

Trinity News - April 2026

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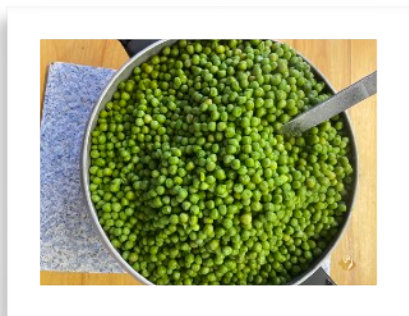
Easter Sunday





Wednesday's Community Dinner

Another success thanks to Charlene, Andy and the team of volunteers who shop, prepare, package, deliver, serve and clean-up.



Betty, Patti and Sam look after the popular table of free food items.



Cobs Bakery continues to help in a big way.

Affirming Information rack - help yourself!

We now have an information rack in the main hallway for printed material about aspects of being 2SLGBTQIA+, about becoming an Affirming Ministry, and some materials on various kinds of neurodiversity, including autism and ADHD. **Please help yourself** to anything you'd like to take away and read, or would like to give to someone else. The Affirming Group will be adding new materials and replenishing supplies.



We'll be thinking about a lending library for books; thanks, congregation members who've already suggested relevant novels and memoirs.

A sizeable crowd enjoyed small pies (aka tarts!) at refreshment time hosted by the Affirming Group Sunday, March 15 to mark **PIE day**, on which we note the importance of churches being Publicly, Intentionally and Explicitly affirming of 2SLGBTQIA+ people.



Grace United Church in Thornbury voted “Yes” to becoming an Affirming Ministry, at their annual general meeting on March 1. Their celebration service will be May 31.



SIGN UP
TO HOST
COFFEE HOUR

Everything is provided except one litre of milk which you are asked to bring.
Questions: Christine Brown at 705 446-0767 or browncln@rogers.com

Pot Luck

A big thanks to all who volunteered to make last month's a success.



Check out the Spring Issue of On The Bay Magazine which recognizes some Trinity folk. Ralph Sneyd on page 30 is *The Eternal Optimist*. Page 22 features *Model Citizens* Larry Hogarth and George Christie as well as Mary Ellen McNaught for her volunteer efforts with *The Coldest Night of The Year*.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



Dates April - May - June

Join us the second and fourth Mondays of the month, 1:30 - 3:00 pm, in the Boardroom, for social knitting and crochet - or bring another craft and enjoy time working together. We have needles, patterns, yarn and advice for crocheting and knitting prayer shawls.

Mondays April 27, May 11 and 25, June 8 & 22.
We usually take a break during July and August.

From a recent shawl recipient:

"To Trinity Shawl Ministry, I want to express my appreciation for the beautiful shawl...It has given me much comfort over the past weeks and will always remind me of the work you do. Thank you so much."

Coldest Night of The Year - Final Summary

Coldest Night Of The Year was again an amazing story that unites all of Canada. Collingwood is one of the 222 locations that contributed to the fight against homelessness and Trinity is Collingwood's centre of action. Mary Ellen McNaught's Trinity Snow Strollers raised \$7,095 and Ralph Sneyd's Optimist Striders \$3,285. Home Horizon receives those funds along with Collingwood's other 69 team's contributions for a total \$204,116. Canada's 6,513 teams combined to raise over \$15,795,917. All financial goals were exceeded. A great day for Trinity, Home Horizon and Canada.



Thanks for decorating the halls Dave.

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Then help boost our profile.

Like - Click like or love (FB), the heart icon (Insta) or the thumbs up (YouTube) to say you like our posts

Comment - Add a comment to any post. Comments boost posts even more than likes.

Share - If something is particularly good, hit share and share it to your newsfeed (this works especially well on FB)

If you are invited to an event, respond with "Interested" or "Going" so that your friends see you are coming (since people are much more likely to go to things where they already know someone).



Celebration of Life For Rodger Cooper

Friday April 24

Visitation - noon

Service - 1 p.m. followed by reception.

All are welcome!



Camping Sunday Lunch On Sunday April 26

Hot dogs will be done on the BBQ and we are asked to bring a salad or dessert to complement the meal. Donation baskets at each table for campers.

Banquet Hall Set Up Party - Sat. April 25 at 4 p.m.

(takes five people about one hour; this time worked well for us last month).

_____, _____
 _____, _____

Receive and set up food items on Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

_____, _____

Coffee & Tea (Kitchen) _____, _____

Clean up crew - all help is most appreciated. (johnbrown5@rogers.com)



CHORALWORKS
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Majesty and Merriment
Featuring:
Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass
Songs of Canada
A Gilbert & Sullivan snapshot

Saturday May 2 at 7:00 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church, Collingwood

Tickets available at www.ChoralWorks.ca
or 705-888-4454 or scan the QR code

Adult \$50 Youth \$25




Trinity choir members John Mutton, Ray Piercy and Patti Watson perform with Choral Works.



The Mother of all Yard Sales
AND ELECTRONICS DRIVE

Please **DONATE YOUR RE-USEABLE ITEMS**

DONATION DROP OFF
Collingwood Curling Club 250 Hume St.
SATURDAY APRIL 25 - WEDNESDAY APRIL 29 9AM - 4:30PM
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OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLLINGWOOD AND SOUTHERN GEORGIAN BAY
www.collingwoodoptimistclub.ca

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SAT. MAY 2, 2026
COLLINGWOOD CURLING CLUB 8:00 AM - 3 PM
\$2 ENTRY FEE

PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS YOUTH PROGRAMS IN THE SOUTH GEORGIAN BAY AREA

Logos: COLLINGWOOD, HURONIA, SOS, COLLINGWOODTODAY, Classical 106.1 FM, IMPROVED HEALTH

Ralph's Optimists raise copious funds for Collingwood's youth with this yard sale that lives up to its name. Donations accepted from 9 a.m. - 4:30 April 25 - 29 as space allows.



The Collingwood Climate Action Team presents
EarthFest 2026
5th Annual Celebration!

OUR POWER, OUR PLANET

SATURDAY APRIL 18 2026
FREE
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
100 Minnesota St, Collingwood

Crafts & Face Painting
Environmental Groups & Exhibitors
Prize Draws

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✓ Scientist-led interactive activities
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✓ Two Live Science Shows!

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“AN INFORMAL CONCERT”

BEAVER VALLEY CONCERT BAND

“MUSIC FROM STAGE AND FILM”

MONDAY MAY 4TH, 6:30 PM

**TRINITY UNITED CHURCH,
COLLINGWOOD**

(In The Hall)

**A Donation To The Trinity Food Bank Would
Be Greatly Appreciated**

YOUTH IN CONCERT

VIRTUOSO ORGANIST

CADENCE BRASSARD



And Special Guests

Sally Bruce Vocal

Libby Dutchession Flute

Kael Huibers Saxophone

WORKS BY J.S. BACH, FELIX MENDELSSOHN,
HANS ZIMMER, LEO DELIBES, ERNESTO KOHLER,
ZACHARIAS A. JOHNSON.....AND MORE

SUNDAY MAY 31, 3:00PM
TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
COLLINGWOOD

**ADMISSION AT THE
DOOR CASH/CHEQUE
ADULTS: \$20
YOUTH 13-18: \$10
UNDER 13 FREE**

IN SUPPORT OF HOME HORIZON AND TRINITY MUSIC PROGRAMS



SUMMER CAMPS



Camp Bimini

Summer camp for ages 5-14. Near Stratford. <https://campbimini.ca>



Silver Lake Camp

Main site and wilderness camps for ages 6 to 18. Near Kincardine. <https://silverlakecamp.ca>



Camp Menesetung

Classic, out-trip and specialty (arts and crafts, adventure, 2SLGBTQIA+) programs. Near Goderich. Ages 6 to 18. <https://www.campmenesetung.ca>




Camp Simpresca


Camp Simpresca is closed for the season this year.



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GROW SPIRITUALLY
MAKE NEW FRIENDS**



Trinity is able to offer financial support to local families sending their children to United Church Camps. Please contact us at 705-445-3901 or office@collingwoodunitedchurch.ca



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