

**Sunday, October 29, 2023**



**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 (Stat holidays on Mondays, the office is closed).

**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.

**Our guest speaker for this morning is Betty Radford Turcott, Author.** Following the service there will be a Potluck Finger Food Luncheon. If you wish to purchase one of Betty's books, they will be available for purchase following the service.

**Thanksgiving Offering** – For your prayerful consideration: On the table next to the offering plate, please take note of the special Thanksgiving Envelopes. These will be available for the month of October.

**Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC)** is a global ecumenical prayer movement for justice, peace, and reconciliation led by Christian women for women and girls all over the world. These least coins are collected by women's groups and ecumenical women's organizations in countries and regions all over the world. They are then forwarded to the Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC) Fund, which is faithfully stewarded by the International Committee for the Fellowship of the Least Coin (ICFLC).

Every year, the FLC Fund is disbursed as grants for post-secondary education and training for women; grassroots projects that empower women and girls, advocates for their rights, and work to end gender-based violence and poverty; and provide relief in times of natural and human-made disasters. In this way, all of our least coins can contribute to *real* justice, peace, and reconciliation in the lives of women and girls all over the world! Please see our Least Coin Fishbowl on the Offering Table. We will add your least coin to Trinity's UCW contributions, **today only!**

**Bulletin Announcements** - If you have announcements for the bulletin/screen, please send them via email to [secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca](mailto:secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca) and [worshipleader1@msn.com](mailto:worshipleader1@msn.com) no later than **end of day on Tuesday of each week**. The bulletin is put together by Andrea and the screen by Patty, so sending to both emails streamlines the process. If you prefer to call with

your announcement, call the office at 613-283-4444.  
Thank you!!

**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. Next meeting is **October 30th**. 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.

**Grief Support Group** – For those who have been living through a season of Grief and Loss, Trinity will be facilitating a Grief Support Group (date to be determined). Materials and guidance will be based on those available through the Centre for Loss and Life Transitions.



If you feel that a Grief Group would be appropriate and helpful for you, please contact the Church Office at 613-283-4444. The intent is to meet weekly. The day and time of day will be determined by those who form the group. We are close to finalizing the details regarding this support group. Please let the office know as soon as possible if you are interested, along with your specific

scheduling needs or preferences. Peace and Prayers,  
Christopher.

**Chair Exercise Program** – Kim Johnston will be leading the UCW and friends in a weekly Chair Exercise program. Classes will be weekly on MONDAYS at 11 am. Come check it out and stretch those muscles in a series of gentle movements all done from your chair.

**Big Brothers and Sisters 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala** – Thursday, November 2nd, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., \$50 per person. This event will be held at the Grand Hotel, 7 Bridge St., Carleton Place. Order your tickets on line at <https://lanark.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/event/50th-gala-celebration>

**Holly Fair** – Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> – 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). **We are also looking for donations to the Holly Fair. If you have anything, please drop off at the Church prior to November 4<sup>th</sup>, between 9 am and 1 p.m., Monday to Thursday. Items may be placed on the stage in the Church Hall.**

**Wreath Sale** - Order no later than **Thursday, November 9, 2023** by calling Linda Zieman at 613-283-2728. Cost is \$30 and must be prepaid. Cash or cheque is preferred but e-transfer is available as well. Pick-up date will be November 29, 2023.

**Belonging Project** – This series is about practicing the skills of expressing what is important to us and working with what others have to say (even if it isn't the kindest), so that our relationships are strengthened. There will be

four sessions in this series starting on **Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church Hall, along with three additional sessions on **November 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>.** Contact Carol Williams at 613-269-4427 or email at [journey@ripnet.com](mailto:journey@ripnet.com) for further information.

**Salvation Army Kettle Volunteers** – They are in urgent need of volunteers for the annual Kettle Season which starts on November 17th. If you are interested, please contact Mary Lynn or Jackie at 613-283-3563. There is a poster on the front board with more detail regarding locations, dates and times.

**Salvation Army Referral for Christmas Assistance**

The salvation provides anonymous Christmas hampers to anyone in need. If you know of someone, individual, couple or family, and you are interested in providing a Christmas hamper, please call the Trinity Church Office at 613-283-4444. **Deadline is October 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Advent Devotional Time** – Starting on **Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Spiritual Leadership Team will be sponsoring an Advent Devotional every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Please plan to join us!

**Gifts with Vision** – In thinking about the upcoming Christmas season, Gifts with Vision is an excellent way to support those less fortunate such as providing a secure supply of food, fresh and clean water, reliable power, a social support network, clean laundry, and much more. Please visit [www.giftswithvision.ca](http://www.giftswithvision.ca) to view the many initiatives that Gifts with Vision is involved with.

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

## **Future Events**

**The Barrel Boys Bluegrass Band Christmas Concert,**  
December 2

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

**Introit:** VU 649 “Walk with Me” (vs. 3, 4)

## **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.

## **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

## **Lighting the UCW Candle**

## **Call to Worship**

## **Opening Prayer**

**Hymn:** VU 224 “Sing a Happy Hallelujah”

**Listening to God’s Word:** (Linda Zieman)

Prayer for Understanding

Psalm 90: 1—6, 13—17 VU pp.805—806

Exodus 3:1-3, 7-12, and 4:1, 2

Acts 9: 41-43

**Meditation:** VU 715 “Come, We That Love”

**Reflection:** “What is in Your Hand” – Betty Radford Turcott

**Hymn:** VU 227 “For the Fruit of All Creation”

**Minute for Mission:** Norma Wrightly

NUCW “Healing Fund” initiative.

**Offertory:** (Linda Stronski)

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offering Prayer**

**Offering Options**

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

**Presentation of Flowers**

**Prayers of the People:** (Marguerite Cameron)

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Hymn:** VU 651 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

**Benediction:** (Betty Lou)

**Choral Amen**

**Postlude:** VU 884 "You Shall Go Out with Joy" (X 3)