

Trumpeter

March 2009

Church of the Holy Spirit

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St. Patrick's Dinner

Sunday, March 22nd 4 – 7 p.m.



Join us for a St. Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner, complete with baked chicken, Irish soda bread, desserts and coffee.

Irish music will welcome the return of Christiana and Paul, our dance duo, who will teach us all how to dance the Irish Jig and more! There will be a 50/50 raffle, great food and family fun. The cost will be \$15 for adults and \$6 for children.

Julie Warren

EASTER BASKET COLLECTION



As you create Easter baskets for your family this year, please make up an extra one or two for those less fortunate. The baskets that were collected last year and delivered to the Flemington Food Pantry were greatly appreciated! This year's baskets should be brought to church and left in the Narthex **no later than Palm Sunday, April 5th (sooner is better)** wrapped in transparent plastic wrap so that the recipients are able to see the contents and choose appropriately (**and so that nothing will spill out!**). Since some children have problems with lots of sugar, please consider "stuffing" the baskets with items such as small bags of pretzels, chips, "combos", pencils, crayons, silly putty eggs, matchbox cars or the like. Your children are great sources of new and ingenious ideas-let them join in the planning and giving.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Burton at 236-6980 or barb.sandy@att.net. Thank you!

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Church FAQs: Worship Activities for Lent

The focus for the Lenten season should be to know God and to have Him in our daily life. There are several activities planned for this Lenten season that will help us hear more clearly what God is saying to us. Services for the Lenten season are being planned by the Worship Committee to grow our prayer life through the Word, through chant and community spirit. The seating in the Sanctuary will be arranged to reflect our desire to have Christ become the center of our worship.

- **First Lenten Soup Supper on Wednesday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m.** The discussion will be led by the Sisters of St. John the Baptist of Mendham. There are no pre-requisites other than a desire to share a Lenten journey and break bread with friends.
- **Quiet Day on Saturday, March 28th from 9:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.** Quiet Days may not be for all, but if you seek an opportunity to sit quietly and listen for God's voice, this is a happening waiting for you. (Please refer to the article on page 2 for more details.)
- **First Service of New Light on Easter Eve on Saturday, April 11th.** The Easter Vigil service is a celebration of the Resurrection of Christ and what we have prepared for during Lent. Mark this important service on your calendar.

Marge Keller

From the Rector's Desk

At the youth meeting the other night, we had a conversation about rules. They were asked to come up with all the rules they remembered about church, God and religion, and had to select the best one. Sorting through dozens of ideas, they came up with one, but insisted on having a second. After reading aloud some interesting Levitical notions about women's and men's bodily functions, the teens agreed with Jesus about the most important rule – loving God and other people. Happily their first choice was an exact mirror, but they felt the need to include: *Forgiveness is always an option*. You don't have to live too long to need that one and you can't live so long as to do without it. What wasn't clear was whether the teens were asking for it for themselves or claiming that they needed to offer forgiveness to others. Safe bet that it was a kind of get-out-of-jail card. Still, hard to ask for what you cannot give, but most of us do. Perhaps Lent is a time to get that ratio aligned a bit more one to one.



Philip +

LENTEN QUIET DAY

Saturday, March 28th - 9:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

A Quiet Day is an opportunity to step away from the structure and work-a-day world of daily life and spend some uninterrupted time with God and friends. There will be opportunities for corporate and private worship; times of silence for personal prayer, reflection and meditation; and the use of the Labyrinth Walk. Silence will be observed throughout the day except at certain times of meditation reflections.

Coffee and a light fare will be provided on arrival and a light lunch will be served at mid-day.

There is no charge for Quiet Day. Space is limited and the event is open to parishioners and friends from outside the parish.

Please contact JimKeller at jim.keller36@comcast.net or (908) 713-0724 to reserve your space.

HOLY SPIRIT HIKERS



The Holy Spirit Hikers took their inaugural hike on Sunday, February 8th, on a beautiful 50 degree afternoon. There were about nine of us, plus one dog! We hiked the Columbia Trail totaling approximately 3.5 miles. The trail was largely snow covered so footing was somewhat slippery, but we had great conversation and a good time was had by all! You can see pictures of our hike in the photo section of the Holy Spirit web site, courtesy of our official photographer Dave Dabour.

We are currently organizing our March hike and will publish a final date in the Sunday bulletin. Potential locations for March are Round Valley Reservoir, a trail leaving from Clinton, a trail along the Delaware near Frenchtown or Sourland Mountain Preserve in Hillsborough.

If you are interested in being added to our e-mail list so that you can receive updates, please send an e-mail to Janet Wulster at jwulster@gmail.com or Jane Roxbury at roxbury.jane@gmail.com.

From the Community

"Would you like to do lunch?" With **Meals on Wheels**, that is. Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon has provided "comfort food" to its recipients since 1973; now we'd like you to join us. If you are over 60, homebound and/or have a disability, Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon can deliver a hot noontime meal Monday through Friday with weekend coverage if needed. Service can be short term until recovery or longer-or provide caregiver relief-depending on individual needs. Or, if you are able to, we invite you to join us at our Congregate Dining Nutrition Sites in the County. Delicious meals delivered and served by warm and caring volunteers-what could be better?

If you or someone you know would benefit from the security and support of home delivered meals or congregate dining, contact Meals on Wheels today. Call (908) 284-0735 for more information.

From the Deacon's Corner

Dear Seekers,

This is the hardest month of the year for me. It feels as if winter continues to drag on and on with no end in sight. For me it can be very depressing. So instead of worrying and fretting about something that I have no control over, I have decided to try to enjoy each day to its fullest. To live into each day is my new motto. So let us together enjoy each day in March, no matter where it might take us. We might be pleasantly surprised at the end of the month that we have much to be thankful for. We may be used by God in a mighty way. When March comes to an end, we know that spring is right around the corner, a time of new birth.

I faithfully remain your Deacon,

Johnine



ADULT EDUCATION



Sunday Coffee Hour - The Spiritual Journey

Beginning on March 8th, please join us in the Parish Hall for a Lenten Study intended to assist us in deepening our walk with Christ. Participants are invited to view their lives as a *spiritual journey*. We do not travel alone. We are joined by companions along the way.

During our journey together, we will be assured that Christ is in our midst and we will attempt to address the following questions:

- How do we encounter God, made known to us through Jesus Christ, in our daily lives?
- How can we increase our awareness of God's presence among us?

Please join us for this Lenten Study as we open our eyes to even more ways that God is revealed to us.

Midweek Bible Study/Book Club Revival

Tuesdays – 9-11 a.m.

During the month of March, we will be reviving the morning Bible Study/Book Club. However, we have changed the day from Wednesday mornings to Tuesday mornings. We will start by reading The Shack, by William P. Young. Have you ever wondered where God is when things get bad.....really bad? Have you ever doubted or lost your faith? If you answered yes to either of these questions, then this book is for you.

If interested, please contact Wendy Hallstrom at whallstrom@comcast.net so that she can order the books and distribute them prior to the first meeting.

Good News Home for Women Annual Bake & Craft Sale

Saturday, April 11th

Bakers, Crafters and Buyers Needed!

This sale is one of the principal fund raisers for the Good News Home for Women and they are asking for our help in providing homemade goodies-baked goods or crafts-to sell. If you can bring your donations to CHS on our Good Friday Service Day (April 10th), Sandy Burton will see that they are delivered to GNH. Also, patronize them at either the Clinton or Whitehouse Walmart stores on April 11th for those last minute goodies that you need for your Easter celebration.

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy at 236-6980 or barb.sandy@att.net.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Don't forget to turn in the flower memorial envelope that is enclosed in this *Trumpeter* to make a donation toward this year's Easter flowers. If you receive an electronic version of the Trumpeter, the envelopes will be available in the Narthex.

Please submit the names of loved ones, memorials or thanksgivings, with your contribution (checks made payable to Church of the Holy Spirit Altar Guild-suggested donation is \$35) by placing the envelope in the Sunday collection plate or in the Altar Guild mailbox by the door in the undercroft **no later than Palm Sunday, April 5th, to guarantee that the names are included in the Easter bulletin.**

WORDS FROM OUR SENIOR WARDEN

Thank you to those individuals who attended our annual meeting on January 25th. During the meeting Father Philip requested that we write our thoughts on a note card addressing the following questions:

1. What is the one thing you would miss most if it stopped happening at Church of the Holy Spirit?
2. What are the three things we need to increase to make your answer to number 1 better?

Your responses to these questions were discussed at the vestry retreat and helped us to identify ideas and goals for 2009. I would like to share with you the 2009 goals and the strategies that each ministry will employ to achieve these goals:

GOALS

- Youth
- Music
- Community

STRATEGIES

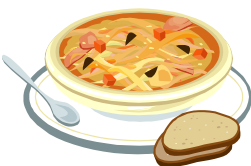
- Sabbath-Joy
- Expanding Gifts
- Clear Structure
- Careful Follow-Up

Thank you in advance for helping support your vestry as we move forward to accomplish many wonderful things for our community this year. If you would like to see a recap of the above responses, please visit our website under the Annual Meeting headline.

Elizabeth vanVeldhuisen
Senior Warden

FEED A FAMILY FOR A DAY!

Sunday, March 1st is the kick-off for our month-long food collection for the High Bridge OPEN CUPBOARD food pantry. Since this is an outreach program involving our teens and younger children, it is our hope that they can offer input



on what constitutes a healthy, daily diet and become more aware of the needs of families less fortunate than their own.

Last year I took my young granddaughters shopping for the food pantry and they really had good ideas about healthy menus. Of course a few cookies also found their way into our shopping bags!

Bags and lists with suggestions will be available in the Narthex and I will also make a quick tour of the Sunday School classes to remind them of the 900 pounds of food they collected last year. Since there are no holidays in the month of March, the Food Pantry will be somewhat depleted, so our help is needed even more!

Thank you in advance for your help with this endeavor.

Sharon Wood

YOUTH HAPPENINGS - Senior High

Blues Band Worship Service & Coffee House Sunday, March 15th 7 p.m.

Do you play an instrument or sing? Call Father Philip if you are interested in joining the band! All teens will participate in this service in some way.

Serve at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner Sunday, March 22nd

Teens need to arrive by 3:15 p.m. for set-up and to prepare. Please wear dark pants and a white or green shirt.

Rock Climbing - North Summit Climbing Center Wind Gap, Pa. Sunday, March 29th

- Website: www.northsummitclimbing.com
- Wear sneakers or rent climbing shoes for \$4
- Bring \$10 for a portion of the fee and lunch at McDonald's
- Depart after the 10:15 service
- Drivers needed
- If you have any questions, please contact Anne Simpson (908) 832-7494.

Gulf Coast Mission Trip Camp Coast Care, Long Beach, Mississippi July 25th – August 1st

This mission trip is for all 16 year old to graduating seniors. Thirty-two youth and eight adults from around the diocese will be sharing in the rebuilding, worship and fellowship with the people of the Gulf Coast.

Anne Simpson



March 2009



Church of the Holy Spirit Monthly Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 FEED A FAMILY SUNDAY BREAKFAST between Services Food Pantry Donations Blessings of Birthdays & Anniversaries 8&10:15am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 9:15am Newcomer Orientation 9:45 & 11:35am Choir</p>	<p>2 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 7pm Knit & Chat</p>	<p>3 6am Bible Study @ Spinning Wheel Diner 9-11 Book Club 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 4pm Communion Class</p>	<p>4 12 noon Eucharist 12:30 Staff meeting 6:30pm Jr. Choir Rehearsal 7pm Lenten Pgm</p>	<p>5 4pm Somerset Co Jail Ministry 7:30pm Trinity Chorale Rehearsal</p>	<p>6 Father Philip's Sabbath</p>	<p> SPRING AHEAD 5pm Chili Cook-off</p>
<p>8 8&10:15am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School/ Adult Education 9:15am Newcomer Orientation 9:45am Choir</p>	<p>9 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 7pm Knit & Chat 7:30pm St. Andrew's Brotherhood</p>	<p>10 6am Bible Study @ Spinning Wheel Diner 9-11 Book Club 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 4pm Communion Class 7:30pm Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>11 12 noon Eucharist 6:30pm Jr. Choir Rehearsal 7pm Lenten Pgm</p>	<p>12 4pm Somerset Co Jail Ministry 7:30pm Trinity Chorale Rehearsal</p>	<p>13 Father Philip's Sabbath</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 8&10:15am Holy Eucharist 9am Ministry Planning Mtg 9am Confirmation Class Mission to Cristo Rey 9:15am Sunday School / Adult Education 9:15am Newcomer Orientation 9:45 & 11:35am Choir 7pm Blues Band Service</p>	<p>16 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 7pm Knit & Chat</p>	<p>17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY 6am Bible Study @ Spinning Wheel Diner 9-11 Book Club 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 4pm Communion Class</p>	<p>18 12 noon Eucharist 6:30pm Jr. Choir Rehearsal 7pm Lenten Pgm</p>	<p>19 4pm Somerset Co Jail Ministry 7:30pm Trinity Chorale Rehearsal</p>	<p>20 SPRING BEGINS Father Philip's Sabbath</p>	<p>21 10am Daughters of the King</p>
<p>22 Healing Service after both Services 8&10:15am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School/ Adult Education 9:15am Newcomer Orientation 9:45 & 11:35am Choir 4-7pm St. Patrick's Dinner</p>	<p>23 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 7pm Knit & Chat</p>	<p>24 6am Bible Study @ Spinning Wheel Diner 9-11 Book Club 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 4pm Communion Class</p>	<p>25 12 noon Eucharist 6:30pm Jr. Choir Rehearsal 7pm Lenten Pgm</p>	<p>26 4pm Somerset Co Jail Ministry 7:30pm Trinity Chorale Rehearsal</p>	<p>27 Father Philip's Sabbath</p>	<p>28 9-4:15 Lenten Quiet Day for men and women</p>
<p>29 EASTER BASKETS DUE 8&10:15am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School/ Adult Education 9:15am Newcomer Orientation 9:45 & 11:35am Choir 11:30pm Sr. High Rock Climbing</p>	<p>30 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 7pm Knit & Chat</p>	<p>31 6am Bible Study @ Spinning Wheel Diner 9-11 Book Club 1-3pm Shawl Ministry at Edna Mahan Prison 4pm Communion Class</p>				

Trip to Washington National Cathedral

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER....

April 5 - Easter Flower Donations Due
 April 10 - Good Friday Service Day

April 11 - Good News Home for Women-Bake & Craft Sale
 April 25 - Annual Spring Benefit & Auction

The Mission of the Church of the Holy Spirit is to know Christ as we serve others, proclaim His love, and grow in His Spirit.

Complete info & forms at : <http://auction.churchholyspirit.org>

*The Church of the Holy Spirit
proudly presents*

2009
**ANNUAL SPRING
BENEFIT AUCTION**

Beaver Brook Country Club

Annandale, NJ

Saturday, 4/25/09

Doors Open 6:15 pm

***Fabulous Merchandise, Gift Baskets,
Services, Certificates, Travel & MORE!***

**GUESTS ARE INVITED TO BRING DONATIONS
FOR OUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES**

Reception &
Silent Auction
6:30pm
Live Auction
8:00pm

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TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

★ Admission : \$40 pp / Cash Bar
(appetizers, dessert, coffee/soda)
Available online & Sundays in the Narthex

★ 50 / 50 Cash Drawing
\$5 ea. / 5 for \$20
Winner need not be present to win!
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**PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT CHS MINISTRIES. A portion of the proceeds will be
donated to the FLEMINGTON FOOD PANTRY & the HIGH BRIDGE OPEN CUPBOARD.**

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CHS Chili Cook-off

March 7th 5 p.m.



Calling all chili lovers and cooks. Dust off your favorite chili recipe and enter it into the CHS chili cook-off on March 7th. And those who can't resist a good chili dish, come sample some great chili and vote on your favorite at the chili cook-off.

Contestants should bring their homemade, precooked chili in a crockpot to the church kitchen by 4:45 p.m. on the day of the cook-off. All entries will be numbered and everyone will have the opportunity to sample all the entries. Anyone who samples every entry will place a vote for their favorite. Chili participants will compete for a prize and bragging rights.

Macaroni and cheese, and hot dogs will be available for children, and soda and juice will be provided.

If you have questions about the cook-off, contact Maureen Hanley at 236-0791 or maurhan@embarqmail.com.

Sunday Culinary Delights



Many thanks to Audrey Imhoff and Jane Paradiso for preparing a wonderful, February breakfast. We truly enjoyed the delicious homemade cakes, muffins and egg dishes.

It's never too late to sign up to help. Volunteers are still needed for the 1st Sunday in June. Strength and teamwork come in numbers. Happy eating!

Contact Carol Crawford-Jones with any questions at carolcj@prolog.net.

Jewelry Party to Benefit CHS's Spring Benefit Auction

The auction committee would like to thank Anita Zinevich for hosting a Premier Designs Jewelry Party to benefit the upcoming 2009 Spring Benefit Auction. She has donated all of her hostess gifts to be auctioned at the event!

What a great idea, Anita! A sincere thank you from all of us on the Auction Committee.

PULSE OF THE PARISH

Welcome to the following visitors/newcomers who have worshipped with us recently:

- Jessica Stanicki of Annandale, a neighbor of Sharon & John Wood
- Anne Gabrielle of Glen Gardner who has recently relocated to Hunterdon County from the Washington, DC area

NEWCOMER ORIENTATION

If you are new to the Church of the Holy Spirit or would like to learn more about our church's mission, please join Fr. Phil in a series of 5 orientation sessions.

March 1 9:15 a.m.	Breakfast & fellowship with Fr. Phil
March 8 9:15 a.m.	Worship
March 15 9:15 a.m.	Formation
March 22 9:15 a.m.	Community
March 29 11:30 a.m.	Structure

Please contact Joanne Shallo to RSVP or if you have any questions at 908- 328-2374 or jshal7@aol.com.



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