TRINITY TRIUMPH

TRINITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

Volume 1, Issue 3

Hurricane Sandy Relief Project

Late last year session began looking into how TUPC might be able to provide assistance to victims of hurricane Sandy. In December, after contacting Dr. Boyer in Long Island, we learned that it might be best to wait until after the first of the year to provide our help, because the initial assistance will begin to wane; the first responders and other front-line helpers may not be able to continue their work and there will be many remaining needs. Some areas are going to be months, if not years, in the rebuilding. In the middle of the winter the people who are displaced from their homes for an extended period are those who will need the most help.

At the February meeting, session voted to begin a fundraising campaign, based on suggestions from someone who has been 'on the ground' in some of the worst affected areas. We are asking members of the congregation to donate gift cards from places like Lowes, Home Depot, and Kohls. Construction supplies are greatly needed, along with basic household goods; gift cards can be distributed in order to help people acquire the supplies which are needed.

Our initial goal is to get a total of **ten $50** gift cards. I think this is a modest goal for our church, and I would love to see us exceed this goal! Once we have raised these funds the cards will be sent to Dr. Boyer's church, which has been sending crews out to affected areas.

Look for an insert in the Sunday bulletin for details about giving. We'd like to limit the cards to Lowes, Home Depot, and Kohls since we know those stores are available.

If you are not able to assist financially, Dr. Boyer offered this suggestion:

"One other thing that people at Trinity could do: send cards, notes, and letters of support to the affected churches. It may sound like a small thing, but I know that the people who are struggling really are glad to hear from the churches and individuals that are praying for them. The worst-hit Presbyterian churches are in Mastic, Freeport, Lindenhurst, and Oceanside. I know it would be greatly appreciated." Addresses for these churches will be made available at the Trinity should you wish to send notes of support.

Remember, our goal for March is **ten/50** – ten $50 gift cards. Let's work together to support the people who were most affected by Hurricane Sandy!

Sincerely,

Tim Patterson
Clerk of Session

Trinity United Presbyterian Church
830 Military Road
Zanesville, OH 43701
Unicameral Session Minutes
For January 20th, 2013

On Sunday, January 20, 2013, at 1:00PM we met in the Chapel for devotions led by Elder Floyd Sours. At the conclusion of the devotions and prayer, we moved to the High School classroom for the business portion of the meeting. Our Moderator Rev. Mary Jane Knapp called us to order and service. A quorum was declared with 11 Elders present.

Clerk's Report: The agenda for January 20, 2013 was approved along with the minutes from the December 16, 2013 meeting. Various publications received have been placed in the library. The 2013 elder committee assignments are complete.

Correspondence:

We received a thank you cards from: Rev. Millspaugh; a thank you and receipt from Eastside Community Ministry for our donation; Transitions; Christ's Table;

Facility use requests:

Kris Beebe requests use of the Fellowship Hall and kitchen for a Boy Scout dinner on Feb. 2, 2013 beginning at 5pm.

Tina Moore requests use of the Fellowship Hall from April 21 – 27, 2013 for the spring Zanesville Kids Stuff Sale. They will need tables and chairs.

Kris Beebe requests use of the Fellowship Hall on Oct. 16 and 17, 2013 for the Quilter Group auction.

Facility use requests approved.

Moderators Report: Introduction of our moderator, Rev. Mary Jane Knapp.

Deacon Report: Minutes received.

Presbytery: The next meeting is open to elders and is a two day retreat in Canton.

Old Business: Reschedule of the annual congregational meeting. Motion to grant Dr. Schumacher permission to moderate on Feb 17, 2013 for the annual congregational meeting; we will schedule a pulpit exchange on March 10. Motion approved.

Motion to schedule the start time of all session meetings for 12:30pm while Rev. Knapp is our moderator. Approved.

Worship and Music Report: Reported with no action items.
We served Holy Communion to 60 on Sunday January 6, 2013. Our average attendance for the 3rd quarter was 85, for the 4th quarter 105.

The choirs are preparing for services through Easter. Organist Clem Burton will schedule Psalm hymns for February.

The committee recommends the following:

1. Ash Wednesday service (February 13, 2013) will not be held this year.
2. Maundy Thursday service, March 28, 2013, will begin at 7:30pm in the sanctuary; that it be a Tenebrae service. Holy Communion will be served (not by intinction).

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3. Good Friday service, Friday, March 29, 2013, be held at Trinity with invitation to Northside Community Service. 'The Country Choir' will perform the service, Betty Ward and Rev. Dawn Remster will organize the service.
4. That Karen Bay, member of Trinity, be permitted to deliver a Sunday message at a future service.

Motions approved.

Outreach: Elder Sours reported with no action items.

Christian Education: Reported with no action items.

Finance: The monthly finance report was presented. The balance figure for December was negative. The 2013 operating budget was presented. The budget is very similar to last year, projecting a deficit budget. Motion made to accept the report as presented, discussed and approved.

Personnel: No Report

Nominating & Membership: No Report

Building and Grounds: Reported with no action items.

Missions: No report

Youth Committee: No report

New Business: A motion from the PNC to increase the minimum effective salary to meet the increase per Presbytery requirements. Approved.

Time of Sharing Joys and Challenges: Thanks to God for all the blessings at Trinity.

Bill Thompson is home for recovery and rehab. After hip fractures heal he will have pacemaker/defibrillator implanted.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer at 3:00PM by Rev. Mary Jane Knapp, Moderator.

Next scheduled Session meeting is February 17, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Patterson

Tim Patterson, Clerk of Session

Lenten Bible Study

March 3rd: 3:00–4:00 at Putnam Presbyterian church (467 Woodlawn Ave over the 6th St. bridge in the old Putnam district. Feel free to park at Job and Family Services next door)

March 7th: 12:00–1:30 at Brighton Presbyterian church. (771 Lexington Ave. near the fairgrounds- parking is behind the church- come in the rear entrance) Each week we'll eat our own brown bag lunches from 12- 12:30 and share our weeks before starting with the lesson at 12:30.

March 10th: 3:00–4:00 at Putnam Presbyterian church

March 14th: 12:00–1:30 at Putnam Presbyterian church.

March 17th: 3:00–4:00 at Putnam Presbyterian church

March 21st: 12:00–1:30 at Trinity United Presbyterian church. (in the Parlor)

March 24th: 3:00–4:00 at Putnam Presbyterian church

Copies of the curriculum are available on the buffet table in the Narthex. Don't feel that you need to attend each week to be able to participate. The lessons act as stand alone topics that go together. You are welcome to attend whenever you can. The curriculum we are using is "An Acceptable Fast: An Adult Lenten Study" by Patricia K. Tull.

Parish Meeting March 19th, 8:00 a.m. at Brighton Church

What is the Parish? It's us! It's every Presbyterian Church in our area.

Who is invited? You are! Every member of every area church IS already part of the parish! We want to hear your ideas and your hopes.

Where are the meetings? The meetings rotate throughout the Zanesville churches. This meeting is held at Brighton.

When are the meetings? The meeting are always the third Tuesday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

Why would I go? What is it supposed to do? We want to share the events and activities that each of the churches is sponsoring. We want to get input on what would be a good event or study. We want to encourage all members to allow the church to reflect their passions and individual interests. We are all the body of Christ- each of us has something unique and vital to share. Shine your light!

I don't know- I'm not in charge of anything- I don't make the rules- what can I do by going? You can let your voice be heard! You can share what the Parish is doing with your friends and church members. The more people who know what is happening, the more likely for a successful event! You may find out you can do more than you think!

I have a job- there is no way I could ever meet on Tuesday morning. What do I do? Talk to Frank Walburg, Bill Miska, Amanda Allison or Rev. Schumacher and see what you've missed. Ask if there is something you can do to help. Or call Nancy in the office to get a copy of the parish minutes.

Take home Bible Study for March — Sabbath: An Acquired Taste

An Invitation...To Catch Your Breath

The Lord God formed man form the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living thing. Genesis 2:7

Jesus breathed on [his disciples] and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:22

Take a breath. A deep breath. And release. What does your breath have to tell you about the pace of your life? About the stresses you are experiencing? The tension in your body? Your level of energy? Your ability to be filled with the Breath of Life?

A recent survey of 20,000 Christians around the world revealed that busyness and constant overload is a major obstacle to "catching our breath." We have become enslaved to busyness. We live in bondage to overload. Yet still we persist. Michael Zigarelli, who conducted the survey, describes a "vicious cycle" born of our present condition: 1) Christians are assimilating a culture of busyness, hurry, and overload, which leads to 2) God becoming more marginalized in Christians' lives, which leads to 3) a deteriorating relationship with God, which leads to 4) Christians becoming even more vulnerable to adopting secular assumptions about how to live, which leads to 5) more conformity to a culture of busyness, hurry and overload. And then the cycle begins again. Survey: Christians Worldwide Too Busy for God, Christian Post, July 30, 2007. We have forgotten how to breathe in the breath of the Spirit... the Breath of life.

Every breath we draw is a gift of God's love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted. ***Thomas Merton***

Yet even science tells us that "following a period of activity, the body must replenish fundamental biochemical sources of energy... (called) 'compensation' from which energy is expanded and recovered." Jim Loehr & Tony Schwartz, The Power of Full Engagement, New York: Free Press, 2003, pp. 29-30. Why then do we find it so challenging to rest? To balance work and rest? Doing with being? Time together with time apart? In stopping to catch our breath, to rest, we literally provide the means for living the active life.

Menuha is the Hebrew word for "rest." Loosely translated, *menuha* means to "catch our breath." Overtime, the failure to stop and "catch our breath" and breathe in the Breath of Life, results in spiritual death. From the beginning, physical breath and spiritual breath have been intimately linked. God breathed into Adam's nostrils the breath of life and he lived. Even now God seeks to fill each one of us with that same breath of life. Sabbath keeping is God's invitation to stop and "catch our breath" and be refreshed.

Don Postema speaks of the link between "catching our breath" and refreshment: "In six days the Lord made heaven and earth; and on the seventh day, [God] rested and was refreshed" (Exodus 31:17). He notes: "The phrase 'refreshed' is used only a couple of times in the Hebrew Scripture, and each time it speaks of an exhausted person's energy being restored... (He further notes that) the Hebrew carries the idea that when we are exhausted, we lose our identity, our soul." [Don Postema, Catch Your Breath, Grand Rapids: Faith Alive, 1997, p. 41]

May the words of the hymnodist become a living prayer for us as we learn to keep Sabbath anew: ***Breathe on me breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.***

After the six days of creation—what did the universe still lack? ***Menuha.*** **Came the Sabbath, came** ***mennuha,*** **and the universe was complete. — Abraham Joshua Heschel**

Questions for Reflection

1. Reflect on the quote from Parker Palmer on the previous page. In what ways are you confusing "the active life" with a life of "frenzy"? If God were to ask you to stop something for 24 hours, what might it be?
2. Think back to a situation where you were forced to stop your normal activities. What did you find difficult? Was there a hidden gift? What did you learn?
3. Can you identify in yourself any tendency toward an addiction to busyness? Have you ever engaged in habits that helped you address that addiction? What habits make the addiction stronger?
4. What does it mean for God to be "refreshed"? What then are the implications for us to be "refreshed"?
5. Close by breathing in the Breath of Life. Then use the words of the

Mission Committee

Ministries Avaiable:

We need **help sewing!** Can you sew? Would you be willing to hem the new fabric to be used for table accents? Please contact Nancy in the office if you can help us with this project!

We need **help picking up sticks!** Do you have some free time to help pick up sticks in the grassy area by the shelter house? As spring draws near this is especially important. Our grass cutters won't cut over sticks and when there are lots of sticks around this makes the area look like it has grass mange. Help keep our yard mange free by throwing sticks you come across into the big piles near the corners of the property.

We need **help with the egg hunt!** Would you like to fill hundreds of Easter eggs with toys and treats to amaze and entertain the children of the church? Please contact Amanda beginning March 10th.

We need **help collecting food for the Lenten food drive!** Stating March 3rd we will have bags labeled with high needs items available for pick-up in the Narthex. This Lenten season all of our food items will be donated to Coburn church's food pantry. Coburn has the closest food pantry to us, and we are proud to be able to help support this vital community ministry.

We need **help with the One Great Hour of Sharing fish banks!** Have you picked up a fish bank yet? They are available in the Narthex. The banks should be returned on Palm Sunday to be placed in the big basket at the front of the sanctuary at the beginning of service. Tips from the One Great Hour of Sharing: try placing the bank on your table and donating 2 cents each every time you eat and be pray for those that don't have enough to eat. Put 5 cents in for every book you own and be grateful that you had an education. Put 10 cents in for every hot shower or bath you had this week and be thankful for electricity and clean water. Most of all, even if you can't donate, please pray for those who will be touched by the money raised through this effort!

We need help **planning the Presbytery event in April!** Would you like to help decorate the Fellowship Hall for the Presbytery meeting on April 20th? Do you have ideas that would work with the theme of gradening? Amanda needs all the help she can get! No idea is too small or too big! This will also serve as the decorations for our Pentacost potluck, so you get 2 missions for the effort of one!

What's Up at TUP?

Sunday school classes at 9:00

There are Sunday school classes for all ages beginning at 9:00 a.m. Adult classes are located in the Marsing Room downstairs and in the Parlor upstairs. Teachers always have extra supplies and visitors are always welcome to join in when they can.

Prayer Shawls Ministries

Prayer shawls meets on the first Thursday morning of each month at 9:00 in the parlor and the third Sunday at 2:00 at the Helen Purcell home in their main lobby. Whether you knit or crochet for the church or just want to craft along side like-minded ladies, you are welcome to join in anytime. The group is also willing to help teach newcomers how to knit or crochet and even to supply introductory items to help get you started. This wonderful ministry has given out hundreds of shawls, prayer squares, and scarves over it's time at TUPC. You are invited to be part of this wonderful group!

MAUNDY THURSDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY

We will be having a Maundy Thursday service with Communion, at 7:30 p.m. on March 28th.

Then on Good Friday we are hosting the North End Community service. This will be a Cantata by the Country Choir which is lead by our Betty Ward. Some of our own choir members are in the group. This will be a very special service.

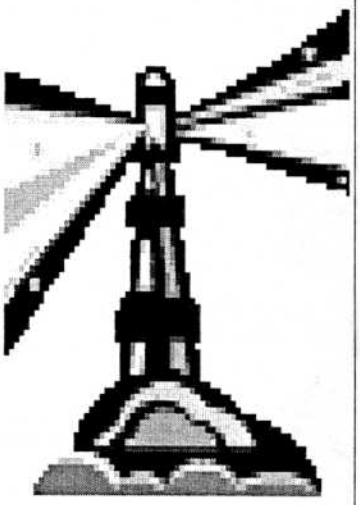
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

We will be taking up the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Psalm Sunday.

Sharing brings Joy to others, to God and to Us. Providing nourishment to the hungry, stability to the weary, and hope to the dispirited.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

During the Lenten season we will be collecting non-perishable items to help the food panty at Coburn Methodist Church. We will be handing out bags during the month of March. You can fill and return them to the church.



DEACONS BEACON

The monthly meeting for March will be held on the 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Youth room.

Deacons on duty for March are: Bill Cook, Charlene Noland, Donna Myers.

Devotions: Julie MacLaine

Cookie Coffee for March will be held on March 17th.

Some of the Deacons are helping Worship & Music to do Homebound Communion to our members If there is someone that you know, that can't attend church and would like to have Communion bought to them, please let Dick Patterson or the church office know.

GRIEF SHARE MEETINGS

Grief Share will be meeting here at the church on March 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor.

On March 25th at 6:00 p.m. at Red Lobster for dinner.

Young at Heart.

YOUNG AT HEART we are back! Please join us on March 12th for the first lunch with friends of 2013. Anyone is welcome to join us. We will be meeting at Cracker Barrel at 11:30 a.m. Bring your ideas for the group! RSVP to the church office if you will be joining us. Need a ride?

THANK YOU'S

Building and Grounds would like to thank the members of the congregation that "purchased the new lights" in the narthex. They have all been paid for in full.

Please notice that the choir microphones are working. We can hear all of the choir. Thanks, from Betty and the choir.

We would also "thank" Doug Vandenbark, & Frank for their help trying to track down the problem with the sound system.

B & G has many things to take care in the month of Feb. We hope that March is better.

What's happening this month

March 2- From Challenge to Hope lunch and meeting

Join us at Central Presbyterian from 12:00 to 2:30 to enjoy a potluck lunch and talk on how to overcome the challenges facing smaller congregations today. Using the experiences of Joan Brode when her congregation made the decision to close their church after an unexpected expense, we will look at the choices that were made and the lessons that were learned. If you are unable to attend, but are interested in learning what was said at the meeting, please contact Amanda.

After Church Sunday school March 3rd- Musical Instruments of the Bible

Join us for fellowship, learning and lunch as Maggie leads us through the instruments of the Bible. There is no need to RSVP- everyone is welcome to attend! Class meets in the Parlor immediately following the church service and usually lasts about an hour.

Acolyte Schedule

March 3rd

Jack Tysinger and Katherine Allison

Sub: Connor Allison

March 10th

Tillman Hawk and Aaron Johnson

Sub: Miranda Geis

March 17th

David Johnson and Jonathan Patterson

Sub: Mark Patterson

March 24th

Miranda Geis and Carolyn Geis

Sub: Janie McLoughlin

Holy Week Schedule

March 24th: Palm Sunday service with egg hunt and pot-luck luncheon after church

March 28th: Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 in the sanctuary

March 29th: Good Friday cantata service at 7:00 in the sanctuary

March 31st: Sunrise service by the youth at 8:00 in the chapel

Easter breakfast by the youth at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall (donations accepted!)

Easter service at 10:30 in the sanctuary

YOUTH NEWS

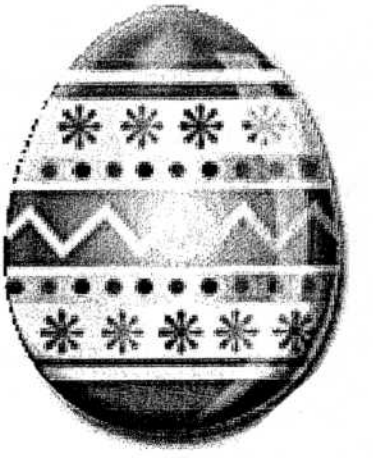
We will be holding our monthly meeting on March 3rd. Our "Meet and Eat" this is an important meeting. We will be discussing 30-hr. Famine and the Easter Sunrise service and breakfast.

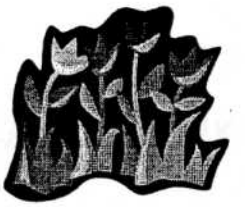
The Early Easter morning service will begin at 8:00 a.m. This service will be lead by the Youth in the chapel, with the breakfast to start at 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. a free will offering will be accepted.

PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON AND EGG HUNT

Following the service we will be having a potluck luncheon and we can watch the children of the church hunt Easter Eggs.

Once again the Christian Ed committee will be helping with this project. We will need candy and small items to put into the eggs. You can bring your donations to the church by March 17th.





SPRING FLOWERS

If you would like to give spring flowers for our Easter Service, please return this slip by March 17th .The cost is $8.00 each

Name:_____

(Please fill out the appropriate space (s) below, listing the information you want to appear in the bulletin)

____ Given in memory of:

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____ Given in honor of:

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_____ I want my spring flowers and will pick them up on Easter morning after the service

_____ I don't want my flowers

$_____ Payment enclosed

(This form may be placed in the offering plate, left in the church office or mailed to the office)

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH

March 2	Maria Johnson
4	Michelle Collins
5	Colton Hina
7	Allison Bay
9	Jack Tysinger
11	Liz Grimm & Cameron Hill
12	Andrew Steinman
13	Charles Gorsuch & Emilee Corder
15	Steven Welch & Hinda Ardrey
18	Dick Patterson
25	Betty Linn
27	Summer Steinman (1st)
31	Julie Maneely & Macy Meadows

80+ group

March 13 Charles Gorsuch

March 25 Betty Linn

50+ Years Clyde & Jeaneen Morland

March 10,1965

Thank you to all our church friends for the flowers, cards and notes to help us celebrate our 50th anniversary. We appreciate the love, friendship and Christian fellowship you have shared with us over the years. Joan & Bill Miska.

Back Porch Swing Band

is celebrating the release of their latest album with a free concert.

Saturday, March 16th 2013 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

at Trinity United Presbyterian Church
830 Military rd. Zanesville, Ohio 43701

If you're looking for a band with a swingin' rhythm and an old timey flavor, look no further. This group combines the talents of 5 notable musicians responsible for the tapping of thousands of feet across Ohio for the last 15 years. The band specializes in Western Swing, but plays several musical styles , ranging from Appalachian tunes, Blues, Old Country & Folk, to Swing music from the '20's, '30's, '40's. Requests from the audience are frequently honored. Dance music includes swing, two steps, waltzes, polkas, shaddishs, and square dances.

Come enjoy the music and dance along with the Back Porch Swing Band.

Contact Kristine Fowler-Geis @ 740-453-4911 or geis4@hotmail.com with any questions.
backporchswingband.com

March 2013 EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	*2* Potluck at Central 12:30-2:00 "Challenge to Hope"
3 Youth following the service Communion	*4* Red Cross 1-7 p.m	5 Thursday music club 7:00 p.m. Scrapbooking in youth room	*6* Choir 7:00 p.m.	7 Men's Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Lenten at Central 12:00 Men's 7:00	*8*	*9*
10 Daylight Saving time begins Session Girl Scout luncheon following the service	11 Zemba 6:00 p.m. Grief Share 6:00 p.m. church	*12* Deacons 6:00 p.m. Christian Ed 7:00 p.m.	*13* Music & Worship 6:15 p.m., B & G 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m.	14 Ladies Bible 11:00 a.m. Lenten Bible Study at Putnam 12:00 WW 5:30 Men's	*15*	*16* "Back Porch Swing Band" from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in fellowship hall
17 Cookie Coffee Prayer Shawl at Helen Purcell from 2-4 p.m.	*18* Red Cross 1-7 p.m.	*19*	*20 Spring Begins* Choir 7:00 p.m.	21 Ladies Bible Study 11:00, Lenten 12:00 here, WW 5:30, Men 7:00 p.m.	*22*	*23*
24 Palm Sunday Luncheon following the service and Easter Egg hunt,	25 Stitching Bees 6-9 Grief Share 6:00 p.m. Red Lobster	*26* Rehearsal for Good Friday service 7:00 p.m.	*27* Choir 7:00 p.m.	*28* Maundy Thursday service 7:30 p.m. Communion	29 Office closed North end Community service .Country Choir 7:00 p.m.	*30*
31 Easter 8:00 a.m. early service-Youth 9:00 breakfast 10:30 regular service	*Each S,M,W,F 7:00 p.m. Narco. Alzheimer 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. WW each Thursday at 5:30 p.m.*					

Trinity United Presbyterian Church
Financial Recap

Jan-13

INCOME		
	LOCAL MISSIONS:	
	General Fund	$10,336
	Memorial Fund	$0
	Youth Fund	$0
	Total Local Mission Income	$10,336
	WORLD MISSIONS:	
	Total World Mission Income	$2,191
	TOTAL INCOME	$12,527
EXPENSES		
	LOCAL MISSIONS:	
	Personel	$12,592
	Office Costs	$346
	Music	$8
	Education	$0
	Property	$2,624
	Congregation	$152
	Youth Fund	$64
	Total Local Missions	$15,786
	WORLD MISSIONS	$0
	World Mission commitment remaining	$15,786
	TOTAL EXPENSES	$15,786
	NET GAIN/LOSS	-$3,259

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Worship 10:30 a.m.

We are on the web.
www.trinityup.org

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

FINALLY, we hope that spring is around the corner. We will be "springing forward" on March 10th.

Remember to set your clock up one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, the 9th.

Spring officially arrives on March 20th.