



Trinity Dove

May 22, 2011 + Easter 5 + À Dieu
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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+ Sabbaths & Celebrations

Sunday, May 22 ~ Easter 5 + Victoria Day Weekend

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Community Worship at 9:30 am (parish update, 9:20 am). (Pastor Anne is at Pitch 'N Praise with Trinity's TYGers.)
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.

Sunday, May 29 ~ Easter 6 + Anniversary Celebration

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Worship with National Bishop Susan Johnson at 9:30 am. We celebrate 100 years of worship in our present worship space.
- + Installation of time capsule at c. 10:45 am.
- + Anniversary Brunch at c. 11:15 am.
- + The Synod is 150 years old while the Seminary is 100 years old. Join us, 7 pm, at St. James Lutheran Church, Elmira, for anniversary celebrations.

Sunday, June 5 ~ Easter 7

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Worship at 9:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures Carnival & BBQ. Murray's sausage & Patty (Nabert) Bruce sauerkraut is on the menu!

Sunday, June 12 ~ Pentecost + Sherry Coman Sunday

- + Anchor Community at 9:30 am (update, 9:20 am).
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am. We observe the Feast of Pentecost and celebrate Sherry Coman Sunday. There will be cake!
- + Sanctuary Community Worship at 11:30 am.

Sunday, June 19 ~ Holy Trinity + Father's Day

- + Anchor Community Worship at 9:30 am (parish update, 9:20 am).
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Sanctuary Community Worship at 11:30 am.

Sunday, June 26 ~ Pentecost 2 + Church Music

- + Joint Anchor and Sanctuary Community Worship at 9:30 am (update, 9:20 am). At the conclusion of Trinity's three years of anniversary celebrations (2009-2011) we celebrate Gywin Murray's 50 years at the console of Trinity's organ. Surprises await.
- + A community pot-luck follows our worship. People are invited to bring a sample of their favourite TASTE OF TRINITY cookbook recipe. How about something that Gywin submitted?

+ *andré lavergne*

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+ Mrs. Murray's Faithful Journey

On May 10, Gywin Murray met with members of the Mutual Ministry Team and indicated her intention to retire as Trinity's Director of Music. Gywin writes...

Dear Trinity family,

Fifty-five years ago, on June 27, 1956, I married Jim Murray and we settled in New Hamburg in the house where we live to this day.

Fifty years ago, I began to play the organ at Trinity. I followed Nana Ritz who retired when she was 75. Nana lived another 30 years, to the age of 106!

This summer, I'll turn 75. So, I figure this is the right time to call it a day. That way, I'll get to take care of my mom, devote myself to my family, and not have to keep up such a hectic pace.

While my last major service will be on June 26, I have some vacation coming and will formally retire at the end of August. I'll return to do the Manfred Chiduck - Judythe Schnarr wedding in September.

That is, the Lord willing and the crick don't rise!

Gywin Murray

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On May 18, Trinity's Council will meet. Their direction will be reflected in a pastoral letter included in TRINITY DOVE.

+ andré lavergne

+ Vicar Jennifer's Faithful Journey

On April 13, we received the following from Vicar Jennifer.

Dear Trinity Family,

It is with sadness that I write to let you know of my decision to end my internship here at Trinity.

The bottom line is that it has been too difficult to juggle the demands of internship, school, and a young family. I have increasingly felt that none of these three areas of my life have been given the time and the attention they deserve.

In the fall I will return to seminary full time to complete the academic requirements of the Master of Divinity degree,

then complete the internship requirement following that.

I want to thank all of you for welcoming me into your community. You have encouraged me and supported me on this journey, and for that I am very grateful. I have learned so much from the vibrant and active ministries in which you participate here at Trinity. Thank you for allowing me to be a small part of your lives and ministry over the last eight months.

I wish you God's blessing on your faithful journey.

Vicar Jennifer

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The conclusion to Jennifer's internship was heralded on Easter Sunday. The announcement, however, also included word that Jennifer would be married on Easter Monday, to The Rev. David Wirt, a pastor serving the Williamsford-Sullivan parish. We can never quite foresee the astonishing abundance of life's twists and turns. We wish Jennifer and David—together with Andrew, Megan & Kaitlyn—every blessing in their faithful journey together.

+ andré lavergne

+ Pr. André ~ À Dieu

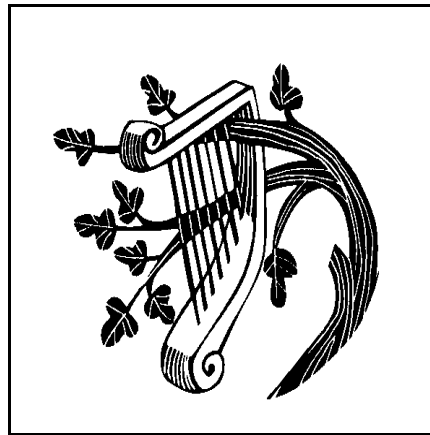
Grace and peace to you.

When we hear the expression "adieu," we generally hear "goodbye." True enough, at one level *adieu* simply means *goodbye*. However, "adieu" comes from "to God" (à Dieu) and implies a journey of some substance. In turn, *to God* is a shortened form of "I commend you to God." or "I commend you to God's care."

Once upon a time, *goodbye* would have been heard—and offered!—in much the same way. Goodbye is a shortened form of "God be with ye." It would seem that our forebears were concerned that God would journey with them and they said so. It was as much a form of blessing as anything else: Adieu... Goodbye... God *be* with you... God *go* with you.

I like the idea that when we part, we part with the hope that God goes with us and, more importantly, that God goes with the one or ones from whom we are parting. I like the fact that the accent is on the person or persons to whom the word is offered: Adieu... Goodbye... God *be* with you... God *go* with you.

+ andré lavergne



+ Sacraments & Seasons

Births

We welcome the May 5 birth of Elliot Benjamin Cape to Amy (Bender) and Brendan Cape. Congratulations!

Baptisms

On April 23, at the Vigil of Easter, Joseph and Grace Becker, children of Kylie and Kevin Becker, were baptized. On May 8, Easter 3, Isabelle Otterbein, daughter of Devon & Misty Otterbein, and Lily Preidt, daughter of Adam & Kristal Preidt, were baptized. We welcome you into God's family.

New Members

On May 8, Easter 3, Judythe Schnarr, together with Derek & Leanne Freitag; Chris, Shelly, Kennedy, Olivia & Reese Faulhafer and Christa, Cassidy and Sydney Kieswetter, were welcomed into the parish. Glad to have you aboard!



Blaquiere; **20** - Joanne Hills, Jane Bean, Sadie Hammer; **21** - Tom Wallace, Ryan Yost; **22** - Betty Murray, Dale Hillar, Val Dupree, Emily Morrison; **23** - Sarah Mueller; **24** - Marilyn Moore, Régis St-Pierre; **25** - Gordon Faulhafer; **26** - Gwen Abraham, Brendan Cape, Justin Danner, Brandon Danner; **27** - Herb Thomas, Corrie DeRuiter, Lily Murphy; **28** - Ann Patton, Becca Klooster; **29** - Jean Cook, Eddy Livingston, Dave Rogers, Tara Witzel, Tanya Witzel, Kyle Schwartz; **30** - Chris Jantzi, Craig Hammer, Kate Bender, Bethana Bechtel. Happy birthday, friends!

June Wedding Anniversaries

1 - Denise & Bob Gingerich; **8** - Brad & Sandy Martin, James & Patty Ingold; **9** - Ken & Marilyn Hoffman, Launi & Pat Eichler, Ray & Ruby Straus; **12** - Kay & Ken Pauli, Jessica & Mike Schiedel; **13** - Anne & Cliff Wootton, Greg & Steph Ropp; **17** - Larry & Mary Ann Keller; **20** - Gwen & Bob Ruthig, Dianne & Murray Ludington; **22** - Dana & Greg Martin; **23** - Arthur & Jeanette Long, Jean & Ross Shantz, Adam & Kristal Preidt; **26** - Barb Schwartzenruber & Rick Whittacker; **27** - Gywin & Jim Murray; **29** - Jane & Ross

Eichler; **30** - Grace & Grant McGregor. Congratulations!

+ jill merner

Wedding

On May 13, Tammy Bingeman and Ian Spruce were married. Congratulations and best wishes!

Deaths

Our community grieves the deaths, April 24, of Don Coxson and May 5, of Karen Junker. We grieve with all who mourn.

June Birthdays

1 - Betty Bondy, Trevor Anderson; **2** - Betty Lou Ramseyer, Mark Currah; **3** - June Schmidt, Margot Popp, Kim Dahms, Scott Diebel, Julie Ferguson; **5** - Christine Normandeau, Cheryl Mohr; **6** - Susan Nickolas, Keith Ropp, Maggie Racho; **7** - Ken Pauli, Gisela Magnus, Christel Mueller, Colin Farr; **8** - Aiden Anger; **9** - Marilyn Wagler, Nancy Butz, Natalie Eichler, Jeffrey Kropf; **10** - Bernice Briand, Emily Ritz; **11** - John Meredith, Bob Gingerich, Ryan Hillar; **12** - Elaine Schmidt, Chad Gravill, Sophia Bailey; **13** - Brad Otterbein, Dianne Hillar, Tristen Diebel; **14** - Sherry Coman, Peyton Boehler; **15** - John Mueller, Andrea Merner, Jessica Leu, Jacob Straus, Andrew Sheard; **16** - Mary Trussler, David Farr, Shelley Hayden, Amanda Hiuser; **17** - Stan Leis, Carol Murray, Rhonda Egerdee; **18** - Lauren Bast, Jordan Snyder; **19** - Doris Bast, John McCurdy, Liam Blaquiere, Sydni

+ 2011 Anniversaries

Because I neglected to ask our computer all of the right questions when I prepared our list of 2011 anniversaries, the list I published earlier was buggy. My apologies! So, let's try this again...

We have a number of significant 2011 anniversaries:

May 18 - Gord & Peggy Faulhafer (65 years)
May 18 - David & Millie Buehlow (55 years)
May 20 - Antonia & Arthur Danner (50 years)
May 26 - Jean & Ken Hammer (55 years)

June 27 - Jim & Gywin Murray (55 years)

July 28 - Bill & Muriel Weichel (55 years)
July 30 - Betty & Ernie Ritz (65 years)

October 26 - Herb & Hilda Thomas (65 years)

November 3 - Otto & Renate Berg (55 years)

There, that's better!

+ andré lavergne

+ Anniversary News

Congregational History ~ A fifth draft of our new HISTORY OF TRINITY is in the hands of the Anniversary Task Group for review. They're meeting, on May 24, to compare notes.

We've also been gathering early photographs for possible inclusion. Do you have something of interest? We are especially interested in any pictures which would show our parsonages or buildings in their very early years,

Episcopal Visit ~ National Bishop Susan Johnson will join us on Sunday, May 29, for a combined Anchor & Sanctuary Community Service. A pie and potato salad lunch will follow. See the circulating sign-up sheets for details.

Time Capsule ~ Following worship on May 29, we shall gather out-of-doors to install a time capsule in the wall under the 1910 cornerstone. Mike Gascon is working on the creation of the capsule and opening the masonry wall.



The Anniversary Task Group has been gathering suggestions for items to be included in the time capsule. We have received a 2010 Parish Photo Album, TASTE OF TRINITY cookbook, 2 pens (inscribed "Trinity Lutheran Church" & "Eastern Synod"), three vintage books, a Luther medal, a small pewter crèche, a Trinity WELCOME brochure, a Sunday GUIDE TO WORSHIP, a copy of TRINITY DOVE, staff business cards, a MEN OF TRINITY calendar and a copy of the New Hamburg Independent (Heritage edition).

The Task Group will make the final decision around what will fit into the capsule.

Church Music Sunday ~ Church Music Sunday will unfold on Sunday, June 26. We'll celebrate Gywin Murray's 50 years at the organ. A pot-luck will follow featuring recipes from our TASTE OF TRINITY cookbook.

✝ *andré lavergne*

+ Proclamation... More Cake!

June 12, 2011, shall be observed as The Feast of Pentecost and celebrated as Sherry Coman Sunday.

✝ *andré lavergne*

+ Sanctuary Community News

New Summer Rota ~ We have been pulling together a new rota for worship assistants, musicians and hosts to help with Sanctuary service. Ministers are in place through the end of June and we will be looking to fill July and August. If you are interested in helping out please let Pastor Anne know and she will find you a spot!

Joint Worship ~ We will be having three joint Anchor-Sanctuary services in the weeks to come: May 22, when Pitch and Praise and the Victoria Day weekend collide; May 29, when our National bishop joins us for an Anniversary service; June 5, for our Faith Adventures Carnival. We'll also worship jointly on June 26 when we honour Mrs. Murray's 50 years of ministry at Trinity.

✝ *anne anderson*

+ Kaleb Doyle in Concert

For the last couple of years, Kaleb Doyle (Faruzel grandson) has been providing relief organ work during the summer. Kaleb is offering a concert on Saturday, June 25, 8 pm at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist. Called "Influences on Bach: A Baroque Organ Concert", the event is a fund-raiser toward Kaleb's participation in a conference in Edinburgh, Scotland on behalf of WLU. Tickets, at \$10, will be available at the door or may be reserved by calling 519.749-9707 or e-mailing k.doyle@bell.net. At this early date, a number of parishioners are talking of going!

✝ *andré lavergne*

+ K-W Conference News

Synod/Seminary Anniversary Service

The Synod is 150 years old while the Seminary is 100 years old. An anniversary celebration will unfold Sunday evening, May 29, at 7 pm at St. James, Elmira.

Election of K-W Conference Dean

Pastor Bonnie Shelter-Brown of St. James, New Dundee, has been elected dean of the K-W Conference.

✝ *andré lavergne*

+ Nurturing Faith ~ Adults

Healing Memories; Reconciling in Christ

On the four Tuesday evenings in June (7 pm - 8:30 pm) we will join with Jan Steckley and the folks of Hillcrest Mennonite Church in a joint **Lutheran-Mennonite Study**. It's based on the Lutheran World Federation's *Stuttgart Apology to the Mennonites* for past persecutions and wrongdoings. Pastors Jan and André will look at how events and differing understandings of the Bible shape our confessions of faith and our attitudes towards other Christians, as well as the meaning of forgiveness and its significance for churches in our present age. The study guide is available from the main page of the Trinity website. Care to join us? Please sign-up at the church. Questions? Give us a shout.

Faith in Film 9 ~ Living Music

We gather on seven summer Wednesday evenings, 6 pm, in Trinity's Bruce Hammer Theatre to explore the theme "Living Music".

Sherry Coman —writer, teacher of film & lover of the arts— leads our conversation. Information? Contact Sherry at sherry.coman@gmail.com.

June 22 ~ The Red Violin, Francois Girard, Canada, 1999. Five different stories about the same red violin as it travels through different hands & different lands, before being brought to auction in contemporary times.

June 29 ~ The Silence, Mohsen Makhmalbaf, Iran, 1998. A blind 10 year old boy experiences the world through sound, tuning musical instruments for a living.

July 6 ~ Touch the Sound, UK/Germany, Thomas Riedelsheimer, 2005. An unconventional documentary about Evelyn Glennie, world-renowned percussionist, who happens to be deaf.

July 13 ~ Beyond the Sea, USA, Kevin Spacey, 2004. Kevin Spacey directs and stars in this musical about the life of singer Bobby Darin.

July 20 ~ A Song for Martin, Bille August, Sweden, 2001. A composer and a violinist meet in mid-life, just as one of them begins to lose memory.

July 27 ~ Meeting Venus, Isztván Szabó, Hungary/Germany, 1991. An Hungarian conductor tries to mount a production of Wagner's Tannhauser at the Paris

Opera despite every foreseeable obstacle.

August 3 ~ Les Choristes (The Chorus), France, Jean Dreville, 2004. A retired composer goes to work at a boys' orphanage & forms a choir with them.

+ *andré lavergne*

+ The Women of Trinity

Seminary Auxiliary Appeal

Our annual fund-raising campaign for the Women's Auxiliary, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, is being completed.

The Women's Auxiliary uses proceeds to help sponsor seminary students for their Supervised Pastoral Education program. This sponsorship helps to cover student expenses as they work in a clinical setting such as a hospital, learning pastoral care. In addition, the auxiliary plants and tends flower beds in the seminary courtyard, decorates a tree in the student lounge at Christmas, and

undertakes various projects to create a better environment for the students. Last year they purchased special blinds for a couple of classrooms to improve video presentations.

Please support the vital ministry of Waterloo Lutheran Seminary's fabulous Women's Auxiliary.

Baby Bundles

Once again we've had a very successful year for our Baby Bundles. We are preparing 40 bundles for shipment, on May 16, to Canadian Lutheran World Relief.

Thank you so much to everyone who made baby sweaters, hemmed diapers and receiving blankets, bought clothing and other supplies, provided donations, or helped with the preparation and shipment of the bundles. It's a big job and we couldn't do it without you! The sweaters and clothing are so cute and so soft. We're going to make 40 moms and their new babies very happy. Thank you all!

Prayer Quilts and Shawl

On May 8, Easter 3, prayer quilts were prepared and blessed for Emma Giilck and Grace McGregor, while shawls were blessed for Rita Coxson and Don Zarnke.

We are grateful to all who create the shawls and quilts even as we always welcome additional contributions.

+ *pat schmetzer*



+ Tintinnabulations

May 29 ~ Anniversary Celebrations ~The Synod is 150 years old while the Seminary is 100 years old. Join us, 7 pm, at St. James, Elmira, for celebrations. All this is after we celebrate our own 100 years of worship in our present worship space in the morning.

June 7 ~ Adult Learning Team ~ We gather at 8:30 am for our meeting.

June 7 ~ Prayer Circle Update ~ Shirley Unrau & pastors meet, 9:30 am.

June 8 ~ Nurturing Faith (Children) Team ~ We gather at 7 pm.

June 16 ~ DOVE Prep Team ~ The Team gathers at 9 am.

June 20 ~ Women of Trinity ~ Walters Family Lunch and Theatre. Depart at 11:30 am.

June 21 ~ Gentle Friends Readers ~ Gather, 7 pm, in Trinity Hall. This month: MASTER BUTCHER'S SINGING CLUB by Louise Erdrich. Copies available at New Hamburg Library.

June 25 ~ Kaleb Doyle Organ Concert ~ 8 pm at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist, Kitchener. Shall we car-pool?

June 27 ~ Blood Donor Clinic ~ Gather from 2 pm to 8:30 pm at W/O.

Recurring Events

Mondays, 8 pm ~ Motivated Mommies ~ Meet in Trinity Hall. Look for our Facebook page!

Tuesdays, 6:45 pm ~ TOPS ~ Taking Off Pounds Sensibly in the Martin Luther Room.

Wednesdays, 9 am ~ Trinity Quilters ~ Meet in the quilting corner of Trinity Hall.

First Wednesdays, 11:30 am ~ Congregate Dining ~ Gather at Zion United unless otherwise announced.

Saturdays, 8 pm ~ A/A ~ A/A open meeting, Trinity Hall.

+ *andré lavergne & jill merner*

+ April Council News

- Every month, Council sends a number of thank-you notes. This month, we thanked Bob Kelly and Tim Hegedus (adult learning); the Trinity Quilters (hearing assist devices & quilt); Patricia Bruce (sauerkraut); Ray & Mildred Cook (H. R. Mosig trunk).
- Council approved the possibility that we serve as a host site for Grand River CarShare (www.grandrivercarshare.ca/).



“Grand River CarShare is a not-for-profit car-sharing co-operative whose mission is to deliver a car-sharing service and to promote car sharing as an important component of a transportation system that supports an alternative to the privately-owned automobile within the Region. The co-op seeks to reduce overall transportation costs, traffic congestion and air pollution, thus improving our communities.”

We are in conversation with other agencies about the possibility of bringing Car Share to New Hamburg.

- Council gave the go-ahead to the installation of a new telephone system for the church. Tenders have come in on budget at around \$4,000.
- Council received a letter from Vicar Jennifer indicating her intention to wind-down her internship at Trinity. Her letter appears on page 2 of TRINITY DOVE.
- Over 30 young people and leaders will be participating in this year's Affirmation Camp, our largest group to date!

+ *krista durrer and friends*

+ Thank You and Thank You

We have recently received two words of thanks.

Mary Pfaff reports that the Lionesses raised over \$858 from the bake-table at the Interfaith Auction. She expressed gratitude to Trinity contributors.

We have received word that the offering taken at our ecumenical Lenten Soup, Sandwich, Sermon & Song amounted to some \$1,846. As usual, the offering will be forwarded to the Canadian Bible Society.

+ *andré Lavergne*

+ Financial Update to April 30, 2011

	General Fund	Capital Fund	Transfers
Income	\$ 91,279	\$ 5,526	\$ 7,274
Outgo	97,015	1,139	5,175
Balance	(\$ 5,736)	\$ 4,390	\$ 2,099

Overview

General Fund offerings are tracking just slightly ahead of last year's while our expenses are below budget. However, as we decided at our annual meeting, we must increase our General Fund giving substantially to end the year in the black.

The Capital Fund is in good shape. We have sufficient funds in-hand to cover the anticipated expenditure for a new phone system to replace the one being donated to the Kitchener-Waterloo Museum of Contemporary Antiquities.

+ bob ruthig & rick ritz

+ TYGers

Friday Evening Drop-In ~ This month's drop-in will take place on June 17, 7 to 9 pm, at the Gueguen home. All are welcome. Please let Pastor Anne know that you are planning to be there via email or Facebook.

Ball Hockey Tournament ~ We will be pulling together teams for the St. James 5th Annual New Dundee Ball Hockey Tournament on Saturday, June 4. The tournament runs from 9 am until noon. Cost is \$5 per participant and includes a great lunch. No age or ability restrictions. All are welcome! Please speak with Pastor Anne if you are interested in participating and she will put you on a team. There are sign-up sheets at the church.

Need Volunteer Hours? ~ We will be joining with St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Kitchener for Vacation Bible School from July 18 to 22. We need volunteers to help with shepherding children, lead games. We also need help for a drama team. Interested? Please speak to me.

Canada's Wonderland ~ Rescheduled: We will be joining with local congregations to make our trip to Wonderland on September 10. The cost will be \$50 which includes bus and a ticket for the park. We will be leaving the church at 8:30 am. Sign up later this summer.

+ anne anderson

+ Nurturing Faith ~ Children & Youth

Faith Adventures Carnival ~ On June 5, we will be gathering for our annual carnival. We will be having sausage and sauerkraut along with potluck salads and deserts. Please join us after Anchor worship outside weather permitting where we will have food and games and fun for all ages. Please sign up if you are able join us and bring a salad or desert to share!



Faith Adventures Teachers Needed ~

We are requesting help (in any way possible —teaching, shepherding, committee support, helping the three-year-olds, Christmas program help, etc.— so that we might realize continued strength in our programming for the 2011/12 season. Please e-mail Pastor Anne anderson@telc.ca and let us know how you might help, and what time in the year is most suitable for your schedule.

We are not asking for much...

For each teaching unit, helpers are responsible for three Sundays (if teaching or shepherding for the storytelling, art or music units) or a single Sunday (if leading in the movie theatre).

Vacation Bible School ~ On July 18-22, we'll be joining with St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Kitchener, for a full-day, week-long vacation bible school for children ages 5 through 11. If your family is interested in participating, please speak to Pastor Anne. The cost for the whole week is only \$50. The theme for the week is "Shake It Up Café". We'd love to have you join us!

Affirmation Camp ~ All our youth entering grades 7 or 8 in the fall are invited to attend confirmation camp at Edgewood, Veteran campers entering grades 9 or 10 are also welcome. The dates are Sunday, August 28 through Friday, September 2. Please get your forms in today!

+ anne anderson

+ Heard Around the Church

Suffering Succotash. Holy Meatballs. Give your head a shake. My stars and garters. Pain in the arm. Holy Moley. Horse feathers.

And, of course... The Lord willing and the crick don't rise!

Others?

+ andré lavergne