

Ministry Statement	Trinity's Outreach Ministries are pathways for parishioners to build relationships with our neighbors in need and to work with them to create a healthy, just, peaceful, and sustainable neighborhood and world.
Ministry Highlights	<p>Adopt-a-High-Rise: 55 parishioners hosted 5 holiday-themed social events at Williams Plaza, Trinity's adopted Housing Authority of Portland high-rise, with an average attendance of 60 residents.</p> <p>Advocacy: Organized a four-week forum series titled "Ethics after Easter: Immigration Issues and Reform" attended by an average of 40 people per session. Parishioners participated in the monthly Oregon Faith Roundtable against Hunger. Encouraged parishioners to receive Episcopal Policy Network alerts via e-mail and posted updates and opportunities for advocacy on the Trinity website. Participated in the Diocesan NetsForLife contribution drive. Two parishioners completed a 40-hour training and became volunteer tax preparers with CASH Oregon.</p> <p>Burns Fund: Made a \$1,500 grant to Northwest Portland Ministries for their Food for Kids program, which provides a backpack of food on Thursdays for 25 homeless students at Chapman School.</p> <p>Easter Community Dinner: 110 volunteers prepared and served approximately 250 guests a heaping hot meal of ham, potatoes, yams, beans, and pie. Parishioners donated \$355.</p> <p>Food Pantry: 85 volunteers provided 9,500 food bags, 6,950 hot lunches, 1,123 Sisters of the Road Café meal coupons, and a warm welcome to an average of 58 guests per day—providing 17,573 meals. Donors contributed \$15,900+. Two training sessions were held for an average of 30 pantry volunteers each.</p> <p>Honduras Mission & Community Partnership: In partnership with Mercy Corps affiliate Project Global Village, 26 Trinity youth and adults worked alongside community members in Nueva San Jose de Comayagua in central Honduras to install a gravity-fed fresh water system to bring fresh water to the homes in the villages. About 2 kilometers of trench was dug, pipe was laid, and the reservoir, which will hold and further purify daily 5000 gallons of water, was painted. The team shared their experiences with 100+ parishioners and hosted Project Global Village director Chet Thomas at Sunday forums. Team members and parishioners contributed approximately \$32,000 for expenses. A parishioner made a \$12,000 gift to support the project.</p> <p>Honduras Scholarships 30 Trinity households pledged \$12,000 to provide 30 scholarships for high school students at the Project Global Village Flor del Campo Center in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Scholarships fund books, transportation, uniforms, and support programs. The leadership team and the Outreach Ministries Commission continued a 3-year commitment to sponsor 30 scholarships a year, beginning in 2009. Students were linked with sponsors, some of whom communicated via e-mail, and sent thank you gifts or notes to sponsors with the returning mission trip in July.</p> <p>Northwest Portland Ministries: 30+ parishioners volunteered with Northwest Portland Ministries, which provided 12,000 rides, 12,500 meals, 2,800 food boxes, 1,100 bags of perishable food, 550 Christmas dinners, and many friendly visits to seniors and others in need in NW Portland. The Food for Kids program provided 25 backpacks of weekend food each Thursday for homeless students at Chapman School. 2 parishioners continue to serve on the board of NWPM.</p>

	<p>Our House: In January 3 parishioners prepared and served dinner to 20+ residents at this hospice home for people living with HIV/AIDS.</p> <p>Outreach Ministries Commission: Supported the ministries; held monthly commission meetings, progressed on prioritized goals; disbursed \$500 to the Ells Culver Vision Fund of Mercy Corps; received Jubilee Center status and certificate from the National Episcopal Church for work among the poor and oppressed; hosted the Outreach Ministries Month and Fair; presented 3 forums concerning Transition Projects, Northwest Portland Ministries, and the new SeniorConnect ministry; collected coats and blankets for the Transition Projects drive; contributed \$500 to Transition Projects; raised over \$3,000 for the Diocesan outreach project NetsForLife; enlarged and regularly updated the Outreach website; and transitioned to a volunteer Outreach office in July. Parishioners donated \$21,300 to the Outreach general fund.</p> <p>SeniorConnect: New Trinity ministry developed through a generous grant by a Trinity parishioners Ron and Patricia Peterson. Beginning in April, the program included 8 sit-down community dinners and takeaway dinners, serving 400 meals. Housing assistance of about \$29,000 was disbursed to about 70 neighbors at risk for losing housing or in need of support to improve their housing conditions. Health care component is currently in development. 40 volunteers filled 129 volunteer slots. Additional funding received from the original donor will allow programs to continue through 2010.</p> <p>Sisters of the Road Café Meal Coupons: Parishioners purchased 3,102 Sisters meal coupons for the Food Pantry and 573 to give directly to people in need from 10 volunteer sellers—a value of \$7,449. This compares similarly to 2008 despite the café being closed for 5 weeks this summer to improve operations and security issues.</p> <p>Special Offerings: Collected \$1,629 for the Diocese of Jerusalem from the Good Friday offering and \$484 for diocesan outreach ministries from the Thanksgiving Eve offering.</p> <p>Thanksgiving Community Dinner: 260 volunteers prepared and served dinner at the Cathedral for 550 people in need and delivered 50 meals to New Avenues for Youth and 100 meals to Transition Projects. Parishioners donated \$965.</p> <p>Transition Projects Dinners: In 144 volunteer slots, parishioners and friends prepared and served a hot dinner twice a month for about 130 residents at Transition Projects’ men’s and women’s shelters, providing about 3,120 meals.</p> <p>Trinity Place Adult Day Care: 4 parishioners volunteered with this program of Legacy Health Systems, which meets in the Morrison Room twice a week. It provides social activities for persons with Alzheimer’s or related memory disorders and respite for their caregivers. 5 parishioners serve on the Advisory Committee. \$1,500 was donated for hot lunches.</p>	
	<p>Time: 13,000+ volunteer hours.</p>	<p>Talent: See above. 600+ volunteers offered their gifts with passion, commitment, and joy.</p>
<p>Commission Roster: Charyl Cathey (co-chair), Priscilla Cowell (co-chair), Nick Corbin, Marilyn Gordon, Chris Hardman, Greg Harris, Shawnda Hines, Preston Holt, Fred Jeibmann, Katherine Novy, Mark Reber, Lisa Shaw, Dottie Thompson, Ginny Utti, Leigh Wilson</p>		