

ROOTS & SPROUTS

Faith in Bloom: Growing, Thriving, Serving - Together in Christ

Jan. 2022



Christmas Eve 2021

Services were offered for those at home and here at the church.



Mission

To awaken the Christ light in each other and shine it in the world

Bedrock Beliefs

Through Jesus Christ our Savior, we believe:
God's Love: Unconditional
God's Power: Miraculous
God's Vision: Peace
God's Grace: Forgiveness
God's Assurance: Hope
God's Ways: Mysterious
God's Help Line: Prayer
God's Promise: We Are Not Alone
God's Hands: Us!

Core Values

Offer friendship and fellowship to all
Joyfully engage in regular spiritual practice
Uphold honesty and integrity
Reach out and serve others with kindness
Care for the earth and all creation
Give generously of our time and talent
Seek and give forgiveness
Embrace diversity
Speak out for justice



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Christmas Eve 2021

Trillium had two live Christmas Eve services and one pre-recorded Christmas Eve service.

At 7 pm we had a Youth led service that shared the story of Christ's birth. What made the story telling so unique this year was that the youth were dressed up as characters from the Christmas story. Pictures were taken of the youth in costume and superimposed onto backgrounds from the various scenes in the story. Then these pictures were projected onto the church screen and shown as the backdrop as the relevant scripture passage was read. It was quite powerful. Interspersed into the story telling were familiar Christmas Carols. Overall, a very moving experience at a difficult time to gather.

The second Christmas Eve service was our traditional candlelight and communion service that was built around powerful pictures from the Hubble Space Telescope. Originally live music had been planned for this service but unfortunately one of the musicians became ill and so a pre-recorded version was used in its place. Numbers for both services were much lower than normal but all who participated felt very good about their efforts.

Our pre-recorded Christmas Eve service was built around a simple Lessons and Carols format. We used the same readers from last year but we added lots of pictures to help enliven the story. Lots of new music. Thanks to all those who contributed to this service. A true team effort.



NOTICES/UPDATES

As we continue to navigate through this pandemic we wish all of those with birthdays in January a most blessed birthday. We look forward to sharing cake and celebrating each and everyone at Trillium when the time is right.

Membership Committee



TIME, Talent & Treasure Auction

The Handy Bryans & Sams & Daves

Indoor or Outdoor Help at your Home

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Contact:
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519-658-6405



Our Trillium Children and Youth are back to school. Many of them require our assistance to help them be successful in their learning.

If you can give an hour or two of your time to tutor our young people, please contact Tracy Sullivan at tracyp73ca@yahoo.com.

A big **THANK YOU** for all the donations to the **Blessing Bags**. As we move into the colder days we need to think about warm hats, scarves & gloves. We continue to require travel sized personal hygiene items, lip balm, conditioner, protein bars, pop-open cans of tuna or chicken, apple sauce, crackers, band-aids, wipes, and hand sanitizer to fill the bags.

Brian Hershey's update on The Handy Bryans & Sams & Daves

Your generosity totalled givings to Trillium to the sum of \$3,800.00. This is the most annually since the work started in 2016. Also, it has supported our congregational guy teens with some spending money.



Congratulations to Bernad and Leticia on the birth of their daughter, Bella Kwizera. Bella was born on Dec. 7 at 11:48 pm. Leticia and baby Bella are doing well. Here she is with mom & dad, her sisters, Yvonne & Sifa and one of her older brothers, Fabrice. Older brothers Jackson & Wilson are excited to welcome Bella to their family.



Annual General Meeting
Sunday, March 6, 2022
Starting at 12:45pm

Watch eNews & Sunday Announcements during February for further details



Due to recent surge in COVID cases, the January event is cancelled.
Watch for updates for when we will be meeting again.

DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WITH A HOUSE FOR RENT?

A family of four along with their dog have been displaced due to a fire on Christmas Eve. Their townhouse unit was next to where the fire originated. Marilyn Armstrong's sister, Elaine, along with her daughter and grandchildren are in temporary housing. They are looking for a home in the Preston area and would appreciate your help in this search. If you or someone you know has a home for rent please contact Elaine at 226-808-8639.

Faith in Film @ Trillium Cancelled

Due to recent surge in COVID cases, the January event is cancelled.



Homemade Beef & Turkey Pies

Our home baked beef and turkey pies are available. All proceeds go to the care of the church and the community.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who make these delicious pies and those who purchase them.



Breakfast Cereal Drive at Trillium—Update

On November 24th several youth from Trillium met at the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank to give back to the community through the sorting and boxing of food items.

While there they discovered that cereal donations were low and decided that their Advent outreach project would be to collect healthy breakfast cereals and donate them to the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank.

We are pleased to announce that with your help we collected 141 boxes.

The Children & Youth of Trillium thank you for your generosity!





Live Stream Update

As of January 1, 2022, the hardware for the Live Stream system has been installed. We are currently updating the needed software. Hopefully in early January a core team of 4 people will get training on the system by Yake. Our goal is to have Live Stream up and running by the end of the month.



Let It \$now! 2021

We have an update with respect to our General Fund fundraising and our 2021 step up campaign. Our goal for our Let It \$now 2021 campaign was \$27,800. We raised \$16,270. That put us \$11,530 behind our goals for 2021. Not what we hoped for. On a positive note, many of you stepped up in your normal financial support and gave an extra gift outside of Let It \$now. This means we came very close to meeting our financial goals for the year (about \$400 short.) That is really quite amazing considering the challenges of Covid in 2021. And considering that we also raised almost \$10,000 for the building and \$6400 for the Live Stream system your Generosity team thinks we can consider this is an excellent year of financial support from the Trillium congregation.

The Generosity Team



Call as needed:

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If you would like to join the Prayer Request group we would love to have you. If this is a calling of yours please reach out to anyone on the list. We can fill you in on what we do and what time we get together (once) each month.

Trillium Bookstore Update



Have you seen the empty bookcases in Trillium's Bookstore? During the last week of January, we'll begin accepting donations of books. We are especially looking for books in nearly-new condition that answer Trillium's core principles, such as books on ethical living, social justice, conservation, spiritual growth, family life, and of course, the joys of life: arts, crafts, music, fellowship, service. Please do not donate multiple copies or textbooks. We have limited shelf space! **Contact me first via email to make arrangements.** diane.boyer@gmail.com



Wondering if you'd like to help run the bookstore? Stay posted for notice of Trillium's First Annual Bookseller's Tea - a sneak preview into the "stacks" for the Congregation, and a meet and greet for prospective Volunteer Booksellers. Date to be decided, but hopefully early February.

Diane Boyer

Adult Spiritual Growth

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Update from Re-Opening Team - January 5, 2022

In response to provincial government restrictions announced effective January 5th, please be aware of the following changes.

Meetings/Events at Trillium

Members are asked to curtail ALL indoor gatherings / meetings / activities in the church building, until further notice. This decision will be reviewed on January 26. To organize an online meeting, please contact the church office, Mark Rutledge or Heather Margerison.

Sunday Worship

On-line worship continues.

Trillium will continue to open the sanctuary on Sunday morning to worshipers who wish an in-person experience.

Masking and distancing are required.

Due to highly transmissible nature of the current COVID variant, *please* wear the Level 3 mask available at main entrances.

Please maintain a six-foot physical distance from non-family members both during and after the service.

Power up Sundays for children and youth will continue with additional safety protocols in place.

Access to building during the week

Please continue to mask when entering the building.

Please limit visits to the building for necessities and avoid congregating with staff or others who are not part of your family.

The sign-in sheet for contact tracing is no longer required.

Trillium's Re-Opening Team. Chair: Ruth Thompson

NOMINATING TEAM UPDATE

Blessings

Two members of Trillium have responded to the call to leadership. We extend our sincere appreciation to Paul Reeve and Dave Webster. Paul Reeve has agreed to serve as Vice Chair of Church Council and to step into the Chair role at the next Annual Meeting. Dave Webster will take over the Secretary role at Church Council in January.

Challenges

The following leadership positions are still available:

- Chair of Worship
- Chair of Child and Youth Ministry
- Chair of Property
- Co-chair of Generosity
- An additional Regional Representative.

Benefits of Taking Leader Roles

- Learn new skills
- Use your talents and gifts to enhance the experience for others
- Get to know others and make new connections
- Become involved in this vibrant community
- Spiritual fulfillment from helping your church to live out its mission

A member of the Nominating Committee will call in the near future asking you to consider a leadership or committee member role at Trillium. We can provide information about volunteer roles and responsibilities. Please take some time to prayerfully consider how you can make a difference to your church family.

Nominating Team: Joan Joyce, Brian Hershey, Ruth Thompson

Parish Nurse Update

What does one prepare for the monthly church newsletter that is adequately profound for the beginning of a new year, 21 months into Covid? When I read this article on a blog called Nursing the Faith, I knew that I needed to look no further!

I have shortened the article to respect space in this month's Roots and Sprouts. Should you wish to read the complete article please follow this link:

<https://nursingthefaith.wordpress.com/2016/01/01/a-year-of-gratitude/>

Written by Marissa M, an ex-travel nurse and current Emergency Room nurse. I plan to embrace her idea and make 2022 a year of gratitude for myself. Would you like to join me?

Rich blessings to you for 2022!

Sally White RN

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A Year of Gratitude

New Year's Eve has always been my least favorite holiday. It's fictionalized, overrated, and typically miserable. Even my happiest New Year's Eves have never matched the level of excitement Hollywood portrays. Some are even worse! A co-worker of mine was telling me the real horrors of the famed New Year's Eve in Times Square in New York City. He and his friends were out in the cold for 12 hours, far away from the stage, in an assigned blocked off area, without easy access to bathrooms. Maybe that's why all the bystanders are all jumping around on TV...

New Year's Eve has always been a night of regrets for me. Ever the recovering perfectionist, it's a night where I remember all I could have done the past year and did not. I've made resolutions like losing weight, eating better, saving more money, volunteering more often, and even to be less stressed. But they all failed in various ways.

I wanted 2015 to be different. I wanted to stop living with so much regret. After reading Henri Nouwen's *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, and really connecting with his reflections on the elder son's attitude in *Luke 15*, I decided I want to begin living with more gratitude.

My 2015 New Year's resolution was to write a thank you note each month to someone who has influenced my life for the better. Looking back on Gratitude Project 2015, I am so incredibly grateful I decided to grow in gratitude this year. (My only regret is not making it my resolution earlier!)

My first thank you note was to my first nurse manager. After a year of travel nursing around the country in 2014, experiencing other managers for better or for worse (mostly worse), I finally understood and appreciated how incredible she was. She took a chance on hiring me as a new graduate. She'd come in on night shift to address patient safety issues and staff concerns. She'd bake for us. She'd always want to hear my side of a patient complaint. And most of all, she gave me advice I hold quite dear: "You can learn something from everyone: you can learn who you want to become more like and who you don't want to become more like."

But I know my manager would have encouraged me to acknowledge I messed up and do better next time. My spiritual director (thank you note #2) would have encouraged me to admit I failed and then try again. So, in a rare moment of self-compassion, I gave myself some wiggle room. I told myself that I could procrastinate writing a card all month, as long as it was in the mail by the last day of the month.

And so, with bumps large and small along the way, Gratitude Project 2015 was in full swing.

I sent thank you notes to my parents, my siblings, new friends, old friends, and mentors. I wrote in gratitude for moments where these dear people taught me compassion, generosity, hospitality, trust, forgiveness, joy, patience, faith, and most of all, showed me authentic love. I wrote of times of my doubts, failings, weaknesses, and otherwise low times where these dear people had helped me, even if they didn't know it.

I used to think gracious people were naturally gracious. It was just some genetic trait, probably somewhere by the gene that determines hair color. But as I wrote, I began to see in my own life that the wise words of my favorite spiritual writer Henri Nouwen in *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, were true:

"In the past I always thought of gratitude as a spontaneous response to the awareness of gifts received, but now I realize that gratitude can also be lived as a discipline. The discipline of gratitude is the explicit effort to acknowledge that all I am and have is given to me as a gift of love, a gift to be celebrated with joy."

Gratitude can be *learned*. As adults, I think we're tempted to give up learning (and learning a new skill or hobby is often a ditched New Year's resolution), but we ought to have the attitude of the accomplished Michelangelo who at age 87 said, "I am still learning."

Like any learning, learning gratitude was difficult, uncomfortable, and extremely unnatural at first. I was plagued with doubts and resentment. Why should I be grateful when all of other these things are not going well, when things aren't going as I wanted or planned, when this is wrong, when that isn't right, when there's nothing to be grateful for? It just didn't seem fair. People weren't grateful for me! Why should I be explicitly grateful and loving to them?

I was simply fixating on every little thing that I perceived to be wrong. I had the same inner struggle that Nouwen describes when he writes:

"A little criticism makes me angry, and a little rejection makes me depressed. A little praise raises my spirits, and a little success excites me. It takes very little to raise me up or thrust me down. Often, I am like a small boat on the ocean, completely at the mercy of its waves."

Though self-doubt, criticism, contempt, rejection, praise, success, compliments, and comments from others and myself can very much still change, raise, and rock my inner disposition, I have found my little but intentional practice of gratitude has given me a deep inner peace.

I noticed as I wrote each month, gratitude was becoming an ingrained attitude. By explicitly making an effort to acknowledge the many things that others have given me, gratitude was quickly becoming more spontaneous and natural every month.

I've noticed that in a very real, concrete way that I have become a more loving person to others (and even myself). I found myself writing additional cards just because I wanted another person to feel appreciated. I visited more of my out-of-town friends and family. I worked harder to keep in contact with friends and family. I chose connection more often than disconnection. I chose to reach out more often than I chose to let someone suffer alone.

Sure, I wasn't the perfect daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, friend, co-workers, etc. etc., but I made some great strides in 2015.

I noticed as I intentionally practiced gratitude despite those doubts and resentments, I found I did not take it for granted when people were practicing gratitude towards me. I began to notice and appreciate all the postcards, cards, thank you notes, kind words, sweet text messages, and thoughtful actions from others. As I took notice of others' gratitude for me, I found I am abundantly loved.

The best thing I found after I concretely practiced gratitude for a year was that I found an abundance of love and gratitude where I used to find a scarcity.

Gratitude is the antidote for scarcity. When we practice gratitude, we look at the little we have, and we realize *it is enough*. In seeing what we have is enough to sustain us, we can begin to appreciate *the abundance* that is already present in our lives.

Marissa M - A year of Gratitude

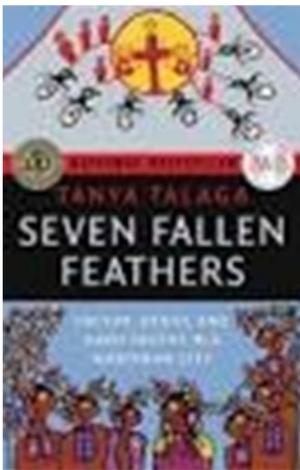
Nursing the Faith – Jan 1, 2016

For the full article please follow the link below: Nursingthefaith.worldpress.com/2016/01/01/a-year-of-gratitude/

Social Concerns & Outreach

Two 2021 Trillium Donations - Acts of Reconciliation

Each year, as part of our mandate, SC&O Team makes decisions about how \$4,500 should be distributed to charities on behalf of the church. This past year, two of these donations were directed to Indigenous initiatives: **\$500 was donated to the Northern Nishnawbe Education Council, directing the money to the Dennis Franklin Cromarty Memorial Fund.**



Dennis Franklin Cromarty High School in Thunder Bay provides education to students from 24 isolated communities in Northern Ontario. We became aware of the dreadful situation at this school in a book purchased for our Little Diverse Library, called 'Seven Fallen Feathers', written by Tanya Talaga, a journalist for *The Globe and Mail*. A portion of the sales of her book are donated to this Memorial Fund.

In her book, Tanya shares her investigation into the deaths of seven of the Indigenous high school students who died between 2000 and 2011. Five of the students were found dead in the rivers surrounding Lake Superior.

Tanya also describes the conditions at this high school, which sat empty for years because the public board no longer thought that it was useable. So now, Indigenous students travel from their communities and are taught there, despite the fact that the roof leaks causing mold, the heating system is unreliable and the school is full of asbestos. To make matters worse, the children are placed in boarding homes, often with people they do not know. There is also no place for these young people to socialize with friends.

The students at this school deserve a facility that is on par with every other student living in Thunder Bay. The Memorial Fund was started to build a new school with a place to live and a place to gather.

Donating to this project is an act of reconciliation, a response to the Calls to Action in the Truth & Reconciliation Report concerning **Education**.

The second **donation made with reconciliation in mind was \$500 directed to the Woodland Cultural Centre at Six Nations.**

The Mohawk Institute Indian Residential School operated in Brantford, Ontario from 1828 to 1970. It served as a boarding school for First Nations children from Six Nations, as well as other communities throughout Ontario and Quebec. It also served as a key tool in the effort to assimilate First Nations children into European Christian society, and sever the continuity of culture from parent to child.



After closing in 1970, it reopened in 1972 as the Woodland Cultural Centre, a non-profit organization that serves to preserve and promote First Nations culture and heritage. Donations are directed to the Save the Evidence Campaign.

You may be interested in reading a book called 'Going Back Home' by Marie Hess, which was purchased for our Little Diverse Library. Marie is a Mohawk writer and a residential school survivor who was born, raised and still resides on the Six Nations reserve. In this book she reveals the trauma of this tragic time in our country's history and describes how the ongoing trauma has affected Indigenous communities over many generations. Physical, mental and social problems continue to exist to this day.

Donating to this project is an act of reconciliation, a response to the Calls to Action in the Truth & Reconciliation Report concerning **Commemoration**.

Trillium's SC&O Team hopes that you are taking advantage of the books in our Little Diverse Library that were written by Indigenous authors. There is much to learn in these books.

Trillium's Little Library



SC&O is pleased to announce that Trillium's Little Diverse Library is fully operational, and busy!

The books on the top shelf have been flying out the door. We changed the sign, asking people who are taking books to return them as soon as they have finished reading them so others can have access to them. We also asked that if donations are made, make sure the authors are Asian, black, Indigenous or people of colour.

The bottom shelf is quickly emptied on a daily basis. For example, 3 items of food and a scarf are taken every day. One Blessing Bag is put out each week and it is always taken.

We have been putting items in the Little Library from the church pantry. The church pantry is now almost empty. If you would like to donate food for the neighbourhood, please place it in the pantry cupboard inside the church. Since it is now below zero, boxed or bagged (i.e. dry soup mix, Kraft Dinner) items would be best for the winter months.

We are almost out of scarves. If you like to knit, we would be grateful for more donations. Warm hats and mitts are also needed.





11-29-21

Trillium United Church
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Cambridge, Ontario
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Dear Rev. Mark:

Thank you so very much, we truly appreciate your thoughtful donation of \$575 to support our efforts here at Nutrition for Learning to continue to provide the necessary nutrition to our students at school in Cambridge.

As a volunteer powered organization, we continue strive to ensure there is universal access to our Student Nutrition Programs where every student feels welcome

With the help of caring people, such as yourself, thousands of children and youth receive the nutrition they need at school.

Your support is appreciated by all of us at NUTRITION FOR LEARNING

Gratefully yours,

O'neil Edwards (he/him)
Executive Director
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Heather's Hunches

(guesses, feelings, intuitions, ideas)



When I was growing up, I couldn't wait until my Dad put up the Christmas lights and my Mom decorated the tree. To this day I love the peace that comes over me when I look at Christmas lights. No matter how busy my day gets, just looking at the lights settles me down, calms me, and directs my focus on stillness. It is always a surprise how much power these tiny lights have on me.

Following Christmas, we enter the day of epiphany. Epiphany means "a sudden insight or intuitive understanding, a significant sign of a divine being". When God came to earth as a human baby, the magi followed a magnificent star. They were looking for a king and yet found a baby lying in a manger. They were looking for a messiah, the one they had heard about in the holy scriptures. Did this light steer them wrong? Was this the "divine", yes! A "significant" sign, yes! A "sudden insight", umm, maybe? The Magi may not have understood everything that Jesus' birth meant but it did help them to see that a different kind of "light" had come to live among them. It may not have been what they wanted but I believe it is what they needed and to that end what we all need.

Jesus, the light of the world, helps us to be a calm and focused servants. This is my "epiphany". I will be looking for different ways God reveals light in my life and throughout the world this year.

Let Your Light Shine! Happy New Year!

Heather

Smile for your week:

I love the "Skit Guys". In this video clip Eddie is trying to take down the Christmas lights from his house, but is that just a symbol of what he's trying to do with Jesus?

<https://youtu.be/n4RklxZvFAA>

Pastor Mark's Musings

Dear Friends,

I have been using a certain kind of hobby knife ever since I started collecting toy soldiers as a twelve year old. That means 48 years with one type of hobby knife. I really love how the knife feels in my hand when I am doing detailed work. It just fits so well and is very inexpensive. I recognized this as a kid and I still feel it today. I found out recently that they have discontinued making this hobby knife. A moment of panic set in. My goodness, what am I going to do?

Have you ever had that kind of experience before; some product that you really loved and had become accustomed to using gets discontinued? Does a certain momentary panic set in? A friend of mine had that experience when Sears closed a number of years back. Sears was his basic shopping store for clothing. The right product and the right price. When Sears closed it left a big whole in his habit of purchasing clothing. What next?

I know somebody who was a big Montreal Expos fan. Then the team moved to Washington D.C. many years back and it devastated him. What next for him? A woman I was chatting with had her favourite vacation destination close recently. This was a place her family went to every summer. What next for her? I have spoken to a number of people who have recently lost a beloved pet. What next for them?

We have just moved back into a modified Step 2 in Ontario because of the Omicron Covid variant. Judging from talking with others this is a very challenging move. Most people were hoping for a gradual lifting of the Covid restrictions over the next several months in a slow but steady move to returning to "normal living." Now it seems we have taken several big steps backward. What next for us?

Life is constantly shifting around us and it requires a certain inner stability to stay on top of it. If our inner life is only a reflection of the outer world it is not going to work very well for us. The change we are living through today is, in so many areas of life,

overwhelming. If we live only as a reflection of this change then it will overwhelm us.

In the book of Hebrews it says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." What I take from that scripture is that God's love for me and you and the world never changes. It is the same, yesterday, today and forever. The outer world might be constantly changing, even shifting under our feet, but the inner world of God's love for us never changes. Our primary task in life at Trillium is to awaken to this truth. We are to grow in our understanding of what it means to trust and lean on God's love for us. We are to grow in our trust that God will see us through all the challenging changes in life. That doesn't mean it will be easy of course but it does mean we have reason to hope that we can make it through.

In some powerful ways, I think the change around us is meant to move us past our means of self sufficiency. By that I don't mean to suggest that all change is good. Hardly. It does mean that we sometimes will need to go out in life without knowing exactly where we are going to land. That might be in the context of looking for a new place to shop or a new knife to cut with. It might mean going out to seek a new team to cheer for or seeking a new pet to live with. It might mean learning how to live life without someone who we love dearly being near us. Whatever the change we are living through the one constant we have that goes with us is God's love for us. And if in the change we are living through we come to know this love for us in a deeper, more immediate way, then all things being what they are, it is good.

Love,

Mark

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Our Mission: *To awaken the Christ light in each other
and shine it in the world!*

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