



Trinity United Church

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July 27, 2025

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



Haghartsin Monastery, Armenia

Photo by: Rev. Takouhi – September 26, 2018

***(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, to the Spa for the Soul 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 PENTECOST PEOPLE

Land Acknowledgement



(Picture: Credit to Indigenous Ministries and Justice – The United Church of Canada)

Announcements: Community in Action

Introit: (Choir) *"Holy Spirit, Hear Us"* **(Voices United #377)**

Words and music: Public Domain.

Spiritual Focus

*"Prayer is the link to a life beyond the mundane,
the daily, the routine, the immediate dimensions of life."*

Joan Chittister

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship (Responsive):

One: We come before God with thanks and praise.

**All: We will praise God for God's unfailing love
and faithfulness.**

One: We bow before God in worship.

All: We will worship God, for the glory of the Lord is great.

One: We lift up our prayers to God with confidence.

**All: We have faith that God answers our prayers
and increases our strength.**

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

Hymn of Invitation: Voices United #664

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Words and music: Public Domain.

(Please be seated)

Prayers of Praise & Confession (Responsive):

One: Ever present God,
we seek and you offer.
We ask and you give.
We knock and you open the door.
Ever gracious God,
you hear the requests of your people
and in your goodness, you answer.
In Christ, you offer the gifts of new life and hope
to all who seek your blessing.
Through your Spirit, you pray within us,
even when we cannot find words ourselves.
Receive our praise and our prayers this day, O God,
and draw us into your holy presence,
so that your love will transform us
to serve you in the world you love.

All: Ever faithful God,
quickly we forget the gifts we have received from your grace;
instead of giving thanks, we ask for more.
We complain about what we lack and fail to trust your generosity.
We refuse others the forgiveness we seek for ourselves.
Forgive us, O God.
Transform our hearts and reshape our desires
to reflect your goodness in the way we live. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Hear the good news: God is generous and merciful,
ready to forgive, offering us new life in Christ Jesus.
Accept God's gift of forgiveness and share this gift with others.

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

Song of illumination: Voices United #371

"Open My Eyes, that I May See"

Words and music: Public Domain.

(Please be seated)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Scripture Reader: *Sharon O'Neill*

Luke 11:1-13 (NRSVue):

The Lord's Prayer

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

Perseverance in Prayer

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give

him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Reader: May God, add Blessings of Wisdom to our understanding.

All: Amen

Meditation (Choir): *"Our Father"* **Voices United #960**

Life Lesson: *"Prayer is ParticipACTION..."*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

(Please remain seated)

Hymn of Assurance: *"Sweet Hour of Prayer"* (Walford / Bradbury)

Words: William W. Walford, 1772-1850 Public Domain; Tune: William B. Bradbury 1816-1868 Public Domain.

Prayers of Hope and Healing

Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council's Prayer Cycle

We lift – Ashton-Munster

The Prayer that Jesus Taught His Followers¹ (spoken)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-Maker, Pain Bearer, Life-Giver,
Source of all that is and shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of Your Name echo through the universe!
The way of your Justice be followed by the people of the earth!
Your Heavenly Will be done by all created beings!
Your Commonwealth of Peace and Freedom sustain our home and
come on earth!
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In the times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For You reign in the glory of the power that is Love,
Now and forever.
Amen.

Your Generosity Matters (Mission Story) - Sharon O'Neill

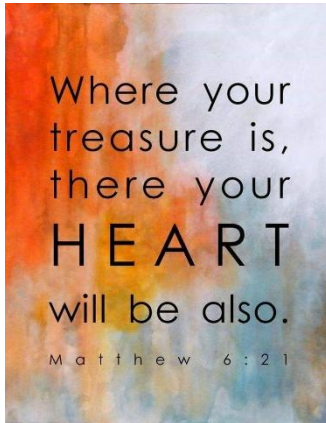
Healing With Compassion: Sue's Story at Wesley.

*Your gifts support people building a better future for themselves
and their families.*

Our Offerings – Supporting God's Ministries:

*Mindful of the abundance we have received from God,
we offer ourselves and our gifts to the world.*

¹ The Lord's Prayer, from the New Zealand Maori Anglican Liturgy – July 20, 2025



Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication (All):

Generous God, we offer you our gifts, thankful that your love is overflowing. Bless these gifts so that your love will flow through them to meet the needs of those who cry out to you and to us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD TO BE THE CHURCH

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices United #625

"I Feel the Winds of Change"

Words: National Adult School Organization. Music: Public Domain. Arrangement: Oxford University Press.

(Please Remain Standing)

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen Voices United #967

Postlude: A Musical Medley

"Whisper A Prayer in the Morning" (traditional)
& *"I Need Thee Every Hour"* (Robert Lowry & Annie S. Hawks)

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Announcements

† Trinity's building is **open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday - (Closed on Statutory Holidays)**

† **Rev. Takouhi's direct/confidential contact is:**
RevTakouhi@TerraUtopia.ca or 613-777-0880

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

✚ **Trinity United Church** endeavours to be scent free environment for the well-being of ALL people. There are many who are sensitive to scent. Help us keep the air we share healthy for everyone.



✚ Please remember **Trinity United Church's Samaritan (Benevolent) Fund.** This is a discretionary fund to reach the most vulnerable of the immediate and the wider community of Smiths Falls.


Offering Options - **Thank you for your generosity.**

There are many ways you can partner up with **God's Dream** for this world through **Trinity United Church** and help make a difference. You may share your **gifts, time and talent.**

If you choose to make a financial gift you may do:

- ✚ by cheque. Deliver in Person or mail cheque to church office:
Trinity United Church - 41 Market St N, Smiths Falls, ON K7A 2E7
- ✚ by E-transfers to **secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca**
- ✚ by Credit Card through **[CanadaHelps.](#)**

○ <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/28301>

 by PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) Forms are available at the entrance of Sanctuary.

Food Bank Challenge: For the month of **August**, Trinity United will be collecting personal care items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, body wash, feminine hygiene products, deodorant sticks, toilet paper. Please remember to check expiration/best before dates. Thank you!

Annual Mushroom Compost Sale—**We still have compost for sale at a reduced price. Cost is now \$5 per 25 L bag.** On sale at the REAL DEAL parking lot, 85 William St. Smiths Falls from Wednesday to Saturday. Proceeds will go to the Life and Work of Trinity until sold out.

Pop-up Book and Bake Sale – **Saturday, August 2, 2025 from 8 am to noon.** We are looking for donations of soft and hard cover novels, magazines, cook books, children's books, etc. In addition, donations of your favourite baking items are greatly appreciated. Books can be brought anytime prior to August 1st and left on the stage in the Church Hall. Baking donations should be packaged and ready to sell and can be brought to the church on Friday, August 1st between 12 noon and 4 p.m. Thank you!!

100 Tables: **Trinity United Church is a featured Church on the United Church of Canada's 100 Table Page.** Find it here: [100 Tables: Trinity United Church Smith Falls | The United Church of Canada](#) Look and see what we have been doing to promote 100 tables. There is a place for everyone at Jesus' Table.

Photo directory is coming! Be sure to signup for the end of October. See Cory at the sound booth or email coryagnew@hotmail.com or call the office at 613-283-4444.


Are you hot? Us too! In order to make it more bearable while you are in the Sanctuary there is a basket with foldable hand fans for you to use. We just ask that you return your fan at the end of service so they will be available next week too. Be Blessed and stay cool.

This Week at Trinity...

Monday, July 28 – Office	9 am – 1pm
Tuesday, July 29 – Office	9 am – 1 pm
Wednesday, July 30 – Office	9 am – 1pm
Thursday, July 31 – Office	9 am – 1pm
Friday, August 1	Office Closed
Saturday, August 2 Pop-up Book and Bake Sale	Office Closed 8 am to noon
Sunday, August 3 Worship Celebrations – First Sunday of August is Natl Friendship Day in Canada	Office Closed 10:30 a.m.


Mark Your Calendars

Save the Dates and Spread the Word:

 ***Sunday, September 7, 2025*** – Our Lay License Worship Leader, ***Norma Wrightly*** will be leading worship with guest soloist, ***Vanessa London***

 ***Sunday, September 28, 2025 @ 2:30 P.M.***
Fall into Music Concert Series at Trinity - Concert #1
Danah-Lee - Canadian Contemporary Christian/LGBTQ2s+
Singer-Songwriter and Producer.

www.danahleemusic.com

 ***Sunday, October 26, 2025 @ 2:30 P.M.***
Fall into Music Concert Series at Trinity - Concert #2
Mary's Merry Minstrels: Mary A. Kennedy, a fiddle teacher from Kingston along with an assortment of 10-to-20 other local musicians. The show will consist of various fiddle tunes as well as other genres of music.

Ticket Information will soon be available