

Trinity United Church
First Sunday in Lent
March 10, 2019

Key Scripture: Luke 13: 2,3

Theme: Jesus was speaking wisdom to power

We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to All

We welcome and Thank Doug, from Merrickville, for helping to enrich our worship in music and song.

A Note for our Congregation -

- Newcomers please sign our guest book
- Pew cards with special requests may be placed with your offering
- Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible. We have -
 - a lift for those with mobility concerns
 - accessible washrooms adjacent to the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall
 - hearing loops at the audio-visual desk
 - large print bulletins
 - respect for gluten sensitivities and vegetarians
 - a scent-free space
 - mobile care and community with Communion for those who cannot come to church. Ask Cynthia.
 - understanding and welcome for a variety of
 - gifts, talents, passions, interests and ages
 - personalities and ways of being
 - loving relationships and types of families
 - Trinity is an Affirming Congregation and is inclusive of folk who find themselves a part of what is described as “LGBTQ+”
 - ***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

- Trinity United Church Office Hours -
 - The Church Office is open Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Join us for hospitality in the Fellowship Hall

Welcome and Announcements
Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Interlude - "The Wayfarer"

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship - from Isaiah 55:1-7 (CEV)

If you are thirsty,
come and drink water!
If you don't have any money,
come, eat what you want!
Drink wine and milk
without paying a cent.

**Why waste your money
on what really isn't food?
Why work hard for something
that doesn't satisfy?**

Pay close attention!
Come to me and live

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I will promise you
the eternal love and loyalty
that I promised David.

**Turn to the Lord!
God can still be found.
Call out! God is near.**

**Return to the Lord our God.
God will be merciful
and forgive you.**

Prayer of Gathering

Hymn - 115 "Jesus Tempted in The Dessert"

Learning with Children -

Lenten Candle Liturgy

As we extinguish this light, we acknowledge the darkness and pain of injustice in the world.

Let us pray -

Loving God, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, give us strength and courage to make the changes that are needed in our lives. Open our hearts and minds to your steadfast presence and help us to put our trust in you. Amen.

Scriptures

Psalm 63:1-8 (VU781)

Luke 13:1-9 (NRSV)

Gospel Favourites -

Reflection - Speaking Wisdom to Power

Hymn - 747 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

We Respond to God's Word

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

Minute for Mission

Invitation to Offering

Ushers will now receive our morning offering.

PAR "offering" recognition cards are available on the table next to the audio/video booth for those who wish to place one on the offering plate as you would an offering envelope.

Offertory - Guest Artist: Doug Savage

***Offering Hymn** - 345 "Come, Children, Join to Sing" vs. 1

***Offering Prayer**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

We Depart to Serve with Joy

Hymn - 343 "I Love to Tell the Story"

Commissioning / Benediction

Now let us go from this place -

Led by the Spirit, we will be agents of hope.

Now let us go from this place -

**Led by the Spirit, we will feed
those who hunger for companionship and life.**

Now let us go from this place -

**Led by the Spirit, we will serve
our sisters and brothers who are our true family.**

Choral Amen

Postlude - Doug

Trinity is blessed to have a talented musician. Music, Liturgy and Prayer form the foundation of meaningful Worship. The beginning of the Prelude or Interlude mark the beginning of Worship. The ending of the Postlude marks the conclusion of Worship.

We will do our best to ensure that Worship (the Prelude or Interlude) begins at 10:30 am. We will also do our best to ensure Worship (the Postlude) ends at 11:30 am. Please consider the Postlude as part of the Worship Service and use it as a time of prayerful reflection as you prepare to leave the Sanctuary and enter the week and world that lies ahead.

Next Sunday –

Second Sunday in Lent – March 17, 2019

The Power You Give Away

Key Scripture: Luke 13: 31,32

Theme: The power people have over you is the power you give them

Looking Ahead

Mar 11 Prayer Shawl Group, 1:00 pm in the Parlour.

Mar 12 Area Youth event - The day starts at 10:30 and ends at 4:30

Trinity Walkers - 9:30 am. Start at Trinity. End at a Cafe.

Trinity on Tuesday - Program at 6:00 pm, supper to follow (gluten-free and vegetarian available).

Spiritual Leadership Team - 7:30 pm in the Upper Room.

Mar 13 Lenten Study - 9:30 am in the Minister's Study.

Christian Community - 1:30 pm in the Upper Room.

New Horizons - 7:00 pm in the Parlour.

Mar 14 Men's Breakfast Club - 8:00 am at The Roosteraunt.

National Affirming/PIE Day - 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Coming Up –

Third Sunday in Lent – March 24, 2019

We Remember Farmers and the Hungry

Key Scripture: Luke 4: 2

Theme: The First Temptation Emerged from Hunger

Smiths Falls Community Food Bank – Tues, Wed, Fri 1-3, Mon Evenings 5-7

93 Russell Street East, Smiths Falls 613-283-6695

Trinity Notes

Christian Community Team offers mobile Pastoral Care 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.

Healing Pathway Ministry at Trinity, Smiths Falls, takes place in the Chapel on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. If you want to schedule a session - Email: secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca or phone the church office at 613-283-4444

New To You Sale March 30, 8:00 am - 12:00 noon - The Friendship Unit would appreciate your donations of gently used “baby to adult” clothing, jewellery, accessories and small household items. No furniture please! Articles may be left in the front entrance or brought to the Church Hall on Friday March 29, 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Please plan to come to the sale on March 30!

First Baptist Church, Ham Dinner Fundraiser, March 23, 4:30/5:30, adult \$15, youth \$8. Under 5 free. Takeout available.

Smiths Falls Community Food Bank wishes to thank the Congregation of Trinity United for their continued support through non-perishable food donations.

Prayer Concerns - our Aboriginal ministries, United Pentecostal Church.

Lenten Study- How do the words of the prophets inform our faith and our actions as a church? Daily devotions have been written by a variety of contributors who do local and global ministry.

12 March, Trinity is hosting an Area Youth event. This will be the first, regularly scheduled youth activity at Trinity. We will begin to learn what it means to Live in Right Relations with our Indigenous neighbours.

Who is Our Neighbor? - Living with Respect

We will learn about our Indigenous neighbours, we will celebrate with song, drumming, prayers and history

Lessons in Relationship

How may we live into right relations?

Of course, there will be food, fun and fellowship

The day starts at 10:30 am and ends at 4:30 pm

Throw Your Name in the Hat At: (613) 283-4444

On the **14th of March, Thursday, at 6:00 pm** we will get together for – **National Affirming/PIE Day** in the Fellowship Hall.

National Affirming PIE Day is a simple way to celebrate our becoming an Affirming Congregation. As the name suggests, it is a pie potluck. We are invited to serve up some pie and roll out the PIE in our ministries and communities! This is our chance to celebrate and honour the full inclusion of LGBTQ+ people in faith communities and beyond, with everyone across Canada!

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

Stuff from the Internet - Notes and Quotes -

“As ashes are being imposed upon us on Ash Wednesday, we hear these words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." But God takes the dust and the dirt and creates out of them a human being made in God's own image and likeness. God also shows His love concretely by helping us understand how much He loves us and desires that love to be shared with others. Other words which you may also hear as ashes are being imposed; "Repent and believe in the Gospel," urge us to, "turn back to the Lord and to believe the good news of God's love."

If we allow the Lord to restore us through prayer, fasting and other forms of penance and almsgiving, then at the end of this Lenten journey, we will emerge restored to the beauty of our original image. I join you in walking through this process of interior restoration, so we can become that original image of God and that recreated image of Jesus imbedded in us from Baptism. A grace-filled Lent to each of you. Amen.”

Arlington Bishop Paul S. Loverde on Ash Wednesday, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington.