



**TRINITY**  
UNITED CHURCH  
*Smiths Falls, Ontario, Canada*

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - B  
November 7, 2021

Key Scripture - Mark 12: 38, 39

“Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets!

**if you have  
too much to  
lose, you're  
already lost**

Theme - Too Much to Lose

## 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](mailto:trinitysmithsfallshealingpathway@yahoo.com)

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Trinity's United Church Women  
SMITHS FALLS  
**Christmas Wreath Sale**  
Beautiful 18" Balsam

- \* Decorated & comes with bow for your hanger.
  - \* \$25.00 pre paid.
  - \* Order by Sunday, Oct. 31
  - \* Call Linda Zieman at 613-283-2728 or email [trinitysffundraising@gmail.com](mailto:trinitysffundraising@gmail.com)
  - \* Payment options will be discussed when you order.
  - \* Pickup on 29 November, Monday afternoon.
  - \* You will be notified about the time closer to the date.  
(Special arrangements can be made).
- Thank you for your continued support,  
especially during this pandemic.

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.

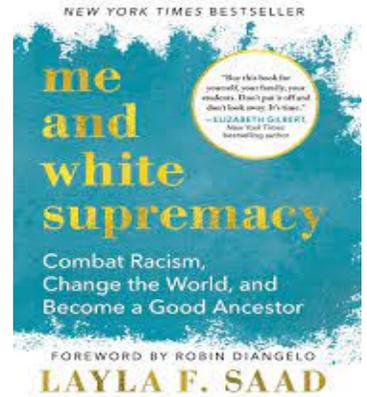
## Looking Ahead

**14 November, 9:00am - Early Communion**

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

- [Video call link](#)

**15 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)

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

- [Video call link](#)

# gifts<sub>with</sub>vision

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

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

### **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**                    "Largo" (Handel)  
*Lighting of the Christ Candle*

### **Call to Worship**

Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord,  
**For God keeps faith forever.**

Praise our God who brings justice for the oppressed and food to the hungry.

**We will worship the Lord who lifts up those who are bowed down,  
and supports the orphan and widow.**

God will reign in mercy and righteousness for all generations.  
**Let us praise and honour God with our lives.**

### **Opening Prayer**

God of justice and peace,

We gather at this solemn time of year,  
aware of the costliness of human history.

In the face of hostility between nations and neighbours,  
you have come to us in Jesus Christ,  
carrying no sword, calling us to serve as peacemakers.

In this time of worship, renew in us the hope  
that you will turn swords into ploughshares,  
and lead the world you love away from the study of war  
to the promise of peace with justice for all your peoples.

### **Hymn 806 "O God Our Help In Ages Past"**

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,  
from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time like an ever-rolling stream soon bears us all away;  
we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guide while troubles last, and our eternal home.

## **Time With Children**

### **Children's Prayer**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

God of justice and mercy,

We confess that the world is often in conflict.

Countries turn disputes into terror.

Ancient enemies stir up conflict within their tribes and nations.

We confess we have not learned from conflict

what leads to peace with justice among nations and neighbours.

Forgive us and lead us in a better way.

#### **Words of Assurance**

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.

Friends, through God's mercy, our sin is forgiven. May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

**And also with you.**

**Scripture**            1 Kings 17:8-16;  
Psalm 146 (VU868);  
Mark 12:38-44

1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Psalm 146 (VU 868)

***Refrain -***

***Give your praise to God, O my soul!***

Praise God, O my soul. As long as I live I will praise God.

**Yes, as long as I have life I will sing praises to God.**

Put not your trust in princes, nor in any mortal,

for in them there is no help.

**When they breathe their last they return to dust;  
then their plans come to nothing.**

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
**whose hope is the Maker of heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them,**  
the One who keeps faith for ever,  
**who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry.**

*Refrain -*

***Give your praise to God, O my soul!***

God sets prisoners free, restores sight to the blind.

**God straightens those who are bent;  
loves those who are just.**

God cares for the stranger in the land,  
and sustains the widow and orphan;

**but the way of the wicked God turns to ruin.**

God shall reign forever, O Zion.

**your God for all generations.**

*Refrain -*

***Give your praise to God, O my soul!***

Mark 12:38-44

As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor

widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

**Meditation** Theme from "Band of Brothers" (Kamen)

**Reflection** Too Much to Lose

The glory of the Religious Leaders was of self-aggrandizement. The Glory of those whom we remember was of self sacrifice.

## **A Time of Remembrance**

### ***Hymn “O Canada,” VU 524***

O Canada!  
Our home and native land!  
True patriot love in all of us command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
The True North strong and free!  
From far and wide,

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.  
God keep our land glorious and free!  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee

### ***In Flanders Fields***

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky

The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

### ***Honour Roll -***

#### ***World War I***

William B Craig -  
Distinguished Flying Cross  
Harry A. Chalmers  
Arthur Connell  
Elton L. Megart  
Clarence R. Palmer  
Earl Philips  
J. Arthur Shepherd  
William Speight  
Lawrence A. Wark

#### ***World War II***

J. Claude Best  
Gerald R. Dawson  
William G. Hopkins  
C. Harwood McKimm Jr.  
Lyle H. Merkley  
John J. Saunders  
C. Edward Slack  
Kenneth G. Spooner - George  
Cross  
N. Dalton Tysick  
John R. Warren  
Donald R. Willoughby

#### ***Korean War***

William R. Slack

### *Words of Remembrance*

They shall grow not old,  
as we that are left grow old.

**Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.**

At the going down of the sun and in the morning.

**We will remember them.**

### *Last Post*

### *Minute of Silence*

### *Rouse*

### *Words of Remembrance*

Eternal rest grant unto them, O God,  
and may perpetual light shine upon them.

**May the souls of the righteous, through your great mercy,  
rest in peace. Amen.**

### **The Royal Anthem**

God save our gracious Queen  
Long live our noble Queen,

God save The Queen:  
Send her victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us:

God save The Queen.

## **Hymn** 359 "He Came Singing Love"

He came singing love and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love. He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing faith and he lived singing faith;  
he died singing faith. He arose in silence.  
For the faith to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope. He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing peace and he lived singing peace;  
he died singing peace. He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

### **Invitation to the Offering**

The scriptures today speak of generosity and the risk it involves, and God's faithfulness to generous actions. In this season of remembrance, the risk and generosity of others is often on our minds. Let their legacy inspire us to risk generous gifts as we present our offering.

### **A Minute for Mission**

#### **Offering Prayer**

Receive our gifts this day, O God, and bless them with your love and power. Use them in the struggle for justice and the work for healing and

peace, undertaken by your faithful people here and everywhere, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

**Hymn** 652 Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul, for God is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Trust in your God, your Saviour and your guide,  
who through all changes faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul, your best, your heavenly friend  
through stormy ways leads to a peaceful end.

Be still, my soul, for God will undertake  
to guide the future surely as the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul, life's tempests still obey  
the voice that once the waves' wild fury strayed.

Be still, my soul, the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever in God's peace;  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
love's joys restored, our strivings shall cease.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

***Prayer for Remembrance Day***

Almighty God,  
Grant that we may pay fitting tribute and honour  
to the memory of those who have died in the service of our  
country.

May we be so inspired by the spirit of their love and courage  
that, forgetting all selfish and unworthy motives,  
we may live only to your glory and to the service of your  
people.

May we who desire peace be willing to work for justice.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *A Prayer for the Armed Forces*

O God of hosts,

God who calls us to be engaged in the world;

We pray for those who are serving in our Armed Forces;  
soldiers, sailors, air personnel, and those who provide support for  
them.

We pray for clerks and gunners, navigators and parachute  
packers, infanteers and public affairs officers.

We pray for those who care for those who fight: for mental  
health nurses, doctors, and chaplains.

We pray for those who put themselves in harm's way; for Search  
and Rescue Technicians, for those engaged in mine-clearing, for  
those in the air or on the high seas.

Keep them safe in their tasks; keep them virtuous in their  
calling; preserve them from danger, and return them to those who  
love them.

AMEN.

### **Prayers of the People**

God of all the ages past, hope of years to come:

We gather in this season of remembrance,  
grateful that you hold each one of us in your memory and your  
mystery,

now and for all the time to come.

Today, we remember all those who have served to uphold justice and freedom

in the wars of the last century,  
in conflicts of our own generation,  
and in peacekeeping and relief efforts around the world.

Especially we pray for those who have died in this service  
and for those who carry scars on body and soul, having returned  
from conflict.

We remember their courage

and we pray for their families who still ache for lives surrendered at a  
great cost.

Faithful God,

**Remember them now and for all the time to come.**

O God, we remember before you the victims of conflict,  
hiding in forgotten corners of the world, longing for safety and  
peace.

Especially we pray for people in Afghanistan who fear for  
their lives and their future.

We remember victims of violence in our own country,  
still fearful and uncertain about what the future holds for them.  
Give us the courage to speak out for their protection and recovery.

Faithful God,

**Remember them now and for all the time to come.**

We remember those around us who struggle to remember day by day;  
those who must cope with the fear of forgetting those who  
matter most to them,  
and those who face the fear of being forgotten.

Help us remember to reach out in comfort and support  
so that no one is forgotten.

Faithful God,

**Remember them now and for all the time to come.**

We remember those around us who carry on

under the burden of sad and hard memories;

those weighed down by grief, disappointment, anger, pain  
and loss.

Inspire us to offer a listening ear and an understanding  
heart whenever we can.

Faithful God,

**Remember them now and for all the time to come.**

God of all the ages past, hope of years to come,

help us to remember you day by day.

Keep us prepared to shine the light of your gospel into the dark  
corners of the world

so that hope is renewed, and need is exposed  
for the sake of Jesus.

**[EOORC Prayer Cycle](#)**

**Kenmore Pastoral Charge**

**St. Paul's United Church**

**[The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle](#)**

**Oceania: American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia  
(Maohi Nui), Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru,  
Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga,  
Tuvalu, Vanuatu**

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** 527 God! As With Silent Hearts

God! As with silent hearts we bring to mind  
how hate and war diminish humankind,  
we pause, and seek in worship to increase  
our knowledge of the things that make for peace.

Hallow our will as humbly we recall  
the lives of those who gave and give their all.  
We thank you, Lord, for women, children, men  
who seek to serve in love, today as then.

Give us deep faith to comfort those who mourn,  
high hope to share with all the newly born,  
strong love in our pursuit of human worth:  
"lest we forget" the future of this earth.

So, Prince of Peace, disarm our trust in power,  
teach us to coax the plant of peace to flower.  
May we, impassioned by your living Word,  
remember forward to a world restored.

## **Benediction**

God sends us out into the world.

**We will gather up God's children and bring them to grace.**

Jesus invites us to watch with him.

**We will notice those who give from their scarcity,  
challenging us to offer our abundance to those in need.**

The Spirit clothes us with grace.

**We will go forth to welcome all we meet into our hearts.**

## **Choral Amen**

**Postlude** "Abide With Me/ Last Post" (Nichol)