



Billie Howard, Evelyn Wendt and Mary Driver share a light moment during a Supper Club planning session.

Supper Club Starting Up

It's never too late to sign up for the Supper Club! Evelyn Wendt, Chairperson, arranges these social happenings with the help of her committee, one month at a time. It is for both Singles and Couples. (Some singles will team up to make a dinner.) Your commitment would be to offer a dinner in your home 2 x year and you decide on the number of guests...but Evelyn chooses the guests!

You will then be invited to other homes many times, and you'll really get to know your fellow dinner guests in a special way. As Evelyn likes to say...

"It's not the food...it's the fellowship!"

Call Evelyn at 250-542-0667...she'll tell you what a great cook you are (and offer some shortcuts).



Coming Events for Everyone

- November 7 UCW Fall Tea
- November 13-15 Enneagram Workshop
- November 28 UCW Annual Cookie Sale

Men's Group

With the Thanksgiving Dinner under their belt (no pun intended) and another very profitable Garage Sale, the Men's Group is now looking forward to doing a Christmas luncheon/dinner for kids at Alexis Park School Dec. 9th.

This purely social group meets every **Friday morning at 7:30am at the Red Barn** in Polson's Mall--yes, you can still find a place to park--and no, there is no agenda.

All the men are invited to share in the camaraderie and good humor for which this group is noted. For more encouragement, contact **Gary Wendt** at 250-542-0667.

Halloween Party



Saturday, Oct. 31
 5 pm to 8 pm
 Fellowship Hall

Games - Fortune Tellers
 Crafts - Haunted House

Free Hot Dog Dinner

Sponsored by Outreach Committee &
 hosted by Trinity Youth Groups


For more info call Kristy Burke at 250-558-3964

Pastoral Care



When bad things happen to good people...

...we are privileged to enjoy the compassionate service of our former Minister, The Rev. Bob Thompson. Call Bob at home 250-549-4336 or leave a message at the church office.



"The question is, how do we win the world to Christ... with a minimum of fuss and bother?"



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Minister’s Column

Intentional Interim Ministry (IIM)

We are involved in a time of Interim ministry. This is a time when we have the opportunity to explore who we are and to test the waters for the future.

IIM is a time to reflect, re-view, re-new and re-create. (The 4 R’s.)

Interim ministry is future oriented and so it is often a time of uncertainty, fear and hope. It is an opportunity to clarify the congregation’s image of itself. Who are you? This is a question that could get asked. I invite you to think about how you would respond.

My hope is that we will be engaged with one another in some good conversation. I invite everyone to seek me out or members of the transition team and *talk to us* about how you see this as an opportunity for growth and change that could be positive for Trinity United Church.

I am looking forward to my time here with you. *Sharon Ferguson-Hood*



A big “THANK YOU” to Arne Kirkeby and Chris Von Schoening for their magnanimous offer of their home after Camp Hurlburt became unavailable for our Thanks giving Potluck. About 14 of our members enjoyed a full traditional turkey dinner--with 5 pies!

* BOB DYLAN

3rd Meeting of Transition Team on October 16, 2009



Transition Team members pictured above are (L-R) Rev. Heather Burton (Presbytery Rep), Jodi Rolke, Sharon Ferguson-Hood, Gary Swift, Joanne Gilman. Not present, Andy Brodie, Marilyn Erdmann.

Noting the congregation’s interest in the Transition Team (TT), your Trinity Tidings editor visited their meeting to pose questions regarding their process. Clearly, the upcoming Nov.1st luncheon “history meeting” will shed some light on our present situation. It is hoped that by looking back, with honesty, at our highs and lows--our strengths and weaknesses--some patterns will emerge to help us learn from our mistakes and move forward. Their success will depend on the extent to which the congregation will speak up and involve themselves in this truth telling exercise.

It will require open minds and hearts and an increased recognition of the demographic changes that exist within our congregation.

The TT committee is offering both their telephone and email numbers to emphasize their willingness to engage in dialog with you regarding the future of our church. This will be ongoing. The TT will be providing many opportunities to discuss your feelings and experiences.

The TT welcomes your feedback as together we begin to define a path for Trinity’s future We are at a critical time. They are hopeful that our communication with them will be direct, honest and objective. Talk to the committee. Call them or email. We have everything to gain from your full involvement....stability and growth.

Alice Warnes

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