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TRINITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 18, 2024

TRINITY CHURCH A Warm – Thriving – Christian Community

We are on Facebook! We invite you to “like” us!

<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityChurchUptownSJ>

Our Parish Events Calendar is now available on our Webpage!

<http://trinitysj.com>

You are receiving this weekly Trinity Newsletter as you are a member of the Trinity family. Should you not wish to receive this, please indicate by return e mail.

Trinity OFFICE HOURS: Our parish administrator works in the church office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 12-3 pm while working from the home office on Monday and Friday. All telephone messages regarding church business are to be directed to the office 506-693-8558 or trinsj@nb.aibn.com.

You Tube Trinity Services: You can view Trinity’s recorded services by going onto YouTube and typing in Trinity Anglican Church SJ. That will bring you to our channel and all of the previously recorded services.



Ruth Ross will be celebrating a birthday on April 23. Trinity wishes you the happiest of birthdays Ruth!



Those bells will ring again! Trinity has available brass ornament bells for a price of \$20.00 each. These bells are of a classic bell shape having a melodious tone stamped from solid brass and brightly finished & lacquered. They are made by a sixth-generation family business in Connecticut which has origins dating back to 1832. They are the last remaining solely bell-making company in the USA. These funds will go to support the **Chiming & Timing into the Future** project which is outlined further in this Newsletter for your reference.

Archbishop Linda Nichols, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada – announces her retirement.



Archbishop Linda Nichols, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, has announced that she will step down from her role on September 15, 2024. She announced this at the Canadian House of Bishops which was held last week at The Monastery of Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre where all attending celebrated our Primate with love, laughter and profound sentiment. You will notice our Archbishop David Edwards on the top row to the right of the window opening.

Trinity Financial Update



Trinity continues to be on a solid start for 2024.

February

Regular Giving, Mission & Donation down by \$1500 to budget. Salaries & Benefits on plan, Programming Costs slightly over by \$800, Office & Administration under spent by \$630 with Utilities on plan (note there is an invoice yet to be taken in on the books), Maintenance over by \$1,300 which covered a cost from 2023

invoiced in 2024 for the repairs to Trinity Centre heating system resulting in Net Revenue for the month over by \$1k.

Year to Date – February

Revenue over plan by \$6.8k, Salaries & Benefits, Programming, Utilities for the most part on or near plan with Maintenance over plan as noted above resulting in Total Expenses under plan by \$4.6k supporting a Net Revenue position two months into 2024 \$11.4k improved over budget.

This improved position as we all remember is against a deficit budget therefore, we must not take our eye off the plan to achieve a position of \$33k over plan by year end to have a break-even year thus stemming the tide of deficit year-end results for Trinity.

E-Offering Stewardship Option

Thank you to all who are supporting Trinity through their regular stewardship, as this helps the Treasurer meet the ongoing financial needs of Trinity's ministry. Should you wish to join the E offering program, you can do so from your home by contacting Denise at 506-693-8558 or through the church email, trinsj@nb.aibn.com.

As of year-end 2023 Trinity had 16 parishioners utilizing the E Offering option for ongoing stewardship. Can we move this number upwards of 25 in 2024?

It is hoped that you will pray for Trinity for this year and years to come.

Thank you for your continued support.

Trinity Welcomes Trinity's Layreaders Susanne Sutton and Kyle Wells will be leading Morning Prayer this Sunday. As your minister I can not begin to tell you how grateful I am to have the support of our Layreaders, as we continue to expand our Worship and return to the pre-COVID offerings of the church.

Prayers



We offer special prayers for:

Prayers for Ukraine Most Holy God and Father. Hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow and as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of Your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Special Prayers ongoing for Viktoriia (33) and Alex (33) Yezerskaya and their children, Daniel (3) and Samuel (6). Let us pray for their safety and the blessings they will share as God's hands, speech, and feet in their answering of His call on them as they continue as missionaries in Russia among their own peoples.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Australia, the Most Revd Geoffrey Smith, Primate. Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Linda Nicholls. Diocese of Québec, Bishop Bruce Myers. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Eric Dame, those retired from missionary service. Archbishop David, retired bishop William and their families.

Prayer for Israel and Palestine – Isaiah 11:9 "They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea." God of mercy, we pray earnestly, send your Holy Spirit of peace and comfort, to surround all those whose lives have been torn apart by violence and death in Israel and Palestine. Amen

Parish Prayer Requests Theresa Wanamaker, Malcolm Smith, Claire Cleary, Shirley Shaw, Winston Wilson, Ann Campion, Grace Gogan, Frank Rodgers, and Diane Cameron.

From our Archbishop of Canterbury – The Most Reverend Justin Welby – asking of the whole Anglican Communion to hold up our Royal Family in our prayers at this time.



pray for our royal family

Both King Charles III and his daughter-in-law, Catherine, Princess of Wales, are undergoing treatment for cancer. Please keep them and their family in your prayers.

We have arrived! Myrtle Beach SC

Heather and I left Saint John around 7:30am Monday April 8th and arrived at Myrtle Beach SC around 7:30pm local time after two days of highway driving covering 2300 kms with no issues – no construction or no accidents to delay our drive.



As you see in the picture, Maisey and I have settled in to our spot on the beach where we get lots of rest and relaxation along with some awaited reading which never gets a priority while at home.

We were welcomed warmly at our vacation church, Trinity Anglican here in Myrtle Beach where I attend the men's Bible Study weekly on Wednesdays at 7:30am with about 12-14 other men. Currently reading Romans, one of my favorites as I love reading Paul's words.

We had one rain day, about 2" of rain during the day with very high winds – then we sent this off to you for last Friday and the weekend.

Miss being home, love being here – always in my thoughts and prayers.
Steven

Trinity Building Care

2024 Focus

Chiming and Timing into the Future Campaign

Upcoming Campaign Event Fundraisers



Saturday, 25 May 2024 - Lobster Dinner in the Bennett Room
Tickets \$50 (to buy tickets please contact the Chiming & Timing into the Future Team)
Phone: 506-651-5366 / **Email:** chimingandtimingtrinitysj@gmail.com

24 Aug 2024- Afternoon Tea

26 Sep 2024 "Yesterday, Today & Forever" Big Band Dance & Silent Auction*

24 Oct 2024 Guest Speaker

6 Dec 2024- Appreciation Gala

* The Chiming & Timing into the Future Silent Auction Team are looking for special items in good condition from a variety of decades to be donated to the Silent Auction. If you have an item to contribute, please contact Kyle (506-871-6162) or Jennifer (506-651-5366).

The Chiming and Timing Campaign team are seeking working group members for each event, and are actively seeking sponsorship for each upcoming event.



It is a catchy phrasing which describes the thrust of the total scope of the project. Phase 1a&1b will address the timing into the future with the chiming hour-by-hour on the Loyalist Bell of the new time piece which will control the Tower Clock. The new time piece will be self-controlled not requiring ongoing (weekly or monthly maintenance), having the smarts to keep on perfect time making adjustments for power failures and spring and fall settings.

- It is important to remember Trinity’s Clock was one of the three city clocks which were at one time subsidized by the city for their use city wide. The other two were St. Luke’s Anglican Church on Main Street and St. George’s Anglican Church on the West Side. Interesting to note, all three city clocks were at Anglican Churches.
- The following phases 2 and 3 will bring on the remainder, Chiming, to have the whole system modernly upgraded to current technology.
 - **Phase 1a** – The scope of work upgraded the Tower access per the Structural Engineers’ design and is now complete and paid for coming in at a total of \$32,661.50 under the estimate of \$36,483 – savings of \$3,821.50.
 - **Phase 1b** – The upgrade of the Tower Clock, its motorized mechanism, full project supporting electronics and the bell circuit equipment to ring the Loyalist bell on the hour.
 - The supply of all the Bell Components for Phase 1b, Phase 2 and Phase 3 have been put on order January 19th with Verdin Company. \$38,398 Cdn – 50% on order and remaining payable upon installation.
 - **Phase 2** – The upgrade of the bell system to incorporate the Westminster Chimes with the powering up of four additional bells. Equipment on order January 19th.
 - **Phase 3**- The upgrade of the bell system to include the remaining seven bells. (See table below.) Equipment on order January 19th.

Trinity Bell Restoration Project					
	Estrabrooks Engineering	CR&M	Verdin Bell Co Project design	Contingency 10%	Total Cost
Phase 1a	\$4,600.00	\$27,312	\$749.00	\$0	\$32,661.50
	Verdin Bell Co.	Bell Rod Repair	Electrical T&T	Contingency 20%	Total Estimate
Phase 1b	\$65,135	\$1,437	\$7,500	\$14,814	\$88,886
Phase 2	\$10,557	\$5,750	\$1,500	\$3,560	\$21,367
Phase 3	\$12,746	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$5,062	\$30,370
Sub Total	\$88,438	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$23,438	\$140,626
Total Project					\$177,109

The target completion for this project is set for December 2024 so that the Bells, originally rung Christmas 1882, will be proudly played once again for Christmas 2024. Let us all ‘chime in’ as we complete the Trinity Tower’s purpose proudly standing tall on our city’s peninsula.

When you hear these bells ring for the first time Christmas 2024 you can proudly say, **“I was there when we announced this project”** and hopefully be able to say, **“I was a part of this project’s success.”**

If you would like to share your experiences and relationship with the bells and/or clock for our next video, please contact Kyle or Jennifer at chimingandtimingtrinitysj@gmail.com or 506-651-5366.

Thank you!

West Entrance Granite Stairs

By the gracious gift from our parish members, the uneven granite steps will be removed, the underpinning secured and the granite steps reset to their original rise and run thus reducing the risk of trips and falls. This work will commence on May 20th and is anticipated to be completed in two weeks.

Date	Sunday	Service	Readings	Presider
Apr 21	Fourth Sunday of Easter	BCP MP	Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18	Susanne Sutton Kyle Wells
Apr 28	Fifth Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday	BAS Eucharist	Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:24-30 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8	Rev. Peter Gillies
May 5	Sixth Sunday of Easter Battle of the Atlantic	BCP HC	Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17	Rev. Peter Gillies
May 12	Seventh Sunday of Easter Ascension Sunday Loyalist Sunday	BCP HC	Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53	Rev. Steven Scribner
May 19	The Day of Pentecost Confirmation Sunday	BAS Confirmation & Eucharist	Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 104:25-36 Acts 2:1-21 John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15	Rev. Steven Scribner Archbishop David Edwards
May 26	Trinity Sunday 1 st Sunday after Pentecost	BCP MP	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17	Rev. Steven Scribner
June 2	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost	BCP HC	1 Samuel 3:1-10 Psalm 139:1-5,12-17 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Mark 2:23-3:6	Rev. Steven Scribner

Reflections



To get the brilliance of this picture, close your eyes and open them slightly – you will be amazed.

What to expect this Sunday!

This Sunday Trinity will be Celebrating the Fourth Sunday of Easter. Trinity will welcome Trinity Layreaders Susanne Sutton & Kyle Wells as our Officiants for the leadership in Morning Prayer.

Good News Network We talked about the need for Good News today - Here's the link for the GNN. To the right of the page is a box you can use to sign up for weekday morning emails of good-news-only headlines and links to the articles. <https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/>. Thank you Susanne Sutton for this option to receive only Good News daily.

Trinity wishes to thank Tosin Ezekiel for the wonderful Nigerian treats enjoyed by all last Sunday.

As your minister I was sorry to have missed this special 'after service' social as I have enjoyed many Nigerian recipes in my past in Winnipeg. I will always remember the Nigerian spices that go past my normal threshold of hot – and our Nigerian members were so very kind to label their dishes 'Hot' – 'Very Hot' – and 'Don't Touch – Hot'. I know their offerings were enjoyed by all. Thank you.



The battle of Vimy Ridge took place 107 years ago from April 9-12, 1917. On these three days the memory of the thousands of Canadians who were injured or sacrificed their lives in the name of freedom and equality. I was honored to have visited this place and this memorial while completing my MBA with Queens' University back in 1999. You cannot visualize this, however all the names of those killed during this advance are carved in about 2" high letters which cover all four faces of the base of this monument. One of our classmates found his relative's name.

To put a face on this event, I will enter three who gave of their lives for our freedom.

Private Henry Dibblee Belding from Hampton NB who was 17

Sergeant Ralph Bostwick Raymond from Norton NB who was 31

Private Frederick Gerald McDonough from Saint John NB who was 17

If there was ever a memory for me from visiting both Dieppe and Vimy Ridge on this trip was the very young age of those who fought on our behalf. Thank you to all past and present service members for your courage, heroic actions and selfless dedication to our country and province.

What is in Trinity's Future you need to be aware of!

TRINITY BOOK CLEAROUT



Friday April 19

3:30PM – 6:00PM

Saturday April 20

9:30AM - NOON

MUSIC for ROYAL OCCASIONS
Coronations, Jubilees, Weddings & Funerals

Organist Michael Molloy
on the Eve of King Charles' Coronation Anniversary

Sunday May 5th, 2024 - 2 pm TRINITY CHURCH, Saint John

Tickets \$30. {with \$10. Tax Receipt}

Advanced Sale (506) 693-8558

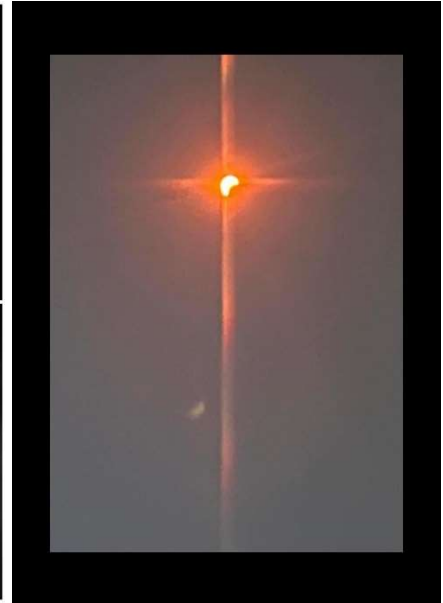
Proceeds to Trinity's Chiming and Timing Campaign

May 11 th	Saturday	New Brunswick Masonic Grand Lodge Service
May 12 th	Sunday	Ascension Sunday – Loyalist Sunday
May 16 th	Thursday	Heritage Awards Presentation (4-6pm)
May 19 th	Sunday	Pentecost – Confirmation Sunday with Archbishop David Edwards
May 25 th	Saturday	Lobster Dinner in the Bennett Room
June 1 st	Saturday	Trinity's Yard Sale



Beacon Cove – 50 Broad Street in Saint John’s south end on the property that once housed St. James Anglican Church. Formally called Safe Harbour. **Toiletries in larger size (not travel size), feminine hygiene products, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Also looking for clothing, winter coats, winter boots, hats and gloves, shoes, socks, blankets and larger towels. Gift cards in small denominations. Paper products, toilet tissue, paper towels and facial tissue are welcomed.**

Trinity will collect these products and deliver. Beacon Cove will also accept donations via the diocesan website – choose Beacon Cove from the drop-down menu: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/13778>. This initiative will be one of Trinity’s Outreach where we can make a difference in the community in which we reside.



Total Eclipse 2024

This Newspaper is dated March 1979 announcing the next Total Eclipse for North America. While I was on my MBA International trip, we were afforded a Total Eclipse while on the campus of Queen’s University in London UK in August 1999. I have the Newspaper of that day in my files at home. Heather’s family were up in the Burnt Church NB at their summer home for the Eclipse while Heather and I were driving through Hartford Ct USA which was about 85%. Heather watched it through the glass roof of our Jeep for the most part, until I needed some important road directions. Next total Eclipse for North America will be in 2045 – twenty years out.



Thoughts to live by:

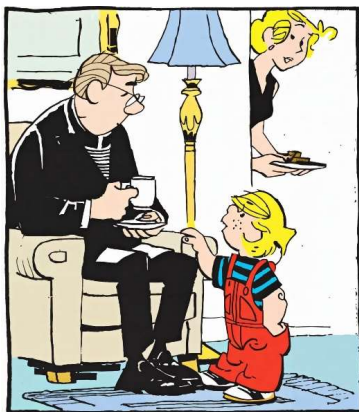
Thank you to our new member families!

To those who bring small children to church: There you are at church. Your baby or toddler is restless. Perhaps even a little boisterous. You try to pacify them with food or toys, and nothing. Eventually, you resort to the last thing you wanted to do: you pick them up, and before a watching audience, you make the march out of the church. All the while you're a little embarrassed, maybe a little frustrated too. You might even think to yourself, "There's no point in coming to church. I get nothing out of it because I have to constantly care for my kid." I want you – mothers and fathers – to know just how encouraging you are to so many. The elderly woman who often feels alone beams with a smile at the sight of you wrestling with your little one. She's been there before. She knows how hard it can be, but she smiles because to hear that brings back precious memories. Seeing young parents and their small children brighten her day; she may have just received bad news about her health but seeing the vitality of young ones removes- if but for a moment – her fears. The older man who always seems to be grouchy notices you too. He's always talking about how children in this day have no respect or sense of goodness. But he sees you – a young family – in church every week. Like clockwork, he can depend on the sight of you and your young family. You give him hope that maybe the Church isn't doomed after all, because there are still young parents who love God enough to bring their restless children to church.



Bring your children to church! If we don't hear crying, the church is dying! As hard as it might be for you as a parent who's half-asleep, keep on doing what you're doing. You are on encouragement, and you're starting off you children's lives as you should – Author Unknown.

Humour



“SO, PASTOR, YOU WORK SUNDAYS AND THE OTHER SIX DAYS, YOU JUST HANG OUT?”

