



Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost - B
October 17, 2021

Key Scripture - Mark 10: 51

Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again."

it well may be that we will never
meet again in this lifetime, so let me
say before we part so much of me is
made of what I learned from you you'll
be with me like a handprint on my
heart and now whatever way our
stories end I know you have
re-written mine by being
my friend.

Theme - Let Me See Again

Welcome and Announcements

- † Newcomers please sign our guestbook
- † Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible.
 - Trinity is an Affirming Congregation
- † A Service of Remembrance and Reunion
 - The Christian Community Team welcomes you to a form of Memorial Service for folk whom we lost during COVID and could not properly acknowledge as a congregation. We will remember in word and prayer.
- † We continue to pray for those who were impacted by the legacy of Indian Residential Schools.
- † If you do not already track news and events in our larger Church Community, you may wish to [visit the United Church of Canada Website.](#)
- † [E-ssentials](#) is a helpful NewsLetter you may wish to consider.
- † **The Healing Pathway Ministry** is a form of prayer which recognizes that we are all One in the Source of Life. We open to the Sacred Spirit and to allow the Healing energy of the Spirit to flow.

- If you wish to have a conversation and / or book an individual healing session, email -
 - trinitysmithsfallshealingpathway@yahoo.com

Something to consider as the season progresses -

The **Salvation Army Christmas Campaign** appreciates our help. The monies raised through the kettles help stock the Salvation Army food bank for the entire year, aid fire victims, provide hydro assistance, clothing, furniture, weekly lunches and so much more.

Our friends at the Salvation Army are requesting that this year we collect toys for the Angel Tree Program. Last year due to COVID the numbers were down on toys received and the demand for help in this area is still very high. They are also very much in need of kettle volunteers to stand by kettles for 2 hour shifts.

Looking Ahead

18 October, 1:00pm - The Spiritual Leadership Team is hosting a book study, **Sensible Shoes: A Story about the Spiritual Journey**.

- [Video call link](#)

24 October, Women's Sunday, is next Sunday and we will be focusing on the **Fellowship of the Least Coin** again this year. As you enter the Sanctuary you will notice a large fish bowl with some coins in it. Please feel free to throw your loose change into it to support this worthwhile project. Thank You.

27 October, 9:30am - Bible Study. **Listen Up! Bible study** - the Gospel of Mark Part 1 - Mark 1-8

- [Video call link](#)

Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Smiths Falls is located on the traditional territory of the Algonquin peoples dating back countless generations. We are grateful for our neighbours and recognize the opportunity to exercise the Ministry of Reconciliation

Interlude "Pié Jesu" (Lloyd-Webber)

Call to Worship

Hear the promises of God revealed in scripture -

God is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?

God is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27:1

All of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus
were baptized into his death.

Therefore we have been buried with him
by baptism into death, so that,

just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of God,
so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Christ in a death like his,
we shall certainly be united with Christ in a resurrection like his.

Romans 6:3-5

Words of Welcome

We gather here in the protective shelter
of God's healing love.

We are free to pour out our grief,
face our emptiness,
and know that God cares.

We gather to comfort
and to support one another in this time;
especially remembering those we have lost in this extended
season of separation.

We gather to hear God's Word of hope
that can drive away our despair
and move us to offer praise to God.

We gather to commend to God, with thanksgiving,
the life, the faith and the work of those whom we remember
today,
as we celebrate the Good News of Christ's resurrection.

For whether we live or whether we die,
we belong to Christ,
who is Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Opening Prayer

Loving God,
your embrace supports us in life,
your spirit watches over us in death.
We bless you for the joy shown by Jesus in little children,

and for the assurance that of such is the kingdom of heaven.
In our sorrow, make us strong to commit ourselves,
and those we love, to your unfailing care.
In our perplexity, help us trust when we cannot understand.
In our loneliness may we remember in love,
trusting our faithful Sisters and Brothers to your gentle embrace
and keeping. Amen.

Hymn 266 "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me
home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun

Time With Children

Children's Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Let us ask the Holy One to cleanse our hearts,
to redeem our memories,
and to renew our confidence in the goodness of God.

Lord God,
We are troubled at times;
about mistakes made,
opportunities missed,
words that hurt.

Heal regrets, and help us to forgive wrongs
so that we may find peace of mind and rediscover a life of joy
and freedom. **Amen.**

Words of Assurance

God knows our deepest longings.
Nothing in the past, the present, or the future, nothing in life or even
in death can separate us from the love of God.
We are forgiven.
We are free.
Be at peace. Amen.

Scripture Psalm 34 (VU761)
 Mark 10:46-52

Prayer for Illumination

God of comfort and peace,
help us to hear the words and the encouragement
of the scriptures,

that we may hold fast to the assurance of your love,
and the hope of life eternal,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. Amen.

Psalm 34 (VU761)

Refrain -

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God.

I will bless God at all times,

God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

My soul will glory in God, the humble will hear and be glad.

O magnify God with me, let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought God, who answered me,
and freed me from all my fears.**

Look to the Most High, and let your light shine,
and your faces will not be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried out and God heard,
and saved me from all my troubles.**

Refrain -

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God.

Your angels, O God, keeps guard over those
who fear you and delivers them.

Taste and see that our God is good.

Happy are those who take refuge in God.

Fear God, you who are the saints,
for those who fear God lack nothing.

**Strong lions suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek God lack no good thing.**

Refrain -

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God.

Come, my children, and listen to me,

I will teach you the fear of God.

Which of you delights in life,

and desires many days to enjoy prosperity?

Keep your tongue from evil, your lips from speaking lies.

Turn away from evil and do good, seek peace and pursue it.

God's eyes are upon the righteous,

God's ears open to their cry.

God's face is set against evil-doers,

to blot out their remembrance from the earth.

The righteous cry out and God hears them,

and rescues them from all their troubles.

Refrain -

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God.

God is near to the broken-hearted,

and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but God sets them free from every sorrow.

God guards every bone in their body;

not one of them will be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked;

those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

But you, God, redeem the life of your servants;

none who take refuge in you are condemned.

Refrain -

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God.

Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Meditation "O Tempo" (Rocha)

Reflection Let Me See Again

“What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.”

For blind Bartimaeus, to see again was the restoration of sight to his eyes. Through faith and the restorative power of this “Jesus, Son of David,” he was made whole and followed Jesus on the way.

Jesus asks us, *“What do you want me to do for you?”* As we remember those whom we have lost during these months of uncertainty; our response is the same, *“My teacher, let me see again.”*

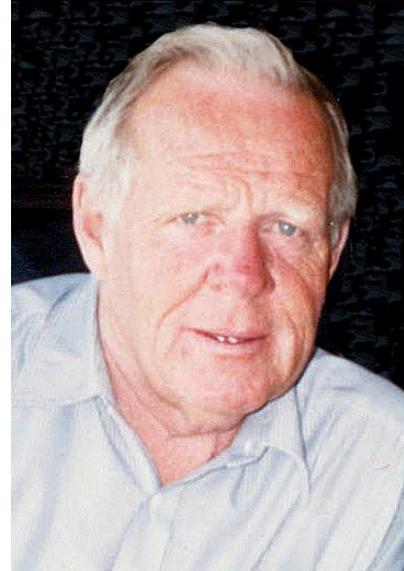
Through faith, we wait for that great in-gathering time where we will be united with those whom we loved and have passed before. On that day,

our eyes will be opened; we will know more than restoration of sight to the eyes but joy to our hearts. *“My teacher, let me see again.”* Amen.

Those whom we remember -

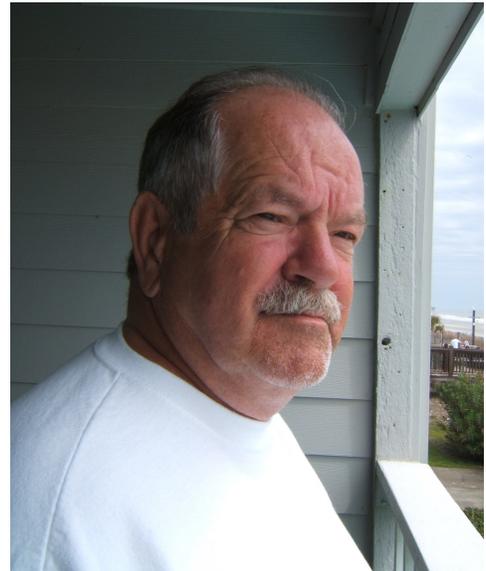
Ronald Burns
16 March 2020

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord
And comfort those who mourn.*



Robert William Stanzel
24 March 2020

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Mary Helena Elaine Kelford
3 April 2020

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Norva (Nee Vandusen) Sheppard
18 April 2020

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Sharon Elinor Day
20 April 2020

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Diane Caldwell
21 May 2020

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Gladys Mae Dunlop
2 June 2020

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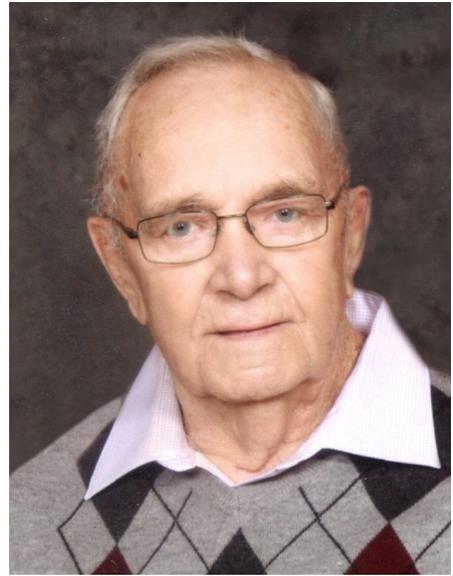
Elizabeth 'Betty' Wrenshall
5 July 2020

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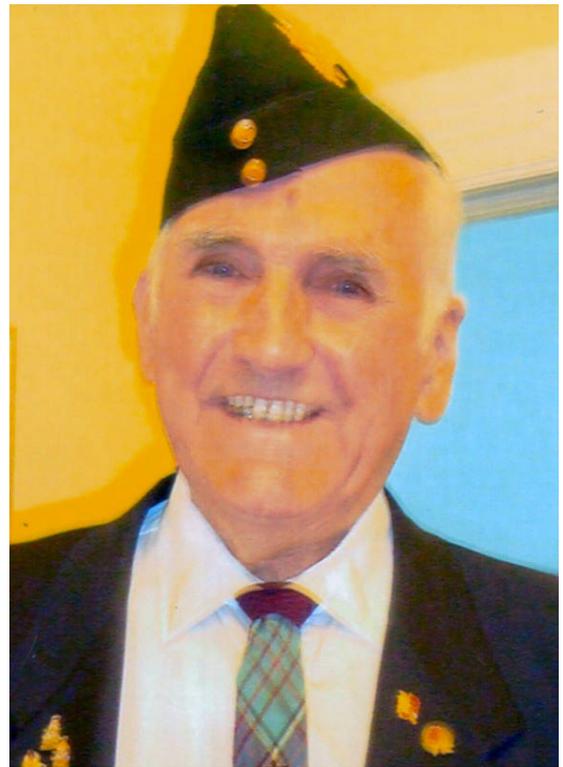
Alan Russell Hull
4 September 2020

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Walter Belding Edwards
23 October 2020

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Amy Murphy
26 November 2020

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Diane Elizabeth Haig
28 November 2020

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