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Tempo May 2009



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Holy Trinity 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.

Calendar for May, 2009

Sundays

8:00 am Rite I
 9:00 am Breakfast
 9:15am Sunday School
 10:30 am Rite II

Wednesdays

12:30 pm Ladies Book Group
 6:00 pm Canterbury Dinner
 6:45 pm Holy Eucharist
 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursdays

5:15 pm Healing Service
 6:00 pm Centering Prayer

Sunday, May 3

Bishop Rogers Harris Visits
 10:30 am Baptism, Confirmation, Reception
 11:45 am Youth Groups and Children's Choir
 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist
 St. Paul's in Pendleton

Monday, May 4

3:00 –7:30 pm Blood Connection in Parish Hall

Thursday, May 7

6:00 pm ECW Spring Dinner

Saturday, May 9

8:00 am Men's Book Group
 6:00 pm Dinner for High School Seniors

Sunday, May 10 Mother's Day

10:30 am High School Senior Recognition Day
 10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ingathering
 Reception after 10:30 service

Monday, May 11

6:00 pm EDS Graduation Dinner

Wednesday, May 13

9:00 am EDS Graduation
 11:00 am Holy Eucharist at the Downs

Friday May 15

6:00 pm *Holy Trinity Fund Raising Dinner*
 for the Missy Wylie Memorial Fund

Sunday, May 17

Rogation Sunday
 2:00 pm Miriam's Project
 5:00 pm Evening Prayer
 St. Paul's in Pendleton

Thursday, May 21

6:00 pm Upstate Locavores Potluck Meal

Sunday, May 24

5:00 pm Celtic Liturgy & Healing Service
 6:00 pm Reception
 6:00 pm SS Teachers Appreciation Dinner

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day
 Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 30

6:00 pm Newcomers Dinner

Sunday, May 31

Pentecost Sunday
 9:15 am Adult Forum: Stewardship Ministry
 10:30 am Baptism
 10:30 am Newcomers Welcome

Dorsey F. Henderson, Jr.,
Bishop of Upper South Carolina
 John S. Nieman, *Rector*
 Susan Louttit Hardaway, *Assistant Rector*
 Nancy Conway, *Priest Associate*
 Sidney J. Hall, *Priest Associate*
 Thomas C. Davis, Jr., *Rector Emeritus*
 Carolyn Wheeler, *Minister of Christian Formation*
 Becky Bowman, *Minister of Music*
 Cynthia Spejewski, *Organist*
 Lynne Farmer, *Parish Administrator*
 Jessica Goodwin, *Receptionist/Publications*
 Suzanne Watkins, *Day School Director*
 Phil Maiberger, *Senior Warden*
 Jeffery Yang, *Junior Warden*

Vestry Members:
 Sr. Warden: Phil Maiberger
 Jr. Warden: Jeffery Yang
 Clerk: Rebecca Eidson
 Treasurer: Mellie Warner

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| Keri Anderson | Kimberly Huddleston |
| Marjorie Campbell | Beth Kunkel |
| Michele Cauley | Rachel Mayo |
| Kathy Crouse | Jim Reed |
| Doug Henry | Charles Shuler |
| John Hewell | John Wilson |

This is a monthly publication. To submit news or announcements, please leave a copy in the office or email it to Jessica: jgoodwin@holytrinityclemson.org

The deadline date for the Tempo is the 12th of the previous month.

Thanks to all who help make this newsletter the parish-driven vehicle it was intended to be.
 A special thanks goes out to the wonderful persons who volunteer to help with newsletter mailings!

Dear Ones,

Episcopalians love a good procession. This month gives us an opportunity for another one on Rogation Sunday, May 17, a festival begging for a communal walk to the garden.

Rogation days began, we think, in the late 5th century when a bishop in an area of what is now France declared a fast in the wake of several natural disasters that had destroyed crops and fields. Prayers asking for God's protection and blessing on new crops were said as people processed around the fields.

The observance of rogation days quickly jumped the channel to England. The processions expanded to include walking the geographical perimeter of the parish, and included the act of "beating the bounds" to remind people of the gift of good boundaries. This provided an opportunity for villagers to restore relationships with their neighbors that had been strained due to boundary disputes. Rogation days therefore became a time for reconciliation. Often the renewed relationships were cemented at the end of the procession down at the pub over a specially brewed ale. (This won't happen on a Sunday in South Carolina.) You can see how this solemn liturgical act that began as a *fast* fairly quickly became a *feast*, as all sorts of folk were picked up along the way for what often turned out to be a big party.

The 10:30 liturgy on May 17, Rogation Sunday, will conclude with all of us processing out to the beautiful gardens in the front of the church. Although we won't "beat the bounds" – we don't generally have parishes in that sense in the U.S. anymore – we will offer prayers of thanksgiving for the gift of creation, the beauty of the natural world, those who plant and harvest our food, and those who labor in our community.

Peace,



Stewardship Expands

Have you ever wanted to get more involved in church but are not quite sure how or what ministry might be a good fit for you? Is there a ministry area you are interested in but don't know what all it entails? If so, watch for weekly reflections by your fellow parishioners and join us on "Stewardship Sunday" May 31st for help and guidance.

Weekly Core Ministry Reflections:

Worship - April 19th: Iris Reed
 Outreach - May 10th: Kevin Hughes
 Pastoral Care - May 17th: Barbara Armstrong
 Christian Formation - May 24th: Jim Snowden

Stewardship of Time and Talents Sunday - May 31st, 2009

-Forum 9:15am "Discerning my Talents for Ministry" - Parish Hall
 -Immediately following 10:30 Service - "Stations of Stewardship" Reception - Parish Hall
 -Ingathering of "Time and Talents" Commitment Cards - through June 30th, 2009

Please contact Michele Cauley (864-275-8820, michele.cauley@gmail.com) with questions.

CANTERBURY CORNER

Congratulations to **Erecia Hepburn**. Erecia earned her Doctorate in Policy Studies in December. Erecia has been an active member of Canterbury during her years in Clemson. We have been glad to have Erecia here with us in Clemson during her job search. Please pray for Erecia and all recent graduates as they search for employment!

Congratulations also go to **Monica Ryskamp** for her upcoming graduation from Clemson University. Monica majored in Health Science with a concentration in Health Administration. Monica is currently in a job search. We will miss Monica!

Thanks go to **Amy Hixon** who served as Student Peer Minister for Canterbury this year. Amy has agreed to serve as Peer Minister again for the 2009-2010 school year.

Thanks go to **Jessica DeCubellis** for organizing our Outreach projects this semester.

Thanks go to **David Busch, Austin Nettles, and Spencer Hixon** for leading our music this year.

Thanks also go to **Erin Busch** for serving as our talented Canterbury pastry chef!

Thanks are also needed for **Ann and Brad Russell**. Anne has organized the Canterbury dinners this year and Brad has cleaned up after the great meals. Thanks also to **John Hewell** who has also helped clean up for us many times. Thank you to everyone who has prepared meals for us. The students really appreciate the homemade meals and the chance for fellowship.

Canterbury will continue to meet over the summer. If you know of a young adult in Clemson over the summer, please invite them to join us on Wednesday evenings.

Beginning in May the Wednesday Eucharist will be at 6:00 pm with the Canterbury dinner following the service. Our regular Canterbury schedule will resume on August 19th.

HOLY TRINITY YOUTH GROUPS

Thanks to all the youth who helped us prepare for our Easter celebrations. A special thanks goes to the youth and leaders who helped dye the 20 dozen Easter Eggs. Thanks also go to members of the Rite 13 class who hid the eggs for the Egg Hunt.

On **Sunday, May 10** we will recognize our seniors who will be graduating from high school this year. Please plan to be here for the 10:30 service that day to join in the celebration. The youth will help plan and lead the service that day.

Registration is open for summer camp at **Camp Gravatt**. Camp Sessions are available for children and teens that have completed 1st through 12th grades. Learn more about Camp Gravatt at www.bishopgravatt.org. Or talk with Alex Buckman, Kayla Massey, Paul Mauer, Elizabeth Mauer, Ben Hardaway, Lillian Hardaway or Frances Hardaway to find out more!

We need people to sign up to prepare the youth lunches. Please speak to Mother Susan if you are willing to help! Thanks.

The upcoming youth dates are 5/3, 5/17 and 5/31.

Stay tuned to hear more about the **YAC Mission Trip to New York City, June 12-17th**.



The Prayer List

Our Sick: Abhay, Ben, Charles, Chris, DH, Dan, Helen, Irene, Joan, Lydia, Jan, Joey, John, Lois, Lucy, Miriam, Norville, Opal, Sara, Susan, Ted, Theda, Alisa Fernstrom, Ann Zimmerman, Chuck Linell, Dodie Legg, Dot Sams, Earle Purkerson, Frances Elrod, Hal & Georgia Harbers, JoAnn Purkerson, John Woodsby, Tom Harbin, Grace & Richard Edwards, Laurie Scybert, Melissa Ross, Nolia Watkins, Walter Lewis, Wil Miley, and Ken Russo.

Our Service Personnel: Charlie Park, and Jonathan Saunders, who are deployed in the Middle East.

Our Members serving in other parts of the world: Christopher Burch, who is serving with the MBA Corp in Angola, and Sarah Trice, who is in the Republic of the Congo.

We pray for the WORSHIP ministry of the parish.

Financial Update

As of April 28, 2009 the parish financial picture is as follows:

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| Monthly Budgeted Income | \$ 43,591.66 |
| Monthly Actual Income: | \$ 42,161.25 |
| Monthly Budgeted Expenses: | \$ 43,591.70 |
| Monthly Actual Expenses: | \$ 66,038.06 |
| YTD Budgeted Income: | \$174,366.64 |
| YTD Actual Income: | \$ 246,913.18 |
| YTD Budgeted Expenses: | \$ 174,366.71 |
| YTD Actual Expenses: | \$ 195,087.12 |

EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

The Day School's Closing Ceremony will be at 9 am on Wednesday, May 13th. The children have prepared a program of songs, "A Musical Trip across Our Country." We welcome you to attend the program and enjoy some refreshments afterwards with the Day School families and staff. Call me if you have questions about the Day School ~ Suzanne Watkins (864) 654-0298



Baptism, Confirmation and Reception!

On Sunday, May 3rd, Bishop Rogers Harris will be the Celebrant and preacher at the 10:30 Eucharist as we join together in a service of baptism, confirmation, and reception. Congratulations to Steve Martof, who will be baptized; Daniel Bozard, Erin Busch, and Kaleb Ellison, who will be confirmed; and Leigh Bozard, Matt DeCubellis, and Jennifer DeCosta, who will be received.

A Note about the Thursday Healing Service

During the months of June and July, the weekly healing service will be combined with the weekly Canterbury service. It will be a service of Holy Eucharist each Wednesday at 6:00 pm, and will include the litany of healing and anointing. There will not be a separate Thursday healing service during those months. The regular schedule will resume in August.

Publication of the Tempo will be suspended during June and July. A Tempo "Extra" will be published in August. Weekly HT notes, announcements in the service bulletins and postings on the parish website will continue. Monthly publication of the Tempo will resume in September.

CCC May Food Requests

Thank you for your ongoing support of Clemson Community Care.

Our needs this month:

Tomato sauce/pasta, juice, Jell-O, pudding, canned/dry milk, canned fish/meat, crackers.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Clemson Community Care!

Clemson Community Care

Helping Neighbors Help Themselves



Vacation Bible School

Holy Trinity, Clemson United Methodist, and St. Andrew's Catholic Churches are teaming up again in 2009 to present VBS Camp E.D.G.E.! This year's Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 15-19 from 9:00am-11:45am each day at Clemson United Methodist Church. All children, ages 3-5th grade, are invited and encouraged attend! Children who register by May 17th will receive a FREE VBS T-shirt. You may also purchase a CD of the Camp E.D.G.E. music for only \$5. Signing up is easy if you have internet access. Simply go to our website, www.holytrinityclemson.org, and click on the "Vacation Bible School" link featured near the top. From there go to "Participant Sign-Up" and enter your information. If you do not have access to the internet, forms will be available in the church office, or call Carolyn at the office to have one mailed to you.



Foothills Chorale will present their Spring concert "Ports of Call" 3:00 pm Sunday, May 3, 2009 at the Brooks Center for the Performing Arts Clemson University

Our musical journey begins in Canada and ends in Brazil. We'll be joined by musical guests Paul Buyer and The Clemson Steel Drum Band. A fun concert filled with tango, hot salsa rhythms and heart-wrenching love songs! As with all Foothills Chorale events, tickets will be available at the door, or may be purchased online at www.foothillschorale.org, or through the Chorale's toll free number, 1-888-WE-SING-2 (937-4642). The Brooks Center does not sell tickets to this event.

UPSTATE LOCAL FOODS DINNER



Interested in learning more about the trend toward eating more local foods or in meeting others who strive to eat in a more environmentally sustainable way? Then, prepare a dish with at least one ingredient grown or produced in the upstate and come to the locavores dinner at 6 pm on May 21 in the Parish Hall.

There will be information about foods that are grown or produced in the upstate and the potential benefits of purchasing more of your food from local farmers and food producers. And, there will be a special guest speaker!!

STORIES OF THE PEOPLE BURIED IN THE CHURCHYARD AT ST. PAUL'S, PENDLETON, SC

The Reverend Jasper Adams
August 27, 1793 – October 25, 1841
Eminent Educator, Churchman, Moral Philosopher

Born in Massachusetts, son of a farm family and distant cousin of John Adams and John Quincy Adams, he graduated from Brown University in 1815. He returned to Brown in 1818 as a tutor and was soon appointed professor of mathematics and natural philosophy. Raised as a Presbyterian, but schooled as an Episcopalian, he was ordained a priest in 1820. Adams was called to the Presidency of Charleston College in South Carolina in 1824. Frustrated by the miserable finances and facilities of the school, he resigned in 1826 to accept the first presidency of Geneva (now Hobart) College in upstate New York.

Eighteen months later, in 1828, he was induced by the Trustees of the College of Charleston, and the cold weather of Geneva, to return to Charleston. He remained president for nine years, transforming an average school into a reputable institution of higher learning. He resigned in 1837 because of college financial problems to become chaplain and professor of ethics at West Point until 1840, when he sought the better climate of Pendleton, SC. He settled at "Wheatfield" near Old Stone Church, where he died in 1841.

Married to Placidia Mayrant of Charleston, they had five children, one of whom was Ann, called "Anzie," who married John C. Calhoun, Jr. in 1849.

In his 1833 sermon before the Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Church in Charleston titled, "The Relation of Christianity to Civil Government in the United States," The Reverend Jasper Adams offered valuable insight into the social and political forces that shaped church-state relations in his time. Adams argued that the Christian religion is indispensable to social order and national prosperity. Although he opposed the establishment of a state church, he believed a Christian ethic must inform all civil, legal, and political institutions.

Adams' discourse was the first major work from the embattled religious traditionalist controverting Thomas Jefferson's and Andrew Jackson's vision of a secular polity and strict church-state separation.

To confirm his analysis, Adams sent copies of the sermon to scores of leading intellectuals, public figures, and universities of his day. A critical review of the sermon and letters written in response to the sermon, by James Madison, John Marshall, Joseph Story, and many others, provided a rare glimpse into the minds of influential statesmen and jurists who were central in shaping the republic and its institutions.

The church-state debates raging today, within our courts and legislatures are strikingly similar to that of the 1830's. A secular drift in American culture and the role of religion in a pluralistic society were concerns that dominated the controversy then, as now. The issues in our current debate were framed in earlier times by the First Amendment, and a discussion of the constitutional role of religion in American public life. The Rev. Adams was in the forefront of the early discourses and was recognized as a man of eminence in the world of moral philosophy.

The Rev. Adams, his wife, Placidia, and John C. Calhoun, Jr. are all buried at St. Paul's.

Adams' impressive tombstone bears the following inscription:

Jasper Adams
DD, LLD, FRS
"Nil Patria Hoc Habuisse Viro Praeclarius in Se Nec Santum Magis,
Etmirum, Carumque Videtur"
-Lucretius (Roman Poet 1st Cen BC)

Translated:

"The fatherland is seen to have had nothing in it more eminent than this man, nor anything more holy, admirable, or beloved."
- Alden Valentine

Holy Trinity Parish Fund Raiser for the Missy Wylie Fund

When: Friday, May 15, 2009 at 6:00pm – Social; 6:30pm - Dinner

Where: Holy Trinity Parish Hall

Social Time prior to serving dinner

Menu: Spring Salad

Shrimp and Grits

Green Vegetable

Cheese cake

Cost:

Sponsors -- Generous souls helping to defray the costs of the dinner and provide more to the fund -- \$150.00.

Eaters – Can assume additional roles if they wish.

Adults \$20.⁰⁰ in advance, \$30.⁰⁰ at the door;

Children (12 and under) \$10.⁰⁰ in advance and \$15.⁰⁰ at the door.

Helpers -- These folks can assist with setting up for the dinner, tending bar, cooking or clean up

Notes: All proceeds will go to the Missy Wylie Fund

Generous sponsors may call the church office at 654-5071 or email jgoodwin@holyltrinityclmson.org, Kevin Hughes at 654-2122 or Bev Hardin at 646-5153.

Contact Jessica Goodwin at the church office at 654-5071 5071 or email jgoodwin@holyltrinityclmson.org, to sign up and/or pay for the dinner by **Monday, May 11, 2009**, Please also let the Kevin or Bev know how you would be willing to help.

Checks may be made payable to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church with "the Missy Wylie Memorial Fund" written on the memo line. Help us to plan early for our purchases by signing up early. Thank You.

SPRING BLOOD DRIVE

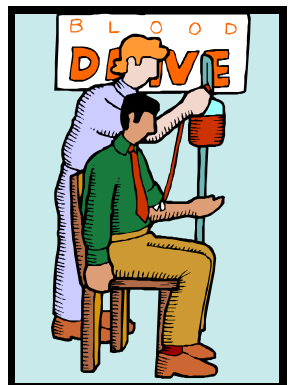
Love is in the air. I can feel it when I hear about restaurants giving out free meals to the hungry, movie theaters giving families free entertainment, beauty shops offering free hair cuts. This global economic downturn is bringing out the beauty in people.

Our donors show beauty each time they give blood to save the life of the hemorrhaging accident victim, the woman in surgery, the child with cancer, or the man with hemophilia. Each pint of blood can save three of these lives.

In January forty-three potential donors reported to our Bloodmobile; nine were there for the first time. The increased number was due, in part, to the love of our friends at Saint Andrews Catholic Church: they advised us to park the Bloodmobile out front.

That Bloodmobile will return to Holy Trinity on Monday, May 4, 2009 and remain from 3 to 7:30 pm. Anyone having a question about eligibility to donate can go to the website for the Blood Connection (www.thebloodconnection.org) or email Mary or Steve Martof at (smartof@hughes.net).

Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex on Sunday, May 3, or you may email Mary Martof at (smartof@hughes.net).

PRAYER SHAWL INGATHERING

There will be a prayer shawl ingathering during the 10:30am service on Sunday, May 10th. Knitters and crocheters please bring your completed and in progress shawls to be blessed. We would like to replenish our supply of prayer shawls available to the clergy and others to give to those in need.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

Contact Margaret Nieman at jerseygirl5@bellsouth.net or 864-637-9363 with questions.

Spotlight on High School Seniors

William Taylor Bridges will graduate from D. W. Daniel High School on June 6. During high school, he has been a member of Mu Alpha Theta (a math scholar society) and the marching band in 9th and 10th grades. Taylor has been a Boy Scout all 4 years of high school and earned Eagle Scout Rank. Next Fall Taylor will attend Coastal Carolina University. His major is yet to be decided, but he would like to have a career in marine biology or fisheries. Taylor enjoys all kinds of sports, listening to all kinds of music, and all kinds of fishing. Taylor is the son of Mary Noland Bridges and William Carroll Bridges, Jr.

Marjorie Anne Campbell will graduate from West Oak High School on June 6. During high school, Anne has been involved with Student Government, Varsity Cheerleading, Soccer, Cross Country, and the Yearbook. Anne also studies dance and has been involved in dance competitions. Anne is a member of the Palmetto Fellows, the National Honor Society, and the Beta Club. Anne will attend the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, NC. Her major is as yet undecided, but she would like to make a difference in the world and live happily ever after. Anne enjoys hanging out with friends and driving with the top down. Anne is the daughter of Marjorie and Donald Campbell.

Christine Maree Corontzes will graduate from D.W. Daniel High School on June 6. Christine has been active on the Daniel Tennis Team and the Varsity Club. Christine has been awarded the Life Scholarship and has been named All-Region Athlete since 7th grade and Most Valuable Player since 8th grade. Christine will attend Clemson University where she plans to major in Special Education. Christine enjoys playing tennis, working at her father's restaurants (Calhoun Corners, Pixie and Bill's, and Rudy's on Ramcat), running, photography, and visiting the beach and the mountains. Christine is the daughter of George and Lesa Corontzes.

Paul Mack Mauer will graduate from Christ School in Arden, NC on May 17. During high school, Paul has played tennis and soccer. He also has been involved in drama. His first year at Christ School, Paul received a Headmaster Commemoration for serving as the JV Tennis player/manager. Paul has been on the honor roll most quarters and the High Honor Roll (4.0 GPA) the third quarter of his senior year. Paul has worked on the summer staff of Camp Gravatt. He also attended a summer Spanish language program in Mexico. Paul plans to attend St. John's College in Annapolis, MD. He chose St. John's because it has a great book program and no majors. His career goal is yet to be determined. Paul enjoys reading and browsing the internet. He is the son of Pamela Etter Mack and John Walker Mauer.

James Gaillard Snowden, IV will graduate from D. W. Daniel High School on June 6. During high school, Gil has been active in the Daniel Literary Magazine, the Diocesan Youth Leadership Council, the Western Carolina Sailing Club and the US Power Squadrons. At Holy Trinity Gil has served as acolyte and lector. Gil attended Happening (a Diocesan weekend retreat for High School students) and served on several Happening staffs. The summer before his senior year, Gil went to Quito, Ecuador on a short term mission trip. Gil will attend Erskine College in Due West, SC. Gil's major and career goals are yet to be determined. Gil enjoys theatre, sailing, history, languages, literature, art, writing, and photography. Gil is the son of Elizabeth Moore Snowden and James Gaillard Snowden III.

Mallary Ann Vaughn will graduate from D.W. Daniel High School on June 6. During high school, she has been very involved in competitive horseback riding. Mallary is member of Mu Alpha Theta (a math scholar society) and the National Society of High School Scholars. In February, she was recognized at Daniel High School as the Athlete of the Month for competitive horseback riding. She plans on attending the University of Georgia where she would like to earn a degree in Pharmacy. Mallary would like to become a pharmacist and would love to compete in 3-day event at Rolex and/or the Olympics. She enjoys competitive horseback riding and being at the barn preparing for her competitions. She also enjoys eating out and going to movies with friends. Mallary is the daughter of Ann Frankovich Vaughn and David Edgar Vaughn.



Congratulations Seniors! Class of 2009

HABITAT for HUMANITY and HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Did you know that we are **PARTNERS** in the Pickens County Habitat for Humanity Organization?

Did you know that we support Pickens County Chapter financially as a part of our **OUTREACH GIVING?**

Did you know that we participate in the **BUILDING** process of new homes for the less fortunate in our community?

Are you aware of the opportunities to **INDIVIDUALLY** help the Pickens County Habitat Organization through independent giving?

For many years the Holy Trinity Family has done an outstanding job in this outreach endeavor.

Just what is *Habitat for Humanity* all about? By definition it is "a non-profit Christian housing ministry with a mission to eliminate substandard living conditions while partnering with families and community volunteers to provide decent affordable housing." It was founded in 1976 by Millard & Linda Fuller in Americus, GA. Since it's inception, it has spread to more than 1000 US cities and 100 countries around the world. Since its humble beginning, more than 200,000 houses have been built around the world. In 1981, the Pickens County Chapter was founded by the Pickens Presbyterian Church. It is the 2nd oldest chapter in South Carolina and 12th oldest in the USA. Since inception, this chapter has renovated/built over 60 homes.

Here at Holy Trinity, we have taken on an active role in meeting the Mission Statement of Habitat for Humanity.

1. We have supported the organization financially, through the Outreach Program with an annual Donation of \$1000.00.
2. We commit a minimum of four workers, generally six times, to work on scheduled Saturdays in late Fall through late Spring. This is related to the finishing of the house started on campus at Clemson University as part of the Homecoming Weekend. This house is then moved to its permanent site that is owned by Habitat in Pickens County.
3. We commit to providing a "snack" on scheduled Saturdays, generally three times. This activity is done by several women in the church and/or youth groups.
4. There are individuals and other groups who also support this activity.

One thing that is needed at Holy Trinity, is more volunteers to help with construction. You don't have to be a master builder—just willing to help in a worthy cause. Tools are provided, but you can bring your own. If we could get more people to offer to work we could help out on more Saturdays or be the prime group scheduled for a given workday. Both women and men are welcome as well as youth 16 and older.

For more information on Habitat for Humanity please go to: www.pickenshabitat.org and www.habitat.org (this is national site).

Submitted by,

Pug Brown (Outreach Comm./Habitat Coordinator)

The 2009 Safe Harbor Cycle Tour

will take place **Saturday, May 30** in the area around Iva. There are 65 and 25 mile tours. The **\$35** entry fee includes a t-shirt, lunch pass, snacks, and SAG.

Register online at www.SafeHarborCycleTour.org or in person at the Clemson Cyclery.

ECW Spring Dinner

The ECW spring dinner will be held **Thursday, May 7** at **six o'clock** in the parish hall. Our speakers will be the parents of the young people we pray for each week in Africa. Please call Pat Geldard at 654-6601 or Betty Snowden at 653-6709 if you will attend.

THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WATER

WATER EMERGENCY CANGE

This year marks the 30-year anniversary of our diocesan partnership with our brothers and sisters in Cange, Haiti. It has indeed been a blessed and mutually beneficial relationship (further details see www.edusc.org).

Among the first, and still the most important, fruits of our partnership was the harnessing of the spring at Bas Cange to produce sufficient hydraulic power to pump potable water over 2 miles up an 800 vertical foot climb to the cisterns and the compound. This project was brilliantly designed and engineered by Pierce Williams and John Page in Greenville and was completed in 1985 providing lifesaving water to the community. Around this system has grown a thriving community with a vibrant parish church, a school (now offering a secondary school or Baccalaureate Degree!), and a 100-bed hospital and referral center offering some of the best healthcare available in the Central Plateau of Haiti.

While 2009 marks an important anniversary of our partnership, it also marks an impending crisis which could threaten the future survival of our common mission. The water system is now 25 years old and is in the serious danger of failing on at least four fronts:

1. The existing dam is leaking (under and around) and has been declared "unstable" by our engineering consultants. If it fails, our water supply in the cisterns would last about a week, leaving the school, the hospital complex, and the village of 8000 with no water.
2. The moving parts of the turbine and piston pumps have been meticulously maintained, but are badly worn. Their failure would shut down the entire system again leaving a week supply of water for our complex.
3. The pipes which transport the water from the pump station to the complex were laid along the National Route 3 which is being widened and repaved by a European Union consortium. The advancing road crew will destroy our badly worn pipes which lie in their right of way.
4. The water system was designed to supply a squatter settlement of 800 with potential to expand the 3000. Largely because of our water system and the success of our 30-year partnership, the village of Cange now numbers 8000 and is growing. Not only does our current system not meet the need, but the waste produced by the village of 8000 located above the water source has begun to contaminate our spring. The water by Cange has recently been tested positive for coliforms. This means that we are currently pumping contaminated water to the hospital, school, and the village.

WE NEED YOUR HELP AND MUST ACT NOW!

We have assembled a talented team of engineers from Greenville, Atlanta, and Haiti to address each aspect of this crisis:

1. We will construct the new dam downstream of the original which is larger and deeper hand-dug to the clay layer. It will capture all of the water and will have 3 penetrations, each with a drop gate valve.
2. The current turbine and piston pump will be duplicated, allowing for a backup system and the ability to shut down one set for repair without interrupting water supply.
3. We will lay new galvanized pipe which the European Union engineers have agreed to bury in the new roadbed for safety and protection.
4. We will build a water purification station near the entrance to the complex where all water from the spring will be filtered and ultraviolet-treated to provide U.S. quality standard drinking water. We will build industrial bio-digestors in the complex which will safely manage the waste and produce clean burning methane gas for cooking.

Our engineering team has estimated the cost of this entire project to be close to \$1 million. In response to this need and in recognition of its urgent nature, the Diocesan Executive Counsel has authorized the "Gifts of Bread and Water Campaign." Expanding and protecting our life-giving water system is the biggest part of the campaign. Please join us once again in this mission. We can and must succeed.

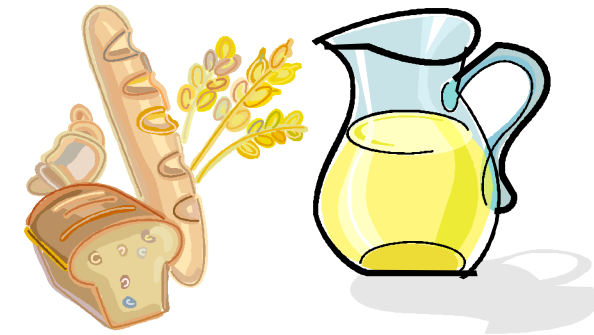
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Please write your check to The Episcopal Diocese of Upper SC designate it for *The Gifts of Bread and Water*. For more information or to invite someone to speak about this mission work at your church, please contact: Earl Burch, Chair of the Gifts of Bread and Water. (864) 356-9804 or eburch@innova.net.

Your prayers and support are appreciated.

Respectfully and prayerfully, Harold G. Morse, M.D.



Lenten Bread Sale Challenge Results

As Aretha might sing: **S-U-C-C-E-S-S!** With our last bread sale topping \$900 on just one Sunday alone, we surpassed our \$1000 goal, with a total of over \$1800. Thank you, one and all, for supporting so heartily and generously this important parish outreach project. It will be a model throughout the diocese to help raise awareness and a commitment to the million dollar water rescue project in Cange.

In the midst of Lent, the baking project brought a quiet joy. While using our own hands to knead and shape the bread, our friends in Haiti were using theirs to repair the leaking dam and lay new pipe to bring safe, life-giving water up to the 8,000 villagers, schoolchildren, and patients at the mission in Cange.

Our youth and parish bread bakers made so much fun along with their delicious wares, we hope to continue this kitchen fellowship, perhaps on a monthly basis, featuring various outreach projects. You are warmly invited to join in.

Vision 2020 Update

The Vision 2020 Committee led the Sunday Forum on April 26th summarizing its work thus far and the next steps in the process of developing a vision for Holy Trinity. You now are encouraged to continue to provide input by offering a version of a vision statement to the committee.

The Assignment: Take the basic themes identified through the data gathering phase (see below) and utilize them in crafting a vision statement of 50 words or less. The statement should complete the sentence, "In 2020, Holy Trinity is the parish that _____." There will be a box in the narthex on Sundays and in the office during the week in which your statements can be placed. Statements will be received through June 30th.

Fundamental common themes gleaned from conversations with members of key ministry groups, over 125 people:

1. **Grow.**
2. **Get younger and more diverse.**
3. **Get more involvement by church members, as well as develop a more intense commitment within our ministries as they exist.**
4. **Get more involved in the community.**
5. **Do all the above within the Episcopal tradition and within the familiar sense of community at Holy Trinity.**

Future steps in the process:

Late Summer: the Committee crafts a first draft of a vision document.

September: Draft vision document is published and distributed to congregation.

October – November: Parishioners invited to small group gatherings for response to draft.

January 24, 2010: Vision Document presented for affirmation by Annual Meeting.

February, 2010: Vestry Retreat.

The Vision 2020 Committee: Paul Anderson, Kathy Crouse, Bill Hurst (Chair), Sarah Maiberger, John Nieman, Charles Shuler.