

# Trinity Happenings

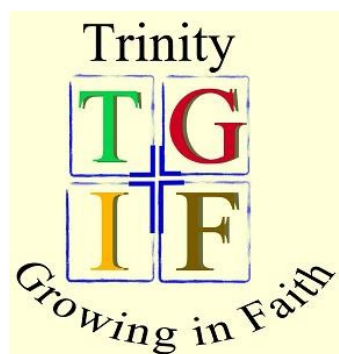
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## Our Mission

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



## Welcome 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 downstairs in the auditorium after the service for coffee.



## Parish Info and Updates

### CHORAL EVENSONG

Our annual service is to be held on **TODAY** at 4 p.m Ham dinner to follow. We would ask that you bring salad or Dessert in order to keep the costs down. We all appreciate the support our parishioners give us. It enables us to purchase new music twice a year. Tickets available after both services.



Adult \$10 Student \$5 Under 5 free Family \$25 No tip or tax!! What a bargain!

Thank you in advance

The Choir

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Jennica and Bo Hwang on the birth of a boy (Sye MacLean Hwang), weighing 8 lb. 4oz. on Monday, March 1. A brother for Nari.



### THE ANGLICAN PLANET (newspaper in tower walk)

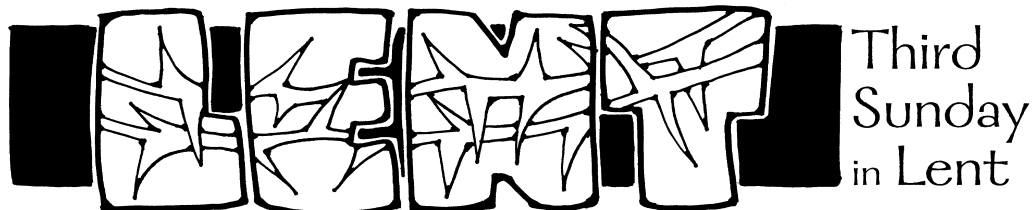
The March edition of the "Anglican Planet" newspaper is available in the tower walk. There are some wonderful articles including: a Canadian doctor working for safe childbirth in Uganda; a reflection on Palm Sunday by Archbishop Rowan Williams; an article on how the Liturgy brings hope; and a new look at the Lord's Supper. All of these are a wonderful prelude to our Holy Week services.

### LENT DAY EVENT

To launch the season of Lent at the end of February we had a wonderful Saturday afternoon event for our youngsters and their parents (or grandparents). We began with a drama depicting Jesus in the wilderness written by Mary Henderson and acted by Rob Smith, David Miller and Joanne Sugg. This was followed by three activity centers: prayer beads for Lent; baking hot-cross buns; and a selection of age appropriate games. Our special thanks to the leadership team for their wonderful creativity! There were about 40 people who attended. Upcoming events include:

\*\* Good Friday Children's program on Friday April 2nd at 12:00 noon led by Pauline Miller and Jennifer Miller.

\*\* Our annual Vacation Bible Camp to be held July 5 - 9th. Team leaders for the VBC are Gay Welsman and Judy Thompson; please speak to them if you would like to volunteer to assist.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY - March 7 "3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion  
 Children in Aud..  
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0-4yr.)  
 4:00 p.m. - Evensong in Sanctuary  
 5:30 p.m. - Ham Dinner in Aud.

## MONDAY

6:30 p.m. - Refreshments in Aud.  
 7:00 p.m. - Studies: "Life Worth Living",  
 "Challenging Lifestyles", "The Truth Project"  
 7:00 p.m. - CWT Practice in Sanctuary

## TUESDAY

12:45 and 7:00 p.m. - Beth Moore Study in Upper Rm.

## WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. - Men's Breakfast at Candyland Rest.  
 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Service  
 12:00 and 7:00 p.m. - Revelation Study in Upper Rm.  
 12:00 p.m. - St. Joe's serves lunch for Busby Ctr.  
 7:15 p.m. - Trinity Rocks' Practice

## THURSDAY

9:30 a.m. - Trinity Women's Meeting in Upper Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. - Venturers in Aud.  
 7:00 p.m. - Scout Commissioners' Meeting in Lower Hall  
 7:00 p.m. - Sr. Choir Practice in Sanctuary

## FRIDAY

10:30 a.m. - "Nooma" Study in Naz. Rm.  
 12:00 p.m. - Lenten Friday Service in Sanctuary  
 - Guest Speaker: Rev. Bruce Sticklee  
 12:30 p.m. - Lunch in Auditorium (\$6.00)

## SUNDAY - March 14 "4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent"

(Mothering Sunday - Simnel Cake)

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion  
 Children in Aud..

## BITS AND PIECES

\*Congregation attending Trinity last Week, Feb. 28, was: 8:00 a.m.= 38 , 10:00 a.m. = 120, for a total of 158, including 7 nursery children & teachers.

## NURSERY HELP NEEDED

Two more people for the Nursery are needed to assist with the children one or two Sundays per month. A small honorarium is provided. If you are able to assist or would like more information please speak to Stacy Marshall at 322-0934.

## NEARLY NEW SALE

Please note that our Nearly New Sale will be held on Thursday, April 29 (Take-in Day), with Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1 being the Sale Days. Now's the time to start looking in those dark corners and out-of-the-way places where we all put things to decide about on another occasion. We will need lots of your cast-offs to sell but only if they are in good condition, working properly, clean, spot-free and hole-free. We will, as usual, need lots of volunteers to help and the sign-up sheets will appear soon. More details later. Please mark your calendars now.

## GEPP, (Global Electric Electronic Processing Inc.)

will accept all kinds of electronic items - computers, and their related equipment, televisions, cell phones, PDAs, etc. Call them at 725-1919.

**PLEASE, PLEASE.** Do not bring any of this stuff to the Nearly New Sale.

## MOTHERING SUNDAY

Sunday, March 14, is "Mothering Sunday". We would like 7 cooks to volunteer to bake Simnel cakes for this Sunday. Trinity Church is donating the almond paste for your cake. Would you please pick up the paste and instructions in the Narthex (at back of the Church) after the service today. Thanks.

## TRINITY WOMEN

The next meeting of Trinity Women will take place on Thursday, March 11, at 9:30 a.m. in the Upper Room. Our guest speaker will be Bob Garrett, talking and showing pictures of his and son Patrick's pilgrimage in Spain last fall. Please join us to hear of this fascinating journey, but please bring your own mug. Notice the change of day for this meeting only - Thursday. Please call Mary at 737-0145 for more information.

## TRINITY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting of the Trinity Women's Fellowship will be held on March 24 at 7 p.m. at the home of Marcia Smith, 22 Davies Crescent. This will, as is usual in March, be our Lenten meeting with a Meditation led by one of our members. Please plan to attend as this meeting will be also concerned with making plans for the Nearly New/Garage Sale to be held at the end of April.

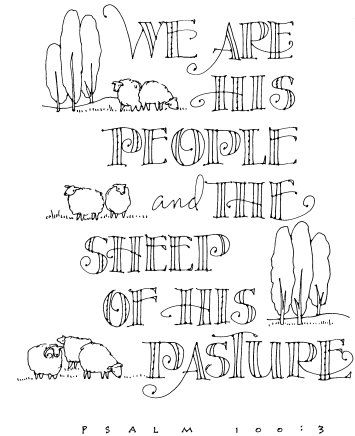
# Psalms of the Bible

**Fridays in Lent at 12:00 noon**  
**(Worship & Address at 12:00 noon. Lunch at 12:30 pm)**

The book of Psalms contains some of the best known passages of the Bible (The Lord is my shepherd ...) and some of the best loved. The Psalms express the whole range of human emotions from joy to sorrow to anger. They have been used in prayer and in worship for at least 3000 years. They are the Hebrew hymn book. They have been central to Anglican worship. They are the unedited heart-felt expression of the believer. They are a treasure of insight and worship. This year our speakers will be sharing with you one of their favourite Psalms. A hot lunch will be served in the auditorium for \$6 at 12:30 pm. Our special thanks to our team of cooks led by Monica Cox and Lena-Marie Haw!

**Join us this year on Fridays in Lent at noon as we explore the PSALMS OF THE BIBLE.**

February 19th Canon Brian McVitty	<b>PSALM 103</b> Trinity Church, Barrie.
February 26th Rev. Lawrence Crews	<b>PSALM 32</b> Calvary Community Church.
March 5th Rev. Cliff Fletcher	<b>PSALM 3</b> Free Methodist Church.
March 12th Rev. Bruce Sticklee	<b>PSALM 37</b> Bethel Community Church.
March 19th Fr. Frank McDevitt	<b>PSALM 46</b> St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.
March 26th Rev. Andrew Sandilands	<b>PSALM 23</b> Trinity Church, Barrie.



## CHOSEN SOLDIER UPDATE

Five more "Chosen Soldier Boxes" are on their way to our troops in Afghanistan. Four are from Trinity and one from the Waterford Retirement Community. This brings the total for Trinity to eleven and from Waterford seven. How generous everyone has been in making this possible. We have just enough funds remaining to fill one more box. We plan to send this to a Chosen Soldier (and his squadron as they tend to share their treats) around Canada Day. It costs approximately \$50.00 to fill each box.

If you would like to write or send E-mails to the Soldiers it would be very much appreciated. Our Canadian sailors, soldiers and air force personnel deployed on operations need all the cheer they can get. Messages, postcards and letters from home are very important to their morale. If you are sending Postcards to Afghanistan address them---(the post office sends them free of charge)

**Any Canadian Soldier OP ATHENA PO Box 5058 Stn. Forces Belleville ON K8N 5W6**

Emails

We can let our Canadian Forces members know we appreciate their service by sending a message using the Department of National Defense. Message Board at the following website: [www.forces.gc.ca/site/community/messageboard/index\\_e.asp](http://www.forces.gc.ca/site/community/messageboard/index_e.asp)

Here is a second email - an excerpt from Sergeant Rob Beiner (a Chosen Soldier that received a gift package from the Waterford folks sent at Remembrance Day)

*Hello and Happy New Years to you all!:*

*Sorry I have been unable to write lately, I've been busy with operations. I can't really say too much about what I've been up to, but we continue to try to provide the people of Kandahar province with some security. (If only the kids that throw rocks at my tank as we drive by could understand that!! haha.) I was promoted to sergeant just before the holidays which was a nice surprise. The rest of our celebrations went off without anything significant to report. All the troops were treated to two beers each at Christmas and New Years Eve. Over Christmas time we had a large influx of packages from people like you from all over Canada, and we are still eating the candies from those. The soldiers really appreciate receiving the surprise Chosen Soldier Gift Packages. My deployment ends sometime in the spring, still not sure on dates yet. Thanks for the mail and your prayers for our safety. Please keep in touch.*

*Sergeant Rob Biener*

Thank you again for your support to this wonderful act of love and support of our troops,  
 Val Marrow and Deborah Marshall

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## The Inheritance Of Faith

-- **Brendan T.N. Caldwell, National Post February 25th, 2010.**

*The last week of February the National Post ran a fascinating week long series called "Oh God, What Do We Tell The Kids". Can we and should we attempt to pass on the faith to our children? The contributors to this series of articles were from a variety of backgrounds, including Christian, Jewish and several non-believers. We will include various selections in Happenings over the next few weeks. The following article is by Brendan Caldwell a Toronto businessman and Anglican. He asks, **in a society that has largely forgotten God, how do parents pass along a spiritual inheritance to their children?** To see the full series of articles go to:*

<http://network.nationalpost.com/NP/blogs/fullcomment/archive/tags/Oh+God/default.aspx>

Throughout history, no founder of a major world religion talked about money more often than Jesus did. One could spend years studying just his parables about money and property. On the subject of inheritances, he told the story known as the Prodigal Son. In it, a son goes to his father and demands, "Give me my share of the estate," which he then squanders. Jesus seems to have understood that financial concerns and families would be with us through the ages.

He was right. Much is written in the business press about how difficult it is to pass a financial inheritance along to the next generation. The adage "shirtsleeves to shirtsleeves in 3 generations," or some variation on it, appears in cultures worldwide. The phrase implies that the first generation works hard to create wealth, the second generation enjoys the fruits of their parents' labours and by the time the third generation reaches maturity, the inheritance is gone and they have to roll up their sleeves and start from scratch again.

Why? At least in part it is because parents find it very difficult to pass on their knowledge about money to their children. Instead, the children learn the benefits that money affords without internalizing an understanding of what money really means.

When it comes to faith, our nation is somewhere between the second and third generation. We still enjoy the benefits of a society whose ethics are rooted in faith, but we have forgotten how we got here and we may soon need to rebuild again.

Our cultural amnesia has prompted the notion that our children should not be indoctrinated into their parents' religious tradition, but should be left to find out about God on their own. If this method does not work well when it comes to money, which children can touch and see, how much more difficult will it be for them to learn about God, whom they cannot see, without their parents to show them?

This raises the question: In a society that has largely forgotten God, how do parents pass along a spiritual inheritance to their children? The best start is to remember to whom one's children really belong: God Himself. If we believe that God wants to be a parent to each of us, then that includes our sons and daughters too. Our role as parents is to introduce and nurture the relationship between our children and their creator until it matures enough to grow on its own.

God invented the idea of parenthood and I suspect He did it for two reasons. The first is to help us as parents develop a rudimentary understanding of how frustrating it is to be Him. No matter how many times we bless our children from a time before they can even remember, they will still chafe at our directions, even when the result will be something enjoyable for them. We often (usually) treat God the same way.

More profoundly, I think God wants us to experience the kind of unconditional love that He has for each of us, a measure of which we get only by discovering the love we have for our own children.

When a person comes to faith in God it happens alone, even if it happens in a crowded room. There is at least one moment in life when each of us is alone with God. It is important for our children to know their parents' story of that moment, because they will have their own and should recognize it when it comes.

In their teenage years, our children's friends matter more to them than we do. If faith is born in solitude with God, then it is built in the company of a broader spiritual family who are seeking God together. Through church, a youth group and faith-based summer camps, children need experiences relating to God that do not come directly through us as their parents.

But what if, as is often the case, our children will have none of that? Then I defer to another man's example. He is one of the men I admire most in the world and he goes to our church even when none of his children will join him. This father's example of faithfulness will not be forgotten by them when they are older. Our children watch us far more attentively than they listen to us.

It has been said that God has no grandchildren. He only has children. As a parent, this is a profoundly comforting thought. It means that the spiritual inheritance that our children receive is God's to give, not ours. As we pray with them and for them, as we go to worship with them and as we set an example for them, we are helping our children enter into a relationship that runs deeper than the human concept of parenthood ever could.

-- Brendan T.N. Caldwell is president and CEO, Caldwell Investment Management Ltd. He is also a member of the Church of The Messiah (Anglican), Toronto.