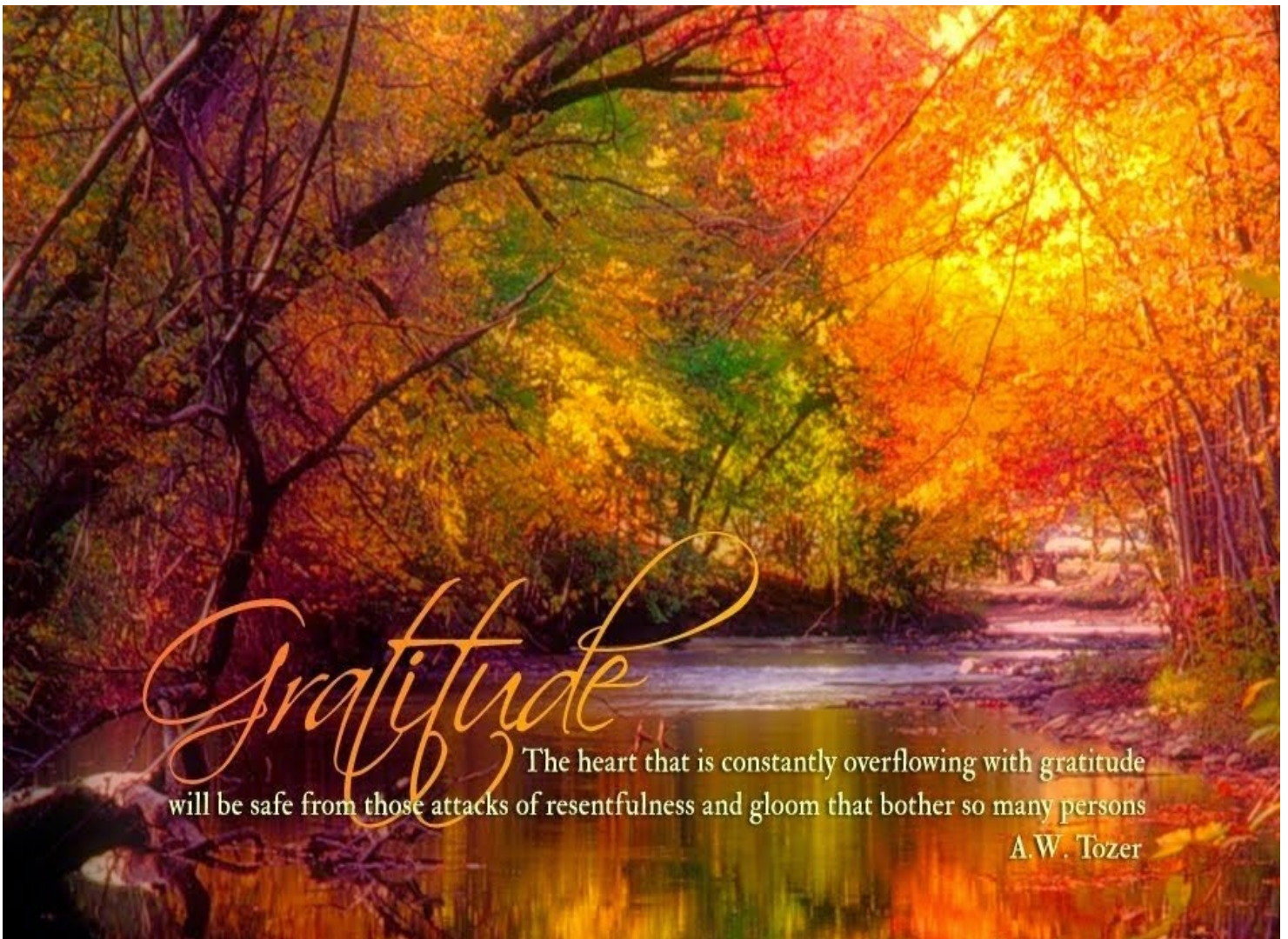


St. Timothy's Banner

Thanksgiving 2018



*Ps. 150:6 Let everything
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PRAISE

By Do Fox

To praise Me
Is to love Me,
To look at My works
And delight in Me.
I can lift you out of yourself,
Your weariness, and joylessness,
When you give me access to your will.
It is so easy!
Why clasp death to you,
When you can have life?
Begin by praising Me for My works
And this will open you to higher things.
Look for My fingerprints in My creation,
Let them softly touch you,
For it's when you turn your attention to Me
That I can heal, and bless.
This turning is your life
And will become life within you.

I love autumn!!!

By Aleah Endresen

God created my favorite season, fall, which is a time of fun for all!

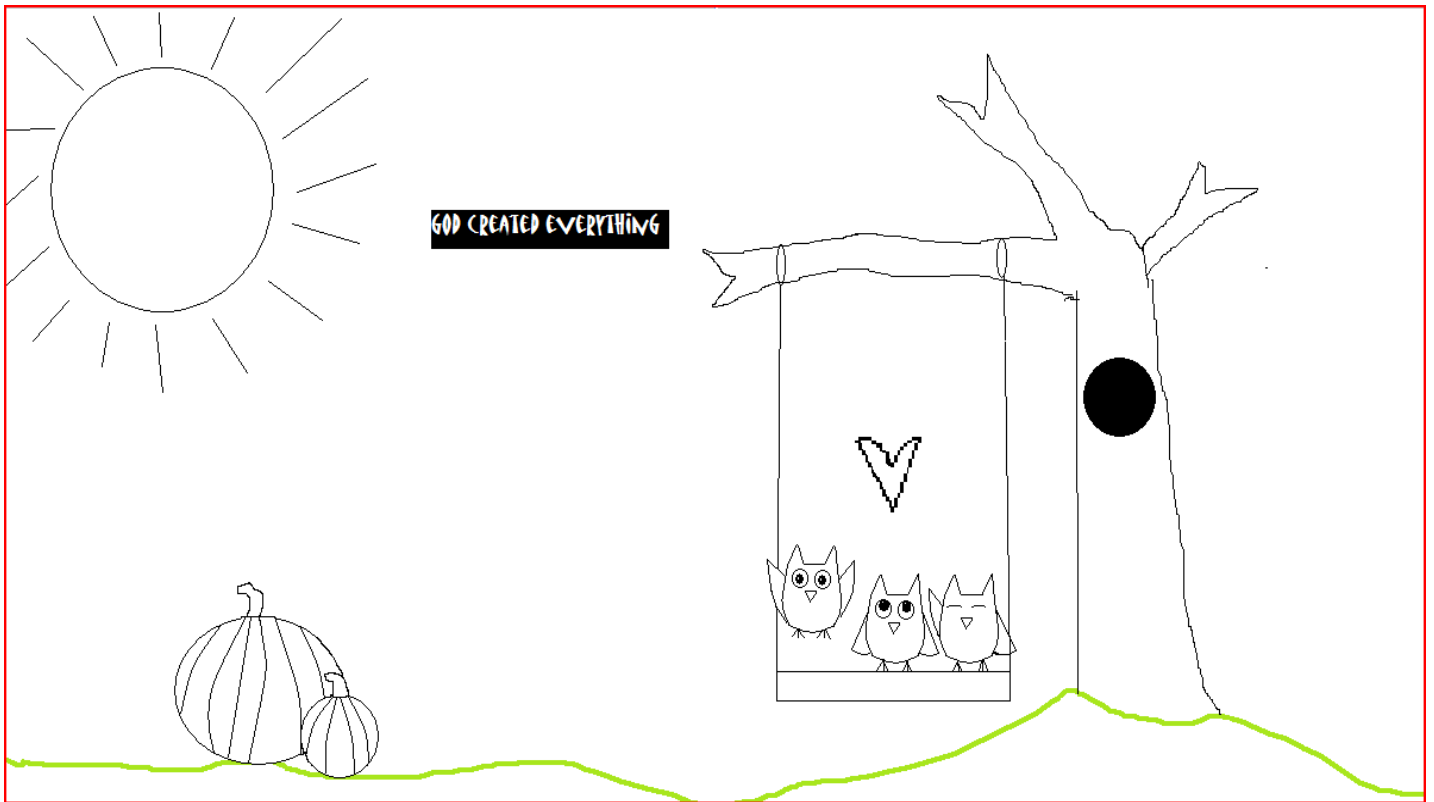
A nice walk in nature is great, with your best mate

It is quite windy and cold, but that is what I'm told

Making fun autumn art, kids in school being smart

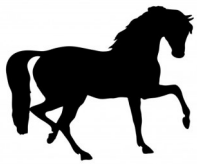
Thanksgiving is one of my favorite parts of this season, the food is the reason!

I'm thankful for our church and the people in it!



SUMMER AND FALL HIGHLIGHTS





Parkside Retreat – September 14-16, 2018



By Barbara Arnold

Well, it was another great weekend. Forty-one people took part, ranging in age from five months to over ninety years. Most of us met Friday at the St. Hubert's restaurant for supper, then on to the Lodge for Registration, getting rooms, etc. We were joined for the weekend by Nicole, Tataine and Marcos from the Christian student fellowship at University of Sherbrooke.

The first session with our speaker, Pastor Mario Sassi, was Friday around 8:00pm. He introduced himself; then he spoke on the importance of remembering it is not about us and what we want. IT'S ABOUT WHAT GOD WANTS! He wants us to encourage others, have our spirits lifted, and have fresh hope.

Saturday started with Breakfast at 8:am in the Lodge then the first Saturday Session at 9:00am in the Hub, starting with Praise and Worship [thanks Gideon].

Then Pastor Mario spoke about how God is always at work and we must discern the vision He has for us, both as individuals and as a congregation of God's people. All weekend he kept referring to Luke 10:27 *"And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."*

God's vision is for all to hear the Word of God because if His word is not proclaimed then people will perish [see Proverbs 29:18 and Psalm 19:7-11]. God's Word must be central to all we do. Our Vision must be God's based on His Word, breathed by His Word, erupting from His Word.

After Lunch, Session 2 again started with praise and worship. Pastor Mario emphasized that the spiritual health of the church depends on the spiritual health of each member, NOT on the number of activities and programs or the number of bodies in the pews.

We broke up into three groups to discuss what "popped" from the following scriptures: Luke 10:25-37; Luke 7:36-50; and Matthew 26:6-13. We then

came together to discuss as a group.

After a short break we were right back at it for Session 3, looking again at Luke 10:27.

Remember, God is at work before we are.

Stop making ourselves so important and just do what God is telling us to do.

We sow the seed, God takes care of the rest.

God can use the little things in our lives to do great things.

Saturday evening after supper was a chance to have fun with some games and general silliness [Thanks, Thomas]. For example- three groups each drew a picture of an event. The drawings were then exchanged with the next group in line. They had to create a song in country, rap or rock style about the picture theme, and then sing it. We have a talented, and slightly crazy, group of people attending St Tim's.

The evening was closed with a Campfire Singalong led by the kids and youth. Of course, we just had to have SMORES as well.

Sunday after breakfast was our 9:00am closing Communion Service where some families from St James, Lennoxville worshipped with us, and stayed for lunch.

Pastor Mario's sermon was titled "Little is More". The Holy Spirit can do so much more in one minute than we can do in one hour. TRUST the Holy Spirit to work in peoples lives where God has allowed us to plant the seed. REMEMBER, IT IS JESUS WHO BUILDS HIS CHURCH [Matthew 16:15-18; Acts 2:46-47].

After a great time of praise and worship, we had our final fellowship meal at Parkside and then made our ways home.

I think it's safe to say that everyone had a great time, learning, being fed to the full [spiritually and physically] and forging closer bonds with each other. If you have never been to the Parish Retreat, try to come next year – you will be blessed!

Vacation Bible School 2018

By Sue Roy & Alan Arnold

Vacation Bible School

St Timothy's held the 2018 Vacation Bible School from August 20 to August 24 for children ages 5 to 12. We used the curriculum from Child Evangelism Fellowship. The theme this year was "Dive! Exploring God's Grace". The children learned about God's grace through object and bible lessons. The bible stories included Zaccheus, Mephiboseth, Noah, Saul, and the Ethiopian Treasurer. They also learned 4 songs with actions and memorized Ephesians 2:8-10.

This year, for the first time, the children took the activity book home to complete with their parents' help as needed. If the book was brought back the next day, the memory verse recited, and if friends were invited to VBS, stickers were given and a prize according to the number of stickers. On August 26th there was a closing service. All children and their families were invited. The service included a summary of the week. A corn boil and reception followed the service.

The VBS had a total of 46 children registered. The general attendance for each day was 40 to 45 children. Our team of volunteers included adults and teens. A grant provided through Bishop Harvey gave us the opportunity to ask Amos Bohoussou from the First Baptist Church in Cote St Luc to assist us. His energy and involvement with the children was a great help.



A heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers that helped make this a good week. We thank God for the answered prayer and continue to pray for the children who attended.



Matt 25:13 Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

STAY ALERT

By Do Fox

Stay alert!

You don't know the moment

I want to use you as My witness.

Just as the sun sparkles on the water

As the wind moves over it,

So I want you to shine My Love,

And My Truth, into the circumstances

That My Hand will bring about!

This can all happen at a moment's notice.

Be hungry for service!

Be thirsty for My Love!

This is the attitude of heart needed to be alert.

I will increase your strength,

And your appetite for My Presence.

Then it will be the most natural thing in the world
To bear witness for Me.

For I will move through your very words,

With My invisible Power,

To touch, and change hearts.

Much needs to be accomplished

Before My Kingdom dawns in all its Splendour.

So be alert, and be My Allies

In this great work!

Poetry



The little child whispered,
“God, speak to me”
And a meadowlark sang.
But the child did not hear.

So the child yelled,
“God, speak to me!”
And the thunder rolled across the sky
But the child did not listen.

The child looked around and said,
“God let me see you”
And a star shone brightly
But the child did not notice.

And the child shouted,
“God show me a miracle!”
And a life was born
But the child did not know.

So the child cried out in despair,
“Touch me God, and let me know you are here!”

Whereupon God reached down
touched the child.
But the child brushed the butterfly away
And walked away unknowingly.

Often times the things we seek are right
Under our noses.

Don't miss out on your blessing because it
isn't packaged the way that you expect.

Everything is a Grace

Everything is a grace,
everything is the direct effect
of our father's love –
difficulties, contradictions, humiliations,
all the soul's miseries,
her burdens, her needs –

everything, because
through them, she
learns humility, realizes her weakness.
Everything is grace
because – everything is God's gift.
Whatever be the character of life
or its unexpected events – to the heart
that loves, all is well.

The spirituality of St. Thérèse

Submitted by Dorothy Yanick



God's Chandelier

By Do Fox

God's chandelier hangs between the trees,
A lake of diamonds, moving in the breeze.
Oh, what a sight, seen from our cliff side home,
I look upon each morning, fore I roam.

The blazing sight can take my breath away,
As dancing diamonds have their heavenly sway,
Would that my thoughts could emulate such light,
And life be lived in beauty's, gentle might.



Humour



Two young brothers were spending the night at their grandparents' home.

When it was time for bed, the boys knelt down and began to say some prayers.

Suddenly, the younger brother started yelling at the top of his voice. "I PRAY FOR A BICYCLE! I PRAY FOR A NEW COMPUTER! I PRAY FOR A TRIP TO DISNEY-LAND! And so on..

His older brother leaned over and whispered, "There's no need to shout, God isn't deaf."

"I know," said the younger brother. "But **Grandma sure is!**"

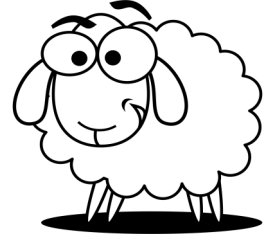


Pupil: "I don't deserved zero on this test!"

Teacher: "I agree, but that's the lowest mark I could give you!"

Submitted by Bob Sumner

I CAN GUESS HOW MANY



Once upon a time there was a shepherd looking after his sheep on the side of a deserted road.

Suddenly a brand new car screeches to a halt. The driver, a well-dressed man gets out and asks the shepherd, "If I can tell you how many sheep you have, will you give me one of them?"

The shepherd looks at the large flock of grazing sheep and replies, "Okay."

The young man parks the car, connects his laptop to the mobile-fax, enters a NASA Website, scans the ground using his GPS, opens a database and 60 Excel tables filled with algorithms and pivot tables. He then prints out a 150 page report on his high-tech mini-printer, turns to the shepherd and says, "You have exactly 1,586 sheep."

"That's correct, you can choose your sheep from the herd."

The young man takes one of the animals which he likes most from the flock, and puts it in the back of his car. The shepherd looks at him and asks, "If I guess your profession, will you return my animal to me?"

"Yes, why not?" answers the young man.

The shepherd says, "You are an auditor."

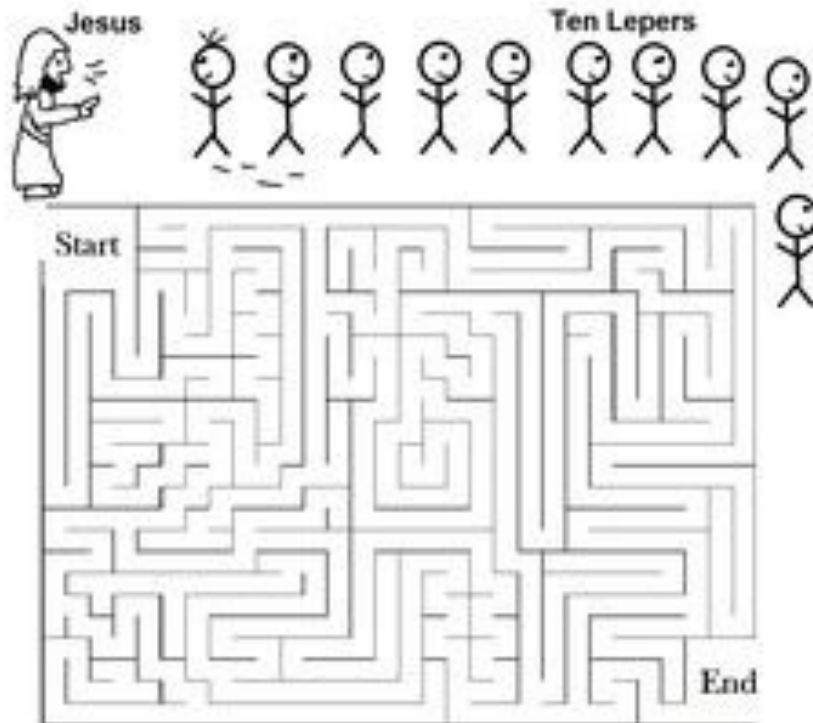
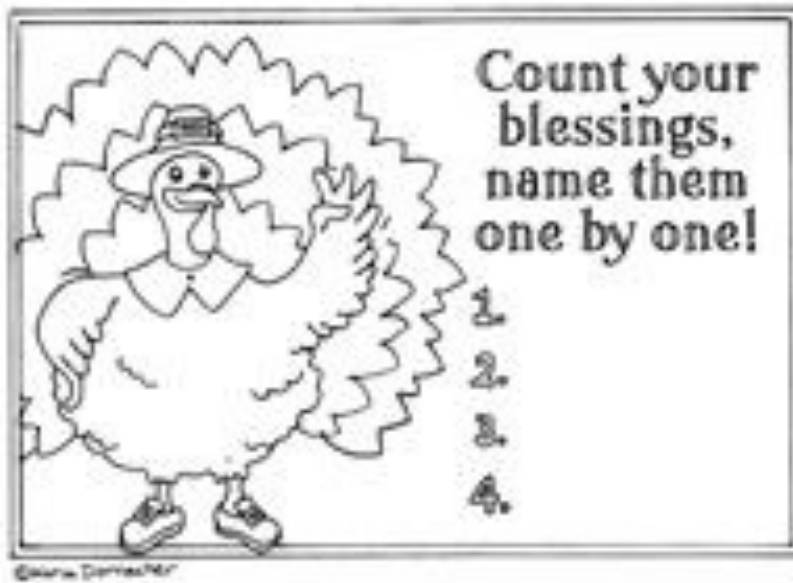
"How did you know?" asks the young man.

"Very simple," answers the shepherd.

"First, you came here without being wanted. Secondly, you charged me a fee to tell me something I already knew. Thirdly, you don't understand anything about my business... Now can I have my dog back?"

Submitted by Larry Leach

Activities Page



One Thankful Man Maze



Ten Lepers, but only one was thankful to Jesus for his healing.

Luke 17:16 And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

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*“Whatever you do in word or deed,
do all in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks through Him
to God the Father.”*

Colossians 3:17