

**Trinity United Church**  
**Pentecost 26 – B November 18, 2018**  
**Torments You do not Choose**  
**Why Affirm?**

*Trinity United Church extends a warm welcome to All*

A Note for our Congregation -

- Newcomers please sign our guest book
- Pew cards with special requests may be placed with your offering
- Trinity seeks new ways to be Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible to all -
  - a lift is available for those with mobility concerns
  - we have accessible washrooms adjacent to the sanctuary and fellowship hall
  - hearing loops are available at the audio-visual desk
  - large print bulletins are available
  - we respect gluten sensitivities and vegetarians
  - we are scent-free
  - we offer mobile care and community by taking Communion to those who cannot come to church. Ask Cynthia.
  - we understand and welcome a variety of
    - gifts, talents, passions, interests and ages
    - ways of being
    - loving relationships and types of families
  - *Please alert us to any accommodation or accessibility requirements so that the “All” in “a warm welcome to All” includes you and the people you love.*
- We have a child-friendly space overlooking the sanctuary equipped with audio; please ask an usher
- Colour-coded emergency plan for safe evacuation

*Join us for hospitality in the Fellowship Hall*

**Acknowledging Traditional Territory**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit - “Adagio” from “Voluntary IV” (Stanley)**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship -**

Come, let us give thanks to God!

**We praise the One who strengthens the weak,**

**and hears the prayers of the forgotten.**

Come, let us give thanks to Christ!

**We sing of One who calls us to serve those who are hungry and alone.**

Come, let us give thanks to the Spirit!

**We exalt the One who provokes us to love family, friends and the stranger among us.**

## **Prayer of Gathering**

**Hymn - 382 "Breathe On Me, Breath Of God"**

## **Learning with Children**

## **Call to Confession**

## **Prayer of Confession**

**We are sometimes irritated by others, rather than provoked to love.**

**When we are called to encourage, sometimes our actions and words discourage.**

**Offered lives of peace and hope, we sometimes yield to anxiety.**

**Forgive us.**

**Keep us on the path of faithfulness, so we might find those whom we are called to serve;**

**give us your words, so we might share your hope with all**

**who are broken,**

**who are lost,**

**who cry out to you.**

**This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

This is the good news:

God gives us hope,

God gives us peace,

God gives us joy

so we may share these gifts with everyone we meet.

**Thanks be to God, who has forgiven us and provoked us to love others and to serve all who are around us. Amen.**

## **Scriptures**

1 Samuel 1:4-20

Psalm 16 (VU737)

**Anthem - MV 106 "I Am The Dream"**

**Reflection - Torments You do not Choose**

**Hymn - 703** “In The Bulb There Is A Flower”

**We Respond to God’s Word**

**Offering Ourselves  
For The Work And Witness Of The Church**

**Minute for Ministry** - Outreach and Social Justice

**Invitation to Offering**

*Ushers will now receive our morning offering.*

*Ushers may be seated until the Offering Hymn, when the congregation will be invited to stand, if able.*

**Offertory** - “The Rainbow Connection” (Williams/Ascher)

**\*Offering Hymn** - MV 157 “I Am A Child Of God” vs. 1

**\*Offering Prayer**

**We who are blessed can be blessings to others.**

**We pray that the gifts we have may  
give hope to the despairing,  
give strength to the weak, and  
justice to the oppressed. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

*Dedication of Baby Booties and Hats*

**The Lord's Prayer**

**We Depart to Serve with Joy**

**Hymn - 220** “Praise To The Lord, The Almighty”

**Commissioning / Benediction**

Go as God's people.

**We will offer joy to those in misery.**

**We will remember the forgotten.**

Go as sisters and brothers of Jesus.

**We will offer the best rooms of our hearts to the lonely.**

**We will pick up those who are knocked down.**

Go agents of the Spirit.

**We will share grace with the empty,**

**We will invite others to walk the path of Jesus with us.**

## Choral Amen

## Organ Postlude - "Andante" from "Voluntary IV" (Stanley)

### Announcements

The booties and hats blessed during the service will be on display later if any would like to have a closer look after the service.

### Next Sunday -

**25 November** - Reign Of Christ- B - Justice, Power and Politics  
Communion Sunday

**2 December** - Advent 1 - C I Will Cause a Righteous Branch to Spring Up -  
National Day of Remembrance and Action

### Looking Ahead

**Nov 19 Stewardship Team** 6:30 pm in the Hall.

**Nov 20 Fellowship on the Move - Trinity Walker's**, Tuesdays, 9:30 am Start at Trinity. End at a Café

**Trinity on Tuesday Holy Hullabaloo**, Program at 6:00 pm, supper to follow (gluten-free and vegetarian available). Outreach and Social Justice hosts the meal. If you would like to join in, we are looking for soup, sandwiches and cake or cupcakes. Let Lorraine know.

**Communication Team**, 7:00 pm in the Hall.

**Nov 21 Bible Study**, 9:30 am in the Minister's Study. All are welcome.

**UCW General**, 7:00 pm in the Hall.

**Nov 22 Council Budget Meeting**, 6:00 pm in the Hall.

**Nov 23 Communicator submissions**, due today.

### Trinity Notes

**Thank you** to the congregation for your continued generous support for the **Holly Tea**. Many hands make light work and again this year that was very evident as the Tea was a huge success. To all the workers, a huge thank you. The Tea generated over \$2500. See you next year!

**Christian Community Team** offers mobile Pastoral Care and Community Presence with Communion. Contact the Church Office 613-283-4444.

**Christian Community** Line Dancing - Every Friday from 11:00am to 12:00pm. There is no charge but you may leave an offering, if you wish.

**Outreach and Social Justice Team** - Lunch and Learn today during Fellowship Time - "Why Join a Larger Group Called 'Affirm'?"

Give meaningful gifts that make a difference with **Gifts with Vision!** Each year's gift catalogue gives a glimpse of the breadth of our Mission & Service ministries and programs.

Gifts with Vision has gift ideas to suit every interest, budget, and person. It's a great way to celebrate special occasions and honour loved ones!

**We are packing a parcel for Interval House.** Unopened personal items, small gifts for women and children would be most appreciated. Please consider fragrance free items. Donations may be left in the boxes at the entrances of the Church. You may also donate gift cards (cards should be given to Diane or Joan not left in the donation boxes) in an envelope with your name and address. (charitable receipt will be issued and mailed to you). Last day December 9.

**Smiths Falls Community Food Bank** appreciates donations, please fill our wagon at the back of the Sanctuary, it will be delivered monthly.

**Spiritual Leadership Team** is looking for pickle, jam and spaghetti sauce jars to help them with a project. They can be taken to the Fellowship Hall before or after church on Sunday or on Tuesday evenings. Thank you.

**The Great Canadian Coffee Party**, hosted by New Horizons UCW Unit, November 18. Proceeds from free will donations to Interval House.

**The White Gift Angel Tree** is now in the vestibule. Please take an angel and buy a gift, indicate male or female and age.

**Trinity Swag Is Here** and will make great Stocking Stuffers for Christmas! Stainless Steel Water Bottles: \$20 ea or 3 for \$50. Shopping Bags with storage pouch: \$10 ea. For more info please see Jan or Chris

**Trinity Youth** will be selling Christmas Wreaths this season to support projects through the Mission & Service Fund. Wreaths are \$20 at time of order. Orders can be placed before or after Church today. Please see Maryn or Kira. Or you can call 613-205-0775. Wreaths will be available to pick up after Church on Dec. 9. Thank you.

**United Church Calendars** are available, please contact Elizabeth.

Please join us at "**The Sounds of Christmas**" at Bethel Pentecostal Church Sunday, November 18, 6:30 pm for an Ecumenical Celebration of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." All Proceeds go to The Salvation Army Holiday Hamper.

**Bells of St. Paul's in Concert** with guests - the Lanark Offbeats and Hilary Hodgins on celo. November 18, 3:00 pm., see poster for details.

**St John's Anglican Church Community Dinner** Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Doors open at 400pm. All Welcome....

**Prayer Concerns** - United Pentecostal Church, Saskatchewan Conference.



Lanark Drum Circle, 2nd Sunday of the Month, 1:00 - 3:30 pm  
Gym of Trinity United, Smiths Falls

### **Signing Christmas Cards is a Wonderful time of Blessing -**

Next Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, after our worship. We will gather for a pre-Advent potluck and send Christmas Cards together.

- As we write -
  - our awareness of the person whom we are addressing will be heightened
  - our thoughts for that person will take the shape of prayer

- we will be reminded of our calling to care and to serve
- As we receive a card -
  - we will know the spirit in which it was written
  - we will consider a ways to extend a Christmas Blessing to everybody we meet
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Please Send a Card to:			
Name			
Street			
Town		Province	
Country		Postal /Zip Code	