



# Trinity Dove

January 24, 2010 + Epiphany 3 + **On the Streets**  
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## + Sabbaths & Celebrations

### Sunday, January 24 ~ Epiphany 3

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Adults: Interesting Lives - Mike & Tine Gascon.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

### Sunday, January 31 ~ Epiphany 4

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Adults: Interesting Lives - Nancy & Roger Dale.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

### Sunday, February 7 ~ Epiphany 5

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Adults: Interesting Lives - Scott Malloch & Emily Ritz.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.
- + Sanctuary Pot-Luck Supper at 6 pm.

### Sunday, February 14 ~ Transfiguration

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Blessing of parish visitors. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Annual Congregational Meeting at c. 10:45 am.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

## Wednesday, February 17 ~ Ash Wednesday

- + Imposition of Ashes at 7 pm.

### Sunday, February 21 ~ Lent 1

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Adults: On the Streets with Kelly-Sue Labus & Colleen Hesch.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

### Sunday, February 28 ~ Lent 2

- + Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures at 10:45 am.
- + Adults: On the Streets with Trish Robinson.
- + Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

## + Urgent Appeal: Haiti

Use the enclosed offering envelope. Mark it "Haiti." Make the cheque out to Trinity. We will forward funds to CLWR. The first \$350 will be matched by FaithLife Financial with additional government matching.

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## ✦ Pastor André ~ On the Streets

Grace and peace to you.

I had planned to use this column to introduce this year's anniversary mission theme: "In mission.... on the streets." Already, our Adult Learning Team, Faith in Film folks and Faith Adventures people have picked it up. The idea that we ought to look beyond ourselves as we celebrate our anniversaries should come as no surprise. It's been Trinity's story for one-hundred-and-seventy-five-and-then-some years!

The big surprise lies in connection with a phone call I received a day or two before Christmas from Susan Johnson, our National Bishop. She was inviting me to join the national church staff as "Assistant to the Bishop for Ecumenical Relations." I was, as I wrote our Council and staff, and remain, in shock. As I understand it, the task is a part-time position which would be handled by a deployed staff person much as I did as our national church's worship person a decade ago.

In recent days, Anne and Lori and I have had a number of conversations among ourselves, with other leaders in the congregation, with people at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary and with others who might assist us in reinventing our ministry in a number of exciting new ways.

In the same week as this issue of TRINITY DOVE hits the streets, Council will meet to consider our options and to make recommendations to the congregation. By then, Bishop Johnson will want some indication of my interest to do the work and of our congregation's interest in partnering with the national church, the seminary and others in this bold new adventure.

I'm hopeful and I'm optimistic. I think we are in a unique position to build new relationships with Waterloo Lutheran Seminary and our national church. These relationships have the potential to assist us in giving a fuller and deeper expression to some of the ministries born as a result of our stewardship programs and conversations of recent years.

As I write, it's the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6. At home, Barbara and Blake are pulling down our Christmas tree while Ruth and John have just telegraphed that they'll be home for supper. Dayna is back in Kingston and busy about her second-term work. For my part, I'm sorting out tomorrow's agenda so that Anne Hammer and I can visit Lotus up north following upon a visit with Herb & Hilda Thomas who are new to Trinity. And I'm very excited!

From this date till Council meets on January 20, I expect

that a tremendous number of conversations will have transpired to assist us in making our way forward.

Anne and Lori and I welcome these even as we welcome your prayers and your support as we seek to give expression to some wonderful possibilities for ministry at Trinity Church and, out there, *on the streets*.

All blessings.

✦ *andré lavergne*



## ✦ Parish Visitors

Late last year, we had some conversation at the Council table and in the Mutual Ministry Team around the possibility of putting in place a team of lay parish visitors whose visits would augment those of the pastors. The following are aboard: Anne Hammer, Janice Ritz, Don Jardin, Dorothy Jardin, Millie Buehlow, Kathy Bender, Heidi Ziegler and Chris Normandeau.

These folks will visit at the direction of our pastors. Millie will visit in our Kitchener nursing homes where she has a long-established relationship with our people as their shepherd. Chris will give special attention to some people at Nithview where she serves already in recreation. The others will visit around the parish as their schedules and interests permit. All are familiar faces in the ministry of Trinity Church. We plan to bless our visitors on Sunday, February 14 (Transfiguration), the same Sunday as our annual meeting.

✦ *andré lavergne*

## ✦ Nurturing Faith: Adults (Sundays)

A number of Trinity's people are participating in the latest installment in our Interesting Lives series. Look for...

- January 24 - Mike & Tine Gascon
- January 31 - Nancy & Roger Dale
- February 7 - Scott Malloch & Emily Ritz

On February 21, we begin a new series. We are inviting Trinity people who represent community groups which have an "On the Streets" mission emphasis. Look for...

- February 21 - Breakfast for Learning - Kelly-Sue Labus & Colleen Hesch
- February 28 - Wilmot Family Resource Centre - Trish Robinson

✦ *andré lavergne & friends*

## + Sacraments & Seasons

### Baptisms

Our community welcomes the January 10 baptisms of Colton Delroy Smith, son of Daryl Smith & Susan Yutzi-Smith; Tyler Laurence Ferguson, son of Troy & Julie (Steinberg) Ferguson; and of Violet Ann Bender, daughter of Rodrick & Becky (Ruthig) Bender.

### February Birthdays

**1** - Stephen May; **2** - Erma Cheeseman, Howard Weicker, Tammy Bingeman, Anesa Wettlaufer; **3** - Janice Ritz, Dwane Arnott, Tara Otto, Kirsten Danner; **4** - Ella Luckhart, Sherry Wallace, Dave Randerson, Dale Schaaf, Jackson Normandeau; **5** - Anneliese Kraehling, Tom Boehler, Ricky Long, Aidan Bruce; **6** - Christina Butz, Jessica Gascon; **7** - Hans Lass, Darryl Smith, Kate Gingerich, Rachel Steinberg; **8** - Joanne Aitken; **9** - Paul Buehlow, Rob Murray, Todd Seltzer, Rachel Heise, Jeremy Wagler; **10** - Rose Swartzentruber, Susan Leclair, Tyler Legare; **11** - Keith Heise, Heidi Ziegler, Keller Snyder, Sayde Campbell; **12** - Calvin Schwartzenruber, Anita Hanson, Brad MacDonald, Erin Anger; **13** - Lynn Zoeller, Laurie Clarke, Beth Bender, Derek Snyder; **14** - Jean Hammer, Klaus Jahn, Valerie Gerber; **15** - John Wallace, Jeff Lindner, Sara Mann, Caitlyn Burchatzki; **16** - Irvin Quast, Arlene Kropf, Greg Martin; **17** - Jeff McClenaghan, Diane Hatchwell, Geri Prues, Jessica Parkin, Justin Gerber; **18** - Michael O'Donoghue, Troy Hammer; **19** - Mary Ann Keller, Kevin Bingeman, Steve Aitken; **20** - Barry Wallace, Michelle Zoeller, Lynette Eberschlag; **21** - Brent Shantz; **22** - Richard Zoeller, Tracy Sheard, Jacqueline Bailey, Isaac Seltzer; **23** - Judy Hillar, Heather Leu, Angie Scheid, Michael Lagace-Roote; **24** - Roy Berfelz, James Schiedel; **25** - Pete Bast, Shelley Lindner, Ashley Leu; **26** - Christine Klaassen, Martha Cook, Anthony Medley, Kevin Schwartz; **27** - George Mueller, Sheila Hooisma; **28** - Doug Kaminska, Tom Murray, Jason Holst, Shelby Junker, Adrian Nickolas. Happy birthday!

### February Anniversaries

**1** - Derek & Kelly Snyder; **4** - Corey & Kate Gingerich; **6** - Pete & Sharon Bast, Kimberley & Mark Murray, Holly & Jason Plein; **14** - Mark & Stacey West; **16** - Ray & Jill Merner; **19** - Dwane & Lori Arnott; **24** - David & Holly Bast; **26** - Steve Dramnitzke & Teresa MacVicar; **27** - Jackie & Pete Buehlow. Congratulations, friends.



+ jill merner

## + ELW's Secret Sisters' Pot-Luck

Our ELW hosts a Secret Sister program in which women are paired with one another as "secret sisters." During the year, each sister sends greetings, seasonal cards and small gifts to a "secret sister." The latter does not know the identity of the former. Participants gather for a February pot-luck at which identities are revealed.

Are you a participant? Terrific!

Not aboard? Consider joining on February 1, 6:30 pm, at this year's pot-luck supper! Call Pat Schmetzer, 519.634-8232, for details.

+ pat schmetzer

## + ELW's Baby Bundles

Now that we are through our Mitten Tree season, we turn our thoughts to Baby Bundles. Once again, the ELW will be preparing Baby Bundles for Canadian Lutheran World Relief. They get sent out in the Spring.

We are in need of knitted or crocheted baby sweaters, sleepers, shirts, wash-cloths, and baby wool for our knitters.

We use any donations to purchase flannel for diapers and receiving blankets; diaper pins; baby wool, and other supplies. Please put any articles in the narthex. Donations should be placed in an offering envelope labeled "Baby Bundles". Imagine the joy of a needy mother who receives a bundle from CLWR to welcome her newborn!

+ pat schmetzer

## + Christmas Clinic

Sponsored by Trinity Church, the final blood donor clinic for 2009 was held on December 28, at Waterloo-Oxford D.S.S. 184 residents took the time from their busy schedules to donate blood. 159 actually gave the gift of life which will help 477 lives. Trinity Lutheran Church volunteers served refreshments to the donors and provided a meal to the Canadian Blood Services staff. Boy, were they happy!

The next clinic will be held on Monday, February 22, between the hours of 2:15 pm & 8:30 pm at W/O and will be sponsored by Zion United Church. Call 1-888-2-DONATE to book an appointment for further information.

+ ken seltzer

## ✦ Sabbath Blessing

### Memes (... not Meme's)

It would probably drive Richard Dawkins, who invented the word "meme", absolutely nuts to have a specifically Christian writer using his word, because Dawkins is a rampant atheist. But there's the breaks with neologisms. You invent a word and put it out there and lo! your control over it vanishes.

"Meme" is a useful notion: a unit of culture that can be passed around, rather like a virus, or passed down, rather like a gene. The possibilities are endless, from earworms to racism, from the proper way to hold a fork or whether we sit on chairs or squat. Some memes (obviously) fit together better than others and form memplexes: Dawkins sees religions as being memplexes. His notion is that memes and memplexes are subject to evolutionary forces. And he has a point. We hold some truths to be immutable, but theology *does* evolve as we wrap in new understandings and confront new issues. Some would say this is a good thing; others would disagree.

Memes propel our behaviour in particular directions. For example, the college that my parents and grandparents attended passes along a memplex of idealism, modesty, non-materialism, and social responsibility; I see the same meme at work in (say) the United Church of Canada or in my daughter-in-law or in the volunteers at the local Humane Society. Dawkins would probably spit if I said that I thought it was a good memplex, because memes, like genes, aren't good in and of themselves, but only in how they express themselves. I got a bit of that memplex from my parents and grandparents, but I caught the real thing by attending that particular college, and it has shaped a lot of my own life choices. I've passed it along to my kids.

That memplex fits very nicely with a memplex that my kids got from their father's rural Nova Scotian side of the family, one of generosity, hospitality, gentleness, genuine humility (of the best sort), and general kindness. The two memes reinforced each other. There's a belongingness of deep unselfishness there, and it shines (halleluia!) through my sons.

But families can hand along madly conflicting memes. For example, my mother's family passed along a nasty memplex involving avarice, intellectual arrogance, competition, disconnection, achievement-worship, and social snobbery, much of it culturally inculcated and rooted in dysfunctional parenting memes of their times. Ick-

meme. But they also passed on that college memplex of idealism and responsibility. Crazy-making, those conflicting memplexes. We choose our memes, too. In middle age, my mother chose a faith-based memplex (which she carefully nurtured) of courtesy, humility, patience, non-judgmental understanding, and theological curiosity, and it's for that, and not for the memes she inherited, that I would choose to have her remembered. That choice was the fruit, I believe, of the Spirit.

So what's the point? Why is this of any particular interest?



Because it may make it a little easier to deal with the stuff that drives us nuts. For example, I have a notion — a meme — of what love is supposed to be like; if someone who claims to love me acts differently, I see it as unloving behaviour and react accordingly. But in fact, the other person may be being pushed around by a meme that has nothing whatsoever to do with love — because memes do actually propel behaviour. If I'm aware of that possibility, I can better control my own reactivity.

Most of the stuff that drives me batty has to do with meme conflicts, like those in my mother's family. I am too apt to pass judgment without remembering that what's pulling my chain isn't chosen behaviour; it's behaviour that's propelled by forces of which the other person may be completely unaware. Likewise, memes of which I am completely unaware may be propelling me in ways that drive that other person batty.

When a person proclaims one message and acts its opposite, is it really hypocrisy, or is one meme in charge of the talk and a completely different (and likely unrecognized) meme propelling the walk? When someone's apparently in total denial about a problem, is there perhaps a subterranean meme-war going on that has simply shut that person down and paralyzed any self-insight? At least those are possibilities I can think about, instead of simply going off half-cocked.

It lets me see things differently; I do not have a meme for simple cruelty, for example, because it's been ruthlessly bred out of my particular culture. But I can see cultures in which that meme is highly active. It doesn't stop me from seeing that meme as wholly negative, and I have the responsibility to oppose it as best I can, but it does mean that I can understand *why* a little better.

In short, thinking memetically has the possibility of defusing my hot buttons and keeping my judgmental streak (a meme right there!) on a much shorter leash. Which would be a Good Thing.

But the same goes for judging myself, at which I am exceptionally talented. The past makes more sense when I think in terms of conflicting memes. I'm not responsible for the content of what I inherited, but I can claim some credit for having deliberately chosen some memes as positive and having just as deliberately rejected others.

My family's meme of avarice, for example: I gave that one the yo-heave-ho back in my early 20s, and while that rejection means that I'm facing a fiscally challenged old age, at least it's left my soul a little sweeter. Every now and again, when I come into contact with that toxic old meme, it tries to infect me, but I recognize it as spiritually sick and give it the bum's rush. Now that I see it as a toxic meme, I'll be even quicker on the draw.

I have recognized the meme for what it is: a response of anxiety, passed down through the generations. Its roots are in the sad, cold cellar of lovelessness and damaged trust, where children are valued only for their achievements, not for their own lovely selves, and where money stands in for real security, for family love cannot be relied on. My kids never caught that infection, thank God. Their father's doing, and mine. An achievement, greater than any number of PhDs or fat portfolios.

The important thing — and with apologies to Mr. Dawkins, this really is specifically religious! — is to be conscious of our own memes and forgiving, as best we can, of the hurts that others' memes have inflicted on us, for as often as not, "they know not what they do". That is a central Gospel message. We have to understand that the memes we take completely for granted are memes that others may never have heard of. We have the responsibility to sort through our memes, nourishing the ones in line with the love of God and pruning, or even tossing out altogether, those that press us in other directions.

It's possible to take our memplexes apart, thoughtfully and with intent. But the memes that matter are the ones that answer to God and that speak of self-giving love. We deal with what we've been handed, one meme at a time. Always.

✝ molly wolff

## ✝ December Council News

- Every month, Council sends a number of thank-you notes to people named in the pastors' report. This month, we thanked Vern Cronmiller, Syd Hills & Paul Bosch for their participation at adult learning; Stan Otterbein & family for the magnificent Christmas tree; Ken Seltzer for

picking up some of Council's property work; Gywin Murray and our choirs for their extra anniversary work and Advent witness in our community; and the pastor and people of St. James, New Dundee, for welcoming Pastor André for to anniversary celebrations and for hosting our TYGers for the annual Thirty-Hour Famine.

- As we do every year, Council is seeking people who might be willing to let their names stand for Council over the next term, 2010-2013. Several names were brought forward from the community and people are being approached. Already, we have heard some good news. Great!



Some years ago, Council adopted a process called "recruiting to position." Council seeks to match peoples' particular gifts and skills with our projected ministry needs. People are asked whether they might be willing to serve in a particular area where their talents are apparent or have been demonstrated. Experience has shown that far fewer people decline the opportunity to serve if their gifts are matched to the tasks at hand.

- Council reviewed a second draft of Trinity's 2010 program budget. As ever, Rick Ritz, our point person in such matters, welcomes input. The budget will be published in connection with the Bulletin of Annual Reports, January 31, 2010, two weeks before the annual meeting.

- Some concerns related to the functioning of Council and the Mutual Ministry Team and their relationship to our pastors were raised in correspondence from a member of the parish and were addressed *in camera*. The pastors excused themselves from the conversation. A letter of response was drafted by Trinity's president and secretary.

✝ lori arnott, krista durrer et al

## ✝ Soup, Sandwich, Sermon & Song

Trinity will participate in the annual *Soup, Sandwich, Sermon and Song* series held Wednesdays during Lent beginning on Ash Wednesday (February 17). This year's theme: the Seven Last Words of Christ. Trinity will host the February 24 devotions and lunch.

Pastor André will be on-deck. Pat Schmetzer and friends will co-ordinate the lunch effort. We gather at Zion United Church on Peel Street at noon. A free-will offering supports the work of the Canadian Bible Society.

✝ andé lavergne

## + Tintinnabulations

### February 1 ~ ELW Secret Sisters

We gather at 6:30 pm for this year's pot-luck supper! Call Pat Schmetzer, 634-8232, for details.

### February 2 ~ Prayer Circle Update

Shirley Unrau & the pastors meet, 9:30 am.

### February 3 ~ Congregate Dining

Gather, 11:30 am, at Zion United. Details: 519.749-0784.

### February 3 ~ Anniversary Task Group

We meet at 7 pm to make plans.

### February 14 ~ Annual Meeting

Trinity's annual congregational meeting is called for February 14, at c. 10:45 am.

### February 16 ~ Gentle Friends

Gentle Friends Readers gather, 7:30 pm, in Trinity Hall. February's pick: *Island* by Alistair MacLeod. Information: Kathryn Ritz, 519.662-2960.

### February 18 ~ DOVE Prep Team

TRINITY DOVE Prep. Team gathers, 9 am for this week-early Christmas edition.

### February 22 ~ Blood Donor Clinic

Hosted by Zion United at Waterloo-Oxford, 2:15 - 8:30 pm. Call 1.888.2-donate! Info: Ken Seltzer, 519.662-2432.

### First & Third Mondays, 8 pm ~ CLEAN

CLEAN meets in the M. Luther Room. Holidays excepted.

### Tuesdays, 6:45 pm ~ TOPS

TOPS—Taking Off Pounds Sensibly—M. Luther Room.

### Saturdays, 8 pm ~ A/A

A/A open meeting in Trinity Hall.

+ *andré lavergne & jill merner*

## + Faith in Film VI ~ In Mission...

We gather on seven winter Monday evenings, 7 pm, in Trinity's Bruce Hammer Theatre. Sherry Coman—writer, teacher of film & lover of the arts—leads our conversation for this new series: In mission... On the Streets. The theme reflects our 2010 anniversary mission emphasis. Information: Sherry Coman ~ [sherry.coman@gmail.com](mailto:sherry.coman@gmail.com)

January 18 - **The Soloist** (USA: Joe Wright, 2009) - A Los Angeles journalist befriends a homeless Julliard-trained musician.

January 25 - **Missing** (USA: Costa-Gavras, 1982) - When an idealistic writer disappears during the military coup in 1973 Chile, his wife and American businessman father try to find him.

February 1 - **Amal** (India: Richie Mehta, 2007) - A dying billionaire leaves his estate to an autorickshaw driver who has no knowledge of it.

February 8 - **Entertaining Angels; The Dorothy Day Story** (USA: Michael Ray Rhodes, 1996) - The story of 1920's-30's

social activist, Dorothy Day, who, sometimes singled-handedly and always controversially, fought social injustice.

February 22 - **Besieged** (Italy: Bernardo Bertolucci, 1999) - An African woman, working as a cleaner in Rome, searches for her husband with the aid of an English pianist.

March 1 - **The Long Walk Home** (USA: Richard Pearce, 1990) - Two women—one black and one white—in 1955 Montgomery, Alabama, must decide how to respond to the bus boycott led by Martin Luther King Jr.

March 8 - **The Visitor** (USA: Thomas McCarthy, 2007)- A college professor travels to a conference in New York City and finds a young couple living in his apartment.

+ *sherry coman*

## + Good Friday Cantata

We are working on a reprise of last year's Good Friday Cantata, THE WEEPING TREE. It was extremely-warmly received. Care to sing with us? Speak to Gywin Murray if you would like to join us. We rehearse on Thursdays, 7:45 pm, at the front end of the regular Trinity Choir rehearsal.

Of course, you'd also be welcome to sing in the regular Trinity Choir. You'd be welcome either way!

+ *gywin murray*



## + Finances to December 31, 2009

	General Fund	Capital Fund	Transfers
Income	\$ 259,662	\$ 15,181	\$ 24,467
Outgo	255,028	3,455	24,467
Balance	\$ 4,634	\$ 11,726	\$ 0

+ bob ruthig & andré lavergne

## + Property Matters

### Energy Conservation & Comfort II

Last month, we listed a number of energy conservation and comfort items being undertaken at the parsonages. So far... The Peel and Wilmot Street attics have been fully insulated and the access hatches built-up / sealed. The Peel Street water heater (a rental) has been replaced with a high-efficiency in-line unit. Windows at Wilmot Street have been measured and will be replaced when they come in, likely in March.



Work is under way to relocate the basement water softener and we'll soon begin to demolish the cistern in the Wilmot Street parsonage in preparation for the application of insulation and the installation of a new furnace and air conditioning unit thereafter. Replacement of Wilmot and Peel Street toilets with low-flush models is under way. All of this work will attract substantial energy-related rebates and will be covered by 2009 Capital Fund receipts. In other words, the funds are already in-hand. (See the Capital Fund surplus noted above.)

### Main Church Work

We were unable to complete the anticipated installation of a new tank/pump assembly to evacuate kitchen waste. Apparently, there is not enough room between the joists to accommodate the new unit. We're looking at alternatives.

+ ken seltzer et al

## + Nurturing Faith - Open Table

Join us for a first-Wednesday-of-the-month philosopher's café featuring coffee and conversation. The venue is the Katie Luther Room. The time is 7 pm. The focus is on young adults, but everyone is welcome. The first session is March 3. Topic "How to meet God in the every-day."

+ anne anderson & friends

## + Nurturing Faith - Faith Adventures

### Request for Teachers

We need teachers for our Faith Adventures Program. Interested in leading young people? Do you like crafts, music, stories or movies? We need teachers for our winter term. Please speak to Lori Arnott (519.662-1441) or to one of our Faith Adventures team a.s.a.p.

### CLWR's One Community

This Lenten Faith Adventures program reflects Trinity's "On the Streets" mission emphasis. Through CLWR we will be helping to raise funds to "build a village." We invite the congregation to join us in this adventure. Watch for a big poster in the Katie Luther room.

### Affirmation Ministry Update

Grade 7 & 8 Affirmation youth gather for a variety of Saturday sessions. Mark your calendars for February 6 (Youth Day mentioned below), March 6 and April 17.

February 6 - **Seminary Youth Day**. If you are in grade seven or eight you will be receiving your forms at your January class. Please have them in to me by Sunday January 24, at church. The day will include worship, workshops and food and games.

+ anne anderson & friends

## + TYGers

January 23, 6-8 pm - **Xtreme Volleyball Night**. Gather at the church. Please bring clothes you can get messy and clothes you can get wet and clothes for outside. Trust me... it will be loads of fun! Sign up in the narthex.

February 26-28 - **Youth Retreat at Edgewood**. Joint event with Saint James, New Dundee. Forms will be out soon. They will be posted on the youth board when available.

**Nithview Visit Rebooked** We will be doing some fun activities with our folks over at Nithview. Anyone up for a game of checkers? Watch for a March date. This is a good way to get some volunteer hours and try something new.

Want to **connect with Pastor Anne**? Call the church 519.662-1810 or catch her via email at [anderson@telc.ca](mailto:anderson@telc.ca) or on Facebook at TYGers New Hamburg.

+ anne anderson