



Trinity United Church

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January 12, 2025

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
(WPCU) January 18-25

Baptism of Our Lord Sunday¹



*(Remember to pass this bulletin to someone else
You never know how you will Bless them)*

Welcome:

† 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 (Closed on Statutory Holidays)

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† If you wish to meet with **Rev. Takouhi** please call or e-mail to book an appointment: **613-777-0880** – **revtakouhi@terrautopia.ca**

Announcements

Please join us for Social Time After Church in the Fellowship Hall – If you wish to volunteer to help with Social time, the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Individuals or groups are invited to sign-up.

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

Smiths Falls Community Food Bank appreciates your donations.

Offering Options

Trinity has several ways in which to offer our financial gifts for the life and work of the church, by...

- E-transfers to secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca
- delivery to church office
- through Trinity's website DONATE button
- and by PAR

Our offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary and aren't passed hand to hand since COVID and they aren't brought forward.

Thank You – We, the kitchen co-ordinators, would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the congregation for all their support during our Christmas cookie sales!!! Our profit was \$815. Thank you again and see you in December 2025!!

Request from the Property Team – Please help us keep the Sanctuary clean. In the absence of Bud, who normally cleans up after services, our pews are being littered with bulletins, tissues and other debris. Please discard these items in the recycle bin and garbage can in the coat room outside the Sanctuary. Much appreciated!!

Outreach & Social Justice Team will be starting up a Casserole Ministry. Funding of this initiative will come from Deferred Revenue donated during Covid to support community food security programs. A **free hot Chili Lunch** will be available for pick up at Trinity United Church, 41 Market Street, Smiths Falls, on **Wednesday, January 15, 2025** starting at **1:00 p.m. until quantities last.**

Coming up this week at Trinity United

Sunday, January 12 10:30am Worship 10:30am Sunday School	Office Closed Worship Leader, Rev Takouhi
Monday, January 13 11:00am – 12:00pm	Office 9am – 1pm Chair Yoga
Tuesday, January 14	Office 9am – 1pm
Wednesday, January 15 9:30am 1:00pm	Office 9am – 1pm Bible Study Free Hot Chili Lunch (for pick-up)
Thursday, January 16	Office 9am – 1pm
Friday, January 17	Office Closed
Saturday, January 18	Office Closed
Sunday, January 19 10:30am Worship	Office Closed Worship Leader: Rev. Takouhi

WE GATHER AS AN EPIPHANY PEOPLE
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Introit: "When a Star is Shining"

Land Acknowledgement

Spiritual Focus:

"Baptism: A New Self, a New Responsibility..."

Lighting the Christ Candle (Responsive)

One: Dearly Beloved, the following six words shape our call to serve the Creator, as United Church of Canada –



Deep Spirituality. Bold Discipleship. Daring Justice.

[...] let us read the following vision statement of this United Church of ours, as one family.

**All: Called by God, as disciples of Jesus,
The United Church of Canada seeks to be a bold,
connected, evolving church of diverse, courageous,
hope-filled communities united in deep spirituality,
inspiring worship, and daring justice.**

One: Through the assurance of Christ's Love, Courage, and Presence we Light the Christ Candle and be reminded we are NOT alone we live in God's World. (*The Christ candle is lit.*)

Hymn of Wonder: Voices United #92

"In the Darkness Shines the Splendour"

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

**Opening Prayer: A Prayer of Bold Discipleship
(Responsive)**

Hymn of Illumination: Voices United # 84

"O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word"

Scripture:

Choir Anthem: "When Heaven's Bright With Mystery"

Life Lesson: "On the Path of a New Life..."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn of Illumination: Voices United #81

"As with Gladness Men of Old.

Prayers of Hope and Healing – Renewing Our Baptismal Vows

(Renewal of Baptismal Promises from Book of Worship United Church of Christ U.S.A.)

Invitation

One: Do you renew and affirm the promises made at your Baptism?

All: I do.

One: Do you recognize the call of God to be God's people always?

All: I do.

One: Do you embrace the way of Jesus in faith and ministry?

All: I do

One: Do you accept the nurture of the Holy Spirit who renews your spirit each day?

All: I do.

One: Do you accept and embrace others who seek a liberating faith in God?

All: I do.

One: In renewing your baptismal vows, remember your Baptism as a mark of acceptance and welcome into the care of Christ's church where you may begin again your Christian faith and life.

*(All who wish to walk to the Baptismal Font are welcome to do so,
as **we sing Voices United # 644**)*

Hymn of Baptism: Voices United #644

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

The Prayer that Jesus Taught His Followers (All)

Mission Story - Your Generosity Matters

Project Ploughshares

Keeping hope in impossible situations

Our Offerings – Supporting God's Ministries:

We share as able because we know every gift shared for the glory of God is a Perfect Gift. Thank you for your partnership.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given.

Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own. As everything we have and hold are temporary, but Your Love is Eternal. **Amen**

Time for the Young and Young at Heart



**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD
TO BE THE CHURCH**

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United #79

"Arise Your Light Is Come"

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: "The Birthday of a King"

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