## **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.

**Rector:** The Rev. Randy Lockyer 489-6597 (Home) or 489-3002 (Church Office) E-mail: holytringf@nf.sympatico.ca; Website: holytrinitygrandfalls.ca

Welcome to Our Worship. If you are visiting with us this morning, please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book in the foyer.

Today's bulletin has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Gordon Shears** by Ann & Family.

SERVICE TIMES FOR October 1 – October 8		
Sunday, October 1 Trinity 16 Food Bank Sunday	Holy Communion (BCP) ACW Service Prayer & Healing Service	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 5	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	9:30 a.m.
Sunday, October 8 Trinity 17Thanksgiving	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Eucharist (BAS)	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Readings & Readers: Esther 4:4-5, 13-16 Margaret Rose Coffin

Psalm 138 Karen Brown
First Peter 4:7-11 Audrey Goulding
Matthew 25:34-40 Marilyn Hillyard

**Today is** *ACW Sunday* **in our Parish!** We often don't take the time to think about how important our ACW is to the life of our church. They are an integral part of our parish, and the work they do week after week is so important to us and needs to be acknowledged. The 10:30 a.m. service today is being led in large part by our ACW ladies. On behalf of all of us at Holy Trinity, *Thank you ladies for all that you do in our parish!* 

**Bible Study.** The 8-week Bible study with student-intern, Robynn Toal, begins this Thursday, October 5, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. The first 45 - 60 minutes will be Bible study on Praying the Psalms. Following the study, we will have a social time with a light lunch supplied in the first week by Robynn. To prepare for this first session, please read Psalm 86, A Prayer of Dependence. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Today is** *Food Bank Sunday* **in our Parish.** Lately we have been hearing about some food banks in the province struggling to stock their shelves so as to provide for those in need. As always, we will continue to declare the first Sunday of each month to be *Food Bank Sunday* in our parish. However, the box is always in the foyer and people are encouraged to drop off food items anytime.

Seniors' Fitness Class. The class for men and women will resume on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>October 10</u> at 10:30 a.m. We meet on Tuesday and Friday mornings in the Olde Parish Hall. We welcome new members. For more information, call Vera at 489-3622.

**ACW Meeting**. A regular ACW meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Vestry Room.

**Outreach**. All women who are interested in making quilts or afghans for outreach are invited to meet every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.in the E.M. Bishop Hall.

Central Cancer Survivors Choir Practice. Practice will resume this <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>October 3</u>, at 2 p.m. at Memorial United Church. If you are a Cancer Survivor and enjoy singing, laughter, fellowship, and the support of others who have had a diagnosis of cancer, please join us. All Cancer Survivors Welcome. For further information, call Jackie at 486-2973.

Seniors' Fair. This coming Thursday, October 5, the Seniors' Fair will be having its 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary, at the Joe Byrne Stadium, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Admission is free and the first 350 guests will receive a cloth tote with the Town 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logo imprinted on them. You will see exhibitors from all sectors of government, retail, and community organizations. Entertainment will be provided by The UC-5 with Ralph Angel and Friends, Mike Snelgrove and others. Lots of information, new products and services as well as prizes galore! Card games and canteen services will be provided, with proceeds going to support Minor Hockey in our town. Free coffee/tea provided by Tim Horton's. Come and stay for the day or for an hour – and bring a friend! You don't need to be a senior to attend.

Congratulations to our Mayor and Councillors Elected This Past Tuesday. Thank you to all those who came forward and offered themselves to serve us for the next four years. Many towns and communities find it difficult to attract people to run for office. We were very fortunate to have so many qualified individuals seek election in our town. Please pray for our Mayor and Town Councillors as they work together to make our town an even greater place to live and work.

**Update -- Parish Section Committee.** Our Bishop met again with the Parish Selection Committee this past week, and within the next week the Parish will be advertising for a new rector. The process will take some time to complete. However, we hope that within a reasonable time period, we will have a new rector not long after Rev. Randy leaves to take up his duties in the Parish of St. Philip's. Please keep the Parish Selection Committee in your prayers as it does the important work of seeking a new rector and Bishop John as he makes the appointment in due time. Remember, though we do not yet know who that person will be, he/she is known by God. Our work now is to prayerfully discern who that is.

Parish of Grand Falls to Host 2018 Diocesan Synod! The dates for Synod are September 28 - 30, 2018. Plans are now underway by the Parish to prepare for the Synod, as we welcome clergy and laity from every parish of our Diocese. Committees will be put in place that will need lots of help from the wider congregation, so we ask for your support.

**Altar Guild**. There will be a meeting on Monday, October 2 at 6:45 p.m. in the Vestry Room. We would very much like to have new members join the Altar Guild. There are only three meetings a year, and you are only required to be on duty every fifth month. Everyone welcome.

**ACW Jumble Sale**. The ACW is having a Jumble Sale on October 21 at 9 a.m. in the parish hall. We will be accepting donations on October 20. If anyone has any questions, you may contact Sandra or Dale.

Sunday School Teachers Required. To provide the necessary Sunday School programs, we need lots of help. If children no longer receive religious instruction in our schools, the church and home is so important in providing them with the tools they need to live a Christian life. It is what we have promised to do as parents and Godparents of children we bring for baptism. If you have Sunday School age children, please think about offering yourself as a teacher and enroll your child(ren) this Fall. A new Superintendent will also be required this Fall. If you have an interest in this, please speak to Rev. Randy.

Greeters: Jim Mercer, Brad Hulan, Rendell Hulan, Clyde Hunter, Joe Richards

**Messenger Notices**. Please have your submissions to Linda by *Thursday* for inclusion in the Messenger next Sunday. You may call her at 489-9801 or e-mail <a href="mailto:linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com">linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com</a>