



TRINITY
UNITED CHURCH
Smiths Falls, Ontario, Canada

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost - C
October 30, 2022

“He was trying to see who Jesus was...”
Luke 19:3

Welcome and Announcements

- † Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible.
 - Trinity is an Affirming Congregation
- † Our building is open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday

Smiths Falls Community Food Bank appreciates donations.

Children’s Programming and Activities -

We need help and would love a helper... Ideas too

The Spiritual Leadership Team is creating a Labyrinth.

Spiritual Leadership and Communications are most grateful for the work of Bill Dickson who faithfully streams and records our services. This is a lot of work for one person.

Our Book Group meets in the Upper Room on Mondays at 1:00pm. The book is Barefoot - A Story of Surrendering to God.

On Monday mornings, folk who wish, may work with us on the labyrinth or just stop by to see how it is going.

Bible Study Wednesdays at 10:00 am

The **Ministry and Personnel Committee** welcomes any celebrations and concerns you may have with the work being done within our church particularly as we head towards our yearly reviews in November. Carol Williams journey@ripnet.com, and Carolyn Lunn

Trinity UCW, Smiths Falls Wreath Sale
Beautiful 18” fresh Balsam Wreath



Decorated—comes with a bow—No hanger.

Order by Wednesday, November 2--\$25.00 prepaid. (cash or cheque)
Call the Church office 613- 283-4444 or Linda Zieman 613-283-2728
When you order your wreath, you will be informed of payment options.

Pickup: 28 November, Monday afternoon—More info to follow.
(Special arrangements can be made).

Thank you for your continued support

Holly Fair: Saturday, November 5th. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Baking, crafts, gift baskets, “Pair Tree” and much more.

Salvation Army Kettle Kickoff will be on Friday, Nov. 18, 2022.

The monies raised through the kettles help stock our food bank for the entire year, aid fire victims, provide hydro assistance, clothing, furniture, weekly lunches and so much more. We urgently require volunteers to do 2 hour shifts from November 18th to December 24th. Call Mary Lynn Wilson at 613-283-3563 or email her at mary-lynn.wilson@salvationarmy.ca to book your time.

In addition, if you know of a family in need and you want to do an anonymous referral for a Christmas Hamper (via Salvation Army), contact the office at Trinity, and a referral form will be forwarded to you for completion, or you can pick up at the office.

The Barrel Boys Bluegrass Band

Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 3 @ 7:00 p.m.

Along with guest musician Campbell Woods

Tickets will go on sale soon.

\$20 In advance

\$25 at the door on event night

Children under 13, only \$10.

Bring the family!

Introit 708 "My Lord, What A Morning!"

Refrain

My Lord, what a morning.

My Lord, what a morning.

My Lord, what a morning

when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

Refrain

You'll hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

Refrain

You'll hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

Refrain

(Lighting of Christ Candle)

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

Call to Worship

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength.

They shall mount up with wings as eagles;

They shall run and not be weary;

They shall walk and not faint.

In the company of all God's saints and pilgrims, come and worship.

We come with prayer and praise to find our strength renewed!

Opening Prayer

Ancient of days, God of our everyday lives,

We praise you for your guidance and care in every generation,
and for the example of those who have gone before us,
who taught us your name and brought us to faith.

In the great mystery of your love,

we know these saints gather with,
to praise and adore you for
your wisdom that instructs,
your grace that redeems,
your Spirit who guides us, and for
the comfort and hope we claim

in the knowledge that neither death nor life
can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Hymn "When The Saints Go Marching In"

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Dear Lord, I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in

Oh, when the sun refuse to shine
Oh, when the sun refuse to shine
Dear Lord I want to be in that number
When the sun refuse to shine

Oh when they crown Him Lord of All
Oh when they crown Him Lord of All
Dear Lord, I want to be in that number
When they crown Him Lord of All

Oh, when they gather 'round the throne
Oh, when they gather 'round the throne
Dear Lord, I want to be in that number
When they gather 'round the throne

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,

You have been faithful to us in every generation.

Yet we confess that we are not always faithful to you.

**We shrink from costly discipleship
and seek easy grace.**

**Forgive our fleeting enthusiasms
and our shallow commitments.**

**And guide us always
with the love and mercy we witness in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Dear friends,

While it is true that we have all sinned,

It is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in
Jesus Christ.

Be at peace with God, with yourself and with one another.

Scripture Psalm 32 (VU759)
 2 Thessalonians 1.1-4, 11-12
 Luke 19:1-10

Psalm 32 (VU759)

Refrain -

*Be glad in God you righteous.
Rejoice, O saints, rejoice.*

Blessed are those whose offences are forgiven,
whose sin has been put away.

**Blessed are those to whom God imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Refrain -

*Be glad in God you righteous.
Rejoice, O saints, rejoice.*

When I kept silence, my body wasted away,
while I groaned all the day long.

**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my strength dried up as in a summer drought.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I did not hide.

**I said: "I will confess my sins to God";
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore let all the faithful pray to you in time of trouble;
when great floodwater rises, it shall not come near them.

You are a hiding place for me,
you will preserve me from trouble;
you will surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Refrain -

Be glad in God you righteous.

Rejoice, O saints, rejoice.

I will teach you, and guide you in the way you should go.

I will keep you under my eye and instruct you.

Be not like a horse or mule, without understanding,

whose course must be checked with bit and bridle.

Many pains are in store for the wicked,

but whoever trusts in God,

is surrounded by steadfast love.

Refrain -

Be glad in God you righteous.

Rejoice, O saints, rejoice.

2 Thessalonians 1.1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you

among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Meditation "The Angelus" (Young)

Reflection

Hymn 563 "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones,
you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain

*O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.*

You know so well my possessions;
My boat carries no gold or weapons;
you will find there my nets and labour.

Refrain

You need my hands, full of caring
through my labours to give others rest,
and constant love that keeps on loving.

Refrain

You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me.

Refrain

Invitation to the Offering

When we gather, we celebrate the gifts of many others, for many centuries. Now is our opportunity to join our gifts to theirs, so that God will be praised and Jesus' love will be spread in this generation and those to come.

Offering Options

- E-transfers through the bank to secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca

- by mail OR by delivery to church office by prearranged time
- through Trinity website DONATE button
- PAR

Offering Prayer

Generous God,

Bless our gifts and make them fruitful beyond our imagining in the work of your kingdom. Keep us faithful in this generation so we can offer the inheritance we have received to the generation that comes after. Amen.

Time for the Young

Hymn 374 "Come And Find The Quiet Centre"

Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

Prayers of the People

God who calls throughout the ages,

We give thanks that you have spoken to your people in every generation,

calling them into the light,
showing them the paths of justice,
guiding them out of the bondage into freedom.

In every age, you have called leaders to guide your people with courage and insight,

speaking through them to offer comfort and challenge.

We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit,

who offers the gift of faith to us,
and for the ways that those who came before us have handed that faith on to us.

As we give thanks for all that we have received,

remind us that we are a part of your creation, its history, life and love.

May such a reminder keep us humble in our mission,
even as you call us to take up our place
in the ongoing story of your love with courage and creativity.

Hear our prayers for your church in this place and around the world.

Sustain and support the work of the Gospel.

Where the church is in physical danger, protect it with your Spirit.

Where the church is facing division, unify it through your love.

Where the church lacks courage to stand up for justice,

embolden it with examples of the saints who have gone before.

Where the church lacks energy or vision,

renew its hope in the presence of Christ who is with us always.

God of the past, the present, and what is still to come

We thank you today for all those saints who have shown us how to love each other,

and for those who still touch people in trouble with tenderness, caring for the sick, cheering the lonely, helping the poor.

In this quiet moment, we remember those around us who need a saint to reach out to them in their need this day:

Give each of us the courage and compassion to be your saints alive today,

touching the world in Jesus' name, as we pray in the words he taught us -

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 in Peace and with Love

Hymn 705 "For All The Saints"

For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
all who by faith before the world confessed,
your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might:
you were their captain in the well-fought fight;
you, in the darkness drear, the one true light.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one within your great design.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
as God to glory calls them all away.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Benediction

Take up your calling and go into the world to serve and celebrate in
Jesus' name.

Be strong and of good courage, for Christ walks with you.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and communion in the Holy Spirit be with you, now and evermore. Amen.

Choral Amen

Postlude "Tubular Bells" (Oldfield)