

*Trinity United Church
Huntsville, Ontario*



Annual Report
2017

From A Song of Faith

*...We sing of God's good news lived out,
a church with purpose:
faith nurtured and hearts comforted,
gifts shared for the good of all...*

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through the church office.***

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**Changes through 2017: Worship and Christian Education were combined. Kate Boyko and Melanie Maw resigned. Carole Walsh moved from Outreach to Worship. Rick Boddy joined Outreach. Beth Potter moved to Waterloo.

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(ch³) - Chair of Committee years left as chair

(1) - years left on Council

* - second & final 3-year term

Trinity Statistics

Baptisms, Funerals, Marriages, Members

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Number of marriages conducted by minister	21	16	16	13	12	15
Number of baptisms	4	4	5	1	3	3
Number of funerals conducted by minister	45	34	42	26	26	31
Number of members received by transfer	13	6	6	6	9	17
Number received by profession of faith			1	0	0	4
Number of members removed by death	14	6	12	8	4	10
Number of members removed by transfer	1	2	0	1	1	
Number removed by Act of Council (April 2016)					17	
Roll correction added by Act of Council (April 2016)					12	
Total Membership	278	276	271	268	267	278
Average Sunday attendance (based on October and November)	200	200	200	150	140	135
Number of supporters (families and individuals who contribute by envelope or otherwise)	190	199	199	218	243	229

In Memoriam

Listed are the funerals, memorials and celebrations of life that were officiated by the ministers of Trinity. (Please note: Though services may not have been held until 2017, death may have occurred in 2016 and would have been noted at that time. Deaths are also recorded here for Members of Trinity that were held elsewhere or no funeral was recorded.)

Ann Semandeni**	Brian Bumstead	Norman Neil **
Margaret McEachern	Grace Sturgeon	Beverley William Branscombe
James Broom	Marilyn Sproat	Rodger Martin**
Gordon Stell	Frederick Kerr	Joseph Yakubowski**
Marion Field	Phillip Bailey	Brian Paul Murdy
Nada Angeline Ellas	Ruth Helen McIntyre	Beverley Jean Martin
Vera Ethel Dupre**	Edith May McAllister	Robert Alvin Wyatt
Ilmi Irene Taylor	John David Hockin**	Elva Harper**
Walter Malek	Anthony Hodgson	Roger Campbell
Edmund Pimentel	John Richard Wood	Dolores Wolfe
Patricia Holinshead**	Robert Warboys**	Garry Wreggitt**

** indicates names listed on Historic Roll of Trinity United Church.

We remember them with affection and gratitude for their contribution to church and community, as we extend again our sympathy to their families.



It seems that the older I get that time moves by more quickly. I find it hard to believe that I am writing another annual report, but it is that time again.

The past year, 2017, has not only gone by quickly, but it was a year that once again saw many changes here at Trinity. One of the largest changes had to do with our Sunday School and young people. As of the first of March, we were without the services of Kate Boyko. Although Kate continued to work with the confirmation class she had begun, her role was limited. As a result of not having someone directly responsible for the youth programming, it became difficult to maintain an on-going connection with our young families. We need to thank, Lynda Arnold, for her many efforts to keep activities going. I was very thankful for the time in December, to be able to spend at least one Sunday morning with the children present.

In a similar vein, with the help of some of the young families, we were able to present a "shadow play" of the Christmas story on December 10. I was very impressed with efforts of those who helped make this program happen and for the numerous positive responses from many in the congregation.

This year has also been a "growing" year for many on the Council especially with the large number of "first-timers". Operating with the Council system works best when communication within and between committee is working well. For the most part, we have been able to accomplish this, resulting in a smoother flow of information and getting of needed work done.

As with any congregation or community every year results in the deaths of some of our family. Each and every death creates a huge loss for the immediately family, but all of us are affected. It is always a sad time to acknowledge our losses but we celebrate the times that were shared together.

The reports that follow indicate another busy year for Trinity. As you read these reports please do so with a sense of gratitude for those who have worked so diligently. I hope you will also look for opportunities where you may participate in 2018.

From A Song of Faith

The fullness of life includes

*moments of unexpected inspiration and courage lived out,
experiences of beauty, truth, and goodness,
blessings of seeds and harvest,
friendship and family, intellect and sexuality,
the reconciliation of persons through justice
and communities living in righteousness,
and the articulation of meaning.*

And so we sing of God the Spirit,

*who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation,
animating all energy and matter
and moving in the human heart.*



It is both a challenge and a privilege to serve as Chair of Trinity's Church Council and as we look back over this past year, I first of all want to thank the hard working and dedicated people who serve on Church Council. Most of the events and achievements listed in this year's annual report are due to their work. To those who are retiring this year, a special thank you for your years of service. I also thank our wonderful staff- Derek, Suzy, Johnny, Wayne and Bill who all give many hours to Trinity and enrich our church life in many different ways. A special thank you to Johnny who recently celebrated 20 years as our Music Director and to the choir who under his leadership add a special touch to our worship services every week. We also owe a great deal to the members of our UCW, a small but significant group in our church life, whose fundraising efforts are truly amazing.

I also thank all of you, the members and adherents of our congregation, who show up faithfully to worship and support Trinity both with your financial givings and your attendance at our special events through the year. We have a multi-talented, strong and supportive community here that cares about each other and cares about Trinity. We have much for which to be thankful.

Thank you all for the support you give me and please continue to communicate with me and Council. To serve you well, Church Council needs to hear what you like and dislike and most of all, your ideas and suggestions to make things better.



This year we added some new volunteer positions and we thank these people for their hard work on our behalf. Judy Pearson organized a visiting team for pastoral care. She is stepping down from this position and we are seeking a replacement. Lynda Baker took over as Publicity Director and does a great job advertising all our activities to the community. Fran Mitchell is in charge of FundScrip and this year it continued to slowly grow and add significantly to our fundraising. If you haven't yet made it a habit to buy your gift cards for your everyday shopping each month, please check it out and get involved. Just recently, Jane Booker agreed to chair a new Special Events Team that will be in charge of coordinating and getting volunteers from the congregation to work at our Fundraising and Social Events through the year. This should help to space things out more regularly and to spread the workload beyond just Church Council Committees to involve the entire congregation.

Church Council once again held a celebration of Passover on April 9th with 69 people participating. I led the group through the Haggadah Service with the help of Table Leaders and Nancy Waxl organized the chicken Seder dinner. In the fall, Church Council invited Jeffrey Dale, the Presbytery's new Youth Ministry consultant to conduct two workshops at Trinity on new possibilities for youth programming.

In spite of all the wonderful things that happen here, we face some major changes and challenges for the year ahead. Our givings are not quite keeping up with our expenses so we all have to dig deeper or find more people to join us to share the load. We have not been able to fill any of the spots on our Christian Education Committee so it remains attached to the Worship Committee for the time being. This is an important part of our mandate - to provide life-giving, interesting, informative study groups and learning opportunities for all ages - and we need people to step up and take responsibility in that area. Our numbers at Worship continue to very slowly decline. We have not yet acquired the technology necessary to keep up with changes in the way churches function in the modern world.

The United Church of Canada is facing huge changes that will also affect us. It will be necessary to learn how to "do church" differently and to have the courage to leave behind many of our beloved traditions to move towards resurrection and renewal, and as our Moderator says, "to embrace real change to allow us to live out the gospel in profound, previously unimaginable ways." Here at Trinity, we have

never developed an outward looking collaboration with other churches and this is something we will have to begin working towards. There are many things we can do better together than alone.

Last November I challenged us all to find ways to keep Hope, Peace, Joy and Love at the centre of all we do in 2018. To keep our church growing and thriving will take the efforts of every single one of us working together, being innovative and creative, courageous and daring, and above all loving and supportive of each other and reaching out to others who need our help. We have many challenges but we also have great potential as we continue to strive to do God's work in this our time and place.

Communications Committee

*Lynda Arnold for **Thelma Beaudry***

In 2017, the Communications Committee consisted of Thelma Beaudry as Chair, Lynda Arnold, Elsie Corrigan, and Beth Potter. In September, we said farewell to Beth who accepted a new position and moved to Waterloo. We thank her for her service and work on the committee and wish her well.

The Committee has continued to organize the publishing of Trinity's Communicator Newsletters during 2017 in March, June, September and December. These were available both in print and on Trinity's website: www.trinityunitedchurchhuntsville.weebly.com and local businesses are encouraged to have their business cards included in these editions for a small donation. We are grateful to Suzy Simson, Trinity's Church Administrator, for her role in compiling these reports, and we thank her for this!

A monthly email 'blast' has been sent to our email congregational list with the latest news and events coming up that month. Be sure your email is up-to-date in Trinity's office so you can keep informed of current happenings at Trinity!



Elsie Corrigan has ensured that copies of Trinity's Welcome Brochure, along with other informational brochures, are always available in the pews for those interested. Elsie has also taken on the task of keeping Trinity's bulletin boards current and seasonal!

A special note of thanks goes to Lynda Baker who is an extension of our Communications Committee in her role as media contact for Trinity's events. She ensures that our upcoming activities are advertised in the variety of media available in the Huntsville area. Anyone wanting a Trinity event to be broadcast through the local media should let Lynda know the details of the event.

Trinity's website continues to be a source of information. Each week Suzy Simson posts the weekly announcements. Alastair Dunlop uploads Derek's sermons on the website regularly and Lynda Arnold keeps the information updated as it becomes available. Be sure to check out the various tabs. We welcome your suggestions or questions! A special thanks to all who use the site, especially to read the Communicator newsletter and the Annual Report as this saves printing, paper and postage costs!

Trinity's FaceBook page has grown in its members and is another source of communication used both for sharing and encouraging the FaceBook crowd. You'll find Derek's Sunday Morning Musings posted weekly here.

Finally, 2017 was the year to update Trinity's Photo Directory. In the fall Lynda Arnold along with a team of Lynda Baker, Sally Brady and Judy Pearson organized photo sessions and the compiling of this new Directory. All the material has been proofed and sent off to the printers and the finished product is expected in February.

To each member of the Communications Committee and to those others who have helped 'communicate' in some way the ongoing work in fulfilling our mission, we offer heartfelt thanks!

Crafty Groups!

- **Knitting Group**

Joan Behm

Our Group of dedicated talented knitters, continued to meet monthly throughout 2017 to share their passion for this Church Family and community.

The initial goal was to provide a Hug with a shawl to anyone in our Church Family. There are always shawls in the white drawers in the Hearth Room for the congregation to distribute or for Derek to take out on one of his home/ hospital visits. Prayer Pockets are also available in the Narthex to give to anyone with a note enclosed or to put on the collection plate with a name for Derek to say a prayer for.



As we are a diverse group always wanting to do Outreach, this year the Alzheimer's Society and Fairvern received many Figit muffs in all different colours and patterns. Slippers were again made and taken to the Men's Shelter and Chrysalis House. Our Chemo Clinic continues to receive from our group, Picc line covers, thanks to Jody's involvement. At Frosty Fair time contributions of some fun items like beer and texting mitts were made for the UCW.

We meet the first Wednesday of the month from 1pm to 3pm in the Hearth Room. All skill levels are welcome to join us.

- **Creative Circle (a.k.a. Banner Group)**

Joanne Purchase

In 2017 our biggest production was the magnificent "Doves and Ribbons" hanging that graced our Sanctuary for Pentecost. We also made the colorful all-purpose "Sing for Joy" Banner. Special thanks to Bob Monahan for building a new cabinet to store our banner collection. This coming year we hope to produce more banners for ordinary times, and new members and ideas are always welcome.

Fellowship and Membership Committee

Marjorie Adam

The purpose of Fellowship and Membership Committee is to promote Christian Fellowship and to help the congregation to exercise its ministry of pastoral care to the congregation and the community.

The members of our committee were Pat Crawford, Ethel Robinson, Lynn Smith and Marjorie Adam(chair). Four meetings were held.

Easter flowers were delivered in April to 45 members in their homes, retirement homes, nursing homes and hospital. Many thanks to members of the congregation who delivered the flowers.



In May we held a spring tea and dessert party with 36 in attendance. We were entertained to a sing song by 3 members of the choir, Nancy, Sally and Sue, accompanied by Georgina on the piano. Following dessert Kym and Lorraine from Motivation Fitness explained the benefits of their class "Young at Heart" and showed us how we can all benefit from some form of exercise. Aussa Penniall from Chartwell Rogers Cove and Jennifer Fahlgren from Chartwell Muskoka Traditions Retirement Homes each gave an informative presentation of their respective retirement homes.

On May 28th our committee hosted a New Member Sunday welcoming 17 new members into our Church Family. Lynn Smith introduced each new member with a brief bio. New members were Dave & Heather Hockin, Jo & Isabelle Coulter, Wayne Witney, Eleanor Fry, Don & Sylvia Beattie, Janet Dodgson, Frances Fraser, Helen & Ron Sparks, Jim Miller, Bette Tusz, Bill Anderson, Bernice Spearn, and Richard Robertson. Celebrations continued in Trinity.

Our committee hosted the Coffee Hours in the month of August and served Communion in October.

The first Sunday of Advent was celebrated with cupcakes and carol singing lead by choir members in Trinity Hall. The Sunday School children helped to serve the cupcakes, tea and coffee.

Christmas flowers were delivered to 44 Trinity members in their homes, retirement homes, nursing homes and hospital. Again, thank you to all who volunteered to deliver the flowers.

We continue to encourage members to wear their name tags during Coffee Time. We have new people in our church and it enables everyone to learn each others' names. Our thanks to Gord Booker who prints new tags as required.



We wish to thank Dorothy Russell and Dianne Schamehorn who helped at our Spring Luncheon and Fran Mitchell for always helping out in the baking dept.

Our committee will provide extra sandwiches at the Annual Meeting.

Lynn Smith is regrettably resigning from the committee this year as she finds it difficult to attend meetings and help with events with her current job. Lynn has a lot of knowledge and enthusiasm to offer when she is able to return to a committee. We thank her for her time. Pat Crawford and Marjorie Adam will be retiring as they have completed their three-year term.

FundScrip

Fran Mitchell

REPORT OF Participation and Income

By Fran Mitchell (I am the committee, but am supported by husband Gord and Granddaughter Keira!)

Trinity United Church began to participate in the FundScrip Programme to raise extra funds to help Trinity with their fundraising. We started in October of 2016.

It has been a successful venture for the Church. To date we have had a total of 97 participants who purchased the gift cards for their own use. Please note that some are one-time participants or friends of members in that total number. I would ask that you become a regular user of this programme to help raise funds for Trinity.

Purchasing the gift cards is a win/win for the participant. You purchase the gift cards at no extra cost to you. You spend the gift cards on yourself or use them as a gift to give to others. The Church receives a percentage pay back from FundScrip based on the total value of gift cards purchased each month.

I ask you to participate by purchasing gift cards for the items that you would normally purchase for that month (such as groceries, gas, gifts etc.)

The orders are received on the first Sunday of each month and the gift cards are back in Huntsville by Friday of that week and are handed out that weekend to the members.

From the beginning, October 2016, the order each month has been over \$5000 and that means that we have never had to pay Purolator charges to have it shipped to Huntsville. A special thanks to Suzy, our Church Administrator and the staff at Donald's Mattress & Appliance (courier's drop off spot) because as soon as the order comes in, I receive a phone call to let me know to pick it up.

Here comes the good part! To date we have realized a profit of \$4463.39 and this amount has been turned over to our Finance Committee. Please drop by the FundScrip table on a Sunday after church and see the full transaction sheet showing monthly amounts realized from your purchases. I am hoping that more families will sign up to become a member of our FundScrip Team. YOU WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE FUNDRAISING FOR OUR CHURCH!!!



Improv

Derek Shelly

This group meets weekly at Trinity from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Hearth Room. Together we seek to learn and improve our improv skills such as listening, trusting, accepting and having fun. The group is open to anyone from high school age to 100 years plus. Although physicality is useful, it is not expected that participants do more than is safe.

Audiences are welcome. We have done small "gigs" in the past and any money raised is donated to Trinity's Special Fundraising.

Madill United Church

Doris Monahan

2017 was a year of change for Madill United Church. About 25 years ago, Muskoka Presbytery of the United Church asked Paul Stephen and I if we would become Trustees for Madill United Church and Cemetery. Don and Joyce White and Hall Seely agreed to also become Trustees. Over the years other members of Trinity have joined the Trustees for periods of time. The Cemetery was turned over to the Town in 2010 so the church and a small area of land was all that remained recently.

In 2016 the Trustees received 2 reports; one from an independent engineer and another from three gentlemen who were quite knowledgeable about very old buildings. The resulting reports were not good news as a great deal of work needed to be done and it would require a large sum of money of which none was available from the current Presbytery. The Trustees were not prepared to begin raising funds and overseeing such a major project. And so they submitted their resignations from the job to Living Waters Presbytery.

Living Waters Presbytery, Toronto Conference and Toronto United Church Council declared Madill to be surplus property to the United Church and offered it for sale for \$2.00. Fortunately for Madill, a group of eager, younger adults from Huntsville formed a group, prepared for Incorporation, a set of by-laws resulted; then they applied for Charitable Status and prepared an offer to buy the church. In February of 2018, the new group should be the owners of the former Madill United Church. Trinity is no longer connected to Madill.

Former Trustees: Joanne Purchase, Allan Spiers, Paul Stephen, Carol Stevens, Joyce White, Doris Monahan (Former Chair)

Ministry & Personnel Committee

Pat Allinson

Members of this Committee: Darcy Dingle, Linda Martin, Judy White and Pat Allinson (Chair).

A brief description of the purpose of the Ministry & Personnel Committee is:

- Being available for consultation and support of all staff persons
- Overseeing the relationship of staff with each other and the congregation
- Reviewing responsibilities, working conditions and compensation of all staff persons
- Facilitating annual reviews and evaluation of staff as it relates to the church's goals and programs
- Preparing, reviewing, and revising job descriptions and contracts along with the Minister and other appropriate committee chairs providing input
- Maintaining contact with the Living Waters Presbytery Pastoral Relations Committee

The staff members at Trinity are our Minister, Rev. Derek Shelly; Church Administrator, Suzy Simson; Music Director, Johnny Langille; Custodian, Wayne Stahls; and Treasurer, Bill Corrigan.

Judy White and Pat Allinson welcomed new Committee members Linda Martin and Darcy Dingle in February. Our committee held meetings in April, September, twice in November and December, as well as conducting business multiple times through email.

Each committee member is assigned to a staff member to be their personal connection to the committee, congregation, council, or other staff. This system works very well, especially when determining possible changes or issues of a more personal nature. The M & P Committee genuinely seeks the best working environment for each employee, as well as being a conduit for improvement in any and all areas deemed necessary.

Although Kate Boyko resigned as the Youth Coordinator, she did continue her work with four of Trinity's youth to see them through to Confirmation. It was a wonderful time for both the congregation and the youth and we thank Kate for her commitment and love of our kids.

A member of M & P joined the Search Committee to hire a new Youth Coordinator but in the absence of any viable applicants, the search was discontinued for the present. M & P will continue to work with Church Council in the rebuilding of the Youth Program at Trinity.

Church Administrator, Suzy Simson, transitioned from a contract employee to a staff member effective March 1, 2017. Under the employment guidelines of the United Church of Canada, Suzy is now entitled to this new status as she works more than 14 hours per week. Suzy was delighted with this change as she is now included in the UCC benefits programme and knows this shows Trinity's confidence in her performance as Church Administrator.

Our committee provided refreshments in January and October 2017 and Communion in February.

Planning for the **January Blues Stews and Toonie Auction** fund-raiser began in earnest in November and December with much enthusiasm from all four members of the committee. A great evening was hoped for and would hopefully be rewarded with a good turn-out and successful auction.



On December 15th the Committee held a Christmas Lunch for the staff at the home of Linda Martin. This is an annual event that allows for a time of appreciation at a personal level and to wish special blessings on each of our devoted staff at Christmas time.

Johnny Langille – Johnny’s 20th Anniversary as Trinity’s organist and music director was December 17th and the committee planned a special time of celebration both during the service and during Coffee Hour. Johnny was honoured to receive gifts and words of praise from John McTavish, Linda Martin and Doug Hicks. Trinity is blessed to have a large choir that enriches our weekly services and we thank Johnny for his talent and dedication.

At this time, we wish to thank all who make us feel that Trinity is their “home away from home” through their devotion and hard work. We begin with Rev. Derek, and include Suzy, Johnny, Wayne, and Bill. You are a great team and make our work on this committee a labour of love.

The committee membership of M & P remains the same for this coming year. As we begin a new year in the life of Trinity, we would like to encourage all members of the congregation to consult with any member of M & P if you would like to pass on a word of encouragement and compliment to any staff member. We also welcome any concerns you may have and will hold all in confidence. Please contact any of the following committee members at:

Pat Allinson – 705-784-0291 or pallinson@cogeco.ca
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Linda Martin – 705-571-0194 or drivingrange@cogeco.ca
Darcy Dingle – 705-787-8409 or ddinglemuskoka@gmail.com

Outreach Committee

Diane Schamehorn

In 2017, changes were made to the members of the Outreach Committee. In late fall, we sadly accepted the resignation of Carole Walsh, who transferred to the Worship Committee. And, welcomed a new member, Rick Boddy. Also on the committee are Bonnie Gaughan, Doris Monahan, Sylvia Leeder, and Janice Elliott.

We had several meetings during the year, and have many open communications by email, when required, or just to share information.

The purpose of our committee is to give everyone at any age level a living experience of encountering Christ, growing in the Spirit and developing a Christian lifestyle.

Some of our projects during 2017 were as follows:

1. Provided “meals on wheels” for an individual who was ill, up to one month.
2. Provided gas/travelling cost to individuals who need assistance.
3. Assisted a family for ½ month’s rent.
4. In April, raised two hundred dollars by way of donations to the Campership fund to help children from the community to experience camp life.
5. Provided assistance and continue to do, with worldwide projects to the Gift of Vision.
6. Supported an Aid Displace Person, Build a Well, and buying a stroller for a mother at Massey Centre.

7. In the fall, our guest speaker, Pat Edmonds, provided information to the congregation of the importance of continuing to give to Mission and Service. This was followed by a meet and greet and a pot luck luncheon. UCW accepted donations for the lunch, and the special Thanksgiving offering were both forwarded to Mission and Service.
8. In the summer, had a very successful fundraiser – Murder Mystery Evening. This was very well attended by our congregations and members of the community.
9. Continue to provide food vouchers to needy members of our community. Also, bus tickets are available at the church office, for individuals who need transportation locally.
10. In December, held our White Gift Sunday, with many thanks to the congregation and members of the community for providing gift cards, gifts of money, and warm socks, mitts, etc. Three individuals donated \$500.00 each to assist with this need.
These were given to families during the Table Soup Kitchen on December 11th and 18th. And they expressed their thanks and thoughtfulness to Trinity.
11. Sylvia Leeder continues to send out a variety of cards to the Trinity congregation. Please contact her at 705-685-4531, or leave a message at the church office as needed.

Thank you to everyone who continue to support and gave so generously to the Benevolent Basket each Sunday.



Property Committee

Maurice McGill

It has been a very busy 2017. Let's report the good things. We have held monthly meetings and discussion almost every Sunday after church re any arising problems.

The lower areas of the church have all been repainted, labor and paint courtesy of Lynda and Murray Arnold, and new cupboard doors by Bob Monahan. You should take a look and see what a great job they have done. Thank you.

The problems started in early spring when the snow guard fell apart and ice tore out the eave trough of the east and west side of the church. We had a new snow guard installed along with leaf guards. The rest of the eave trough was checked and fixed where needed. The steeple of roof was replaced at the main entrance. Thank goodness that was under warranty.

The next problem started with the main floor toilets not shutting off properly and the continual running water caused our bills to double. We endeavored to fix them but with no success. Consequently, we bought 3 new toilets, for the main floor and handi-cap washrooms. Since then our water bill has dropped to half the cost and we have been asked to replace the two toilets in the downstairs area in 2018. These toilets are commercial and not like the ones we use in our homes. Their installations have all been done by in-house personnel.

Next was the boiler for heating the church. An electric controller broke at the end of November and we lost 4 days of air freight because of the American Thanksgiving. As you know, one Sunday church was held in Trinity Hall.

As you can see by the Financial Report these problems have been very expensive. Right now, touch wood, everything is running smoothly.

Gord Booker and Al Taylor have been active in fixing and updating electrical areas and we thank them for their service.

I would like to thank the 'Group of Seven' (the 2017 Property Committee) for all the hard work they have done: Dave Beaudry, Ed Behm, Judy Hall, Chuck McClelland, Bob Monahan and Sharon Webster. I thank you again, from Maurice McGill, Property Chair.

Spirit Café

Derek Shelly

The Spirit Café continues to meet once a month (usually the first Wednesday) from 7 to 8:30 pm. The group has varied in numbers from 5 or 6 to 15 or 16. Though the group is informal in nature it seeks to offer both a safe place to share one's views, and a respectful place for those present. We are an open group and gladly welcome new persons who choose to come. Topics to be discussed at the next gathering are decided by the group at the end of each session.

Each gathering offers an opportunity for those present to share their wisdom and ideas. We do not attempt to debate subjects as much as discuss them from differing points of view.

We meet at Soul Sistas Wellness Kitchen and Restaurant, 68 West Road. Drop by and share if you wish or just sit and listen.

Souper Sandwich Lunch

Nancy Waxl



In 2017, we were able to contribute \$3000 to Special Fundraising. Our Convenors want to thank all our volunteers who donated soup, dessert, their time in the kitchen and setting up every month, from September to May. We also thank YOU and your friends for coming out to eat! Unfortunately, we cancelled December lunch due to inclement weather. This is the 2nd cancellation in our 21 years!, the first one being a February.

We are always pleased to have new people on our list of helpers in the above categories, and this happened as a result of Rally Sunday. Community members are very visible and some take advantage of our 'take-out' service. Chili has been popular during the fall and winter months. Our present teams are very enthusiastic about helping so if you have a positive attitude and willing heart, we welcome you with open arms. We look forward to our 22nd Anniversary in 2018.

The Table Soup Kitchen in Trinity Hall

Justine McDonnell

1,933 dinners were prepared in the Trinity kitchen and served during 51 Monday evenings by the Table Soup Kitchen volunteers in Trinity Hall during 2017. 101 dinners were enjoyed by children and youth.

A similar number of Thursday dinners were served during 2017 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

We thank the Muskoka Writers Marathon, Trinity's Murder Mystery, Dwight Beef Dinner, Farmer's CoOp, the Port Sydney Autumn dinner, Trinity's UCW, Souper Sandwich, and many gracious individuals for sharing their surplus food with the Soup Kitchen. Deerhurst always donates a dinner once a month and very often Landed Loon Catering will surprise us with extras. Camp Big Canoe, Camp Rahma, Pioneer Camp, Camp Kandalore, the Algonquin Park camps and others were exceptionally generous during August and September this year. Kawartha Dairy and Henrietta's Pine Bakery are an enormous help by donating once or twice every week.

The Table Soup Kitchen again thank the Trinity United Church congregation for use of their kitchen and Trinity Hall. It is an excellent facility centrally placed in our Town of Huntsville.

Everyone is welcome to enjoy the Table Soup Kitchen dinners.

Therapeutic Touch

Shirley Boon

The Huntsville Branch of the Therapeutic Touch Network of Ontario has been supported by Trinity during 2017.

Coordinated by Trinity member Shirley Boon with help from Chris Wall, the Huntsville TT Branch has held monthly meetings in the Hearth Room with between 2 and 9 practitioners present on the last Monday of every month, except December from 1:30 to 3pm.

Trinity family members as well as the community at large are invited to come at 1:30 to receive free Therapeutic Touch sessions from experienced TT practitioners. This invitation goes out in the church bulletin the day before the meeting and 8 people received a total of 16 free TT sessions in 2017.

Shirley, a recognized teacher with the Therapeutic Touch Network of Ontario, taught two Level One Therapeutic Touch workshops at Trinity in May and November 2017, with 5 and 10 participants respectively.

Plans are to teach a Level 2 on March 29th in the Hearth Room with possibly a Level 3 before summer (date TBA).

In 2018 we plan to continue holding our Branch meetings at Trinity and offering free Therapeutic Touch sessions to Trinity members and the community once a month.

Trustee Report

Murray Arnold

In 2017 your Trustee Committee consisted of the following: Murray Arnold, Chair, Julie Brushey, Alastair Dunlop, Ross Gilbert, Diane Litchfield, Bryan MacKenzie, Paul Stephen, Nancy Waxl and Rev. Derek Shelly. During 2017 the Trustees held a total of 5 formal meetings in addition to several email correspondences dealing with issues requiring quick attention. As per the financial statement following, the Trustees continue to manage the investments and funds entrusted to them.

The Trustees assisted the Property Committee in 2017 with the cost of snow brakes for the roof as part of roof repairs. Also, this past year, the lease agreement with the SRS Committee (Syrian Refugee Sponsorship) was completed and Trinity now has a new lease direct with the Syrian family at the same terms and conditions till November 30, 2018.

As in the previous year the Trustees handled the Deep Roots – New Growth funds for the recently completed upgrades and renovations. All bills and loans have been paid and there is a small surplus of approximately \$1100 left for future disposition (see the financial report following).

2018 will be a year requiring some decisions from Church Council re the disposition of the manse when the current lease expires in November 2018. The Trustees and Council have made inquiries of Presbytery re the possible sale of the manse and have been advised that before such approval can be granted we must explore possible repurposing options with a group from Presbytery (EDGE) that specialise in dealing with alternative uses of church property. We have initiated contact with this group and will advise at a later date what Council will recommend with respect to the disposition of the manse. With your support and that of Council and the Trustees, we look forward to resolving the task ahead.

I would like to thank all the members of the Trustee Committee for their support in 2017, especially our Trustee Treasurer, Ross Gilbert, who has been diligent in the preparation and monitoring of the Trustee finances, including the Deep Roots program that was administered through the Trustee accounts.

Deep Roots – New Growth

Lynda Arnold

Well done, Trinity! All projects have been completed and all loans and bills paid as noted in the Financial Report. Our thanks to Ross Gilbert of Trinity Trustees for overseeing these funds. Also, a special thanks to Judy Hall for her part in supervising the completion of these projects. The Deep Roots – New Growth Committee of Georgina Gregory, Judy Pearson, Judy White and Lynda Arnold thank everyone for their support and commitment to this undertaking.



Trinity United Church Women

Connie Gould

2017 has been a very good year for UCW! The year of kitchen renovations and the best Frosty Fair ever! The kitchen renovations ideas were generated by our hard-working Social Convenors, Nancy Waxl and Justine McDonnell. They are our 'Marthas 'in the kitchen! The construction was done by our own Bob Monahan, his idea for the coffee corral! Thank you, Bob. Installation was handled by Bob, Gord Booker, and Russ Gould. Kudos to Ed Behm who keeps our kitchen appliances working. We have a reserve fund for appliances replacement, however we say our prayers that the appliances will last for a few more years. Thank you again, Ed Behm, for all your magic.

We featured interesting meetings this year with an emphasis on social justice for girls in Africa. First Carol Gibson shared her excitement to travel to Lesotho, South Africa at our January meeting. She returned for our September meeting with pictures and increased excitement. Both presentations fostered the belief that schooling makes a difference for these girls.

Then in April, we were exposed to the program 'Days for Girls', a program that helps girls go to school and women to go to work in over 100 countries through providing sustainable feminine hygiene solutions and health education. This meeting was open to all women of Trinity.

Trinity UCW is appreciative of the congregational support we received for our fundraising events. The year starts with the Leprosy lunch following worship the last Sunday in January, the St Patrick's luncheon in March and the special Mission and Service luncheon in October. Thank You Trinity Congregation!

I will only dedicate one sentence to the Frosty Fair as you have heard enough but just to repeat, we could not make this event a success without the full support of our CONGREGATION!

UCW welcomed four new members this year: Debbie Knox, Helen Sparkes, Audrey Dickson and Sylvia Beattie. Sadly, we said goodbye to Muriel Lessard, Elsie Le Drew and Joyce McLean. Our membership is now 25. We are growing!

So, in closing it has been a very good year! Please note how much coffee we drank in 2017. It is revealed on the financial statement prepared meticulously by Treasurer, Shirley Woodard! She keeps us on track with her amazing accounting skills. Thank you, Shirley.



*Thank you, God, for little things
That often come our way,
The things we take for granted
But don't mention when we pray.
The unexpected courtesy,
The thoughtful kindly deed,
A hand reached out to help us
In a sudden time of need,
Oh, make us more aware, dear God,
Of little daily graces
That come to us with "sweet surprise"
From never dreamed of places.
~ Helen Steiner Rice ~*



Funeral Reception Report

Nancy Waxl

We catered to 11 funerals during 2017, of which 6 were members of our church. A sum of \$2575.00 was given to our UCW Treasurer. This service to the bereaved families is very much appreciated. At the moment, our UCW members supply squares/cookies etc. so we are able to keep a freezer supply of such on hand for catering. We do appreciate Trinity members and your cooperation in donating sandwiches when called, and acknowledge your generosity with heartfelt THANKS! The members of this Committee are: Trudy Craig, Diane Schamehorn, Pat Mattice and myself. Extra helpers for two of the funerals were members of Hospital Auxiliary and choir members. Thank you!

UCW Card & Flower Fund

Deanna McKee

During 2017 we sent out approximately 12 New Years Cards, 3 Sympathy Cards, 7 Get Well cards, 5 Thinking of You cards, 2 Easter cards, 1 Anniversary card, 1 80th Birthday card, 6 Christmas cards and 1 Miss You card for a total cost of \$0.00 dollars. We purchased stamps and one plant during the year and were given loose change towards our fund 3 times. Our closing balance on December 31, 2017 is \$48.75.

Living Waters UCW Presbyterial

Nancy Waxl

Our Annual Meeting was held on Monday, April 3rd, 2017 at St James United Church, Stroud. The theme was "Do You Hear What I Hear" with guest speaker, Cathy O'Connor, from the Canadian Hearing Society. Unfortunately, she could not make it so Patricia James, DLM filled the vacancy at the last moment and ably so. We enjoyed her "off the cuff" presentation.

Our Camp Big Canoe Meeting was held on June 19th. It was attended by 60 ladies which included a group from St. James, Parry Sound who came out for the first time. Angela Schwarz, President of Toronto Conference UCW, spoke about the 40th Anniversary Fund which raises money for students at Emmanuel College. The Fund was started in 2002 during UCW's 40th Anniversary year and is currently up to \$187,427. She also mentioned that in the 55 years since 1962 that UCW began, that \$134,000 has been raised for M & S. This is a nationwide figure but it is a very large contribution. 2017 has been a very successful camping experience for 460 campers. 192 children were assisted financially by the Campership Fund.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration on July 2nd was well attended and enjoyed by all. It was great day of fun reuniting and remembering past summers with lots of stories from former staff and campers. Ted Meyers, chair of the Corporation of the Camp spoke to us. It costs about \$200,000 to run the camp; this includes maintenance, programming and staff. UCW contributes approximately \$10,000 yearly to the Camp and this money goes directly to camperships allowing more young people to enjoy camping experience. Our day ended with a worship service at Fraserburg Pioneer Church, which is only open in the summer months. It has no electricity, and if needed, there is a generator that could help provide light. It was built in the late 1800's at a total cost of \$139.00. Labour would have been all volunteered by church members.

Our September meeting and last, was held at Trinity United, Uxbridge on September 18th, "This is a Winding, Beautiful Road". UCW members who attended the 55th Anniversary celebrations in Vancouver spoke of their memories of the event. This is always a special meeting as we have our "Annual Fall Market Place". Members bring baked goods, crafts etc. to be sold, with proceeds going to different causes.

It is always a pleasure to bring back news of our meetings and newsy "going-ons" to hopefully interest new members to join us for future outings.

Worship/Christian Education Committee

Carole Walsh

At this time the Worship and Christian Education Committees have been joined together to provide the congregation with an uninterrupted delivery of Trinity Christian programs.

The purpose of the Worship Committee is to encourage the people of God to gather regularly for worship and to make the act of worship central to the life of the congregation. To follow along with this, the Christian Education Committee is to give everyone at any age level a living experience of encountering Christ, growing in the Spirit and developing a Christian lifestyle.

Committee members 2017-2018

Current members are: Carole Walsh (Chair), Eva Black (Secretary), Wayne Witney, Al Taylor, Sheila Petch, Lynne Thompson, Ellen Pickering, Music Director Johnny Langille and Rev. Derek Shelly.

Past Chair of the Committee is Kate Boyko. Trinity United Church would like to thank Kate for her many hours and efforts in contributing to the Trinity family. Kate worked tirelessly with the young people of the Church and toward the goals of Worship.

Projects have included:

- Technology in the Sanctuary with a preliminary report submitted to Council and a special committee outside of Worship continuing research,

- Discussion with regard to the order of service and the continued use of the Lord's Prayer. Currently, we are varying its use from week to week. As well, the Scripture readings will continue to be posted in the bulletin but not all will be read each week.
- The Youth Coordinator position being currently on hold and with many thanks to Lynda Arnold for volunteering to cover the Sunday Youth programming.

Special Services included:

- Originally, the plan had been to have communion as part of worship on a monthly basis. With the fact that it has been Trinity's tradition to celebrate communion on Palm Sunday, which is not always the same date each year, and to hold communion on the first Sunday of October (World Wide Communion), it became apparent that celebrating about every six weeks would work better. Communion dates planned for 2018 are January 7, February 18, March 25 (Palm Sunday), May 6, June 10, September 9, October 7 (World Wide Communion and Thanksgiving Sunday), November 18 and December 24 (late service). During 2017, the average number of people receiving Communion was 115.
- On Pentecost Sunday (June 4) along with the celebration of Communion, four young people made their profession of faith. They are: Keira Brisbois, Liam McTavish, James Simpson and Sydney Taylor. This special time was the culmination of over a year of growing together with leader, Kate Boyko.
- A communion service in "the long table" style was held on Maundy Thursday (April 13). The participants were asked to attempt to identify with one of the first disciples.
- Early Easter Sunday, a group gathered for a lovely sunrise service at Cann Lake and we were blessed to see the sun rise up from behind the hills. Those in attendance were invited back to Trinity Hall for breakfast. Johnny and the choir prepared special music for the Easter service.
- An informal outdoor service was planned for Martin's farm on June 25th but the rain meant the service was held instead in Trinity Hall. Chuck McClelland provided the music and those who attended provided positive feedback.
- On October 15th, at the request of the Outreach Committee, we designated that worship service as "Outreach" Sunday. We hosted Pat Edmunds (former Chair of Living Waters Presbytery) to lead worship and present information about the work done through the Mission and Service Fund of the United Church of Canada.
- Meditative Walk - In late fall, Nadya Tarasoff and Kim Lambert hosted a walk through the forest at their home. A small group followed Nadya and heard about her special spots along the way.
- Advent and Christmas
The Worship Committee would like to thank Lynda Arnold and her assistants for decorating the Sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas season.
The Christmas story was presented using a "shadow drama" as part of worship on December 10. The play involved both young people and adults. Faye McKnight sang as part of the presentation. There were three services on Christmas Eve. They were held at 10 am, 7 pm and 10 pm. Each service welcomed a goodly number and offered a celebration in different forms. At the 7 pm service Ian McTavish offered a solo, while Sue and Doug Hicks provided special music for the later service.



Trinity's Choir

Johnny Langille

2017 was a banner year for the choir indeed! We reached an all time high of 33 members this year. The increased quality of the music produced by the choir is a testament to their loyalty. Week after week nothing deters this dynamic group of talented persons. It is nothing short of an honour to lead such talent.

A warm welcome to our new members. They are Gay Musselman, Betty Tusz and Marion Nickalls. We bid a fond farewell to faithful long-time members, Gord Lessard and Marsha Parrott. Their dedication has been greatly appreciated. It is difficult to see that I have but one member from my original choir, but God has blessed Trinity with a spirit of regeneration and renewal in our music. Of course, as always, the choir itself deserves the greatest praise for their talent and generous spirit.

Each member contributes in an individual and unique way, bringing not only their gifts and talents, but their personalities and dedication. Thank you to Bob Atfield for always filling in so graciously and with such competence. His mastery of the keys has become a true blessing. Thank you, Doug Hicks, for being such a worthy and sensitive Choir President. And no report would be complete without special mention of Alastair and Johanna Dunlop. Their generosity in so many ways is invaluable to myself and the choir. Whether it be clerical, musical or advisory, they are a gift.

The choir provides social and spiritual support to all of its members. They are an active group as evidenced by their social gatherings through the year. Special thanks to the Arnolds and the Hicks for the fall start-up barbeque, and to the McClellands for hosting the annual Christmas party.

I also want to thank Trinity for recently honouring me. I was very much subdued and amazed at the same time. It is an honour to serve you all, and I often say each Sunday feels like my first Sunday so long ago. Your support and encouragement are second to none.

As we embark on a new year let us all continue to make Trinity the special, loving Church that it is to so many. Thank you. In Christ, Johnny



Nominating Committee Report

Joanne Purchase

The members of the Nominating Committee were: Bill Corrigan, Doris Monahan, Diane Schamehorn and Carole Walsh with Joanne Purchase and Derek Shelly as consultants. Thank you to all those who are retiring for your faithful service to Trinity Church Council and welcome to those who have agreed to stand for nomination for 2018.

The following have completed their terms and are retiring: Marj Adam, Pat Crawford, Will Gibson, Lynn Smith and Sharon Webster.

These people have completed one 3-year term and are willing to stand for one more 3-year term: Pat Allinson, Ian Currie, Doug Farrar, Bonnie Gaughan, Maurice McGill, Diane Schamehorn and Al Taylor.

Those nominated for a new term on Council are: Shane Baker, Marion Boddy, Eleanor Fry, Suzette Nelson, Marion Nichols, Marlene Schell, and Ron Strickland. Rick Boddy was appointed by Council Executive in midyear to fill a vacancy and needs to be officially elected by the congregation.

There are still vacancies in the area of Christian Education. We would like to get enough people to be able to separate Worship and CE once again, so more nominations are welcome.

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – TRINITY UNITED CHURCH Huntsville

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Thank you was extended to Alastair Dunlop for the '2016 Year in Review' video which highlighted many of Trinity's events.

1. The Chairperson, Joanne Purchase called the meeting to order and Rev Derek offered an opening prayer.
2. **Motion 1:** Murray Arnold, Connie Goold
That Lynda Arnold be appointed as Secretary for this Annual meeting. Carried
3. **Motion 2:** Shirley Boon, Lynn McGregor
That adherents be granted voting privileges. Carried
4. **Motion 3:** Doug Hicks, Lynda Baker
That the proposed agenda be adopted. Carried
5. **Motion 4:** Barb Stephen, Doris Monahan
That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of February 7, 2016 on pages 30/31/32 of the Annual Reports be accepted as presented. Carried
6. Business Arising from the Minutes - none
7. Annual Reports for 2016

Motion 5: Lynn McGregor, Julie Brushey

That the Annual Reports for 2016 (with the exception of Trustees, Madill Church, Financial Report/Budget, Nominating Committee) be received with the following additions: Under Fellowship & Membership p. 12 paragraph 4 add to members transferred "Mark Burgess, Drew Hutcheson, Joan Behm, Sylvia Leeder, Doug Petch." Carried

Motion 6: Diane Litchfield, Frank Reidl

That the Trustees Report on p. 22 be received as presented. Carried

Motion 7: Doris Monahan, Will Gibson

That the Madill Church report on p. 14 be received as presented with the addition of Joyce White. Carried

Financial Reports

Will Gibson presented this report on the overhead screen. He spoke to the 2016 income meeting the expenses with special note of thanks re the fund raising. Fundscrip is a new fundraiser that started near the end of 2016. Fran Mitchell is overseeing it under Finance. Expenses that were not incurred were noted.

Question: Judy Hall confirmed the Drama special fundraising was from the Cottage Killer Weekend Play.

Motion 8: Will Gibson, Murray Arnold

That the Financial Statement for the year ending December 31, 2016 be received as presented. Carried

Proposed Budget for 2017 (p. 33-37)

A few changes to highlight were noted, including the 2% increase with a chart on the last page to reflect how this affects each giver. The West Street rental will be back up to expectations and FundScrip will be a fund raiser with everyone encouraged to support. Other items to be noted included the Personnel expenses as Church Administrator has moved to employee status with accompanying costs (benefits). Committee requested expenses were met. The Youth Coordinator has been left in the budget although a new model is being worked on. Internet/phone has dropped due to allowing connection through to church to town hall.

Shirley Boon confirmed that Outreach asked for the \$3000 expensed item.

Doris Monahan noted the drop in insurance which was due to the manse being occupied now.

Motion 9: Will Gibson/Doug Farrar

That the Budget for 2017 as presented be adopted. Carried

Jane Booker noted that there was nothing in the budget for the Member Care Coordinator. She expressed concern that this area is lacking support and feels something needs to be in place. Judy Pearson has taken over the visiting coordinating on a volunteer basis but this may not provide the needed support for folks who have long supported the church and now need it in return.

Judy Hall clarified that the Contingency fund would receive the surplus from this year and this was confirmed.

Nominating Committee Report was presented by Lynda Baker

Lynda acknowledged the retiring Council members and presented the names for nomination with the addition to the printed report of Elsie Corrigan.

Motion 10: Lynda Baker, Susan Brenciaglia

That the Nomination report be accepted. Carried

Further Nominations from the Floor were called.

Motion 11: Diane Litchfield, Judy White

That nominations be closed. Carried

8. Correspondence – none

9. New Business

a) Approval of Trinity's Constitution Revisions for 2017 which needs to be reviewed and revised as needed every 3 years.

Revisions and additions:

- Add the 2016 approved Vision and Mission Statement into the Constitution
- Elders - remove the word 'Elders' which is not used anymore and replaced with 'Council Members' and other adjustments as needed to make grammatically correct.
- Elections will be completed at the Annual Meeting for Council Chair/Vice Chair and Secretary resulting in the whole congregation voting for these positions.
- For clarification the United Church Manual states that no Council meetings can take place without a minister being present.
- Paid staff are not eligible to be elected members of Council, but are connected with the appropriate committee.

Motion 12: Zelda Dwyer/Sue Hicks

That the additions and revisions of Trinity's Constitution for 2017 be approved. Carried

b) United Church of Canada Remits- explanatory videos.

'Fishing for the Future' video explained what the new model will look like.

Gord Lessard confirmed that it is under the umbrella of the United Church of Canada.

Julie Brushey confirmed that not just Church Council will vote but indeed the whole congregation will.

'Funding a new Model' (Remit 4)

The funding will be based on individual church's net revenue x .045 (4.5%) with more information available online at: www.gc42.ca/remits

Trinity's assessment will go up according to Finance current calculations.

More information and discussion will follow.

10. Announcements

Tax receipts are available for pick up now.

11. Courtesies

Pat Allison on behalf of the M&P and the Trinity congregation extended a heartfelt thank you to Rev Derek, for his never-ending ability to make us reach deep at a personal level, to Johnny for his brilliant musical talents offered each Sunday, to Wayne for his care and concern of the facility, to Suzy for her cheerful willingness as our administrator, to Bill our faithful treasurer for his attention and integrity, and to Kate for her enthusiasm and love for our children.

12. **Motion 13** to adjourn: Murray Arnold

From A Song of Faith

We offer worship

as an outpouring of gratitude and awe

and a practice of opening ourselves

to God's still, small voice of comfort,

to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.

Through word, music, art, and sacrament,

in community and in solitude,

God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.

We sing with trust.