

# THE TRINITY TIMES

*Following Christ, we equip, energize and nurture all God's people to transform the world.*

Welcome to *Trinity* United Methodist Church

**MARCH 2010**

6800 Wurzbach Road  
San Antonio TX 78240

*... praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:47*

*Thank you for joining the Trinity United Methodist Church. You are always welcome here. Our Staff is here to help you. Our Ministers are every member of the Congregation.*

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:  
Monday through Friday,  
8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
(closed for lunch 12:00-12:30nn)  
Church phone : 684-0261  
Church fax: 684-5489  
School phone : 684-5214

**Jesus said, "Come follow Me and I will make you..."**

Sundays 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.—Worship Services

Sundays 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages



**Sunday, March 7**

Scriptures: Isaiah 55:1-9  
Psalm 63: 1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13  
Luke: 13:1-9

**Sunday, March 14**

Scriptures: Joshua 5:9-12  
Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**Sunday, March 21**

Scriptures: Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14  
John 12:1-8

**Sunday, March 28**

Scriptures: Luke 19:28-40  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Philippians 2:5-11  
Luke 23:1-49

## Pastor's Perspective



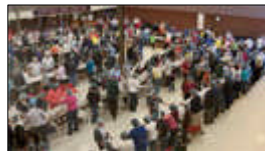
## “ Sunday to Save Lives”

Rev. Jeanne Devine, Pastor

Isn't saving lives a pretty big undertaking? Well, our United Methodist Church has undertaken it! On March 21, everyone here at Trinity will have the opportunity to save a life for \$10. That's the cost we heard for an insecticide-treated malaria bed net. In August 2008, Ruth Riley, a member of the San Antonio Silver Stars basketball team, shared her faith and her commitment to “Nothing But Nets”, the effort of the WNBA, the UMC and others to eradicate malaria.

Building on that success (we raised \$3000 on that day!), we dare to “Imagine No Malaria”. The UMC has partnered with other organizations to cover the entire country of Sierra Leone in western Africa with nets. But prevention alone is not enough. Community health workers, hospitals and health care clinics, communication networks are all part of the lifesaving effort. Over the next four years, INM will work to eliminate deaths caused by malaria starting in Sierra Leone.

Imagine No Malaria. Imagine that you could save a life for \$10. How many lives will you save? That's the question we will answer on March 21 as we offer hope in the spirit of Christ. Imagine how much we can do working together as instruments of God's healing. If we can imagine it, we can do it.







## IMAGINE NO malaria

PREVENTION - TREATMENT - EDUCATION

Dear Friends :

"Watching a small child die from malaria is a horrific experience. First come the headache, tiredness, weakness in the joints and general malaise, followed by a very high fever. Then the fever's effect on the brain causes the child's muscles to jerk, just before the end." ~Tom Gillem, *Interpreter Jul/Aug 2009*.

Our church has the opportunity to change this image and help eliminate deaths from malaria. Through **Imagine No Malaria**, we can save thousands of lives. "It is possible to give without loving," said John Wesley, "but it is impossible to love without giving." **Imagine No Malaria** is our opportunity to respond to our calling—to show our love through our generous gifts.

We have embraced the message "Send a Net, Save a Life" through Nothing But Nets for three years, and in doing so ignited the passion of our members for global health. With the promise and the hope of the people of The United Methodist Church, we have an opportunity to collaborate in a global effort to overcome malaria – a goal world leaders hope to accomplish by 2015. **Imagine No Malaria** kicked off this year with a special effort that made possible, with our partners, coverage of the entire vulnerable population of Sierra Leone with insecticide-treated bed nets.

Our efforts to overcome malaria may start with a net, but they do not stop there.

Now we are called to strengthen the infrastructure of malaria treatment and prevention to ensure the greatest impact of this effort. We will revitalize hospitals and health-care clinics that treat malaria and distribute medication. We will support and train additional community health-care workers who educate communities about proper net usage and other simple ways to prevent malaria. We will build communications networks to spread health information. Finally, we will enhance partnerships with leaders in global health to leverage the greatest impact of our resources in Sierra Leone.

On Sunday, March 21st, join us in a **Sunday to Save Lives** and help our church reach our goal to save 175 lives by raising \$1750.00. During all services on this day, members can return gifts to support **Imagine No Malaria** by using the special envelope provided and placing it in the offertory.

Deuteronomy 15:7-8, NRSV says, "If there is among you anyone in need . . . do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be." Though we find ourselves now in difficult economic times, we are blessed to live in a country where diseases of poverty like malaria do not touch our lives on a daily basis. In Africa, a child dies from malaria every 30 seconds. We can help to provide hope through this effort. Can you save 10 lives with a gift of \$100? Can you save 50 lives with a gift of \$500?

The spirit of Christ is in our church as we care for each other in our times of need.

Blessings,

Rev. Jeanne Devine



Jesus said, "Bring health to the sick... You have been treated generously, so live generously." *Matthew 10:7-8*

# This Month at Trinity UMC



## F.I.P.S.

**\*Fun in Progress Seniors\***

All senior adults are invited to join Fun in Progress Seniors (F.I.P.S.) to their monthly Dinner Fellowship on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

March 23, 2010, 5:30 p.m.

**Royal Inn Oriental Cuisine**

5440 Babcock, Suite 150,

San Antonio, TX 78240

For information contact:

Louise Lyle at (210) 684-6329.



## Scholarships Available



Are you a high school senior or currently attending college, graduate or professional school, or technical college?

The Permanent Endowment Fund Committee will receive applications for scholarships from church members planning to pursue higher education in the fall of 2010. Applications may be obtained in the Church office (684-0261). Deadline for submission of applications is March 1, 2010. Awards will be announced in the spring.



## Trinity Victory Garden

Do you have a gift of gardening? At our Day of Discernment on Jan.16th, we envisioned creating a community garden in the grassy area west of the church parking lot on Wurzbach road. Vegetables harvested from the garden will be donated to the San Antonio Food Bank. The church council approved the project and work began on February 27. To sign up to help and/or lend tools, please contact:



*Don Ketchum (688-3616)*

FIESTA de los Ninos is April 10, 2010, from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the gym and adjoining big playground. Groups and committees who wish to reserve booth space, please contact Connie Medrano, Chair of Family Life, for your information request form at 210-308-6095.



**What is a CROP Hunger Walk?**

Neighbors walking together to take a stand against hunger in our world. Together we raise awareness and funds for international relief and development, as well as local hunger-fighting.



The CROP Walk will be March 6th and 7th.

March 6, 2010 (Saturday) - Registration and Kick off begins 9:30 am

March 7, 2010 (Sunday) - Registration and Kick off begins at 1:30pm

Please see John Reed or Don Khan by the CROP Walk sign in (by the Narthex) if you are interested, or if you want to donate.

You can also help by going online to [SACROPWALK.COM](http://SACROPWALK.COM).



## Meals on Wheels



“Meals on Wheels” is a program to feed shut-ins, administered by Christian Senior Services. We are still looking for a coordinator and people to deliver meals.

If you are interested in delivering or coordinating, please contact Christian Senior Services at 210-735-5115.

### Angel Food Ministries


*Angel Food order forms are available in the narthex and in the church office.*

*If you place a March order (which is due no later than **March 7th**, it will be available for pickup on **March 27th**, 8:30-10:00am at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran.*

*Please contact Connie Medrano (308-6095) with any questions.*



### MONDAY STUDY GROUP



The Monday Study Group will resume meeting at 1 PM in the Parlor. The study book is The Way of Transforming Discipleship, from the Companions in Christ series. All are welcome to attend.

Books are available for purchase for \$8.

# MARCH - 2010 (Music Month)

## March 7 (3rd Sunday in Lent)

- ♦ 8:30am Missions Breakfast
- ♦ 9 and 11:00am Worship, Holy Communion
- ♦ 10:00am Sunday School for all ages
- ♦ 12:15pm Elizabeth Circle Meeting-Null Bldg
- ♦ 12:15pm Family Life Committee Meeting-Null Bldg
- ♦ 1:00 pm CROP Walk (includes UM Youth Fellowship)

## March 21 (5th Sunday in Lent)

- ♦ 9 and 11:00am Worship Services
- ♦ 12:15pm Youth choir Rehearsal

## March 14 (4th Sunday in Lent)

- ♦ 9 and 11:00am Worship Services
- ♦ 12:15pm Youth choir Rehearsal
- ♦ 4:00pm Missions Team

## March 28 (Palm/Passion Sunday)

- ♦ 9 and 11:00am Worship Services
- ♦ 10:00am Sunday School for all ages
- ♦ 12:15pm Youth choir Rehearsal
- ♦ 12:45pm UM Youth Fellowship



Children to Sing on Palm Sunday

Our children will present a very special musical offering on Palm Sunday (March 28) during our 11:00 a.m. service of worship. Rehearsals are held from 10:00-10:15 on Sunday mornings, under the direction of our Children's and Youth Music Director, Jason Brown.

## Our Presence in Worship

January 31	158
February 7	162
February 14	163
February 21	146



## Our Ministry of Prayer

We at Trinity take seriously our ministry of prayer. Please use this as a guide of those for whom prayer has been requested.



**Trinity UMC Members and Constituents:** Chris Acres\* Tina Azbill\* Bob Davison\* Bob and Patsy Lee\* Fred Lyle \* Brian Phillips\* Trinity Staff\*

**Other Requests:** \*Bob Bordelon\* Randy Egle\* Esperanza Garcia

\*Woody Halsey \* Erin Kimsey \* Cherry McKinley and family\* Debbie Russell \* Charlie Sarmiento \* Family & Friends of Nancy Smith \* David Sotomayor \* Bishop Jim Dorff  
\*District Superintendent Rev. Carl Rohlf



Please advise us when a name should be removed.  
Names will remain for two weeks and may be renewed at your request.

