

Mission Statement

Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.

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Service Times for May 1 – May 8

<i>Today, May 1</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
<i>6^h of Easter</i>	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	10:30 a.m.
<i>Food Bank Sunday</i>	Service of Light/Evening Prayer (BAS)	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, Ascension Day	Holy Communion (BCP)	9:30 a.m.
Next Sunday, May 8	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
7th of Easter. Mother's Day	Morning Prayer	10:30 a.m.
Readings: Acts 16:9-15	Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5	John 14:23-29
Barbara Leyte	Harold Stroud	Marilyn Hillyard

Welcome. A special welcome to anyone who is visiting with us. Please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book in the foyer.

Confirmation Classes. Classes will continue today at 2 p.m.

Flowers for Mothers' Day--Last Day. If you wish to place flowers in the church in memory of loved ones, the names must be submitted today. Place the names and your donation inside an envelope. Please mark the envelope **Flowers for Mothers' Day** plus your Envelope Number, and place it in the Offertory Plate.

Food Bank Sunday. Thank you for generous support in helping those in need. The food collected this morning will be donated to the local food bank.

Spring Concert. The Singing Sidesmen will hold a concert on Tuesday, June 7 in the E.M. Bishop Hall at 7:30 p.m. This will be an evening of gospel singing as well as other traditional songs.

Sidesmen Association Meeting. There will be a meeting on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Vestry Room. Following the meeting, refreshments of soup and sandwiches will be provided.

Ecumenical Gospel Concert. There will be a concert held at the Windsor Pentecostal Church on Thursday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Grand Falls-Windsor Refugee Outreach Project. Admission is \$5.

Cancer Survivors Choir, Never Too Old Band, and soloist Bill Rose Concert. The performance will be held at our church on Tuesday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m. Admission: Free-will offering. Proceeds will go to the Grand Falls-Windsor Refugee Outreach Project.

Will You Be a Plate Filler This May? Thousands of Canadians face hunger every year and food banks across the country are unable to keep up with the demand--especially in the summer months. This year, we're facing hunger head on. From May 1 - 31 Canadians and food banks across Canada will come together to participate in the **Every Plate Full Food Drive** with an inspiring goal: to fill the plates of every hungry Canadian this summer.

Confirmation Day--Sunday, May 29 at 10:30 a.m. Please keep the Confirmands in your prayers as they prepare for their special day. As this will likely be Bishop David's last official visit to our parish before his retirement, we plan to have a congregational lunch that day.

Electoral Synod Held in Gander This Weekend! At the time today's bulletin was printed yesterday, the clergy and laity of the Diocese were assembled in Gander to elect a new bishop. We hope that the name of the new bishop-elect will be announced throughout the Diocese today.

Jumble Sale. Thank you to all who helped with the jumble sale yesterday! Each year we seem to collect as much as or more than the year before, and lots of people come out to purchase items. It can't be done without a lot of help from many people in our congregation. We are extremely thankful to everyone who donated, collected, and brought the items to the hall, set up the tables, organized and priced the items, cleaned up. Also, we give thanks to the members of the public who came out and purchased items.

Quiet Day to Be Sponsored by the Order of St. Luke (OSL). The Quiet Day will be on Saturday, October 8 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. The guest speaker will be Pastor Jonathan Gascoyne of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Notices for the Messenger. All notices are due by Thursday evening unless otherwise stated. Please send them to Linda at linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com or call 489-9801.

Brokenness

By Robbin Crawford

We live in a broken world with broken people. Inside us, we all have areas of brokenness: Broken Dreams, Broken Spirits, Broken Hearts, Broken Relationships, even a Broken Sense of Self Esteem. A Broken Heart can hold us back from taking part in an authentic and loving relationship, Broken Self Esteem can stop us from exemplifying a positive and productive personality, and a Broken Spirit finds it virtually impossible to experience real joy.

The question is, how are we going to deal with the brokenness in our lives? Will we put on our polished Sunday Faces and pretend all is well with us, or will we deal with it? Realize that in dealing with the reality of brokenness, it requires truth. We must admit that we have messed-up-broken-down-heaps-of-lives. We scurry from one relationship to the next without allowing ourselves time to breathe. In our search for Mr. Perfect, we compromise our integrity, yet compounding additional brokenness.

Jesus said, *“My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”* Through the brokenness of our lives we can become the vessels that God intended us to be. God gave us Wisdom which is in His Word. Through His Word brokenness can be repaired. Maybe that Broken Dream was your dream that did not fit His plan for your life. That Broken Relationship was never ordained by God and never destined to be, because it was never part of His plan for your life.

As long as we rely on our own foolish pride and selfishness, lusting after the flesh, we will continue to live a broken life, filled with frustration and loneliness. Brokenness stops at the point where our spirit yields to His Will. God uses our brokenness to reveal to us our need for Him and to prepare us for future service. Let Him perfect your brokenness. God’s ultimate goal is spiritual victory.

Let us look at a glass that has fallen to the floor and broken into many pieces. We can easily sweep the pieces together and discard them in the trash. But God takes those broken pieces and fits them tightly together in such a manner that they will never be broken again. We just have to surrender it all to Him. God Bless!