

Trinity Winter Report



W E L C O M E T O T R I N I T Y

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday December 28th 10:30 am
"Awe of Creation" Come as you are!
 Join us as we welcome Rev. Ted's friend,
 astronomer Linda Pulliah to share a fun
 and enlightening reflection on the Beth-
 lehem Christmas Star.

Sunday January 4th 10:30 am
 Epiphany Sunday

Sunday January 11th 10:30 am
 Baptism Sunday
 Please contact the office asap with your
 baptism requests.

Sunday January 18th 10:30 am
 Communion Service

Sunday January 25th 10:30 am
 Robbie Burns Sunday
 You are welcomed and encouraged to
 wear your Scottish attire!

Sunday February 8th 10:30 am
 Worship featuring "The Young Sudbury
 Singers"

"Jesus is Difficult"

The author G.K. Chesterton once said about the Christian faith that it *"has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and not tried."*

His observation might not be entirely fair, but it recognizes that our story and our faith are not easy. Despite materialistic efforts to make Christmas glossy and attractive, we have at its heart the unvarnished story of God becoming vulnerable—entering as Jesus into our often smelly difficult and unwelcoming world.

At Trinity we want to support you in your walk of faith, and we're not naive about how hard that can be. We know that faith is both inspiration and perspiration! And that to walk this path, you'll need friends and energy, pause and refreshment along the way.

The gatherings and events you'll read about in this guide are efforts to engage your heart and your mind, to support you with community, to give you opportunities to learn and grow and feel the rewards of a rich spiritual life. --Let's get to work!

THE SUBZERO SUPERHEROES TACKLE THE COLDEST NIGHT

On February 21st, the *Subzero Superheroes* (aka Team Trinity) will be joining caring folk from our community to raise money in support of our local soup kitchen, *the gathering place*. If you would like to join our team or make a donation on behalf of our team please look for one of the team members sporting a hat or scarf after church or search for our team name on the Coldest Night website and click on "donate now" or "join the team". Don't forget to bring your own cape—they do help keep you warm!



Year of Lear

Trinity United Church will be hosting multiple performances of William Shakespeare's celebrated "*King Lear*" in April, featuring renowned Canadian actors David Fox and Hume Baugh. In doing so, Shakespeare's timeless work will be made accessible, and Trinity opens its doors in deepened service and hospitality to our community:

- Our children's drama program adapts Shakespeare's "*Midsummer Night's Dream*"!
- A night of Shakespearean music and love sonnets on February 14th!
- Workshops for drama students, and high school matinees at Trinity!
- Trinity's sanctuary and worship will be enriched with Shakespearean surprises!



The "No Fear King Lear" Lecture Series!

Don't let *King Lear* scare you! Over four nights, let us open up the world of Shakespeare for you. Lively, animated discussions that take Shakespeare off his pedestal and back down on the rehearsal floor where he belongs. Led by Director Rod Carley, who received a 2009 TVO "Big Ideas" award for making Shakespeare accessible for today's audiences. Join us at 7pm on January 14th, February 11th, March 4th, and March 25th – via the side (McIntyre) door. \$15 per evening, get your tickets today!

Between April 16th and 26th of 2015, Trinity hosts 3 High School Matinees, 2 Public Sunday Matinees, and 7 evening performances of "*King Lear*." Running a top-quality production of Shakespeare is a challenge that Trinity is embracing! You could donate some time, some money, or some energy to helping "*King Lear*" happen!

For more information or to sponsor the show with a "Patronage Package," please speak to a member of the "Trinity Arts" committee (Nancy or Brad Stenning, Darlene Laferriere, Rod Carley, Michelina Beam, Lisa Blais, or Rev. Ted). With your help, we'll live up to our Trinity Arts mandate: "*To use the many blessings of the Trinity Church family to enrich life and faith through the arts.*"

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

"Happy New Year" Lecture #1
- Wednesday, January 14th 7 pm
The first folio of Shakespeare-unlocking the mysteries of the bard's original manuscripts. An exciting, hands on discussion that is filled with new discoveries and a whole new way to understand Shakespeare. Accessible and entertaining. The bard made easy.

Trinity's Snowshoe Sunday
January 18th is Snowshoe Sunday. Rentals will be available. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

Soup Tasting Night
- Friday, January 23rd

The Trinity Coffeehouse
-Friday, February 6th—Sign up your talent now in the Sunday School Hall.

"Happy New Year" Lecture #2
- Wednesday, February 11th 7 pm
Behind the Sonnets—with Tracey Berti

Shakespearean Valentine
A classy Shakespearean evening of Valentine music and poetry
Sat., February 14th, 7:00 pm