



Key Scripture - John 18:37

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Welcome and Announcements

- † Newcomers please sign our guestbook
- † Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible.
 - Trinity is an Affirming Congregation
- † Capacity limits for Sunday Worship may be lifted if a vaccine mandate is implemented. Council is considering what this may mean for Trinity and will return a decision at our next regularly scheduled meeting.
- † 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

gifts_{with}vision

† Gifts with Vision is a response to member requests to be able to give gifts to relatives, friends, and loved ones that are in direct support of the church's Mission & Service partners. Catalogues at the front door highlight the possibilities.

† Trinity United Church Women Christmas Wreaths will be ready for pickup on 29 November. If you have placed an order but have not yet submitted payment, you may do so at the Office. If payments are made on or before 25 November, administration will be much easier.

The **Salvation Army Christmas Campaign** appreciates our help. Funds 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 we collect toys for the Angel Tree Program. They are also very much in need of kettle volunteers to stand by kettles for 2 hour shifts.

Christmas Cards are available for signing in the Church Hall.

The Church building is open every day Monday through Thursday, 9:00am - 1:00pm. What beautiful cards they are! These are a gift to the Congregation and we are so very grateful.

Christmas Cards will also be available for sale as gift packs.

There are 28 sets of cards that can be sold. Each has six individual cards and envelopes. They will be sold at a price of \$10.00 for the package. All revenue goes to the Church general fund.

The Spiritual Leadership Team is hosting an **Advent Study - *Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent***. Starting on **Wednesday, 1 December at 9:30 am**. We may meet in person and [remotely](#) by computer or by phone. Please let the Office know if you would like to participate.

Looking Ahead

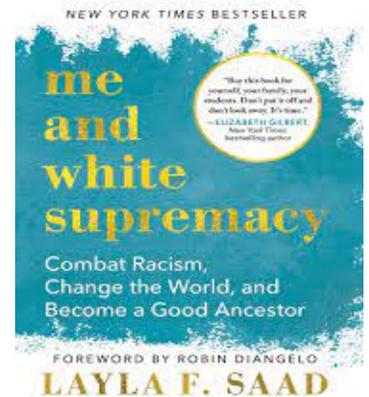
22 November, 1:00pm - The Spiritual Leadership Team is hosting a book study, **Sensible Shoes: A Story about the Spiritual Journey**.

- [Video call link](#)

22 November, 7:00pm - **Me and White Supremacy:**

A 28-Day Challenge to Combat Racism, Change the World, and Become a Good Ancestor
by Layla F. Saad

- [Remote](#) and in Person (Upper Room)



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

- [Video call link](#)

28 November - Communion -

We will celebrate Communion next Sunday. While we have pre-prepared Communion Elements available, they can be a challenge to open. If you prefer, therefore, you may bring your own bread and fruit of the vine and cup.

28 November - Advent Walk. We will start at 4:00pm at St. Francis de Sales Roman Catholic Church

The Spiritual Leadership Team is initiating plans for Confirmation this Spring.



DECEMBER 6
NATIONAL DAY OF
REMEMBRANCE & ACTION
ON **VIOLENCE** AGAINST
WOMEN
Trinity United Church, Smiths Falls
Service starts at 11:30 a.m.
Hosted by Trinity's UCW and the Smiths Falls Women's Inter-Church Group
Proof of Vaccination Required

Items and Donations for Interval House -

The UCW is collecting items and donations for Interval House again this year. Some suggestions:

Shampoo and conditioner
Scent free soap and body wash
Scent free deodorant
Tweezers and makeup
Hair accessories
Feminine Hygiene products

Journal
Wallet
Gum or Mints
Nice pen
Gloves and Mitts
Gift Cards –
to be left with the Church
Secretary

A box is available to drop off your items in the front entrance of the church and will remain until the **week of November 28th**. The door is open from 9:00am to 1:00pm Monday through Thursday.

“Thank you for reaching out and planning ahead to help women who are fleeing a life of violence and abuse.”

Cookie Sales After Church -

The Kitchen Coordinators and helpers are selling cookies by the dozen after church on December 5, 12 and 19. There will be many delicious varieties. This will be a free-will offering and all funds raised will go to the life and work of Trinity United Church. So, mark your calendars and be ready to buy some scrumdolious cookies.

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 211 "Crown Him With Many Crowns" vs. 1

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Say among the nations, The Lord reigns.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

The Lord is coming to judge the earth.

God will judge the world with righteousness and truth.

So, let us worship God with praise and honour.

We will offer our thanks and praise for all that God has done.

Opening Prayer

God of Power and Possibility,

In Jesus, you tipped the world upside down.

You have revealed your strength through humility
and your power through his surrender to sacrifice.

Your Good News teaches your people across the ages
that nothing, no seemingly hopeless situation,
can prevent your glory from shining forth.

This day, we proclaim Jesus as Lord
and offer you our love and loyalty.

Turn the world upside down once more,
so that your mercy prevails over those who would rule by force,
and your truth triumphs over the world's deceptions.

All honour and blessing be yours, Holy God,
world without end. **Amen.**

Hymn 59 "Joy To The World"

Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth receive her King!

Let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns: let all their songs employ,

while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground:
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the earth with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Time With Children

Children's Prayer

Prayer of Confession

**We pray for the coming of your kingdom
but confess we are clear on what that means.**

Will you come to set things straight in the world?

Will you come to judge?

**Will you bring all things to an end,
or will you offer us a new beginning?**

**Forgive us when we mix our own desires
with your purposes for your people.**

Teach us how to live out your truth.

Words of Assurance

Paul declares -

“What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Hardship? Distress? Peril or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors
through the God who loves us. Let us rejoice that,
no matter what is happening around us,
no matter what we have done,
God’s deep love will never let us go.”

Scripture

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14;

Psalm 93 (VU813);

John 18:33-37

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched,

thrones were set in place,

and an Ancient One took his throne,

his clothing was white as snow,

and the hair of his head like pure wool;

his throne was fiery flames,

and its wheels were burning fire.

A stream of fire issued

and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousands served him,

and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgment,

and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.

To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Psalm 93 (VU813)

Refrain -

*God, you rule with royal bearing,
clothed in glory, love and light.*

You rule, O God, clothed in majesty —
robed, and girded with strength.

You have established the world
so that it can never be moved.
**Your throne has stood firm from of old;
for all eternity you are God.**

Refrain -

*God, you rule with royal bearing,
clothed in glory, love and light.*

The waters have lifted up, O God,
the waters have lifted up their voice;
the waters lift up their pounding waves.

**Mightier than thundering waters,
mightier than the waves of the sea,
mightier on high is God.**

Truly your law stands firm;
holiness adorns your house, O God, forever.

Refrain -

*God, you rule with royal bearing,
clothed in glory, love and light.*

John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Meditation "Be Thou My Vision" (arr. Hughes)

Reflection "So you are a king?"

Hymn 356 "Seek Ye First The Kingdom"

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and God's righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you.

Hallelu, hallelujah!

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find;
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.

Hallelu, hallelujah!

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.

Hallelu, hallelujah.

Invitation to the Offering

On the Sunday of Reign of Christ, we declare our love and loyalty to Jesus by the gift of our praise and the offering of our lives. Let your gifts this day proclaim your commitment to him as our Lord and our friend.

A Minute for Mission

Offering Prayer

Almighty God, you rule in this world through your love. Receive our gifts as tokens of our love for you. Bless and multiply them through the power of the Spirit, so that they will spread your love in ways we have yet to imagine.

Hymn MV 82 "Bathe Me In Your Light"

Bathe me in your light, O God of All, Creator;
let it shine upon my soul with healing and with grace.
Be to me a beacon bright through shadows of life's wounding,
showing me the way to live in faith, in your embrace.

Bathe me in your love, O Source of Awe and Wonder;
help me walk the sacred path of harmony and peace.
May I be attentive to the musings of your presence,
drinking from the well of hope that brings the heart release.

Bathe me in your grace, O One of Spirit's longing;
teach me of your gentle ways that fill the soul with strength.
Guide me on the pilgrimage that leads to truth and wholeness,
fill me with your promise of a love that knows no length.

Prayers of the People

Holy One, the Source, Story and Spirit of Love,
We praise you for the signs of your reign among us -
for hope overcoming despair,
trust rising above hurt,
love prevailing over hatred, and
peace restoring harmony after discord.

God of Hope Beyond Fear,
We pray that you will comfort this broken world.
May the vision of your peaceable kingdom take root -
in your church, in our families, in our community, and
in countries marked by violence and struggles for power.

God of Wholeness Beyond Fracture,
We pray for a world where differences are overcome by
understanding,
and everyone can find a place of dignity and respect.
Shape our hearts soft with the kindness of your Spirit
so that all our relationships honour your image in each person,
and

our actions and attitudes help you mend the world you love.

God of Life Beyond Death,

We pray for all those who are grieving the loss of a loved one,
the loss of hope or the loss of a dream.

Be present with each one living through a time of sadness or
discouragement.

Bring them comfort through your presence, and
show us how to be good companions on the journey to renewed
hope.

As we honour Christ, the head of the church,

We pray for the continuation of Jesus' ministry through the church.

We have faced challenging months,

separated by pandemic and divisions it has created.

Send your Holy Spirit to knit the church together;

bring renewed life and commitment to each congregation and
parish;

enliven ecumenical action on needs in every community;

open minds and hearts that have experienced disagreement to
mutual understanding; and

refresh all who are tired

with a vision of the future you will create for us, with us
and through us,

in the name of Jesus.

[EOORC Prayer Cycle](#)

Central Lanark Pastoral Charge

Guthrie United Church

Trinity United Church

[The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle](#)

East Timor , Indonesia, Philippines

Lord,

Make us realize that our Christianity is like a rice field: when it is newly planted the paddies are prominent, but as the plants take root and grow taller, these divided paddies gradually vanish, and soon there appears only one vast continuous field. So give us roots that love, and help us grow in Christian fellowship and service, that your will be done in our lives, through our Saviour, your Son, Jesus Christ.

(From the Philippines. A Procession of Prayers: Meditations and Prayers from around the World, comp. John Carden, WCC and Cassell, London, UK, 1998, p. 174.)

And now we pray the words which Jesus gave all his followers -

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

We Depart to Serve with Joy

Hymn 330 "Jesus Shall Reign"

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound wheree'er he reigns:
and prisoners leap to lose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honours to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen!

Benediction

Let us go forth to serve God's children in weakness,
so others might find the strength to live.

Let us go forth as powerless as Jesus,
to empower others with hope.

Let us go forth with our arms full of the Spirit's peace,
so the world might be healed of all its brokenness.

Choral Amen

Postlude "Joy To The World" (arr. Young)