

Trinity Happenings

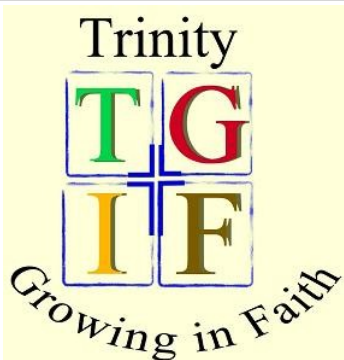
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Our Mission

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



“THE FAITH GIVEN ONCE FOR ALL”

Parish Wide Focus for the Spring Season

Home Groups + Sermons + The Book + Daily Bible Readings!

“The Faith Given Once For All” is our parish-wide focus through the spring season. What do we believe and why? Can we be confident of the truths of the Christian faith? For those who are new to the faith these will be foundational building blocks. For those who were confirmed years ago this will be a timely refresher.

THE BOOK -- more copies: we sold out of our original shipment of the book “The Faith Given once for All” by Charles Colson, but a second shipment has just arrived. Copies of the book are available for purchase this morning for \$15. This book is the basis for the spring Home Groups and an excellent resource for our spring preaching series which will continue through to the end of June.

SUNDAY SERMON SERIES

(chapters indicated are in the book “The Faith” by Charles Colson)

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| May 24 th A New Beginning! Chapt. 8 & 9 “Jesus & Salvation” | June 14 th Can I Really Change? C. Brian Chapt. 10 & 11 “The Church & Holiness” |
| May 31 st Who Is the Holy Spirit? C. Brian Pentecost Sunday | June 21 st End of the World! Fr. Andrew Chapt. 13 “Last Things” |
| June 7 th Who’s the Trinity? Bp. Johnson Chapt. 7 “God Above, Beside, & Within” | June 28 th Let’s Tell Everyone! Doug Clark Chapt. 15 “The Great Proposal” |

DAILY BIBLE READINGS & PRAYER

“Christianity means community through Jesus Christ and in Jesus Christ. . . . We belong to one another only through and in Jesus Christ. What does this mean? It means, first, that a Christian needs others because of Jesus Christ. It means, second, that a Christian comes to others only through Jesus Christ. It means, third, that in Jesus Christ we have been chosen from eternity, accepted in time, and united for eternity.”

— *Dietrich Bonhoeffer, twentieth century Lutheran Pastor, executed by the Nazis.*

It is one of our parish objectives this year to assist every member of Trinity to establish a daily pattern of Bible reading and prayer. As a follow up to the Sunday sermon and in keeping with our spring theme “The Faith Given Once For All” we would encourage you to use the following Bible readings on a daily basis. Daily Bible reading and prayer is the single best personal initiative to facilitate your own spiritual growth. Our thanks to the Very Rev. Peter Williams who has designed a special schedule for the spring and composed the weekly prayers. If you are traveling and miss Happenings, these readings will be posted on our web site www.trinitybarrie.ca May this be a season for you to draw closer to God and sense more deeply his presence!

To Ponder: In our Western World where attacks on Christianity, both subtle and overt are on the increase, how can we form intentional alliances with other Christians: Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox, to present to our detractors, not only a united front, but an attractive and credible unity?

Theme: “A New Beginning! Jesus And Salvation” Suggested Readings for the Week of May 25th. – May 29th

- Romans 3: 21 -- 24
- I John 3: 13—18
- Ephesians 4: 29—32
- John 17: 20 –23
- Acts 11: 11—17

Weekly Prayer: Our Heavenly Father: How can we praise you enough for the free offer of forgiveness, cleansing and restoration made possible through your Son’s redemptive work? As Christ died for the ungodly, help us to die to ourselves when ungodly people provoke and challenge us. Grant us courage to stand alone for our convictions, as need be, remembering that we are not really alone, and that our brothers and sisters in the world are suffering far greater pains. May we find ways of forging new bonds of visible love and service with likeminded believers, so that through this hard won unity the world will believe that truly Jesus is in us and among us. In His Name we ask it. AMEN

SERMON NOTES

To live as Christian we must first understand exactly what occurred on the cross when the good thief expressed faith in Christ and Christ promised him eternity. It was an exchange of identities. Christ comes to the cross to die, giving His righteous life for us; we in turn come to the cross to die, surrendering our old sinful life for Him. Thereafter Christ lives in us (Galatians 2:20). This is the heart of Christian conversion. It is what is meant by the term *salvation*, or what Christians frequently speak of as *being saved* or being *born again*. Our past sins are not only forgiven, but we are transformed to live a new life with God's power and grace.

In a sincere conversion we will soon experience changing affections and habits. Things that used to seem appealing no longer do; things that weren't appealing now are. If your faith is alive, you will experience increasing discontent and conviction over sins of the past and will respond with a genuine desire to turn away, to be changed. If you do not experience "hatred of sin and love of holiness," Charles Spurgeon said, God has "done nothing in you of a saving character."

-- Charles Colson "The Faith" pages 113 and 115.

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY - May 24 "7th of Easter"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion

10:00 a.m. - Family Communion

Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud.,

Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.

12:00 p.m. - Newcomers' Luncheon in Upper Rm.

MONDAY

7:00 p.m. - "The Faith" Study in Aud. & Naz. Rm.

7:15 p.m. - Trinity Rocks Practice in Sanctuary

7:15 p.m. - "The Truth Project" study in Upper Rm.

TUESDAY

12:45 p.m. - "The Faith" Study, Upper Rm

6:30 p.m. - Scouts in Aud.

7:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. - Men's Breakfast at Simcoe Hotel

10:30 a.m. - Holy Communion

12:00 p.m. - "The Faith Study", Upper Rm.

6:45 p.m. - "Beth Moore" Study in Naz. Rm.

THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. - Scouts Group Committee in Naz. Rm.

6:30 p.m. - Venturers in Auditorium

7:15 p.m. - Israel Tour Meeting in Upper Rm.

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice in Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. - "Nooma Study", Nursery

7:00 p.m. - Vision Meeting at Paquette's home

FRIDAY

Synod Meetings

1:30 p.m. - "Nooma" Course in Naz. Rm.

SATURDAY

Synod Meetings

7:45 a.m. - Men's Breakfast Meeting in Aud.

Cursillo Meeting in Upper Rm.

SUNDAY - May 31st "Pentecost"

8:00 a.m. - Family Blessing at the Altar Rail

10:00 a.m. - " " " " " "

Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud.,

Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.

BITS AND PIECES

*Congregation attending Trinity last Week, May 17, was: 8:00 a.m. = 40, 10:00 a.m. = 119, for a total of 159, including 19 children & teachers.

TO OUR DEAR FRIENDS AT TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH FROM THE ARNOLD FAMILY

Over the 32 years we have been part of the Trinity Family, we have shared the joys and sorrows that are all part of the lives of this parish. We have experienced beautiful baptisms, glorious weddings, charismatic celebrations and overflowing love from our brothers and sisters in Christ. This week, as we experienced the loss of Nancy, we felt surrounded with the prayers from our church family, and as we celebrated the life of a remarkable wife, mother, "Nan", and friend we felt the power of the holy spirit washing over us. To all our friends, we say thank-you. We shall miss Nancy terribly, and love her forever, but we will always remember, she is in the nearer presence of God and we shall never forget what a beautiful child of Christ she is.

Terry, Sarah, Ashley, Brian, Kate and Davis.

Congregational Readers' Schedules now ready for pick up in the Narthex.

Collier Street – Temporary Closure

Please note that Collier Street between Mulcaster and Clapperton will be closed on Sunday, June 14th. The Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion – Wheelchair Challenge will take place at the Scotia Bank.

MOURNING

This has been a difficult couple of weeks for our parish. We are mourning the sudden death of Nancy Arnold a Layreader and longtime member. Last Thursday the Directors of the "Arms of Jesus" children's mission in Guatemala were killed in a small plane crash. They hosted our youth mission team last summer. This past Sunday as we were beginning the 8:00 a.m. service the body of Peter Cameron, a Busby client, was found lifeless by our back door. He had passed away in the night. These are all shocking and upsetting and as a community we grieve these losses!

GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER - May 31st at 3pm

Next Sunday - Pentecost Sunday.

What would it be like for believers from all the denominations in Barrie to join together for a time of worship and prayer? What would it be like to worship with your neighbours and friends who attend other churches. The ministers in Barrie have a strong sense that we are called to work together and to pray together. With this objective in mind, we will be joining together on Pentecost Sunday (May 31st) for the Global Day of Prayer at 3:00 pm at Timothy Christian School (Essa Road, south of Mapleview). This is a wonderful celebration of worship, music and prayer. Last year 500 people attended.

** The Global Day of Prayer will culminate a week of prayer. There will be evening prayer meetings in various churches across the city at 7:30 pm BEGINNING TOMORROW Monday May 25th through to Saturday May 30th. We will be hosting one of these prayer meetings THIS Tuesday May 26th at 7:30 pm. I would encourage all of our Trinity members to attend at least 2 of these prayer meetings during that week. It is a wonderful way for believers in Jesus to join together to pray for the city and the country in all the churches of the city!

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| • Monday May 25 | Big Church | 30 Elliott Ave. |
| • Tuesday May 26 | Trinity Anglican Church | 24 Collier St. |
| • Wed. May 27 | Willow Creek Baptist Church | Midhurst |
| • Thursday May 28 | First Christian Reformed | 33 Shirley Ave. |
| • Friday May 29th | Bethel Church on | St. Vincent Ave. |
| • Saturday May 30 | Memorial (Fred Grant) Square | |
| (**Youth Night - Wed. May 27 7:00 - 8:45 PM | | Hi-Way Pentecostal Church) |

“HEAVEN’S HEARTBEAT” -- Prayer Conference

Aligning with the Purposes of God.

Jane Jones will be coming to The Good Shepherd Anglican Church in Stayner for a Prayer Conference on Friday evening June 19th and all day Saturday June 20th. Jane Jacobs is the National prayer co-ordinator for Anglican Renewal Ministries and is also a member of the Canadian Prophetic Council. The Rev. Jim Seagram has arranged for Jane to come to our area and it is a unique opportunity to be further equipped in the ministry of prayer and intercession. Cost is \$40 or \$70 per couple. For more information and to register call Donna Fisher at 429-5931 or www.anglicanparishstaynerwasagabeach.ca

SERVING THE PARISH

Our staff and key lay leaders have a heart to serve the parish and to provide the best possible leadership and care. To assist them in this and so that we have reasonable expectations of one another, your co-operation with the following is appreciated:

** **Walter Shaver:** Walter looks after the care and cleaning of the buildings and the arrangements for the various groups using our buildings. If you will need Walter’s assistance for the set up of your group it is appreciated if you could alert him of this in advance so that he can properly plan his activities for the week. It is hard for him to drop what he is doing at a moments notice and still be able to complete the cleaning of the buildings in the week.

** **Churchwardens:** Our key lay leadership is provided by our four Churchwardens. They are all available to talk with members of the parish on Sunday morning; however, if there are matters of importance or that require consultation then advance communication by email would be appreciated. We want to guard Sunday mornings as a time of worship for them and to be respectful of their family time. Their email addressees are:

- Sue Lyon <lyonmail@rogers.com>
- Walter Marshall <walmart@rogers.com>
- Kathy Proctor <kathy.proctor@sympatico.ca>
- Beth Conway <daconway@sympatico.ca>

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT -- August 6th and 7th.

The Leadership Summit will be held on August 6th and 7th in Richmond Hill. Each year we have been taking a team of about 20 people from Trinity. The presentations apply to leadership in business, in the community, in the church and application to our families. It is a wonderful inspiring event. Even if you do not consider yourself to be a leader it will give you a better sense of your giftings and your place in God’s plan. Application forms will soon be available through our church office. Please speak to Mary Caldwell or Canon Brian if you are interested. The retail cost is about \$200. Through our group discount and some bursary assistance we are able to bring this cost down to \$125 per person. Compared to any other equipping event this is great value.

** It has just been announced that former Prime Minister Tony Blair will be one of the presenters this year. Jessica Jackley who is the founder of KIVA and a graduate of the Stanford School of Business will be speaking. Returning this year will be: Carly Fiorina (of Hewlett Packard), Patrick Lencioni and Bono. This is an outstanding world-class faculty and based on our previous years experience you will find this to be a time of special blessing!

HOLY LAND TOUR -- November 1 - 12th

Details have now been confirmed for our Holy Land Tour on November 1 - 12th led by Canon Brian. Costs have come down substantially since our first quotes last fall. The cost for this tour, including the lost city of Petra, is \$2850. Brochures with all the details are in the tower walk.

** There will be a special information meeting THIS Thursday May 28th at 7:15pm in the upper room. Ari Baurer of Dan Travel will make a short presentation and answer any questions. Ari has been a tour guide in Israel for 18 years and is well qualified in designing our tour and in answering any questions.

** Participation in the tour is NOT restricted to Trinity members. If you have family or friends who may be interested please invite them to the information meeting, and pass on to them one of the brochures.

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Today - Newcomers' Lunch – from 12:00 to 1:30

Anyone new to worshipping with us here at Trinity is heartily invited to join us at noon for a special lunch so that we can officially welcome you to our congregation.

The Newcomers' Vision Team

Men's Breakfast----Last one till September.

Saturday May 30th

Breakfast served at 7:45 a.m. Speaker Jerry Steingard. Topic Bringing the Healing Rooms to Barrie. All men welcome .Free will offering. See you there Mark and Earl



ANGLICANS IN CONCERT

On Sunday, May 24th at 4:00 p.m.. there will be a "Mass Choir" concert at Willow Creek Baptist Church. It will consist of 7 choirs:

Trinity – Barrie,
All Saints – Collingwood, **St. George's** – Allandale, **St. Giles** – Barrie,
St. John's – Craighurst, **St. Jude's** – Ivy, **St. Paul's** – Midhurst,

Also featuring, **Lloyd Preston** – fiddler, **Jane Black & Dianne Jones** – sopranos, **Rev. Stephen Pessah** – vocals and guitar, **Keiko Yoden & Frances Hayter** – pianists, **Susan Connolly** – clarinettist. Directed by: **Sharon Fitzsimmins**

All Proceeds to Busby Centre & Samaritan House (Free will)
For more info contact Carol Hardy 726-3961

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF WOMEN DINNER

The Dinner this year will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 6.30 p.m. On this occasion the gentlemen of the parish will be doing most of the work, i.e., set-up, clean-up and entertainment. If you have a funny story to share, please bring it along. We will, as usual, provide the food. Ladies with surnames beginning A - L will please bring a dessert, and ladies with initials M - Z, a salad. We decided to leave out the "main course" this year, but there will be rolls and butter (marg) as well. I don't think anyone will go home hungry! The Theme this year is "Aprons" - you can't get in without one. Well, I guess you can, but it would be more fun if you did wear one. Donations for the Elizabeth Fry Society would be welcome: laundry products, linens, canned food or cosmetics. We hope that every woman in the parish will consider this as a personal invitation. If you need a lift, give me a call: Marcia 726-3582.

Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) – How Can the Trinity Family Help?

In the Tower Walk, you will see a board with pictures representing the various aspects of the **July 6-10** program eg. a cupcake for SNACKS; a test tube for SCIENCE; a t-shirt for T-SHIRTS; etc. On each picture there will be a dollar amount eg. T-SHIRT – \$7.00 (we hope to purchase shirts for each of the campers).

How you can help....

1. **PICK** a picture/dollar amount that you could donate,
2. **PUT** the picture and the money in one of the envelopes provided, and then
3. **PLACE** the envelope on the offering plate.

DISCOVERY CANYON

Please know how much we appreciate your support of Trinity's outreach to children.

As well as helping us financially, we would appreciate your prayers for the team, the plans and program, and of course, the children who will attend. We value your prayers and rely on them greatly. Thank you

The VBC Team

COME OUT TO HELP US PREPARE TO "SPRING INTO SUMMER" WITH A DELICIOUS ROAST BEEF DINNER.

Sunday June 14th at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Auditorium. Your Social Events Committee and their great helpers will serve up this favourite dinner with all the trimmings: mashed potatoes, gravy, baked onions, carrots, peas, garden salad **and STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE** for dessert !! All this for just \$15.00 per person (\$5.00 for age 12 and under - Free for 3 and under).

Tickets will be sold on May 31st, June 7th and June 14th. OR, phone 727-9058 to reserve tickets.

NOTE: CITY OF BARRIE HAS ASSURED US THAT COLLIER STREET WILL BE RE-OPENED AT 3 P.M. ON SUNDAY JUNE 14TH - JUST IN TIME FOR YOU TO ATTEND OUR ROAST BEEF DINNER.