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Dear Friends

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord. There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Skills and talents: there are so many of them with which we've each been blessed. They might be things that have influenced the type of career we have/had, or something for which others have noticed we have a real flair.

At Trinity we're undertaking an exercise to fully investigate this range of talents amongst us. There have been many times recently we've been surprised at just what skills God has revealed in us and the resultant benefit to our church life. Perhaps you have skills that we don't know of yet that can really bring something to Trinity and its work with the wider community? Now is the time to tell us!

As you'll know, there are numerous activities that make up the life of the church, both on a Sunday and during the week. These cannot happen by themselves, but need **all** of us to contribute something of our time and talents. Of course, we all have different calls on our time and some may feel they already do more than they can comfortably manage. The survey does give room to examine the proportion of our time we devote to Trinity and how we feel about that, so it's important we are honest with ourselves about what time we have available.

Some activities listed require a greater degree of commitment, some are *perceived* as having a big commitment but in fact *don't* (especially if a lot of people come forward). Some are just one-off whilst others are more regular. Some activities are very visible, whereas others may be known to only one or two people. However, **all** are important and very much appreciated. You are serving God and strengthening the fellowship of the church whether you are serving coffee, taking minutes, weeding flowerbeds or transporting someone to a hospital appointment.

There are ways for all ages and abilities to get involved and there will always be someone to show you what to do.

Volunteering isn't just a one-way benefit of course: you'll get to know others better, develop your skills and hopefully have some fun too!

Please do give this survey your considered and prayerful attention and return it by *Sunday 28 June*.

If you have any queries about the survey or any aspect of volunteering at Trinity, please speak to your Elder or with one of the Joint Church Secretaries, Catherine or Sam.

Every Blessing

Revd Dominic Grant Minister