

*****Trinity at a Glance*****

- We invite you to join the **TLC Book Club** in the Lounge on Tuesdays in May, from 6:30 PM to 8 PM. We will be reading and discussing 'The Savvy Ally: A Guide for Becoming a Skilled LGBTQ+ Advocate' by Jeannie Gainsburg. This insightful and practical guide provides essential tools for understanding and supporting LGBTQ+ individuals with compassion, respect, and confidence. Whether you're new to allyship or looking to deepen your advocacy, this book offers valuable insights on how to be a strong and effective ally to our LGBTQ+ neighbors, friends, and loved ones. We encourage you to join us for meaningful discussion and reflection on how we can all stand together as the Body of Christ in support of equality and inclusion.
- **Announcing the recipients of our Giving Tree:** Residents of the Pavilion of Ottawa. Thank you for your continued Spirit of Giving to help enrich the lives of others. "It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving." - Mother Teresa.
- Please support our partnership in the **Ottawa-Barrington Growing Project**. Our fundraising will help women in the western highlands of Guatemala increase and improve their food production. Children in this area have the highest rate of malnutrition and stunting in the world. **Contributions given by May 31st will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$5,000.**
- **The Growing Hope Globally Garden & Flower Plant "Sale"** is Sunday **May 18th** in Trinity's Java Junction Area. There will be tomatoes, banana peppers, broccoli, zucchini, pumpkins, herbs and zinnias to name a few. There is no charge for the plants – free will offering can be given to benefit our Growing Hope Globally project in partnership with the Ottawa-Barrington Growing Project. This project helps women in Guatemala increase their food production and leave hunger behind.
- Trinity will have a booth at the **Ottawa Pride Celebration** on Saturday **June 14th**. Volunteers will be needed. More details to follow.
- Thank you to everyone who helped with the **Annual Rummage Sale!** Trinity netted \$1,538.55. This money will go to the Parish Nurse Program.
- **A Celebration of Graduates**, with a blessing from the congregation, will take place on **Sunday, June 1st**. A bulletin board will display photos of our recent graduates. We are asking parents to please send in photos for us to use for this project. **Photos need to be submitted by Tuesday, May 27th.**
- **Open Table Church** will be serving a **free community meal** at **Noon today, Sunday, May 11th**. They will be serving ham, potatoes, roasted carrots, broccoli salad, and dessert.
- **CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT:**
 - April income = \$16,489.27 (Income YTD = \$86,037.03)
 - April expense = \$20,446.95 (Expense YTD = \$85,834.48)
 - Income Less Expense = \$-3,957.68 (Income Less Expense YTD = \$202.55)
 - Loan Payment = \$2,943.30
 - Left on Loan = \$24,630.84

