



The Spirit of Holy Trinity

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Rev. Craig Schultz

Interim Pastor for

New Hope Missions Church

Pastor's Message

Almost Time

The excitement is building as the mission team to Peru is almost ready to go. We are leaving on Friday August 14th. There is excitement but there are also concerns. The travel is going to be grueling. We're flying out of Atlanta, so we will have a long drive before getting to the airport. Our flight leaves at 6 PM and gets into Lima at midnight (1 AM our time). We'll have to go through customs and get on another flight at 5 AM for a short flight to Cuzco. We'll spend the day and night in Cuzco and then Sean Heath will pick us up on Sunday for a windy mountainous drive to Curahuasi. We will be exhausted. I hope I don't get cranky. There will be plenty of opportunities for fellowship with one another and equal opportunities to get on each other's nerves. Pray that we are able to display the fruits of the Spirit, especially patience.

Once we are there, we will have to



get used to strange foods. We'll need to avoid drinking the tap water. We'll have to get used to uncomfortable quarters. We've been learning the language, but none of us are fluent. So many things can go wrong, but we will trust in the Lord.

But once we are there, we also will be serving the Lord as we serve Sean and Crissy Heath and the ALMA ministry. We're not sure yet what exactly we will be doing. We may not know until we get there. It may be putting up walls or painting. It may be hanging doors. We will also engage in ministry with the local people in whatever way we can. In whatever we do, we will serve the Lord.

Pray without ceasing.

Christ's love for you is infinite,

Pastor Robert



The Upper Room is a non-profit ministry. We are supported by donations of money and time. All donations are tax deductible and helps this ministry move forward.

Holy Trinity Staffing Night
at the UR
Friday, August 14th
6:30 pm

Music Events
 Fri. & Sat. nights – 7-11 pm
 \$2 at the door or 5 min. conversation
 \$1 re-entry fee

August 8th
Waiting Hill 6:30 pm
 Admission -\$5.00 Ages 14+

We have two shows in one. Waiting Hill, Reckless Mercy and Cameron Moore throughout the evening. Then after 10pm, Forever At Last and Church Tongue will play The Late show in the pit.

August 9th
Thirteenth Tribe 3:00 pm
 Admission – Free All ages

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Bible Studies
 Monday nights– 7-9 pm
 Women’s Bible Study
 A Study Revelations

Thursday nights– 7-9 pm
 Bible Study Group

Worship
 Sunday– 3 pm
 The Lighthouse Group

WORSHIP THE PARK!

Wednesdays
Aug 5th & 12th
7:30 pm

Come outside to Lakewood Park for informal worship and Bible Study on Wed. evenings in July.

(Lakewood Park is just down from the NG Armory on Lakewood Dr.)



DONATIONS of bottled water are appreciated. We will give to all who are thirsty.

“Stand With Your Community”

Grant Meeting

Sunday, August 2, 2015

(after worship)



OFF TO PERU SOON!

As this mission trip draws near, we ask church members to pray for the mission team.



Sean & Crissy Heath have requested that the team bring towels and twin size sheets for the orphanage. There is still time to donate towels and sheets for this mission.

If you can help with these, please let Pastor Robert know.

FINANCIAL STATUS UPDATE

2015 Through June:	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget Plan</u>	<u>(Shortage) / Surplus</u>
Offerings (January):	\$ 9,246	\$ 11,400(2850X4)	\$(2,154)
Offerings(February)	\$ 9,164	\$11,400	\$(2,236)
Offerings(March)	\$11,841	\$14,250(5 Sund)	\$(2,409)
Offerings(April)	\$ 8,866	\$11,400	\$(2,534)
Offerings(May):	\$12,397	\$14,250(5 Sund)	\$(1,853)
Offerings(June)	\$ 8,308	\$11,400	\$(3,092)
Offerings, YTD (thru June)	\$ 59,822	\$ 74,100	\$(14,278)
<i>Per week average GF(Jun):</i>	<i>2,077</i>		
Rental Income, YTD (thru June):	\$ 8,750	\$ 8,670	\$ 80
<i>Per week average w/outsd income</i>	<i>2,438</i>	<i>3,185</i>	
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Total GF Income, YTD (thru June):	\$68,572	\$ 82,770	\$(14,198)

Holy Trinity Council Meeting- Tuesday-June 9, 2015

Devotions: Bob read from Revelations 19: speaking on "We are the Bride". In the end times, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready". (Rev. 19: 7) KJV- The Church is the bride of Christ, prepare for the marriage of the Lamb.

Council Minutes: The Council minutes from May 12, 2015 were approved as amended. Ronda presented Holy Trinity's Ministries outline to be added to the permanent record book. Ronda hands over the permanent record book of Holy Trinity's Council meetings for 2013 thru 2015. This book will be placed in the work room for future references.

Pastor's Report: none at this time.

Elder's Report: George announces that Alison Pickrell is in ICU at Iredell Memorial Hospital, due to a heart attack. Please keep Alison in your prayers.

Treasurer's Report: Sandra reports that the overall average this month is better than last month. We are in good standing. \$6,000 was spent out for roof repairs. The roof repair of 438 Coolidge house is complete. The Peru account has \$10,000 at this time. The interest rate on loan B will be lowered in July.

A motion is made and unanimously approved to accept financial report for both Holy Trinity and New Hope Missions as presented.

Old Business:

A. There is a need for someone to chair a committee for the "Stand With Your Community Program". This is a great opportunity for us. LCMS is looking to fund \$1,000 to \$25,000. Applications are due mid August until November 15th.

B. Due to people not being able to hear in the Fellowship Hall, sound improvement needs to be made. George Wilson will check into resolving this issue.

C. We need a new quality sound system in the Sanctuary. Ross Haberern will check on the prices

of new microphones, cables, etc. or the cost of a new sound system all together.

D. George Wilson will get two estimates for replacing the old ice machine. The purchase of a new ice machine or repairing the ice machine will be determined with the best quote given.

A motion is made and unanimously approved for George Wilson to determine the best quote given, to purchase a new ice machine using the \$1,100 in the Kitchen fund.

New Business:

A. Sunday- June 28, 2015 will be the installation date of the Councils new officers.

B. Two delegates (1 delegate, and 1 alternate) will be needed to attend the LCMS Convention Delegates/Circuit 16 Circuit Forum- September 20, 2015 @ 4:00 pm.

C. Heidi Roberson's Estate has been willed to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Lee Gilman is the Executor of her Estate.

D. An estimate of \$40 to \$50,000 has been willed to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, from the Estate of Phil Evan's.

E. Reminder to pray for the next Congregational Voter's meeting in November 2015. At this meeting the Congregation will vote to sale or not to sale one or both rental properties.

D. Council's new President Steven Cobb appoints Helen Haberern as the Recording Secretary for Council 2015-2017.

Sandra volunteered for devotions at next Council meeting-Tuesday-July 14, 2015.

George closes in prayer.

Attentively Humble,

Ronda C. Dellinger,

Recording Secretary



AUGUST

ALTAR CARE

J. Byrd/S. McRee

LECTOR

Jo Pocock

USHERS

- 02 *J. Dehring/D. Nichols*
- 09 *B. McRee/P. Thompson*
- 16 *G. Wilson/B. Chapman*
- 23 *L. Overcash/
A. McKinney*
- 30 *D. Nichols/B. McRee*

COUNTERS

P. Moore/S. Thompson

CLEANERS

Team ONE: (thru 8/8/15)
Ldr. K. Beikirch

Team TWO: (8/15-9/5)
Ldr. P. Moore

BULLETIN FOLDING

- 01 *J. Byrd*
- 08 *C. Haberern*
- 15 *A. Dunlap*
- 22 *L. Nichols*
- 29 *J. Byrd*

NURSERY

- 02 *Melissa*
- 09 *Karen*
- 16 *Shawn*
- 23 *Heather*
- 30 *Melissa*

SOUND VIDEO

- 02 *Daryl Paul*
- 09 *David Sharon*
- 16 *Bob Karen*
- 23 *David Art*
- 30 *Bob Aaron*

4th Annual

Awesome God Festival

August 1st

At VanHoy Campground in Harmony
Music, Ministry and More!

\$8 in advance

\$10 at the gate

Age 10 & under – Free!

AUGUST MEMORY VERSE

Whatever you do, work heartily,
as for the
Lord and not for men.

Colossians 3:23 (ESV)

Your prayers are
needed
for the following:



Those who are in need of healing—

Richard & Phyllis Lester Alison Pickrell Rick Mohler
Brian Beikirch Clarence Bailey

Peru Mission Team

Pastor Robert Steve Cobb Daryl Nichols
Sharon & Emma Karriker Emilie Harty Michelle Cannon
Josh Stone Evan Foster

Our College Students

Emily Paquarella Joseph Cobb Hannah Arsenault
Madison & Ben McKinney Aaron Chapman

Prayer for *God's discernment and for
peace for our Country.*

5th Sunday

**There will be a potluck lunch
Immediately after worship.**



**The Peru Mission Team will be sharing their
Trip and time at the ALMA Ministry in
Curahuasi.**



HTLC

Lutheran Women's Ministry League

Thank You

*To everyone who helped out at the Craft/Vendor Fair on
Saturday, July 18th.*

*Nearly \$250.00 was raised for the upcoming Peru Mission
Trip.*

Watch for information on our next event.

Mite Boxes

*Anyone you took mite boxes need to turn their money in by September 15th to
Helen Haberern. All monies will be sent to the District. There are more boxes
on the glass table in the foyer if you wish to continue to fill them.*

Money will be collected quarterly.



**School starts soon.
Enjoy the last of
your summer!
Be SAFE!**



Stewardship of Self

Failure to allow God to rule our lives or to become self-sufficient is sin. Augustine wrote, “Thou has made us for Thyself.” Paul reminds us, “[We] are not [our] own; [we] were bought at a price” (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). When we fail to acknowledge our dependence upon God and follow our wills, we are rebelling against Him. Our will supersedes what God desires for us. Dr. Lynn Hough wrote, “The will is the last citadel of the personality. Stewardship which does not include the surrender of the will to God misses the very central application of our being God’s possession.”

Through the working of the Holy Spirit, we become people eager to live in a relationship with Jesus rather than in isolated independence. Christ initiated this relationship with us, and, in response, we give ourselves to Him and His work. We walk daily with Christ. An example of how an intimate relationship makes things work is that of a happy marriage. When there is a loving and giving relationship between husband and wife, there will be a happy and successful marriage. If the marriage is based only on rules and contracts, the marriage won’t last. In the same way that spouses thrive when a loving relationship exists between them, we, as stewards, need an intimate relationship with Jesus in order to live productive and fulfilling stewardship lifestyles. When we have an intimate relationship with the Lord, we willingly live each day as stewards who practice stewardship lifestyles.

The giving of self is illustrated by Paul in 2 Corinthians 8:3-5. *“For I testify that [the Macedonians] gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God’s will.”* In spite of their economic hardships, the Macedonians responded generously and sacrificially to the plight of the people in Jerusalem. They were able to give beyond their ability because they had first given themselves to the Lord. The Macedonians found it a privilege and a joy to give what they had to people in need. Because of their love relationship with Jesus, they delighted in giving. Mature stewards do the right things for the right reasons.

**Sermon *videos* are now available on the Holy Trinity Homepage-
holytrinitylc.org.**

**Sermon *audios* for IPODS are also
available on the Homepage.**