



# TRINITY TIMES

WORSHIP AT TRINITY:  
SUNDAY MORNINGS  
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship  
in the Sanctuary

Crossroads Contemporary  
Worship in Fellowship Hall

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## Joy to All People

by Reverend Philip Brooks

The Christmas angels proclaimed "tidings of great joy which shall be to all people." Indeed, the Gospel embraces all peoples, countries, cultures, and

languages. Hymn scholars believe the first Canadian Christmas carol was written circa 1643 by Father Jean de Brebeuf, a Jesuit missionary to the Huron Indians of Canada. Attempting to explain the incarnation of Jesus to people with no knowledge of shepherds, flocks, stables, or mangers was a challenge. So Father Brebeuf used symbols and figures out of their daily experience and culture that could be understood by Huron Indians. While maintaining the essential Christmas message, he poetically told the Christmas story as if Jesus had been born, not in Bethlehem, but in the vast forests of Canada.

In 1649 the Huron Indians were driven from their homes by the Iroquois Tribe, the Jesuit Mission was destroyed, and Father Brebeuf was martyred.

But his Christmas hymn had entered the Huron language and was preserved. Over 200 years later it was translated into English and French. Today it is still widely sung throughout Canada where it is sometimes called The Huron Carol.

The hymn, composed 367 years ago in the Huron tribal tongue, reminds us that God sent Jesus not to one race or country but to all the world.

In English the hymn is entitled "'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime" and is number 244 in The United Methodist Hymnal. We will sing it at the **Trinity Christmas Hymn Sing on December 5 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.**

'Twas in the moon of wintertime  
When all the birds had fled,  
That mighty Gitche Manitou\*  
Sent angel choirs instead;  
Before their light the stars grew dim,  
And wond'ring hunters heard the hymn:

*Refrain:*  
Jesus, your King is born,  
Jesus is born,  
In excelsis gloria.

Within a lodge of broken bark  
The tender Babe was found,  
A ragged robe of rabbit skin  
Enwrapp'd His beauty 'round;  
But as the hunter braves drew nigh,  
The angel song rang loud and high:  
*Refrain*

The earliest moon of wintertime  
Is not so round and fair  
As was the ring of glory on  
The helpless infant there.  
The chiefs from far before Him knelt  
With gifts of fox and beaver pelt.  
*Refrain*

O children of the forest free,  
O sons of Manitou,  
The Holy Child of earth and heav'n  
Is born today for you.  
Come kneel before the radiant boy;  
Who brings you beauty, peace and joy.  
*Refrain*

\*Gitche Manitou means Great God

### Christmas Eve Worship

4:30 p.m. - Family Service; Sanctuary

5 p.m. - Crossroads Contemporary  
Service; Fellowship Hall

6:15 p.m. - Crossroads Contemporary  
Service; Fellowship Hall

7:30 p.m. - Christmas by Candlelight  
Service; Sanctuary

10:15 - 10:45 p.m. Holy Communion  
at the High Altar; Sanctuary

11 p.m. - Christmas by Candlelight  
Service; Sanctuary



# christian education

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*For while gentle silence enveloped all things, and night in its swift course was now half gone, your all-powerful word leaped from heaven, from the royal throne.*

Wisdom of Solomon 18:14-15

*When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.*

Luke 1:39-48

When we think of God leaping into the world, and when we contemplate the calm stillness of the Holy Night, we experience two contrasting sensations. One can think of the word "leap" as a religious word. Elizabeth was like every woman who ever bore a child. She thrilled with the new life of a child leaping in her womb. When we thrill at the Christmas story, when the Holy Spirit touches us, we too leap with joy and delight.

When you hear the voices of our Trinity Children's Choir on that most hallowed of all nights, you again will leap into the world with joy and delight as our very own precious children tell anew the story of a night when all were awed in silence as the Word of God did indeed leap down from Heaven.

## Children's Choir gears up for Christmas

The Children's Choir is gearing up for the Christmas season. Our directors, Amy Giles and Kathy Nutter, are planning the music for our Family Christmas Eve Service, the most heavily attended service of all seven Christmas Eve services. Practices continue **Wednesdays at 4:30**. If your child is unable to attend at that time, please contact Amy Giles or Kathy Nutter. They have worked out wonderfully creative ways so that all children who wish to sing will be included!

## Adult Sunday School Classes

through Dec. 19

### Making Love Last a Lifetime

Rms. 208/209

Sue & Bill Fitz; Sandy & Gene Warman  
Rev. Adam Hamilton, the dynamic young pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas, one of the fastest growing United Methodist Churches in the country, has written this rich and powerful study that offers keys to developing a healthy, satisfying and successful marriage.

### The Carols of Advent

Chapel, Dec. 5-19

Dr. Robin Knowles-Wallace

Dr. Knowles-Wallace, Professor of Sacred Music at the Methodist Theological School of Ohio, will share with us treasured carols, those that reveal the anticipation of the Messiah as promised in scripture, those that tell how ordinary human beings take part in an extraordinary story, and those that reveal Emmanuel, God with Us.

### Prayer: A Phillip Yancey Study

Chapelside Parlor

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones

Philip Yancey sees himself as a fellow pilgrim when it comes to the mysterious intersection where God and humanity meet and relate. He pushes beyond conventional treatments with the fresh, unique perspective that has become his trademark.

### Bell Choir

Room 201

Diane Stanley

Diane Stanley, director of our wonderful Bell Choir, will be training adults and children who wish to learn to play the bells.

### In His Word

Room 207

Matt Hamilton

God's very essence is love. His deep desire is for an eternal relationship in which we enjoy Him and He us, forever. Do you want to get to know this God better? He reveals himself through the Bible. Our aim is to experience the joy of knowing Him intimately by lingering over His Word. We meet year-round. Join anytime. You won't be behind.

Coming in January

### Basic Christian Beliefs

Rev. Dr. Brian Jones  
Rm 215

### Yes, Lord, I Have Sinned but I Have Good Excuses

Tim & Rosalie Allen  
Rm 208

### Seeing Gray in a World of Black & White

Laura Roberts & Kevin Holtsberry  
Chapelside Parlor

### Modern Parables

Ken Thien  
Chapel

### In His Word

Matt Hamilton  
Rm 207





# trinity youth

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## Women's Retreat 2011 One Life to Live

Take Action...Be Strong & Do It! Ezra 10:4  
**February 4th & 5th at Deer Creek Lodge**

If you knew you had limited time to fulfill your dreams, your passions - what would be your priorities?

Join the women of Trinity for the annual Women's Retreat as we learn to take action and live our lives passionately.

Registration begins Sunday, Dec. 19 and runs through Sunday, Jan. 9.

*This makes a great Christmas gift for the woman in your life.*

## welcome new members

Cathy Agler  
804 Thomas Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Michael and Jackie Beam  
885 Sells Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Jodi Cook  
1336 Ida Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Kyle and Tara Daniel  
875 Palmer Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

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1789 Quarry View Drive  
Columbus, Ohio 43204

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3035 Cranston Drive  
Dublin, Ohio, 43017

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1420 Runaway Bay Drive,  
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Columbus, Ohio 43204

Andrew Peters  
1420 Runaway Bay Drive,  
Apt. 2A  
Columbus, Ohio 43204

Tasha Ruth  
1548 Grandview Avenue,  
Apt. B  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Brett Doughty  
1814 Hickory Hill Drive  
Columbus, Ohio 43228

Jim and Jenny Ellis  
2097 Ellington Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

Travis and Cindy Grant  
1514 Meadow Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Anthony Jones  
1860 Barrington Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

Bob and Anne Kloos  
2692 Welsford Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

Nancy Lippott  
3403 Sciotangy  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

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3749 Gateway Lakes Drive  
Grove City, Ohio 43123

Patti Peters  
2219 Picket Post Lane  
Columbus, Ohio 43220



December is a busy time of year for Youth!

December 5th - First Sundays Parent Gathering

December 5th - Care Packages for the Saints of the Church

December 11th - Adopt-a-Family Shopping

December 12th - Dirty Santa Christmas Party

December 19th - No Meeting

December 21 - High School Pizza Making

December 24th - Luminaries

December 26th - No Meeting

In the midst of all of this activity, we will continue to keep Christ at the center of Christmas!!

### Youth Group Weekly Meetings

7 pm Middle School Youth; Youth Room  
7:45 pm Pathfinders (all Youth); Fellowship Hall  
8:15 pm High School Youth; Youth Room

### Christmas Gift Idea

We are selling the second printing of our fabulous cookbook featuring over 300 recipes. Proceeds benefit the Youth activities for the year. On sale now - just in time for holiday gift giving!



Stephen Ministry presents



### Gifts of the Spirit

Monday, December 13 at 7 p.m.  
You are invited to celebrate the Season and our many Gifts.

Stephen Ministry Training begins January 9 and concludes April 19, 2011. Persons interested in beginning their Stephen journey should contact Gary Brand at gbrand@trinityumchurch.com or 488-0695 for more details.

### Trinity Tours

Cruise the Hawaiian Islands: Unique, Magnificent, Unforgettable (and visit Pearl Harbor)

This special 7-day Trinity Tour begins June 25, 2011 aboard the Pride of America. The Tour visits Maui, Hilo and Kona on Hawaii, Kauai, and Oahu. Interested persons should contact Gary Brand for informational brochure and sign-up.

An informational session is scheduled for December 12 at 7 p.m. in Chapelside Parlor.

**Trinity Times** is a monthly newsletter published for members of Trinity United Methodist Church. Subscriptions are available for \$15 per year for non-members. Make checks payable to Trinity UMC and designate Trinity Times on the memo. **The deadline to submit information for the January issue is Tuesday, December 7.** Please place your information or photos in the *Trinity Times* box in the church office or email to bekywest22@aol.com.

# opportunities

## Weekly meetings:

## Sunday

## Monday

### WORSHIP SERVICES

#### Sunday Mornings

9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Sanctuary  
Traditional Worship

Fellowship Hall  
Crossroads Contemporary  
Worship

*\* On Sunday, December 26 there will be one worship service at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

10 a.m. for Adults and Children

7 pm Middle School Youth; Youth Room

7:45 pm Pathfinders (all Youth); Fellowship Hall

8:15 pm High School Youth; Youth Room

Altar Guild's Annual Memorial Poinsettia Sale - \$10 each December 5 & 12

Poinsettias will adorn the church altars for Christmas.

**5** 12 pm Prayer Group; Chapelside Parlor

5:30 pm Annual Christmas Party; Fellowship Hall

7 pm Hymn Sing; Sanctuary

**12** 7 pm Youth Christmas Party  
7 pm Trinity Tours Hawaii Cruise info session; Chapelside Parlor

**19**

**26** 11 am Worship in Sanctuary

9:30 am Wee Moms; Fellowship Parlor

5:30 pm Grief Support Group; Chapel (begins 9/20)

7 pm Disciple II Study; Fellowship Parlor (begins 9/13)

**6**

**13** 9:15 am Women's Bible Study; Chapelside Parlor  
7 pm Stephen Ministries present Gifts of the Spirit

**20**

**27** Building & Offices Closed

### Christmas Eve Worship

4:30 p.m. - Family Service; Sanctuary

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7:30 p.m. - Christmas by Candlelight Service; Sanctuary

10:15 - 10:45 p.m. Holy Communion at the High Altar; Sanctuary

11 p.m. - Christmas by Candlelight Service; Sanctuary

# December 2010

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<p>6:30 am Men's Small Group; Chapelside Parlor</p> <p>7 pm Troop 261; Room 011</p>	<p>6:30 am Men's Business/Career Prayer Group; Chapelside Parlor</p>	<p>9 am Disciple I Study; Room 207</p> <p>6:45 pm Chancel Bell Choir; Room 201</p> <p>7 pm Young Professionals Group</p> <p>8 pm Chancel Choir; Room 204</p>			
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<p>7</p> <p>Trinity Times Deadline</p> <p>7 pm Admin Council; Rm 204</p> <p>7 pm Stephen Ministries; Chapelside Parlor</p>	8	<p>9</p> <p>9:30 am Prayers &amp; Squares; Room 208</p> <p>7 pm Caring Card Ministry; Rm 101</p>		10	11
				BETHLEHEM ON BROAD Packing Day	BETHLEHEM ON BROAD Loading Day Youth Adopt-a-Family Shopping
<p>14</p> <p>7 pm Meeting Night for Committees</p> <p>8 pm The Singing Buckeyes; Sanctuary</p>	15	16	17	18	
				BETHLEHEM ON BROAD Distribution Day	
<p>21</p> <p>6:15 pm Pizza Making; Fellowship Kitchen</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5:15 pm YWCA Family Center Hosting</p>	23	<p>24</p> <p>Christmas Eve</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Merry Christmas</p>	
28	29	30	31		

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# mission vision

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## Bethlehem on Broad

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."*

Matthew 25:35

### Packing Day

Friday, December 10

One of the most popular and rewarding volunteer opportunities is the BoB Box packing event at Trinity. There are two parts to the day: the unloading of the food and supplies from the Kroger truck in the morning, and then packing of the BoB Boxes in the early afternoon. Please join us as we fill boxes with food while we make BoB Boxes and enjoy fellowship together. This is a wonderful family opportunity and children of all ages are encouraged to participate. Make this a memorable life lesson for your children by teaching them the gift of giving and participating first-hand in God's work.

### Delivery Day

Saturday, December 11

Join us Saturday, December 11 at 8:00 a.m. at Trinity to load our 500 BoB Boxes onto the truck to be delivered to Broad Street UMC. This is a great opportunity for middle and high school youth to show off their muscle while engaging in service.

### Distribution Day

Saturday, December 18

Twenty-five or more Trinity volunteers are needed to distribute the BoB Boxes at the Broad Street UMC. Area families of need will come to the church and volunteers will help direct them and carry the BoB Boxes to their vehicles. Dress casually - and festive ('tis the season!)

## Cuisine for A Cause *thanks* YOU!



On Friday, October 22nd, over 100 Trinity family and friends gathered for "Cuisine for a Cause." Everyone enjoyed delicious hors d'oeuvres, a fabulous silent auction, and wonderful

fellowship. Thanks to all who supported the event through dining and bidding. Over \$8,000 was raised! All monies went to support Trinity's Christmas mission, Bethlehem on Broad (BOB). What a fabulous way to kick-off BOB! Isn't it amazing what God can do through a community?



Thanks to the: Cuisine Planning Team (Carrie Glaeden, Lisa Farber, Pam Hagely, Christen Hawthorne, Dawn Lewis, Kristie Linard, and Julie Wright), Brian and Lisa Edwards and the Trinity youth for hosting a fantastically fun Children's Party for our little friends, Trinity's children for the BEAUTIFUL artwork, all of those who donated silent auction items and those who helped to set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up.



There were so many helping hands and each set made a difference.

*Thank you, Trinity!*



## Winter Coat Extravaganza sets record

by Vickie Moseley

The energy was electric on the morning of the Winter Coat Extravaganza. A beautiful, crisp, fall day brought out our neighbors who lined the outside perimeter of New Life United Methodist Church, while volunteers were ready for another exciting day of helping our neighbors stay warm this winter.

To the credit of many churches, Trinity included, and individuals who donated a high grade of new and used coats plus the many hours of volunteer service, the New Life Winter Coat Extravaganza held on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 was the most successful ever.\*\*

In addition to the many volunteers who bought, collected, delivered, sorted, sized, carried and counted coats, 60 volunteers helped 288 neighbors choose 516 of the 714 coats offered. Many men shopped this year and the few men's coats left were given the following week. (Thus, we always need men's coats.)

Humbly, we thank all who contributed in some way to make this event possible. Special appreciation is given the Battelle warehouse for storing coats in the off season and delivering the coats prior to the event. We are also grateful for AEP including New Life in their "Make A Difference Day" by collecting coats and providing volunteers to sort and prepare coats.

The enthusiasm, efficiency, compassion and cheerfulness of all volunteers added a true sense of acceptance and love toward all who entered the doors of New Life Church, living out Jesus' command to love and serve those in need.

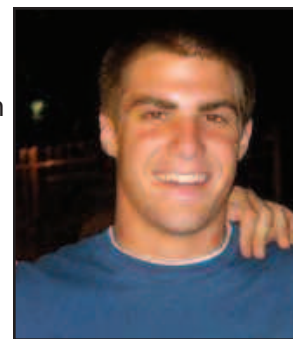
Our needs do not end. High on the list are women's gloves, men's toboggans and gloves, white crew socks for men, women and children and men's underwear sizes small, medium and large. We would appreciate any group planning a Christmas sharing project to consider these items.

You are all a blessing for which New Life is most grateful. May each of you know the Blessings of Christmas: love, joy, peace and hope.

## Celebrating Trinity Stewards

Each month in *Trinity Times*, the Stewardship Committee invites us to celebrate the efforts of the members of our church family who contribute their time and talents to support the ministries of the church. If you would like to nominate someone for his or her stewardship contributions, please contact Seth Metcalf (smetcalf@ssd.com or 365.2778). Jamie Lowery wrote the following tribute.

### Ethan Burton



December's steward of the month is a recent "graduate" of Trinity's youth program, Ethan Burton, who is currently enjoying his freshman year at Miami University in Oxford. Ethan and his mother Elizabeth are long time Trinity members with Ethan coming through Confirmation class while a middle schooler. Ethan was a Crossroads attendee from its beginning, but you may know him best for his years of service as a drummer with the Crossroads band.

Ethan's road to being one of our little drummer boys was interesting. He never planned to be a drummer, but one Christmas was given a drum set by an uncle and a career was born. Ethan began to play on his own and is self taught (he's a guitarist also). His friend Wes Cantwell joined the Crossroads band as a guitarist and when John Germain left for Miami of Ohio, it opened the drummer spot up so Ethan auditioned and got the gig. Now that Ethan is at Miami, the baton has been passed to Noah Spielman, but Ethan still likes to fill in on weekends or holidays when back at home.

As a senior at UAHS, students are required to do a special service project, and Ethan's was devoted to Trinity's Crossroads service. Specifically, he set out to spread the sounds of praise from the Crossroads band. Ethan put together a CD of 8 of the favorite songs from the Crossroads services...It sounds simple enough but was quite a project to put together. From getting a grant from the foundation as seed money, to negotiating and paying copyright fees, finding a recording studio, getting the band together outside of Sunday services to lay down tracks, together, or in parts, and then editing and producing the actual CD's, as well as coercing some cover art out of lead singer Brian Warman, this simple CD took a lot of time and effort from Ethan and a number of others (who Ethan thanks greatly but we don't have the space to list here).

The final product turned out great and copies are still available...If you don't have yours yet, look for them this Christmas season before or after the crossroads services. The title is easy to remember "Crossroads Worship"...Each CD is \$10 with proceeds to go toward Trinity programming. They'd make great Christmas gifts!



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# our church family

## RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Jim Barton	Cathleen McComas
Geoff Campbell	Stan Morris
Arvin Donner	Joe Ohlinger
Jim Linker	

## IN SYMPATHY

Trinity sympathies are extended to Nick and Carol Hainen and Family in the passing of Nick's mother, Alice Leonard ... to Carrie and Lee Hays and Family in the passing of Carrie's grandfather, Glenn Bernard ... to Becky and Mark Yoder and Katie and Nate Yahn and Families in the passing of Becky's father and Katie's grandfather, Paul Wearly ... to Bob Keim and Family in the passing of his wife and Trinity member, Phyllis Keim ... to Joan Andrews and Family in the passing of her husband and Trinity member, Robert Andrews ...and to Rev. Philip Brooks and Family in the passing of Philip's mother, Alice Brooks.

## BIRTHS

The roses on the altar Sunday, November 21 were presented with thanksgiving to God for the birth of Gabrielle Katherine Gough, daughter of Gordon and Christie, born October 30, 2010 ... and for the birth of Leanna June Solley, daughter of Sarah and Charlie, born November 8, 2010.

## Designated Gifts through Trinity Foundation

by John Easton

The Trinity Foundation has generated a new program for memorial and estate giving.

The Foundation has created several permanent accounts that are designated to directly benefit specific church program areas. The areas have been identified by the ministers and staff to cover most of the interests and activities of our church. At the time of someone's passing or when there is an opportunity for special recognition, these designated areas provide individuals and families a chance to support those special areas where a loved one has been involved and/or there is family interest.

It could be very appropriate for donations made in the name of an individual to add a designated area. For example: Mrs. Jane Doe /Trinity Foundation / Christian Education.

It is the intent of the Trinity Foundation to hold the donations to these designated areas in a separate account for the benefit and ease of disbursement by the designated area's leadership and committee. These funds will generate the possibility of immediate impact for current and future projects of the designated area.

### Designated Areas:

Youth Ministries --- middle school and high school youth projects

Christian Education --- all age levels of the Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, nursery, guest speakers, seminars, etc.

Traditional Worship --- choirs, guest speakers, musicians, purchase of music, etc.

Contemporary Worship --- Crossroads Band, purchase of music, guest speakers, etc.

Missions --- projects, mission trips, missionary support, etc.

Older Adult Ministries --- support for shut-ins, literature, equipment, etc.

Trinity Campus --- buildings and grounds, improvements, vehicles, etc.

Donations and memorials given to these designated areas make it possible for Trinity members to know their contributions will be used in places that have special meaning. As usual, gifts to the Foundation that are not designated will be added to the permanent endowment fund that has been established for long-term growth.