



Trinity Bell



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Newsletter of Trinity Episcopal Church

October 2007

A MESSAGE FROM THE SR. WARDEN

In my message in the Bell last month I made an appeal to congregation members to consider becoming a candidate for one of the three Mission Board vacancies which will be filled at the October 7, 2007 election. I must admit that I did not expect the response that the nominating committee got. We have eight candidates for the three vacancies. I want to commend the nominating committee. Rather than make a broad appeal by asking "those persons interested" to contact them, they went on the offensive and personally made calls asking congregation members if they were interested. Let us all learn something from this. Broad appeals to a group for volunteers do not usually work. Personal individual contacts asking for help usually do.

In this issue of the Bell you will find the list of the eight candidates and a brief biographical sketch on each. I urge you to review the list, to give it thought and prayer, and to ask yourself which candidates you think will do the best job in helping make decisions that will guide Trinity in the years ahead. Being on the board is not an honor. It is a responsibility. Although the mission board usually meets once a month, it is conceivable that there will be additional meetings next year as we go through our full-time priest search process. In addition new members will be asked to oversee and to serve on various committees and to participate in other church activities. I would ask that you consider all of these factors when casting your vote. If you have questions you would like to ask a candidate or candidates by all means do so. This is an important election.

The Mission Board made a policy decision for this election at its September 12, 2007 meeting, and will allow absentee ballots for those that will be out of town or unable to attend the October 7th service. Details concerning the procedure to be followed in casting these ballots can be found elsewhere in the Bell.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

On Sunday, October 7, we will hold a combined service in the Parish Hall at 10:00 am.

Following the service, elections for our new Mission Board members and convention alternate and delegate will be held.

Also on this Sunday, the Search Committee will have a report for us complete with a video presentation.

The women of the ECW will have a wonderful lunch available for everyone when the business of the day has concluded.

As you can see, there will be much important information presented, so please mark your calendar and be sure to join us on:

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 7, 10:00AM
IN THE PARISH HALL**

FALL YARD CLEAN UP

Our Fall Yard Clean Up Day will be held on Sat., October 6th and we can use all the help we can muster. The boys from Camp Blanding will be coming to help again and we will need tools, man power and people to help supervise and direct the boys. This is always a fun day with lots of fellowship and fun and a delicious lunch from the grill! Please let Rodney know if you can help.



**Head of the Church
Jesus Christ**

**The Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson
Howard
Bishop of Florida**

Members of the Mission Board

**Alan Pankratz, Sr. Warden
Jim White, Jr. Warden
George Bothwell, Treasurer
Linda Wilcox, Clerk
Donna Eichelsderfer
Kristi Gregory
Suki Hoffman
Ed O'Bryan
Clay O'Neal
Vi Paul
Jack Rice**

Staff

**Clergy
Pat Nahikian, Deacon
Valerie Thomas, Deacon**

Music

**Margaret Rice, Choir Director
Melanie Yeager, Organist**

Office

**Jean Stegall,
Financial Administrator
Linda Wilcox,
Parish Administrator**

Service Times

**8:30 am and 11:00 am Sunday
6:00 pm Wednesday Evening**

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Members of the Daughters of the King traveled to Palm Coast to the annual Fall Assembly of the DOK. They were present for the installation of Fr. David Barr, who will be the DOK's new chaplain and were able to meet and talk with other members of the DOK from all over the diocese.



MELROSE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

The Melrose Pumpkin Festival is to celebrate, promote and enhance the community spirit and pride in the four county town of Melrose, Fl through an affordable, fun, family oriented harvest festival. Admission FREE. It should be great fun with pumpkin pie cooking and eating contests, pumpkin carving and best costume awards, and the crowning of King and Queen, Prince and Princess and Little Mr. and Miss Pumpkin Seed. There will be vendors, games and rides for the kids, and of course, lots of good food. Trinity's Fellowship Committee is setting up a Bake Sale, a Trash to Treasure Booth and games for children. If you have something which might turn into someone else's "Treasure", or a yummy baked good to donate, please call Donna Eichelsderfer or the church office.

GREETERS AND USHERS

On Sunday, October 7, there will be a **short** meeting of the greeters and ushers in the church at 9:15. This is a very important meeting, so please make every effort to come. More volunteers are needed, and if you would like to be a part of welcoming newcomers and to our church, please join us. If you cannot make the meeting, please let Deacon Pat know.



The Women of the ECW attended a great meeting of the Diocesan ECW at Camp Weed during the month of August. It was a wonderful meeting and time to visit with seldom seen friends from all over the Diocese of Florida. We were delighted to welcome members of St. Anne's Church in Keystone to our September meeting when we each wrote a thank you note to someone in the military and discussed collecting items to be sent in "Care Packages" for the troops. A list of items needed is posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall and will be in this Sunday's bulletin. Questions? Call Ardyce or Jean.

CURSILLO NEWS



The next Ultreya will be held on Friday, Oct. 5, at Holy Trinity in Gainesville.. There will be a Eucharist Service and a covered dish dinner. Everyone is invited. If you would like to know more about Curtillo, please be sure to come and join the fellowship of the evening and ask lots of questions.



NEWS FROM THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

Your Search Committee has prepared a video presentation of the church survey results which will be presented after the business meeting/elections on October 7th. We hope to have the Parish Profile ready to add to this video presentation as well. The Rev. Canon Gayanne Silver met with us on September 19th. We are now working on the Priest Request Form and the One Page Summary. With Rev. Silver's help and your prayers, we should have these items ready to send to the Church Deployment Office by mid October. Please remember to keep the Search Committee in your daily prayers.

TRINITY YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group had a great time attending "Rock The Universe" this year at Universal Studios. Rock the Universe is just like "Night of Joy", a weekend of gospel & religious entertainers while the youth groups from around the country can congregate for a night of fun and blessed fellowship.

There is a slight change in our program this year, Bible study on Wednesday nights has been moved back to the church. The youth group will meet each week in the youth room and we will have pizza and our usual studies. Once a month we will meet at Betty's to keep the tradition alive.

We look forward to a fun-filled year with some exciting events to be planned.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Oct. 9 Eric and Margaret Arenberg
Walton and Virginia Smith
- Oct. 18 Eric and Ann Beshore



O God, bless our relationships, assist us with your grace, so that with true fidelity and steadfast love we may honor and keep the promises and vows we make to one another. Let us love one another as a sign of your love for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Trinity's kids still meet every Sunday morning at 9:45 to explore on elementary terms the gospel of that week with prayers, games, and a breakfast snack. Our class size varies from 4-14 (and the ages are about the same!) but we always pray that more will join us!

SCOUTS

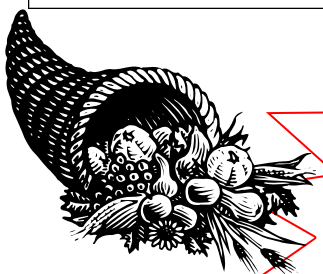


The Cub Scouts of Pack 109 seem to have enjoyed a successful roundup this fall, and there were at least 34 cars in the Trinity parking lot last Monday night! The parent leaders met again on Wednesday night to plan their program, with John Nicholson (Cubmaster), Leo Lowe (Wolf Leader), and C.J. Masciale (Bear Leader) lending their experience to get this new year underway and explore the training opportunities for the new parents.

The Boy Scout Troop is meeting again on Monday nights in the Scout Hut, under the supervision of Father Dave Kidd and several Assistant Scoutmasters and Committee Members

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- Oct. 8 Bailey Spitzner
- Oct. 9 Charlie Norton
Kris O'Neal
- Oct. 10 Walton Smith
Liz Middleton
- Oct. 12 Mike Kreshka
- Oct. 18 Jean Allensworth
- Oct. 22 Esther Slasor
Candy Spires
- Oct. 25 Penny Pankratz
Julia Frazel
- Oct. 27 Miles Eaton
- Oct. 28 Kelly O'Neal



**The Deadline for
the November Bell is
October 19th.**

God, our times are in your hand; look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
From the Book of Common Prayer p. 830

TREASURER'S REPORT



| | For the Month | | Year-to-Date | |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
| Income | \$ 11,007 | \$ 13,335 | \$108,901 | \$106,681 |
| Expense | \$ 6,082 | \$ 9,055 | \$ 63,771 | \$ 72,437 |
| Income less Expense | \$ 4,925 | \$ 4,280 | \$ 45,130 | \$ 34,244 |



KERYGMA

Kerygma is a Bible study planned to stimulate faith, to challenge minds, and to learn to apply the Bible to life in today's world. Starting Wednesday evening at 7 P.M. on November 7, a Kerygma Bible study on the Book of Romans will be offered by Deacon Pat. There will be 14 sessions. A meal will be furnished before the first session and will begin following the 6 P.M. service in the church. Resource books for the course are \$20.00 and must be ordered ahead. Please let Deacon Pat at 475-3349 or the church office know by October 14 if you would like to attend. (Scholarships are available if needed.)

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH

Dear Trinity Church Family,

God is so good!!! During my sabbatical time, I have witnessed Him at work in so many ways; and I give thanks for the time apart to just drink in of the wondrous replenishment His Spirit provides. I praise the Lord for the way I find His Spirit moving among you at Trinity, and I pray that He will soon provide a new priest full of His Spirit who will continue to lead us in His will and His way.

There are several new ministries that I would like to see us begin at Trinity to reach out to our immediate community and beyond. First, having volunteered at St. Mary's in Jacksonville during my time away, I see the need they have for several churches to send volunteers to help with their clothing and food ministry. I will volunteer to drive up once a month, or when needed, but I would like to take a car load of volunteers with me.

Also, St. Andrews, Interlachen, needs help on the fourth Friday of the month with their outreach ministries; and I would love to have volunteers go with me there as well.

Second, I have asked St. Anne's, Keystone, St. Andrews, Interlachen, and our church to become community access partners with the Department of Children and Families. Cheryl Twombly, the D.C.F. community liaison person, will come to our church, set up a computer and printer, and train volunteers when we are ready to start. However, we need volunteers to help those in the community use the computer to apply for programs like food stamps and Medicaid that are offered by the D.C.F. Providing this service will help many who do not know how to use a computer and who do not have the means to drive to Green Cove Springs, Starke, or Palatka.

Please call me at home (475-3349) or notify the church office if you are willing to help with any of the above ministries. I will advise everyone of times as we know more.

There was a recent devotional about how a church doesn't have to have a large congregation or a lot of money to be Christ's hands in our world today. All it takes is a big heart and hands outreached in love. Trinity has a **BIG** heart, and I pray we will have lots of hands stretched out in love.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Pat

FALL UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Blue Box in the Window

I wash a dish, and I say a prayer,
Because my Blue Box is sitting there.

The pressures have lifted from someone I love,
So a coin goes in and a prayer goes above.

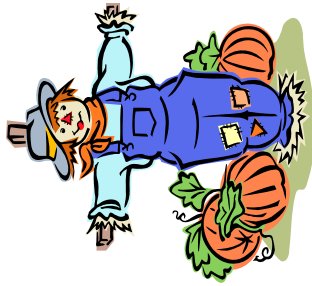
Cholesterol's down And I say a prayer.
Since my diet is working, That's only fair.

One prayer changed once to a joyous howl.
The dentist said, "No" To a root canal!

So find your box and find your reason
This is the time, and it's always the season!





The United Thank Offering is taken up every year in each Episcopal Church and returned as grants to churches and organizations in need. Grants are given to organizations through the country. Last year our diocese received one for St. Mary's shelter in Jacksonville and this year one for Grace Mission in Tallahassee. When we give, our gifts are multiplied.

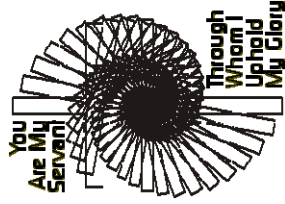
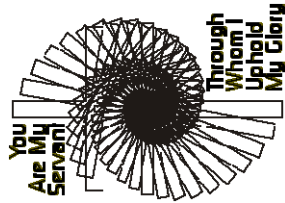
We welcome your boxes of prayer coins or checks in the Blue Envelopes. Checks should be made out to Trinity E.C.W. and please note Fall UTO on the memo line.



October 2007



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>Mission Board Member and Convention Delegate Elections will be held on Sunday, Oct. 7th. There will also be report from the Search Committee.</p> | <p>1 7:00 pm Scouts</p> | <p>2 The Episcopal Church Women ECW Meeting 10am</p> | <p>3 Church Service 6pm Search Committee 7:00pm Youth Group</p> | <p>4 10 - 4 Thrift Shop open 7:00pm AA</p> | <p>5 Ultreya St. Barnabas Williston</p> | <p>6 Thrift Shop 9am-12 Yard Cleanup Day</p>  |
| <p>7 First Sunday Service 10:00am Parish Hall Lunch Following 9:15 am Ushers Mtg.</p> | <p>8 7:00 pm Scouts COLUMBUS DAY OFFICE CLOSED</p>  | <p>9 Craft Class 10:00am</p> | <p>10 Church Service 6pm 7 pm Mission Board Youth Group</p> | <p>11 10 - 4 Thrift Shop open Search Committee 7pm 7:00pm AA</p> <p>Men's Cursillo Weekend</p> | <p>12</p> | <p>13 Thrift Shop 9am- PUMPKIN PATCH 9am-2pm</p>  |
| <p>14 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee 9:45 Spiritual Dev</p> | <p>15 7:00 pm Scouts Stewardship Mtg.</p> | <p>16</p> | <p>17 Church Service 6pm 7:00pm Youth Group Search Committee</p> | <p>18 10 - 4 Thrift Shop open 7:00pm Craft Class 7:00pm AA</p> <p>Women's Cursillo Weekend</p> | <p>19</p> | <p>20 Thrift Shop 9am-12 PH in Use</p> |
| <p>21 8:30 Jesus in the Park 11:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee 9:45 Spiritual Dev</p> | <p>22 7:00 pm Scouts</p> | <p>23 Craft Class 10:00am</p> | <p>24 Church Service 6pm 7:00pm Youth Group</p> | <p>25 10 - 4 Thrift Shop open ECW Annual Meeting At Camp Weed 7:00pm AA</p> | <p>26</p> | <p>27 Men's Club 8:00am Thrift Shop 9am-12 PH in Use</p> |
| <p>28 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 Coffee 9:45 Spiritual Dev</p> | <p>29 7:00 pm Scouts</p> | <p>30 Craft Class 10:00am PH In Use pm</p> | <p>31 Church Service 6pm 7:00pm Youth Group</p> | <p>MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR ALL SAINT'S DAY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH AT 6:30 pm for our 3rd ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF!</p>  | | |



SERVER'S SCHEDULE ~ OCTOBER 2007

| Date | Eucharistic Minister | Reader | Usher | Greeter | Chalice Bearer | Reader | Usher | Greeter |
|--|---|------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| October 7 First Sunday | One Service 10:00am In the Parish Hall | | | | Jerry Thomas | Ken Blair | Eric Beshore | Kathi Warren |
| October 14 20th Pentecost | Paul Stegall Suki Hoffman | Joyce Chesnut | Jeanne Eaton | Joyce Chesnut | Paul Stegall Suki Hoffman | Pat Poppell | Clay O'Neal | Kelly O'Neal |
| October 21 Jesus in the Park | Kristi Gregory Craig Lee | Paul Stegall | Eric Beshore | Ann Beshore | Kristi Gregory Craig Lee | Suki Hoffman | John Wick | Ardyce Wick |
| October 28 22nd Pentecost | Pat Poppell | Jeanne Eaton | Jim White | Ginny White | Pat Poppell | Clay O'Neal | Ed O'Bryan | Yvonne O'Bryan |
| November 4 First Sunday All Saints | One Service 10:00am In the Parish Hall | | | | Jerry Thomas | Kristi Gregory | Rodney Paul Kristi Gregory | Vi Paul Donna Eichelsderfer |
| Altar Guild | Amanda Gray, Donna Eichelsderfer, Jo Welsh, and Laurie Alsbrook | | | | | | | |
| Mission Board Member | Donna Eichelsderfer and Linda Wilcox | | | | | | | |

Thank you for placing yourself in the service of Our Lord and His Church. If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please arrange for your replacement and notify the office.

PONDERING

Suki Hoffman



Sometimes my life seems very congested and overloaded, but I pray for guidance knowing that I am guided by God to the fulfillment of my plans and dreams. I pray, ask for guidance, and then trust that the wisdom of God will come through and answer my prayers. Right now I'm praying that God will guide me on one more mission trip to wherever. These past few weeks have been confusing, nerve wracking and overflowing. The plans I have already are being pushed aside and replaced with something else. But I have a choice (this I've said before), I can stay in a dark place of anger and upset or I can choose light and praise God for it. I thank God first, that I have a choice, and then that in spite of the circumstances, He will come through, not necessarily with my plans, but His. Thank you, Lord!

TIME



TALENTS



TREASURE



The excitement is mounting as the Search Committee patiently and efficiently moves forward in bringing to Trinity a full time priest. We must be ready with our time, talents and treasures. These gifts help to guide the direction of Trinity's future. More information will be forthcoming from the Stewardship Committee as soon as we plan our annual fall Trinity program to draw attention to God's blessings in our lives and how we can best serve Him.

Ann and Eric Beshore Virginia Smith Ginny White
Marilyn and Ken Blair Jean Stegall

Dear Trinity Melrose,



I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am your new organist and am delighted to join your church family. I thought it would be interesting for me to do a series on the history of music in the church. Music is an integral part of the worship service, and I find that understanding where it comes from makes it that much more enjoyable and fulfilling.

Music in the Old Testament comes in two forms: the Psalms and the canticles. I'm sure all of you are familiar with the Psalms that we recite every Sunday. These are actually ancient hymns that can be sung. In biblical times, the tunes were passed on orally. Jesus and his disciples actually sang a hymn that was most likely Psalms 113-118 at the Last Supper (Matthew 26:30, Mark 14:26). The Old Testament canticles are the sources of many later hymns. Some examples include the two Songs of Moses (Exodus 15:1-8, Deuteronomy 32:1-43), the Song of Hannah (1 Samuel 2:1-10), and the Song of Jonah (Jonah 2:2-9).

The New Testament includes many references to hymns, as well as several canticles. Acts 16:25 says, "But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God." In this instance, the singing of hymns is a source of hope for the imprisoned apostles. Paul instructs us to "be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" in Ephesians 5:18-19. Paul points out that it is important to "Sing with the spirit" and also "sing with the understanding" in 1 Corinthians 14: 15. James encourages us to sing when we are happy in James 5: 13, saying "Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms."

Paul quotes several passages that are very likely ancient hymns (Ephesians 5:14, 1 Timothy 3:16, and 2 Timothy 2:11-13). The most obvious examples of hymns in the New Testament are the Nativity Canticles found in Luke. The best known of these is probably the Magnificat (Song of Mary) in Luke 1:46-56. The others are the Benedictus (Song of Zacharias-Luke 1:67-79), the Gloria in excelsis deo (Song of Angels-Luke 2:14), and the Nunc dimittis (Song of Simeon-Luke 2:29-32).

I encourage you to read these passages in your bibles and possibly search for other examples. Next month, I will talk about the music of the early Christian church.

Thank you for your time!
Melanie Yeager

Mission Board Nominees for 2008-2011

***Eric Beshore**

Professional – Architect, Engineer, Retired Military Officer (27 years), Consultant on Military Range Planning (13 years)

Family – Wife Ann and three daughters – Attorney, Veterinarian and Graduate Student at Vanderbilt
Church – Stewardship Committee, Usher, ReVision Task Force; Investment Committee, Fellowship Activities – MC for Valentine Dinner and Kid's Games for Merry Melrose, Vacation Bible School.

* If Eric Beshore is elected to the mission board his appointment will not be effective until the full-time priest search is completed. This is due to the fact that his wife, Ann, is a member of the full-time priest search committee. The Diocese feels that it is in the best interest of Trinity to avoid having members of the same immediate family on the mission board and search committee at the same time. They have, however, given us approval to let Eric's appointment, if elected, become effective as soon as the search committee completes its mission.

Terrell Bothwell

B.A., University of Alabama; formerly district supervisor for State of Florida, Agency for Persons With Disabilities. At Trinity, involved with ECW, Thrift Store volunteer, Altar Guild and LAM volunteer. At previous churches, participated in the Wedding Guild and as a Sunday School teacher.

Jeanne Eaton

Member of Trinity since 1981, with 3 sons, all baptized and confirmed here.

History of involvement in Sunday School, vacation bible school, youth group, ECW, diabetes support group, thrift shop, fundraisers with LAS/LAM, and presently serves as reader/usher/greeter.

Kelly O'Neal

Baptized at Trinity in 2002, confirmed in 2003; Cursillo in 2005; active in Scouting, ECW, and food service for various functions; Worked in the Church Office 2005-06, initiated Vacation Bible School plan with Father Gary, and assisted VBS with recruiting and registration.

Kris O'Neal

Baptized at Trinity in 2002, confirmed in 2003; Happening in 2005; Eagle Scout, graduated KHHS in 2006, attends SFCC; plans to continue education at UF with career in medical profession; volunteer for VBS, youth Sunday School, Assistant Scoutmaster, and assists cooking for the Men's Club; attends college bible study at Holy Trinity-Gainesville.

Vi Paul

Baptized at age 14 at First Baptist Church in Keystone Heights. Began attending Trinity about 7 years ago. Confirmed in 2003; Member of the Mission Board 06-07, on the Alter Guild, works in the Thrift Shop, teaches Sunday School and works with Vacation Bible School.

Jim Swarr

Professional: Graduate of Harvard Medical School; Diplomat of Am. Board of Ophthalmology. Private practice in Anchorage, AK--and Biddeford, ME.

Faith: Grew up in Lititz, PA--member of Church of Brethren. First involvement with the Episcopal Church--worshiped at Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston. Joined St. Mary's Episcopal, Anchorage, AK--1971. Trinity Episcopal, Saco, ME., served on Vestry. Church of Holy Spirit (newest Episcopal Church in Portland, ME.)--served on Vestry. St. Thomas Episcopal, St. Petersburg, FL--sang in choir. Concerns: Ministry to Elderly and Youth; Music; Fiscal Management.

Jo Welsh

Has lived in Melrose since 1957. For 35 years, before retiring worked as a certified paralegal for several lawyers in Gainesville. Became a member of Trinity in 2002 and was confirmed here in January, 2005. Currently a member of ECW and has been the coordinator for the Saturday workers for the Thrift Store since 2004 when it started opening on Saturdays. Member of the Fellowship Committee, previously the No Name Committee, since being appointed by Father Gary when the committee was first organized. Member of the Altar Guild and has served as a Greeter at church on Sunday.

Absentee Ballots will be available in the Parish Office between 9:30am and 1:00pm starting on Monday.

**Minutes of Mission Board of Trinity Episcopal Church
August 8, 2007**

Present:

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Sr. Warden, Alan Pankratz | Jack Rice | Val Thomas, Deacon |
| Jr. Warden, Jim White | Suki Hoffman | Donna Eichelsderfer |
| Treasurer, George Bothwell | Vi Paul | Clay O'Neal |
| Clerk, Linda Wilcox | Ed O'Bryan | Kristi Gregory |

Sr. Warden, Alan Pankratz opened the meeting at 7:05pm with a prayer. Alan then noted that the meeting for the month of July had been canceled and stressed the importance of Mission Board members attending all of the meetings.

The minutes of the June 13th meeting were read and reviewed. After a motion by Vi Paul which was seconded by Jack Rice, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer George Bothwell reported that things are on track and looking good. Our income is up and the expenses are down. Many thanks to Jim White, Jr. Warden for working so hard to keep the expenses down. George pointed out that on our balance sheet shows that our assets are up \$47,000 from 2006.

\$10,000 of this is set aside for repairs and \$26,000 for the priest fund. The balance is from growth in securities we hold.

George also noted that the stock market had been very volatile lately and that the amount of growth would probably not hold at the same high it currently shows.

Our yearly audit has been conducted and completed by Mary Rynd and Walton Smith. They will send a letter to the Diocese for their review.

George reported that he has been working on an outreach plan for Trinity which is not yet finished but may be ready in time for our September meeting. There may need to be a workshop of some kind to familiarize and clarify things for everyone.

Sr. Warden's Report

Sr. Warden Alan Pankratz advised that a new organist has been hired. Melanie Yeager will start with us on August 26th.

Melanie graduated summa cum laude from Florida State with a degree in church organ music. She will be attending dental school here at the University of Florida. Melanie also plays the piano and has training in directing a choir. We are very fortunate to have her with us.

The Mission Board of the Month schedule will be changed for the remainder of the year. Rather than have one person responsible for the entire day on Sunday, we will have one member responsible for opening things up and starting coffee and a second member responsible for making certain that everything is closed up and locked after the 11:00am service. The new scheduling will start in September.

The Search Committee is doing well. The parish survey has been completed and compiling a parish profile is their next step. Our consultant, Gayanne Silver will be here to work with them on Aug. 15th.

There are three vacancies for the Mission Board coming up in January and we will need to put together a nominating committee and have names submitted for these positions as well as a delegate and alternate for the Diocesan Convention. We need to do this soon so we will be able to have them advertised and the congregation will be able to vote on the First Sunday of October.

Jr. Warden's Report

Greg Davis recently helped to repair the ice machine and saved us the money for that. Our air conditioner condensers are having to be re-set frequently and we should be aware that they will have to be replaced sometime in the future. Our new cleaning lady is doing a great job.

Clay reported that Vacation Bible School was very successful. The budget worked out well. Clay would like for someone else to take it over for next year.

Donna advised that the Good Old Summertime Dinner had been very successful. She also noted that there will be a Pumpkin Festival in Melrose on October 13th and the Fellowship Committee will be setting up a few booths in the courtyard for this event.

As an order of new business Clay proposed a co-venture with St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Interlachen involving the use of a van. The van would be purchased by St. Andrew's with some grant money and we would cover the cost of insurance and maintenance. Together we would work out a plan for use of the van. After some discussion of the complexities and liability of such a venture, it was decided not to pursue this idea.

Donna requested and the Mission Board agreed to provide lunch for the congregation after the First Sunday Service in September.

It was moved by Clay, seconded by Donna and approved by all that the meeting be adjourned.

After a prayer by Alan, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Linda Wilcox, Clerk

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SPECIAL EVENTS IN OCTOBER

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| Oct. 2 | ECW Meeting in the Parish Hall |
| Oct. 3 | Search Committee Meeting |
| Oct. 5 | Ultreya at St. Barnabas in Williston |
| Oct. 6 | Yard Clean Up Day |
| Oct. 7 | First Sunday Service |
| Oct. 8 | Columbus Day - Office Closed |
| Oct. 9 | Craft Class 10:00am Parish Hall |
| Oct. 10 | Mission Board |
| Oct. 11 | Search Committee Meeting |
| Oct. 11 -14 | Men's Cursillo Weekend |
| Oct. 13 | Pumpkin Patch Festival |
| Oct. 15 | Stewardship Meeting |
| Oct. 17 | Search Committee |
| Oct. 18 | Craft Class |
| Oct. 18-21 | Women's Cursillo |
| Oct. 21 | Jesus in the Park |
| Oct. 23 | Craft Class |
| Oct. 25 | ECW Meeting at Camp Weed |
| Oct. 30 | Craft Class |

REGULAR EVENTS

Sunday : 8:30 & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:15 am Coffee
9:45 - 10:45am Children's Sunday School
Adult Spiritual Development

Youth Group

After 11:00 Service on Sunday
Wed. Evening Bible Study at Betty's Pizza

1st Sunday of the Month

One Service only at 10:00am
In the Parish Hall

3rd Sunday of the Month

8:30 Service, "Jesus in the Park"
In the Park

Wednesday: Evening Service 6:00 pm

Thrift Shop

Open 10 am to 4 pm Thursday
9 am—noon Saturday