

Trinity Happenings

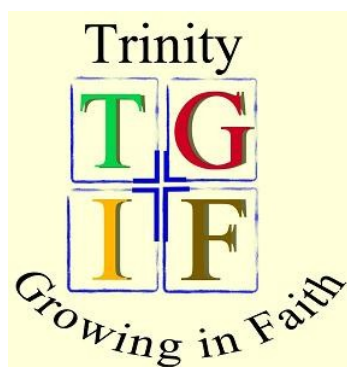
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Our Mission

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



New 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.



NATIONAL THANKSGIVING



The bright orange pumpkins piled high at roadside stalls and grocery stores has become a symbol of the harvest season. "The earth has yielded its increase and God, our God, has blessed us!" (Psalm 67:6) From earliest times the bounty of the harvest has been an occasion for special thanks. Today is our National Thanksgiving and we give thanks for the great bounty of this nation and for our spiritual blessings in Jesus. Genuine thankfulness and gratitude is a key characteristic of a Christian. One of the ancient prayers of the church expresses it in this way, "Almighty God you have crowned the year with your goodness and have given to us the fruits of the earth in their season: Give us grateful hearts, that we may unfeignedly thank thee for all thy loving kindness, and worthily magnify thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." (BCP pg 620).

The Feast of Tabernacles

This past week our Jewish neighbours have been celebrating the Feast of Tabernacles which is the third of the great annual festivals of the Jews (Lev. 23:33-43). It is also called the "feast of ingathering" (Ex. 23:16; Deut. 16:13). It is celebrated immediately after the harvest, in the month Tisri, and the celebration lasts for eight days (Lev. 23:33-43). In Israel during these eight days the people leave their homes and live in booths formed of the branches of trees. This feast is designed (1) to be a memorial of the wilderness wanderings of the Exodus, when the people dwelt in booths (tents) (Lev. 23:43), and (2) to be a harvest thanksgiving (Neh. 8:9-18).

Combatting A.I.D.S. in Uganda -- Doug Willoughby Special Offering of \$2380

Last week Doug Willoughby shared with us his mission to Uganda later this month and the door that the Lord has opened for him to be able to work in the north of that country with those who have been afflicted with A.I.D.S. This area of the country is particularly in need due to the ongoing civil war, as well as which, the recent drought has increased food prices. We are pleased to announce that the special collection last week more than DOUBLED our target goal and that \$2380 has been donated! This is a wonderful, generous response and we want to thank all those who made this possible. One note on the collection plate said "if you don't reach your goal let me know and I will make up the difference". Please continue to pray for Doug and we hope to have email updates to share with you while he is in Uganda. He will come back to us to report to Trinity before Christmas.

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY - Oct.11th "National Thanksgiving"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion
 9:05 a.m. - "Nooma" Study in Naz. Rm.
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion Sunday School in Aud.
 Jr. Youth in Upper Room Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0-4)

MONDAY - "Thanksgiving Day"

Office Closed
 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Rosie's Dinner

TUESDAY

12:45 p.m. - "Beth Moore" in Upper Rm.
 7:00 p.m. - "Beth Moore" in Nazareth Rm.
 5:00 p.m. - D. Busby Board Mtg. in Basement

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. - Men's Breakfast at Simcoe Hotel
 10:30 a.m. - Holy Communion Service in Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. - "Hebrews" Study in Upper Rm.
 12:00 p.m. - St. Joe's Lunch for the Poor in Aud.
 7:00 p.m. - "Hebrews" Study in Upper Rm.
 7:00 p.m. - Trinity Rocks Practice in Sanctuary
 7:15 p.m. - Organ Meeting in Naz. Rm.

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. - Sr. Choir Practice in Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. - Venturers in Aud.

FRIDAY

10:30 a.m. - "Nooma" in Naz. Rm.

SATURDAY

7:30 p.m. - "The Cause" Ministries in Aud.- especially geared to young adults - open to all.

SUNDAY - Oct.18th "Pentecost 20"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion
 9:05 a.m. - "Nooma" Study in Naz. Rm.
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion
 Sunday School in Aud.
 Jr. Youth in Upper Room
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0-4yr.)

BITS AND PIECES

*Congregation attending Trinity last Week, Oct. 4, was: 8:00 a.m.= 30, 10:00 a.m. = 120, for a total of 150, including 22 children & teachers.

FROM THE MAIL

Dear Trinity Family,

Our family offers heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your prayers and condolences offered to us during the sad loss of our daughter Kirsten.

Special thanks to Father Andrew and Canon Brian and everyone whose presence and support were of such comfort during this very difficult time.

Rick and Nancy McKnight, Peter Turner and Doug, Margo, Nicholas and Julia McKnight.

Dear Trinity Friends,

Thanks to all those who came to the Tea held on October 3 to celebrate our 50 years of marriage. Thanks for the many cards, phone calls and the flowers delivered to the door by the Altar Guild. It all went to make the day special. We give special thanks to Lena Marie and her very capable team who provided and served the delicious refreshments. Our family were very happy with the help they received in making it a memorable occasion. Thanks to all.

Sincerely,

Mary and Fred Latornell.

Dear Canon McVitty, Fr. Sandilands, Susan, Marina, and everyone at Trinity,

Thank you for allowing me to practice and learn the pipe organ at the Church. It has allowed me to gain a lot of experience.

Thanks also for letting me play during your service. Feel free to invite me to play again any time!

Adam Coleridge

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

Our New Church Directory

If everything goes well, our church directory will be here November 1st. Today, copies of the pictures taken of you for the directory are available for \$5 each. We would appreciate your help by purchasing your picture (several copies and enlargements can also be provided for a minimal cost). These funds are to help defray the cost of the directory.

Thank you,
 Yearbook Personnel

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.

Parish Info and Updates

THANKSGIVING DINNER -- with Rosie

Tomorrow we will be working with Rosie to serve a hot turkey dinner to those who find themselves in difficult circumstances or who are alone for Thanksgiving. Last year we served about 300 hot dinners! We need people to come at 10:00 a.m. to help set up, another team at 12:00 noon to assist serving food, and finally a clean up crew to come in about 4 pm. Please speak to Canon Brian if you can assist; teenagers are most welcome to help as well.

“ACQUIRE THE FIRE -- HAMILTON”

Youth Rally on October 23 & 24th

What would it be like to be with 15,000 other youth singing and seeking after God?? This year “Acquire the Fire” will be coming to Cops Colusium on October 23 and 24th (Friday & Saturday). We would like to take a group of our youth (High School age and older). Cost is about \$100 plus the cost of food (assistance with this is available). It will be an amazing experience. Please sign up with Canon Brian. Deadline to register is Sunday Oct. 11th. For full details see www.acquirethefire.com/hamilton/

OUT OF THE COLD

"Out of the Cold" provides a safe place for the night during the winter months. They operate in the local churches from November 14th to April 30th. To volunteer or for more info please call 331-1396.

DEPUTY CHURCHWARDEN

We are pleased to announce that BETH HEALE is our new Deputy Churchwarden. Beth and her husband Terry retired to Barrie several years ago from Sudbury where Terry worked with the mining company. They were both active in the St. John the Divine in Copper Cliff. Beth has been a Lay Delegate to Synod and she worked with an ecumenical team to offer Pastoral Care programs at a helping agency in Sudbury. Beth and Terry have been active in our Home Groups since joining Trinity.

DISPEL ANXIETY -- Practice Your Faith.

A group of Toronto scientists have found God -- or at least the effect God has on a believer's brain. Newly published research from a joint project between faculty at the University of Toronto and York University points to reduced stress and anxiety among test subjects who consider themselves to be religious when compared to non-believers. Ian McGregor a professor of personality and social psychology found that believing in God helps religious people block anxiety while under stress. The more religious zeal individuals showed the better they did on the tests.

-- submitted by Jessie Paquette (reports on this study appeared in the October edition of the YorkU magazine and in the Globe & Mail on March 5, 2009)

UPDATE ON MISSION WORK IN PANAMA

-- Howard and Mariela Walker

Thanksgiving greetings to all of our friends and supporters at Trinity. Regarding our mission work on the island of Kuna Yala, the evangelical churches continue to grow in the Kuna islands despite obstacles. However, there are many problems relating to drugs, HIV, AIDS, alcohol etc. especially among the youth. Parental concern is sadly lacking, aging grandparents are left to cope with much of the burden. Civic leadership and control is not exerted. The church we support on Achutupu has attracted a large number, too many to suit some of the community and chiefs who, ironically, contend that Christianity is destroying their culture, (400 children in Sunday school). They have limited the church services to two days a week.

To counter this, Mariela's family's eco-tourist lodges hold regular, staff bible study, praise and worship; usually 20-30 attending. These men and women are parents, or of marriage age, our prayer is that they will build their lives on Jesus and that they will be disciples bringing their children and others to His Way. Mariela has been sharing the Gospel with them each day this past week, hearing moving testimony as the Holy Spirit leads to confession and repentance. There is a great thirst for God's love and to hear about salvation.

This year, we had several U.S. volunteers teaching English at the school (escuela Iguanaisy) in Achutupu, also two business administrators who gave seminars on money management - very important now that the barter economy (coconuts for goods) is being replaced with dollar exchange. Thanks to a dedicated volunteer from the faculty at Stanford Univ. we had an English-teaching summer school, very well attended by many eager students. She was not daunted by the rain dripping through the many holes in the roof, frequent requests for repairs having been long ignored by the ministry of education in Panama.

We are preparing to give Christmas gifts to the children of all employees, somewhat along the lines of Samaritan's purse, and with emphasis on the Good News of His birth. We are looking forward to having the Old Testament in Kuna soon, to add to the New Testament Kuna translation. The fishing co-op is producing results, helping the members families to feed themselves and make a small profit. Also bringing them an awareness of the source of this blessing and our Lord's provision for His people. This is indeed a time for all of us to give thanks to God and reflect on His great goodness and mercy.

Blessings to everyone at Trinity. -- Mariela and Howard Walker

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ALPHA AND HOME GROUPS -- Thanksgiving Monday

Alpha and all of the Monday evening groups are reminded that we will not be meeting tomorrow evening, Thanksgiving Day. Our full program resumes next Monday, October 19th. We are delighted to have Mae and Lena-Marie back cooking the dinners Monday evenings; a great home made dinner is served at 6:30 pm (modest cost of \$9).

MISSION AND OUTREACH THIS FALL AT TRINITY

Is it possible to move beyond these four walls to impact the community of Barrie and to share the love of Jesus around the world? This has been an exciting fall season for us as a congregation as we have done just that. Our thanks to all those who have given leadership to make this outreach & mission possible. A summary of some of these initiatives is:

- Doors Open Barrie - 90 people welcomed September 20th
- Back to Church Sunday "Come as You Are" several people welcomed on September 27th
- Sung Evensong - 300 people attending choir from St. Mary Magdalene Toronto with Colours of Music festival
- Worship services in 9 Retirement & Nursing Homes in Barrie
- Combatting A.I.D.S. in Uganda -- Doug Willoughby special mission offering of \$2380!
- Howard & Mariella Walker update from mission work in Panama
- Thanksgiving Dinner tomorrow serving 300 hot dinners with Rosie

NEARLY NEW SALE – Oct. 29, 30, and 31

October seems to be a good month for tidying closets, trunks, and cupboards. Please have a good look around to see what you can part with for this fund raiser – the only one for the fall. In case you are not aware of how the Nearly New Sale works, here is a brief explanation. There are two options for you when you have chosen what you would like to be rid of: (1) You may put your items into the sale as donations, in which case the Women's Fellowship keeps the proceeds and we spend the money gained on projects around the church, including the David Busby Street Centre, and we give some to charities in the community such as Youth Haven. (2) If you wish to realize some cash from the sale, then you tag each item with the price you choose, and the size (if clothing) and what the item is if it's at all mysterious. You will receive 50% of the proceeds of the sale, and the Women's Fellowship keeps the other 50%.

Gently used winter clothing, boots, sports equipment, housewares, small appliances (in working condition), linen, shoes, jewelery, purses, scarves, gloves and mitts sell well. Children's' toys, and puzzles (complete please) are welcome, as well as pictures, mirrors, lamps.

All clothing and linen must be clean, stain-free and hole-free. Clothing should be seasonal, i.e., Winter ware. Household items must be clean and in working condition. Books and magazines need to be clean and not ragged.

Take-in Day is Thursday, Oct. 29, from 9.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m. Please come early – the staff has probably been working all day and really wants to leave promptly at six. Everything you deliver should already be priced.

Tagging guns for clothing will be available to borrow in the week before this. **We will not accept donations after 6 p.m. on Thursday. Nor will we accept donations on Friday or Saturday.**

Please note that Mae's Kitchen will be open on Thursday, for coffee, muffins, and "make-your- own sandwiches". On Friday and Saturday, Mae will be serving soup, a roll, a beverage and cookies or squares as well. All this for a very reasonable price. Proceeds to TWF, of course.

Sale Days: Friday, Oct. 30 - 9.00 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 31 - 8.30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to make these busy days work. Men especially are needed for set-up and security.

Sign-up sheets are will be posted soon - Please sign-up EARLY.

For more information contact Marcia at 726-3582, or Cathy at 436-7027.

