

**Worship Ministry Team**  
**Report to the Congregation Council**  
**December 14, 2009**

**Our mission:** *As the congregation's Worship Ministry Team, we are called throughout the week, both within our building and in the community at large, to enable God's children to live out the commandment to give glory to God; to equip all of us through Word and Sacrament; and to send all of us into the world as His disciples.*

The Worship Ministry Team met on November 10, 2009.

Pastor Hardy reflected on the changes that have occurred in the worship life of the congregation since he began his ministry at Trinity, most notably the addition of the Thursday evening, the Saturday evening and the Sunday morning contemporary services and the celebration of Holy Communion at all of our worship services.

Pastor Easton noted that there will be two contemporary worship services on the Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday in 2010. In 2009, the one service was overcrowded and a second service will be added to try and alleviate that problem.

The Worship Ministry Team formally adopted the 2010 budget request that had been submitted to the Finance Committee by the chair.

Head Usher, Bob Foster reported that an Events Usher Team was being formed for concerts and other special events. The Events Usher Team will draw upon ushers from both the contemporary and traditional worship usher teams as needed.

The sub-committee for the additional contemporary worship service has been hard at work and a vision for that service is starting to emerge. A more detailed report on the status of the additional service will be provided with next month's report.

Copies of all pertinent Worship Ministry Team documents are available at all times on Trinity's website at [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org), Leadership Team and then click on [Worship](#).

Yours in Christ,  
Jeff Weaver, Chair, Worship Ministry Team

The following are some of the festival dates that could influence your planning in the coming year:

Christ the King – Sunday, November 22, 2009  
Advent 1 – Sunday, November 29, 2009  
Christmas Day – Friday, December 25, 2009  
Epiphany of Our Lord – Wednesday, January 6, 2010  
Baptism of Our Lord - Sunday, January 10, 2010  
Ash Wednesday – Wednesday, February 17, 2010  
Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday – Sunday, March 28, 2010  
Maundy Thursday – Thursday, April 1, 2010  
Good Friday – Friday, April 2, 2010  
Easter Vigil – Saturday, April 3, 2010  
Easter Day – Sunday, April 4, 2010  
Ascension of Our Lord – Thursday, May 13, 2010  
Day of Pentecost – Sunday, May 23, 2010  
The Holy Trinity – Sunday, May 30, 2010  
Reformation Day – Sunday, October 31, 2010  
Christ the King – Sunday, November 21, 2010  
Advent 1 – Sunday, November 28, 2010  
Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24, 2010  
Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25, 2010  
Epiphany of Our Lord – Thursday, January 6, 2011  
Baptism of Our Lord – Sunday, January 9, 2011  
Ash Wednesday – Wednesday, March 9, 2011  
Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday – Sunday, April 17, 2011  
Maundy Thursday – Thursday, April 21, 2011  
Good Friday – Friday, April 22, 2011  
Easter Vigil – Saturday, April 23, 2011  
Easter Day – Sunday, April 24, 2011  
Ascension of Our Lord – Thursday, June 2, 2011  
Day of Pentecost – Sunday, June 12, 2011  
The Holy Trinity – Sunday, June 19, 2011  
Advent 1 – Sunday, November 27, 2011

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**Trinity Evangelical  
Lutheran Church of Camp  
Hill, PA**

**Vision - Disciples in the  
Making, Making Disciples**

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**Church Mission** - Called by the Holy Spirit to be Christ's Disciples, we seek to equip ourselves and others to live like Christ, and to be sent into the world proclaiming and living the Good News as daily witnesses of God's transforming love.

**Guiding Principles -**

- We will provide inspiring worship services, offering a variety of opportunities to experience God's grace through Word and Sacrament.
  - We will develop loving relationships with our sisters and brothers in this church family, as well as within our own families, and will practice genuine hospitality to those who differ from us.
  - We will create small groups where a sense of belonging in community is nurtured through fellowship, and where spiritual growth occurs through Bible study, faith conversation, and prayer.
  - We will enhance our gift-based ministry that helps individuals identify, develop, and share their spiritual gifts and talents.
  - We will nurture a need-oriented evangelism and social ministry that is both concerned with—and uses our resources to meet—the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of our local and global neighbors.
  - We will foster an atmosphere of passionate spirituality that encourages each of us to live out our faith with commitment, fire, and enthusiasm.
  - We will use a leadership model that empowers, supports, motivates, and mentors individuals to be all God wants them to be.
  - We will build effective structures, adapting to changing needs and new ideas as we continually discern God's will for us in this place.
  - We will commit ourselves to practice stewardship of the earth, time, talent, and treasure.
  - We will work for justice and peace in our community and in our world.
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**Worship Ministry Team**

**Purpose:** In support of the Church's expressed Vision and Mission Statement, the Worship Ministry Team has adopted the following Mission Statement.

**Our Mission:**

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**How we will carry out this mission:**

We have identified the following Guiding Principles as being the most relevant to the Worship Ministry Team's mission from among those adopted by the congregation:

- We will provide inspiring worship services, offering a variety of opportunities to experience God's grace through Word and Sacrament.
- We will enhance our gift-based ministry that helps individuals identify, develop, and share their spiritual gifts and talents.
- We will foster an atmosphere of passionate spirituality that encourages each of us to live out our faith with commitment, fire, and enthusiasm.
- We will build effective structures, adapting to changing needs and new ideas as we continually discern God's will for us in this place.

The Worship Ministry Team has arrived at the following conclusions:

- The HOW is a continually ongoing process, as opposed to a static list. What is most important is that we are open to being led in new or different directions as faithful followers of Christ and that we not be confined to "this is the way we've always done it".
- In all ways, one of our principle roles is to support the staff that are called to a ministry of Word and Sacrament or are in supporting roles, particularly related to music ministry.
- For providing inspiring worship services, we see our role as considering the context driven directions that our worship life needs to go to minister not only to our congregation, but to the community at large – the faithful and the seekers. In so doing we need to consider the Ws – the What, When, Where, Who and Why of our ongoing as well as our potential worship experiences.
- For enhancing our gift-based ministry, we recognize that even as the Worship Ministry Team strives to look at the bigger picture of our worship life at Trinity and, as much as possible, leave the details of worship to be dealt with outside of our team meetings by staff and others, we need to provide meaning to all of the many tasks, regardless of how small they are, that are associated with our worship life and to make it clear that the people who are called to do those tasks are doing them to the glory of God.