pssst...have you read The Pilgrim's Progress?



It is an internationally known work that is second to the Bible in numbers of published copies in English. It has the distinction of being written in prison in 1677 and first published in 1678.

Bunyan, a 'tinker', in Bedfordshire, was in prison for holding a religious service other than that of the Church of England in contravention of the Conventicle Act of 1664.

The Christian analogy, often thought to be the first English novel, has been translated into over 200 different languages and has the distinction of never being out of print.

It has two Parts (Part 2 was completed in 1684 after Bunyan's release) and is about a pilgrim's way to the Celestial City (heaven) and the pitfalls and temptations which are met along the way. It is amazingly contemporary even today in these references. Written in 17th. Century English, it is best to find one published in contemporary style whilst still retaining the uniqueness of vocabulary of the original.

The book gives an accurate description to how a person meets life, the spiritual encounters one meets willingly or unwillingly, and the essence of the meaning of a person within creation. It may take several tries to finish, but it is worth pursuing it as a tool of enlightenment.



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Our organist and the Chapel Choir were hosts of a magnificent concert in Convocation Hall last Tuesday evening. The Camerata Carolina chamber choir of the International Study Centre of Heidelberg University, Germany, 40+ strong, graces the Hall with must from Mozart, Joseph Haydn, Michael Haydn, Salieri, Allegri, J. S. Bach. A goodly audience appreciated the performance at the end with resounding applause.



They have written that the group '... is living proof that music is a universal language that does not require an interpreter.' The choir is led by its founder, Prof. Franz Wassermann. They have won

international awards and lately performed at the Lithuanian state music festival (2017) and in Venice and Padua, Italy (2018). This year they are in Nova Scotia and also performed in Lunenburg and Halifax as well as Wolfville.

A German professor coming to Wolfville for a prestigious event happened to be on the plane with the choir. In the middle of the Atlantic, the choir arose from their seats and sang for the rest of the passengers. This is an indication of the versatility and enthusiasm of the student choir made up largely of non-music students but who love music and train their voices to sing wonderfully, as proved in Convocation Hall.



A CALL FOR A NEW CHAPLAIN FOR ACADIA is about to be circulated. The present chaplain has been acting since April 2019 and it is hoped that a permanent position will be established within this academic year. The position is appointed directly by the Board of Governors and is conducted by a Committee called by the President of the University.

This Committee will meet to determine what kind of chaplain is needed, advertise the position, accept applications and review them, short-list three or four, and interview the ones selected. Then an appointment can be made. The candidate selected almost surely will have to give several months' notice to their present employer or church before arriving on campus.

This should become a matter for prayer and interest by any who are interested in the future of the chaplaincy at Acadia, which has a history from 1930 with interruptions until 1962 when the present chaplaincy was established.



EACH DAY, SCRIPTURE

LESSONS ARE read from the

Bible which sits permanently on the chapel lectern. This beautifully bound volume is of the Revised English Bible translation – because it was deemed to be the best for reading out

loud. It is also the translation

which is found in the pew racks. The Lectern

Bible was presented to the chapel on 9 September 1991.



The book plate inside the cover states that it was given in loving memory of the late Rev'd Ernest Clyde Churchill, a graduate of Acadia University (BA 1942, BD 1947) and a distinguished Baptist minister. The presentation was made by his wife, Blanche, and sons Keith and John. The Rev'd Dr. John Churchill, also a Baptist minister as was his late brother Keith,

was also a professor of finance in the F. C. Manning School of Business, Acadia University.

As the Lessons are read from this sacred volume each day, think of the gift, a memorial to a 'son of Acadia,' offered in memory of one who preached from the Gospels in the churches he served faithfully. He died while he still in his 50's.

