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November 16, 2025

UCW Sunday

Guest Speaker: Betty Turcott



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

† Trinity is Welcoming, Open, Inclusive, Accessible and an Affirming Congregation. *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 GRATEFUL PEOPLE

Prelude - Musical Improvisation

(We prepare our hearts for worship)

Welcome: Introduction of Betty Turcott

Land Acknowledgement – Ann Marleau



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

Spiritual Focus: Betty Turcott

Lighting of the Christ Candle, Affirming Candle and the UCW Candle

We light the Christ Candle to remind ourselves that God is with us in this place.

We light this Affirming Candle to symbolize the light of Christ we carry to other.

We light the UCW candle to remind us that in our love of God, we foster Christian commitment, Faithfulness and Spirituality. And promote respect and love for all God's creation. (adapted from UCW Mission Statement)

Call to Worship (UCW Purpose)

To unite the women of the community of faith for the total mission of the Church and to provide a means through which we

may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian Witness, Study, Fellowship and Service.

(We stand in body and/or spirit)

Hymn of Praise: Voices United #402 *"We Are One"*

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(Please be seated)

Prayer of Invocation: (All)

Gracious and merciful God, open our eyes and ears and hearts to your presence. We need your help to see you, to hear you, to feel you within us. Help us to trust and believe that you do speak, sometimes with a still small voice and sometimes with thunder. We give you thanks as followers of Jesus. Amen.

(Rev. Janet Stobie "Dipping your toes, too" page 92)

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

Choir Anthem: Michael Fenn

Scripture Readers: *Flora Riley, Laurie McDougall, Ann Marleau, Helen Paul and Becky Degroot*

Acts 16:13-15 (NRSVue)¹

2 Kings 22:14-17 (NRSVue)

Luke 8:1-3, 24:1-11 (NRSVue)

2 Kings 4:8, 13-17 (NRSVue)

¹ New Revised Standard Version updated edition.

Reader: May the Church hear and adhere to the Spirit's Voice.

All: Amen

Life Lesson: Betty Turcott

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

(Please remain seated)

The Prayer Request Box is brought forward as we sing the next hymn.

Arlie Dobson

Hymn of Assurance: Voices United #842 (Psalm 121)

"Unto the Hills"

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Prayers of Hope and Healing – Betty Turcott



Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council's Prayer Cycle

We lift up – *Stittsville Pastoral Charge - Stittsville, ON*

The Prayer that Jesus Taught His Followers (all)

Your Generosity Matters (Mission Story) – *Brenda King*

From Sleepless Nights to Shared Strength

Our Offerings – Supporting God's Ministries:

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

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

The Offertory Plate is brought forward during the Doxology

Offering Prayer

Frances Flook, Emo, ON (Gathering, page 29)

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD TO BE PEACE-MAKERS

Announcements: Community Faith in Action – Betty Lou Kempt

UCW Appreciation Flowers

(Please stand as in body and/or Spirit)

Hymn of Going Forth: Voices Unted #595

"We are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)"

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(Please Remain Standing)

Commissioning & Benediction – Betty Turcott

UCW Prayer (All)

And now, go with us, God, into the days ahead.

Strengthen us for peace. Give us wisdom, keep us humble, and
may we live

And work together, and so striving, build a new and better world
for tomorrow. AMEN

Choral Amen: (Choir Only) Voices United 967 "Danish"

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Announcements: Community of Faith in Action

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

+ **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.



Your Financial Contributions in Support of God's Ministries: **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.

+ **Honour a loved one by helping to sponsor a bulletin**

during Advent (starting Nov. 30th) or Christmas Eve. Each week a notice will go into the bulletin, reading.....

This Week's Bulletin is...
In memory of..., given by ...(or)
In celebration of..., given by...

In order to keep these affordable, multiple people may sponsor the same bulletin. The cost is \$20.00. Contact the office via email or drop off a written request including the details outlined above, date (s) to put in bulletin, along with your donation to be submitted by e-transfer, cash or cheque.

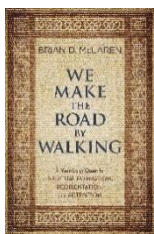
 ***In support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB)—***
During the month of November, donations will be accepted by Trinity United Church on behalf of The United Church of Canada - an account member of the CFGB. Your gift will be used where it is needed most—food in times of emergency, longer-term agricultural and livelihoods training, or nutrition education and support. If you wish to support this endeavour, cash, cheques and e-transfers will be accepted. Cheques should be made out to Trinity United Church. Please designate your donation with “Foodgrains” on the memo line of your cheque or the envelope. If you wish to e-transfer, please send it to secretary@trinityunitedsf.ca making sure you indicate in the message area that it is for “Foodgrains”. Your gift will be receipted to your envelope number; otherwise, your full name and mailing address are required. Trinity will then forward a donation to the CFGB to be credited to the UCC account. Thank you for your continued support!!

✚ **Trinity is putting together a Cookbook, and we need your help!** How often have you gone to a potluck or are visiting a friend and wondered what was in that dish? We are hoping to compile a number of recipes from all of you to include everything that would normally be seen in a cookbook, along with a couple of new sections....such as Gluten Free, Lactose Free, Diabetic, or Cooking for One. If your recipe is suitable for one of these new sections, please label it as such. You can submit your recipes by placing them in the basket outside the sanctuary or you can send them electronically to tuccookbook@gmail.com Thank you!

✚ **The Ministry and Personnel Committee** is the group which facilitates communication between the congregation and Trinity's paid staff. Any celebrations and concerns you may have with the work being done within our church are welcome – particularly as we head towards our yearly reviews in the coming weeks. Carol Williams at carolwilliams.ca@proton.me , David Johnston, Lee Davidson and Becky DeGroote.

✚ **Potluck and Praise** – Please join us on **Tuesday, November 18th at 6 p.m.** and bring a dish to share!

✚ **Wednesday mornings @ 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**



This Wednesday, November 19 - Chapter 10.

"We Make the Road by Walking: A Year-Long Quest for Spiritual Formation, Reorientation, and Activation" by, Brian McLaren.

✚ **Healing Pathway** has resumed and is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The next session is **Wednesday, November 19th**

from 2 – 4 pm. Please call the office if you would like to book a session and we will return your call to set a time. Healing Pathway is a hands-on spiritual and healing practice designed to enhance your well-being and strengthen your resilience. It helps align your body, emotions, mind, and spirit, promoting a sense of harmony and balance in all areas of your life.

✚ **Lanark Interval House** – We continue to pack a parcel for Interval House for Christmas. Unopened personal items, small gifts for women and children would be appreciated. Please consider regular and fragrance-free items. Donations may be left in the box provided at the entrance to the Church. Last day for donations is December 15th. Contact Diane Combdon or Joanne Hunter for any questions.

✚ **Thank You** – The UCW and Kitchen Coordinators would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the congregation for their support for our Holly Luncheon and Bazaar!!! Our profit was \$3,040.

✚ **Trinity's Monthly Food Bank Challenge**
Monthly goal is to meet or beat 60 items. For the month of November, we are collecting **Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jam, Honey, and Cheese Whiz. Please check expiry dates.**

✚ **The Rideau Environmental Action League (REAL)**
Fundraising Auction. Bidding starts on November 12th and goes through until November 22nd. All bidding will be on line at <https://www.32auctions.com/REAL2025>

Trinity Name Tags

Name tags: Help folks know your name...

Order your new name tag on **Sunday, November 23rd**. The tags have a magnetic clasp—no fiddly pin to worry about. The cost is \$10.00 each upon receipt. A sample will be on display. Sharon O'Neill will be in the vestibule, outside the Sanctuary, to take your order—your name and phone number are required.

 **Sounds of Christmas – Sunday, November 23rd at 6 p.m. at Bethel Pentecostal Church in Smiths Falls.** A wonderful evening of Christmas carols, readings and music from local churches. A special offering will be taken for the Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Campaign.

 **Rev. Takouhi** will be away from November 12-28, to read, reflect, rest and reset for the Season of Advent and Christmas. Spread the word about the amazing worship celebrations planned for **November 16, 23 and the Season of Advent and Christmas**. Pray, Promote and Participate to all events as able. **Do not keep the Love of God a secret, invite others to experience this unconditional Love through this Community of Faith.** While Rev. Takouhi is away, you may contact **Liz Church** for all Pastoral Care Needs – (902) 441-5357 or lizchurch1@hotmail.com

 **Ecumenical Advent Walk – Sunday, November 30th at 4 p.m.** “Sharing the Light of Christ in Smiths Falls”. The walk will begin at St. Francis Catholic Church and end at St. Johns Anglican Church.

✚ National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women – Saturday, December 6th at 11 am at Trinity United Church, Smiths Falls.



✚ The Barrel Boys Bluegrass Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 6, 2025 @ 7:30 P.M. - Celebrate the holiday season in Smiths Falls with one of Canada's most beloved bluegrass bands, The Barrel Boys. Their enchanting melodies and heartwarming harmonies bring a delightful blend of folk, bluegrass, and Americana to your seasonal festivities. From timeless carols to original compositions, their holiday show captures the season's essence, infusing every note with warmth and memory. Join The Barrel Boys for a magical Christmas show that will fill your heart with joy and leave you with cherished memories of the most wonderful time of the year. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, and \$10 for children under 13. Advance tickets can be purchased at www.thebarrelboys.com/shows or through the Church Office: **613-283-4444**.

This Week at Trinity...

Monday, Nov. 17 – Office Chair Yoga	9 am – 1 pm 11 am to 12 noon
Tuesday, Nov. 18 – Office Pot Luck and Praise	9 am – 1 pm 6 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 19 – Office Bible Study Chapter 10 (Parlour) Healing Pathway (Chapel – Trinity)	9 am – 1pm 10 am – 11:30 am 2 pm – 4 pm
Thursday, Nov 20 – Office	9 am – 1pm
Friday, Nov 21	Office Closed
Saturday, November 22	Office Closed
Sunday, November 23 Worship Celebration	Office Closed 10:30 am