

*Trinity United Church*

**ANNUAL**

**REPORT**

**2016**



# MINISTER'S *Report*

**For everyone will be salted by fire.**

**Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you restore its saltiness?**

**Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.**

**Mark 9:49-50**

Dear Friends in Christ:

I love Jesus' use of salt to describe our life together as congregations of the Trinity-Anjou Pastoral Charge, and not just because (as you know) I'm a salt-junky!

Mark places this teaching just after a section in which time after time, Jesus' disciples just aren't getting what their rabbi and teacher is all about. First, they are arguing with each other over who is the greatest disciple of all. Then, they see God's work being done by a healer who isn't part of their group. The disciples want to tell this healer to cease and desist, but Jesus tells them, "look, if he isn't working against us, then he's working for us." Jesus wanted to expand their minds about who was "in" the work of ministry rather than look for reasons to exclude people. He wanted his disciples to tear down the barriers and obstacles that kept people away from him – and therefore, from them too.

Jesus wanted followers who would use everything they had and everything they were becoming in the service of God's dream for the world – a world of justice and peace.

Isn't it amazing that God wants us to be ourselves – to let our salt show – to each other and to the communities around us? God chooses to be revealed in Christ, and in the Christ-likeness we attempt in small and bigger ways on a daily basis. We do this as individuals, but we also are part of a community larger than ourselves. We do it with our friends in the Anglican, Catholic and Presbyterian denominations. We are never alone in

trying to nudge the kingdom into being, the fruit of which, Jesus tells us, will be peace.

I write in this space every year just a fraction of the ways our churches serve others beyond our doors. This is where ministry gets real.

Only a fraction of ministry happens in church on a Sunday morning (as uplifting and en-spiriting as we try to make it!). Most of the salt we show others occurs around our kitchen tables on a weekday, or in our workplace, or the phone calling we do to friends, shut-ins, visiting people we know who are having a tough time and need our help, newcomers who need help integrating into the life of the community.

We also show our salt by being willing to persevere with people or problems or issues we believe in despite the cost to us. God calls us to be there, and we go.

2016 is now past, like old salt, and we look forward to what adventures the Spirit will invite us in 2017. May the fire of God's spirit find your heart in this coming year. May you claim your passion for ministry and share it, grow it, have fun with it, be transformed by it. That will make us one salty pastoral charge – mmm – no wonder I'm lovin' it!

Blessings, and peace,

*Reed*



# 2016: Activity Overview

A LOOK BACK AT ACTIVITIES, OUTREACH AND FACILITY USE THROUGHOUT THE LAST YEAR



## WE DONATED

- Knitted toques for Syrian refugees
- over 800 lbs of food to St. Brendan's Food Baskets
- Poinsettia plants to shut-ins
- Over \$7000 to support Mission & Service
- Campbell soup labels for books to students in Ontario
- old eyeglasses to 3rd world countries
- plastic bread tags and pull-tabs
- backpack and school supply drive
- donation of sock and toiletries to Auberge Madeleine and Old Brewery Mission

## ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY

- Super Seniors meet weekly
- Monthly Messy Church event
- Monthly worship at Grace Dart Extended Care
- Monthly Men's Breakfast
- Candy distribution on Halloween Night
- Breakfast with Santa

## FACILITY USE BY OTHERS

- Scouts Canada
- Girl Guides of Canada
- Al-Anon

## WHAT WE DID

- Youth Thanksgiving cornucopia
- Remembrance Day ceremony
- "Awaiting the Already" Advent book study
- Christmas luncheon
- Blue Christmas service
- "He is the Light" Christmas pageant with St. CHL
- Black History Month
- Cabane a Sucre
- Easter Breakfast hosted by the Youth
- carnations to women on Mother's Day
- walked in the Pride Parade
- Day Camp
- Trick or Treating together
- Outreach Team luncheon
- Youth Sunday lead by Scouts and Guides
- started a new Decorating Team
- started a new Pastoral Care Team
- Got a new screen and new microphone
- fixed the fence and the roof

# WHO ARE WE? *Stats Report*

## BAPTISMS

11



*This represents an increase of 9 baptisms over 2015.*

## NEW MEMBERS

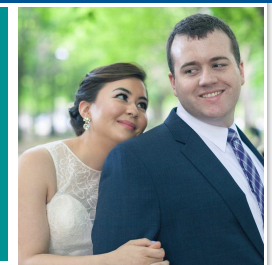
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*This represents an increase of 3 new members over 2015.*

## MARRIAGES

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*This represents an increase of 2 marriages over 2015.*

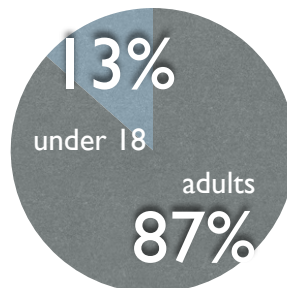
## FUNERALS

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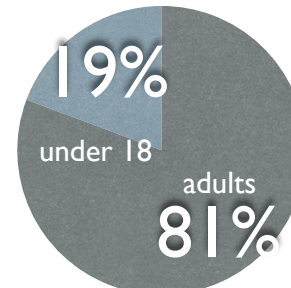
*Sadly, this represents an increase of 2 funerals over 2015.*

## MEMBERS and ADHERENTS



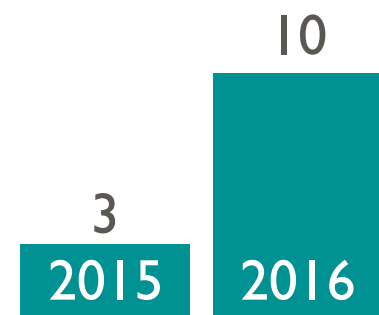
**178**

In 2015



**171**

In 2016



*Average Number of Children in Sunday School Class*

# THIS IS US





# GONE HOME ... *but not forgotten*



*Michael Monaco*



*Alex Hall*

*Lillian Layne*

*Frank Mansi*

*Ana Parkin*



*Roland Scott*

# WHEN YOU INVEST IN *Trinity United* YOU:

## CHILDREN and FAMILIES

- Allow young people to become involved in Scouting and Guiding.
- Provide affordable day camp during the summer.
- Help kids succeed in school by giving them school supplies and a backpack.
- Give young people an opportunity to become part of a caring, loving community through Messy Church, Sunday School, and Day Camp.
- Give youth a voice as part of the WE Movement so they can go on and change the world.
- Provide a safe space where children, youth, and adults are safe from harassment and bullying.

## SENIORS

- Give seniors an opportunity to be part of a community and have fun with other seniors at our Super Seniors Program
- Provide a safe space where seniors are loved and supported and are safe from harassment and bullying.

## SHUT-INS

- Provide a music ministry to shut-ins.
- Allow Trinity to offer visits through our Pastoral Care Team and elders.
- Brighten people's day with a card, a plant or flowers.

## THOSE WHO NEED A LITTLE MORE HELP

- Allow us to support the Saint Brendan Food Basket.
- Help feed impoverished families in our communities and overseas by supporting the Mission & Service Fund.
- Give warm feet and clean teeth to the women of Auberge Madeleine and the men at the Old Brewery Mission.

**THANKS TO YOU** *we make a difference.*



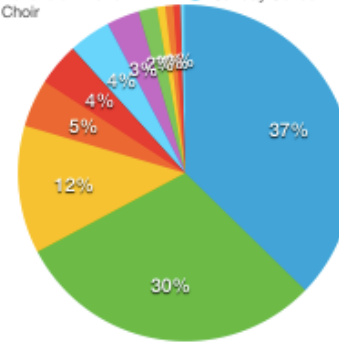
# FINANCES CONTINUED

## SIMPLIFIED STMT OF OPERATIONS

RECEIPTS			EXPENSES
Envelopes	\$ 58,882.00	\$ 43,738.84	Salaries
Miscellaneous	\$ 47,363.91	\$ 30,219.31	Expenses related to salaries
Outside Donations	\$ 19,440.00	\$ 40,551.25	Building Expenses
Mission and Service	\$ 7,275.10	\$ 7,135.49	Office Expenses
Donations from groups	\$ 6,468.03	\$ 6,316.17	Insurance
Special Offerings	\$ 6,454.00	\$ 2,188.80	Tax
Building Fund	\$ 4,974.75	\$ 310.43	Poinsettias
George Jenkin's Apt Sale	\$ 2,837.00	\$ 2,396.01	Sundry and Pulpit Supplies
Garage Sale	\$ 1,281.50	\$ 8,301.66	St. George's Legacy Fund
St. Georges Legacy Fund	\$ 1,252.55	\$ 7,275.10	Mission and Service
Benevolent Fund	\$ 1,052.05	\$ 883.46	Benevolent Fund
Sunday School	\$ 433.55	\$ 332.67	Sunday School
Choir	\$ 300.00	\$ 57.40	Choir
		\$ 2,742.00	Presbytery Fees
		\$ 19,612.95	Paid for Anjou
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 158,014.44</b>	<b>\$ 172,061.54</b>	
<b>Bottom Line</b>	<b>-\$14,047.10</b>		

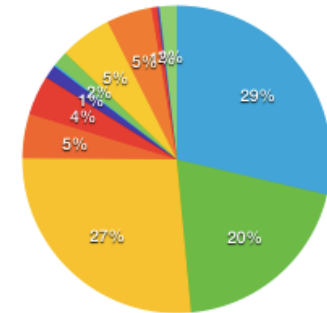
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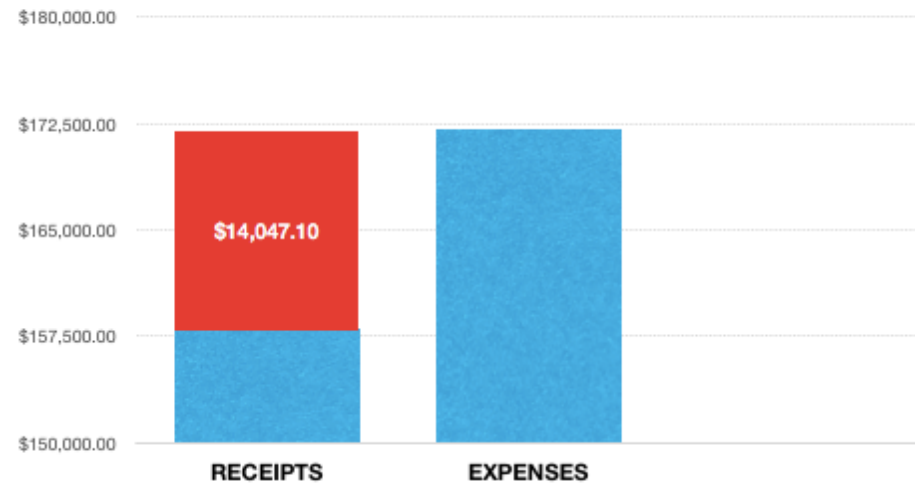


## EXPENSES

- Minister
- Building
- Insurance
- Pulpit Supplies
- Garage Sale
- Benevolent Fund
- Choir
- Office
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## Difference Between Receipts and Expenses



# 2017 Projects

## GOALS 2017-2020

- have the building hum with activities for ourselves and our community, in the service of God
- gather 100 people on Sunday mornings
- become the east end centre of family
- worship and gather 100 people at Messy Church, making it self-sustaining
- reach out and work with other East-end churches and complete one project with them
- streamline the decision making process
- revitalize the look of the church
- ensure everyone understands our financial situation and become financially stable (balance the budget)



Revitalize the Memorial Hall and staircase



Begin a handbell choir

I cannot believe it's day camp time again!

Woo-hoo!

An ecumenical faith-filled day camp which allows campers to explore all of their God-given talents!

### Lollipop Kids Day Camp

- a variety of activities: games, crafts, music, sports
- field trips to Montreal attractions (Biodome, Old Port, etc)
- theme days
- optional literacy program
- experienced counsellors

**June 26 - August 25**  
\$100 per week  
Open to ALL children ages 5 - 12

fun faith friends

Camp Location: Trinity United Church  
3050 Rosemont Blvd  
Info: kids@trinityucnet

Host a summer-long day camp



Begin discernment process with Selina Mullin



Hire a Family Ministry Coordinator