

Seeds of Faith;



A Future with Hope...

Growing commitment and community in Christ

News and Updates as of June 8, 2008:

Over \$3.75 million in pledges



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and/or gifts received, including a \$300,000 grant from The Lutheran Foundation.

- **Site preparation to begin** – utilities will begin to be moved and sometime this summer, the south entrance area will be fenced in. Once this takes place, **the entrance to the church from Washington Boulevard will be closed.** Plans are being made to make the Wayne, Fairfield and Ewing Street entrances more accessible to use to go into the Nave and the rest of the building.
- **June 9th Council Meeting** Council will be considering a proposed groundbreaking ceremony on July 20th after the 10:00 a.m. service.

2004 – Trinity English Foundation funds the acquisition of the property.



2004-2005 – Mission discernment process (surveys and Parish Hall meetings) ask: "What is God calling Trinity to do?"

"Seeds of Faith" Building Project Takes Root and Moves Forward

Excitement builds, along with commitment and community as Trinity's proposed site improvement project enters build phase

Another Member Perspective...

Hallelujah! We are on our way to securing Trinity English's future. The Church Council's approval for the addition/update plan to our spiritual home is an important step for Trinity to sow the "Seeds of Faith" for our children's children.

Trinity has been my family's worship and gathering home for six generations. Growing up in Trinity as the 4th generation I have memories of Sunday morning family gatherings with my mom and dad, my brothers, sister, aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents on the front sidewalk,

sometimes spilling over into the street. On pleasant weather Sundays we were still enjoying family life after the next service had started. We must have been in the way as others were arriving for church. It was a busy spot.

I'm looking forward to an indoor gathering space for my family and Trinity family to meet, and now that I'm older with some health issues I can see and appreciate the need for the accessibility improvements. Also being able to keep utilities cost inline with geothermal and solar energy means more resources for our Ministries. All of this is good news; it gives me "A Future with Hope".

– Tom Harford

June 2008 – The good news is shared at the Annual Congregational Meeting – Council's unanimous approval to move forward, pledges and/or gifts of over \$3.75 million as of June 8th, and a groundbreaking planned for this summer. Trinity Foundation board member Paul Shaffer also affirmed the Foundation's support of the project to those in attendance.



2006-2007 – Committee goals and action steps are shared with the congregation

Got Prayer? Yes, we do!

Awakening and renewal begins and continues to seek guidance through prayer

Last April, the Spiritual Awareness Team organized a four-hour, continuous Prayer Vigil to support the "Seeds of Faith" capital campaign. This vigil may have been a new experience for members of Trinity. Our hope was to enlist (and unite) the prayers of the entire congregation to make this capital campaign successful in the eyes of GOD.

Over 67+ members came to Krauss Chapel on Sunday, April 20th for our "Seeds of Faith" prayer vigil. The vigil was not only successful in participation, but also in realizing the impor-

June 2007 – Council approves for Finance and House Committees to do preliminary work and site evaluations; detailed site plans move forward



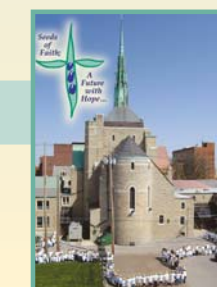
tance and faithfulness that prayer has in our daily lives. We appreciate your attendance (GOD does too!), your support, and especially your prayers!

Your prayers have been a blessing and we ask you to please continue to support the campaign and building site improvement project through prayer.

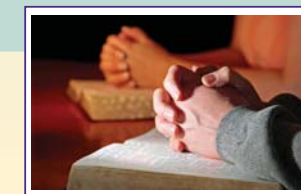
"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
– 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

More individual and small group prayer opportunity is offered **each Wednesday at Trinity during the noon hour.** Prayer@Midpoint is a pause (15-20 minutes) for prayer that refreshes during the week and is led each Wednesday at 12:05 in the choir pews. Or, to share in the ongoing ministry of prayer at Trinity, consider becoming part of Trinity's Prayer Ministry. Contact Pastor Haller.

April 2008 – Trinity youth form human outline of proposed building project.



April 2008 – Prayer Vigil held



October 2007 – Generis, LLC is hired as capital campaign consultant



January 2008 – Council approves building project contingent upon receiving sufficient funding and hiring of Martin Riley as architect of the project.

February/March 2008 – Four-week Biblical series teaches lifestyle stewardship.



March 2008 – "Seeds of Faith" website debuts.



April 2008 – Trinity Stitchers create "Seeds of Faith" banner.



April 2008 – Awareness Presentation Sunday includes a children's sermon and presentation to all members, including brochure and DVD of life at Trinity.