



# Trinity In Touch

Trinity UMC is an inclusive, progressive community of faith in which persons grow in faith, love and service in the spirit of Jesus Christ.

## April Worship & Events

### Apr. 1

Maundy Thursday  
7 p.m. Service with Communion  
8:30 p.m. Prayer Vigil

### Apr. 2

Good Friday  
12:15 p.m. Service

### Apr. 3

9:30 a.m. United Methodist  
Women Lenten Breakfast

### Apr. 4

Easter  
*Bringing Back the Alleluias*, Carole  
Strobe Lyman and Frank Lyman  
Luke 24: 1-12

### Apr. 11

*The Achievement That Makes Other  
Achievements Possible*, Frank Lyman  
Micah 4: 1-4, John 20: 24-29  
12:15 p.m. Church Council

### Apr. 18

Guest Preacher

### Apr. 23

7:30 p.m. Community Ministries  
Gospel Encore Concert

### Apr. 25

*The Places Where God Is Not*, Frank  
Lyman John 13: 31-35, 1 Kings 19:  
11-13

### Apr. 28

5:30 pm Community Ministries  
Celebration Dinner

## Maundy Thursday Service and Prayer Vigil

April 1 is Maundy Thursday this year and we will be having a very special service featuring an original drama written by Frank Lyman. Frank researched this Holy Night in all of the Gospels and based his writing on them. It is entitled *Unless a Grain of Wheat...* The Youth of Trinity will be portraying the Disciples and Jesus. The service starts at 7 p.m. and will feature both this drama, music and the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Following the service at 8:30 p.m. our traditional Prayer Vigil starts, and will continue throughout this night of Christ's Last Supper and betrayal. The Vigil will end just before our Good Friday service at 12:15 p.m.

If you have never been a part of a Prayer Vigil, please consider signing up for a half hour slot of prayer in the beauty and peace of our Sanctuary. We have scheduled two people to be praying during each time slot and two guards to be at the Lake Drive entrance (locked door) to welcome people throughout this night of prayer.

If you have not yet signed up, (or find yourself having a bout of insomnia and in need to be in prayer) you may just show up for prayer throughout the night. One does not need to have signed up. There may be many more people at prayer at a time than just the two that have signed up. Many people find it meaningful to stay after the service and to pray in silence together then.

This is such an important way to mark our Journey with Christ and also to center ourselves for the passion of Holy Week.

Also, you may fill out a prayer request card and place it in the basket in the back of the Narthex (lobby area). Some fill out many, many more prayer request cards throughout the night. There are so many issues we need to lift up together for ourselves and our sisters and brothers at this time, when natural disasters seem so prevalent and people's needs so great! Please give yourself and the people of the world the gift of your prayers!

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## Trinity Family Camp is Almost Here!

### Memorial Day Weekend

You are invited to join the Trinity Family camping on Memorial Day Weekend, Friday, May 28 - Monday, May 31.

S'mores and campfires, field games and canoeing, hayrides and nature walks and MORE! Bring your own camping gear or rent a cabin with friends! This yearly tradition is a must DO! Sign up in the Parlor, with the registration included in the newsletter or print out a registration form from our website. Questions? Contact Nichea Ver Veer Guy (616.456.7168 or [orangeelt00@aol.com](mailto:orangeelt00@aol.com)).

## Caring Coins

During April, your Caring Coins will go to the **Trinity Garden**. Our loose change will pay for seeds, plants and gasoline for the tractors. Let's support our gardeners generously so that the bounty of fresh vegetables which they have produced for many years for local mission kitchens can again be possible.

## Trinity Garden

The Trinity Gardeners unanimously voted to continue the garden for our 27th year! We raise vegetables and give it freely to three agencies in the area, NECOM, SECOM and UM Community Seniors. We will need your help. The Caring Coins for this month will pay for our necessities. Later on, we will be asking for help in picking the veggies. This has been one of Trinity's longest mission projects, thank you for helping us to continue!

-Bob Smith

## Taste of Trinity

The United Methodist Women were busy putting together this wonderful collection of culinary delights, and resources for your healthy lifestyle. The cookbook is now available for \$12.

## Blood Drive Report

We may have started slow, but we rallied in the late innings to collect 24 pints of blood on Sunday, March 21. A big thank you to everyone who donated or tried to donate. We had 4 first time donors! Our next drive will be Sunday, June 27. I ask each of you to truly, prayerfully, consider becoming a blood donor. It only takes a few minutes, each donation helps multiple people.

# Within the Trinity Family Circle

## Dear Trinity UMC,

Don and I wish to thank you for the thoughtful gifts of meals, cards and prayers. Our family is truly blessed.

-Love, Don and Evie Miller

## Haas' Jet Pilot Son Visit GR

On March 2, 2010 you may have heard and seen Grand Valley State University President Thomas J. Haas' son Eric passing through town. He dropped in to say hello to his parents — but he did it in a fighter jet.

U.S. Air Force Major Eric Haas flew his F18 into Gerald R. Ford International Airport to refuel. Major Haas and

two Canadian pilots, captains in the Canadian Air Force, were on a training and transport mission from Canada, where Haas is stationed, to Kansas.

The landings drew considerable attention at the airport, where the planes did a fly-over prior to landing for refueling. U.S. Customs & Border Patrol officials met the planes, as did airport security and about a dozen interested onlookers, including local news media.

Tom and Marcia Haas are members of Trinity. Article and photo are from [www.gvsu.edu/gvnow](http://www.gvsu.edu/gvnow).



## New Members

Hopefully by now you've had a chance to meet our newest members of Trinity. They joined on March 21, 2010.



Joanne Dayringer, Deb, Rick, Evelyn and Zachary Sprague, Brian Thomas and Summer Silviens

Marge and Paul Burke



# Events and Opportunities for April 2010

To have an event listed in May's Trinity in Touch, submit your content to Laura at [office@grtumc.org](mailto:office@grtumc.org) on or before Monday, April 26.

## Calling All Softball Players

Games are on Weds. beginning the of end April

Men and Women! Trinity will again be a part of the Co-Ed Softball League that plays at Orchard Hills Reformed Church on Wednesday Nights.

Practice will begin soon and games begin the end of April and run through mid-July. Players need to be 14 years of age and older. All skill levels welcome and this is for fun!! And as always... our faithful Trinity fans are encouraged to attend!

Contact Nichea Ver Veer Guy ([orangeclt00@aol.com](mailto:orangeclt00@aol.com), 456.7168)

## Volunteers Needed for Supper House

Thursday, April 29, at 4:45 p.m.

10-12 volunteers are needed the evening of Thursday, April 29, to help serve dinner and cleanup at Supper House at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church cafeteria at the corner of Leonard and Lafayette St. NE.

Supper House is sponsored by the North End Community Ministries (NECOM) and provides weekly free meals to those in need.

Our church provides volunteers to help staff this meal 2 times a year. **NO SPECIAL SKILLS NEEDED!!** Volunteers are needed from 4:45 to approximately 6:45 p.m. If you can help or need further information, please contact Susan Blose at 616.977.5033 or by email at [skblose@yahoo.com](mailto:skblose@yahoo.com). This is a much needed community service that helps many families that are struggling financially.

## Simply Relevant: Relational Bible Series for Women - HeartSpa

**Mondays at 6:30 p.m. beginning April 12, 2010  
(April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 17, 24)**

Every woman will feel welcome!

*Simply Relevant: HeartSpa* is a friendly and fun way to introduce others to Jesus--and strengthen life-long relationships with Him.

Women will experience 6 sessions on spiritual refreshment as they learn to rest in Jesus, reflect, rejoice, and be renewed in God's love.

Great for mature Christians and new believers, *Simply Relevant* is a perfect entry point for women who have never studied the Bible before. All the Scripture is included in the book and women well-versed in Scripture will be renewed by the series, too.

Study book is available in the church office for \$8.

Questions? Contact Nichea Ver Veer Guy ([orangeclt00@aol.com](mailto:orangeclt00@aol.com), 616.456.7168, 616.451.7058)



# Easter Sunday Offering

The Mission Work Area offers the following opportunities for your Easter Sunday offering.

- **Camp New Day.** Located at Albright Camp Park, Camp New Day offers a camping experience for children ages 9-14 who have a parent in prison. While campers swim, canoe, tube and enjoy campfires, they discover God's unconditional love. Our offering will provide camp scholarships.
- **Red Bird Mission School.** A recent special appeal has led to this selection. Education is the primary way people can escape the cycle of poverty. For 87 years, Red Bird Mission School has been providing a high quality Christian education for students in this K-12 school and to the 3 and 4 year olds in an early childhood development program. Advance # 773728
- **Sumbe Clinic, Cameroon.** Missionary, the Rev. Nkamba Ndjungu sent this note. "I am pleased to inform you that the Sumbe Clinic is running perfectly well and the nurse is doing a tremendous job saving many lives with very little means. Our clinic is located in a very remote area where roads are not paved and where there is no public transportation. The nurse has to travel nearly 100 miles on a bike to get to the nearest place where he can buy drugs. I am writing to urge those of you who can to help us buy a motorcycle for the nurse that can allow him to travel quickly. The cost is \$1,500. This clinic is serving an area that has almost 20,000 people." Our offering will be directed toward the purchase of the motorbike and the support of the Sumbe Clinic.

You may select one project or direct that your offering be divided among all three projects. Thank you for your generosity.

The Mission Work Area

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## Used Book Sale

### Mother's Day Weekend May 7, 8 and 9, 2010

The time for our annual Used Book Sale will soon be here. It's time to gather up the books, games, puzzles, music, CDs, LPs, DVDs and videos you have cleaned from shelves and closets. (Please, *no* Reader's Digest Condensed Books.) **You can bring your donations to church between May 1 and May 6.**

The sale dates and times are: Friday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, May 8, from 9 a.m. to Noon; and Sunday, May 9, between and after the services.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Florence Brink (616.452.2883, mfbbrink@aol.com). There are always some great bargains, so don't forget to shop! All proceeds will go to help with our budget.

## Honor the 'Mother' in Your Life

### Sunday, May 9 following both services.

Purchase a rose for Your Mother and help mother's at risk in Grand Rapids! The 4-6th Grade Sunday School Class will be selling beautiful Mother's Day Roses on Sunday, May 9, following the 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services in the Parlor.

Honor the "mother" in your life with this beautiful gift and you will be helping to support the YWCA Domestic Crisis Center. Each Rose is \$3 and comes with a ribbon and a card.

Thank you for helping us to reach out to others this Mother's Day!

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## Experience Trinity's Sunday School

When was the last time you went to Sunday School? Remember the circle songs, games and lessons you learned as a child? The Children's Council would like to invite you to visit Trinity's Sunday School Classrooms on Sunday, May 16 and May 23 at 9:30 a.m.

Visit, experience and engage with the children of Trinity as they discover their faith.

Pre-School, Younger Elementary and Older Elementary Classes will be opening their doors and hearts as you enjoy the Sunday School class with them. We will even provide the Coffee and Muffins! You do not need to be a parent to attend, we would encourage all Trinity members to join us!

So... join the fun and be a kid again! Just for the Faith of IT!

# Sunday Adult Education at 9:30 a.m.

**Apr. 11**

## ***The Myths of Dan Brown***

Led by Alice Chapman in the Discovery Room. This class will address the major concepts presented by Dan Brown in his book, *The DaVinci Code*. There will be a discussion about the development of the biblical canon and in relation to the Gnostic texts.

**Apr. 18**

## ***Divergent Forms of Christianity Before Nicea***

Led by Alice Chapman in the Discovery Room. The topic will explore major Christian communities that developed within the first three centuries of Christianity.

**Apr. 25**

## ***Character Counts***

Led by Bernie Hynes in the Discovery Room.

## Other Opportunities

### NEW STUDY!

#### **Wednesday Evening Adult Ed**

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

*Conquering Fear: Living Boldly in an Uncertain World*  
by Rabbi Harold S. Kushner

Led by Frank Lyman

In his latest book, Rabbi Harold Kushner expands upon the wisdom of Mark Twain who wrote, "Courage is not the absence of fear but the mastery of fear." During the Easter and Pentecost Season we would like to use his latest book for a Wednesday Evening (6:30-7:30 p.m.) class from April 7-June 9. We will also use his book for our Easter and Pentecost sermons. Knowing that it is our last sermon and class series with you will be very poignant for us. We hope you will join us for worship and for the class. If you would like, we can secure the books for you for \$15-17. Please let us know in the church office or by emailing Frank at [franklyma@aol.com](mailto:franklyma@aol.com).

Here is April's schedule for "Conquering Fear"

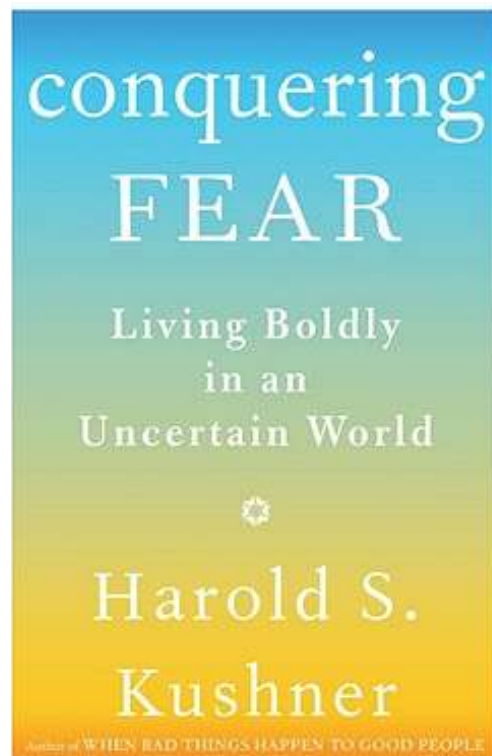
- Wednesday, April 7 Class "The Eleventh Commandment: Don't Be Afraid" Pages 3-24
- Sunday, April 11 Worship "The Achievement That Makes Other Achievements Possible" -Frank Lyman, Micah 4:1-4, John 20:24-29
- No Class April 14 and Guest Preacher Sunday, April 18
- Wednesday, April 21 Class "The Terror That Comes in the Darkness," "God Was Not in the Hurricane" Pages 25-56
- Sunday, April 25 Worship "The Places Where God Is Not" - Frank Lyman John 13:31-35, 1 Kings 19:11-13
- Wednesday, April 28 Class "The Fear That Humanity Will Destroy Itself" Pages 74-92 (pgs. 57-74 on June 2)

#### **Wednesday Bible Study**

Noon to 1 p.m.

*Under the Tree of Life* Disciple Bible Study  
Led by Frank Lyman

Rather than the "normal" 33 weeks of 3 hours per week that is "Disciple's norm", the class will take its time with its Wednesday noon class. The themes include the writings of the Old Testament, the Gospel of John, letters of John and Revelation of John.



# April At Trinity UMC

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Holy Week →

				<p>1 Maundy Thursday 10am City Fit Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall 11am Matin Ringers Noon La Leche League, Library, Awakenings Rm. 1pm Dissident Daughters, Fireside Room 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 5:30pm CM TMO 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Drama, Sanctuary 8:30pm Prayer Vigil</p>	<p>2 Good Friday Church Office Closed 12:15pm Worship</p>	<p>3 9:30am Lenten Breakfast, Parlor</p>
<p>4 Easter</p>	<p>5 7pm Stephen Ministry, Discovery Room</p>	<p>6 6pm Conversation with Greg Mortensen, GVSU 6:30pm Ski Patrol, F. Hall 7:30pm Men's Basketball</p>	<p>7 9am Staff Meeting, Library Noon NA, Library 6pm Trustees, Library 6:30pm Adult Ed, Fireside 7pm Table Tennis, Gym</p>	<p>8 10am City Fit Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall Noon La Leche League, Library, Awakenings Rm. 7pm Table Tennis, Gym</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 9am Communities of Shalom Training</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 4pm Leadership Team, Discovery 6pm Bellistic Rehearsal 6:30pm Simply Relevant, Library 6:30pm Staff Parish Relations, Fireside 7pm Boy Scouts, Gym</p>	<p>13 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 5pm Memorials and Endowment, Fireside 5pm Campana and Bellistic Rehearsal and Concert, Sanctuary 5pm CM Teen Club 6pm Finance, Fireside 6:30pm Ski Patrol, F. Hall 7:30pm Men's Basketball</p>	<p>14 Noon NA, Library 1pm CM Leadership Team Meeting 3:15pm YET, Congress 5pm CM Kids Club 7pm Table Tennis, Gym 7pm CM Tutoring</p>	<p>15 10am City Fit Exercise Class, Fellowship Hall 11am Matin Ringers Noon La Leche League, Library, Awakenings Rm. 1pm Dissident Daughters, Fireside Room 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 5pm CM TMO 6:30pm Trinity Ringers 7pm Table Tennis, Gym</p>	<p>16 7:30am Habitat for Humanity Event, Parlor</p>	<p>17 6pm Trinity Seniors, Parlor</p>
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<p>25</p>	<p>26 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 8:30am Census Training, Discovery 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 4pm Leadership Team, Discovery 6:30pm Simply Relevant, Library 7pm Boy Scout, Gym</p>	<p>27 8:30am Census Training, Discovery 3:15pm YET, Congress 3:30pm CM Basketball 5pm CM Teen Club 6:30pm Ski Patrol, Fellowship Hall 7:30pm Men's Basketball</p>	<p>28 8:30am Census Training, Discovery 9am Staff Meeting, Fireside Noon NA, Library 3:15pm YET, Congress 5:30pm CM Celebration Dinner, Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Adult Ed, Fireside 7pm Table Tennis, Gym</p>	<p>29 8:30am Census Training, Discovery 10am CityFit Exercise, Fellowship Hall 11am Matin Ringers, Sanctuary Noon La Leche League, Library, Awakenings Rm. 1pm Dissident Daughters, Fireside Room 1PM Newsletter Crew, Discovery 3:15pm YET, Congress 6:30pm Trinity Ringers 7pm Table Tennis, Gym</p>	<p>30 8:30am Census Training, Discovery</p>	

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<b>April Sunday's At Trinity UMC</b>			

## Bellistic! And Campana Concert



Tuesday, Apr. 13 at 7 p.m. in the Trinity Sanctuary

Embellish Presents in concert Bellistic! directed by Kurt Stroh and Campana directed by Stephanie Wiltse.

Please come enjoy a concert by the two newest components of the Embellish handbell program. The concert will be around an hour long. There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be accepted.

"Bellistic!" is an auditioned handbell ensemble for 8th-12th graders under the direction of Kurt Stroh. This group of nine talented and energetic teens, representing school districts from all over the greater Grand Rapids area, made their debut on the Embellish Christmas concert in December.

"Campana" is a non-auditioned group formed for adults who want an opportunity to ring challenging music but without the intense commitment and schedule of Embellish. The group, now in its third season, has 12 members ringing 5 octaves of bells and chimes.

For more information, contact Stephanie Wiltse ([wiltse@iserv.net](mailto:wiltse@iserv.net)).



# Community Ministries

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## Learning Poverty is Facing It and Experiencing It

I would like to share my experience in Trinity Community Ministries. I started interning here from the beginning of February. When I started this internship, I set one of my goals as understanding poverty. I would hear about poverty from news, articles, or television before I come here. Since I come from middle class family, poverty was something that I hear about, not experience. In the beginning of this internship, my phase did not much change. My supervisor, Donna Shirey, told me a lot of stories from the past about this organization and stories about kids and teens' lives, the real stories. Honestly, I was little bit overwhelmed by listening all the stories at the beginning. It was kind of hard to hear all the stories that I would hear from news, when I did not know how the kids and teens look like and when I did not meet those kids in person. However, I really appreciated Donna for sharing her experiences for me to give the better understanding of poverty. It helped me a lot to know before I actually experience kids. After a while, I met most kids here at Trinity and learned their names. I had several conversations with kids and I got to know them! After week, I felt that kids are opening their heart and mine as well. I serve as a small group leader on Tuesday night, and I could see the difference of kids' faces when they see me each week. They just stared at me to see what kind of person I am and how I interact with them at first, but now they say hi and smile at me. I think it is great and I love them!

There was one night that I cannot ever forget. I strongly felt that my heart is attached here. I was not feeling well on one Wednesday night. I came as usual to get ready for kid's night, but I wanted to leave early so that I do not give my sickness to people here and to get rest. So I decided to leave before

the program starts. I was playing a game with two boys while I was waiting my friend to pick me up. Those boys were whom I have not interacted before, so I was very happy to spend some time together. Two boys were brothers, and I was impressed how they care for each other. When I asked them if they were brothers, they said, "yeah, we're brothers and we had one sister, but she died." I am very careful about asking questions, but I asked if I could ask why. He said, "She had a brain cancer." It broke my heart and I cannot forget what he shared with me. He was not the only one who shared the story. I heard several life stories from kids how they are living and how they lost their family members. It was totally different from hearing the story from news. I know these kids and I see them every week, and I see their smiles which I think is gorgeous!

I want to get to know kids better. I want to spend time with them. I want to help them to have a better life that they can make. I think learning poverty is not just getting knowledge about it. Learning poverty is facing and experiencing it. I think if I did not get a chance to work here, I would be nourished by my dry knowledge. However, now my heart is with them, and I am ready to share what I have. I might not be able to change what they are going through right now. However, I see myself looking forward to coming here to see kids and talk to them. Hopefully, my love to them can be a positive influence in their lives so that they can remember that they are precious people in this community.

*So-heon Park*

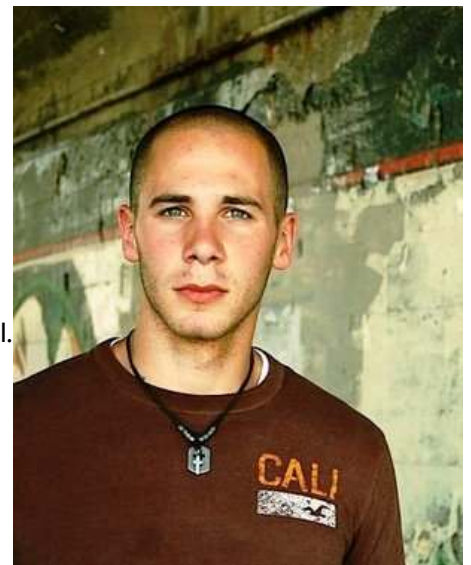
-So-heon Park

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## Meet Our Intern

My name is Brad Stroner and I am a Senior at Calvin College, majoring in Sociology. My favorite color is Green; I love Basketball and Football; Italian food is by far my favorite; and I am a Sprinter for Calvin; running is a big passion of mine.

Upon graduating from Calvin, I have many interests that I'd like to pursue, one of which would be a Track and Field coaching position at a Middle School or High School. I'd also love to continue in an organization like TUMC where I'm able to help youth better their lives. All in all, I have a very serving heart for others and am very anxious to see where God will lead me to use the gifts he has given to me.



# Gospel Concert Encore... They're Baaaacckk!!

**Friday, April 23, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

The response to last year's Community Ministries Gospel Choir concert was so overwhelming that we just **had** to do it again. And this year, in addition to *Whatever Four or More*, *The New Spiritual Reflections*, and *Central High's United Harmony*, we will have *Debra Perry and Majestic Praise* plus *Ottawa Hill's Salt and Pepper Choir*. There's **NO WAY** you can miss this, so circle the date and be there! Tickets are \$20 (\$5 for students) and will be on sale in the Parlor each Sunday in April as well as at the door. So, bring your family, bring your friends, bring people you barely know but wish you did and support the very important work of the Community Ministries Program at Trinity UMC.

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## Awards Dinner

On Wednesday, March 17, the Kids Club had another successful Annual Awards Dinner. With 36 kids, it is hard for leaders to think up something for each child, but managed it again. Each child was presented their award by Scott with creative flair. Each year it has grown with more parental participation. Smiles abound!!!



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## Trinity's Music Director Search Update

The Trinity Music Director Search Committee has been hard at work for the past several months as we seek to fill our music director position. The initial time has been spent crafting a job description, and more importantly, making sure there was financial support for the position, before we began to advertise it. After the first of the year, the committee has moved forward in posting the position and receiving and tracking applications. The committee has been very encouraged by the number and quality of the applicants. There is a great deal of diversity of age and experience, and resumes have come from all over the nation and beyond.

In the coming weeks, the number of applications will be narrowed down, phone interviews conducted, and CDs and DVDs will be presented. In the final step of the process, on-site auditions will take place. We feel we are still on track to complete the process by late Spring and have the new Director of Music in place by July 1.

We will keep you posted on future developments. Please feel free to contact any committee member if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Ricki Chowning, Chair

Team members: Tom Brink, Chuck Chowning, Carol Hillman, Joy Murphy, Jackie Sides and Stephanie Wiltse



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## Disaster Areas Still Need Help!

UMCOR has requested layette and birthing kits in light of recent disasters. Here are the lists of materials needed for these kits, all items must be NEW. Items for these kits will be collected until Mother's Day, May 9. Watch for helpful displays in the church parlor. -Thank you, The Mission Work Area

#### Layettes:

- 6 Cloth diapers
- 2 shirts or 2 one-piece body suits
- 2 baby washcloths
- 2 gowns or sleepers (a pattern is available)
- 2 diaper pins
- 1 sweater open in the front (a pattern is available)
- 2 receiving blankets

#### Birthing Kit: Place these inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag.

- 1 hotel size bar of soap (1 oz. and up)
- 1 pair of clean latex gloves
- 1 square yard of clear 4 mil plastic sheeting
- 3 pieces of clean string each 12" long
- 1 clean single use razor blade
- 2 flannelette receiving blankets, each 1 square yard.