



Seasons greetings everyone! I have enjoyed being the pianist at Trinity this year and thank you for having me play for your services and choir practices! I have also enjoyed meeting the many wonderful people in the congregation and working with the other staff. I am looking forward to sharing lots of music with everyone and God bless you all in the Christmas season and in 2019! ~~~

Holly Walker ~ Trinity Pianist

From Trinity's Music Director, Danielle Mepham

Seasons greetings!



It's been a wonderful year so far working with the choir and being a part of the church. It's been a joy getting to know everyone in the choir. The choir will be taking a short holiday break and will be resuming rehearsals on January 10th. Merry Christmas!

Trinity United Church

To Grow in Faith, Fellowship & Service Through Christ Jesus

Christmas 2018 Edition

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Greetings from our Minister

"For your Christmas time, we pray for your many blessings, much happiness, and even more love."

May the Good News of the Messiah fill you with hope and give you peace."

Doug, Donna, Cassidy-Anne and Zack



Rev. Doug Neufeld

Christmas Message from Trinity Board

Hello to all. Merry Christmas!

As 2018 is about to close we reflect and reminisce, gathering together with love and grateful hearts.

We give thanks for the gift of faith that unites us here at Trinity.

We celebrate Christmas with loved ones and with people who care. Let us remember that Christmas is about Christ, nothing more and nothing less. The birth of Christ came with hope, peace, joy and love. Our Prince of Peace came to a world of darkness to shine his light into our hearts and lead us to the heart of God.

Just like the glitter from a bottle let us as people of Trinity, scatter the light of Christmas releasing God's reign of justice, peace and love for all people everywhere, today, tomorrow and everyday.

Blessings for a wonderful 2019.

Miranda Edwards ... Trinity Board Chair



Trinity 55 Plus Christmas 2018

Wishing you a season touched by Hope, Peace, & Grace of God's Love

Glenn & Ruth

Gail & Shirley

On that note, this is winding up the 2018 Trinity Newsletters. My thanks to all who have helped with info. Wishing you a Merry Christmas & A Healthy, Prosperous & Happy 2019. Darlyne Smith ~ Editor; with assistance from Nikki Gislason



From Trinity's Office Administrator

Hi everyone, Thank you for another wonderful year. It seems that life at Trinity is getting busier and I am very happy to be part of that. I really enjoy talking to all of you who come by and have a chat, and I'm also happy to help out with whatever anyone needs to have done at the Church. I would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with Peace and Joy.

Nikki Gislason



December 30th: Pot Luck Breakfast 9:30 ~ 10:00
Worship @ 10:00



Applebee's Fundraiser
Saturday, January 26th, 2019
8 ~ 10 am
Tickets \$14.00
Available at Trinity's office

Take down of Christmas Decorations will take place on Wednesday, January 9th, 2019 at 10:00 am. Everyone Welcome

As 2018 draws to a close the Worship Committee would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone who participated in one way or another in worship services this year. To our Minister, pianist, music director, choir, scripture readers, ushers, Sunday school leaders/teachers, sound and camera operators, computer technicians, caretaker and whoever we have missed JOB WELL DONE! Worship services could not be possible without this incredible team effort.

*Good news from heaven the angels bring,
 Glad tidings to the earth they sing:
 To us this day a child is given,
 To crown us with the joy of heaven.*
 -Martin Luther

Have a blessed Christmas Alan Silvius (Convenor)

Our trusty Custodian, Jim Hurd, will be taking a well deserved holiday on the last week of January (Jan 25th~Feb. 4th). When asked if he had any 'words of wisdom' for a greeting, he said **Merry Christmas & Happy New Year ~ one & all!** His reply to anything you ask him to do is **'That's My Job'**! Thanks for everything, Jim. We are so blessed to have you!



Many thanks to the Senior Sunday school for wrapping gifts for the hampers this year & to the Jr. Sunday School who bought and wrapped 15 gifts for children. Many thanks to Kathy Knight & the Outreach Committee for another year of coordinating the 22 hampers that were sent from Trinity. Job ... Well done!

Our thoughts and Prayers are with the **Lorna Hales family** this Christmas. Lorna passed away on Dec. 21st. The funeral is on Friday, December 27th @ 1 pm @ Central United Church. Rev. Doug will be presiding and Trinity UCW will supply the lunch at Central.

There may be a choir requested, but could not get confirmation before this newsletter was finished.



Holly Walker's Christmas Recital Talented little folk!

Mary: Why won't you put the rubbish out?
Joseph: It's Christmas – there's no room in the bin.
What did Adam say to his wife on the day before Christmas? It's Christmas, Eve!
What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? Claustrophobic
How did Mary and Joseph know that Jesus weighed 4.2 kg? Cause they had 'a weigh' in the manger. We had grandma for Christmas dinner. 'Oh really? We had turkey.'
What's the most popular Christmas carol in the desert? O camel ye faithful.
What do you call people who are afraid of Santa? Claustrophobic.
What nationality is Santa Claus? North Polish. Mary and Joseph – now they had a stable relationship.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
 to
Keith Privat
 On
December 27th

What do you get when you cross a fir tree & an I-pad? Pineapple

There will be **no Sunday School classes December 30th.**

Classes will resume January 6th, 2019

Bible Study discussion will resume Thursday, January 10th, 2019 at 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

The essence of Christmas is not in the presents. It is Christ's presence living in us. Have a blessed Christmas!

From the Christian Education Committee

Lois Riley

