

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, February 5, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Inviting Generosity

Trinity United Church extends a warm welcome to everyone. Please be advised that the service is being recorded for viewing on COGECO (channel 10), Thursday and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

*Stand as you are able

Bold print=Congregation

Order of Worship

Prelude

We Gather

Announcements

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Introit

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

O: In the deep of the night, when our eyes cannot see—

A: Christ's light is a beam, to guide on the Way.

O: In the moments of gloom, when life's fog can conceal—

A: Christ's light brightens, and warms where we are.

O: In the bright of our days, when the world's glitter catches our desire—

A: Christ's light is the true gold, gathered and shared.

(lighting the candle)

O: Let this light remind us of Christ's light, with us always. Alleluia!

A: Alleluia, amen!

*Hymn: 585VU "Jesus Bids Us Shine" vs 1

Call to Worship:

O: O God's Salty People:

Come to this place and be who you are.

A: People of Salt and Light!

O: With the work of your hands and the work of your hearts.

A: People of Salt and Light!

O: To refresh, to renew, to sing and to pray;
to be children of God, Christ's disciples all the way!

A: People of Salt and Light!

O: Then, seasoned anew, bright, shining—alive— we'll go to the world, to help it to thrive! People of Salt and Light!

A: PEOPLE OF SALT AND LIGHT!

Opening Prayer:

O: Great Giver of all Gifts, we come to you, today, to ask for one more.

A: We ask that you would make your presence known among us.

O: We ask that you would open our inner heart, so that we might feel your love.

A: We ask that you would sing your Song, so that we might hear your hope and your joy.

O: Be our salt.

A: Be our light. Great God of all. In Jesus' name, we ask it. Amen.

*Hymn: 299 VU "Teach Me, God, to Wonder"

Learning with Children

God Invites Us to Explore

Scripture: Leviticus 2: 1-16 (page 78 in Pew Bibles)

O: This is the witness of God's people

A: Thanks be to God!

Scripture: Matthew 5: 1-16 (page 785-786 in Pew Bibles)

O: This is the witness of God's people

A: Thanks be to God

Meditation: "Being Salt and Light to the World"

***Hymn:** 297 VU "All Praise to You"

We Respond

Video

Offering Ourselves For The Work And Witness Of The Church

Minute for Mission

Why I Give - Fred H.

Invitation to the Offering:

Offertory:

***Offering Hymn:** tune: VU 542

God's light, gift to the world, throw open wide the doors!

The light that's set out on a hill will shine like ne'er before

***Offering Prayer:**

O: Thank you, loving God, for our waking and our sleeping, for the tang of salt on our lips, and the Christ light that shines in us and through us;

A: bless what is on these plates— the symbols and commitments of our work, and how we wish to use it, for you.

O: May these be signs of salt and light, signs of life and love, here, and everywhere. Alleluia!

A: Alleluia, amen!

Anthem

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer:

O: God, we open our hearts to you, in celebration and wonder.

Thank you for the spiciness in our lives!

Thank you for those moments of tang that surprise us into new life.

Thank you for the moments of salt— the rough and ready parts of life

that help us to know we are truly alive.

A: Thank you, God of Salt and Light.

O: We pray for your world. For all in this room. For all in this community. For all in this country. For all around the world. We pray that the bright light of your love would shine into places of shadow: places where greed and want, hate and anger, work to destroy. We pray that the bright light of your love would bring healing and hope to all who need it.

A: We pray, God of Salt and Light.

O: And we ask that we might be the ones you call to be your brightness, to be your saltiness, to be your love!

A: We ask it, God of Salt and Light.

O: We ask it, in the words Jesus gave to all of his disciples, knowing that you are our Mother, and you are

A: Our Father...

Life and Witness of the Faith Community

***Hymn:** 718 VU "O God, You Gave Your Servant John"

***Blessing and Sending Out:**

O: You are a salty people. You are bright lights on foggy days.

A: We are conduits of God's love— a love that changes us, and changes the world, always and all ways.

O: Go into the world with that daring love. Go in peace. In all that you do, do it for God's love, because the world needs it, and you need it.

A: And we go, remembering that salt and light go with us.

O: The peace of Christ, the love of the Creator, the communion of the Holy Spirit are with you.

A: Forever. Amen and Amen!

Choral Amen: 976 VU Amen, Amen, Hallelujah Amen! x3

Postlude

WELCOME

We welcome Madelyn Piehl as our music director today. Thank you for sharing your light and gifts with us.

Join us for hospitality, served in the Church Hall after worship.

THANK YOU

I would like to express my appreciation for the Card and Gift you gave to me on my last Sunday, November 27th, 2016. I wish you well in your future endeavors to move ahead.

John Wanless

SALT AND LIGHT FOCUS AND SCRIPTURE LESSONS

February 5th: wk 4, Inviting Generosity–Giving Sunday: Leviticus 2: 1 - 2: 13, Matthew 5: 13-16.

February 12th: wk 5, Giving Thanks–Modelling Gratitude: Genesis 9: 8-17, Psalm 150 (VU874), Galatians 6:2, Matthew 5: 13-16.

LOOKING AHEAD

Feb. 6th - Weight Watchers, 6:15 p.m. in the Gym.

C.R.O.W. Playgroup, 9:00 a.m. in the Gym.

Spiritual Leadership Team, 7:00 in the Upper Room.

Feb. 7th - Retirement/Nursing Home Services, Willowdale Retirement Residence, 1:00 p.m.; Van Horne Retirement Residence, 2:00 p.m., Broadview Nursing Centre, 3:00 p.m.

Feb. 8th - Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room.

C.R.O.W. Playgroup, 9:00 a.m. in the Gym.

Feb. 9th - Mens Breakfast Club, 8:00 a.m. at The Roosteraunt.

WORSHIP PARTICIPATION

In order to enhance engagement and participation in worship Trinity United offers:

- Welcome to Newcomers: please sign our guest book (at the entrance to the worship space) so that we have a record of your presence among us.
- Pew cards with special requests that may be put on offering collection plate.
- Hearing loop aids are available at the audio-visual desk in the worship space or as directed by the ushers.
- A scent-free building.
- An unattended child-friendly nursery space and a quiet room overlooking worship space, both equipped with audio to worship; ushers can offer direction.
- Accessible washroom adjacent to worship space.
- Colour-coded emergency plan for safe evacuation.

TRINITY AND COMMUNITY NOTES

Meat Pies by Trinity Cooks, available after service this morning in the kitchen, \$3.00 each.

Stewardship Team,

- groups using the facilities are asked to book the space that they want to use, arrange their own setups and return furniture to the original position.
- PARKING and drop off zone in front of the church entrance is being expanded so that people who need to be close to the entrance can find space. Please keep this consideration in mind.

Observer: It's that time again for those who wish a subscription to the Observer to send in your money. Please remember to put it in a separate envelope from your offering and put your name and number on the envelope. The price has gone up to \$25. Thank you for your support.

“Stewardship Second”, We have an offering - so what?

United Church Women, all ladies of Trinity are invited to come out and enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship, February 15th from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the downstairs hall. Please come and bring a friend.

FOUR RIVERS PRESBYTERY

Prayer Concerns, please include in your prayers: St. Matthew's United Church, Belleville (Bay of Quinte Conference Prayer Cycle); our committees and elected members of the General Council (U. C. Pray For Our Church).