

Spring News for  
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Life happens at Holy Trinity every day with regular visitors, tourists, community groups and our own meetings and events. Some of these are note or picture worthy. Please share your news [bbaskin@holytrinitytoronto.org](mailto:bbaskin@holytrinitytoronto.org)



On May 7 we hosted a pre-dinner reception for The Bishop's Company Dinner and here is the evidence in the form of one of our smiling hosts, Jim Houston. This photo was featured on the Diocesan Facebook Page and shared on [Holy Trinity's](#). Do follow us.

## ***Holy Trinity Events***

**Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM** Pentecost Inter-generational Service with Fallen Angles and guest musician Lynn Harrison. Lots of detail [here](#)

12:00 PM Doors Open

12:30 PM Bicycle Blessing outside west door

**Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> 11:00 AM** Picnic with San Esteban and St. Paul's in High Park. Details [here](#)

**Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** Refugee Book Sale

**Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM** Pride Sunday – no formal children's program till September

## ***Reflecting on our lives together***

### **Equality or Equity by Sherman Hesselgrave**

In preparation for the development of a training session on handling challenging situations that will be tailored for Holy Trinity staff, volunteers, and congregation

members, a group of us have met twice with trainer and facilitator, Marina Johnston, a colleague of Cathy Goring's.

At our second meeting, we spent some time discussing the difference between *equality* and *equity*. In one scenario, one approaches a situation from the position that everyone should be treated fairly and equally, without making allowances. In a scenario where everyone is treated *equitably*, consideration is given to individual circumstances, and accommodations are made so that everyone has a more equivalent experience.

An example was given of a person in a wheelchair at a baseball game. If the crowd leaps to their feet in front of a person sitting in a wheelchair, preventing that person from seeing the action on the field, the equitable solution would be to place the wheelchair in a place where, even if fans stood to cheer in their excitement, the person in the wheelchair would still be able to enjoy the action equally.

If someone disrupts a Sunday worship service, some of us might want to respond by demanding that the disruptor be quiet so that everyone can participate in the service in a fair and equal way. Others of us might want to respond in a more equitable way, making an accommodation for what we perceive might be behind the disruption, which could range from addiction issues, mental illness, or some other reason.

The training itself will probably be scheduled for early fall, given all the custom tailoring that is going into it. I am confident it will give all of us who choose to participate some useful skills and insights into responding to challenging situations that we encounter from time to time in our community.

***What are our members up to?*** *Let us know what you are doing in the community.*

**Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM** Michael Creal along with The Canadian Sanctuary Network, Jewish Refugee Action Network, and KAIROS Canada invite you to attend:

A Most Remarkable Outreach to Refugees: A report from the Churches in Germany at Holy Trinity Church, 19 Trinity Square on Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 PM. A conversation with Hanns Thomae, former director of Refugee Outreach for the Evangelical Church in Berlin and Brandenburg and member of the ecumenical network and with Rita Kantemir-Thomae, one of the first members of parliament of the Green Party and activist for migrant and refugee rights.

**Monday, June 15 Bill Aide plays Chopin** at the retirement celebration of Dr. Paul Gooch as President of Victoria University. They met as students in Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF).

## ***Upcoming Events of Interest to our community***

**Sunday, June 14 3PM [Interfaith Pride Fair](#)** at Metropolitan United Church

## ***Ongoing***

Every Wednesday at 12:15 PM there is a said Eucharist with shared scripture reflection

Every Sunday

- 9 AM Bible Study --working through the book of Sirach (AKA Ecclesiasticus), one of the books of the Apocrypha
- 10:30 Sung Eucharistic Worship
- 2PM San Esteban worships in Spanish

Second Tuesday of the Month at Noon (June 9, July 14, August 11)

- Homeless Memorial takes place outside of the church on the south side