



Trinity United Church
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May 11, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter



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

Welcome:

† Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive, Accessible and
an Affirming Congregation



Welcome, as we gather for worship this Sunday morning we come to celebrate Christian Family Sunday and to say happy Mother's Day. 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 EASTER PEOPLE

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements: Community in Action

Introit: "Take, O Take Me as I Am" MV 85

Spiritual Focus: *"Celebrating the love and care of all those who nurture."*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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Tammy Fergusson, pg. 52, Gathering L/E 2021,

Gathering Call: (Responsive) *Gathering L/E 2022, Tammy Ferguson, page 53, adapted, used with permission*

Our responsive Call to Worship, this morning, is dedicated to mothers and to all who take on the role of mothers in our lives.

Bless them with your love, O God,

ALL: As they cradle us with care.

Bless them with your love, O God,

ALL: Remind us to help them out.

Bless them with your love, O God,

ALL: To work together. Never Shout!

Bless them with your love, O God, for mothers of every gender and connection everywhere, God is with us. Don't despair!

ALL: Bless them with your love, O God.

Opening Prayer *Gathering L/E pg 53, Kate Gregory Gathering Pent. 2 2018 adapted*

(Please stand as able)

Gathering Song: "Are You a Shepherd?" MV 126

(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Prayer of Understanding *Gathering L/E, 2022, pg. 48, Kate Gregory, adapted*

Scripture:

Psalm 23 The King of Love VU 273 *(Choir)*

Acts: 9: 36—43

Reader: Here ends today's reading.

For the Sacred Story is God's story,

All: For the Sacred Story is Our Story

Reader: Thanks be to God.

Music Meditation: "Pastorale Symphony" From "Messiah"
(Handel)

Reflection:

Mother's Day

"I Love You Forever" ~Robert Munsch



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

(Please stand as able)

Hymn: "Would You Bless Our Homes and Families" VU #556

(Please be seated)

Mission Story: Learning about God's Love

Young 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals explore and reconcile their faith with their identity.

Invitation to Offer Ourselves, Finances, Gifts and Talents to God:

Invitation: *Gathering L/E 2019, pg.47, Gord Dunbar, Adapted, Used with permission*

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All): *Gathering L/E 2019, pg.54, Gord Dunbar, Used with permission*

We are gathered as your family of faith—diverse, delightful, devoted.

Bless the gifts of time, talent, and treasure we offer this morning,

that they may reflect the wonderful diversity of your family worldwide, that our beating hearts may connect with our human family everywhere. Amen

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD
TO LIVE AND LET LIVE AS EASTER PEOPLE**

Hymn: “The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young” VU 269

Prayers of the People *Presbyterian Church in Canada, worship resource, used with permission*

Our prayer response this day is, when you hear me say, “God, in your mercy,”

Your response will be, “**hear our prayer.**”

Let us pray...

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

Time with Youth and Young at Heart- Understanding Love
through Winnie-the-Pooh

(Please, stand as able)

Hymn of Going Forth: "All Praise to You" VU 297

(Please be seated)

Commissioning & Benediction *"Dipping Your Toes", Janet Stobie, pg. 231, used with permission*

Choral Amen

Postlude: "Amazing Grace" (Arr. Young)

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Announcements

Please join us for a time of Food, Faith and Fellowship downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, following today's service.

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.

Food Bank: Starting in May, Trinity United will be collecting items from the Smiths Falls Food Bank's wish list. Each month we will collect a specific item(s) and our goal is to collect 60 of each item each month. For May we will collect **NUT FREE Granola Bars and**

Pudding Cups. Let's see if we can meet our goal of 60 of each item. We can do it!

Annual Mushroom Compost Sale–It's that time of year again!!

Cost: still \$10 per 25 L bag. On sale starting **Saturday, May 10th** at the REAL DEAL parking lot, 85 William St. Smiths Falls. Trinity volunteers on site Saturdays, May 10th and May 17 and Long Weekend Monday, May 19th. Proceeds will go to the Life and Work of Trinity.

New to You Sale – The new date for the sale is Saturday, May 17th – 8:00 am to 1:00 p.m. We are looking for donations of clothing, books, shoes, purses, jewellery, trinkets, glassware, linens, puzzles, games, etc. No furniture or large items. Please submit your items to the stage in the Church Hall, preferably during office hours, but if you need another time, please call the office to arrange. Many thanks!!

Broadview Magazine Group Subscription – If you are interested in subscribing to Broadview this year and taking advantage of the yearly Group Subscription price of \$30, please submit a cheque made out to **Trinity United Church**, indicating on the memo line of the cheque that it is for the Broadview Subscription. Subscription requests and cheques should be submitted to the Trinity office no later than **May 26, 2025**.

Geraniums for sale – Order your Geraniums by calling the Church office at 613-283-444 or orders will also be taken following Sunday morning services. Colours this year are red, white, pink, orange and salmon - 4 plants for \$12. Note that some colours are

in limited supply. Order early to avoid disappointment. Pick up date will be **Saturday, May 31st, 9:00 a.m. until noon.**

Centennial Celebration – Sunday, June 15th at 11 am:

Plan to attend this once in a lifetime service at the EY Centre in Ottawa. Trinity United has reserved a coach bus for those wishing to attend. The bus will depart at 9:15 am. Please R.S.V.P. no later than May 25, 2025. Space will be limited so don't delay. There is a sign-up sheet at the rear of the sanctuary or you can contact the office at 613-283-4444 to reserve your seat.

Save the date!

Yes! They are coming back!! **Barrel Boys** Bluegrass Christmas Concert on **Saturday December 6th** Plan to attend!

This Week at Trinity...

Monday, May 12 – Office Chair Yoga	9am – 1 p.m. 11:00am – 12:00pm
Tuesday, May 13 – Office	9am – 1pm
Wednesday, May 14 - Office Bible Study – All Are Welcome	9 am – 1pm 9:30am – Downstairs Parlour
Thursday, May 15 - Office	9 am – 1pm
Friday, May 16	Office Closed
Saturday, May 17 New to You Sale	Office Closed 8 am – 1 pm – Church Hall
Sunday, May 18 Worship Celebration –	10:30 Worship – Leader Heather Quinn