

# Trinity United Church

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## Trinity United Church

*The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville*

September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

*Real People. Real Life. Real Hope.*

... **Bold** is read by everyone...

### We Gather as God's People

Musical Prelude: Lynda Arnold

Greeting: Jesus said, *"I have come that you may have life and have it abundantly."*

All: **In our lives, may this be so.**

Welcome in Friendship!

Welcome in Faith!

Welcome in God's inclusive and inspiring Love!

If you're visiting with us today- Welcome! Our time together is enriched by your presence! May you feel comfortable and welcome in this place.

*We gather every week as followers of Jesus to grow our hearts and to aspire to be better humans in order to build a better world for ALL God's people. We strive to be a Spirit-filled and Spirit-led community extending our love and blessings to all we meet.*

Introit "Find a Home Here" (just the refrain)

**Find a home here, live out faith here,  
gather strength here, find family here.  
Be yourself here, feel secure here,  
celebrate here, be a home here. (repeat)**

This Week's Announcements

Joys and Concerns/Thanks/ in our faith community

## Retired and Retiring Choir Members' Appreciation

## A Quiet Moment

Let's take a quiet moment to settle our hearts and ready ourselves to celebrate God's wisdom and light...

Call to Celebrate God's Presence and Prayer of Approach:

One: God is like a Potter who shapes and forms our lives.

**All: We have been called to be faithful to God's way of wisdom and light.**

One: God shapes us, if we are willing, into vessels of compassion and service. We are vessels of God's loving energy to be shared with everyone.

**All: Turn our fragile earthen bodies into the Spirit filled, loving body of Christ!**

Opening Hymn: "Come Let us Sing of a Wonderful Love"

VU# 574

## Lighting of the Christ Candle

One: As we light our Christ candle both here and at home today, may its flame remind us that we are all God's beloved sons and daughters trying to live into our best lives. We are, like holy candles, called to shine our inner healing light into all the dark places in our world.

## Opening Prayer

**Holy Shaper of our hearts and minds, teach us your ways and forgive us when we fail to be all the person you created us to be. Help us to see our brokenness. Lead us into a deeper understanding of You so that we may carry out your mission of love in our world. Empower us and enlarge our hearts with a greater capacity to show compassion. Amen.**

## Time with our Light Bearers

## Anthem: African Psalm -

words & music by Patrick M Liebergen

We Listen for God's Word

Reader: Sally McClelland

## Prayer of Illumination

Reader: Our God still speaks to us today through other people and through biblical stories inviting us into wholeness, renewal and new life. May God's word speak to our hearts today.

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 18: 1-10 (*God is the Potter; we are the clay. God shapes and moulds us like clay in a potter's hand.*)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to our hearts.

**All: Amen**

Minister's Message "*Pressing the reset button and reshaping our lives*"

## Brief musical reflection

## Offering Invitation

Our offering is both support for our own church ministries and a symbol of our response to God's generosity and blessing in our own lives. What do you offer for the reshaping and moulding of our uncertain and broken world? Remember we are blessed to be a blessing!

Our morning tithes and offerings will now be received.  
*(As Covid continues to recede we are reintroducing the Sunday ritual of passing around the collection plate. If you give by Par or E-transfer simply pass the plate to your neighbour with an offering of a morning smile.)*

Offering Hymn (tune of Edelweiss)

**God of love, hear our prayer,  
bless this offering we bring you.  
May our lives do your will,  
guide and guard us forever.  
Give us the courage to stand for truth,  
help us care for others.  
God of love, hear our prayer,  
Bless this offering we bring you.**

Offering Prayer

**Spirit of Life, place your hand upon these gifts so they may bring renewal and healing to those people and places that need it most. We offer them with love, so that through them, both we and the world may be reshaped. May these monetary gifts and the gifts of our time and our talent that don't end up in the plate, be signs of your compassion in our hurting world. Amen.**

Hymn: "Lord, listen to your Children Praying" VU# 400

Prayers of the People

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;**

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever Amen.**

Commissioning: In the Spirit of love we have gathered now, in the Spirit of love let us depart.

Irish Benediction

May the road rise to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face.  
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.  
And until we meet again,  
May God hold us all in the palm of God's hand.  
Amen

Sung Blessing "We are One" VU# 402 (last verse only)

**We are one as we hear,  
as we hear, heart and hand unite;  
In the word we receive  
there's a sense that God is light.  
We are one as we leave, as we love we are loved;  
And we seek justice in God's ways  
as we move together from this place.**

Closing Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me?" VU# 567

Musical Postlude: Lynda Arnold

Something to think about this coming week...

*May the Spirit always dance in your soul  
and tell you in a million different ways that you  
are known and held and loved by God.*

**Announcements and other 'Stuff'!**

Don't forget to send your summer fun photos  
to Alastair Dunlop for our "official" Welcome Back to Church  
service on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Come and bring a friend! As they say, the more the merrier!

**FUNDSCRIP Report** for September's order!!

Total participants - 31

Total orders - \$13,025.00

**Total cash back for the church - \$397.75 !!**

Total cash back June to September - \$1599.90

This is a phenomenal fund raiser for Trinity but we need  
everyone to join in... no cost to you!! Start by buying your  
groceries using FundScrip! Try it!!

**What's Cooking?**



Starting Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> for 4  
Saturday mornings from 10 am to noon in  
Trinity's kitchen.  
Come and see some delicious basic  
cooking and baking demonstrations by our  
own in-house chefs and take home the  
recipe and tips. \$5 per person per Saturday.

Give Gord Mitchell a call for more details.

***Correction from the Newsletter!***

Joan Behm's phone # 705-788-5838

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*A Celebration of Hermann Waxl's life*  
will be held at Trinity United Church,  
September 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm.

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***Raise A Hallelujah!***  
~ an Ecumenical Hymn Service ~  
*with Trinity's choir participating,*  
held at St. Mary's Church,  
Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022,  
beginning at 7PM  
Everyone is welcome!

Admission is a non-perishable food item,  
along with a good-will offering during the evening.  
The food and proceeds will go to The Table,  
the non-denominational food bank here in town.  
Come out, bring a friend and your singing voice.  
Get your ticket for a seat from Maurice McGill!

