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Financial Update as of February 28, 2010

	Operating Fund	
<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</u>
\$ 44,917.00	Monthly Budget	\$ 44,920.00
\$ 37,966.00	Monthly Actual	\$ 40,717.00
\$ 89,834.00	Year to Date Budget	\$ 89,840.00
\$ 66,214.00	Year to Date Actual	\$ 74,947.00

Financial Update on the Prism Campaign

2008-2010 Amount Pledged	\$951,481.02
Amount Received thru February 28, 2010	\$658,935.84
Amount Under	(\$292,546.18)

The Tempo

Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish

A people passionately seeking to
 love with the heart of Christ,
 think with the mind of Christ,
 and act in the world as the Body of Christ



March 2010

March Calendar
Sunday 7th Holy Eucharist
Kanuga Weekend
 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's
Wednesday 10th
 11:00 PM Holy Eucharist at The Downs
 12:30PM Women's Book Group
 6:00PM Canterbury Dinner/ Program
 and Compline
 7:30PM Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 11th
 5:15PM Holy Eucharist/Healing
 6:00 PM Light Supper
 6:45 PM Lenten Program
Saturday 13th
 8:00 AM Men's Book Group
 Quiet Day led by Rev. Tom Davis
 Habitat Work Day
Sunday, 14th (Day light savings)
 12:00 PM Daughters of the King
Wednesday 17th
 12:30 PM Book Group
 6:00 PM Canterbury Dinner/Compline
 7:30 PM Evening Service
Thursday 18th
 5:15PM Holy Eucharist/Healing
 6:00 PM Light Supper
 6:45 PM Lenten Program
Sunday 21st
 Blood Pressure checks
 2:00PM Miriam's Project
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer at St. Paul's
 7:00PM Vestry Meeting
Wednesday 24th
 12:30PM Women's Book Group
 6:00PM Canterbury Dinner/ Program
 and Compline
 7:30PM Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 25th
 5:15PM Holy Eucharist/Healing
 6:00 PM Light Supper
 6:45 PM Lenten Program
Sunday 28th
 4:00 PM Stations of the Cross at St. Paul's
 5:00PM Celtic Service
Wednesday 24th Tempo Mailing

Rector's Column

Dear Ones,

Inquirers' classes are preparation for those who have come here from another or no faith tradition and who wish to make the Episcopal Church and Holy Trinity their spiritual home through membership. Think of inquirers' classes as *Episcopal Church 101*: they constitute an introduction to the Episcopal approach to the Christian faith. They also provide a great opportunity for you to ask any question pertaining to the life of faith, basic Christian beliefs, history, theology, the Bible, prayer, liturgy – you name it.

Inquirers' classes can lead to confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church. *Confirmation* is an adult affirmation of one's baptismal vows, which, in many cases, were made by parents and godparents on one's behalf when he/she was an infant or child. Confirmation also involves the laying on of hands by a bishop, a symbol of one's connection with the ongoing apostolic ministry of the Church.

Reception is for those already confirmed by a bishop in another church body, specifically, the Roman Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, or one of the Eastern Orthodox traditions. The Episcopal Church does not presume the need to "re-confirm" such a person, but we do want to share in the witness of your intention to live out your faith in this part of the Body of Christ called the Episcopal Church. Reception is the rite that celebrates that witness.

Bishop Donald M. Hultstrand will preside at a service of Confirmation and Reception on Sunday, May 16 at the 10:30 Eucharist.

I will lead this year's Inquirers' Classes on the following Tuesday evenings: April 6, 20, 27, May 4 and 11. Each session will run from 7:00 to 8:30 PM, and will meet in the Davis Library. You will be requested to purchase a book for a cost of under \$20.00. Please register by calling or emailing Mary Jeffers at the church, 654-5071 or hchurch@holyltrinityclemson.org not later than March 25. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me by phone at the church or by email, jnieman@holyltrinityclemson.org.

Peace,
 John

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Something special from Julie Lewis

On the Thursday before her death, Mama began to speak nothing but Spanish. If anyone addressed her in English, she would say "No entiendo," (I don't understand). On what was to be her last morning, my mother got up, got dressed and ate breakfast. Tilly, one of her friends, came to check on her and reported back to the others: "She's up in her apartment giving orders in Spanish." Mama was convinced that she had an appointment at one o'clock that afternoon. We could not find anything on her calendar, but her nurse, Alexandra, and I scurried around to help her get ready anyhow. The effort exhausted all of us. We helped her back to bed and I lay down beside her. The absolute silence woke me up and brought Alexandra into the room at the same time. Looking for a pulse, the nurse told me, "I think your mother has gone to Heaven." It was around one o'clock. There are no words to describe the peace that seemed to radiate from her face.

The Appointment
 Julie Lewis

-- ¡Tengo una cita!--, me dijo ("I have an appointment!" she said)
 -- ¡Hoy a la una sin falta! -- ("Today, one o'clock without fail!")

Get up, brush your teeth, make your bed
 Smooth hair, put in combs, touch of blush
 Coordinate colors and shoes
 Choose bracelets and earrings to match
 Eat oatmeal, drink coffee and juice.

Weakening now, getting tired
 Frightened by thoughts out of balance
 Feels like the last leaf of autumn
 Ready to fall, pass the baton.
 Helped to bed, propped up on pillows
 Take a short nap before ride comes.

Drifting back to Buenos Aires
 Chauffeur in black speaking Spanish
 --Es hora de ir, señora. ("It's time to go ma-am.)
 El coche está enfrente. -- (The car is out front.)"

Taking the hand of the angel
 Florence slips out of her body
 And meets the Lord Jesus at one.



Episcopal Day School

The Day School is registering students for the 2010-2011 School Year! You can pick-up an admission form at the church office or on the website at www.holytrinityclemson.org/dayschool.htm. Call Suzanne Dachelet Watkins (864)654-0298 for more information.

The Episcopal Day School is currently gathering a list of alumni. If you or a loved one attended (or taught at) the Day School, please contact Kathy Crouse to ensure that we have current address information (864-653-6337 or kcrouse@alumni.clemson.edu).

In addition, the Day School is now on Facebook! Search for the group "Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Day School" to join!

March Birthdays

- 3/1 Bob Brunner
- 3/1 Beth Poole
- 3/1 Bill Purkerson III
- 3/3 Diana Stafford
- 3/3 Savannah Hawkins
- 3/4 Gary Culler
- 3/4 Raven Campbell
- 3/5 Dawson Luke
- 3/6 Wendy Ross
- 3/8 Maxwell Jeffers
- 3/8 Brooks Farish
- 3/9 Irina Viktorova
- 3/10 Andrew Maiberger
- 3/11 Nathan Walker
- 3/13 Charles Toll
- 3/14 Meredith Nicholson
- 3/14 Joy Morris
- 3/14 Jennifer Woodell
- 3/14 Johnson Jeffers
- 3/15 Jim Abercrombie
- 3/15 Ian Piekutowski
- 3/16 Jennie Sullivan
- 3/16 Harrison Lucas
- 3/17 Mac Wood
- 3/17 Jennifer Moloney
- 3/18 Betty Miley
- 3/18 Katherine Davis
- 3/18 Zachary Jeffers
- 3/18 Andrew Schilf
- 3/20 Ruth Story
- 3/20 Alan Anthony
- 3/20 Kai Rauton
- 3/21 Rob Wehrman
- 3/22 Giles Carter
- 3/22 Tricia Henry
- 3/22 Ginny Bridges
- 3/22 Kate Bailey
- 3/23 Jodie Allen
- 3/23 Emmett Huddleston
- 3/23 Caldwell Boyles
- 3/24 Kathy Nutt
- 3/24 Ethan Culler
- 3/25 Louise Nicholas
- 3/25 John Trice
- 3/26 Hunter Eidson
- 3/26 Sydney Farish
- 3/26 James Moloney
- 3/27 Betty Carter
- 3/27 Bob Martin, Jr.
- 3/28 Evelyn Goodman
- 3/28 Sam Wheeler
- 3/30 Jim Swink
- 3/31 Gary Eidson
- 3/31 Amy Hull



Valarie Paynter zip lining in Antigua in the Caribbean
Inspiration for the rest of us !

If your birthday is in March and it is not listed here, and you would like it to be, please call the church office so we can include the information in our records.

Fellowship

Thank You to everyone who made the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Holy Trinity's Got Talent a wonderful and enjoyable evening. We certainly have Talent at Holy Trinity!

Save the date for next year's event on March 8, 2011.

OutreachCookies for the Troops

Did you know that you can order Girl Scout Cookies for our troops in the armed services? The cookies can be ordered through March. Please look for Girl Scouts to place your order. We have a few Girl Scouts who are members of our parish.

Habitat for Humanity

Between now and 5/29/2010 we hope to help Ft. Hill Presbyterian complete the house begun during Clemson's homecoming. Workdays will be Saturdays 8:30 to 12:30. The dates for the workdays are March 13, April 17, and May 15. If you are interested, please call me at (864) 944-8380 or email 16calmsea@bellsouth.net. Financial contributions are always welcome.

-Pug Brown

Change for Cange

During this school year we have had water bottles on each floor of the education building as a reminder that the water system at Cange, Haiti, is in desperate need of repair and that our spare change can make a difference. After the earthquake the need is much greater as people go to Cange for treatment at the hospital there. Therefore, in thanksgiving for the water we have so readily at our disposal, we are challenging the parish to fill a water bottle in the narthex as a Lenten offering for our neighbors in Haiti. A member of our Diocese has generously agreed to match all contributions made to the Bread and Water funds to rebuild the aging, contaminated and inadequate water system in Cange and to build the critically needed vocational school, beginning with contributions made on or after February 9. Here is the chance to double the effects of your contributions to make a dramatic difference in the lives of our fellowman and our friends in this devastated part of the world to whom our Diocese has made a long term commitment. Checks should be made to the Episcopal Diocese of Upper SC and designated for The Gifts of Bread and Water. They may be mailed to: the Diocesan Office- George M. Alexander Diocesan House, 1115 Marion Street, Columbia, SC 29201

ECW UTO

March 14th and 21st the United Thank Offering ingathering will be held. Coins you have put in your blue Box in thanksgiving for large and small daily gifts from God that have brightened your life and the lives of those around you will be collected and sent on to the Episcopal ministries throughout the world. I am so thankful that our diocese was awarded a grant through our companion diocese, Haiti, for 2009-10. As you may remember, this project was for building the Water Treatment Station for Expanded Water System in Cange in conjunction with the Bread and Water project for Cange, Haiti. The amount awarded to this project is over \$63,000. For 2010 grant year, we have prepared another UTO grant application with Haiti and pray that it will be funded. Use the enclosed envelope to offer your coins or a check for the amount of your blessings. Send or bring it to the church so that it can be joined with the thank offerings of others.

Thank you,

Sally Morrell, UTO chairman

Inspirational, Free Concert—March 7, 2010, at 3 p.m., with the Foothills Chorale at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church in Clemson, S.C. The range of music presented will be from the famous African-American spiritual "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" to John Rutter's "Oh Be Joyful." Come, relax, and contemplate with music as we approach Easter. Ample parking is available in lots across Edgewood Avenue from Fort Hill Church or in the Clemson City Garage.

Donations of canned or boxed goods will be received for Clemson Community Care.

WorshipHoly Week Services

Monday, March 29

12:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, March 30

12:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday, April 1

6:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm Holy Eucharist

The Vigil Begins

Good Friday, April 2

7:00 am Morning Prayer

12:00 pm Ecumenical Service

at St. Paul's in Pendleton

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Easter Sunday, April 4

6:30 am Easter Vigil

8:00 am Breakfast

9:00-10 am Family Eucharist

10:00 am Egg Hunt

10:30 am Rite II

Could you not stay awake with me one hour?"

Matthew 26:40

Please sign up for the vigil at the Cross from the end of the Maundy Thursday service on April 1 until the first service of Good Friday. The sign-up sheet will be in the narthex, beginning Sunday, March 21, or you may call the church office. It is good to have more than one person during the darkest hours.

Hot Cross Buns

If you would like to bake hot cross buns for Easter morning, April 4, please call the church office. Recipes are available, or you may use your own favorite. Some of us may bake at home, or if there is interest, we may have a communal baking session in the parish kitchen during Holy Week. Please let us know if you are interested in this.

****Note: There will not be a service at St. Paul's on April 4. Parishioners are encouraged to come to one of the following services at Holy Trinity on Easter Sunday: 6:30 a.m., 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Easter Flowers or Easter Music

If you would like to contribute towards Easter flowers or Easter Music please contact the church office at 654-5071 or at htchurch@holyltrinityclemson.org by Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Lenten Reflection Booklets

We have available both those from Episcopal Relief and Development and those written by Holy Trinity parishioners. If you have not already done so, please take either one or both. And a special note of appreciation to those who wrote longer reflections this year for our parish booklet.



Christian Formation

Children's Sunday School

Christian education for all ages on Sunday mornings begins at 9:15AM.

Youth

April 23-25: Jr. High New Beginnings, at Gravatt, grades 6-8, cost \$75

Registration deadline is Friday, April 9, 2010

"Souper" Bowl of Caring

A simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat" inspired a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the world. That movement is known as the Souper Bowl of Caring, and it began in 1990 with 22 churches in Columbia, SC, participating to raise \$5700.

This year the total raised nationwide was \$8,417,259. Holy Trinity youth with their soup pots raised \$384.07 which was donated directly to Clemson Community Care and the total registered with both the national organization and our diocese.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation is scheduled for Sunday, May 16th at the 10:30 service, with Bishop Hultstrand presiding.

"In the course of their Christian development, those baptized at an early age are expected, when they are ready and have been duly prepared, to make a mature public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism and to receive the laying on of hands by the bishop" (Prayer Book, p. 412).

Confirmation classes -- the due preparation part -- will be held on five consecutive Sundays during the Christian education hour beginning on April 11. These are specifically for all those 16 years of age or older teens, or those who will turn sixteen by the fall. The sessions will be led by John Nieman. Please register by contacting Carolyn Wheeler at 654-5071 or cwheeler@holymtrinityclmson.org.

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School 2010

VBS this year will again be held at Clemson United Methodist Church on Frontage Road in Clemson, June 21-25, 9am-11:45am. With classes for children from 3 years old through those completing 5th grade (rising 6th graders), it will be sponsored by CUMC, St Andrews Roman Catholic Church, and Holy Trinity. Materials are from Cokesbury, and this year's theme is "Galactic Blast."

Unlike other years, the cost for this year's VBS program is \$10/child for the week with scholarships available; however, if you sign up to volunteer all week, your child can attend for free. (CD's of the music are available for an additional \$5.) Last year was the first year that registration was limited, but it will be so again this year. Please note that the deadline for registration is June 1 and that space is limited, so please sign up as soon as possible.

Online registration is now open - www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/clemsonumc. Forms will also be available in the church office. Adult volunteers may also register on this website. Youth volunteers, please contact Carolyn in the church office. We especially need group leaders and helpers, so if you are available, please sign up to help!

Canterbury

Canterbury is hoping to travel to Haiti this coming summer. Please keep a lookout for upcoming fundraisers!

Ann Russell has agreed to keep the calendar for the Canterbury dinners. If you are interested in cooking for Canterbury, please talk to Ann about a date (864.654.3424 or annier@nctv.com). We are also looking for people to help set up before, or clean up after, the dinners. If you are willing to help, please speak with Ann or Amy Hixon.

Date Night?

Have you been looking for some quality time with your sweetie? Canterbury can help! We will be serving dinner on March 10 at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Childcare will be provided. All donations will support a mission trip to Haiti.

Christian Formation

Adults

Men's Book Group

The men's book group continues to meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:00 am in the library. All men of the parish are welcome, the next gathering will be Saturday, March 13.

Women's Book Group

The women's book group continues its reading on Wednesday afternoons, 12:30 PM in the library. Everyone is welcome!

Adult Inquirers' Sessions: Episcopal Church 101

If you think you might be interested in participating or have questions, please contact John Nieman at 654-5071 or jnieman@holymtrinityclmson.org

Lenten Quiet Day-March 13, 2010

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will be offering our annual Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, March 13, from 10am to 3pm. A quiet day is a time set apart for reflection and meditation in order to make time and space in this busy world for listening to the still small voice within. Tom Davis, Rector Emeritus, will lead us, and his theme is "As We Pray, So We Believe and So We Live: Meditations on the Lord's Prayer."

Registration and coffee will begin at 9:30, with the first meditation beginning at 10:00. The day will end with Evening Prayer at 2:45 so you will be able to leave by 3pm. The cost is \$10, and this includes lunch. It will be helpful in our planning if you pre-register by calling the office or completing a registration form. Forms are available in the narthex and in the church office. Checks should be made payable to Holy Trinity and designated "Quiet Day". If you have questions or need further information, please call Carolyn Wheeler at the church office, 654-5071.

Pastoral Care



The Order of the Daughters of the King was founded in 1885 by Margaret J. Franklin at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in New York City. Members of the Order undertake a Rule of Life, incorporating the Rule of Prayer and Service. By reaffirmation of the promises made at Baptism and Confirmation, a Daughter pledges herself to a life-long program of prayer, service and evangelism, dedicated to the spread of Christ's Kingdom and the strengthening of the spiritual life of her parish.

There will be a meeting of Daughters of the Kings on Sunday, March 14, 2010 at 12:00 PM to begin the training program. If you are interested in Daughters of the King or would like more information please contact Jackie Ayres at 864-888-1526 or jayres8@att.net

A Reminder—Blood Pressure Checks

Would you like to know your blood pressure? The nurses of our Holy Trinity church family will be available to take blood pressures after the 8 am and 10:30 am services, on the third Sunday of each month. Gather at the tables in Moorman Hall and individual blood pressures will be taken in the Davis Library. We welcome .