	26	27 Office Closed	28
29 7:30 PM AA (OR)	30	31 11:00 AM Prayer Grp (OR) 12:00 PM Bible Study (OR) 7:30 PM AA (UC)	1	2	3 Office Closed	4

UC = Undercroft OR = Old Rectory

*August Birthdays*

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Patrick Murphy   | 21 Michael Stahr    |
| 7 Victoria Dobson  | 26 Venelin Ganev    |
| 8 Peter Williams   | 28 Heidi McKee      |
| 9 Dave Evans       | Bob Burnard         |
| Margaret Barrier   | Lillie Hill         |
| 10 Bill Hutchinson | 30 Harriet Schmitt  |
| 14 Mila Ganeva     | James Coyle         |
| 18 Sam McVey       | 31 Annette Tomarken |
| 20 Martin Ganev    |                     |

*August Anniversaries*

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|--------------------------------|
| 13 John & Susan Fortney Harlan |
| 19 William & Cynthia Hanscomb  |
| 23 John & Barbara Pontius      |
| Andrew & Mary Cayton           |
| 25 Dick & Anne Lodge           |
| Bill & Joyce Rouse             |
| Karl & Karen Schilling         |
| 30 Bob & Ellen Phelps          |

THE DOHNS: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSIONARIES

500 Years  
of disappointment

We went to drop-off a stethoscope and blood pressure cuff for one of the volunteer health promoters in a rural community. A visiting short-term team bought the equipment the day after one of the young health promoters said that it would be helpful for monitoring blood pressures in the community, as well as for him personally as he begins medical school next year.

When he received the equipment, he gave heart-felt thanks on behalf of the community as well as himself. His voice broke as he spoke; it was an emotional moment for him. A visitor from the team who was there mentioned the emotion and that is was somewhat more than he might have expected. Part of explanation of the emotional response could be that people with limited resources are often very appreciative. But there may be more to it ...

Not long after we arrived here in 2000, the Rev. Ricardo Potter (who was born in a similar rural community not far from here) offered us an insightful observation.

He noted that Columbus landed here in 1492 and had built the settlement of 'Navidad' somewhere on the north coast of the island

before the end of that year. That was the beginning; people have been coming here ever since. The residents of this island have more experience with 'foreigners' coming here, making promises, and then not fulfilling them any other place in the hemisphere. Disappointment is the norm.

There are several implications to this observation. People will not commit quickly; they want to wait and see if this latest 'promise' seems as though it will really bear fruit. One of the advantages of long-term mission is that it is ... well ... long-term. People can see that we are committed and we are laboring with the people. Credibility is easier to generate.

Another implication is that when a need is expressed and then a 'foreign' short-term team fulfills that request two days later, it is a genuine surprise. It goes against the norms. It may engender a degree of astonishment. And that can get emotional.

Keep praying, Michael



Anita and Michael Dohn are physicians serving as SAMS missionaries with La Iglesia Episcopal Dominicana at the diocesan Clínica Esperanza y Caridad. They live along the southern coast in San Pedro de Macoris in the Dominican Republic.

July 21, 2010

Ms. Judy Shaw  
 Co-Chair, Outreach Committee  
 Holy Trinity Episcopal Church  
 25 East Walnut Street  
 Oxford, Ohio 45057

Dear Judy and our Friends at Holy Trinity

Thank you so much for your strong support!

We are in receipt of your \$3,347.18 contribution from the Easter offering and have allocated \$2,000 of it for our relief efforts in Haiti, and the remainder for General Support. As our Board pays all administrative expenses out-of-pocket, the remainder will be spent on children in Haiti, as well as Indonesia and soon Madagascar. 100% of contributions to OIWW go towards our programming.

I wanted to share with you all the confidential Board Minutes of our July meeting:

OIWW-Haiti.

Jim Luce, Evens Anozine, and Adi Habbu will be in Logne again from July 28-August 6, meeting with our director Marie Claudette J. Thodore, R.N., our Education Director Naomie Gregorie, and our Technology Director Seth Louis-Jacques.

- Orphans International Worldwide Haiti

Family Care for Orphaned Children Program

Almost 50 children have now been identified. Claudette is working to have the first ten children, which will be partially sponsored by We Cant Have That Foundation, posted on-line by June 15. Nine tents donated by Lu Yizhou in Beijing (who attended our event at Webster Hall) arrived in New Jersey by ship and have now been sent to Haiti for volunteer housing. **Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Oxford, Ohio is a major supporter of the program.**

- Orphans International Worldwide Haiti

College Prep Leadership Training Program

There are 47 high school students with ambitions spanning engineering to education to agronomy chosen from 200 applicants (with an emphasis on equal male-female ration). The 10-month program of eight hours per week English language and cultural immersion being held Tuesday and Thursday, 3-5pm, Saturday 1-5pm. We have possibly secured 10 full scholarships to Chinese university pledged but not guaranteed. Exploring other possibilities, including universities in Sri Lanka and the U.S. The program is taught by Naomie Gregorie with supervision from Marie Claudette J. Thodore, R.N., Exec. Director. The program is sponsored by both the 1. Latin-American Womens Society of Long Island and Phi Iota Alpha Latino Fraternity (\$1,000), and the 2. Japanese-American Association of New York (\$2,000).

- Orphans International Worldwide Haiti

Connectivity Project at Ecole de la Redemption

N.Y.U. Polytechnic Institute is working with Skype to build out the best possible Internet-connected system in Ecole de la Redemption for use by Orphans International Worldwide Haiti and our programs. Seth Louis-Jacques, our Technology Director, is advised by Carl Skelton, a member of OIWWs Advisory Board and the director of Experimental Media Center/Integrated Digital Media at Polytechnic Institute of N.Y.U.

Due to Luans recent passing, I have postponed our next trip to Haiti until after her funeral. On a separate note, I wish to thank all of you so much for your support to my family since we joined the congregation back in the 1950s. I was baptized by Bill Holly, if I remember correctly.

Once again, on behalf of our kids and Board of Directors, I thank the members of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church of Oxford, Ohio for their enormous generosity. It makes me truly proud to be both an Episcopalian and a man with deep roots in the Ohio soil.

Warm Regards,



Jim Luce  
 Founder & C.E.O.

# LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

## August 2010 Lay Ministers

	August 1	August 8	August 15	August 22	August 29					
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> (8 am)	Carty Ellis	Rich Bement	Al Lindsey	Rob Thomas	Kathleen Carels					
<b>Eucharistic Minister I</b> (Chalice I)	Bob Benson	Bill Bausano	Carty Ellis	Jennie Kiffmeyer	Ted Schmitt					
<b>Eucharistic Minister II</b> (Chalice II)	Lila Mason	Dick Smith	Peter Williams	Rich Bement	Lila Mason					
<b>OT Lector</b> (First Lesson)	Sharon Seidel	Ginger Smith	Diana Uhlman	Eleanore Vail	Emily Murphree					
<b>Psalm</b>	Mary Cayton	Rosalyn Benson	Chris Church	Kathleen Carels	Sharon Seidel					
<b>NT Lector</b> (Second Lesson)	Kathleen Flanagan	Glenn Julian	Jennie Kiffmeyer	Jim Michael	Oliver Mogga					
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Jim Michael	Cleve Callison	Carty Ellis	Dick Nault	Stephanie Nowak					
<b>Acolytes</b>	Crucifer	Kathy McCabe	Crucifer	Laura Harlan	Crucifer	Brittany Stokes	Crucifer	Martin Ganev	Crucifer	Steve Elliott
	Altar		Altar		Altar		Altar		Altar	
	Torch		Torch		Torch		Torch		Torch	
<b>Greeters/ Oblationists</b>	Cleve Callison, Ted & Harriet Schmitt	Elaine Brandner, Anne & Dick Lodge	Yero Peterson, Kathy McCabe	Dick Nault, Jack Southard	Dick Nault Elaine Brandner					
<b>Healing Minister</b>	Kathleen Flanagan	Kathleen Carels	Lila Mason	Kathleen Carels	Kathleen Flanagan					
<b>Flowers</b>	Jack & Lila Greer	John & Susan Harlan	Warren & Bonnie Mason	Jane Gross	Roz Mandell					
<b>Ushers</b>	Jack Heitsman, Peter Dahoda, Sharon Seidel									
<b>Coffee</b>	OPEN	Julians	Ellises	Mary Cayton & Peter Williams	Poppendecks					
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Kathy & Dave Ferguson									

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	September 5	September 12	September 19	September 26
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> (8 am)	Kathleen Carels	Carty Ellis	Al Lindsey	Rob Thomas
<b>Eucharistic Minister I</b> (Chalice I)	Rob Thomas	Peter Williams	Dick Smith	Ted Schmitt
<b>Eucharistic Minister II</b> (Chalice II)	Lila Mason	Jennie Kiffmeyer	Bob Benson	Carty Ellis
<b>OT Lector</b> (First Lesson)	Walter Secrest	Devin Rodgers	Rosalyn Benson	Cleve Callison
<b>Psalm</b>	Mary Cayton	Chris Church	Carty Ellis	Kathleen Flanagan
<b>NT Lector</b> (Second Lesson)	Bruce Ford	Oliver Mogga	Emily Murphree	Dick Nault
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Jennie Kiffmeyer	Jim Michael	Kathleen Carels	Glenn Julian
<b>Acolytes</b>	Crucifer	Crucifer	Crucifer	Crucifer
	Altar	Altar	Altar	Altar
	Torch	Torch	Torch	Torch
	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>Greeters/ Oblationists</b>	Cleve Callison, Ted & Harriet Schmitt	Elaine Brandner, Anne & Dick Lodge	Yero Peterson, Kathy McCabe	Dick Nault, Jack Southard
<b>Healing Minister</b>	K. Flanagan	Lila Mason	K. Carels	K. Flanagan
<b>Flowers</b>	Mary Melvin	Burnards	Churches	Fergusons
<b>Ushers</b>	Jack Heitsman, Peter Dahoda, Sharon Seidel			
<b>Coffee</b>	Judy Evans	Back to School Brunch	Southards	McVeys
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dick & Ginger Smith	Dick & Ginger Smith	Dick & Ginger Smith	Dianne Hutchinson

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