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outreach ministries.**

**Prayers are needed for all our outreach
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Holy Trinity OUTREACH

"Use the gifts I have given you and change the world"
- Jesus

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Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy Outreach students develop a sense of community early. Services projects are built into the Character Education program and throughout school activities.

- Students in grades one through six prepared 18 large pots of soup for Daily Bread to feed the hungry.
- Students in grades one through six collected over 200 gallon-zip lock bags filled with toys and personal care items for children in Haiti.
- Spanish National Honor Society collected 130 toys for children at Redlands Christian Migrant Association in Fellsmere.
- Freshmen in the National Junior Honor Society collected 100 shoe boxes filled with toys and personal care items for children in India and Rwanda via Operation Christmas Child.
- Sixth grade Improvement team and Junior High Honor Society collected more than 200 Toys for Tots.
- Women’s Varsity Basketball Team sponsored a needy family by providing a single mom and her two young sons with toys, clothing, and food.
- Students in grades one through six provided Christmas in a Pack/Penny Harvest, stuffing 36 backpacks with personal essentials for the homeless.
- “Heart to Heart: Boxes of Love.” This project benefits children (ages six months to 18 years) with cancer in Brevard County who are currently receiving services of the non-profit organization Candlelighters of Brevard. Students have been issued prayer cards to use each day, creating valentines, and are filling Valentine’s boxes.
- The longest running schoolwide service project is the annual Thanksgiving Day basket project. The National Honor Society and Lower School volunteers donated more than 60 Thanksgiving meal baskets to area families.

Holy Trinity students logged over 18,000 service hours last year alone. Two of their favorite places to lend a hand included Habitat for Humanity and The American Cancer Foundation.

Sonrise / Mustard Seed

The Sonrise Orphans Ministry is one of the ministries under the umbrella of the Mustard Seed Project. The Mustard Seed Project is a USA not-for-profit ministry formed to work alongside Bishop John K. Rucyahana in the works of evangelism and acts of mercy in East and Central Africa. The mission is to provide for the educational, physical, health and spiritual needs of these children that God has placed in our care. Holy Trinity provides monetary support to this mission (\$1000 in 2006).

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United Thank Offering



The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a simple but powerful outreach of the Episcopal Church. Episcopalians are encouraged to keep a little blue cardboard box at home and to put money in that box each time he or she is thankful. The stated mission of the UTO is to “expand the circle of thankful people.” The money that accumulates in the blue boxes is then collected at church on a Sunday close to All Saints Day (November 1) and then again on a Sunday close to Ascension Day (usually in May). Ingatherings are sent to a diocesan coordinator who in turn forwards the money from each congregation to the national Episcopal Church office. The total money collected in the Episcopal Church (USA) and granted to worthy projects was more than \$2.4 million in 2006 with grants going all over the world. To learn more about the UTO or to start participating with your own “blue box”:

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Angel Tree



Angel Tree Christmas works by connecting parents in prison with their children through the delivery of Christmas gifts. Parishioners pick an angel off a Christmas tree in the Narthex and purchase a gift for a child on behalf of the parent in prison. A Christmas party is hosted by the church so that the children can come and receive their gifts.

Volunteer opportunities start in November when we need callers to coordinate the child's name with the guardian to see what type of gift the child wants. Then volunteers are needed in the Narthex for two to three Sundays until all the names have been chosen. Volunteers are needed to select a child and purchase a gift for them. Volunteers are needed to coordinate the children's Christmas party, and the refreshments. Volunteers are needed for each or all of these areas in November and December.

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Brevard Neighborhood Development

This is an after-school homework program. The Center offers a safe haven for children in the Booker T. Washington neighborhood, near the intersection of Aurora Road and US 1. The area has Melbourne's highest density of poverty and juvenile crime. Holy Trinity gave \$1000 to this organization in 2006.

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Parish Mission Trips

Holy Trinity has a vision to include mission trips as one of its ministries in the near future. The possibilities would include not only domestic mission trips but also international mission trips. The dates and locations will be announced later. There are a couple of possible destinations where teams could travel, which include Mexico to work with the McCallisters and Cuba to work with the Episcopal Church in a specific community. To realize this vision we need volunteers to help coordinate these trips, be part of the mission, and to provide monetary and spiritual support for the teams. Please pray for our future mission trips, that God will show us where to go and what to do.

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Solar Light for Africa

Holy Trinity provides monetary support for Solar Light for Africa (\$600 in 2006). This is a non-profit Christian organization whose mission is to transform lives and empower the people of East Africa by providing light and energy using the natural power of the sun.

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McCallister Family in Mexico: Latin American Mission

Holy Trinity provides monetary support (\$1000 in 2006) to the McCallister family (Cliff and Joy with their three children: Molly, Cayle, and Jack) who run a camp in Mexico called Campamento Kikoten. They seek to make Christ known to the children and youth who come to the camp during their vacations. They work with people who come from both churched and unchurched backgrounds who live in Mexico City. Even business people come to the camp to work on their team building skills.

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Mother's Care Ukraine Orphanage

"Mother's Care" is an established home for abandoned or orphaned children, ages birth to five years old, on the outskirts of Kiev, Ukraine. Their desire is to provide a home where children will be lovingly cared for or, when possible, placed in a family. They are assisting two children's hospitals with supplies, and one with hands-on care of abandoned infants. Through Social Services, they are also helping some poor families with baby food and clothing. Holy Trinity gave \$500 to this organization in 2006.

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CITA Mission

The CITA (Christ is the Answer) mission is a homeless shelter for men in Melbourne. They offer three programs. The "Overcomers" is a ninety-day, drug and rehabilitation program. You can enter this program more than once if needed. The "Achievers" program offers men who are working a place to stay until they save money to rent an apartment. The third program provides overnight shelter and showers for transients. In 2006, Holy Trinity gave \$1000 to this ministry.

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College Campus Ministry

Holy Trinity has financially supported InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on the campus of Florida Institute of Technology (\$1000 in 2006). InterVarsity staff and students proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ on college campuses. They believe that God calls us to help form the character of the next generation of Christian leaders by offering students a Christian perspective on the world.

Parishioners are also giving financial and prayer support this year to Kate Welch, a member of the parish and recent graduate of the University of Florida (UF) in Gainesville, who is working this year with Campus Crusade for Christ at UF.

Support of campus ministry in Melbourne is currently financial; the Co-Rectors are looking for ways that Holy Trinity can reach out directly to the students, faculty and staff at Florida Institute of Technology and Brevard Community College. Is God calling you to engage in this ministry?

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Community of Hope, Inc.

Community of Hope (COH) is an ecumenical, faith-based, not-for-profit organization that places families in transitional housing, allowing families with children to remain together, to become self-reliant and move to a permanent home.

Volunteers are needed on an ad hoc basis with skills including but not limited to accounting, grant writing, real estate legal advice, and fundraising. Monetary contributions are also welcomed at any time.

Holy Trinity provides a house for a Community of Hope family to live in and also gave \$900 to the organization in 2006. Holy Trinity also provided over 25 volunteers, both adult and youth, to work on the new COH house built in 2007 through Habitat for Humanity.

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Daily Bread

Daily Bread's soup kitchen is a lifeline for over 4,200 men, women and children in our community each year. Serving between 200 and 250 people daily, the kitchen is open seven days a week, 365 days a year, providing a hot mid-day meal plus hygienic services, including shower, laundry and mail service, to anyone in need. Volunteers are needed to serve lunch 7 days a week. You must be 16 years old or older and be there by 10:30am to start serving at 11:00am. Holy Trinity will be assigned Sundays during the year to serve lunches at Daily Bread. Any clothing, shoes and hygiene supplies are welcomed all year long.

There is a food collection wagon in the Narthex. Non-perishable food can be placed in the wagon at any time. The food goes to the Daily Bread Distribution Center, where it is then served at Daily Bread or distributed to other groups or individuals in need.

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We help communities rebuild when the crisis is over

Hurricanes, earthquakes, and other catastrophes leave people with nothing. We work hand in hand with local communities to build new homes, plant crops, create clean water systems, construct clinics and schools, and offer critical post-trauma counseling.

We create opportunities for people living in poverty

In many places in the world, people can't feed their families or give them basic health care. Through our food, security, and primary health care program, we provide farming and business training, health care services, and HIV/AIDS programs in communities where families are struggling to survive. We give people the tools to earn an income and create opportunities for their children.

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Fellowship of the Least Coin

Members of St. Margaret's and St. Catherine's Guilds participate in this ministry.

The Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC) is a worldwide ecumenical movement of prayer for peace and reconciliation. Through this movement, Christian women around the world meet and pray with each other and are reminded to live a reconciling and forgiving life with others. Though "least coins" are given with each prayer, it is not a fund-raising project, but a movement of prayer, peace and reconciliation. Anyone who wishes to join this movement makes a commitment to spend time in prayer whenever she has a strained relationship with another person, and to uphold in prayer others who are victims of jealousy, hatred, violence and injustice.

Each time she prays for justice, peace and reconciliation, she sets aside one "least coin" of her currency as a tangible token toward her prayer being answered. These coins are sent regularly to her country's FLC collection point, where it is forwarded to the FLC Fund. The amount collected by each country is never publicized; only the total sum collected each year is announced. It is important that only the "least coin" of each currency be set aside so that even the poorest women of each country can be a part of this fellowship of love and care.

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Culver Family in China: Anglican Frontier Mission

The Culvers are an Episcopal family from Massachusetts who spread the “Good News” in China. Their sponsoring organization, Anglican Frontier Mission, covers people and places that are usually omitted from missionary efforts. Doug and Elaine Culver reach out to an “unreached people group” (the Dei) in the southern part of China close to Thailand. After living 8 years in China they are financially self sufficient. Doug oversees a bamboo carpentry plant; among other things the factory makes bamboo flooring, some of which is sold in Florida to boat-owners! As missionaries they take a very “low-key” approach and their main focus involves raising financial and logistical support for a school that trains pastors and evangelists for work in a very rural mountainous area. Monetary support for this ministry and prayers are requested. The Culvers are also willing to host small groups who wish to visit China to meet and encourage the Christians there. In 2006 Holy Trinity provided \$1000 in financial support for this outreach.

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Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD)



Episcopal Relief and Development responds to human suffering around the world. They provide emergency assistance after disasters, rebuild communities, and help children and families climb out of poverty. Especially in times of acute need Episcopalians are called upon to make immediate financial contributions. If some disaster happens (tsunami, earthquake, hurricane etc.) an Episcopalian can always go to the ERD website, find out more information and donate immediately. This organization used to be called “The Presiding Bishops Fund for World Relief,” and there is still a strong emphasis on channeling ERD aid through the offices of Episcopal and Anglican bishops in the United States and around the world. Here is what ERD says about the work they do on their website <http://www.er-d.org>:

We save lives after an emergency

Disasters - whether man-made or natural - happen all the time. When they strike, we help people by supplying food, water, and medicine immediately. We prevent vulnerable people from further suffering, especially women, children, and the elderly.

Daughters of the King



The Daughters of the King (DOK) is an Order for women who are communicants of the Episcopal Church. Members undertake a Rule of Life, incorporating the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service. By reaffirmation of the promises made at Confirmation, a Daughter pledges herself to a lifelong program of prayer, service and evangelism, dedicated to the spread of Christ’s Kingdom and the strengthening of the spiritual life of her parish. DOK is re-starting at Holy Trinity and the most immediate outreach ministry they will undertake is the ministry of prayer.

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Devereux Florida



Devereux is one of Florida’s largest non-profit providers of mental health and developmental disabilities services to children and families in Florida. Devereux Florida Viera offers an Intensive Residential Treatment Program for children and adolescents, a Dual Diagnosis Center for children and adolescents with symptoms of both mental illness and mental retardation, and an on-site accredited school. The Intensive Residential Treatment Center (IRTC), comprised of 75 beds, provides a secure setting for the treatment of severely emotionally, behaviorally, and psychiatrically disturbed youth from ages 5 through 17. Monetary support is needed. In 2007, Devereux was supported by Holy Trinity with a gift of \$2000 from the proceeds of the annual Holy Trinity auction. There are also volunteer opportunities for doing small repair projects and donating furnishings at the Devereux Group Home.

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Episcopal Counseling Center



Established in response to requests by priests who felt unprepared to respond to the increasingly complex problems for which parishioners sought counsel, the Center provides professional counseling in a Christian setting in several offices throughout the Diocese.

Our Counseling Center is located on Church property in a building immediately west of the Church. Referrals come from a variety of sources including clergy, the Melbourne Women's Center, area physicians, mental health professionals, and present or former clients. It is through the support of parishioners that this ministry continues to meet the counseling needs within our parish family, within the Episcopal community, and as an outreach to the people of south Brevard County.

The people of Holy Trinity may be involved through making referrals and by holding the staff and clients in prayer.

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INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL MINISTRIES

An Alternative Christmas

This outreach program offers parishioners an opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts that benefit people in need. These unique gifts are great for the person who has everything, and they provide an opportunity to develop a culture of sharing among our youth.

In 2006, this ministry supported Heifer International. This charity provides animals and animal husbandry education to people in great economic need. The recipients of these living gifts are required to share their bounty by passing on the offspring of these animals to another family in need. Donations to Heifer International provide people with an enhanced standard of living as well as the dignity that accompanies sharing.

This program operates several weeks prior to Christmas. Volunteers are needed before and after each church service to collect donations and distribute the gift cards that are provided to recognize the donation.

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Compassion International



Sponsoring children in need is breaking the cycle of poverty. Compassion International exists as a Christian child advocacy ministry that releases children from spiritual, physical, economic and social poverty and enables them to become responsible, fulfilled Christian adults. You may sponsor a child for \$32 a month. Sponsorship can be completed online at www.compassion.com. You may select the child you would like to sponsor.

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Episcopal Christian Caring Fund of Central Florida

The Episcopal Christian Caring Fund (ECCF) was started to help meet the needs of those less fortunate parishioners in the Diocese of Central Florida who have exhausted all other means of assistance in a crisis situation. One-third of all contributions received are transferred to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Fund to support emergency needs of a strictly private and confidential nature; the remaining two-thirds of monies received are disbursed by the ECCF Board upon review and approval of a grant request application submitted by the parish priest. Each year the first Sunday of March is designated as "Christian Caring Sunday" for the Diocese of Central Florida.

Information data, contribution envelopes, and suggested Sunday bulletin announcement inserts are delivered to every parish/mission within the Diocese asking for support for this Fund. All monies contributed go directly to the recipients in need.

All administrative costs are paid from interest received by a one-time grant given by the Diocese of Central Florida to specifically cover those expenses. All Board members are dedicated volunteers serving without remuneration. This is a wonderful opportunity to help our brothers and sisters in Christ who are facing crisis situations by contributing generously, by serving as a Board member, by praying for those in crisis situations and by helping to promote an important part of our ministry to others in our Diocese.

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Strength to Strength Campaign

Strength to Strength was a Capital Campaign held by the Diocese of Central Florida in 2003 meant to increase funds for ministry in the Diocese. Holy Trinity sends \$3000 a year (pledge of \$30,000 over ten years) to support the new Episcopal Mission in Palm Bay, Blessed Redeemer Episcopal Church. In addition Holy Trinity contributes \$2000 a year (pledge of \$20,000 over ten years) to be used wherever needed by those who administer this fund in the Diocese. The Holy Trinity Thrift Shop gives \$5000 a year (pledge of \$50,000 over ten years) to support Camp Wingmann.

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Evangelism at Holy Trinity

In the Great Commission, Jesus calls us to go and make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Holy Trinity (Matthew 28:18-20) When we are baptized in the Episcopal Church, we turn away from sin and turn to Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. When we acknowledge this as believers, we put our whole trust in Jesus' grace and love, promising to follow and obey him as Lord of our lives. Baptism is the outward sign of an inward and spiritual grace. When we accept this as our Christian responsibility, we want to tell others the 'good news' about Jesus. As Episcopalians we are called to be obedient to our baptismal covenant and to the Great Commission.

This fall (2007), Holy Trinity is offering a program called, "Share Jesus without Fear." This 4-week course helps people learn a simple, non-confrontational way to share their faith. The Evangelism Commission of the Diocese of Central Florida is promoting this program throughout the diocese. For more information and resources about evangelism, contact George or Cathy Romot 727-3321 (members of the Evangelism Commission).

Holy Trinity is ready to encourage and assist any family member, friend or neighbor to enter a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The clergy are always willing and available to assist you in your spiritual journey and pilgrimage.

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Genesis House

The mission of Genesis House, Inc. is to provide safe shelter for homeless pregnant teens and women and homeless student mothers with children. Genesis House, Inc. is committed to providing a safe, supportive, caring environment. Education, self-discipline, self-reliance, and independence from the welfare system are earnestly promoted. Counseling and appropriate health care are obtained for all residents. Classes in childbirth and parenting are provided as needed.

St. Catherine's Guild of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church supports Genesis House by providing fruit baskets 3 times a year and by giving food gift certificates and small gifts for the children at Christmas. Last year (2006), St. Catherine's also gave a large bag of knitted baby hats and booties made by Polly Adams.

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Grief Support Group

The Pastoral Care Commission offers a grief support program, which is led by Charlotte Vann and Sandy Bryan. Charlotte is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor and has extensive training and experience ministering to those in grief. Sandy is a Spiritual Director, having completed the 3-year Audire Spiritual Direction Training, and has a special concern for those who mourn.

The purpose of the Grief Support program is to offer parishioners a safe, compassionate, confidential and spiritual atmosphere in which to share their grief. Those who are suffering a loss such as the death of a loved one, loss through illness, divorce, or loss of a job are given an opportunity to talk about their loss and receive encouragement and coping skills.

We gather to share our pain and journey together on the road to recovery. While we help one another in crisis, God does the healing. The Grief Support Group meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 11:00am to 12:00pm at 1901 Elizabeth Street.

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Camp Wingmann



Camp Wingmann is the site for a wonderful Summer Church Camp program for the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida, a center for Diocesan youth activities and a beautiful year-round retreat center for all types of groups. Camp Wingmann's mission is to be "A Fun Place for Kids to Know and Grow in Christ!" In 2007 Holy Trinity granted a \$55,000 gift to Camp Wingmann as part of the church's tithe on the recent capital campaign. This will be used to restore a cabin. Parishioners should also be aware that Holy Trinity is absolutely committed to making sure that kids can go to camp; in 2007 the Vestry set aside \$45,000 (from the capital campaign tithe) to fund scholarships for needy children associated with the parish who desire to go to church camp or attend other church events or mission trips designed for children and youth. Please note that the "Strength to Strength Campaign" pledge of \$50,000 over ten years from the Holy Trinity Thrift Shop also supports Camp Wingmann.

Parishioners can get involved at Camp Wingmann by encouraging kids to attend camp, by volunteering to help remodel the adopted cabin, or by volunteering for work crews that do painting, yardwork, cleaning or skilled labor such as electrical, plumbing, carpentry, etc. Of course, prayer and ongoing financial support for this ministry is always needed.

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DIOCESAN / REGIONAL

Anchor House



Anchor House is located in Auburndale, Florida (halfway between Orlando and Tampa). Holy Trinity gives financial support for this residential program that provides 24-hour supervised care and treatment for at-risk adolescent males. All residents receive multiple weekly group sessions based on a peer group treatment model as well as individualized counseling when indicated in their treatment plan. Residents are provided treatment service by other professionals in the community on an “as needed” basis. The residential program is supplemented by a day treatment program which provides an academic alternative for those not able to attend public school. Day treatment is also available for selected boys and girls who reside in the community. Holy Trinity gave \$1000 to this organization in 2006.

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Calm After the Storm

This is a new outreach program for Holy Trinity. The purpose of the program is to send volunteer work groups to nearby cities that have been devastated by hurricanes, floods or similar disasters. Teams will go out to secure roofs with tarps, plywood broken windows, clean up yards and carry out other post-disaster needs.

Aside from the hands that work on one of the response teams, volunteers will be needed for such tasks as contacting churches in affected areas, locating a base site, contacting emergency service organizations, getting information out to volunteers and procuring needed supplies.

We hold a general meeting every other month that features a speaker on some topic that we think might benefit volunteers.

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Habitat for Humanity



On occasion Holy Trinity is involved in a house build. In 2007 Holy Trinity participated with other churches to work on a house funded by grants through Community of Hope (see page 6) Volunteers are needed on Thursdays and Saturdays during a build which lasts for 16 weeks. On Saturday, a light lunch is provided for the workers. No real talent is needed. There is on-the-job-training and supervision by seasoned builders. You can be involved as much as you want, or as little as you want. Not only will you help build a house, but you will learn skills that might help in repairing/upgrading your house.

Holy Trinity also collects aluminum cans outside the Parish Hall kitchen to help build Habitat homes. You can bring your cans to church with you on Sundays, or any day of the week. Look for the sign between the Gallery entrance and the gym.

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Healing Prayer / Order of St. Luke / Prayer Chain



The clergy and people of Holy Trinity regularly pray for healing. There is a healing service with Holy Eucharist every week on Wednesday at 10:30am. On the first Wednesday of the month beginning in October 2007, Fr. Steve will offer a time of intercessory prayer and teaching on healing from 9:15am to 10:15am with the hope that participants will stay for the healing service.

There is also prayer for healing offered during Holy Communion at the 9 o'clock service every Sunday at the healing altar in the back of the church. A prayer team of lay people and clergy have a regular rotation so that two persons are available there to offer personal prayers for any need brought.

Both Fr. Steve and Rev. Pam are chaplains of the Order of St. Luke (OSL), an organization with the purpose of healing prayer. The study project to become a full member of OSL includes 26 Bible studies and reading at least three books on healing. At Holy Trinity there are many persons who have gone through this training; the hope of the Co-Rectors is that experienced members might serve as mentors for those newly interested in healing prayer.

When we reach out to others with healing prayer we believe that we can be instruments of God's Healing Power for those sick in body, mind or spirit. This involves the humble realization of our own spiritual nature so that by God's presence and power, we can enter into contact with deeper sources of life and obtain new health and strength for body as well as for the mind and spirit.

We believe healing the whole person to be an essential part of the teaching and practice of our Lord Jesus Christ. We desire to bring back this teaching to its rightful place within the Christian Church through constructive teaching and through cooperation with those clergy, physicians, counselors and psychologists who have discovered in the Divine Being the source of wholeness.

In addition to Wednesday and Sunday healing prayer and OSL teaching, Holy Trinity has a confidential prayer chain and a parish prayer list that is updated twice a week. There are many ways to learn about and pray for healing at Holy Trinity. Would you like to learn more?

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Trinity Towers

Trinity Towers is a subsidized housing complex for the elderly located in downtown Melbourne, less than a mile from the church. The three apartment buildings (East Tower, West Tower and South Tower) are the fruit of Fr. Alex Boyer's insight in the 1960's that there was a tremendous need to care for the elderly living on a fixed income. Holy Trinity parishioners continue to serve on the Board of Directors, with Fr. Steve as the President.

Holy Trinity clergy participate in the spiritual life of Towers residents, leading Christian (interdenominational) Vespers services on the first and fifth Wednesdays of each month at 6:00pm in Trinity Towers East. In the West Tower, Holy Trinity clergy, music staff, and volunteers also lead a Holy Eucharist service on the third Wednesday of every month at 3:00pm. In addition a Bible Study group meets Monday mornings at 10:00am in the community room at Trinity Towers West. The group is currently studying the Gospel of Mark.

Volunteers are needed to support these ministries and are also needed to carry trays at lunch for residents in the South Tower. A person can volunteer a specific day each week or month for this ministry. Volunteers are also needed to drive a van owned by Trinity Towers so that residents can attend church at Holy Trinity on Sundays.

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Sharing Center

The South Brevard Sharing Center provides short-term emergency services to families in need. In addition to food and financial vouchers, the center also provides clothing and household goods. The center is always in need of food, volunteers and financial contributions. In 2006 Holy Trinity gave \$1400 to the Sharing Center. When the church office has requests for assistance that cannot be met by clergy discretionary funds the needy persons are referred to the Sharing Center.

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Sock Sunday

Starting in late December, parishioners are asked to purchase socks and undershirts to be given to the homeless in January when the homeless count is conducted. Socks and undershirts are collected in the Narthex and given out during the count.

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Souper Bowl Sunday



A "Soup Pot" Money collection by the Holy Trinity youth group is done every year on Super Bowl Sunday (Souper Bowl Sunday) in the Narthex for a charity that helps the hungry. The young people decide which outreach to support each year. In 2008 this will take place on February 3rd.

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His Place

His Place is a church in Melbourne that hosts a cold night shelter for the homeless in the winter. When the temperature is predicted to drop below 50°, the church opens its doors to the homeless. Volunteers are needed to host the cold night shelter. Once a year blankets are collected at Holy Trinity and donated to His Place. The blankets must be machine washable, not knitted or crocheted.

His Place serves dinner for the homeless on Sundays. Anyone who desires may bring a dish of food on Sunday evening to be shared with the homeless. Your dish should be brought there by 3:30pm; dinner starts at 4:00pm. They also offer counseling services to anyone. Recovery house is a working, faith-based, 12 step recovery program in which the clients are also offered classes at night. Once a year they offer a mission trip to the Dominican Republic. In 2006, Holy Trinity donated \$600 to His Place.

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Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy (HTEA)



Holy Trinity Episcopal School opened in 1957 with six classrooms, an office and 90 students. The founding Rector, The Reverend Alex Boyer, envisioned a community school with an emphasis on the basic subjects, small class size and spiritual guidance. Today, we have over 900 students, from three year-old Pre-School through the twelfth grade, and Fr. Boyer's vision continues. The Academy is now separately incorporated as a school of the Diocese of Central Florida but continues to share close ties with Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. The Lower School (pre-school through grade 6) shares space with the Church on parish property. The Upper School (grades 7-12) is located in north Melbourne on a 40-acre campus owned by the Academy, and includes a chapel (with both large and small worship spaces) where a Sunday afternoon Eucharist is celebrated that is a ministry of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. While the Academy has its own administration under the very talented leadership of Headmaster (and member of the parish) Catherine Ford, the Co-Rectors of Holy Trinity continue to oversee the spiritual dimension of the Academy (on both campuses) and there is a close working relationship between the staffs of both institutions.

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The Co-Rectors and the Associate Rector are involved every week on the Parish Campus leading chapel services for the Pre-School through Grade 6 student body. A full-time Chaplain, The Rev. Rob Goodridge, is employed by the Academy and serves primarily on the Upper School campus. The Co-Rectors often spend time at the Upper School mentoring Rob+ in his ministry. The parish supports the school financially by providing property, buildings, some maintenance and insurance for the Lower School campus and through a \$20,000 grant (in 2007) for scholarship assistance. In 2007 the Vestry also approved a \$100,000 gift to the Academy (from the Capital Campaign tithe) for a project to be agreed upon by the Co-Rectors and the Headmaster.

Many parishioners offer their time, talent and treasure to advance the ministry of the Academy which seeks to “offer traditional academic challenges in an environment that reflects the joy and peace of Christian values.” Volunteer opportunities are available in academics, sports and development. The school has outreach initiatives of its own, including a Relay for Life walk, gathering Thanksgiving Baskets for needy families, and supporting “Malaria No More” and Devereux. Please see an Appendix to this booklet for an article by Jeanne Hakkila-Wills describing the many outreach activities at HTEA.

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Contact Parishioners (Employed by the Academy):

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Send Me, Lord



Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” *Isaiah 6:8*

The “Send Me, Lord” ministry provides help with transportation, meals, shut-in visits, and caregiver relief by our brothers and sisters in Christ wherever and whenever one of our flock needs it. More specifically, volunteers transport people to medical appointments, provide meals to those who are recovering from illness or hospitalization, visit shut-ins, provide transportation to church services or special programs, and more.

“I couldn’t do without “Send Me, Lord” ministers. I am grateful for all that they do.”

Lou West, parishioner

Allow us to be blessed by helping you!

“Send Me, Lord” volunteers welcome the opportunity to reach out to fellow parishioners. Being involved in “Send Me, Lord” provides enjoyable fellowship experiences for our volunteers and our parishioners in need of this valuable service. “Send Me, Lord” is a ministry that ministers to those in need, while at the same time enriching the lives of the volunteers themselves.

“I guess God put me in the right place at the right time.”

Carolyn Wilt, parishioner and “Send Me, Lord” volunteer

We always welcome new volunteers!

Joining the “Send Me, Lord” stable of volunteers is simple. Your schedule determines your involvement, and hours vary depending on need. Being able to help from time to time is all that is necessary! We would love to have you join this very important “in-reach” ministry and are in need of new volunteers.

Call “Send Me, Lord” at 795-5979 to help or to be helped!

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Cub Scouting

Cub Scouting is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting. The 10 purposes of Cub Scouting are: (1) Character Development; (2) Spiritual Growth; (3) Good Citizenship; (4) Sportsmanship and Fitness; (5) Family Understanding; (6) Respectful Relationships; (7) Personal Achievement; (8) Friendly Service; (9) Fun and Adventure; and (10) Preparation for Boy Scouts.

Cub Scouting members join a Cub Scout pack and are assigned to a den, usually a neighborhood group of six to eight boys. Tiger Cubs (first-graders), Wolf Cub Scouts (second-graders), Bear Cub Scouts (third-graders), and Webelos Scouts (fourth- and fifth-graders) meet weekly.

Once a month, all of the dens and family members gather for a pack meeting under the direction of a Cubmaster and pack committee. The committee includes parents of boys in the pack and members of the chartered organization.

Boy Scouting

Boy Scouting is a year-round program for boys age 11 - 17. Boys who are 10 may join if they have received the Arrow of Light Award or have finished the fifth grade. Boy Scouting is a program of fun outdoor activities, peer group leadership opportunities, and a personal exploration of career, hobby and special interests, all designed to achieve the Boy Scouts of America's (BSA) objectives of strengthening character, personal fitness and good citizenship.

Specifically, the BSA endeavors to develop American citizens who are physically, mentally, and emotionally fit; have a high degree of self-reliance as evidenced in such qualities as initiative, courage, and resourcefulness; have personal values based on religious concepts; have the desire and skills to help others; understand the principles of the American social, economic, and governmental systems; are knowledgeable about and take pride in their American heritage and understand our nation's role in the world; have a keen respect for the basic rights of all people; and are prepared to participate in and give leadership to American society.

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Commissioner for Pack 322
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Holy Trinity Thrift Shop

The first Holy Trinity Thrift Shop opened on June 15, 1956 under the auspices of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW). The Thrift Shop is now governed by its own board which includes a Vestry representative. The shop provides a remarkable outreach to our parish, our community, the diocese, and beyond. All items are donated and include not only clothing, but bedding, dishes, lamps, books, luggage, furniture, jewelry, small household appliances, baby items and much more. Clothing not sold after 90 days is donated to service agencies within our community.

You can help by donating items to the shop either in the bin located in the Gallery next to the Parish Hall, or directly to the Thrift Shop. Large items such as furniture can be picked up from your home.

Volunteers are needed to staff the shop. The shop is open Monday through Saturday, and the shifts are from 10:00am to 1:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Volunteers are also needed at other times for cleaning, straightening, marking new merchandise etc. Volunteers work in teams. You can work once a month or more often. No experience is needed; just a willing heart and a desire to help others.

The proceeds from the Thrift Shop sales benefit many different outreach projects throughout the church and in the community. Currently the shop generates about \$2500 a month for outreach projects.

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Homeless Count

Volunteers are needed for one day in January to help count the homeless people in Brevard County. You can volunteer for the entire day, or for a few hours. The count begins early in the morning when volunteers are sent in pairs or groups to a destination. A questionnaire is completed for each homeless or "near homeless" person so that statistics can be obtained for the county.

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Pastoral Visiting / Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Many members of Holy Trinity visit those who are homebound or in hospital, with some being licensed by the Bishop as Lay Eucharistic Visitors, to share the Holy Communion with those who cannot make it to church on Sunday. Through a rotation that includes clergy and lay persons, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church tries to make sure that all her members in Holmes Regional Medical Center receive a prayerful visitor from the church every day of their hospital stay. Visits are scheduled to other hospitals and care facilities when the clergy are made aware of the need.

These ministries support the members of Holy Trinity, but also reach out beyond our membership to include people at the fringes of our church and those who have never stepped into our church. You are invited to join in one of these ministries of visitation and prayer. Requests for prayer and/or visitation are also very welcome.

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Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry was started by St. Catherine's Guild several years ago, but we also have had several prayer shawls made by other members of the Parish. We have prayers to say while we are knitting (or crocheting) and we have prayers to give to the recipient. Prayer Shawls have been given to members of the Parish, family members and friends, either in the hospital, nursing home or homebound, and have been sent to former parishioners out of state and even to another country. Once made, they are blessed, usually at the 10:30am healing service in the Chapel on Wednesdays. They are always very well received by recipients and their families, and requests have been made by visitors and clergy for the instructions. It is an ongoing and very meaningful ministry. (A quote from the instructions: It is a gift to be a knitter and a woman knitting into the ministry of God.)

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Relay for Life



It is through activities like Relay for Life that those who have been touched by cancer can support each other and work together toward a future where cancer is no longer a major health issue. Survivors, caregivers, and caring citizens can come together to remember that recovery from cancer involves much more than medical treatments – it takes hope to heal, and hope is a powerful tool in the fight against this disease.

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is a special event that brings together neighbors, friends, work associates, and families to celebrate those who have survived cancer and remember those who have lost their battle. This event takes place on a weekend in mid to late March. The Holy Trinity Relay for Life Team invites your support and enthusiasm for this event.

You can support our Team by joining the Team, by volunteering to walk with us during the event, by taking part in the survivor dinner as an honorary guest prior to the walk, or by supporting Relay for Life with your financial contributions. With God's help and our continued support we can work together to make a difference in hope that one day we can say Cancer is No More.

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Scouting at Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity is the charter organization for Boy Scout Troop 323 and Cub Scout Pack 322. Fr. Steve is the charter representative for both. Currently the Boy Scout troop meets weekly on Monday nights in the Parish Hall. The Cub Scout Pack meets one Tuesday night a month in the Parish Hall for their Pack meeting. Two Cub Scout dens also meet weekly in the Sunday School House. The Boy Scout troop is very active and has been blessed with many young men achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in the Boy Scouts. The Cub Scout Pack is currently reorganizing. If you have scouting experience then your help is very welcome in the troop or the pack. You can also recommend that boys try scouting. See the next page for more information.

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