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Dear Friends,

I'm writing this just before Ash Wednesday, and by the time you read it, we will be well into Lent. Looking back at Lent last year, I'm intrigued at how long ago it seems! The Charis campaign was just getting underway, and much of the planned activity was based on it. This year, with the finances at least more secure, and a new Rector coming in May, we have the possibility of using Lent to look more outward, remembering that Lent is not just a season for giving up, but one for taking on too. So here are a few suggestions!

First of all, if you are saving by giving something up, there is the Bishop's Lent Appeal. For this year, Bishop Brian has chosen the charity AGE/Nepal. AGE/Nepal is a non-profit, non-governmental charitable organization fully committed to enhancing the quality of lives of children with neurological disabilities living around the Kathmandu Valley. This is a very good effort to make, for somewhere that is not that much in the news, but has great need. There are fliers for it in Church; please pick up one if you haven't yet done so.

Secondly, it's time to do some spring cleaning, and if you have any books that can't find a home, the St Andrew's and St George's Book Sale for Christian Aid is on the horizon again. Last year, despite all the chaos in central Edinburgh, it raised £101,000, and we hope to do it again! Lots of other things can help too – jigsaw puzzles, maps, stamps, china and pictures can all be given, and particularly those with a Scottish "flavour" do very well in this international sale. I'll personally see that all offerings are taken away from the church – just make sure any boxes or bags are clearly marked.

But a little mental effort is not out of place either! I hope that we will have two Lent groups going by the time you read this, but if you haven't yet thought of joining one, it's not too late. Even if you don't think that "discussing" is your thing, these are always good opportunities for us all to deepen our faith. I can certainly say that I've been to many, and never yet one where I didn't benefit in some way. Details are at the back of the church and should also be in Sunday pew leaflets.

With love, and looking forward to a good Lent

Bob



### **Donation to the Organ Fund**

Some long serving members of congregation will remember Lady Fraser-Tytler. She moved to Dorset some twenty something years ago and still receives Gloria. A letter has been received from her through her sister Mrs Knox Johnson. I thought you would be interested to read it as follows:-

"My sister Lady Fraser-Tytler has asked me to write to you and send a cheque towards the Holy Trinity Organ Fund. Aileen keeps remarkably well at 103 years but alas is almost blind and very deaf. However she is still very alert and interested in everything and so patient.

We hope your organ fund is growing.

With best wishes, etc.



## FROM THE REGISTERS BAPTISM

Hannah Rose Acton and Jennifer Grace Acton  
7th February, 2010

*We welcome you. We will care for you.  
We will share our faith with you."*

## LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

For with thee is the fountain of life; in thy light do we see light.  
(Ps. 36.9)

Reading: Ephesians 3 14-21

Prayer:

**May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith;**

**May we experience Christ's love which surpasses all  
knowledge.**

**May we attain to the fullness of God.**

Happy are those whose hearts are set upon the pilgrimage.

The Lord withholds no good thing from those who walk in sincerity.

**May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith**

Obey the commandments of the Lord, love him, walk in his ways.

Choose life that you and your descendants may live.

Heed his voice and hold fast to him.

**May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith**

Bring glad tidings to the poor,

Proclaim liberty to captives,

Restore sight to the blind, release the prisoners,

Announce a year of favour from the Lord.

**May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith**

**The Peace of the Lord be with us all.**

Dear Friends,

For a while now, I have been wondering whether the time has come for me to leave Holy Trinity and move to another congregation. Discussions with Bishop Brian have suggested that gaining wider experience of ministry in a different setting might aid my development as Warden of Lay Readers for the Diocese. I have to tell you that I have now accepted an invitation to join the congregation of St Peter's, Lutton Place, in Edinburgh, and exercise a Lay Reader ministry among the people there.

This has clearly not been an easy decision to make. I have been an active member of Holy Trinity for over 30 years and it has taken me a long time to believe that this is the right thing for both myself and the congregation. However, with the arrival of Judith Walker later this spring marking the beginning of an exciting new chapter in Holy Trinity's life, this is perhaps the appropriate time to make the move.

In order to avoid misunderstandings, I want to stress that this move has nothing at all to do with Judith's appointment and the decision was made some time before applications were received. Judith was made aware of my decision. Judith brings many gifts to Holy Trinity and our local communities; I am glad that I will still be living in the town and remain part of the local community and, I hope, a friend of the congregation.

I will, of course, continue functioning as a member of the Ministry Team during the remainder of the interregnum and expect to join Bob Gould in saying goodbye to Holy Trinity shortly before Judith's institution.

With love and prayers,

Janet McKinnell  
11 February, 2010



Before and after  
The Fall  
Of the Beech Tree



**PRE-EASTER TITIVATION OF THE GROUNDS  
SATURDAY, 6TH MARCH, 2010  
FROM 9.30 AM  
THE CHURCH DRIVEWAY NEEDS YOU**

Able bodied persons, with rakes please, are wanted to help distribute and smarten up the church driveway following the delivery of a load of gravel.

We also have the marker stones to paint, so not all jobs are of a heavy nature.

It should all be a bit weather dependant but if it is suitable to deliver the gravel that morning (no snow), we cannot leave heaps of it around for long, so get dressed up and turn out. The job should not take too long if sufficient people turn out. Perhaps someone might even make the workers a cup of coffee

With a bit of luck by then we shall have also had our windows cleaned inside and out by a contractor.

**TRINITY CENTRE FILM CLUB**

**4th March, 2010 at 2.00pm**



**‘Amazing Grace’**

**Heartfelt drama about the 30 year struggle of  
evangelical firebrand William Wilberforce to get  
Parliament to ban the slave trade.**

Tea, biscuits and chat to follow.

# The Lords Prayer

## **Our Father in Heaven**

Our father who looks after us, even though we forget you from time to time; who always watches what we are doing; who never forgets us; who is always there in times of trouble and in times of joy, smiling when we are happy, weeping when we are sad, you are our God and we need no other.

## **Hallowed be thy name**

Your name be praised Lord, so many people abuse it, they don't know what they are saying; your name is the most precious, most glorious name on earth. All the celebrities, the famous people from the past and present, none can compare with your sweet name

## **Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven**

Lord, we pray that the world and its people will know you and all that you stand for; that the gifts of the Holy Spirit will touch every heart and the world will be at peace. Your world as you wish it to be.

## **Give us this day our daily bread**

Man cannot live by bread alone, we thank you for giving us hope when the days are dark, for comfort, for inspiration. Thank you for our food; for the sun and rain that make it grow; for those who nurture it and for hands that make it. Thank you for our families and homes. Have mercy on those who are in need, want, and give us all grateful hearts.

## **Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us**

How can we make amends for the things we have done wrong, for unhelpful actions and comments, for bad thoughts that continually creep in, for turning away when we should be helping, and Lord help us to forgive those who hurt us and help us to remember that they may be hurting too.

## **Lead us from temptation and deliver us from evil**

Dear Lord give us the strength to say No when we should, give us strength in our pathetic weakness, from tempting persuasion. All around there are things that we want but do not need, when we

should know that you suffice. Guide us away from bad thoughts, pride, jealousy and envy. Guard us we pray from those who wish to harm us, and from dangerous situations, keep us safe.

### **For thine is the kingdom**

Your ways Lord are the ways of truth and light. In your kingdom are the fruits of the spirit, where there is all love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

### **The power and the glory**

Yours Lord is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours, all things come from you and of your own we give you

### **Halleluiah, Amen.**

*I decided to put this together before I knew the subjects for the Lent groups. I hope that the words I have used, will refresh and renew us all, this Easter and every day, all year through.*

With every blessing  
Mary Wallace

#### **BETHANY**

The Bethany Homeless collection for Xmas raised £620 which has been sent on and an appreciative letter and receipt received.

#### **BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL**

This year Bishop Brian has chosen the charity,  
AGE/Nepal.

This is a non-profit, non-government charitable organisation fully committed to enhancing the quality of lives of children with neurological disabilities living around the Kathmandu Valley.

Further information is on leaflets at the back of church,  
And from [www.agenepal.org.np](http://www.agenepal.org.np)

## **AN UPDATE ON YOUR ££££££'s**

On 31/12/09 we passed the 4 month mark in our financial year and the anniversary of when we decided to halt the recruitment process. So it is a good stage to make our first appraisal of how we are doing financially. I'll start with the Income.

Our Charis campaign (a mixture of fundraising and fellowship) went really well and you will remember that at the AGM, I explained that we had pledges for about 80-85% of our budgeted need, In fact these pledges have been met and we have actually received the sum of the pledges made - so a brilliant start.

In September after examining the state of the current account, the Vestry decided to invest £25,000 in investment trusts. In just four months these have dividend earning in excess of £1,250 The same sum would have earned just £8.22 (00.1%).sitting in the bank current account. We have even had a little capital growth.

On the outgoings, I continually strive to make savings where possible and so far this year have made savings of over £3500. Mostly in small items like re-negotiating contracts for heating fuel etc. However as the direct result of the removal of our big beech tree our insurance broker was able to get a saving of £2500 in our annual premium when it was due in December.

We had cash in the bank not earning interest, so the premium was paid in a single sum compared to previous years when we paid in 10 instalments. The instalment plan would have cost us a further 6% (£425). Our reduced income last year has also had a direct effect on annual Quota. The sum we pay towards the running of the Diocese has fallen by nearly £1000 for the current year. Cutting costs is better than fund raising but I do not foresee any other savings to be made this year. Indeed we shall have to find removal expenses in the Spring for our new Rector's flitting and perhaps some other associated expenses around the Rectory.

The Vestry also voted to add a small expense to our grounds and garden expenditure by asking our gardener Andrew to ensure the path is clear and gritted in snowy and icy conditions. This followed the very kind gesture by our tenant, Mrs Mann who cleared our path on the worst weekend. The paths have been particularly difficult. Andrew has agreed to do the work and we trust it will be better in future.

Temporary Acting Hon Treasurer. Peter Green

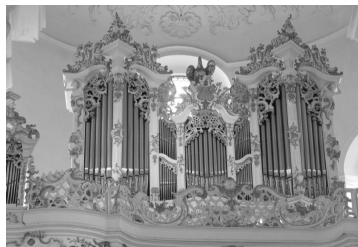
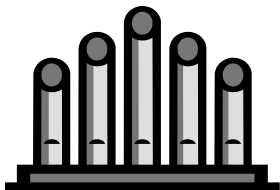
## THE HEALTH OF THE ORGAN

You know Jim Dickson organised the very successful concert given by junior singers and players in Sept. That, I remind you, raised half of the cash to carry out repairs to the keyboard which were done during the summer. The balance of that bill another £450 - £500 was to be the target for the Mozart Concert which was postponed on Jan 10 due to weather. Thanks have gone to Philip Taylor who was the driving force behind the postponed concert and we look forward to hearing of the new date - perhaps in April. To remind you also there were estimates for the organ of about £13,000 to renew the valves on each of the organ pipes and a further £25,000 to dismantle the whole organ and clean it out since it has not been cleaned internally for 60 years.

On a completely separate issue, the property managers decided that in order to prevent damage from frozen water pipes during the extended cold period (when temperatures outside were as low as -13 degrees,) we would heat the church for an hour each morning and an hour each evening. Now big smiles on the face of the organist. The instrument is playing well, even better than ever, and the small amount of heat has kept the old valves flexible and airtight, bringing the organ back to life.

This raises questions such as, even if we replace the inflexible old valves, do we need to keep the church slightly warmer in any case? If we continue to keep the church that degree or two warmer every day would it obviate the need for new valves? Presumably whatever happens we shall need to clean it out before too long. Is the first question really which is cheapest, two hours of heat per day which we could fund or £13000 which we cannot fund? OR if we spend the £13000 on valves do we need to keep heating on for 2 hours per day to keep the new valves in order in any case? In the short term we keep the heat on and obviously suck it and see.

Interesting times and indeed the next Vestry meeting will be asked if our organists Jim and Peter can also have their own way to cut a hole in the plasterboard wall just above the organ manual because the trumpet "exhaust" directly behind the wall, is muted by the walling. The hole incidentally could not be seen by the congregation. and the only negative is that when trumpet stops are effected, the organist may need chin straps to keep his cap on



## Sunday Lectionary readings

### March

7th Lent 3, Isaiah 55 1-9, 1 Corinthians 10, 1-13,  
Luke 13 1-9

14th Lent 4, Joshua 5 9-12, 2 Corinthians 5 16-21,  
Luke 15 1-3, 11b-32

21st Lent 5, Isaiah 43 16-21, Philippians 3 4b-14,  
John 12 1-8

28th Palm Sunday, The Passion according to St. Luke.

### Daily Eucharistic Readings

#### March

1st Luke 6 36-38

2nd Matthew 23 1-12

3rd Matthew 20 17-28

4th Luke 16 19-31

5th Matthew 21 33-36

6th Luke 15 1-3, 11-32

8th Luke 4 24-30

9th Matthew 18 21-35

10th Matthew 5 17-20

11th Luke 11 14-23

12th Mark 12 28-34

13th Luke 18 9-14

15th John 4 43-54

16th John 5 1-18

17th Luke 22 24-30

18th John 5 31-47

19th Luke 24 -52

20th John 7 40-53

22nd John 8 1-11

23rd John 8 21-30

24th John 8 31-47

25th Luke 1 26-38

26th John 10 31-42

27th John 11 45-57

**Daily Eucharistic Readings continued**

**Holy Week**

**March**

29th John 12 1-11

30th John 12 20-36

31st John 13 21-32

**April**

1st Maundy Thursday, John 13 1-17, 31b-35

2nd Good Friday, John 18 1-19, 42

3rd John 19 38-42

**TAIZE**

The monthly Taize Worship will again be held in the Abbey Church, North Berwick, on Friday, 26th March at 7.30pm.

**TRAID FAIR**

The Traid Fair stall will be held on 14th March.

**DON'T FORGET YOUR NOTELET PACKS!**

*A pack of 6 notelets with envelopes  
of two views of the church.*

*Available at the back of the church.*

*A bargain at only £2.00  
Which should be put in the wall safe.*

## GRANDPARENTS

When my grandson asked me how old I was, I teasingly replied, "I'm not sure.." "Look in the label in your clothes, Grandma," he advised. "Mine says I'm 4 to 6."

A second grader came home from school and said to her grandmother, "Grandma, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The grandmother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said, "how do you make babies?" "It's simple," replied the girl, "you just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'."

Children's logic: "Give me a sentence about a public servant," said a teacher. The small boy wrote: "The fireman came down the ladder pregnant." The teacher took the lad aside to correct him. "Don't you now what pregnant means?" she asked. "Sure," said the young boy confidently, "it means carrying a child."

A 6-year-old was asked where his grandma lived. "Oh," he said, "she lives at the airport, and when we want her, we just go get her. Then, when we're done having her visit, we take her back to the airport."

Grandpa is the smartest man on earth! He teaches me good things, but I don't get to see him enough to get as smart as him!

A grandfather was delivering his grandchildren to their home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. "They use him to keep crowds back," said one child. "No," said another, "he's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close. "They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrants."

## ROTAS

MARCH	TEA AND COFFEE	
7th	Ena Briggs	Alison Cowe
14th	Kay Kemball	Helen Willing
21st	Jennifer Green	Liz Wilson
28th	Wendy Wilkinson	Sheena Wood
	SIDESMEN	
7th	David Hinley	Elisabeth Cooper
14th	John Elcock	Kathy Warrender
21st	Jeremy Willing	Margaret Fairbairn
28th	Jean Blackadder	Effie Bowman
	FLOWERS	
	NO FLOWERS UNTIL EASTER	

## GLORIA

**DEADLINES...** You can greatly assist the production process by submitting information and articles as soon as possible and not waiting for the deadline.

**The deadline for the APRIL issue is Sunday 14th March**

Please send all material to Wendy:  
 wiwilkinson@yahoo.co.uk  
 Or phone 01620 822 891

## **Dates for the diary:**

### **MARCH**

- 1st St. David. Gifford Lecture, Faith and Growth,  
5.30pm, Playfair Library, Edinburgh
- 2nd World Day of Prayer
- 6th Diocesan Synod
- 14th Mothering Sunday, All Age Worship, Soup and  
Pudding Lunch
- 17th St. Patrick
- 19th Joseph of Nazareth
- 20th Coffee Morning in aid of St. Peter's, Ihindu, in  
the Trinity Centre.
- 21st Passion Sunday
- 25th The Annunciation of the Lord to the Virgin Mary
- 28th Palm Sunday

### **APRIL**

- 4th EASTER DAY Soup and Pudding lunch.

## **WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
	<b>Family Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>11.45am*</b>
	<i>*(First Sunday of the month only)</i>	
	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am</b>