

We Remember Them at Holy Trinity

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"We Remember Them"

By, Rabbi Simcha Kling

**"At the rising of the sun and it's going down we remember them.
At the blowing of the wind and in the still of winter, we remember them.
At the opening of the buds and the rebirth of spring, we remember them.
At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.
When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.**

When we have decisions that are difficult to make, we remember them.

When we have achievements that are based on theirs, we remember them.

As long as we live, they too will live, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them."

Holy Trinity was organized by members of Bethel Lutheran Church under leadership of Dr. T. W. Shealy. This was a time when growth in Springfield was brought with the building of the Brinson Railroad. Dedicated to the Salzburgers, our parishioners have come from all over. We have persevered with leadership of 14 pastors prior to Dr. Cavanah who is with us now.

Enduring good and bad times, we have banded together to worship, even leaving the ELCA to stick to our Bible based beliefs.

The church buildings we have been blessed with and our memorials throughout the church are testament to those who have gone before us. Without those persons who make up the church, there would be no church. I think back to my childhood as Mrs. Mildred Marchman had us make the church replica with our fingers reciting, "This is the church and here is the steeple, open the doors and look at the people."

The church is its people. As we look on 100 Years, let us remember them. We all know their names. They are why we are here today. During our celebration on June 10th take a look at the bulletin boards in the narthex and the hallways of the educational building. These are the "Faces of Holy Trinity". Our past is the bridge to our future. We pray for growth and look prayerfully toward the next decades with God's love and blessings.

