

# Council President's Report

October 12, 2009

1. **Our thanks to the first year class of Council for hosting the Garden of Eatin' II on Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.** All three classes of Council have now fulfilled this opportunity during 2009 to provide Christian hospitality for our congregation and visitors. Council has set a good example for other groups and individuals to help with this important weekly ministry.
2. **Prior to the formal convening of our Congregation Council meeting this evening, the leaders of our congregation (including Council members, non-Council committee chairs, clergy and program staff) will have the opportunity to meet Rev. Glenn Ludwig at a dessert reception.** Pastor Ludwig, currently of Delaware, is the Synod's intended appointee as Trinity's Interim Senior Pastor following the retirement of Pastor Hardy. During the meeting, you will have a further opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the appointment. We expect Pastor Dave Fisher of the Synod's Bishop's Office to also be present to provide information about the Interim appointment and/or Senior Pastor Call process.
3. **The Retirement Task Force reports that plans for celebrations of Pastor Hardy's ministry at Trinity continue to move forward.** Pictures and remembrances are currently be collected, a tribute concert is planned for November 8<sup>th</sup> and "retirement weekend" festivities will be held January 16-17, 2010 (please pray for good weather!).
4. **At this meeting Council will elect a seventh member to serve on the Executive Committee through January, 2010.** This is in accordance with the Policy Page 1.30.5 changes adopted last month.
5. **A slightly revised report from the Call Process Task Force is being distributed with this agenda.** The addition made to the report addresses the questions asked at the September Council meeting. If adopted as now presented, Council will be given the opportunity this month to nominate names of individuals for Call Committee Chair. Please give the report and the nomination process your prayerful consideration.
6. **There were no actions of the Council Executive Committee since the last Council meeting.**

Peace,

*Doug Bonsall*  
Council President