



Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost - A
24 September, 2023

GOD IS

“... 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'”

Matthew 20:12

Welcome and announcements

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 Residential Schools.

Our building is open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday

In person Sunday School is the 2nd and last Sunday of each month

September/October – Services will be held in the Church Hall until the repairs are completed in the Sanctuary.

Smiths Falls Community Food Bank appreciates donations.

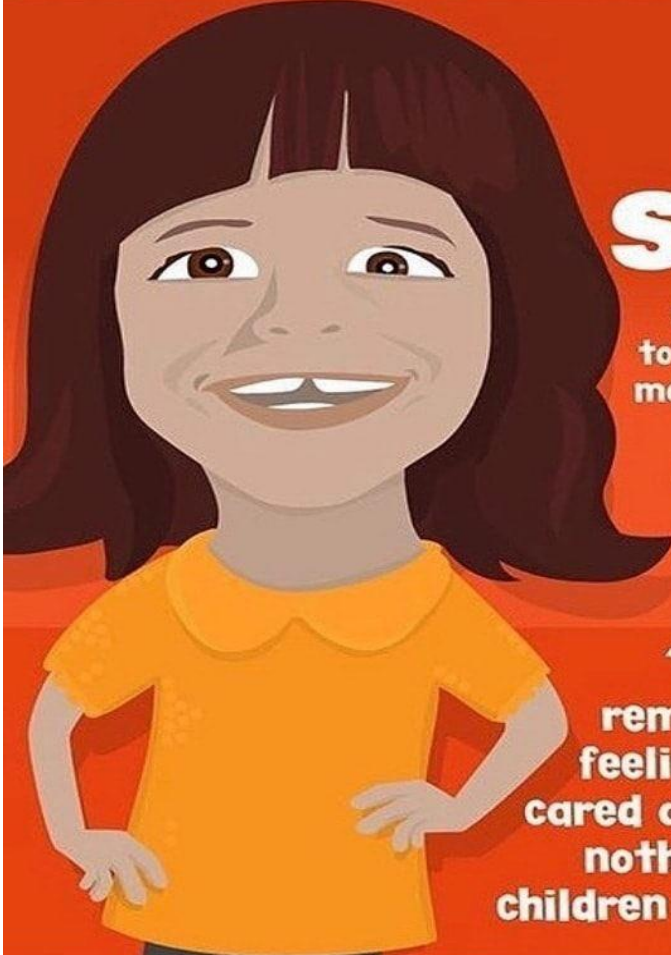
Sunday, October 1 - World Wide Communion Sunday



Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial

On September 24, 1998 the Government of Canada officially proclaimed the last Sunday of September of every year as Police and Peace Officers' National Memorial Day. This National Memorial Day gives Canadians an opportunity each year to formally express appreciation for the dedication of police and peace officers, which made the ultimate tragic sacrifice to keep our communities safe.

Orange Shirt Day



WHAT IS ORANGE SHIRT DAY?

Six year old Phyllis Webstad was proud to wear the shiny orange shirt her grandmother bought her for her first day at St. Joseph's School in Williams Lake BC.

On arrival at the Mission, however, she and all of the other children were stripped of their clothes, and Phyllis never saw that orange shirt again.

"The colour orange has always reminded me of that and how my feelings didn't matter, how no one cared and how I felt like I was worth nothing," she said. "All of us little children were crying and no one cared."

Learn more about Canada's Residential School history and talk to your kids about it.

ORANGESHIRTDAY.ORG

Book Club - Trinity United Church has been holding a Book Club for over 25 years. We are an informal group that enjoys reading and discussing books – primarily fiction. We meet on the last Monday of each month from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Church Parlour. At the September meeting we will plan the reading list for the year. Winter months we meet by Zoom. We are looking for new members. Contact Barb at dhicks11@cogeco.ca to be added to our mailing list.

Social Time After Church – Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Individuals or groups are invited to sign-up.

Mushroom Compost End of Season Sale – 3 X 30 litre bags for \$10. Purchase at the Real Deal Store, 85 William St., Smiths Falls - Wed. to Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Taxi Vouchers are available for Seniors who may need a ride to Sunday Services and Church functions. Please contact Sharon O'Neill if you need assistance at 613-283-6923.

Grassroots Grannies – We will be selling Merrickville Cookies on September 24th, October 1, and October 15th. Cookies can be purchased after church for \$5 each or you can buy 5 for \$20. Please help the Grannies help the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Program, initiated and supported by the Stephen Lewis Foundation. The funds go where they are needed.

Harvest Supper – **Friday, October 20th** – Doors open at 5 p.m. Self-serve Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Tickets \$20 each, \$10 children 6 – 10 years, Under 5 years free. Tickets are limited with advance sales only. Reserve/purchase your ticket by calling Arlie Dopson at 613-283-2015, or Linda Zieman at 613-283-2728.

Holly Fair – **Saturday, November 4th** – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Baking, crafts, gift baskets, jams, preserves, ornament tree and other Christmas treasures. New this year: Coffee shop (purchase a coffee/tea/muffin).

Future Events

Peter Woods & Friends Concert – (Postponed to Spring 2024)

UCW Wreath Sale (Pre-Order), October

The Barrel Boys Bluegrass Band Christmas Concert,
December 2

Introit: "For Everyone Born"

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

Opening Prayer

Hymn: VU 384 "The Lone Wild Bird" (vs. 1, 2, 5) –
(tune 348)

Prayer of Confession:

**You are the giver of all good gifts,
yet our generosity is often limited.
We complain about our lot.
We compare ourselves to others
and see what they have that we lack.
We share some of what we have,
but we worry about running short.
Forgive us our worries about tomorrow
and give us generous hearts that trust in you
day by day.**

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture: Jonah 3:10 - 4:11
Psalm 145: 1-8 (VU866)
Matthew 20:1-16

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Meditation: VU 679 “Let There Be Light”

Reflection: Unfair - Justice, Grace, Reconciliation

Hymn: MV 157 “I am a Child of God”

Offertory:

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Prayer

Offering Options

- On the table by the entrance to Church Hall
- E-transfers to secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca
- Delivery to church office
- Through Trinity website DONATE button
- PAR

A Prayer for Orange Shirt Day

National Memorial Service



Officers Honoured In 2023

This year we will honour the lives of

Toronto Police Constable Andrew Hong
South Simcoe Police Constable Devon Northrup
South Simcoe Constable Morgan Russell
RCMP Constable Shaelyn Yang
OPP Constable Grzegorz Pierzchala
Edmonton Police Constable Travis Jordan
Edmonton Police Constable Brett Ryan
Sûreté du Québec Sergeant Mauren Breau
RCMP Constable Harvinder Singh Dhami
OPP Sergeant Eric Mueller
OPP Detective Constable Steven Tourangeau.

We are also recognizing two historical officers

Canada Customs Officer James Mowat (1913)
RCMP Constable Vernon Genaille (2002)

Prayer for Police and Peace Officers

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

The Peace

EOORC Prayer Cycle

Bathurst Pastoral Charge
Althorpe-Bolingbroke
United Church
Calvin United Church

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Peru

We Depart to Serve in Peace and with Love

Time for the Young

Hymn: VU 676 “God, Make Us Servants of Your
Peace” (vs. 1, 2, 3, 4)

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: VU 637 “Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me”



Recurring Events and Activities at Trinity	
Every Monday, 1:00pm	Book Group
First Monday, 9:30am	UCW
Fourth Monday, 9:30am	Property Team / Church Hall
Every Tuesday, All Day	Pastoral Visitation
First Tuesday, 2:00pm	Service at Van Horne Retirement Residence
First Tuesday, 7:00pm	Outreach and Social Justice
Third Tuesday, 9:30am	Stewardship & Finance Team / Upper Room
Third Tuesday, 3:00pm	Coffee Time at Van Horne Manor
Third Tuesday, 6:00pm	Potluck and Praise
Every Wednesday, 9:30am	Bible Study / Seasonal Study
First Wednesday, 12:30pm	Healing Pathway
Second Wednesday, 7:00pm	Spiritual Leadership Meeting
Second Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.	Christian Community Meeting
Third Wednesday, 12:30pm	Healing Pathway
Last Wednesday, 7:00pm	Council
Second Friday, 6:00pm	Rainbow 101
Every Sunday, 8:30am (Except Second Sunday)	Choir Practice
Every Sunday, 11:30am	Soaking Prayer
Second Sunday, 9:00am	Choir Practice
Second and Last Sunday, 10:30am	Sunday School
Last Sunday, 1:00pm	Lanark Drum Circle