



**Fifth Sunday of Easter - A**

**May 7, 2023**



### **Welcome and announcements**

- † New Comers please sign our guestbook
- † Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive and Accessible.
  - Trinity is an Affirming Congregation
- We continue to pray for those who were impacted by the legacy of Indian Residential Schools.
- † Our building is open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday

**This morning, Charlotte Hoy will be leading us in Worship. Following the service, Trinity will hold the first of a series of three Visioning Workshops in the Fellowship Hall, including a Potluck Luncheon.**

**Smiths Falls Community Food Bank** appreciates donations.  
**Sunday School** is the 2nd and last Sunday of the Month

**Social Time after church** - sign up in the Hall

**Rainbow 101 - 12 May** – Have You ever wondered what is meant by 2Spirit? If you have, come join us on Friday, May 12, 2023 when Rainbow 101 will welcome Francois Zarraga, a 2Spirit Algonquin Elder willing to share with us its historical and cultural meaning. The evening will begin with a potluck meal at 6 p.m. but if you just want to learn, the presentation will start at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Discernment and Visioning Sessions** will be held at Trinity with the guidance of the Rev Dr Peter Bartlett.

#### **Session One - Who are We?**

Today, Sunday, 7 May, following Worship. Potluck Workshop.

#### **Session Two - Where is God Calling Us to Go?**

Saturday, 10 June. Potluck Workshop

## Session Three - What Does that Look Like? (Creative Brainstorming)

Sunday, 9 July, following Worship. Potluck Workshop

**Annual Mushroom Compost Sale - Long Weekend – Saturday, 20 May to Monday, 22 May.** Will be sold at the Real Deal Parking Lot at 85 William Street, Smiths Falls. \$10.00 per 30 litre bag. Looking for help to bag compost during the week of May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Broadview magazine group subscription** – If you wish to order the Broadview magazine as part of the group subscription, please forward your name to Brenda King at [bking1528@gmail.com](mailto:bking1528@gmail.com). Deadline is May 14<sup>th</sup>. Cheque to be given to the office via offering plate or in person during office hours.

**Geraniums** - If you are interested in ordering Geraniums, please call the Church Office. The cost is \$12.00 for a package of 4 plants and you can mix the colours – red, white, pink, orange and salmon. Order soon to avoid disappointment. Pick up will be on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 9:00am to 12:00pm.

**Basic Livable Income** information session is to be held on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. It is being held at St. Paul's United Church at 25 Gore Street West, Perth.

## **Camp Lauren, Camp Quin-Mo-Lac, Golden Lake and Rideau Hill**

**Camp** are now registering kids for camp this summer. The UCW offers assistance to families who need it to send their child, children or grandchildren to camp. Closing opportunity to apply to UCW for assistance with registration is Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Call the Church Office at 613-283-4444 or email: [secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca](mailto:secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca).



## **Future events**

UCW Strawberry Social, June (date to be determined)

Peter Woods & Friends Concert, Saturday, 23 September

Harvest Supper, October

UCW Wreath Sale (Pre-Order), October

Holly Fair, Saturday, 4 November

Barrel Boys Bluegrass Band Christmas Concert, December 2, 2023

**Introit:** “God On The Mountain”

## **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**

We are called to be one in community

**We have boldness before God**

Because we know we are loved and known

**Not only in word or speech but in truth and action**

Let us join as one to worship the one God.

## **Opening Prayer**

**Hymn** VU 635 “All the Way My Saviour Leads Me”

## **Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we know we have shortcomings.**

**In the depths of our hearts,**

**we struggle to leave our doubts and fears behind.**

**Teach us that suffering brings endurance,**

**that endurance produces character,**

**and that character brings hope.**

**Fill us with your grace so that we may**

**answer your call and live as beacons of love and**

**hope for the wider world to see. Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

God's strength courses through us, that we may be a blessing in the loving mercy of Christ.

**Scripture:** 1 Peter 2:2-10

**Meditation-** “Abide With Me” (Lawrence Grant)

**Reflection** – Ordinary or Special?

**Hymn** - VU 264 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

**Invitation to Offering:** Our lives overflow with God's blessing and goodness in Christ and in creation. Out of the bounty of our lives, let us offer God our gifts with overflowing gratitude.

### **Offering Options**

- E-transfers to [secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca](mailto:secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca)
- delivery to church office
- through Trinity website DONATE button
- PAR

### **Offering Doxology**

### **Offering Prayer**

**Hymn – VU 703 "In the Bulb There is a Flower"**

### **Prayers of the People and Lords Prayer**

### **Time for the Young and Young at Heart**

**Hymn - VU 639 "One More Step Along the World I Go"**

### **Benediction**

### **Choral AMEN**

**Postlude: "How Great Thou Art" (Lawrence Grant)**