

**Director of Learning Ministries  
Council Report  
December 2009 (for the January 2010 meeting)**

The December General Meeting of the Women of Trinity took place on December 5. I serve the group as staff advisor and council liaison. At this meeting, I gave the invocation. A tasty lunch was followed by an excellent program given by Judy and Ken Collins about their teaching and travelling experiences in China and in Eastern Europe.

The men of Trinity are proposing a hanging-of-the-greens experience in 2010 with which to take our church family into the Christmas season. This would be an event of church decorating with a simple meal served, suitable to the time of year.

Our Sunday Church School classes met in December, several of them presenting and celebrating an Advent and Christmas theme. At the end of December, we entered into our two-week break for most Sunday classes for children and youth.

December for me is a time of planning. In terms of administration, the structure and content of the school year began one year and even two years ago. But now is the time to confirm specific topics, classes, dates, and especially persons—all that comes together to realize learning ministry at Trinity, here for the winter and spring terms.

I did meet this month with the Health Fair Task Force and the task force composing a fourth Sunday morning service. And I enjoyed a spiritual retreat.

My plan for the end of the month—to visit with my family in Pittsburgh from Christmas day through New Year's.

Respectfully and gratefully submitted—with good wishes to all for the coming new year,

Christopher