



Trinity Dove

June 22, 2008 + Pentecost 6 + The Turning
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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✦ Sabbaths & Celebrations

Sunday, July 6 ~ Pentecost 8

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, July 13 ~ Pentecost 9

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, July 20 ~ Pentecost 10

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, July 27 ~ Pentecost 11

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, August 3 ~ Pentecost 12

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, August 10 ~ Pentecost 13

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, August 17 ~ Pentecost 14

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, August 24 ~ Pentecost 15

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

Sunday, August 31 ~ Pentecost 16

- ✦ Anchor Worship at 9:30 am. Parish update, 9:20 am.
- ✦ Community Fellowship at 10:30 am.
- ✦ Sanctuary Worship at 5 pm.

✦ *andré lavergne*

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✚ Pastor Anne ~ The Turning

Grace and peace, friends.

This week I have been thankful to be a part of Luther Hostel at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, where I have been both participant and chaplain. This morning, the hundred-or-so participants joined in song with great gusto. As it happens, one of my favorite hymns was used at worship. It's called THE CANTICLE OF THE TURNING (ELW 723).

The reason it's one of my favourites is to be found in the phrase "my soul cries out with a joyful shout ... for the world is about to turn". This morning I really did feel it and see it: our community of church leaders singing our hearts out for change. Today, my hope is renewed—hope for our church and hope for our Trinity community; hope that the Gospel will be lived out as we serve our neighbour; hope that the gospel message will turn us, turn the world and create change. So where do we see that change, that *turning*?" I hear you ask.

I see it when a box of food arrives on my door-step with a note that "it's for someone who needs it." I see it when some youth ask if they can have coffee with me to talk about what's going on. I see it when a group of women says we need to make a difference in each other's lives—so let's get together and make time to listen, to encourage and to learn together. I see it when we step out and invite our friends and neighbours to join us at worship or simply to have tea together.

We are turning. We are in movement. The theme at worship this week was derived from a Māori proverb wherein we are invited to find ourselves "walking forward, looking back". These words hint at something of what is going on here at Trinity. We are rooted in the gospel, the living word, and in our tradition and history. We need to remember that! At the same time, we are called by that gospel to walk forward, not stuck in one place or time but looking to the needs of those around us and moving toward them to serve them. That means moving *beyond* our church walls. And what does that mean for us?

To answer that question, we need to talk to each other. We need to listen, to watch and to seek out Christ in the Village of New Hamburg and hereabouts. What do *you* see? What do *you* hear? Where are *you* called? This is *our* community! Let's work on this together. Let's join in proclaiming "My soul cries out with a joyful shout ... for the world is about to turn!"

✚ *anne anderson*

✚ Thanksgivings & Gratitudes

We would like to thank the ELW for their planning and direction in connection with our marriage celebration and Barbara's welcome to the community. It was lovely! For the spectacular cake—orchids!—, the guest-book, the Rome travel guide, the astonishing decorations, the work of Trinity's formidable chefs, our Sanctuary Community & Sanctuary Band, our youthful choir and poets, those who set-up, lingered or returned to clean-up, and for all who lent their hand to the celebration, we are very, very grateful. —*André & Barbara*



Ken Bender did a magnificent job of extending the range of our Internet wireless transmitter to include the church offices and of installing two new grounded electrical outlets at the Peel Street Parsonage. Terrific! —*André*

On behalf of the ELW, we offer a sincere "thank you" to all who donated toward our very successful CLWR Baby Bundle project. We sent 40 complete bundles to Winnipeg containing 2 each of receiving blankets, diapers, diaper pins, sleepers, shirts & face cloths and a lovely hand-knit sweater. If we list names, we are bound to forget someone. Still, we are so very grateful to each and everyone of you. —*Florence Sebert & Betty Ritz*

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Sacraments & Seasons

Baptisms & New Members

On June 8 (Pentecost 4) we celebrated the baptisms of Kaylee Goodyear, daughter of Heidi Ziegler & Pete Goodyear; of Meghan Jantzi, daughter of Kelly (Jardine) & Chris Jantzi; and of Danica Parkin, daughter of Jessica (Bean) & Tim Parkin. At the same liturgy, Marion Shantz (United Brethren, New Dundee), and Bill & Betty Thompson (St. Peter's, Kitchener) joined the parish. Welcome, all!

Death

Our community grieves the death of Bruce Hammer on June 11 at the age of 71. We grieve deeply.

July Birthdays

1 - Debbie Stefansson, Charlene Boehler, Ron Junker, Kevin Kasper, Dustin Fisher; 2 - Margaret Flood, Dan Miller, Kyle Burchatzki; 3 - Myrtle Pauli, Neil Klaassen, Marilyn Hoffman, Flex Bender, Michael Kasper, Lyndsay

Yost, Shane Lagace-Roote; **4** - Shannon Gingerich, Rob Bender, Amy Cape, Adam Arsenault, Sam Gole; **5** - Doreen Lindner-Baan, Lisa Pauli, Derek Klaassen, Jane Steinberg, Ashley Mueller, Laura Pearson; **6** - Dave West, Bill Ritz, Stacey Ritz, Chad Snider, Courtney Winhold, Joseph Trafford, Devon Merner; **7** - Marlene Mueller, Gary Riedel, Joshua Snider; **8** - Joe Ritz, Janelle Scheerer, Maddux Snyder; **9** - Grace McGregor, Susan Yutzi-Smith, Carina De Sapio, Caroline Wiechers, Darren Morrison; **10** - Pat Eichler, Celia Jones, Mark Murray, Jeff Knackstedt, Kyle Hillar; **11** - André Lavergne, Dean Clarke, Steven Sangster; **12** - Lorene Wallace, Norma Thomson, Faye Bonner-Roth, Terralene Johnston, Katrina Jantzi; **13** - Tom Linseman, Jeff Mohr, Ken Ferguson, Ryan Gueguen, Riley Coughlin, Jaden Gerber; **14** - Lorraine Becker, Summer Rundstedler; **15** - Anne Wootton, Mark McMaster, Jim Thompson, Michelle Wallace, Jonathan Bean; **16** - Evelyn Hohl, Theresa Bakker, Emily Persaud; **17** - Lucy Braun, Ron Wallace, Kenny Hammer; **18** - Paula Povey, Tim Parkin, Daniel Jahn, Lucas Patton, Colin McBride; **19** - Arthur Danner, Reagan West; **20** - Tyler Szanto; **21** - Donna Schwartzentruber, Debbie Jantzi, Mike Yost; **22** - Bobbie Weichers, Krista Ayre, Daniel Ritz, David Trafford, Samatha Lindner, Alexander O'Brien; **23** - Ardis Hinz, Karen Haffner, Zachary Thompson; **24** - John Ritz, Justin Briner; **26** - Shirley Lorentz, Rick Pearson, Ruth Aho, Maggie Seyler; **27** - Veronika Fisher, Claire Runstedler; **28** - Jamie Hatchwell; **29** - Gunther Hell, Kerry Ruthig, Chris Meyer, Chloe Price; **30** - Doug Brenneman, Suzanne Lindner, Pete DeRuiter; **31** - Debbie Gravill, Sonya Burchatzki, Dwayne Hofstetter, Avery Gravill. Happy Birthday, friends!



August Birthdays

2 - David Schroeder, Deb MacDonald; **4** - Jean Cook, Kitch Radke, Shannon Bean, Aaron Sostar, Joel Egerdee; **5** - Hilda Seip, Al Junker; **6** - Traci Jutzi; **8** - Andy Persaud; **9** - Jody Bingeman, Pam Gingerich, Jodie Honderich; **10** - Syd Hills, Michael Eichler, Sarah Oldenburger, Tanner Pearson; **11** - Dave Merner, Adam Straus, Erin Spence; **12** - Mildred Knackstedt, Judy Seyler, Jamie Genrick, Jeremy Cook; **13** - Lena Schmidt, Gywin Murray, Shane Snyder; **14** - Doris Schwartzentruber, Bill Wettlaufer; **16** - Fred Leu, Fred Buehlow, Audrey Cook; **17** - Muriel Greulich, Liam Ritz Neigh; **18** - Evelyn Reibling, Joyce Roth, Lyla Wettlaufer, Lori Arnott; **19** - Stuart Rhem, Walter Oldenburger, Matthew May, Daniel Aitken, Corina Denstedt; **20** - Muriel Weichel, Launi Eichler; **21** - Edna Buehlow, Alex Huiser; **22** - Andy Cook, Jaime Baumgaertner, Keida Eastlake-Keller; **23** - Neil Hofstetter, Sandy Martin, Stephanie Power; **24** - Sheila Leis,

Stephanie Roote, Morgan Wettlaufer, Spencer Shaw, Justin Harrison, Alex Murphy; **25** - Barb Otterbein, David Schwartz, Craig Weichel, Lydia Lindner; **26** - Peter Schmidt, Jane Knackstedt, Cassandra Lindner, Natalie Ropp; **27** - Harold Danner; **28** - Genoeva Bingeman, Lyle Roth, Erin Martin, Emma Whittacker; **29** - Arthur Long, Randy Prues, Diane Anger, Donald McEllistrum, Brittany Snider; **30** - Erwin Faruzel, Cornelia Jahn, Greta Riedel, Mark West, Ruth Lavergne, Colin Sostar; **31** - Dan Boshart, Vicki Fisher, Nathan Seyler. Happy Birthday, friends!

July Anniversaries

2 - Bernice & Bruce Briand, Brian & Melissa Racho; **4** - Darrin & Judy Gueguen; **6** - Arlene & John Kropf, Jeff & Tracy McClenaghan, Carol Ann & Craig Weichel; **7** - Lynn & Randy Prues, Kathy & Tim Scheerer; **8** - Al & Tammy Junker, Aimee & James Anger; **9** - Ken & Sheila Snyder; **10** - **Gwen & Wilson Abraham (Special anniversary: 60 years!)** **12** - Linda & Bill Ferguson, Bobbie & Brian Wiechers, Derek & Tracy Klaassen; **13** - Greg & Jane Steinberg; **15** - Judy & Ted Seyler; **16** - Carl & Lorraine Schroeder, Claudia & Ed Danner; **18** - Debbie & Robert Stefansson; **19** - Gerald & Kathryn Eichler; **20** - Bruce & Marilyn Wagler; **22** - Carina & Joseph De Sapio; **25** - Ron & Jean Schaaf, Gary & Greta Riedel; **26** - Barry & Denise Kienapple; **28** - Muriel & Bill Weichel; **29** - Kathy & Kevin Bingeman; **30** - Betty & Ernie Ritz; **31** - David & Janet Farr. Happy anniversary, friends.

August Anniversaries

1 - Holly & John McCurdy; **4** - Ruth & Steve Aho; **6** - Scott & Tristen Diebel, Michael Hayes & Celia Jones; **7** - Carolyn & Ron Witzel, Darryl Smith & Susan Yutzi-Smith; **9** - Cindy & Paul Holst, Brenda & Steve Malloch; **12** - Peter & Virginia Schmidt; **13** - Tony & Joan Beavis, Julie & Troy Ferguson, Anne & Trevor Anderson; **14** - Jared & Shannon Snyder; **15** - Bruce & Anne Hammer, Harold & Susan Danner; **17** - Donna & Michael Kasper, Angela & Chad Snider; **18** - Jane & Rick Trafford; **20** - Mary & Raimond Danner, Andy & Lori Persaud; **21** - Dagmar & Tom Otto, Janice & Rick Ritz, Christine Klaassen & Régis St-Pierre, Heather & Jason Faulkner; **22** - Jim & Nancy Arbuckle; **24** - Glen & Nancy Brodrecht; **25** - Charlene & Tom Boehler, Chris & Kelly Jantzi; **26** - Larry & Debbie Gravill; **27** - David & Nancy Butz, Dale & Tara Schaaf, Ron & Summer Runstedler; **29** - Lynn & Paul Buehlow, Ann & Roger Lindner; **31** - Diane & Ron Lippert. Happy anniversary, friends.

✚ jill merner

✚ Dear Kim, This is what I believe...

Explaining Christian Faith Today

Each month, by kind permission, we publish an extract from Bill Loader's book, Dear Kim, This is what I believe...

Chapter 4: What About The Church

"Church is boring!" That's what I often hear people say and sometimes I feel like that, too. Yet it is not always what I feel, in fact increasingly less so. I feel proud to be identified with the Church, when it stands up for human rights, when it gets involved in helping people who have real need, when it is a place which helps people get in touch with God in their lives, when it is prepared to ask critical questions about itself and its heritage and about what is going on in the world..

Part of me can feel very impatient with the Church and with what happens in it. I get quite exasperated when people in the Church think that Christianity is all about rules, or when they fail to look critically at what they are doing and saying, or when they make faith sound like mumbo jumbo or superstition or when the aim seems to be to make comfortable people feel more comfortable.

Yet some of the most exciting people I have met have been in the Church. They challenge me. They wake up my ideas. They seem to be in touch with life. They open up new ways of looking at things. They are generous, loving people, who illustrate by their lives everything I have been saying about Jesus. They are real saints. You probably know some people like that, too. They're not necessarily people in official Church positions; often they are not; some of them are. They are just people getting on with life, but with an abundance of love to give to others.

At times, being in Church is like being in a health care centre, a healthy place to be, but you are there in a community of people who care and need caring. Some sit there in the congregation, carrying recent memories of someone close to them who has died. Others come, full of worry and fear about their job or their health or what is happening to their children or their marriage. Some seem to be regularly depressed people; and others are a bit odd and seem to feel at home here and few places else. And the line between wellness and unwellness is frequently blurred, because here it is OK to acknowledge that we all need care and we can all give care.

When the minister and those leading the worship are tuned in to where people are at, the whole event can seem

like an act of healing. The whole room fills with compassion and you feel a close sense of belonging together — limping along with the those who struggle, holding the hand of the elderly, putting your arm round the shoulders of someone going through rough times. And sometimes this can happen quite literally, especially where what matters most is people in the presence of God and not performance of a fixed and formal order of proceedings.

An odd mixture



The Church — any congregation — and the Church as a whole is an odd mixture, a strange assortment of people. Some of us are in the Church out of habit and tradition, without much commitment to what it is all about — in fact, often blocking any initiatives to be relevant to the world around us. Others of us are there by habit and tradition because we have always tried to walk the way of Jesus in their lives. We were there when it was what everyone used to do; we are there when it's out of fashion.

Then I wonder what it would have been like around Jesus in his day. There would probably have been a similar assortment of different people. Perhaps a number who presently go to church would be more comfortable with Jesus' opponents; but, all the same, you'd be in an uncomfortable crowd of people at all different stages of life's journey. It is tempting to think: wouldn't it be better if we could find a lot of people who think and behaviour more or less the way we do? But that is like asking Jesus to be selective about his company, a contradiction of all that he was about.

In moments of truth I also realise that we're all people who are on a journey and I'm no exception. In some ways the progress Christianity has made in the world or in the Church is about the same as it has made in my own life — otherwise I'm kidding myself. And I'm not about to abandon myself; so I'm not going to abandon the Church just because it's as human as I am.

That sounds simpler than it really is. At least I can make some changes in myself; with the Church that's more difficult; will anyone listen? Part of loving myself as God loves me means looking at my faults and deciding to do something about them. I need to love the Church like that, too — I am also part of it! What I want to say about the Church comes from this approach. Let me begin with the great treasure that the Church is.

The wider church

The Church is the local congregation; but it is also bigger

than that. It is worldwide and it reaches back across nearly 2000 years. We can think of the Church lying across the landscape of history in the shape of a cross: it reaches out across the world and it reaches back across history and also forward into the future. The vertical aspect is the one which makes me feel one with Christians down through the ages, right back to the first disciples and Jesus himself. At times I can sense this link quite strongly, especially when people leading worship help to engender it by pointing it out or using it in some way. The horizontal aspect is the Church across all the peoples and cultures of today's world. We sense this when we pray or talk about people outside our own local congregation and don't just focus always on ourselves. The traditional way of saying what I am treasuring here is that the Church is the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. 'Catholic', here, is used in its archaic sense of 'universal'. 'Apostolic' means it goes back to the apostles, the first Christian leaders.

In tune with yesterday — and today?

Treasuring the connection with all those who have been Christians in the Church over the centuries is why I'm comfortable about using ancient prayers or creeds and hymns at times in church. But they shouldn't, to my mind, dominate and leave no room for saying and doing things in today's ways as well. That's a problem in Church services. It is like having the cross without the cross bar. Some use only traditional sources. That can be fine for those who are in the in-group. But I think too many churches have got stuck with only one kind of tradition in words and in music. They don't seem to realise that they are giving people the message that what they are about can't really be celebrated or lived in today's world. Museums can be inspiring and nostalgia is not to be despised, but Churches which stay in that mode are missing something vital. At worst they are engaging in a form of community depression and need help.

Sometimes the opposite happens and I find it very odd. People go for modern sounds and systems with little thought for what is being sung or said. They can easily lose the connection with the treasure of tradition and with its wisdom and instead produce sloppy and sentimental songs which seem designed to make people feel good. Frequently when they do try to connect to the tradition they use ideas and concepts uncritically and inappropriately. For a long time this was true of many so called choruses which people used in churches. In recent years however we have seen exciting new developments which have been able to combine good contemporary music with words that do make sense without watering down the gospel.



It is also possible for congregations to be so focused on what is going on in the world and what needs to be done, that mutual exhortation to action and moral demand dominates with insufficient attention to nurturing people for the task. It is difficult to sustain the fruit if we do not attend to the tree itself and its roots.

Church communities need to work at the connections with the historical treasure of the gospel and with the style and issues of the day, if they are to escape being a cultural ghetto or just another service club. Music is only one example of the need for cultural flexibility, but a good one. We need more church musicians with a sensitive tolerance to a wide range of musical style. I'm a classical music fan, myself, but I can't, for the life of me, justify the monoculturalism which has tended to dominate decisions about music in the Church and the words and style of its written orders of service. This, too, has been changing in recent years. But there is still a kind of stuck-ness here which belongs to a wider problem in the Churches.

*Next section: **Fundamentalism also about the church***

✚ *bill loader*

✚ Inquirers' Group

We'll be offering an Inquirers' Group this fall. Sessions will take place on Tuesdays at 7 pm beginning September 23. Topics will include Law & Gospel, Reformation, Baptism, Communion, Jesus and Bible. We'll use THE LUTHERAN COURSE as our guide. All Are welcome. We'll pass around a sign-up sheet in the late summer. The series will conclude with some people becoming members of Trinity at our November 9 Sanctuary Service. A pot-luck supper will follow. Interested? Speak to Pr. Anne.

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Adult Learning Team

Shannon Brooks has joined the Nurturing Faith (Adults) a.k.a. Adult Learning Team. Wonderful news! She replaces Wilson Abraham who has served with warmth and diligence. The Team meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 am, on a meeting-to-meeting basis. Our next meeting is September 9 (a week later than usual). Please take a look at the narthex board for our terrific new program plan.

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Tintinnabulations

July 2 & August 5 ~ Prayer Circle Updates

Shirley Unrau & pastors meet, 9:30 am. (The July date is moved from Tuesday to Wednesday to avoid Canada Day.)

August 14 ~ DOVE Prep Team

The DOVE Preparation Team gathers at 9 am, one week earlier than normal.

August 25 ~ Blood Donor Clinic

Hosted by Nith Valley Mennonite Church, our next clinic will be held on Monday, June 23, from 2 to 8:30 pm at W/O.

August 25 ~ ELW

Noon hour discussion: How can we be a church "In Mission for Others"? We'll meet at 12:30 pm over a brown-bag lunch. Contact Mildred Knackstedt, 662-3739, for information.

Mondays, 8 pm ~ CLEAN

Community Link Empowered Against Narcotics gathers weekly.

First Wednesdays, 11:30 am ~ Congregated Dining

On break for July and August, Community Care Concepts normally organizes a first-Wednesday-of-the-month lunch and program for seniors and adults with a disability. Specific program details are usually posted in the narthex a month in advance. We gather at Zion United. Doors open at 11:30 am. To reserve a spot, call (519) 669-3023.

Tuesdays, 6:45 pm ~ TOPS

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly gathers weekly.

3rd Tuesdays, 7 pm ~ Gentle Friends Readers

On summer break... Back in September!

Saturdays, 8 pm ~ A/A

A/A gathers for a weekly open meeting.

✚ *andré lavergne & jill merner*

✚ The Turning: Second Century Project

People have inquired as to what Council is doing about issues which have recently arisen concerning our facilities. For example, "Are we any nearer to dealing with the kitchen?" The answer is "yes." In the May TRINITY DOVE, I mentioned that Mike Gascon had created some concept drawings for a major endeavour, something which might unfold over the next year or two. Our working title is the "Second Century Project."



As I write, Council is reviewing Mike's preliminary drawings with a view to fixing any obvious bugs before we share the plans more broadly. The Second Century Project has five *possible* goals. All are reflected in Council's work so far: 1. To address the settling of the floor in Trinity Hall. 2. To address the need for a new sanitary sewage line. 3. To address the long-standing need for additional, more hospitable kitchen space. 4. To address the increasing need for additional user-friendly program & storage space. 5. To provide a focus for a possible celebration of the 100th anniversary of Trinity's sanctuary (1910).

I've asked Council to keep two questions in mind as they review the concept drawings: 1. What is our ministry? 2. How will this help? These two questions mirror the questions our Synod is urging us to wrestle with as we seek to be a church "in mission for others": 1. What is God's mission? 2. How can we help? The idea is that, whatever we do, it must advance Trinity's ministry in reflection of God's mission.

Our early drawings look promising. Already, Council members are checking in with suggestions around such issues as accessibility—"Can a wheelchair get there?"—and usability—"Is there enough counter-space next to that sink?" Council will address such issues at the June 18 meeting. Thereafter, and over the summer, we'll be looking for reaction from the groups significantly affected by this project. The idea is to tweak our concept drawings where necessary before taking a full-blown proposal to the congregation. Down the road, we'll need to decide how much we might want to do in one go or whether we might need to take things in two or three stages.

So the answer to the question "What is Council doing?" is "our homework!" Whatever we take to the congregation needs to be solid, supportable, realistic and carefully thought through. We are at the very early stages of our exploration but we're extremely optimistic. Stay tuned!

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Finances to May 31, 2008

	General Fund	Capital Fund	Transfers
Income	\$ 99,954	\$ 6,964	\$ 7,253
Outgo	115,719	689	4,146
Balance	(\$ 16,765)	\$ 6,275	\$ 3,107

General Fund Deficit

We've had a very rough start to the financial year for reasons that are not completely apparent. We know that winter costs were up owing to the heavy snowfall and increased utility usage & prices. It is also clear, however that our General Fund receipts have simply not kept pace as we had hoped. At Trinity Church, we do a lot with a little. Please remember your congregation as we enter the lean —leaner?— summer months.

PARTicipation

We receive \$10,902 monthly from 83 PAR contributors. Some \$9,669 is earmarked for the General Fund —about 45% of our annual budget. Another \$858 is allocated to Capital, and the rest to Global Hunger, etc. Care to PARTICIPATE? Speak to Jill Merner.

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✚ Terrific Witness!

Several Trinity youth are working at Edgewood, this summer. Emily Ritz is serving as Day Camp Coordinator & Administrative Staff Person. Scott Malloch, Tara Otto & Cass Lindner are serving as camp counsellors for our Confirmation Camp. Terrific witness!

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Nurturing Faith

We're looking for 2008-2009 staff! In fact, we already have a magnificent group of volunteers. Terrific! We're seeking shepherds and people to assist with music, art, drama and movies. Interested? Each unit lasts four weeks and a person can sign up for a single, couple or several units and in different capacities (art teacher, video person, shepherd...) at different times. Please speak with Lori Arnott. Come, join this magnificent program.

✚ *anne anderson*

✚ The TYGers' Den

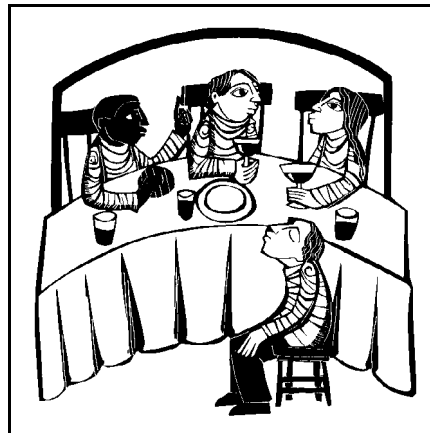
People have been asking... "How did we do on the Halifax fund-raising?" While we still have a little paper-work to do, we figure we cleared about \$5,000 on the golf tournament. Together with the family contributions of \$150 each and all of the other fund-raising, the TYGers are on their way to Halifax, free and clear! Magnificent! Here's what we have on the go for summer:

July - On Wednesday, July 16, at 8am, we will be heading to Canada's Wonderland for the day with Christ Lutheran Church, Waterloo. The cost is \$45 including bus. All TYGers are all welcome. Sign-up now as seats are limited.

August - Halifax is finally here! We will be journeying to Halifax from New Hamburg on Sunday, August 10 and returning Sunday, August 17.

If you aren't joining us on our Halifax adventure this year consider coming with us on next year's trip. Details soon!

✚ *anne anderson*



✚ Faith in Film II

We gather on four Summer Thursdays in the Bruce Hammer Theatre for Faith in Film II. Our topic is "friendship". Sherry Coman —writer, teacher of film & lover of the arts— leads again. Bring a brown-bag supper & something to drink. Information: sherry.coman@gmail.com.

- July 3 - Shawshank Redemption (Frank Darabont, 1994)
- July 31 - Dead Poets Society (Peter Weir, 1989)
- August 7 - Witness (Peter Weir, 1985)
- August 21 - The Girl in the Café (David Yates, 2005)

✚ *andré lavergne*

✚ Watch for August Proclamation!

Look for three "There Will Be Cake" Sundays this fall & winter (October 12, January 4, April 5). The official proclamation will come in August. We'll honour Rose & Mike Mueller for their many years of dedication to our Tape Ministry; Ken Seltzer for his friendly face at worship and years of community service; and Henry Simon for his magnificent work as Property-Meister *extraordinaire*.

✚ *andré lavergne*