

Summer Happenings

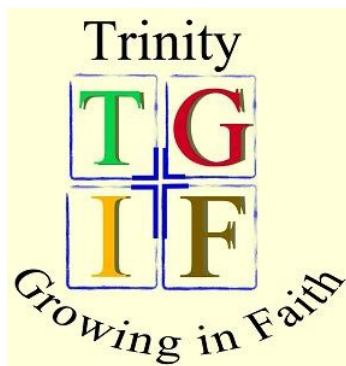
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Our Mission

*We are here to:
Worship God,
Walk with Jesus,
Change lives,
and Serve the
community, through the
power of the Holy Spirit.*



*Need a friend?
Make a friend.
Have a friend?*

Bring a friend... to Trinity!



We welcome all visitors and new comers who have come to join us as we pray and give thanks, praise and worship, and learn about the word of God here at Trinity.

Feel free to meet us after the service for lemonade on the hill.



Biblical Leadership -- Lessons From Ephesians

In July, Fr. Andrew preached through the first half of St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians. In August Canon Brian will continue with the second half of Ephesians examining various aspects of leadership. Many Christians would claim that they are not leaders and that they have no leadership skills. They don't see themselves in front of a group and feel quite shy. It may surprise us that there are many ways in which we are leaders. We will explore five of these aspects in August. It would be helpful for you to read Ephesians in the New Testament and particularly the selected verses for each Sunday as indicated below. As you read these selections consider the practical implications for your own life.

- August 9th **LEADERSHIP OF SELF** (Ephesians 4:22 - 5:2)
- August 16th **LEADERSHIP IN MARRIAGE** (Ephesians 5:21 - 33)
- August 23rd **LEADERSHIP IN PARENTING** (Ephesians 6: 1-4)
- August 30th **LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY** (Ephesians 4: 11 - 16)
- September 6th **LEADERSHIP IN HARDSHIP** (Ephesians 6: 10 - 23)

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LEADERSHIP IN MARRIAGE

Our special thanks to the couples who shared from their experience last Sunday in church. Fred and Mary emphasized that you should not go to bed angry. Harry and Gladys summarized their experience with three "C's": Commitment, Communicate & Compromise. We pray for God's grace to rest upon all the marriages of this parish.

ALPHA AND HOME GROUPS

Coming up in September we will be launching a new set of Home Groups and Courses. If you are new to Trinity or exploring the faith we would highly recommend that you join us for ALPHA. It will run on Monday nights for 10 weeks beginning September 21st.

** Nicky Gumble has produced a new DVD study called "Challenging Lifestyle". It looks at the practical application of our faith to our daily lives. This teaching is based on the opening chapters of Matthew's Gospel (called the Sermon on the Mount by Jesus). We expect that this will also be offered Monday evenings.

** Beth Moore continues to take us deeper into the Bible. We expect that there may

be an offering of Beth Moore for our women both in the afternoon and in the evening.

** Our summertime study group on Monday evening has been using the "Truth Project" material with great success. If there is additional interest we will offer it again this fall.

** Other great topics and time slots will soon be announced. Plan now to be in one of our Home Groups this fall season.

HOME GROUP & ALPHA PLANNING

All Alpha leaders, Home Group leaders and those with an interest in small groups are reminded of the planning meeting on Tuesday Aug. 25th at 7:15 pm in the upper room.

DOUG CLARK

Next Sunday will be Doug's last Sunday with us before the College term begins again at Wycliffe. In appreciation for his ministry at Trinity this summer and to equip him for future ministry we will be presenting him with a new Alb. Our thanks to all those who have donated towards this gift.

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY - August 23 "Pentecost 12"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0-4yr.)
 Child Care in Upper Rm.(5-10 yr.)

MONDAY

11:00 a.m. - Hospitality Team Leaders' meeting in Upper Room.
 7:00 p.m. - "The Truth" Bible Study in Upper Rm.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m.- Men's Breakfast at Simcoe Hotel
 10:30 a.m. - Holy Communion Service in Sanctuary

SATURDAY

6:30 p.m. - "Big Church" Ministries in Aud.

SUNDAY - Aug. 30 "Pentecost 13"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0-4yr.)
 Child Care in Upper Rm.(5-10 yr.)

BITS AND PIECES

*Congregation attending Trinity last Week, Aug. 16 , was:
 8:00 a.m.= 31, 10:00 a.m. = 91, for a total of 122,
 including 5 children & teachers.

FROM THE MAIL

A Thank You Note

To Canon Brian and all our cherished friends at Trinity we send a sincere thanks for your visits and get well cards sent to Margaret during her recent hospitalization. Margaret is now home and hopefully over time will regain her strength and endurance.

The prayers and cards from our Trinity family members meant a great deal to Margaret.

John and Margaret Palen.

*If writing to Trinity, please remember that our address is
 P.O. Box 641, Barrie, ON, L4M 4V1*

NURSERY CARETAKERS NEEDED

The nursery is currently looking for caretakers to add to our staff. We are looking for enthusiastic people who love children and are able to work within a team. Caretakers will need to commit to 1 - 2 Sundays a month. We are looking for youth as well as mature caretakers. If you think a nursery ministry may be for you and for more information please contact:

Stacy Marshall (Nursery Supervisor) (705) 322-0934
 Sue Lyon (Peoples Warden) (705) 719-6457

ATTENTION MEN

The FLAME (Fellowship and Learning for Anglican Men's Enrichment) Conference is quickly approaching. Come for a weekend of fellowship, learning and worship. The Rt. Rev. Eddie Marsh will be our conference leader. The date is October 30th to November 1st. **The special rate for "first time" attendees is \$125.00.** For others who have attended a FLAME weekend in the past, the cost is \$185.00 if paid before June 30th, \$215.00 if paid by September 15th and \$235.00 for registration after September 16th. All these costs are for double occupancy. If you would like single occupancy, the cost is \$295.00. Please register early to save money. The conference will be held at Jackson's Point Salvation Army Conference Centre located on the shores of Lake Simcoe. This three day event will uplift you in your faith and leave you with a wealth of new memories and new friends. For more information, please see the FLAME website at www.flameconference.ca.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep Mary Caldwell or Clergy updated about the progress of your loved ones, 728-2691. We update the list every 2 weeks and need to be notified if continued prayers are necessary.

Dinner and Jazz Evening:

In partial support for the David Busby Centre

Wed. Aug. 26th at the Southshore Centre, 205 Lakeshore Rd., Barrie

For \$25.00 per person, enjoy a dinner out, listen to the fabulous jazz from the smooth swing sounds of INDIGO JAZZ, a local house band playing your favourite swing standards while at the same time supporting the David Busby Centre. Invite your family / friends to raise awareness of the Busby Centre. A perfect way to spend a summer evening on the bay.

Since first becoming established in 1993, the Centre now sees an average of 130 clients a day or 30,000 visits a year. The Centre provides a warm, safe environment for the homeless or marginalized people; those who are socially isolated, low income families, youth in distress, those suffering with mental illness and physical limitations.

For tickets & more information, call the church office 728-2691 or the Centre at 739-6916, or Cam and Jane McKenzie at 719-2376



QUOTE OF THE DAY -- Christian Parenting.

Christian Parenting - To Choose

Christian parents face the difficult task of raising children in a world of "correctness". In the past, children grew up in a society that clearly defined what was right and what was wrong. Parents were recognized as the primary authority figure in their children's lives. Now as the world changes, our children react to the unprecedented immorality, anti-family, and anti-parent concepts in schools and media.



Parents show increasing concern as their children are encouraged to shun strict rules and biblical truths. Whenever the application of God's laws is mentioned, a flurry of organizations warn parents not to impose their own values upon their children. But the Christian parent understands the folly of exchanging God's truth for a lie. The Bible speaks of the *"insolent, arrogant, and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents. . ."* (Romans 1:30). Rebellion and disobedience are just as pervasive today as parental authority disintegrates. Today, parents must choose who and what shapes their children's lives. Without a doubt, God still holds parents responsible for their children - to instruct them and to discipline them.

Christian Parenting - To Instruct

In the Old Testament, Moses reminds the Israelites of their responsibility to their children and grandchildren. *"Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them"* (Deuteronomy 4:9-10). We would all like to believe that our children will make the right choices based on lessons taught. If our child found a dollar bill at the playground, what would he do with it? What sort of "measuring rod" will a child apply as his benchmark for honesty? Perhaps that child will recall how his father returned overpaid change to a cashier.

When we instruct our children, we are not simply presenting a list of rules to follow. We are letting our "actions speak" by training them according to God's standards. By living a righteous life, parents provide their children with the understanding of how God's rules govern all our lives. Then, as our children mature, they develop a habit of doing right, serving God by making their own decisions.

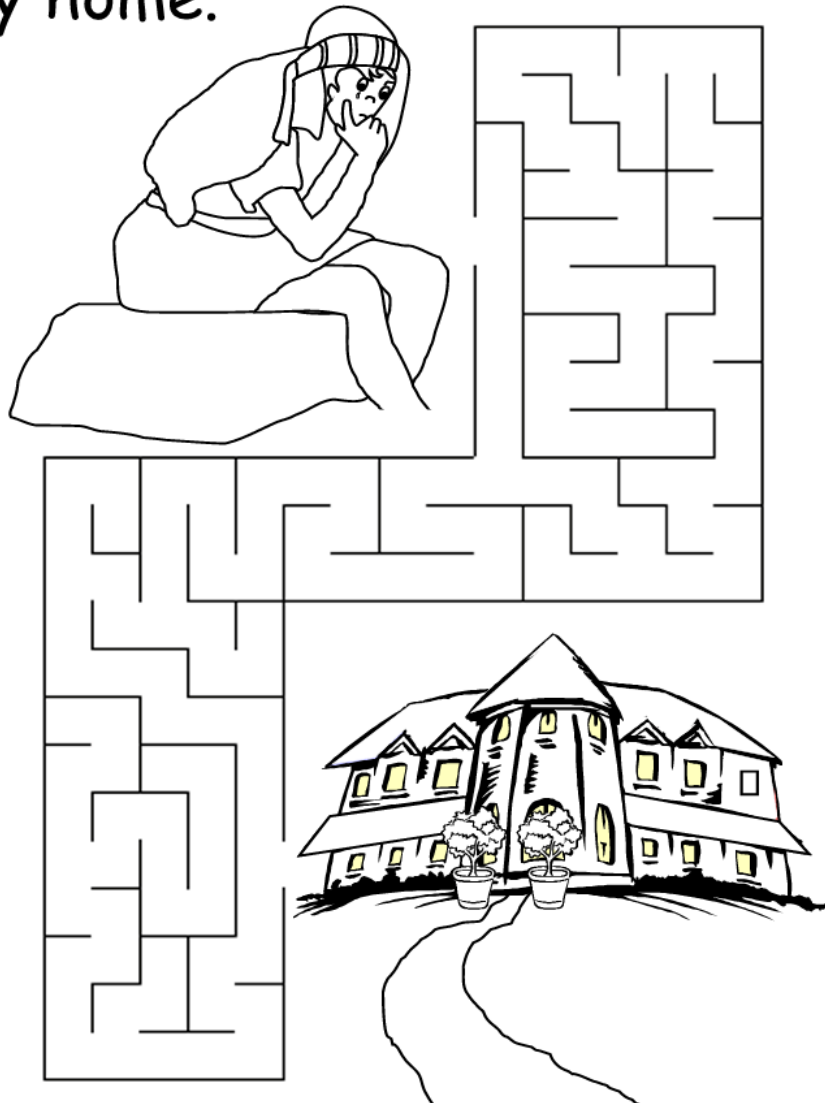
It is the goal of every parent to see their children accept responsibility for their decisions. If our children learn from their mistakes and accept godly correction, then we are on the right course. One father tried to take a shortcut in explaining responsibility by saying, "It's not what you do, but whether or not you get caught. And if you get caught. . .be willing to pay the consequences!" Obviously, there's no fast-track for instructing children. Parental instruction is an arduous journey that begins at birth and continues for many years. And there may be countless times when our children make careless decisions and even choose to reject instruction. These are the times when discipline is most necessary.

Christian Parenting - To Discipline

Theories on "correct" discipline change every few years - the Bible never changes. If children do not obey, they must receive correction. Often parents become weary disciplining young children. At times, a typical day seems to consist of nagging and scolding. Parents wonder if they have ruined every chance for a loving relationship with their children. They may even be tempted to give up altogether. "Only God *knows* what to do with this child," they groan. YES GOD DOES!!

God chooses each parent with great care. *"For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just. . ."* (Genesis 18:19). God entrusts your children to your specific care. He wants you to know that kind, firm correction will train your children to obey Him. *"Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord"* (Colossians 3:20). Consistent, loving correction helps children learn biblical truths like self-discipline. God knew Abraham would raise godly children and God blessed him. By applying God's standards, we too can receive God's blessings as parents.

Help the prodigal son find the way home.



Well, if it's that obvious to a child... 😊

A man had a habit of grumbling at the food his wife placed before him at family meals. Then he would ask the blessing.

One day after his usual combination complaint-prayer, his little girl asked, "Daddy, does God hear us when we pray?"

"Why, of course," he replied. "He hears us every time we pray."

She pauses on this a moment, and asked, "Does he hear everything we say the rest of the time?"

"Yes, dear, every word," he replied, encouraged that he had inspired his daughter to be curious about spiritual matters.

However, his pride was quickly turned to humility as she asked...

"Then which does God believe?"

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