



Trinity Dove

November 20, 2011 + Reign of Christ + One Thing...
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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+ Sabbaths & Celebrations

Sunday, November 27 ~ Advent 1

- + Anchor Community Worship.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Nurturing Faith at 10:45 am. Adults: Youth & Family Ministry 3/5 with Steinmann's Eileen Bergen.
- + Sanctuary Community Worship at 11:30 am.

Sunday, December 4 ~ Advent 2

- + Anchor Community Worship.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Nurturing Faith at 10:45 am. Adults: Youth & Family Ministry 4/5 with Christ, Waterloo's Alicia Becker.
- + Sanctuary Community Worship at 11:30 am.

Sunday, December 11 ~ Advent 3

- + Anchor Community Worship
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Nurturing Faith at 10:45 am. Adults: Youth & Family Ministry 5/5 with Edgewood's Fred Ludolph.
- + Sanctuary Community Worship at 11:30 am.

Sunday, December 18 ~ Advent 4

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Community Worship with Christmas Cantata.
- + Quilt draw at the conclusion of worship.
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- + Faith Adventures Christmas Program at 11:00 am.
- + Lessons and Carols at St. George's at 7 pm.

Saturday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve

- + Carols, Communion & Christmas Story hosted by the Sanctuary Community at 5 pm.
- + Celebration hosted by the Anchor Community with the Trinity Choir at 7 pm.

Sunday, December 25 ~ Christmas Day

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Community Service of Readings and Carols (Advent into Christmas) at 9:30 am (regular Sunday morning time).
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.

Sunday, January 1 ~ New Year's Day

- + Joint Anchor & Sanctuary Community Service of Readings and Carols (Christmas into Epiphany) at 9:30 am (regular Sunday morning time).
- + Community Fellowship at 10:30 am. We honour Bob Marshall for his recent music ministry.

+ *andré lavergne*

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+ Pr. Anne ~ One Thing...

Grace and peace to you.

Remember: Christmas is not *your* birthday!

Advent... a time for preparation and reflection. Our world is pretty good at reminding us to prepare for Christmas but we're not so good at reflection. I was in a conversation with our ladies at the women's retreat about the focus we have on *stuff* at Christmas. Someone mentioned that, more and more, people are talking about buying less and, instead, creating meaningful Christmas traditions that are about relationships. Our wider world is thinking that there must be more to Christmas than a whack-load of gifts. Hmmm. Maybe they're onto something.

Advent Conspiracy adventconspiracy.org is an organization that is encouraging folks to worship fully, spend less, give more and love all—a great message as we head into this season. During Advent, we'll explore this area in greater depth at Sanctuary. You'd be welcome to join us!

CHRISTMAS IS NOT *YOUR* BIRTHDAY! is the title of a book I came across. It promotes movement from overspending to reflection on the holiday season. Mike Slaughter writes "This Christmas, cut through the hype that leaves you exhausted and broke at the end of the year. Instead, experience the peace of knowing that God is truly with us, the joy of giving sacrificially, and the love of a Savior who gave everything he had for us." Another great message!

Can we do it? I think so. In an adult learning session a few weeks back we shared ideas about what we can do this year that emphasizes the preparation and reflection of Advent and the joy of Christmas: visit a neighbour, spend time with a friend over a homemade meal, make a gift with our own hands, go Christmas caroling, give to a charity in a loved one's name, volunteer at the Food Bank. There are many ways to prepare for the coming of the Kingdom of God—here and now and yet to come—that don't cost much—or anything!—and mean a whole lot.

My challenge to all of us this year is to breathe deeply before we get trapped in the pre-Christmas rush, and consider how we might step away from all the *stuff* to focus on being God's light in a dark world through simple actions and deep relationships with one another. Let's each consider one thing that we might do differently this year to help remind us of Jesus in our midst.



+ anne anderson

+ Advent Preparation: It's Time Already!

Knitters, there's yarn in the narthex, and it's time to be doing your stuff! The **Advent Mitten Tree** will be up on Sunday, November 20, the Feast of the Reign of Christ. We'll be putting the bloom to it beginning on Advent 1, November 27.

If it is within your means, on Sunday, November 27, Advent 1, please take a gift tag to help provide gifts for our **Christmas Hampers**. Bring the gifts in to the church office by Advent 3, Sunday, December 11. We're also in need of cash to help fund the hampers. Mark your envelope "hampers".

Need a Christmas gift idea? How about a flock of chickens? ...or a granary? What about a pair of goats? Take a look at the **Gifts from the Heart** leaflet enclosed in last month's TRINITY DOVE & available in the narthex.

Have you seen the bright yellow **We Care Bags** in the narthex? We're encouraging people to fill them

according to the list provided. The bags will be sent out through CLWR to children all over the world. Trinity's TYGers hope to fill 20 or more bags, as well!

Please consider taking a bag or two as part of your family's Advent ministry. Fill and return them to the church as soon as possible. A contribution of \$5 (cheque made out to Trinity in an envelope marked "CLWR") should accompany each bag to cover shipping.

Do you bake? On December 12, the Women of Trinity and their friends will be distributing **Christmas Cheer Plates** in our community. We'd welcome batches of cookies which could be brought to the church on Advent 3, Sunday, December 11. We'd also welcome some medium-sized cookie tins. Leave them in the narthex.

Every year, Trinity sponsors a Christmas **Blood Donor Clinic** at Waterloo-Oxford. This year, the clinic falls on Boxing Day, December 26. (It's also Saint Stephen's Day, as in "Good King Wenceslas looked out, on the *Feast of Stephen*.")

Please let Ken Seltzer know that you'd be willing to volunteer to help set up or take down. We'll also be offering a hot meal to the staff at the church. Pat Schmetzer will be pulling things together.

+ andré lavergne

+ Sacraments & Seasons

Deaths

Our community grieves the deaths of John Hillar, October 28, at the age of 72; and of Walter Schneider, November 7, at the age of 93. Blessed are they who mourn.

December Birthdays

1 - Scott Leu, Brandon Morrison; **2** - Wendy Chapman, Kathy Bingeman; **3** - Wendy Schwartz, Carol Ann Weichel, Alexander Buehlow, Sydney Kieswetter, Emily Kalbfleisch, Madison Yost, Sara Runstedler, Tanner Snyder; **4** - Logan Kleine; **6** - Brendan McCutchen, Brandon Stewart; **7** - Susan Rogers; **9** - Chantelle Junker, Emma Wiechers; **10** - Kathy Bender, Eric Noseworthy, Paige Gingerich, Nate Anderson; **11** - Krystalyn Johnston, Jordan Steinman, Tia DeRuiter, Hawkins Becker; **12** - Doris Weicker, Tony Beavis, Kathy Scheerer, Murray Ludington, Brad Becker, Trevor Deckert, Stephanie Martin; **13** - Carl Hallberg, Ralph Roth, Joanne Roth, Ron Schaaf, Wally Mueller, Doug Hammer, Crista Coughlin, Stephanie May, Kendra Danner, Meghan Dale; **14** - Doris Doering, Ross Eichler, Susan Danner, Julie Kalbfleisch; **15** - Heather Kienapple; **16** - Lotus Hammer, Kimberley Murray, Greg Steinberg, Christianne Mann, Mason Runstedler, Ryleigh O'Brien; **17** - Betty Minnie, Earl Nickolas, Bruce Jantzi, Marcus Scheid; **18** - Lorraine Zoeller, John Hillar, Travis Deckert, Joshua Otto, Zachary Becker; **19** - Betty Ritz, Ken Barnes, Brenda McCutchen, Rachel Gueguen; **20** - Kaye Pauli, Megan Clarke; **21** - Catherine Deckert; **22** - Grace Nauman, Tracey Erb, Sherri Keller, Andrew Hatchwell; **23** - Greta Mello, Holly McCurdy, Charlotte Speers, Kristal Preidt; **24** - Holly Koehler; **25** - Kay Hofstetter; **26** - Florence Sebert, Sheila Zoeller, Joe Ziegler, Katie Murray; **27** - Shannon Snyder, Lucas Haffner, Shayne Grebinski; **28** - Jean Schaaf; **30** - John Parsons, Kylie Becker, Alyson Lockie, Tricia Hammer; **31** - Jennifer Barnes, Sydney Ferguson. Happy birthday, friends!

December Anniversaries

7 - Ron & Terralene Johnston; **23** - August & Margot Popp; **28** - Joyce & Lyle Roth; **29** - Dee & Kitch Radke; **31** - Anita & John Hanson, Ann & James Patton, André & Barbara Lavergne. Happy anniversary, friends.

+ jill merner

+ Nurturing Faith ~ Adults

Sunday Mornings: Youth & Family

We explore what communities are doing in their local contexts to support, encourage and challenge their youth.

November 27 ~ Youth & Family Ministry 3/5 - Eileen Bergen, Steinmann Mennonite Church

December 4 ~ Youth & Family Ministry 4/5 - Alicia Becker, K/W Lutheran Youth Ministry

December 11 ~ Youth & Family Ministry 5/5 - Fred Ludolph, Edgewood Camp

+ andré lavergne

+ Christmas Gift Ideas

Our **Tasting Trinity's Treasures** cookbooks are available for \$12 each from the church office. They make excellent stocking-stuffers.

Gywin Murray has produced a lovely CD of organ music, called **What A Friend**. Gywin is making it available as a TYGers fund-raiser. The CD's cost \$10 and make a great stocking-stuffer. Available through December 18.

+ andré lavergne

+ Thank You # 1 ~ Women of Faith

On Saturday, October 22, the Women of Trinity hosted the fall conference of the Lutheran Women of Faith. We had a wonderful day of good fellowship, great worship, wonderful speakers and terrific food. We could never have hosted this event without the great support offered by the congregation and our pastors.

Thank you to all of the people who baked muffins and fruit breads for us. They were delicious! Thank you to the kitchen helpers – Marjorie Styx, Reta Klaassen, Doug Miller, Michelle Rogers, and to Mary Ann Keller who organized the kitchen for the day and helped us with set up and food preparation. Thank you Pastor Anne and Pastor Syd for the great worship, Pastor André for helping us with the planning and with clean up, and Gywin Murray for playing all the beautiful hymns for us. The women who attended the event had a great day and were very appreciative of our efforts.

+ pat schmetzer



+ Pastoral Message

The following message was published before worship on Sunday, October 23, and via e-mail on October 24.

Grace and peace to you.

Last Spring, Gywin Murray indicated her intention to call it a day at the helm of Trinity's music ministry. She had served for fifty years. (When we tell colleagues that we've only had two musicians directing our music over the last 100 years, they figure we're pulling their leg.) Upon receiving the news, Council did four things.

Minister of Music Task Group

First, Council pulled together a Minister of Music Task group to assist and advise Council and to help us make our way. The Task Group was composed of nine people: Rick Ritz (the Task Group chair), Nancy Dale, Cy Ridout, Lori Arnott, Dean Clarke, Erika Mueller, together with consultant James Brown (pastor and musician) and Pastors André Lavergne and Anne Anderson. The Task Group represented the length and breadth of Trinity's ministry and people.

The Task Group has been working diligently for several months. They have done excellent work.

From the outset there was a wonderful spirit within the group which saw consensus and even unanimity emerge with relative ease. This community owes a great debt of gratitude, especially to the lay members of the Task Group. This community owes a special debt of thanks to Pastor James Brown for his way-above-and-beyond-the-call-of-duty offer of time, expertise and commitment.

Celebration of Ministry

Second, Council, through the efforts of the Minister of Music Task Group, accorded Mrs. Murray a fitting acknowledgment of her contribution to the ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Gywin was not simply our organist or choir director. Her role was larger than that, and besides, Gywin is *family*. We had a fine celebration with wonderful speeches & songs; we created a magnificent scholarship in her honour; secular leaders recognized her for her work beyond this congregation; and Mrs. Murray was named *Emerita Director of Music*. Just yesterday, in retirement, Mrs. Murray served as the musician for the K/W Women of Faith gathering which unfolded here, at Trinity.

Interim Parish Musician

Third, Council, through the efforts of the Minister of Music Task Group, secured an *Interim Parish Musician* in the person of Bob Marshall.

Bob has brought considerable talent, a lot of experience and a terrific personality to these precincts. Whether at the console, the keyboard, or before a choir, Bob is respected and much loved for his gifts to us. Bob will continue to lead our music program through the Season of Advent and Christmas and we hope to honour him in some appropriate manner on Sunday, January 1, 2012, as the people of Trinity begin a new year in ministry together.

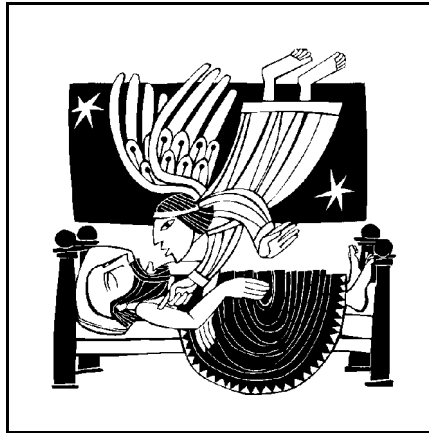
Minister of Music

Fourth, Council, through the efforts of the Minister of Music Task Group, was to seek out a new Minister of Music to lead our community on the next leg of Trinity's Faithful Journey.

The Task Group worked hard to carefully distill the breadth of interests, gifts, ideas and sensibilities represented in the community of Trinity Church. The Task Group created a *Job Posting* and a *Position Description* which were circulated broadly, communicated to the Royal Canadian College of Organists and posted on the RCCO website and on ours.

By September, we had received eight applications from candidates near and far. At length we interviewed and auditioned three candidates representing an astonishing range of credentials, experience, and life situations. The candidates consistently remarked on two things. First, that our *Position Description* and *Job Posting* stood out from all of the alternatives. The truth is, that we cannot offer one of the greatest organs in creation with all of the manuals and ranks and stops of other instruments. But there was something about the ministry of this place that made a large number of people take notice. The second thing that they noted, was the size of the Minister of Music Task Group and the breadth of the representation that this afforded: young and old; men and women; Anchor and Sanctuary; Trinity Choir and Affirmation Singers; Mutual Ministry, Council, and so on. And a consultant to assist us!

To the applicants, it must have seemed pretty daunting, but we wanted to do it right. We listened. We sang. We talked. We contemplated. We deliberated. By Wednesday, October 12, the Minister of Music Task Group had interviewed three candidates. Moreover, it had become clear within the Task Group that one candidate stood out as someone whom we would wish to have lead our community as Trinity's Minister of Music. In fact, that view was held by



all of the Task Group members. We were unanimous in our view that we had found the right person.

On Thursday, October 13, Rick Ritz and Lori Arnott, both of whom serve on the Task Group and who provide links to Council and the Mutual Ministry Team, met with the prospective candidate to clarify a range of matters and possibilities. On Sunday, October 16, Rick and Lori advised the members of the Task Group that everything had been clarified and the “we were a go” to take a recommendation to Council.

On Wednesday, October 19, Council considered the recommendation and the recommendation was unanimously confirmed. The next day, an offer was extended to Jamie Courtney to serve as Trinity’s Minister of Music effective January 1, 2012. On Friday, October 20, we received written confirmation of Jamie’s acceptance.

This morning, the congregation of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Cambridge, is being informed of the conclusion of Jamie’s ministry in that place. We have held his name in confidence that he be able to communicate with his pastor, and with his people in a manner that honours the bond that a respected parish musician will have with his or her community.

Jamie Courtney

Jamie Courtney brings some 15 years experience to the position of Minister of Music at Trinity Lutheran Church. Jamie is a student of David Hall, at WLU who, himself, is a highly esteemed organist and parish musician. By day, Jamie works for Augsburg Fortress Canada. Jamie is as knowledgeable of the traditional and contemporary repertoire, and of Lutheran liturgy, as anyone we could name. Both of us have had occasion to work with Jamie over the years, whether in connection with the publication of *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* or in other, more recent roles. We believe we have secured a wonderful parish musician. We’ll publish some sort of bio or letter of introduction in the November edition of TRINITY DOVE.

Two Final Words

We offer two words to our community in closing. First, we have enormous respect for our colleagues on the Minister of Music Task Group, for their integrity, their diligence, their good humour and their decision. Council gave the Task Group a tall order in a congregation with high expectations. We believe the Task Group has done marvelous work. As you have opportunity, please take a moment to thank the members, to support their endeavours and to celebrate our good fortune.

Second, this morning, as we gather for worship, Mrs. Murray is being brought up to steam by Lori Arnott over a bin of family sauerkraut. We felt that we wanted Gywin to know that a careful decision has placed the future of music at Trinity Lutheran Church in good hands.

We are much blessed.

✝ *andré lavergne & anne anderson*

✝ Introducing Jamie



Jamie Courtney began piano lessons in the early years of elementary school, and later began accompanying voice students. In his teens, Jamie started playing piano and organ for worship services in his home congregation in Drumbo, and later began as an organist/music director in another small community, Richwood.

When Jamie finished high school, he moved to KW to attend Wilfrid Laurier University. There, he studied organ with Jan Overduin and Barrie Cabena, and

sang in the chapel choir.

While attending WLU, Jamie took an organist position at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Bridgeport. There, working with Pastor Michael Hackbusch, himself a musician, Jamie developed a love for Lutheran liturgy and theology. He eventually sought full-time employment in addition to his church duties, and began working for Augsburg Fortress, the Lutheran church’s publisher. He is currently a manager, coordinating marketing endeavours, and supervising the call centre and warehouse.

Several years ago, Jamie changed church jobs, from St. Paul’s Lutheran, Bridgeport to St. Paul’s Lutheran, Cambridge. Their fine Casavant organ was a perk, as Jamie began working with a small adult choir, and later started a children’s choir.

Jamie resumed organ studies two years ago, this time with David Hall, who serves as chapel organist at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary. Jamie recently joined a local Lutheran choir, The Leupold Chorale, under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Don Nevile, where he sings tenor.

Jamie and his wife, Cindy, live in Kitchener where they are raising their two girls, Allie (8) and Lily (3). Cindy works in New Hamburg for Aldaview Services as a Social Service Worker. Both girls enjoy ballet, and Allie takes piano lessons and sings in Jamie’s children’s choir at church.

✝ *andré lavergne*

+ Tintinnabulations

November 19 ~ Mitten Tree goes up!

November 21 ~ Blood Donor Clinic ~ Gather from 5:00 to 8:30 pm at the Legion.

November 26 ~ St. George's Bazaar ~ 11 am to 2 pm. Lunch served. All welcome.

December 5 ~ Women of Trinity ~ Gather, 12:30 noon.

December 6 ~ Adult Learning Team ~ Shirley Unrau & pastors meet, 8 am.

December 6 ~ Prayer Circle Update ~ Shirley Unrau & pastors meet, 9:30 am.

December 8 ~ DOVE Prep Team ~ The Team gathers at 9 am.

December 12 ~ Christmas Cheer Plates are prepared at 9 am. Cookies should be brought to the kitchen on Sunday, December 11.

December 12 ~ Mitten Tree comes down. Christmas Tree goes up at 7 pm.

December 13 ~ Christmas Hampers prepared by Women of Trinity at 9 am.

December 13 ~ Gentle Friends Readers ~ Gather, 7 pm, in Trinity Hall. This month: HIGH ROADS by Terry Fallis. Copies available at New Hamburg Library.

December 14 ~ Nurturing Faith (Children & Youth) Team ~ We gather at 7 pm.

December 17 ~ Trinity's Annual Optimist Christmas Breakfast ~ Begins at 8 am.

December 26 ~ Trinity's Christmas Blood Donor Clinic ~ Gather from 1:30 to 7:30 pm at the W-O Cafeteria.

Tuesdays, 9 am & 6:15 pm ~ TOPS ~ Taking Off Pounds Sensibly in Trinity Hall and the Martin Luther Room.

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

Saturdays, 8 pm ~ A/A ~ Open meeting in Trinity Hall.

+ *andré lavergne & jill merner*

+ October Council News

- Every month, Council sends a number of thank-you notes. This month, we thanked Mike Hayes & Celia Jones; (CD production), Hans Lauridsen (vegetables for Pastor André's "soup runs"); Gywin Murray (CD's for TYGers); Quilters (TYGers' raffle quilt), Dave Mello, Henry Simon & Carl Schroeder (painting the kitchen and touching up in Trinity Hall).



- Our General Fund is in relatively good shape for the time of year. The Capital Fund has been depleted owing largely to recent roofing costs. People are invited to help replenish the Capital Fund.

- Council is looking toward 2012 and will look at a draft budget in November.

- Our Life-long Learning Plan sees us looking ahead through June, 2012.

- Council approved two new members for the Mutual Ministry Team. They are Jim Arbuckle and Roger Dale. Don Jardin has indicated his desire to retire.

Jim and Roger join Debbie Gravill, Lori Arnott and Heidi Ziegler on the team.

- An offer was tendered to Jamie Courtney to serve as Trinity's new Minister of Music beginning in January. The unanimous vote confirmed the earlier unanimous recommendation of the Minister of Music Task Group.

- The Mutual Ministry Team is working on a Fall, 2011 edition of the *Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual*. It will begin to take account of our new staffing.

+ *krista durrer and friends*

+ Sanctuary Potluck

Our pot-lucks are the best! The next one is scheduled for Sunday, December 11, at about 12:30 noon (after our 11:30 am worship). Please sign-up. Come, bring a friend!

+ *anne anderson*

+ St. George's Annual Bazaar

We're assisting our friends at St. George's with their Saturday, November 26, 11 am - 2 pm, bazaar. Baking is especially wanted. Bring it to the kitchen by 3 pm on Friday, November 25. Come for lunch and to show your support!

+ *andré lavergne*

+ Financial Update to October 31

	General Fund	Capital Fund	Transfers
Income	\$ 230,194	\$ 14,535	\$ 30,896
Outgo	235,920	35,503	13,905
Balance	(\$ 5,726)	\$ (20,968)	\$ 16,991

Overview

The General Fund deficit is about even with last month's and not unusual for this time of year. It is, however, time to get caught up.

We began the year with an accumulated Capital Fund surplus which has been wiped out with the roof repairs. We anticipate about \$4,000 in further Capital Fund expenditures over the next few weeks for 3 exterior doors.

Please take to account both our General and Capital Fund needs as we close upon the end of the year.

2012 offering envelope sets are out. Please collect yours from the church.

+ bob ruthig & rick ritz

+ Service of Lessons and Carols

Join us at St. George's on Sunday, December 18, Advent 4, at 7 pm, for their traditional Advent Service of Lessons and Carols. Christmas cake and sherry follow thereafter.

+ andré lavergne

+ Thank You # 2 ~ Guest Workers

The October 16 Guest Workers' Supper was again a great success thanks to the kindness, generosity and efforts of many. Approximately 80 people attended including about 10 people from Pfenning's, and a number from St. George's, Hillcrest and Trinity. Together, we visited, feasted and grooved to the live music. A special moment occurred when Trevor, a singer, with Rayon on piano (both from Pfenning's) shared with us some very touching Gospel songs. The evening was both pleasant and meaningful. Let's please plan to do it again next year!

+ dee radke

+ Nurturing Faith & Affirmation

Spark Bibles ~ As part of our Spark Program, we offer all participants a Spark Bible. Last month, we invited people to sponsor a Bible. Lot's of people signed-up. Please get your money in... The bill has been paid!

Christmas Program ~ December 18 ~ We're looking for volunteers to assist. Please speak to one of the Faith Adventures Team. Rehearsals take place Sunday mornings, Nov. 20/27 and Dec. 4/11.

Teachers Wanted for January ~ We are looking for storytellers and craft leaders. Speak to Lori Arnott to assist.

+ anne anderson

+ TYGers

Sunday, Nov. 20 ~ Rock Climbing ~ The TYGers are reaching new heights! We'll meet at 11:30 am for Sanctuary. Afterward, we'll car-pool to Grand River

Rocks in Kitchener. \$20/person includes harness rental, 2 hours of climbing and pizza.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 11 am ~ Decorate Hang-Out ~ The Andersons' basement is being invaded. We will create and decorate our own TYGers Hang-Out Space. Spaghetti lunch provided! Sign-up!

Friday, December 9 ~ Servant Event ~ We gather, 7 to 9 pm, in the Martin Luther Room, to assemble We Care Bags. Sign-up!

December 22 ~ TYGers Caroling ~ We will have our fourth annual caroling event at 6 pm. We'll meet at the church and head out into the Trinity neighbourhood for some singing and then return to the church for hot chocolate & cookies. Choir members—Affirmation & Trinity Choir—are invited to join us. Look for the sign-up sheet.

"What a Friend" CD Sales ~ Gywin Murray has produced a lovely CD of organ music. Gywin is making it available as a TYGers fund-raiser. They cost \$10 and make a great stocking-stuffer. The sale runs through Dec. 18.

Quilt Draw ~ Our Trinity Quilters have provided another magnificent quilt. You can see it being crafted in Trinity Hall. We are tremendously grateful for TQ support. The draw will take place at the conclusion of worship on Sunday, December 18. Tickets are \$2 or 3/\$5.

+ erika mueller

