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# The Anglican Parish of Trinity, Aurora

**ANNUAL REPORT  
To  
VESTRY  
JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020 – JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**

**The Reverend Karen J. Hatch**  
Incumbent

**Katherine Webster**  
Rector's Warden

**Lorraine Bell**  
Peoples' Warden

**Vestry Date: October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

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## Vestry Agenda

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*"That the auditors for the financial records of Trinity Church, Aurora for the fiscal year 2021-2022 be the firm of BDO Canada LLP"*
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23. Adjournment
24. Closing Prayer

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting on October 7th, 2020**  
**7:00pm**  
**Trinity Anglican Church**

The Vestry meeting of Trinity Anglican Church was officially opened at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 in the Main Church, chaired by The Rev'd Karen Hatch, Incumbent.

Rev'd Karen advised the attendees that the meeting was being recorded for the sole purpose of the minutes and would be destroyed after said minutes were transcribed.

Rev'd Karen introduced and thanked our friendly cohosts on Zoom and provided an overview on Zoom. She also thanked Doug Jarvie and Doug Keith for their technical support this evening.

We remembered those who have passed this fiscal year:

John Caseley, Helen Florence Sarles, Marjorie Lerway, Patricia Winnifred Twiss, Thelma Dwyer, Janet Weiss-Townsend, Marie Smith and Martin Lanaway.

**1. Rev'd Karen opened the meeting with prayer**

**2. Appointment of the Vestry Clerk**

*Geri Sinclair, Church Administrator appointed as Vestry Clerk, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.*

**3. Acceptance of the Revised Agenda**

**Motion** *to accept the revised agenda as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.*

**4. Reading and Signing of the Declaration Form**

Rev'd Karen read out the declaration rules and reminded all present to make sure they signed in.

**5. Acknowledgement of the Pastoral Letter from Bishop Andrew Asbil**

**Motion** *to accept pastoral letter as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.*

**6. Acknowledgement of the Pastoral Letter from Bishop Peter Fenty**

**Motion** *to accept pastoral letter as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.*

**7. Adoption of Minutes & Business Arising from the Minutes**

There were no concerns or changes to the Vestry minutes of October 1, 2019

**Motion** *to accept the minutes as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried. There was no new business.*

**8. Incumbent’s Report**

**Motion to accept the Incumbent’s Report as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**9. Associate’s Report**

**Motion to accept the Associate’s Report as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**10. Wardens’ Report**

**Motion to accept the Wardens’ Report as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**11. Ministry Reports**

Thank-you to all those who submitted their ministry reports.

**Motion to accept the Ministry reports as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**12. Endowment Fund Presentation – Scott Allan**

Scott Allan provided an overview on the following reports listed below.

**Balance Sheet  
Endowment Fund June Y/E**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Assets:		
Cash	\$ 21,993	\$ 31,260
Investments	\$ 689,999	\$ 680,068
Insurance (CS Value)	\$ 145,528	\$ 143,255
Loan to Ministry Fund	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,788</u>
	<u><b>\$ 857,520</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 859,371</b></u>

**Endowment Fund June Y/E overview**

In summary not dissimilar to the parish for the last few months, relatively quiet with one large exception in the Endowment Fund. There was a very large drop in investments in March followed with quite a strong rebound up to the end of June which is what these are measured against. From an investment point we are in quite a strong position. The Loan to the Ministry Fund was fully paid off at the end of June this year.

**Income Statement**  
**Endowment Fund - 12 Mos.**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b>Revenue:</b>		
Contributions	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,715
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	(10,835)	\$ 2,071
Increase in Insurance CS Value	\$ 2,273	\$ 1,764
Investment Income	<u>\$ 22,965</u>	<u>\$ 26,892</u>
	\$ 15,648	\$ 32,442
<b>Distributions</b>	<b><u>(16,225)</u></b>	<b><u>(18,000)</u></b>
Net Excess of Rev over Dist.	<u>(577)</u>	<u>\$ 14,442</u>

**Income Statement overview**

The unrealized balance has disappeared since June 30<sup>th</sup>. If we were doing a balance sheet today that number would be small or gone.

Investment Income reflects the distributions some of the mutual funds had particularly near the end of the year in June.

**Proposed Distributions**  
**Endowment Fund - Fiscal 2020**

CAYR (Formerly AIDS of York Region)	\$	1,000
Gran Aurora (Stephen Lewis Africa)	\$	1,500
FNMI (Pimatisiwin Nipi)	\$	2,000
The ABLE Network	\$	2,000
Welcoming Arms - Welcome Table	\$	2,225
Wardens	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,500</u>
 Total	 <u>\$</u>	 <u>16,225</u>

**Proposed Distributions overview**

Gifts to the Endowment Fund are turned back into good work in the community and beyond. The Endowment Committee has taken the position that all will be paid out. The other caveat we have taken and partly in trust with our trust documents is that the Wardens can receive 50%.

**Motion** to accept that the Endowment Fund Reports be accepted as presented and that the funds be distributed as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**13. Acceptance of Churchwardens’ Financial Report for 2019-2020**

Marc Brouillard provided an overview on the following reports listed below.

<b>Contributions</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Ministry Fund	423,370	462,196	(38,826)
Building Fund	96	4,165	(4,069)
Special Funds			
Clothes Closet	15,088	24,742	(9,654)
Interfaith Refugee Resettlers	720	920	(200)
Other Outreach	10,167	16,004	(5,837)
Youth Programs	8,592	4,194	4,398
Other	6,772	7,641	(869)
Endowment Fund	1,245	1,715	(470)
<b>Total</b>	<b>466,050</b>	<b>521,577</b>	<b>(55,527)</b>

<b>Ministry Fund</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
Beginning Surplus (Deficit)	(31,018)	(52,621)
Revenue Less Expenses	47,741	9,723
Interfund Transfers	11,630	11,880
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)	28,353	(31,018)

Ministry Fund	2020 Actual	2020 Budget	Var.
Offering Revenue	403,012	517,058	-22%
Other Revenue	269,549	179,670	50%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>672,561</b>	<b>696,728</b>	<b>-3%</b>

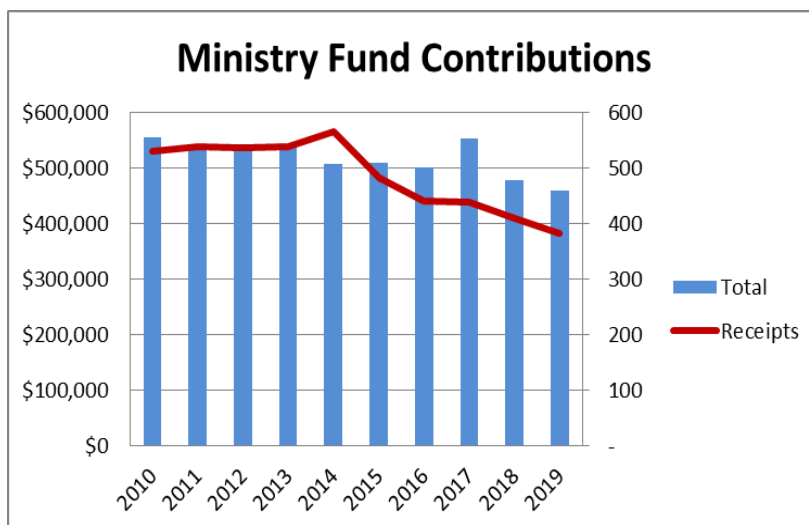
Clergy	175,850	200,394	-12%
Office	132,083	155,766	-15%
Property	127,820	142,810	-10%
Christian Ed.	53,550	60,365	-11%
Choir & Music	23,055	44,324	-48%
Communications	6,963	6,060	15%
Worship Supplies	1,228	2,500	-51%
Parish Allotment	96,461	96,390	0%
Fundraising	7,153	0	
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>624,161</b>	<b>708,609</b>	<b>-12%</b>
<b>Excess/Shortfall</b>	<b>48,400</b>	<b>-11,881</b>	

Significant Budget Variations	Budget +/- ('000)
- Contributions	-114
- Bequests	11.8
- Diocesan Grants	82.8
- Canada Wage Subsidy	12
- Rent	-28
- Fundraisers	-6.8
- Clergy	24.5
- Office	23.7
- Property	24.8
- Pastoral Care	6.8
- Music	21.3



Revenue	2020	2019	Differenc
Operating	399,222	410,995	-11,773
Major Festivals	15,205	31,206	-16,001
Special Appeal	355	11,960	-11,605
Use of Building	28,537	46,441	-17,903
Major Fundraiser	22,350	308	22,042
ACW Donation	7,928	8,035	-107
Diocesan Grant	82,751	8,333	74,418
YMCA	14,170	13,865	305
AUC	71,138	83,405	-12,267
Rectory	16,404	16,285	119
Other	14,501	859	13,641
<b>Total</b>	<b>672,561</b>	<b>631,692</b>	<b>40,869</b>

EXPENSE	2020	2019	Difference
Clergy Costs	175,850	121,235	54,615
Office	132,083	150,557	-18,474
Property Administration	127,820	138,941	-11,121
Pastoral Care and CE	53,550	62,084	-8,534
Choir & Music	23,055	43,555	-20,501
Communications	6,963	6,852	111
Worship Supplies	1,228	2,984	-1,756
Synod Allotment	96,461	95,728	733
Fundraising	7,153	0	7,153
<b>Total</b>	<b>624,161</b>	<b>621,936</b>	<b>2,225</b>



**Question:**

Scott Allan asked about the current status of AUC in terms of rental, are they paying rental income at this present time?

**Answer:**

They have approached us with respect to continued rent relief, we have negotiated with them a rent relief up until the end of August and now we are looking at September onward. We have approached the Wardens to consider a rent relief going forward. They have given us indication that they do not plan to return to in person worship for the immediate future. So, this is something we are definitely looking at.

**Motion** to accept the financial statements of June 30, 2020 as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**14. The 2020 – 2021 Budget ~ Marc Brouillard**

	2021 Budget	2020 Actual
Beginning Surplus (Deficit)	28,353	-31,018
Revenue Less Expenses	-11,880	47,741
Interfund Transfers	11,880	11,630
Accumulated Surplus	28,353	28,353

Revenue	2021 Budget	2019 Actual	Difference
Operating	392,538	410,995	-18,457
Major Festivals	30,000	31,206	-1,206
Special Appeal	12,000	11,960	40
Use of Building	40,268	46,441	-6,173
Major Fundraiser (net)	17,000	308	16,692
ACW Donation	-	8,035	-8,035
Diocesan Grant	14,460	8,333	6,126
YMCA	14,439	13,865	574
AUC	77,999	83,405	-5,406
Rectory	16,200	16,285	-85
Other	1,440	859	581
<b>Total</b>	<b>616,344</b>	<b>631,692</b>	<b>-15,348</b>

- Marc thanked Terry for putting the presentation together.
- There has been a decrease in givings of 2% each year.

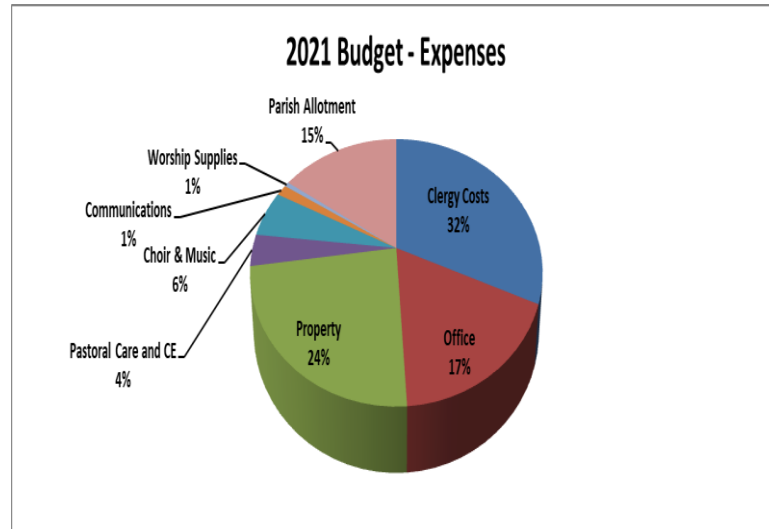
- There is limited fundraising, but we are anticipating a golf tournament in the spring.
- We built a 13<sup>th</sup> month into this budget.

EXPENSE	2021 Budget	2019 Actual	Difference
Clergy Costs	198,587	121,235	77,352
Office	109,379	150,557	-41,178
Property	149,436	138,941	10,495
Pastoral Care and CE	24,274	62,084	-37,809
Choir & Music	36,073	43,555	-7,483
Communications	8,900	6,852	2,048
Worship Supplies	3,700	2,984	716
Parish Allotment	97,876	95,728	2,148
<b>Total</b>	<b>628,224</b>	<b>621,935</b>	<b>6,289</b>

- On the expenditure side, clergy costs are higher than what we had in 2019. This is due to the grant that we received from the Diocese.
- In terms of Office staff, with Caroline’s retirement and Geri’s hire, and we have had some other reductions, so those expenditures are going to be less than the previous year.
- We will be welcoming Jenny Cheong as a new Music Director on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Significant Budget Assumptions
- Contributions continue to decline
- Golf tournament in May 2021
- Diocesan grant covers 30% Fr. Dan's comp. for 6 months
- No bazaar
- Special appeal in May/June 2021
- Delay in hiring full-time music director
- Not replacing Deacon
- Clothes Closet will pay grounds maintenance expenses from March to June 2021
- Reduced office staff

- Father Dan’s assignment goes until the end of February.



**Question:** I was surprised to see the allotment to the Diocese increase this year. Do you or Rev'd Karen have a sense as to why it is on the upswing when our numbers are on the downswing?

**Answer:** I don't have the exact details. I know it is based on a 3-year average in terms of how they calculate that allotment. I don't have the specific answer in terms of why it went up the way it did, but we can certainly cycle back.

**Motion to accept the Budget for the fiscal year 2020 as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

## 15. Auditor's Report

Our Auditors BDO have issued us a standard audit report which indicates that the financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the church at the end of June. Again, thank you to Terry Mawhinney and Ruth Corpuz our Bookkeeper for keeping everything in line as it made the Auditors job relatively easy which resulted in a very satisfactory Auditor's Report.

**Motion to accept the Auditors Report as presented,** moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

## 16. Acknowledgements

Rev'd Karen's report and the Wardens' Report really captured many of the staff and volunteers who have stepped down, retired or resigned during the year. I give thanks personally for their service and ministry. Our community was blessed indeed by these individuals and we wish them all well.

I do want to take a moment to speak about our Warden Team and that includes Terry as well. They have been and continue to be an incredible blessing. They are faithful, hardworking and recognize their need to keep pivoting as we move forward in this very strange year. I have felt incredibly supported by them and look forward to the year ahead.

I want to say a huge thank you to Marc and Sarah who are stepping down as senior wardens as of this evening. They are still on for another year as Emeritus. Their gifts and everyone's gifts around the table and the senses of humour are so delightful. I feel very blessed to be part of that team.

I also want to extend a virtual hug to Joy Gannicott who stepped in as our interim Music Director and has been a stalwart with all of the services we've had and even when we returned, she and Wesley have been providing beautiful music while we wait for Jenny Cheong to arrive. Thank you to Joy and Wesley.

## 17. Appointments to the 2020-2021 Advisory Board

Position	Name
Rector's Warden	Lorraine Bell
Deputy Warden	Deb Wilson-Smith
Deputy Warden	
Chancel Guild Coordinators	Margaret Blackie/Val Keith
Sunday School Coordinator	Katherine Corbett
Pastoral Care Coordinator	Kathleen McGill
Envelope Secretary	TBD
Treasurer	Ross Carter
Property Coordinator	David Young
Youth Coordinators	Liz Keith & Kelly Peters

- There is a Deputy Warden vacancy, but we are considering in talking with a couple of people. I chose to make that an appointment because it's a lot easier to appoint somebody through the year than to hold a special Vestry to elect somebody.
- Envelope Secretary is currently TBD because we may be moving part of that function to Geri's job, so I have left it as TBD.
- These are appointments by myself and the Wardens.

## 18. Nominations for the Election to the 2020-2021 Advisory Board

Position	Name
Peoples' Warden	Katherine Webster
Deputy Warden	David Young
Deputy Warden	Lauryn Tari
Lay Members of Synod	Doug Keith (Year 2 of Term 2)
	Tom Fletcher (Year 2 of Term 1)
Substitute Lay Member of Synod	Joy Marshall Mary Rogers Deb Wilson-Smith
Stewardship Coordinator	Dave Town
Outreach Coordinator	Beverley Wood
Choir Representative	Kelly Peters
Parochial Tribunal	Val Keith Moira O'Bryan

**Motion** to close nominations as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

**Motion** to accept the nominations as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried.

## 19. Banking Resolution

We move that the signing officers of the church accounts for the year 2020-2021 be any two of the following: Rector's Warden, Peoples' Warden, Deputy Wardens and/or Treasurer. One of whom must be the Rector's Warden or the Peoples' Warden.

**Motion** to accept the Banking Resolution as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried

## 20. Appointment of the Auditors

We move that the auditors for the financial records of Trinity Church, Aurora for the fiscal year 2020-2021 be the firm of BDO Canada LLP.

**Motion** to accept the Appointment of the Auditors as presented, moved by David Young and seconded by Lana Ferguson; carried

## 21. Other Business

No other business.

## 22. Motion to Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm with a closing prayer.

## Bishop's Pastoral Letter to Vestries, 2021



Diocese of Toronto  
Anglican Church of Canada

To our Clergy, Churchwardens and Parishioners

Beloved in Christ, peace and grace be with you.

Grow! You may remember that in my letter to you last year, I invited each community to embrace the essence of our diocesan strategic plan, *Growing in Christ*. The invitation was simple...grow! Well, none of us could have imagined the scope with which we would have to adjust, change, turn, accommodate, and innovate in 2020. Almost every aspect of how we do Church would need to be transformed: from worship to administration, from pastoral care to sacramental ministry, from finance to stewarding buildings and property. On Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> we closed the doors of our buildings and we were jettisoned into another way of gathering and being the Church.

Parishes small and large, rural and urban turned to online worship, telephone ministry, driveway conversations, pre-recording and livestreaming. We thought we would be back in our buildings by Easter. My, how we were wrong about that. Maybe by Pentecost things would be normal again, we thought. Summer turned into fall. A partial opening under strict guidelines would give way to a second wave that would carry us through Advent and Christmas, Epiphany and now into Lent. Through it all we have learned to live outside our comfort zone and grow. Like being tossed into the deep end of the pool we are learning to swim.

The Jubilee offered by the Diocese in 2020 helped to shore up a faltering financial confidence. Many parishes report that online worship and programming is reaching a wider audience. Some parishes tell us that financial support and donations are holding steady. Clergy tell me that there is a growing trust, cooperation, and companionship with colleagues. Many parishes speak of collaborating with neighbouring communities. We have also been wrestling with how to serve those who are falling through the cracks of our social structures and safety nets, particularly those who live in precarious housing, grapple with food insecurity, mental health issues and domestic violence.

The murder of George Floyd on May 25, 2020 thrust us into the depths of confronting anti-black and systemic racism. Each year at vestry we ask you to consider supporting a social justice initiative. In 2021, we invite you to support the motion on [Committing Ourselves to Anti-Racism](#). The initiatives that are outlined give all of us the opportunity to be agents of dismantling racism in all of its forms. We are called to change. Throughout this time of pandemic, we are doing more than just treading water... we are growing. I believe we are growing in trust of one another, and deeper still, in trust that God has this whole situation in hand. And trust calls us to be faithful and to be prepared.

As you gather for your vestry meeting, likely online, I want to say two things. The first is to express my profound gratitude for your faithfulness, hard work, creativity, and innovative ways thus far in this pandemic. I am thankful for the tireless leadership of our clergy; bishops, priests, and deacons. I am moved beyond words by the ministry of our lay leaders who move mountains to keep the church moving. Thank you.

The second thing is, be prepared. We hear this summons often in scripture. *In the wilderness, prepare the way of the Lord*, cries the prophet. *I go to prepare a place for you*, Jesus says to his disciples. *Preach the word, be ready in season and out of season* writes Paul to Timothy. As circumstances begin to change, as the vaccine begins to take a hold for the better, I hope that you will take as much time planning for a return as you did when our doors closed in March of last year. Coming back will take a special kind of care and effort. It will take time to allay fears, it will take energy to coax the community to move forward in new ways. It will take a vision steeped in the Gospel of Jesus Christ to lift the eyes and hearts of a weary people.

*And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. Galatians 6.9-10*

Yours in Christ,

+Andrew

The Rt. Rev. Andrew J. Asbil  
Bishop of Toronto



## Area Bishop's Pastoral Letter to York-Simcoe Vestries, 2021



**Diocese of Toronto**  
Anglican Church of Canada

January 25, 2021

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

Dear friends in the Holland and Huronia Deaneries,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Cor. 1:2)

I have the privilege of writing as you gather for your annual Vestry meeting this year. A few months ago, we had the opportunity to say farewell to Bishop Peter Fenty, who served faithfully as Bishop of York-Simcoe for seven years and was beloved by many. Since Bishop Peter's retirement, I have been asked to give leadership to your deaneries while continuing my role as Area Bishop of York- Scarborough. It is my joy to walk alongside you in ministry.

Vestry is an important moment in the life of any parish. We are given the opportunity to look back with thanksgiving on the past year and look forward with hope as we catch a vision of what God is calling us to be in the year ahead.

Never before have we experienced a year like 2020. A year ago, we were just beginning to hear reports out of Wuhan, China of a virus that was spreading rapidly and making many people sick. Within weeks the virus was detected here in Canada. By mid-March our province was in lockdown. This meant that our churches were suddenly closed to public worship and most other activities.

Very quickly, Anglicans across our Diocese "pivoted" to begin doing mission and ministry in virtual ways in order to stay connected and keep the flame of the Gospel burning. Pre-recorded services, livestreams and Zoom worship sprang up to connect people from the safety of their own living rooms. For months, our church buildings remained shuttered, except for the important work of providing outreach to the most vulnerable in our communities. We hunkered down and sheltered at home. The Diocese was able to offer a Jubilee to all parishes for three months as a way of helping ministry continue. I know how well this was received, and I thank God that we had the resources to do it.

As COVID-19 cases decreased over the summer months, September brought new opportunities to begin gathering again. The Diocese's amber guidelines were put in place, allowing parish communities to come together in-person once again. For several weeks, we were once again gathering in our sacred spaces, being fed at the Lord's table, and enjoying fellowship with one another in familiar ways.

But no sooner had we begun, case numbers began to rise again, and news of more virulent strains of COVID from other parts of the world. By year-end the whole province was in lockdown. The effects have been devastating for so many: job losses, increases in addiction and mental health issues, a rise in domestic violence, loneliness due to isolation and separation from family members and friends. And yet you – the Church – have continued the life-giving work of the Gospel, by lovingly walking alongside those in greatest need. Thank

you! And now several vaccines have been approved and are making their way into the arms of Canadians. Thanks be to God!

In the roller coaster of the past twelve months, we rose to the various challenges in ways many did not think possible. The necessary restrictions shifted almost everything we knew of church, yet the Gospel of Jesus Christ continued to be proclaimed and lived. I have been so proud of the ways that our parishes have been nimble in these difficult times. The Holy Spirit has indeed led us in this wilderness. Thank you to our clergy, churchwardens, parish staff, lay leaders and tech savvy volunteers who have made this pivot possible. I believe our Church leapt forward several decades in just a few short months, and I hope we will hold onto the spirit of adapting to rapidly changing circumstances.

COVID-19 was not the only challenge facing our Church and society over the past year. In May, we watched in horror as news outlets showed the vicious murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis. The killing of a black man by a white police officer reminded us painfully of the toxic forces of anti-black racism not only in the United States but also here at home. The Gospel calls us away from any kind of hatred and discrimination, and in our baptism we commit to respect the dignity of every human being. Our Diocese is responding to the scourge of racism by offering anti-racism and anti-bias training this year. As the newly-appointed Diversity Officer for the Diocese, I look forward to leading this work forward over the coming year.

2020 was also a year of change in leadership within our Diocese. In addition to Bishop Peter's retirement, Bishop Jenny Andison made the decision to return to parish ministry after serving as an area bishop for four years. We give thanks for Bishop Peter and Bishop Jenny and for the ways they have blessed our Diocese. In response to these changes, Bishop Andrew has struck an Episcopal Leadership Working Group to help shape the future of episcopal leadership going forward. In this interim period, I have been asked to provide oversight to deaneries in York-Simcoe and York-Credit Valley, in addition to the five deaneries in York-Scarborough. Please pray for the work of the ELWG as we discern the future of leadership in our Church.

As I reflect on our ministry together over the past year, I realize that our work would not have been possible without the support of our wonderful York-Simcoe Administrative Assistant, Jennipher Kean. Jenn has kept everything moving along beautifully in this time of transition and we are so indebted to her as well as our exceptional synod office staff. They are all just a phone call or email away.

I want to acknowledge the excellent work of our Regional Deans: the Reverend Canon John Anderson (Huron) and the Reverend Erin Martin (Holland). Along with our area liturgical officers, our Regional Deans are excellent resources for parishes, and provide me with invaluable advice. I have also valued the support and collegiality of the other members of the College: Bishop Andrew, Bishop Peter, Bishop Riscylla, Bishop Jenny and Canon Mary Conliffe.

Our episcopal area is also blessed with many incredible youth leaders, who are ably led by the York- Simcoe Youth Coordinators, Sarah Layman and Amy de Sousa. In the midst of this

pandemic, they have found creative ways of staying in touch with our youth and encouraging them in their own ministries.

Finally, I want to express my thanks to all those who exercise leadership in the parishes, chaplaincies, fresh expressions and community ministries of the York-Simcoe area. Whether you are stepping down from a particular ministry, or continuing on, or taking up a new role at this annual Vestry meeting, thank you for your commitment and faithfulness. You are a blessing to the Church in our Diocese. Be assured of my prayers each day as you carry out your ministry in the name of Jesus Christ.

I am writing this letter on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. As our Church celebrates the beginning of Paul's evangelistic ministry to the Gentiles, please join with me in praying and working for the proclamation of the Gospel in every place, and for the renewal of the Church in our midst.

Yours in Christ,

+Kevin

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson  
Area Bishop of York Scarborough  
Bishop Suffragan of Toronto

## Incumbent's Report

As I write this report, we continue to find ourselves in the midst of a pandemic but hope there is a light at the end of the tunnel as more and more people get vaccinated and as we continue to practise our physical distancing and mask wearing. Our vestry package is filled with reports that may seem a little shorter than usual but they still capture beautifully the activities of our Christian community in what has turned out to be yet another very different year. I continue to be incredibly grateful for all of our ministry leaders who have shared their insights and for everyone who lives out their discipleship by supporting Trinity in various ways.

### Worship

You may remember that on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 on the instruction of our Bishops, our church buildings were closed in an effort to curb the pandemic and keep everyone safe and healthy. At Trinity, we did not move to live-streaming right away for a couple of reasons that were explained in last year's vestry report. When we were permitted to re-open the building, the re-entry team chose to cap attendance at 50 people for safety reasons. Most Sundays, we had 21 people attend (plus the clergy, musicians and video/sound guys). Unfortunately, numbers started to rise again and we chose to close the building one more time. The rest of this vestry year the building has been closed and we moved to pre-recorded services. A very special thank you to Doug Keith and Doug Jarvie for their amazing efforts and work at putting some great services together. Thank you as well to each congregation member that gave us feedback. While Doug J. would tell you the services couldn't happen without us – your clergy; Fr Dan and I know we couldn't have done the services without them!

This year we had a "drive-thru" Palm Sunday! Rev'd Erin and I stood outside and visited with approximately 20 people who drove up to the back door of the church to receive a palm. We even got a call from a nursing home asking if we could deliver palms!

One of the "gifts" of this time has been serving with The Reverend Erin Martin and members of St James the Apostle in Sharon. Originally, we invited Rev'd Erin to join us because St James didn't have the capacity to pre-record or livestream. Fr Dan, Rev'd Erin and I (and Jenny as well) enjoy serving together and it was such a joy. Sadly, Rev'd Erin slipped and cracked her hip so in one sense we were blessed to already have the arrangement in place but we have missed not having her with us and continue to keep her in our prayers as she heals.

None of us knew how long the pandemic would continue but we tried to offer opportunities to gather. On Tuesday evenings, we hosted weekly Compline services (Night Prayers) via the Zoom platform, which provided the opportunity for us to gather, albeit virtually, within our church community and to check-in on one another and to share stories about how our lives had changed. These services are continuing and over the summer we have a smaller but faithful group. The "zoom room" opens at 7:30 p.m. for anyone who wants to say hi. The service is usually led by Fr Dan or myself and parishioners take turns volunteering to lead the responses and provide music. We have shared laughs, seen some beautiful views (both inside homes and on decks) and hear lovely music chosen by the musician of the week. I continue to be very grateful to Doug Leitch and Cathy Gross who created "COVAID" as another way of keeping all of us in touch during this pandemic. If you haven't "attended", please

consider doing so. Sadly, due to other commitments, I was only able to attend once but I am hoping the fall will give me more opportunities.

I give thanks to Katherine Corbett for her dedication to our children these last three years and so ably pivoting to “zoom” church school when needed. Thank you Katherine for your faithfulness to God and our Trinity community. A special thank you as well to Liz Keith and Kelly Peters who care for our youth. Their resiliency was amazing as they moved indoors and moved back outdoors depending on the covid numbers! We are so blessed to have so many small groups at Trinity: the men’s group, progressive Christianity, COVAID, compline to name a few.

I had the privilege of officiating at two weddings this past year. Both weddings had less than 10 people in attendance but one of the weddings used zoom for the service and there on the screen were approximately 60 people from all over the world participating. At the end of the service, the bride knelt down on the ground (in her poofy dress) and spoke with them up close. It was a beautiful site. I have also had the privilege of officiating at a few funerals. While the big celebrations we would normally like to hold, haven’t happened, the smaller intimate services have been lovely.

While the wider community is opening up a little more each week, the Church is currently still in the “amber” phase. In this phase we are permitted to do home communions with proper precautions and the attendance at funerals and weddings is larger than 10 and outdoor gatherings can be up to 100 people. Sadly, we are still not permitted to share food or have a coffee hour (unless each person brings their own). None of us knows what the future holds with this pandemic, but we will continue to take one day at a time, observe physical distancing and do our utmost to make sure we keep everyone safe and healthy.

### **Outreach**

Trinity continues to provide leadership as well as spiritual support to the Wednesday night Welcome Table dinner, currently being served in Trinity’s parking lot in a ‘drive thru’ format. The church always smells so enticing on these days as we get a whiff of roast beef, gravy and mashed potatoes or macaroni & cheese with bacon and ham cooking in our kitchen. Every Tuesday evening bread is delivered and left in the narthex and when we enter the building on Wednesday morning, we are greeted with the smell of fresh bread! Over 130 guests are typically served each Wednesday and the volunteers know them by name!

Other important ministries at Trinity include our Clothes Closet which has been closed during the pandemic but re-opened in July 2021. It was lovely to hear a couple of people laughing in the basement again. Special thanks to Marg Blackie who keeps tabs on the clothing in the box to make sure it doesn’t overflow and who organizes the basement!

### **Pastoral Care**

I continue to be in awe at the dedication of our lay volunteers, under the direction of Kathleen McGill. This dedicated and faithful group of people visit those who are unable to attend our church services for various reasons; reminding them that they are very much a part of our Christian community. COVID-19 made in-person visiting impossible but our lay volunteers called those who were homebound and wrote cards. Fr Dan and I started calling

through the parish list which is no small feat with over 600+ names on it! Please know that your Priests are here for you. If you want to talk with us, please give us a call! We love visiting and getting to know you.

I would be remiss if we did not take a moment to remember those who died this past year from July 2020-June 2021. Let us remember: Helen Verda Denike, Vera Howard, Beverley Paterson Wood, David William Beadle, Lillian Dyson-Babcock and Veronica Jongeneel.

*“Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the dearly departed rest in peace and rise in glory.”*

### Our Ministry Team

In September 2020, we welcomed Ms Jenny Cheong as our new Director of Music Ministries. She is extremely talented and we are in awe at how gracefully she plays the piano, organ and cello (not at the same time). We have been given the opportunity to hear so many different types of music and are very gratefully for her dedication to this community and her craft.

In June 2021, we welcomed Ms Kelly Clark as our new Parish Administrator. Kelly has a wonderful laugh, is very friendly and has caught on very quickly. I had three days to spend with her before I went on my summer vacation and she didn't seem stressed out at all!

Serving the people of Trinity continues to be a joy and a privilege (even in the midst of a pandemic which makes it challenging). I continue to feel blessed and I look forward to the year ahead and what it will bring! I continue to believe that the future of God's church lies in service, ministry and compassion. As I said last year, when our service meets the world's needs, we will be truly living as a Gospel people. I am sure there are other ways of meeting different needs in this different time! If you have any creative thoughts and ideas, please feel free to share them with me.

On a personal note, thank you to all of you who offered your condolences to Brian and me on the unexpected deaths of Brian's dad, our niece and a dear friend. It will come as no surprise that the pandemic made grieving more challenging. Special thanks to Brian, our cat Edward and my family for their continued love and support.

*“Glory to God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine!”*  
Yours in Christ,

The Reverend Karen Hatch  
Incumbent

## Associate's Report

A whole year in COVIDtime does not mean that we have not availed ourselves of the marvels of Zoom to continue our Christian Education programs here at Trinity. In fact, we have had a very full and successful year of offering Christian Education courses online. It will certainly be wonderful to be able to meet again in person, and I am very hopeful that we will be able to do some in-person Christian education this year. However, it looks like the online option is here to stay as well. Usually, when I offer courses, I open them to anyone who might be interested, and we attract members of other parishes. What was a happy and unexpected outcome of going online this year has been the participation from a wide variety of participants. In addition to our faithful Trinity Aurora participants, we have had people from St. Paul's Newmarket, St. James Sharon, Trinity Bradford, St. Mary's Richmond Hill, St. Stephen's Maple, St. Christopher's Richmond Hill, All Saints' King, Parish of the Evangelists in Tottenham, Holy Trinity Thornhill, St. James Cathedral, Aurora United, Temperanceville United, and other participants from as far away as Parry Sound, Peterborough, Guelph, British Columbia, and Tennessee. It is wonderful to be able to gather as a wider community and explore the Scriptures, spirituality, and theological topics together.

Over the past year I have offered five courses, ranging from a 3-week summer mini-course to longer 6-8 week courses. Courses have included "The Apocalyptic Imagination", "Reading the Dead Sea Scrolls", "Inspiring the Moral Imagination: The Sermon on the Mount", and "Four Ways to Pray". Each course is offered in 2-3 different slots (morning and evening) so that the maximum number of participants can attend, and each course has had enrollment of 30-40 people.

Upcoming courses for 2021-22 include: "Wisdom is Known by her Children: Understanding Old Testament Wisdom Literature" (early fall 2021); "Isaiah: the Fifth Gospel?" (late fall 2021); "Back to Basics Bible" (winter 2022); and "Jesus of History or Christ of Faith?" (spring 2022).

In another vestry report you will read about "Progressive Christianity", which is an ongoing study group led by Cathy Gross and Lenore Pressley. It is an excellent group that has been running for many years and continued to run through the pandemic thanks to the leadership of Cathy and Lenore. I highly recommend it and am grateful for their ongoing leadership of this study. Another group that met regularly, led by Cathy Gross and Doug Leitch was COVAID, which provided support, learning, and online fellowship during the pandemic. Those who attended found it very helpful and Cathy and Doug are to be congratulated and thanked for this innovative way of keeping the community together during challenging times.

Other small groups that have continued to meet are the Tuesday morning men's group, of which I am a part. We have met variously over conference call, zoom, and outdoor in-person, as health regulations have allowed. Lots of good conversation invariable ensues, and good reflection took place on Thomas a Kempis's *Imitation of Christ* and a recent work by Richard Rohr.

A special shout-out is also due to those who spearhead our ministry to young people. Elizabeth Keith and Kelly Peters have kept the youth group meeting over the entire pandemic and Kathy Corbett provided an excellent ministry to our children via zoom Sunday School.

We have not had regular baptism preparation during the pandemic, but we have done some individual preparation as required. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or children, please let me know. Hopefully, regular preparation will resume in the near future.

One of the great joys during this time has been to officiate at several physically-distanced, outdoor weddings over the past year. It has been a privilege to prepare several couples for holy matrimony and journey with them through the ever-changing landscape of planning a wedding with unpredictable public health guidelines! In some ways, the experience has been all the more special and intimate.

We don't know what the year will bring but let us embrace the ministry we share in the time in which we find ourselves. The times are challenging, but also exciting.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Daniel F. Graves  
Associate Priest (Christian Education and Faith Formation)



## The Warden's Report

This year has been a year we won't quickly forget!

The continuing pandemic presented challenges which forced us to reconsider how the business of Trinity was conducted. We had to adjust to reduced income, especially with regard to rental income, to new church management software (Breeze) and to new on-line banking protocols. But thanks to the generosity of the Diocese, the continued faithfulness of parishioners and the expertise of our Treasurer, Ross Carter and Envelope Secretary, Doug Keith, we adjusted successfully.

The Churchwardens are responsible to Vestry for the temporal affairs of the congregation, including all decisions regarding major finances, property, and staffing. We rely on prayerful discernment, guided by the Holy Spirit, in making all our decisions to ensure the smooth day-to-day operations of the church. The members of this year's Warden Team are Katherine Webster, Lorraine Bell, David Young, Deb Wilson-Smith, Lauryn Tari, and Judith Puttock. As stated, we are ably assisted by the Treasurer, Ross Carter, who is responsible for over-seeing the budget and communicating with the Wardens and Vestry. We are grateful for the vigor and spiritual determination this team has shown in service to the Trinity community.

### Human Resources

In December we said goodbye to Geri Sinclair, our Parish Administrator, who left to pursue another career opportunity. Although with us for only a short period of time, Geri performed her duties in a most professional manner and we wish her well in her new endeavours.

After a long search, pouring over resumes and conducting numerous interviews, the search committee recommended the hiring of Kelly Clark as our new Parish Administrator. Kelly comes to the role with a rich depth of experience gained while working with the Sisterhood of St. John The Divine. We are excited to have her with us. Many thanks must be extended to the search team composed of Judith Puttock, Dan Low, and Reverend Karen for their diligence and perseverance.

Sadly, we also said goodbye to our Church School Leader Katherine Corbett, who announced her retiring from this position at the end of June. Katherine's commitment to the early and on-going Christian Education of our children will be sorely missed. Her ability to communicate effectively and connect deeply with our children and their families has been a blessing. Thank you Katherine, and we send you off with our best wishes wherever your journey takes you.

### Finances

Specific financial details for the fiscal year may be seen in the audited **Financial Statements**.

### Property

Property details may be found in the **Property Report**.

The Wardens extend a special thanks to our Facilities' Coordinator, Bob Groves, our Assistant Facilities' Coordinator, Vernon Tsukada, and Dave Young, the Property Manager, for their assiduous care for our buildings and their grounds.

#### Outreach

Because we have spent the majority of the year in the Diocesan Red Phase, the activities of our Outreach programs were curtailed.

However, we were able to continue our financial and spiritual support of the weekly Welcome Table dinner on Wednesday evenings. We give thanks for the generosity of the volunteers and sponsors who provide this much-needed outreach.

The Men's' Group has also continued their support of the emergency food needs of people in our community. The Help Cupboard is located at the south end of the parking lot and donations may be placed directly into the Cupboard or on the wagon at the back door.

Respectfully submitted by the Warden Team of 2021

**Parish Statistics**

**July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2021**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Jul 1/14 – Jun 30/15</b>	<b>Jul 1/15 – Jun 30/16</b>	<b>Jul 1/16 – Jun 30/17</b>	<b>Jul 1/17 – Jun 30/18</b>	<b>Jul 1/18 – Jun 30/19</b>	<b>Jul 1/19- Jun 30/20</b>	<b>Jul 1/20 – June 30/21</b>
Average Sunday	232	208	176	169	147	152	13
Marriages	6	5	5	5	0	2	7
Baptisms	12	13	11	15	12	4	1
Confirmations	7	10	3	7	0	3	0
Reaffirmations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funerals*	18	7	7	9	11	29	42
Christmas Worshippers	1,606	1,553	1,457	1,312	1,286	1322	42 Covid-19
Palm Sunday	*282	243	258	226	247	0 Covid-19	9 Covid-19
Holy Week	*317	273	326	260	228	0 Covid-19	34 Covid-19
Easter Sunday	652	652	591	563	509	0 Covid-19	8 Covid-19

\*Includes funeral services for the wider community.

**Parish Records**  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Baptisms**

Amira Yvonne Patricia Crotty	August 30, 2020
Talia Savitri Thompson	November 1, 2020

**Marriages**

Emma Marianne Matthias & Jonathon Thomas Corbett	July 18, 2020
Gwen Marie McGenerty & Patrick Robert Dawson	Sept 26, 2020
Jane Yukiko Shiraishi & Chad Edward Coley	Sept 26, 2020
Jessica Lynn Lippert & Mark Robert Lawson	Oct 3, 2020
Nicola Dawn Thompson & Ann Josephine McPherson	Oct 10, 2020
Brooke Victoria O'Brien & Kyle David Yamamura	Oct 17, 2020
Tracy Hoi Man Tang & Matthew James Alexander Ross	Feb 11, 2021

**Deaths**

Christopher Roper	July 16, 2020
George Jordan	July 16, 2020
Jeanne Weggel	July 30, 2020
Ruth Edwina Laird	August 27, 2020
Annette Angela Benjamin	September 16, 2020
Barbara Helen Dempsey	September 26, 2020
Everton Allen Case	September 26, 2020
Barbara Ivy Runeckles	September 27, 2020
<b>Lillian Mary Forgrave</b>	<b>October 3, 2020</b>
Ketty Paz	October 5, 2020
Lillian May Nelson	October 9, 2020
Augustus Welling Pierre	October 10, 2020
Eunice Blais	October 13, 2020
Tanya Hall	October 14, 2020
Ruth Elizabeth Marcussen	October 20, 2020
Phillis Lang	October 26, 2020
<b>Helen Verda Denike</b>	<b>November 12, 2020</b>
Karen Anne Peters	December 4, 2020
Susan Elizabeth Scott	December 5, 2020
Heniz Helmut Kobialka	December 14, 2020
<b>Douglas Alan Wilson</b>	<b>December 22, 2020</b>
Russell Brown	December 31, 2020
William White	January 14, 2021
Frances White	January 14, 2021

<b>Vera Howard</b>	<b>January 27, 2021</b>
Edna McCaffrey	February 16, 2021
Richard Morris	February 20, 2021
Bertram John Frederick Atkins	February 27, 2021
Wanda Goltz	March 3, 2021
Jacqueline Wong	March 15, 2021
<b>David William Beadle</b>	<b>March 23, 2021</b>
<b>Beverley Paterson Wood</b>	<b>March 30, 2021</b>
Lorna Svenson-Johnston	April 23, 2021
Sandra Louise Raynor	May 7, 2021
Ralph Allison	May 7, 2021
Kurt Erich Szameitat	May 18, 2021
<b>Veronica Jongeneel</b>	<b>May 22, 2021</b>
Jonathon Joseph Good-Fantin	May 25, 2021
Karen Anne McInnis	May 28, 2021
Ruth Georgina Cole	May 29, 2021
John McIlroy	June 4, 2021
Ernst Emil Edward Fedde	June 7, 2021
Thomas Steenson	June 19, 2021
John Reginald Barker	June 26, 2021

**Bold denotes a member of Trinity**

## The ABLE Network

The ABLE Network has completed our thirteenth year of operation. We support over 35 individuals with intellectual disabilities as they participate in the community with work experience, recreation, volunteering, transit training and continuing education. We have three locations in York Region – Aurora, Richmond Hill and Stouffville. Since March 2020, we have had to close our in-person programming due to COVID-19 and we quickly started to provide programming on-line. We now provide a minimum of 3 hours per day for all participants, via Zoom. Participants have a daily, one-hour workout, get to have a half hour of social time at lunch and then have continuing education programming in the afternoon. This programming has been very well-received by participants and families. It is giving structure to their day and teaching them new social skills.

The pandemic has been challenging for ABLE financially. We have been receiving fees from families since November 2020 but they are half of what we would normally get. We continue to employ 6 full time employees (2 employees at each of our three York region locations). Fundraising normally covers 50% of our costs but during the Pandemic we have not been able to have our normal fundraisers. The Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy has been very helpful to us but support from this program is dwindling. In October 2020 we were able to participate in the virtual Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon which provided some much-needed fundraising. We have been chosen to be one of 30 charities receiving funds from the Magna Hoedown Community Fund. We are also very grateful to the Trinity Endowment Fund for supporting us again this past year.

One thing that our Aurora staff, participants and some Welcome Table volunteers have been able to continue during COVID is the Giving Garden. We prepared the soil, planted, watered and maintained this garden beside the parking lot at Trinity. Recently, we have been able to harvest our crops and distribute them each Wednesday evening at the takeout style Welcome Table.

Our participants have been very involved in volunteering at Trinity. Up until March 2020 we were doing the following: at the Clothes Closet we empty the donations bin every day, creating signs and restocking supplies as required in addition to running the Clothes Closet on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Wednesdays we setup Binions Hall for the Welcome Table. Wednesday mornings we bag the bread that is donated from Cobb's Bakery to be distributed at the Welcome Table, do the laundry from the Welcome Table, replenish the envelopes etc. in the pews every week to get them ready for services on Sunday, one participant does some light cleaning duties in the church and one participant is the telephone volunteer for the office on Tuesday mornings. On Wednesday mornings we have a participant who helps Bob with putting out the church's weekly garbage, setting up the tables and chairs for the Welcome Table and other general cleaning duties. We also keep the Rectory clean on a daily basis. ABLE also partners with Welcoming Arms by organizing the donated toiletries on Thursday mornings.

Our current hope is to be back in the Rectory, being part of the community on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Let's hope that it will be safe to do so then.

We are very grateful for all the support that Trinity provides for us. Our participants have grown wonderful relationships with the staff and parishioners at Trinity and we are really missing those relationships at this time. Many thanks to Trinity for your continued support of ABLE and we hope to be with all of you soon.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Allan, Director, The ABLE Network

### **Getting Connected through Baptism**

Services for Holy Baptism occur 3 times a year. Parents and adults interested in Baptism are encouraged to participate in a four week Getting Connected program. This program uses journey imagery to help individuals reflect on their own spiritual journey connected with God, themselves and others. In the last session we discuss the spiritual tools that support us such as prayer, communion, the bible and the Baptismal Covenant.

Dates to be determined for 2021/ 2022

Submitted by John and Deb Sinyard

### **Biblical Storytelling**

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.*

*Colossians 3:16*

Biblical Storytelling ministry took a pause for more than a whole year, stopping from the first days of COVID lockdown in March 2020 until its restart at Easter 2021. What a joy it has been to rekindle this ministry's presence in our online worship services, sharing God's word through telling the Biblical stories from heart rather than reading them. Our team has shared a number of tellings via pre-recorded videos which are then edited seamlessly into the Sunday service video. These stories in spring 2021 have included: Jesus Appears to the Disciples and His Encounter with Thomas; the beautiful Psalm 23; Jesus the True Vine; and The Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

We would be so happy to welcome new members to our ministry team! Biblical Storytelling is a very rewarding and enriching ministry – both for the hearers and the tellers. We find that during our learning preparation time, the scriptures blossom in meaning and depth in our hearts, and we are so blessed through the experience.

Respectfully submitted:  
Jenny Beal and Katherine Corbett

### **Chalice Bearers**

As you know, the churches have been closed or operating with the Bread only during this period.

As a result, Chalice bearing has been on hold during this period.

The Chalice Bearers are ready to begin again, as soon as their services are needed.

Linda Adler  
Coordinator

### **Chancel Guild**

The last year and a half has been at a standstill as far as the Chancel Guild is concerned.

Since the lockdown began, the clergy have been preparing the altar for the recorded service.

I have only refilled the candles with paraffin oil once a month as well as wash and iron one piece of linen each week.

We have only used three bottles of wine in this time frame and very few wafers.

It will be nice to see everyone in person come September and get back to some kind of normalcy.

Respectfully submitted by  
Margaret Blackie



## Church School

*Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray. Proverbs 22:6*

God has blessed Trinity's Church School Ministry richly!

**11:00 am Church-School-By-Zoom:** As Trinity resumed in-person worship beginning in mid-September, Diocesan guidelines required that in-person programs for children would not resume, with children remaining with their families for the whole service. However, with creativity, flexibility, and the magic of technology, Church School returned! From mid-September 2020 until Trinity Sunday (May 30, 2021), each week we gathered and adapted our program so that we could explore and learn about God's love via Zoom, through interactive and engaging sessions every Sunday morning.

Each month, I doorstep delivered whatever craft and activity resources each family would need for the coming month. This was also a wonderful opportunity to connect with families and hear how they were doing, albeit masked and from a distance. Then each Sunday, I gathered on Zoom with a group of ten or more kids from toddler-age to grade 4 (with parents participating in the background). Our time together worked so well for the kids and their families that online attendance was stronger and more consistent than before COVID! We opened our time together with lighting a battery-operated candle and a prayer, followed by an opening activity or game. Our Spark Bible stories aligned with the lectionary, and were then followed by a variety of activities, games, crafts or dramatic retellings, to explore the stories and God's message more deeply. We closed with prayer together, with each child offering their own joys and concerns.

**Seasonal Zoom Special Events:** This past year required creativity and ingenuity to bring our beloved church seasonal family activities to each home – with great success! A Halloween Mystery Hunt, Advent Wreath making and lighting, online "Stations of the Stable" Christmas pageant & accompanying home activities, a family Christmas story time, Shrove Pancake online brunch, Easter egg hunt, and Trinity Sunday online brunch (*everything in threes!*), were such wonderful and memorable experiences for us to celebrate God's seasons and festivals together.

**Pew Scribbler Take-Home Packets:** When in-person services were happening earlier this year, there were scripture-based pew activity packets for any kids in attendance. These were fresh for each child to use and take-home, as per Diocesan guidelines.

Many thanks –families, wardens, congregation, and clergy – for your prayers, support, energy, and faith. It is an honour to serve in this ministry, walking with Trinity’s children and their families, as they grow in their faith. Church-School-By-Zoom will be a deeply cherished memory for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine Corbett, Trinity Church School Team Leader and Church-School-By-Zoom Teacher

### **The Clothes Closet**

The Clothes Closet operates with 24 volunteers who work on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Tuesday and Thursday staffing is supplied by the ABLE group.

We are open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 with the exception of Thursdays when we are open 9:30 to 2:30.

As well as paying customers, we provide free clothing to clients with vouchers from Welcoming Arms and Yellow Brick House.

Normally, our annual revenue is about \$24,000 but due to COVID-19 we were closed during this reporting period. We have been closed since March 13, 2020

Most of the volunteers are eager to return but we will remain closed until it is safe for us to reopen.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Legault  
Coordinator, The Clothes Closet

### **COVAID**

As the first pandemic lockdown continued into late spring 2020, Cathy Gross and Doug Leitch sensed a need for connections that were beyond liturgy and discussion groups. Closer to a digital coffee hour, but a bit deeper, designed to bring us together in conversation versus worship. Karen was delighted with our testing the waters and we got underway as summer started, the beginning of our fiscal year. Our name COVAID is an acronym, **C**onnecting **V**ia **I**nternet **D**istance, leveraging a positive spin of the acronym COVID-19, the reason we created the group. The results have been wonderful! Every second week 10-15 of us gather and share on a preselected topic. We’ve covered things from what makes you laugh, to enriching experiences, honouring ancestors, the magic of getting ready for Christmas, winter fun,

favourite books, science and religion, memorable firsts in our lives, and so much more. We laugh a lot, sometimes we reflect and cry, but most of all we build stronger connections with fellow parishioners, many of whom were not close connections before the pandemic. Come join us! You will find our meetings posted to the weekly email and on the small groups page of our website.

Regards,  
Doug Leitch

### **Endowment Fund**

During the year we met 2 times as a committee to review investment results and discuss on-going matters.

In light of the Pandemic issues, there was no specific communications to the Parish regarding giving to the Endowment Fund, due to sensitivity around many financial issues being experienced by the church donations and the financial difficulties that many individuals are experiencing at the present. When the congregation returns to in-church activities, we will revisit these strategies.

At the time of writing, the annual financial statements were not available.

As reported by our investment manager, the Fund's investments grew significantly, in line with markets in general. Starting the year at \$690,000, the mutual fund investments grew to \$806,350 by June 30, 2021. The growth of \$116,350 represents a growth of 17% during the year. It should be noted that this was accomplished while still maintaining the Fund's traditional investment policy of long-term security priorities. Portfolio dividends in 2021 were \$27,310 as compared to \$22,960 in 2020.

Distributions of \$16,225 (\$17,500 prior year) approved at the 2020 Vestry Meeting were paid out (Wardens for capital items \$7,500; PWRDF (Bahamas Hurricane Relief \$2,000; ABLE Network \$2,000; Welcoming Arms -Welcome Table \$2,225; Gran Aurora \$1,500; CAYR of York Region \$1,000; FNMI (Pimiatisiwin Nipi) \$2,000.

I would like to thank the members of committee for their continued interest and support in the Endowment Fund initiatives.

Respectively submitted by,  
Scott Allan

## First Nations Metis Inuit

During the year, FNMI continued to work on the four pillars to reconciliation and restoration with Indigenous Peoples from coast to coast to coast:

- To establish and maintain partnerships with Indigenous Peoples
- To explore opportunities to learn about issues facing Indigenous Peoples
- To advocate in support of Indigenous Peoples in sharing the work of caring for the land and waters on Turtle Island
- To provide strategic funding in collaboration with First Nations

During this year, the pandemic impacted the ways in which these goals were accomplished.

Partnerships with Indigenous Peoples continued through relationships with the National Indigenous Archbishop Mark MacDonald. With his leadership, members of Pimatisiwin Nipi learned about the impact of the Covid-19 virus on Indigenous communities, facing challenges in isolating themselves due to housing issues when two or three generations shared a small home as well as in the loss of Elders and Knowledge Keepers about their community members. Pimatisiwin Nipi maintained relationships with the NGO WATER FIRST and the Primates World Relief and Development Fund. Both agencies maintained Indigenous councils to provide direction for their respective work with Indigenous Peoples on Turtle Island. As a member of Pimatisiwin Nipi, David Franks contacted Chief Dean Owen of Pikangikum FN in August 2020 about the dreams held by himself and his Council for their members and arranged for a ZOOM conference with Grand Chief of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation Alvin Fiddler as well as their Policy Advisor and Director of Infrastructure in September 2020 to ask for help in connecting with the leadership of an Indigenous community in northwestern Ontario with longstanding water advisories in place. Trinity has also benefitted from our relationships with two Indigenous resources providing leadership in worship and during the Lenten 2021 Talking Circles, Na-nock-ashee (Anishinaabemowin for Hummingbird) Jake Charles from the Chippewas of Georgina Island and Haudenosaunee Grandmother Mim Harder from the Mennonite Central Committee Indigenous Neighbours and the Bawaajigewan Aboriginal Circle in Durham Region as well as KAIROS.

Throughout the year, weekly Reflections were prepared for the Parish website and e-bulletins using a format which Archbishop Mark MacDonald encouraged for use among the leadership of the Indigenous Anglican Church of Canada. The gospel is read three times so participants in meetings answer three questions: what catches your attention in the gospel reading; what is the Source of All Life and Love saying to us; and what is God asking us to be and do. At any time during a meeting, a call could be made to reread the gospel. In these ways, the gospel was kept in the centre of each Pimatisiwin Nipi meeting. These Reflections applied the gospel readings to issues facing Indigenous Peoples and provided a great deal of information for non-Indigenous Settlers and Newcomers to consider in moving forward in constructing respectful and creative relationships with Indigenous Peoples. Both Indigenous Peoples and non-

Indigenous Settlers share responsibilities to care for the land and waters from coast to coast to coast for the benefit of our children, grandchildren, and their descendants for another five generations. Over the year, these Reflections introduced a variety of Indigenous authors and non-Indigenous allies.

During the year, Pimatisiwin Nipi continued to support the NGO WATER FIRST in training young Indigenous adults through 15 month long Internship programs, adapted to keep the interns safe and well during the pandemic. Indigenous communities selected potential interns for WATER FIRST and then support them to gain the knowledge and skills for water testing and for protecting watersheds draining into the Great Lakes or Hudson Bay. Much information is available through the WATER FIRST website, including interviews of the interns themselves talking about what they learned during their internship program.

For September 30, 2020, Trinity Youth Group packaged Orange Shirts of various sizes for sale in order to Honour Indigenous children and youth who survived residential schools. Grandmother Phyllis Webstad from Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation (Canoe Creek Indian Band of the Northern Secwepemc People) started this movement of wearing Orange Shirts by telling the story of her first day at St. Joseph Mission Residential School in September 1973. David Franks attended the Trinity Youth Group meeting to talk about this way of supporting Indigenous Peoples.

For the Reign of Christ in November 2020, Bishop Lydia Mamakwa from the Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh was isolated under quarantine in Kingfisher Lake First Nation but sent a letter to Trinity. Bishop Mamakwa expressed the gratitude of her community for the work of Pimatisiwin Nipi in working with Pikangikum First Nation to refurbish homes of the most vulnerable in that community to have safe, clean water in those homes, "putting faith and love into action". Bishop Mamakwa outlined the impact of the suicides of youth in the isolated communities of northwestern Ontario, including the youth who need to leave their communities to attend high school in Thunder Bay. Bishop Mamakwa also identified the problems of overcrowding and the need for more funding for repairs to current homes and to build more homes. The lack of housing is also problematic, particularly during this pandemic. The need for more water trucks to get clean, safe water from water treatment plants in the winter to the homes of members in these was identified.

For the Winter Solstice on December 21, 2020, Trinity Youth Group celebrated First Light and then met in the Town Park. David Franks spoke about Indigenous celebrations passing through the longest night in the northern hemisphere and beginning to experience more light in each day. As part of these celebrations, stories about the creature Wendigo who preys on the weak and vulnerable are told for children and youth of all ages to reflect on the impact of insatiable hunger and greed. Cedar tea was provided to accompany the snack.

The Holland Deanery Lenten Talking Circles 2021 utilized the Indigenous Participants Mim Harder and Na-nock-ashee Jake Charles. The Priest-in-Charge of All Saints King City Michael Peterson hosted three ZOOM sessions while David Franks facilitated the contribution of participants from a number of churches. In preparation for each Talking Circle, three articles from **QUEST FOR RESPECT: THE CHURCH AND INDIGENOUS SPIRITUALITY (INTOTEMAK editors**

**Jeff Friesen & Steve Heinrichs, Mennonite Church of Canada, 2017)** were selected to guide our exploration of issues facing Indigenous Peoples. During each Talking Circle, the Indigenous protocols and practices were followed, allowing each person to speak about what they had learned while the rest of us listened without interrupting. In this way, the contributions of those who were just beginning to learn about the cultural and spiritual practices of Indigenous Peoples as well as their history on this part of Turtle Island are just as important as those who have learned a great deal over the years on their own respective learning journeys. The contributions of each of the Indigenous Participants was greatly appreciated.

For Indigenous Sunday in June 2021, Thanyehtenhas Nathan Brinklow from Tyendinaga First Nation prepared a video clip about his work at Queen’s University and in his Mohawk community in teaching students to speak Haudenosaunee. For his introduction, Thanyehtenhas Nathan Brinklow spoke in his own language providing information about his family and how he came to the work in Indigenous language revitalization. After attending residential school, his great-grandmother did not speak Mohawk with her children but continued to speak fluently with her husband. As a child, Thanyehtenhas Nathan Brinklow enjoyed singing hymns in Mohawk. He described his journey into Mohawk language revitalization as “falling through open doors” to continue what his great-grandmother started. The challenges of learning an Indigenous language as an adult were explored with humour. Our speaker pointed out the benefits of having parents teach their children their Indigenous language to ensure the survival of their cultural and spiritual heritage. His explanation about how polysynthetic languages shape the identity and understanding of speakers was evident in how the words “car” and “pandemic” are translated into Mohawk. As a language teacher, Thanyehtenhas Nathan Brinklow taught us the Mohawk words *sekon* for “hello”, *nya:wen* for “thank you”, and *o:ne ki’ wahi* for “goodbye”. In conclusion, Thanyehtenhas Nathan Brinklow noted that Indigenous language revitalization creates strong people and healthy communities. Na-nock-ashee Jake Charles prepared two video clips, drumming a Welcoming Song gathering the Ancestors to join us at the beginning of worship and a Travelling Song sending the Ancestors and us on our way. Both songs are forms of prayer. Grandmother Mim Harder led us through a short version of the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address to honour the gifts of Creator/Great Spirit in providing for the needs of Human Beings and all of our non-human relatives. The Affirmation of Faith developed by the Māori People of New Zealand was used to celebrate the generosity and work of Creator, Jesus Christ, and Holy Spirit. The Music Director Jenny (Boin) Cheong and Violinist Wesley Bells shared their gifts of music, enriching our worship. As part of a ceremony later in the early evening, the Trinity Youth Group were recorded ringing the church bells to honour the 215 Indigenous children and youth who did not return to their families and communities from Kamloops Indian Residential School. Technical support by Doug Jarvie and Doug Keith made this worship available online and their efforts were greatly appreciated.

Through Pimatisiwin Nipi, letters were sent to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, the Minister of Indigenous Services Marc Miller, and the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Carolyn Bennett by Archbishop Mark MacDonald at the end of October 2020. Pimatisiwin Nipi advocated for the federal government to provide comprehensive support for

Neskantaga First Nation. For 25 years, Neskantaga First Nation had been under a boil-water advisory. When an oily film was discovered on the waters in their newly constructed water treatment plant earlier in the month, members of Neskantaga First Nation were evacuated to Thunder Bay. Plans were needed for safe, clean water to be available in the homes of Neskantaga First Nation as well as to schools, health care centres, and band offices. Plans were also needed so that both the water distribution system and the wastewater system were in place and worked. Pimatisiwin Nipi pointed out that the federal government also needed to work more closely and collaboratively with the leadership in Indigenous communities to ensure that safe, clean water was available in their homes and wastewater systems were effective. At the beginning of December 2020, Minister Marc Miller held a press conference acknowledging that the federal government's targets to remove long-term water advisories would not be attained by March 2021. Minister Miller also acknowledged the need for the federal government to work more closely and collaboratively with the leadership in Indigenous communities so that safe, clean water was available in their homes like many Canadians take for granted.

Funds were raised through Advent Conspiracy beginning in November 2020. About \$5,600 was sent to PWRDF and forwarded to WATER FIRST, supporting interns from Indigenous communities from the northeastern tip of Georgian Bay to Sudbury and North Bay. An additional \$1,000 was sent by the Trinity Endowment Fund to PWRDF and then to WATER FIRST. In appreciation of the leadership provided by David Franks during the Lenten Talking Circles, a gift of \$500 was sent to WATER FIRST by the Reverend Padre Michael Peterson.

Respectfully submitted by  
FNMI Coordinator The Reverend David R. Franks

### **Flower and Garden Guild**

Although our group arranges flowers for most Sundays in the year, with the exception of Lent and only greenery for Advent our first gathering together is the festival of Thanksgiving. We decorated our beloved Trinity with many flowers and fruit and vegetables. We used many branches and greenery during advent in this wonderful anticipation of the coming of the Christ Child.

We always receive a great deal of much needed material in the form of branches and berries to decorate for the Christmas season. We bring out old treasures of the past and always find something new to add. Lots of lights and flowers. We decorated the church for Easter as well so that those attending "on-line" worship would see the beautiful Cross. Due to Covid 19 we had less decorating to do than usual.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please let us know by calling or emailing the church office.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Betty Innes

## Lay Pastoral Visitors

I hope this finds you all enjoying all the little freedoms that are gradually unfolding before us. It has been quite a lockdown and it has, sadly, affected us and so many people in our life and ministry.

Each one of us has their story and hopefully by late fall we will be able to gather and share those stories in our sacred space.

I'm grateful that our Lay Pastoral Visitors Ministry is still as strong as it can be. Some of us are visiting in person, some by phone, some are caring for family members. All these decisions are good ones. We are blessed to be commissioned Lay Pastoral Visitors and we carry that privilege with us throughout this time.

In speaking to everyone individually it is clear that we are committed to our ministry. This is a blessing, indeed. We have parishioners who will greatly need our ministry in the near future.

I have been in touch with our care homes and it is understandable to hear that our ministry is greatly missed. They see where the absences of friendship and stimulation takes its toll on our community. Never underestimate the profound impact a Lay Pastoral Visitor brings to a person. At any capacity.

During Covid our ministry has lost a gentle soul. Beverley Wood demonstrated the sheer joy of Service. We were blessed to have enjoyed her in our ministry year after year. Beverley taught us a great deal.

Our ministry will miss the guidance of Rev. Heather who was our eyes and ears to the community. We must continue to keep a watchful eye on the needs of our parishioners and ensure they are not forgotten when they need us most. Rev. Karen, Rev. Dan and our new parish administrator, Kelly will also be our welcomed source of information regarding Lay Pastoral needs.

To see a parishioner's concerns go unnoticed is heartbreaking, especially, when they have made Trinity their home for years. We ask all parishioners to keep a watchful eye for anyone who is in need of our ministry.

Thank you for holding our ministry high during all the challenges.

We are blessed to have each other.



## Acknowledging Our Own Mortality

To care for the elderly means then that we allow the elderly to make us poor by inviting us to give up the illusion that we created our own life and that nothing or nobody can take it away from us. This poverty, which is an inner detachment, can make us free to receive the old stranger into our lives and make that person into a most intimate friend.

When care has made us poor by detaching us from the illusion of immortality, we can really become present to the elderly. We can then listen to what they say without worrying about how we can answer. We can pay attention to what they have to offer without being concerned about what we can give. We can see what they are in themselves without wondering what we can be for them. When we have emptied ourselves of false occupations and preoccupations, we can offer free space to old strangers, where not only bread and wine but also the story of life can be shared.

God bless our ministry.

Kathleen McGill

Your Lay Pastoral Coordinator 🙏🍀💛

## Media Ministry

- The Media Ministry is truly a team effort. Doug Jarvie and Doug Keith are the co-leaders for the Sound Booth and Valerie Keith is the schedule coordinator. Mei Zhu is our web verger. There are a variety of people who operate the sound booth, and their time and talents are valuable to Trinity's media ministry.
- June 2020 – Government restrictions prevented the church from opening its doors
- July – Indications that restrictions would be eased in September to allow limited numbers in the building. Discussions began about getting a YouTube account and live streaming service to the web. We investigated possible solutions and required equipment. A camera and tripod were donated by one of our members.
- August – September 13 was set as the date for re-opening and the day of our first live stream event. The new web site was created by Mei and Mel. Equipment was purchased to enable the streaming and switching of cameras. Two video cameras, video tripods and associated wiring and adapters were purchased. A high-speed internet connection was wired to the sound booth.
- September – Live streaming began. Mei managed the web page with updates. This continued until December when we were mandated to close again to public services.
- October – Plans for Christmas services under a new restricted service format began. Keith Corbett led a team to produce a Stations of the Stable video and a parking lot walk through display.

- November – Jenny, our music director, coordinated the production of some special Christmas videos to be added to our YouTube video library. The editing was wonderfully done by David Moore. Several families turned out on a sub-zero Saturday morning to record the Station of the Stable video under direction of Ketih Corbett who also edited the final video.
- December – additional services for Advent Lessons and Carol and Christmas Lessons and Carols were recorded and edited by David Moore.
- January – programming changed from Live Streaming to pre-recorded services. Now text for the readings and lyrics for the hymns could be added and the inclusion of readers who were submitting their own pre-recorded videos. This required a lot of editing to produce the final upload to YouTube. Rev. Erin Martin of St. James Sharon was invited to join us to include her congregation in the YouTube Sunday Services.
- February – a third camera was added to give a different point of view to the service recordings.
- March – Evensong services were added to Wednesday nights during Lent release to YouTube.
- April – extra services were pre-recorded and edited for Easter week.
- The update are posted to the Facebook page.  
<https://www.facebook.com/ConnectingSpiritualJourneys>
- There are vacancies in this ministry. If you know of someone who may be interested in learning more about how this all works and serving Trinity as a sound booth technician, please contact the co-leaders or schedule coordinator for more information. We provide training and guided support to learn how to operate this system.

Submitted respectfully  
Doug Jarvie and Doug Keith  
Co-Leaders 2020-2021

### **Music Ministry**

It feels like yesterday when first I joined Trinity on October 26. My first Sunday was All Saints' Day on November 1. Time has gone by very fast! It has been a blessing to join Trinity and thank you for your warm welcome. When I arrived, COVID-19 had already started, and Trinity was having in-person services at 9 a.m. on Sundays with the livestream on YouTube. Even with the strange circumstances with COVID-19, Trinity's Music Ministry continued according to the Diocesan policy: one vocal soloist per service with a violinist, Handbell Choir, video projects for special occasions and Zoom meetings. The Diocesan policy allowed only one vocalist at a time, and no brass and wind instruments were allowed to play. We had several vocal soloists who volunteered to sing for Sunday worship and for special occasions: Dave Town, Mary Ridgley, Ella Desbarats, David Moore, Rev. Karen, Fr. Dan, Ed Golem, Cora Vande Beek, and Athena Graves. I also had the pleasure to sing and play the piano at the same time for Sunday services too. We had Kathie Corbett as a guitarist and Joy Gannicott as a harpist who volunteered to play to add to our Sunday services as well. It was very nice to also have Trinity's Barton Handbell Choir

participate for Sunday services. For special occasions, it was my pleasure to also bring my cello to play. Trinity's violinist, Wesley Bells and I played as a violin and cello duo. My three favourites were "Passacaglia by Johan Halvorsen" for Palm Sunday, "Salut d'amour video" for Trinity Sunday, and "Bach's Double Concerto re-arranged by Parnas" for our Canada Day service (June 27).

### **Christmas**

During the Advent & Christmas season, we had "Advent Lessons & Carols," (aired on YouTube on Dec. 6) and "Christmas Lessons & Carols" (aired on YouTube on Dec. 21) with Trinity's musicians: vocal soloists, a harp soloist, a violinist and the Barton Handbell Choir with 6 active members. There were two Christmas Eve services pre-recorded this year on December 11 which were aired on YouTube on Christmas Eve: a family service with a guitar and a vocal soloist, and a candlelight service with a violin and a vocal soloist. It was wonderful to have people come out to join us in-person even though Christmas Eve at that time seemed far away. Due to COVID-19 restrictions the Choir, the Orchestra and Trinity Unplugged were not able to gather in person to sing or play, so we created a video project of singing/playing "Silent Night" for Christmas Eve candlelight service. A lot of people from these three groups participated in the Silent Night Video Project. December 13 was the last in-person service Trinity had due to worsening COVID-19 situation, and then, all Sunday services were pre-recorded.

### **Lent & Easter and more**

The addition of evensong starting on February 24 on Wednesday evenings had volunteer clergy singers and David Moore as our vocal soloist. Wednesday night evensong continued until Palm Sunday. A special video project for Palm Sunday was a debut for Trinity's Vocal Quartet: Mary Ridgley, Ella Desbarats, Keith Corbett, and David Moore. Their video of "Ride on Ride on in Majesty" was included for Palm Sunday. This group is made of vocal soloists from both the Choir and Trinity Unplugged who volunteered to sing for special occasions. Trinity's Vocal Quartet also participated on Trinity Sunday and sang in the video, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty." We had another video project for the Choir, the Orchestra, and the Unplugged, "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" for Easter. It was so nice to see many faces in that video.

### **Choir**

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we had a vocal soloist who volunteered to sing at each service in a rotation (details in who volunteered were mentioned above). These volunteers were not just from the choir, but also from Trinity Unplugged, and other members of Trinity and the clergy also participated. The choir continued meeting on Zoom once a month which included hymn singing. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome to join our choir zoom - please feel free to contact me at [musicdirector@trinityaurora.ca](mailto:musicdirector@trinityaurora.ca)

All the video projects that our music ministry team was involved are still available on Trinity's YouTube channel to view.

Special thanks to all those who volunteered to sing and play for all the services and special occasions, and for Doug Jarvie and Doug Keith for all their help in video recording/editing all these events at Trinity. Special thanks to David Moore who has been very helpful with the video editing which allowed many people to keep on singing and playing music for God and not limited to COVID-19 restrictions. Thank you also to all music leaders at Trinity: Mary Ridgley, Kim Leitch, and Dave Town. I am not sure how music ministry would have survived without all these people especially during this pandemic. And of course, thank you, God for all these talented musicians at Trinity and all your blessings at Trinity. Thank you for keeping us all safe at this time for our music ministry to continue to blossom.

In Christ,  
Jenny Cheong  
Director of Music Ministries

### **Trinity Orchestra**

This has certainly been an interesting year for our musicians. COVID restrictions have been particularly challenging for both singers and wind instrument players. Trinity's orchestra tried several ways to stay connected throughout their 2020-2021 season. Members supported each other by meeting virtually on several occasions and playing together while apart on Zoom. The orchestra was able to record music for Christmas and Easter. Trinity's orchestra is an amazing, talented, and delightful group of musicians!!!!

When we return to worship, under fewer restrictions, please remember that Trinity's Orchestra is open to all instrumentalists who enjoy playing a variety of band and church repertoire. We practice on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm in the church and would be delighted to welcome any new players. If you might be interested in joining us, please contact Mary Ridgley at [ridgley@rogers.com](mailto:ridgley@rogers.com)

### **Trinity Barton Handbell Choir**

Due to COVID restrictions our full handbell choir has been unable to practice or perform this season. However, a small ensemble has been able to keep the music alive and bells ringing. We have been having weekly rehearsals, both in person and virtually depending on the restriction stages. We have also been recording music for regular worship services as well as for Christmas, and Easter.

When we return to worship under fewer restriction and begin practicing as a complete group, please consider joining us for our weekly rehearsals. Please contact Kim Leitch at [kimleitch@sympatico.ca](mailto:kimleitch@sympatico.ca)

Faithfully submitted,  
Mary Ridgley and Kim Leitch

### **Trinity Unplugged**

Trinity Unplugged has been together for more than 20 years. As with so many other ministries, for the period of July 2020 to June 2021 we experienced tremendous disruption as a result of Covid-19. The last time we were able to sing in person was March 8, 2020. In the spring of 2020, we began holding virtual get-togethers on a weekly basis from April until the middle of July. It was a great opportunity to stay connected and for each get-together, we would sing a few of our favourites and watch a YouTube video or two of new music. During the rest of 2020 and the first half of 2021, we continued to meet virtually on a monthly basis. The Corbett family provided the music leadership and the rest of us went on mute and sang along. Our music selections continued to emphasize a folk-alternative, contemporary sound which stirs the soul and taps into the wide array of contemporary gospel music. For the members of the choir, our music choices are a form of prayer which we offer in glory and praise. As always, it is a special privilege to be a part of the spiritual journey of others with music.

Thank you to the Corbett family – Katherine, Keith, Meghan and Robyn – who helped lead our music. A special thanks to Katherine and Keith for their commitment to Unplugged for almost two decades. We are sad that they are leaving Trinity and will remember with fondness the contribution they have made.

Thank you to our many musicians. Sadly, we lost some members this past year for a variety of reasons. Special thanks to Jenny Cheong who has supported our efforts to keep singing together and who shares our joy of contemporary music.

As always, we love our music, and we welcome any and all who would like to join us in hopes of a return to practising and playing in person sometime in the near future: [davidtown08@gmail.com](mailto:davidtown08@gmail.com)

### **Trinity Unplugged Services**

Due to covid restrictions, Trinity Unplugged did not participate in any in-person services during this time period.

Respectfully submitted by,  
David Town

### **Progressive Christianity Group**

Some 10 years ago, we realized that we had a mutual interest in Progressive Christianity and the small group adult education ministry. With Dawn Davis' support we began with Phyllis Tribble's *Texts of Terror*. Our small beginnings grew as fellow searchers joined us to explore new Scriptural interpretations that have enriched and deepened our spiritual journeys. Through exposure to many authors and theologians we have developed a deeper appreciation of how both the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures developed in their own time and place and how to bring them forward into our lives today.

Our group is a safe place for people struggling with established theology who are searching for a different definition of God in the 21st century. By exploring new ways of thinking we support and encourage each other as we struggle to move past what we have been taught but no longer accept thus enriching our souls. Yet there is plenty of room to disagree or see issues in a different light. Our goal is to ensure that each of us feels valued and loved by God and others regardless of our past experiences and upbringing. To see God in all persons and all things moves us forward to show God's love to all – to do our part in building the 'kingdom' of God.

Other than occasional photocopying, we receive no financial assistance from the church, and we purchase our own books or share the costs of CD and DVD series. We thus have a library of DVDs, CDs and information that we would be pleased to share with the church if there are other groups interested in looking at some of the material.

A sampling from over the years:

- Richard Rohr and Paula Darcy – Spirituality for the Second Half of Life (CD)
- John Shelby Spong - several DVD series
- John Dominic Crossan and Marcus Borg – The First Christmas (book study)
- Joan Chittister - The Ten Commandments (DVD)
- Michael Morwood – Reshaping Christian Imagination (DVD series)
- Rachel Held Evans – Inspired (book study)
- Wm Paul Young -The Shack (book study)
- Judy Cannato -Radical Amazement (book study)
- Phyllis Tickle - The Great Emergence (book study several years after her weekend workshop at Trinity)
- David M. Felten and Jeff Procter - Living the Questions (book plus DVD recommended by Synod 2019)
- Joan Chittister – Heart of Flesh (book study)
- Margaret Silf - Roots and Wings (book study)
- Rob Bell - Love Wins (book study)

We had just started John Dominic Crossan's DVD series The Challenge of Jesus in March 2020 when Covid stopped us from meeting. Not to be daunted and with Rev. Karen's generous sharing the church Zoom account, we met almost every Monday evening from September to May 31 covering the last three listed books. Kudos to the 8-10 faithful members who never gave up!

We hope and pray that we will be able to meet in church come September to continue The Challenge of Jesus.

Respectively Submitted by Lenore Pressley and Cathy Gross

## **Property**

The general condition of the buildings and property is good. No major repairs expected in the foreseeable future.

**Air Conditioner #14 failed.** Burnt compressor has been replaced cost nearly \$8000.

**Hot Water Tank** has been replaced at a cost of about \$4000

**Furnace boiler in Historic Chapel** - Bearings in the recirculating pump were replaced.

### **Pole Lights – Parking Lot**

Bulbs replaced on a few; 2 fixtures replaced.

### **Light switches**

We have installed motion-activated switches in bathrooms.

### **Steps to lower patio and front of Historic Chapel**

Contract has been granted. These will be replaced in late summer or early fall of 2021  
Approximate cost \$9000

### **Lawn Maintenance / Snow Removal**

We expect significant savings by managing the care of the lawn ourselves this year. We purchased a riding tractor, self-propelled lawnmower and small leaf blower. We have applied fertilizer ourselves. One tree in the parking lot entrance has been removed and another will be taken down this fall. We are investigating alternatives for the snow maintenance contract.

### **Roof Shingles**

In April, a small patch of shingles was missing from the southwest corner of the Historic Chapel roof. A minor repair that was fixed quickly.

### **Rain water management**

Two very hard rains in July 2021 resulted in flooding in the offices and nursery in the basement. Water backed up from the town drains, filling the window wells and leaking into the offices.

- Town of Aurora found blockage and has pressure cleaned the drain pipes from the back of the church to their manhole in the street.
- We have re-directed the first drain by the back door to the garden/lawn area.
- Verification of the drains and pipes is scheduled regularly to ensure there is no blockage.

As part of regular maintenance, we have found the eavestroughs are filling with leaves and debris. We have installed gutter filters. The eaves around the patio outside Binion's Hall have been upgraded to a larger trough to mitigate the danger of large icicles that form there.

### **Carried forward from last year.**

There is some concern for furnace and air conditioners as they age and parts become less available. Venting and piping is no longer up to code so replacement will need to consider this additional expense.

Garry had submitted a request to the Diocese “Our Faith, Our Hope” program for a grant to upgrade the Binion’s Hall kitchen in line with current building codes and for new equipment. While approved, we were not granted the full amount. Welcoming Arms submitted a request for a second grant to top up the funding for the kitchen in Binion’s Hall.

\*\* This project has been put on hold as a result of the pandemic \*\*

### **Going Forward**

- Trees need to be trimmed or removed
- Brick and stone work around the main church and the northern emergency exit
- Chapel walls need some repair and paint
- Paint sanctuary
- Low flush urinals in the lower washrooms
- Upgrade kitchen
- Upgrade bathrooms downstairs

Many thanks to the committee members and others who work tirelessly to keep the property functioning.

Respectfully submitted,

David Young  
Property Manager

### **Readers and Intercessors Guild**

*But we will continue steadfastly in **prayer** and in the ministry of the word. [Acts 6:4](#)*

This past year and a half, as we all know, have been very out of the ordinary, with churches completely closed to in-person worship, opened with limited numbers, or with services moved onto Zoom or on-line. As a result, many ministry roles have become more limited because of the changing circumstances in which we have been living.

After the provincial shut down in March of 2020, the Diocese of Toronto made the decision that churches would be closed to in-person worship, until the virus spread was more under control, and appropriate safety protocols could be put into practice. For Trinity, this closure lasted until mid-September of 2020. As a result of the work of the parish Re-entry Working Committee, who organized the Diocesan protocols for in-person worship, for our building, Trinity’s first in-person worship service in six months occurred at 9:00 am, on September 27<sup>th</sup> with attendance capped at 50 persons.

Readers and Intercessors were asked to indicate whether they would be comfortable, or not, participating in these in-person services. As a result, 12 Readers and 6 Intercessors agreed to be part of our Active Readers and Intercessors group, with others welcome to join us whenever they felt comfortable to do so.



Thanks to the efforts of Doug Keith and Doug Jarvie, our in-person services began to be live-streamed via You Tube, so members, who were unable or uncomfortable with attending in person, would be able to attend virtually. Through their efforts, and those of Jenny, Wesley, Joy Gannicott and various choir members, members of our ministry groups were able to participate in both the Advent and Christmas Lessons and Carols Services, which were pre-taped and available for viewing on You Tube, during the Advent and Christmas Seasons. The last live-streamed service was held, at Trinity, on Christmas Eve.

Ontario was once again put into lockdown, as of December 26<sup>th</sup>, and Trinity services began to be pre-taped for broadcast on You Tube. It was decided that Trinity, and the Parish of St. James the Apostle, Sharon, would hold joint services at Trinity, where they could be pre-recorded. On January 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Feast of the Epiphany, Rev. Erin Martin joined Rev. Karen and Father Dan for our first service together. It was decided that, because of the lockdown restrictions and the availability of three clergy, readers and intercessors would not participate in the services in January.

In February, the decision was made to once again schedule lay Readers for our services. This decision was made because of the technical ability of members of our ministry group, who could, if they so wished, record their reading at home, and send it to Doug Jarvie to be inserted into the taped service. At this time, four members of St. James were welcomed as members of our Active list. From February through to the end of June, our joint services continued with lay Readers and the clergy leading the Prayers of the People.

It was decided that lay readers and lay intercessors would be scheduled over July, August and the Labour Day weekend. Members are still free to prerecord themselves and send the recording to Doug Jarvie to be inserted into the service. However, because of the higher vaccination rate, and the continuation of distancing and mask wearing during the taping of the service, more people seem to be comfortable about attending the service taping in person.

We are now looking forward to our Trinity community being able to gather together, once again, for in-person worship, within our church sanctuary, where we can celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Trinity Aurora parish on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by  
Pat Robinson – Coordinator

### **Server's Guild**

Early 2020 started off with a strong group of 12 Servers, ready for action! Unfortunately, by the middle of March all services were cancelled due to the Covid pandemic.

Once services resumed on-line in the fall, one Server was used during each filming. This continued until Christmas. After that time, it was decided that in order to reduce risk, services would be filmed without Servers. An exception was made for Easter 2021. We are looking forward to when in-person services return!

Margot Secord  
Server's Guild Coordinator

### **Sidespeople**

Trinity Sides People provide a welcoming and safe environment for parishioners at all services, including many special events such as funerals. They distribute bulletins, respond to questions regarding services and provide assistance as required. This includes collecting offerings and ushering congregation to communion.

We supported the limited in-person worship. Only a handful of people were willing to participate due to the risk of transmission of the Covid virus.

With virtually no in-person worship this year, there is little to report.

We are always looking for new members to join one of the teams. Please contact me if you feel called to this service opportunity.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to all those who participate. Their dedicated commitment is truly appreciated.

Stay safe,  
David Young  
Coordinator

### **Welcoming Arms**

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10*

Welcoming Arms, a registered charity, is a partnership between seven local churches providing supportive programs to low-income and marginalized members in our community. Each of the following churches provides financial and volunteer support: Aurora Cornerstone, Aurora United, The Campus Bayview, the Campus Bathurst, Our Lady of Grace, St. Andrew's Presbyterian, and Trinity Anglican Church.

We offer weekly and seasonal programs. Our weekly programs include: Bridging the Gap, Welcome Table and Martha's Table. These programs normally operate out of Trinity's former

rectory, Binions Hall and St. Andrew's Parish Hall. Four seasonal programs include: The Giving Garden (in conjunction with The Able Network), Tax Prep Program, and Christmas programs.

Donations and additional funding were gratefully received from: individuals, businesses, community organizations and service groups, the Regional Municipality of York, and the Mayor's Golf Tournament.

Welcoming Arms' focus includes:

- Vision – A partnership, relieving the burden of poverty in our community.
- Mission – welcoming Arms believes in the inherent dignity of all people. Reflecting Christ's love, we seek to help those in need to experience a fuller participation in society by providing social, economic, and spiritual support
- Strategic Planning – New objectives are developed every 3-5 years to reflect and build better infrastructure, governance, policies and procedures. Our Strategic Plan was due to expire this year/require review, due to the pandemic this did not occur, it will be reviewed during the next fiscal year.

### Beverley Wood

One of our founders, tireless supporters, and the face of our Organization passed away in February of 2021. Though this happened outside of the reporting year, Beverley's passing was a huge blow to our community and organization, and needed to be recognized. Thank you, Beverley for all that you did for Welcoming Arms and Aurora, you are missed.

### Management/Executive Council

The Covid-19 pandemic created significant upheaval to all of our programs and our management. Our Executive Director resigned at the end of March leaving our Council and our Admin Assistant to manage the day-to-day operations. The Council decided that, considering reduced program capacity, volunteer numbers, and a questionable revenue situation, we would not look to hire a new Executive Director until conditions improve. As of year-end we are still waiting.

The Executive Council, out of an abundance of caution, closed down all programs on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 to avoid the spread of the virus without our community. Programs were reopened gradually as will be noted in each program detail report.

We continued with the following throughout the year via video conferencing:

- Ongoing meetings/forums with other York Region agencies
- Monthly meetings of Team Leaders, bi-monthly meetings of the Welcoming Arms Board
- Continued volunteer recruitment and screening
- Training sessions and appreciation events for volunteers (postponed due to the pandemic).

### Weekly Programs

## **Bridging the Gap**

Within a safe and informal setting, we offer our visitors opportunities to share their triumphs and issues. We offer ears and hearts that listen and provide hope and encouragement. We also offer practical help by providing grocery gift cards, basic toiletries and referrals to other community agencies and services.

In reviewing the activities during 2020, Bridging the Gap:

- Had 965 visits from Aurora families.
- Distributed \$33,490 in grocery gift cards
- Distributed toiletries, cleaning supplies, diapers, and paper goods (donations from participating churches, individuals, community groups and purchasing by Welcoming Arms).
- Provided, in liaison with community agencies, assistance with medical, dental, tutorial, housing, utilities and children's programs.
- Provided Tim Horton's gift cards and toiletries to homeless persons.

This program is usually staffed by 30 volunteers. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the number of BTG volunteers required to cover the scheduled visits was reduced. All interviews to determine eligibility and individual needs were done over the phone. The hours of working during COVID-19 restrictions were from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on Tuesdays and Thursday and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Our volunteers believe this organization truly reflects Matthew's message : *"I assure you whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do it unto me."* Matthew 24:40

## **CAP (Christians Against Poverty)**

We continue to offer this debt counselling program to those who need it

## **WELCOMING ARMS AND THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Christmas Assistance Program for Welcoming Arms (Bridging the Gap) and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) needed to be altered in 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions. Meeting were held in October/November among the participating groups to discuss/plan the format that would deliver a program that would keep volunteers and visitors safe. The Aurora Minor Hockey association continued their involvement with significant financial contributions. Welcoming arms, in cooperation with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Aurora minor Hockey Association provided Christmas assistance to many Welcoming Arms visitors (families and individuals). Gifts consisted of No Frills/PC grocery gift cards and chocolates donated by Harvey's/Swiss Chalet on Henderson Drive.

Submitted by Elaine Komaromi

## Welcome Table

As with all programs and organizations, 2020 was a year of being flexible and creative. In a year with so much distress and concern, it was extremely uplifting to see the outpouring of support for the Welcome Table.

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 was the last day we had a sit-down community meal in Binions Hall. Up until this date, Welcome Table was strong and providing a healthy, socially safe meal for 100-110 people every week. We had close to 20 volunteers out each Wednesday to cook, setup, serve, clean up and befriend our guests. The ABLE Network was supporting up by bagging bread, setting tables, making juice, doing laundry, etc. We had a very successful program that was running smoothly.

Once the pandemic hit, we had to change everything. We had to close the Welcome Table and re-think how we could support those in need in our community, knowing that with many things closing up, our guests would be in need of a good weekly meal even more than before.

Mayor Tom Mrakas quickly formed the Aurora Community Cares Task Force which included leaders from various charities in Aurora, including Beverley Wood and Barb Allan. It was a big priority to get our community meals back up and running. By April, Welcome Table was open again in a takeout format. The food was provided by local restaurants and meals were funded by local businesses and generous individuals. Our volunteers returned, only allowing 6-9 volunteers out at a time. The Town of Aurora provided tents to shelter us from the weather and they upgraded us with huts to work from once the weather got colder. On September 23<sup>rd</sup> we were back in the kitchen at Trinity cooking our meals and have continued to do so ever since. Our guests have had a healthy meal each week, but they have also received other things such as Cobs bread, produce from York Region Food Network, winter clothing from the Clothes Closet etc. We have approximately 100-140 guests each week. The majority come in cars, but we do have some walkers.

The list of supporters (restaurants, generous individuals, volunteers, etc.) is too long to add to this report but we are so thankful for the outpouring of support and the valuable connections we have made through this difficult time. We are part of a very generous community.

Welcome Table has managed very well through COVID however, there are two things that our volunteers are really missing. One is the fellowship of being together in Binions Hall and socially connecting with each other. The other is Beverley Wood. Beverley was the face of Welcome Table from the very first day and she will always be missed. We can never replicate Beverley, but we look forward to the day that we can all get together in Binions again for some much-needed fellowship.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Allan

## **Martha's Table**

The great pandemic upheaval of 2020 had a profound impact on Martha's Table. From the beginning of January to the middle of March when the province imposed the first lockdown, Martha's Table continued the time-honoured practice of making and serving indoor lunch to between 70-80 clients per week at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The popularity of the program was in large part due to the opportunity afforded our clients to socialize in person and see the same friends from week to week.

During the lockdown period lasting from mid March to May 7<sup>th</sup>, the team leader, Anne Neuman and small staff of volunteers decided to restart the programme meeting all provincial health guidelines by safe distancing and reduced kitchen staffing. We distributed an average of 42 takeout lunches per week consisting of soup, sandwiches, vegetables sticks, fruit, water, and dessert from May 7<sup>th</sup> to the last Thursday in June 2020.

In September, after our normal summer closure, we restarted the programme and were fortunate enough to obtain from the Aurora Senior's Centre to include in our takeout lunches and throughout the fall, we saw a steady increase in the number lunches distributed at the door and we also saw an increase of younger people and families coming to pick up lunch. Our younger visitors coincided with the launch of our social media programme to include Facebook and Instagram. We also began to offer vegan and vegetarian options to those requesting special lunches. By Christmas, there were over 50 lunches served each week including a dozen or more that we began to distribute to shut-in seniors and families. The distribution service promised to be very popular, and our lunch numbers have more than doubled since year end.

We look forward to resuming indoor dining when safe to do so in 2021 to offer our clients the opportunity to socialize together in person as well as distribute to those in need directly to their homes. We would be remiss if we did not thank Cobbs Bakery for generously providing us with bread and buns for sandwiches. We also thank the volunteers and team leads who provided us with homemade desserts and other goodies that we included from week to week.

Submitted by Denyse Slack

## **Seasonal Programs**

### **Income Tax Preparation**

During the month of April, two volunteers who are comfortable with preparing tax returns volunteered their time so we could provide free Income Tax return preparation for our visitors. This was done following COVID-19 protocols using a contactless process. Most governmental social service programs are based on information from tax returns, so it is critical for our visitors to file their returns, on time, every year. We are now setup to provide income tax

preparation throughout the year on an appointment basis to meet the increasing need of our community.

### **Staples Back-to-School Program**

In collaboration with Aurora Staples, BTG provided supplies to 27 children from low-income families, relieving some of the financial burden that is place on parents as school begins.

### **Community Garden**

In the spring, in collaboration with the ABLE Network, Welcoming Arms plants a vegetable garden to be able to offer fresh produce to Welcoming Arms visitors/volunteers and ABLE program participants and staff. The produce from this garden helps immensely in supplementing the meals of our visitors as well as our meal programs.

### **Christmas Dream Dinner**

With the co-operation of the Mayor's Community Cares Access Committee, the Christ Dream Dinner was moved to a "take-out" model at the Niagara Food and Wine Institute due to the COVID\_19 restrictions. Along with about 200 low income community residents, approximately 61 BTG visitors were served a delicious turkey dinner. The special dinner was provided by WA working collaboratively with the Salvation Army as in past years. Special thanks to Jay Saveall and Green Side Up Contracting for their generous donation that made this possible!

### **Fundraising and donations**

While our main focus is on helping those in need in our community, other activities include involvement in community fundraising opportunities (Pine Tree Potters Guild "Empty Bowle" program, and the Magna Hoedown\_. The two organizations have been committed Welcoming Arms supporters for several years. Our Welcome Table Trivia night was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Our Parishes maintained their financial support even with their drastically reduced revenue, we are grateful!

2020 was an incredible year for new donors, both individual and corporate, the community truly stepped up to support us (and others) with record support. We and those we serve are grateful to everyone who joined in our mission. Much of this can be traced back to our connection to the Aurora Cares Community Action Committee, and the new connections that were made through this Town initiative. Thank you to Mayor Mrakas for creating this opportunity for us!

Welcoming Arms is located at 44 Metcalfe Street. Our organization is normally staffed by over 200 dedicated volunteers, the majority coming from the seven churches that support Welcoming Arms.

We welcome your continued interest and involvement in this vital community organization.

Doug Steele  
Welcoming Arms  
Chair, Executive Council

## Youth Group

The youth groups meet on Friday nights from 7 to 9 pm. Youth are from grades 5 to 8 and the Senior Youth are from grades 9 to 12. They are an awesome group of young people who have a great time exploring their faith.

It's 2021 and COVID 19 and its variants are still causing problems so we have been mostly on Zoom although during the winter we went sledding in Fleury Park and they had fun. Their masks were replaced with scarves. As soon as we were able in the nice weather we started meeting at the Town Park, my backyard and Liz and Sid's for their 2<sup>nd</sup> Prom Night. We all dressed up and Sid took lots of great pictures. Toasted the Graduates with sparkling water and we just hung out and chatted. We've played Christmas in July games, youth Olympics and so much more. We have had some great chats, laughs and it's always wonderful being with this great group of youth.

I'm proud to say that we are all FULLY VACCINATED too! They do what needs to be done without blinking an eye.

This year we had four grade 12 graduates: Ella Desbarats, Mirko Johnston, Issy Tari and Maxime Couture. Congratulations! We are so proud of them. Stay safe as you go off to University and have great adventures in your young adult lives!

Issy Tari and Ella Desbarats have done an awesome job with the Trinity Youth News and we are confident that Brin Tari and Lily Desbarats are up to the task to continue keeping the youth well informed of happenings and fun activities to read and do each issue.

I love being a part of this Youth Group Ministry beside Elizabeth Keith which we are referred to as the "DYNAMIC DUO". Thanks to Sid Galappatti, our awesome volunteer leader. We each bring special gifts to enhance the success of a wonderful youth group. Thanks to the parents who will help out in a pinch when needed. To the youth! Every Friday you bring something special each and everyone of you and I'm so proud to be a part of your lives. You are the future of Trinity! God bless you all!

Respectfully submitted by  
Kelly Peters  
Youth Group Coordinator



## 2021-2022 Appointments and Nominations

Incumbent  
Associate Priest  
Honourary Assistants

The Reverend Karen Hatch  
The Reverend Daniel Graves  
The Reverend David Franks  
The Reverend Diane McHardy  
The Reverend Paul Robinson

### APPOINTED

Rector's Warden  
Deputy Warden  
Deputy Warden  
Chancel Guild Coordinators  
Sunday School Coordinator  
Youth Coordinators  
Envelope Secretary  
Treasurer  
Property Coordinator

Deb Wilson-Smith  
Judith Puttock  
  
Margaret Blackie and Val Keith  
  
Liz Keith and Kelly Peters  
Doug Keith  
Ross Carter  
David Young

### ELECTED

Peoples' Warden  
Deputy Warden  
Deputy Warden  
Lay Members of Synod  
  
Substitute Lay Members of Synod  
Stewardship Coordinator  
Outreach Coordinator  
Music Ministry Representative  
  
Parochial Tribunal

Dave Young  
  
  
Doug Keith (Year 3 of Term 2)  
Tom Fletcher (Year 3 of Term 1)  
Mary Rogers  
Dave Town  
  
Mary Ridgley  
  
Valerie Keith  
Moira O'Bryan

\*While all members of the parish are invited to attend quarterly advisory board meetings, ministry leaders are requested to be in attendance.