

# ***HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN NEWS***

**All are invited to worship and participate in the life of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and to commune at God's table. We welcome all, regardless of religious background, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, or life circumstances. We rejoice in the diversity of God's creation, which enriches, nurtures, and expands our life and ministry as followers of Jesus and as servants in the world. God's grace is for everyone! Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.**

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May 1, 2011

**Church Sign Dedication: Thursday, April 28 6:30pm and  
Sunday, May 1 8:00am & 10:45am**

**All Daughter Luncheon: Sunday, May 1 12 noon**

**Food & Fellowship: Saturday, May 7 noon**

**Youth Serve Sunday / Graduate Recognition:**

**Sunday, May 8 8:00am & 10:45am**

**Haiti Presentation by Pastor Livenson Lauvanus, presiding Bishop of  
the Lutheran Church in Haiti: Sunday, May 8 9:30am**

**"An Evening for Haiti" with Pastor Livenson Lauvanus, presiding Bishop  
of the Lutheran Church in Haiti: Wednesday, May 11 6:30pm**

**Children's Ministry Appreciation Day:**

**Sunday, May 15 10:45am**

**Talent Show & Chili Cook-Off: Sunday, May 22 5:00pm – 7:00pm**

**Godspeed for Pastoral Intern Mark Meyer:**

**Thursday, May 26 6:30pm**

**Sunday, May 29 8:00am & 10:45am**

**Memorial Service for Louise Schon: Sunday, May 29 4:00pm**

## The Miracle Is Nearly Complete

Nearly a year ago, you invited me to join you at Holy Trinity to make the transition from Pilot to Pastor. The miracle is nearly complete. At the end of May, I will leave you in order to complete my last semester at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, CA. At the end of 2011, I will be seeking a call in the Rocky Mountain Synod as a pastor.

I could never have anticipated how much I would learn in my year with you. The deepest learning has come in our Bible Study, Faith Formation, and Exploring Christianities discussions in which I have been challenged to articulate my own faith and understanding of God. You have challenged me with hard questions born of your own search for clarity and understanding. You have never been shy or afraid to ask the hard questions. As a result, we have grown together in understanding God's truth and wonderful promises for our lives.

You have shown me how to love and serve others. Your involvement in social ministry is phenomenal. So many ministry partners in this congregation step to the plate whenever there is a need. Many voluntarily take leadership roles and *just get the job done*. The character of this congregation is one of vision and leadership, not one of waiting to be asked. I have never seen such strong lay involvement and leadership.

From the beginning, I have loved how you welcome the stranger and embrace the children. You model Christian charity toward those on the margins. Your leadership as a Reconciling in Christ congregation is just one example of that. I will leave here with a firm understanding of how to live out, not just say, "All are welcome."

In our study of Making Sense of Scripture, I learned far more than I taught. We discovered together how important it is to look beyond the sound bite or proof text when reading Scripture and read with the "center" in focus. The lens through which we read Scripture is the love that God shows us in the cross and resurrection of Christ. In the cross and resurrection we learn two important truths – (1) our broken human condition and (2) God's loving response. Despite our brokenness, God does not fail to love us and lifts us into eternal life. Everything else in Scripture supports the center. I will be forever grateful to have learned that lesson here. It informs everything else.

Thank you for allowing me to practice on you as I developed my own preaching, teaching, and leadership style for ministry. I am most grateful for having learned the joy of leading you in singing Holden Evening Prayer as the cantor/leader. I cherish your confidence and forbearance.

There is so much else I would like to say, but I will end with a profound thank you from both me and Kim. You have prepared me and blessed our lives immensely. I know you will do the same for whoever follows. Enjoy God's abundance; live in gratitude for all God's gifts; share your God-given talents and richness with joy; and put your hope in God's promises. In Christ's love, Mark Meyer - Pastoral Intern

This year has been an important part of an incredible journey for Mark - and for me as well. As hard as it was to be away from Evergreen Lutheran -- it is now just as hard to leave all our new friends at HTLC. Thanks to everyone who has made us feel so welcome, so much a part of the Holy Trinity family. We will always feel at home here. Thank you for sharing your hearts and this year with both of us.

Kim

### **“Come and See” Missions Opportunities**

**The presiding Bishop of the Lutheran Church in Haiti, Pastor Livenson Lauvanus,** will be visiting the Rocky Mountain Synod this May! Pastor Livenson will preach at Holy Trinity on **Sunday May 8** and lead an adult faith formation class. He will meet with the Missions committee on **Tuesday May 10** and speak at an evening presentation at Holy Trinity on **Wednesday May 11**. Take advantage of these wonderful opportunities to hear firsthand about the Lutheran church in Haiti!

The **Mission Committee** will be meeting on **Tuesday May 10 at 7:00 PM** to discuss possible ministry opportunities with the Lutheran Church in Haiti. The committee is inviting new members, new ideas, and anyone with an interest in Haiti to join the conversation. **Pastor Livenson,** from the Lutheran Church in Haiti, will be with us for the meeting.

**Holden Village,** a Lutheran retreat center in Washington State, will be hosting a **Haiti Focus week, June 18-25, 2011**. Join Pastor Julie and family for an inspiring Haiti filled week in this beautiful retreat setting. Talk to Pastor Julie or go to [www.holdenvillage.org](http://www.holdenvillage.org) for details.

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\* We pray for the upcoming wedding celebration of \*  
\* Alyssa Coronato and Marc Malezija on May 28, 2011. \*  
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~ President's Corner ~

Greetings,

I've been alive long enough now to see how God can shape events over what I consider a long time span. Sometimes I can look back and say wow, I prayed about that many years ago and God has answered that prayer. Sometimes I can look back over a course of years and say wow, I had no idea God was in the middle of this, but sure enough it went where only God could take it.

My guess is that many of you in this congregation can look back over your lives and say the same thing. I bet you can look back over the life of Holy Trinity, through the high points and through the low points, and say the same thing. "I can't believe how we got from A to Z, but we've just arrived where only God could take us."

Over the next few months the council is going to explore the question, if the Apostle Paul were to write Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Littleton, Colorado a letter what would he say were good attributes of the church and what would he say needs to be worked on. And just as interestingly would Paul say that the church has laid the appropriate ground work for the next 45 years of church life. Are things being set up such that God's Work will continue to get done through the hands that follow us?

Everyone in the congregation is invited to participate in this conversation. If you have thoughts on what you think the Apostle Paul would write to Holy Trinity, share them directly with a member of church council, or just as good, write a letter to church council expressing what you think the Apostle Paul would write. Tell us what you think the future of Holy Trinity could be and how God might get us there. At the 100 year anniversary of the church there will be a prize for the person who came closest to mapping out the future. (lol)

Most importantly, when you have time, pray for the Church and its leaders. Pray that we are all good stewards of what God has given us to work with today, whether it is the maintenance of the church building or inviting people in to worship with us. And while no one may actually guess what God has in store for Holy Trinity at the 100 year anniversary pray that we are continuing to go down the path that will allow people to say wow, I can't believe this is where God has taken us.

God's Peace and Joy be with you all,  
Tom Rigby –Council President

Don't look back and ask why...Look forward and ask why not.

## **MEMORIAL DAY WORK WEEKEND**

Come and join over 100 people May 27-30, 2011 to help make Rainbow Trail's site the best possible. We will make major improvements to our site including a deck on Bristlecone Lodge, two new tent platforms, and upgrading one of the cabins across the creek. There is no charge for the weekend but a reservation is a must. Contact Dave at the Canon City office at 719-276-5233 to reserve your spot!

## **MEN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Lutheran Men in Mission Gathering July 22-24, 2011**

Called! Equipped! Sent! This summer, July 22-24, as many as 1,000 men will be in attendance at the Lutheran Men's Gathering to be held at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. Dynamic speakers, a variety of workshops, and great music, including Peter Mayer, Jimmy Buffett's lead guitarist, will inspire and motivate your personal faith journey. Some of the most gifted men's leaders in North America will share their experiences and insights on how to have an effective, life changing men's ministry. Saturday afternoon opportunities will include everything from workshops to rock climbing & fly fishing classes, to a service opportunity with Project CURE. For more information, or to register, go to [www.lutheranmeninmission.org](http://www.lutheranmeninmission.org).

### **Prayer Room at LMM Gathering**

Men from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church have been asked to take the lead in equipping and staffing a prayer room at the Lutheran Men in Mission Gathering, July 22-24. Whether or not you can attend the full gathering, can you find a couple of hours to come and pray for speakers, musicians, and those attending the gathering? Any help will be appreciated.

For questions about any of these events, contact Randy McNitt.

## **MAY ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Sundays 9:30am-10:30am in the Fireside Room**

- May 1**      **Lutheran Camping Ministry**
- May 8**      **Lutheran Church in Haiti led by  
Bishop Livenson Lauvanus**
- May 15**     **Conversation with Pastoral Intern Mark Meyer  
About His Year with Holy Trinity**
- May 22**     **Bell Choir**
- May 29**     **Celebration of the Ministry of  
Pastoral Intern Mark Meyer**

## **GRIEF GROUP**

**MEETS EVERY 1ST & 3RD SUNDAY.**

**SUNDAY, May 1 at 12:15pm & SUNDAY, May 15 at 9:30am**

## **Holy Trinity Fellowship Dinners**

**Don't Miss Out!**

**Sign up on the sheets in the main hallway at church.  
If you have any questions, please contact Dan Lounsberry**



## **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Please contact Holy Trinity Church Office, 303-798-1356, when:

- A member of your family is in the hospital
- You would like to have Home Communion
- You have a prayer request
- A family member dies
- Your home address, phone or email changes
- You would like a call or visit
- You have a joy or concern to share





New Beginnings  
Women's Correctional Facility  
Friday, 8-April-2011

On Friday evening, Carol and Don Hembre, Duncan Harvey and Frank Jackson were privileged and blessed to have attended Bible study and worship at New Beginnings Church at the Women's Correctional Facility in Denver.

There was singing and praying and scripture and worship with communion. It was quite a moving experience and we were all blessed by the Spirit which was there doing good things through those present.

It was eye opening to hear the gospel story (the raising of Lazarus) read through the eyes and ears of those who are imprisoned. Yes, the good news is for everyone - the death and darkness that is within us all can be unbound and raised up to new life even in prison. The good news of grace and mercy and hope and forgiveness in the resurrection is here for all of us.

May Pastor Emily and those she serves through the ministry of New Beginnings continue to be lifted up and blessed through the Holy Spirit.

Dates for New Beginnings worship:

Fridays, June 17 and August 19, 2011

For information, see Pastor Dave, Pastor Julie, Dee Gustafson, Herm Jantzen, or Jan Harvey.

### **Lutheran Study Bible Challenge**

**If you can sponsor a new Lutheran Study Bible for one of the women at New Beginnings, please send a check to: New Beginnings Church, 111 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, Colorado 80011**

You are invited!

The New Beginnings Church of the  
Denver Women's Correctional Facility  
is now worshipping on the outside too.

The next Holden Evening Prayer with Holy Communion  
Thursday, May 19 at 6:30pm  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

*Dear Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,*

*I so often wish I had a video recorder attached to my head so you could experience all I see and hear as I go about my life as a prison Chaplain.*

*Because of you I am able to share the gifts of God with those serving time at Denver Women's Correctional Facility.*

*I have personally witnessed two high profile "Satanists", come to worship, receive the gifts of God and sing in our choir week after wee,. I watch the women from unit 3, the medium housing unit, come in and talk and "visit" with their friends and as time goes by they move from the back row, participate more and more in the singing, move even closer to the front, and read the scriptures during worship, and offer up the prayers of the community.*

*Easter brought seven new sisters in CHRIST into our family, with many of them sharing of the "freedom" they have found in worship, welcomed as a child of God. We were photographed recently through our entire setting up, worshipping, baptizing, and sending process. I can't wait to share these pictures with you, especially those of you who have been such faithful supporters and yet haven't been with us in person.*

*Blessed EASTER! Blessed New Beginnings.*

*Thanks be to God for you and all your priceless support!*

*Blessed to be of service!*

*Thank you so much for all your support of New Beginnings on the outside. Thank you for your very generous financial support! Please know what a difference you make.*

*Pastor Emily*

Holy Trinity Lutheran Preschool is looking for someone with marketing experience to act as an advisor to the Preschool Board. If you or someone you know could help, please contact Pastor Julie or Tracy Seul at 303 797-6345.

### **Preschool Registration for 2011- 2012 school year!**

Registration for the 2011- 2012 school year is underway! Holy Trinity Preschool will continue to expand the reach of its ministry in 2011 with extended days, weekly chapel, cooking, PE and music. Our enrollment options include any number of days, with extended care before and after school. These additions to our schedule help us to meet the needs of more families in different life situations. Please help us reach out to children and families in and around our community by sharing news of our preschool with others!



Registration for the 2011 – 2012 school year is now open. If you are interested in enrolling, please stop by the preschool lobby for a registration form.

For more information or a tour of our school, **contact Tracy Seul, 303-797-6345, Director of Preschool Ministry**

or

Pastor Julie, 303-798-1356 or visit our website at **[www.holytrinitylutheranpreschool.org](http://www.holytrinitylutheranpreschool.org)!**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Preschool, 6322 S. Lakeview St., Littleton, CO 80120**

## Preschool News

This was a great year for preschool! We added 20 new children to the program, and have more coming for next year! Here are a few highlights to our wonderful year:

- Last summer we added rocks to the playground. I think the kids have been taking it home in their shoes, because we might need more this summer to make sure the playground has enough! We have also been able to purchase some new books and toys for the program through the year with the help of your generous donations.
- Our outreach programs were a huge success! The Trike-a-thon in the fall, and the Night of the Arts in the spring raised over \$300. The PJ drive we hosted in the winter brought in over 65 pairs of pajamas for our charities.
- We brought our families together with a Halloween party, Thanksgiving feast, Jesus' birthday party, Night of the Arts and Father's Day breakfast. This month we look forward to our Mother's Day Muffin brunch, Children's Ministries Appreciation Day and our Moving Up Day. It has been terrific watching the families come together at Holy Trinity and having so many of you join us and stop by to say hello!
- We dedicated our lending library to the Lockhart's for being long-time supporters and church members. Bruce was a good sport letting the kids sing to him, celebrating with cake and accepting a quilt that the kids made for him (with the help of our Board members, Mary Gardinier and Beth Farr). Stop by downstairs to see the plaque and pictures of Bruce and Dorothy Lockhart.

The staff and I can't thank you enough for all the support and prayers you have sent our way for a successful year. Your support and praise of our program helps to bring more children to us, and we appreciate it every time you tell someone new! We will be back next year for an even better year and look forward to seeing you all in August!

God's Blessings to you,

Tracy Seul and the Holy Trinity Preschool Staff

# Children's Ministry Appreciation Day

Sunday May 15, 2011 10:45 AM

Join us for worship at 10:45AM on Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate the ministry of Holy Trinity Lutheran Preschool, our children's church program and children's faith formation classes. We will say "thank you" to all of our teachers and be blessed with music from our children. A cake and punch reception will follow after worship.

## King Soopers Gift Cards

Our senior high youth are selling reloadable King Soopers gift cards to raise money for their upcoming mission trip to the Gulf Coast. Below are simple instructions for how to use the cards:

1. Purchase a gift card from our youth that is pre-loaded with \$10.
2. Take that gift card to the check stand before you ring up your groceries at King Soopers and load it with any amount. You may load your card by paying with cash, check or credit card.
3. Use your card at the check out to pay for your groceries, gas, or prescriptions. Your card balance will be shown on your receipt.
4. Refill your card as many times as you like.

Every time a card is refilled our youth group will receive 5% of that purchase. The cards may also be used at King Soopers and Shell gas stations. Thank you for supporting our high school youth!

## Free Childcare

Free childcare is available at Holy Trinity every Tuesday Night from 6:00 - 8:30pm. Parents: Come to Bible Study or join a committee! Your children will be in good hands.

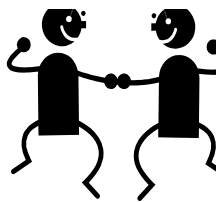
## **Youth Serve Sunday** Sunday May 8, 2011

**ALL** youth are invited to help with worship on Sunday May 8.  
Sign up in the church office.

(Hey kids, its Mother's Day. Think how happy it will make your mom to see you serving in worship.)

## **Graduate Recognition** Sunday May 8, 2011

Holy Trinity will honor its high school graduates in worship on Sunday, May 8 with the gift of a quilt.



## **Holy Trinity Talent Show & Chili Cook-off** Sunday, May 22 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sign up to share your talents or  
a pot of your famous chili!



Proceeds will benefit the High School Youth Mission  
Trip to Galveston, TX this summer.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School will be July 11-15, 2011. VBS will begin with an optional dinner from 5:00-5:30 PM and VBS program from 5:30-7:30 PM. A Co-Director is still needed for this important ministry.

Please contact Pastor Julie for more information.

## **BROWN BAG BOOKIES**



Join the Brown Bag Bookies  
on Tuesday, May 17, 11:30am to 1:00pm

Read, or just come and discuss,  
***Ordinary People*** by Judith Guest.

Remember the movie?

Now read the book - about an ordinary family divided by pain,  
yet bound by their struggle to heal.

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June's Book: ***Major Pedigrew's Last Stand*** by Helen Simonson

"A wry, optimistic comedy of British manners with a romantic twist - A happy read!"

**No time to read? Come anyway!!!**

**Bring a friend ~ bring your lunch.**

**Questions? Call Florence Van Bebber.**

## **Exploring Christianities**

9:00 am, Fireside Room, May 7 and May 28, 2011

**We are doubling our meetings each month**

**Living the Question – Are your views those of a progressive Christian?**

The 12 themes are:

1. An invitation to Journey
2. Thinking Theologically
3. Creativity and Stories of Creation
4. Restoring Relationships
5. Evil and a God of Love: The Place of Suffering
6. A Kingdom without Walls: Ruth and Jonah
7. Social Justice and The Prophets
8. Intimacy with God
9. Lives of Jesus
10. Compassion: the Heart of Jesus' Ministry
11. A Passion for Christ: Paul the Apostle
12. Out into the World: Challenges Facing Progressive Christianity

**This series brings together over thirty highly acclaimed scholars, theologians and other experts in a video exploration of an open, inclusive, broad-minded Christianity.**

**Join us. It is fun and informative. BYO coffee.**

## **Prayer Ministry - It's not "One Size Fits All" -**

There are many ways to be involved in the Prayer Ministry at Holy Trinity. Maybe you would like to try one of these on for size.

- Pray with the women of New Beginnings - the women share their prayer requests with us regularly and we are in need of people to take the sheets found on the Prayer Ministry Board located right outside the church office. Take home a few of these sheets, offer up those prayers then place the papers in recycling.
- Take home the bulletin from worship and pray during the week for those listed on the back page.
- Fill out a green prayer request card found in the pews or on the Prayer Ministry Board and share with the community your prayer concerns, praises, or answers to prayer.
- Attend the next Prayer Ministry meeting, Tuesday, May 10, at 11:15am to pray with us and share ideas you have for us as a praying community.
- Talk with Jean Jacobson, Jan Harvey, Becky Zinn-Caulfield, Beth Rietz, Marilyn Hobart, or Margot Wright about your ideas, hopes, dreams for Holy Trinity as a praying community.

There are so many ways to pray and be involved in prayer ministry, let God's Spirit move you .....

## **Life Transitions Grief Support Group ~ May 9**

Grief Support for those who are unemployed, underemployed, or going through a challenging life transition is going to be the focus of our Monday Grief Group that meets the 2nd Monday of the month from 11:30—12:30pm. We are expanding the focus of this group beyond issues of dealing with all the challenges of employment to include other areas such as divorce, aging, dealing with chronic illness, stress, changing roles and relationships, and other life transitions.

Questions? Feel free to talk with Marta Drummond or Margot Wright. This ministry is an outreach of our Stephen Ministry program. Everyone who is interested is invited and please consider inviting someone you know who might benefit from some time of spiritual and emotional support.

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY May 9, 11:30am AT HOLY TRINITY.**

Our *Living* God has words of *Life* for all who want to really *live*!

Come, see and *live*.

Tuesday Bible Study – either 10am or 6pm.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY

	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29
First Reading	Acts 2: 14a, 22 - 32	Acts 2:14a, 36 - 41	Acts 2: 42 - 47	Acts 7: 55 - 60	Acts 17: 22 - 31
Psalmody	Psalm 16	Psalm 116: 1 - 4, 12 - 19	Psalm 23	Psalm 31: 1 - 5, 15 - 16	Psalm 66: 8 - 20
Second Reading	1 Peter 1: 3 - 9	1 Peter 1: 17 - 23	1 Peter 2: 19 - 25	1 Peter 2: 2 - 10	1 Peter 3: 13 - 22
Gospel	John 20: 19 - 31	Luke 24: 13 - 35	John 10: 1 - 10	John 14: 1 - 14	John 14: 15 - 21

### **Holy Trinity Music Ministry**

Are you looking for a new opportunity to Praise Our Awesome God?

Chancel Choir and Jubilate Ringers are looking for you. New members are always welcome and needed for these music ministry programs.

#### **Chancel Choir**

- Rehearsals are every Thursday, 7:15pm - 9:00pm
- Supports Sunday worship alternating between 8:00am and 10:45am services

#### **Jubilate Ringers**

- Rehearsals are every Wednesday, 6:30pm – 8:00pm
- Supports Sunday worship every 2nd Sunday of the month at both services

Please join us and share your love for our Lord and Holy Trinity.

# Women of the ELCA News



## MAY

- **BIBLE STUDY** - - Lutheran Woman Today - - - Visitors are welcome.  
The Bible Verse for May is:—"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you. And you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1: 8 A wonderful lesson.  
You are welcome to join one of our three study Circles this month in the Fireside Room.  
EVANGELICA: May 11 at 9:30am  
JOY: May 16 at 1:00pm  
RUTH: May 18 at 9:15am  
Margot Wright will do an overview of the May lesson, May 2 at noon.
- **MINISTRY IN ACTION** - -  
CHRISTIAN SERVICE: May 4 at 9:15am, Fellowship Hall  
LYDIA: May 9 & 23 at 1:00pm, Fireside Room  
PIECE: May 12 at 1:00pm, Fellowship Hall  
You may join any of the Circles at a time convenient for you
- **ALL DAUGHTER LUNCHEON: May 1 at 12:15pm**  
All women and girls are invited to a delicious Danish Smorgasbord lunch prepared by Denver Danes President, Marianne Owen, Inge Nagata, and others. Kid Friendly food will be available. Yummy dessert too! Our program will be about the history of aprons. There will be a display of aprons and you may bring or wear a favorite apron to this event. **ALL women are invited!**  
Questions? Talk with Beth Farr, Elaine Stevens, Anita Flatt, or Margot Wright.
- **Holy Trinity Women of the ELCA Sunday: June 5**  
We will celebrate the day with our annual baked goodies, jams, jellies, and snack items - for a free will donation. Pastor Julie will be giving the sermon and Holy Trinity women will participate in the service.

Peace and Blessings!

## Join us for our Enneagram Conversations at Holy Trinity.

We meet in the Fireside Room.

We will meet **Thursday, May 5 at 10:00am** and  
a NEW opportunity on **Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00pm.**

Everyone is welcome to come and learn even if you don't know about  
this powerful tool for spiritual growth.

## Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)

You are all angels! Many thanks for your continued support!  
Thanks to everyone who assisted in the IHN ministry here at  
Holy Trinity in April.



## LAWN MOWER BRIGADE

Sign on now for the Holy Trinity Lawnmower Brigade. We hope to mow  
the lawn again this summer using volunteers. We hope for teams of two  
or three individuals, each team would mow approximately once a month.  
The plan is to mulch, rather than catch the grass. Mulching allows much  
faster mowing and there will be no need to dispose of the clippings.  
There are mowers available. If you can help, please sign up at church.  
If you can only be a substitute, please indicate that. Thank you!

~ GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS ~

## TURN PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS INTO MATS FOR THE HOMELESS!

Recycle your bags by placing them in the container in the church office. If you are interested in getting involved with making the mats or any part of this ministry, call Bev Mundil.

### SOMETHING NEW FOR BEV'S BAG BRIGADE ----

Recently Urban Peak Shelter for Teenagers indicated that they had "enough sleeping mats for now". You will never know how deflated a dozen or so ladies were with this news. Were we going to have to disband? Should we discontinue accepting bags? What about the bags we still have to complete? **WE ARE NOT QUITTING! WE JUST HAVE TO FIND A NEW OUTLET!** Several ladies started calling around.

Alice Fisicaro and I loaded the trunk of her car with 12 mats and headed for town. Our first stop was at a Catholic charity who had no need for them. With drooped shoulders and dragging feet we headed for Volunteers of America. We took one mat in and gave the lady at the front desk our story. She called her manager who said "we'll take them." I said can you use 50-70 mats per year? She said "all you can provide". Our chests puffed up, two fellows helped carry in the 12 mats and before we left the building all the mats were gone - among them a mother with two small children who took two for the kiddies, a lady who said she'd sleep on the ground if that was the only way she could get one. There were others who indeed do sleep on the ground and commented on how warm they would be. They weren't just handed out, but signed out to each one that took a mat.

Before we left they even took our picture - on such a windy day that must be a sight. They are going to put it in their newsletter.

We're back in business and Volunteers of America is our new "home for the mats".

## **Fitness Fellowship**

**Fitness Fellowship classes** meet on Mondays at 9:30am or 3:30pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Please join us! Wear comfortable clothes and bring a beach towel or mat to class.

**NOTE:** The last class will be May 9. There will be a celebration on May 16.

Questions? Please call Donna Ferguson.

# LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES OF COLORADO

**Join Lutheran Family Services of Colorado** for a special **Night at the Zoo**....we have reserved the Denver Zoo for a private event for friends, family and guests of LFS. All who come will enjoy admission to the zoo, an all-American grilled dinner, carousel and train rides and much more, while helping LFS grow and thrive. The Annual Family & Charity event, is on Friday, June 10, at 6:30pm at the Denver Zoo. More details to come soon!

**Save the Date – Tee Off for Hope**, the Annual Lutheran Family Services Golf Classic is on Monday, July 25 at the beautiful course at Arrowhead Golf Club in Littleton. Shotgun start is at 7:30am, followed by lunch, awards and a live auction.

Please remember we are always in need of gently used kitchen supplies like pots and pans, dishes, glassware, utensils and linens, lamps and furniture. To schedule a pickup for furniture or for additional information contact Chad Skupien at [chad.skupien@lfsco.org](mailto:chad.skupien@lfsco.org) or 303-389-2348.

**You too may change a life forever and that life may be yours!**

Also from Lutheran Family Services:

**Do you struggle with managing a chronic health condition? Do you care for someone who does?** Join Lutheran Family Services' Care Management Solutions Program for Be Well Colorado, a free six week workshop series on chronic disease self-management. Be Well Colorado offers practical strategies and emotional support for managing conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease, chronic pain, and anxiety. Developed by Stanford University, this workshop series delivers proven results. Be Well Colorado will be offered:

Wednesdays, April 13- May 18

9:30 am to noon

St. Mark Catholic Church

9905 Foothills Canyon Blvd.

Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

## Holy Trinity Staff

**Marcia Bollman.....Liturgical Coordinator**  
**Debbie Boyer.....Administrative Secretary**  
**Edwin Castro.....Custodian**  
**Shannon Cline.....Child Care**  
**Clarence Leslie.....Pastor Emeritus**  
**Jackie Macheel.....Chancel Choir Director**  
**Julie McNitt.....Associate Pastor for Youth/Family Ministry**  
**Mark Meyer.....Pastoral Intern**  
**Kent Mueller.....Jubilate Handbell Choir Director**  
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**The next Church Council Meeting is Tuesday, May 24, 2011.**

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