



Trinity United Church
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February 2, 2025
Fourth Sunday After Epiphany
Presentation of Our Lord

February - Black History Month



Photo from Gov of Canada

www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month/historic-black-communities.html

***(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)

† Please remember that **Rev. Takouhi's weekend** is Monday and Tuesday. If Monday is a Statutory Holiday, the weekend includes Wednesday.

† If you wish to meet with **Rev. Takouhi** please call or e-mail to book an appointment:

613-777-0880 – revtakouhi@terrautopia.ca

Welcome,



as we gather for worship this Sunday morning. If you are a visitor or a newcomer to this Community of Faith, either in person or virtually, we extend a warm welcome. May you come in as a stranger but depart knowing you are part of the family.

Welcome Home!

WE GATHER AS AN EPIPHANY PEOPLE

Welcome & Announcements:

Introit: *"Where Two or Three are Gathered"* More Voices #14

Land Acknowledgement

Spiritual Focus:

"Epiphany — that our God is near, is here. That our God is indeed revealing God's very self even when it appears that everything God is for cannot always be perceived."

Rev. Dr. Karoline M. Lewis

Lighting the Christ Candle



Call to Worship

Hymn of Wonder: Voices United #395

"Come In, Come In and Sit Down"



Opening Prayer (in unison):

God of life, death, and resurrection,
we are grateful for life and all its gifts.
Increase in us the stuff that life is made of—
faith, hope, and love, but especially love—
that we may live and offer abundant life to all who come our way.
We pray because of Jesus. **Amen.**

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Hymn of Illumination: Voices United # 372

"Though I May Speak"

Scripture: Gospel of Luke 4:21-30 (NRSV)

Scripture Reader: Betty Lou Kempt



Meditation: *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"* **Voices United #670**

Life Lesson: *"God's Truth Causes Turmoil..."*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn of Assurance: More Voices #88

"Over My Head"



Prayers of Hope and Healing

The Prayer that Jesus Taught His Followers

(Sung - Voices United #960)

Your Generosity Matters (Mission Story)

English language classes are part of a psychosocial support program in Ukraine



Our Offerings – Supporting God's Ministries

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication:

O God, bless these gifts that we have given as expressions of our love for you and our neighbors, that they may bring closer to fulfillment your reign of peace and love; through Jesus Christ, our Teacher, Friend and Example to follow. **Amen.**

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD TO BE THE CHURCH

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United #507

"Today We Are Called to be Disciples" (tune 625)

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: "Dance with the Spirit"



Announcements

Please join us for Social Time after Worship 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 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.

A Reminder – Trinity United Church endeavours to provide a scent free environment for those who are sensitive to fragrances. Thank you for your consideration.

Rainbow 101 February event – Friday, February 14th

Meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. for potluck and a movie (90 minutes) "For the Bible Tells Me So". The Bible should not be

an excuse to hate 2SLGBTQIA+ community members! All are welcome! No Judgement.

It's Cold Out There!

Trinity Connectors (Trinity's Outreach and Social Justice Team) has put together a team to walk on **February 22, 2025** in Smiths Falls for the **Coldest Night Fundraiser** to support Lanark County Cornerstone Landing. We have a team of six members walking.

Go to

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/FundraisingPage.aspx?registrationID=5471875&langPref=en-CA> to donate or go to [Home - Coldest Night of the Year 2025 Canada](#) and click on donate and put in Trinity Connectors and it will take you to their team page to donate. Thank you!!

Big Brothers and Sisters Bowl for Kids – Feb. 22, 2025

Rainbow 101, who meet at Trinity on a monthly basis, have set up a Rainbow 101 Team. If you wish to donate, you can do so at www.zeffy.com/en-CA/team/rainbow--101 Please ensure you have a double dash between rainbow and 101 or you will not be able to access the site. Thank you!!

Free Hot Chicken Stew Lunch – Wednesday, February 19

As part of the Outreach and Social Justice Team Casserole Ministry, there will be a free hot chicken stew lunch here at trinity at 1:00 p.m. It is for pickup only and all are welcome!

Coming this Week at Trinity...

Monday, February 3 – Office UCW Meeting Chair Yoga	9am – 1pm 9:30am (gather at 9am) 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Tuesday, February 4 – Office Service at Van Horne (UCW Coffee break following the service)	9am – 1pm 2pm – 3pm
Wednesday, February 5 - Office Bible Study – All Are Welcome	9 am – 1pm 9:30am – Downstairs Parlor
Thursday, February 6 - Office	9 am – 1pm
Friday, February 7	Office Closed
Saturday, February 8	Office Closed
Sunday, February 9 Worship Celebration	Office Closed 10:30 a.m. Leader: Rev. Takouhi