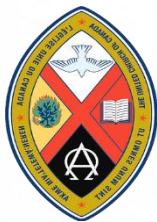


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The heart in the heart of Huntsville

WELCOME

We're glad
you're here!



*Loving hearts.
Open minds.
Serving hands.*

Welcome to Trinity

Sunday August 11th, 2024

10 am

“Loving Hearts ... Open Minds ... Serving Hands.”

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.”

First Peter 3 14b

WE GATHER

Prelude: *Lynda Arnold*

Introit: *“Find a Home Here”*

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

Greeting

Jesus said: “I have come that you may have life and have it abundantly”.

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

Welcome in Friendship! Welcome in Faith! Welcome in Love!

Announcements

Concerns, Joys and God Moments

A Moment of Mediation

Let us pause for a few moments and allow ourselves to grow still ...

Call to Worship

Open our ears
to hear your word.
Open our eyes
to see your presence.
Open our arms
to the embrace of community.
Open our minds
to the beauty of truth.
Open our hearts
to the joy of new life.

Opening Hymn: *“This Is the Day” (VU 412)*

Opening Prayer

**Loving God,
As we begin this church service, we seek your
guidance and wisdom.
We acknowledge that we are in need of your divine
direction.
Open our hearts and minds to your Word, that we may
receive the insights and revelations you have for us
today.
May your Spirit be our compass, leading us onward.
Help us to discern your will and follow it faithfully.
We trust in your guidance and thank you for your
presence among us.
In your name, we pray.
Amen.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Time with our Children

Summer Music: *"Go Light Your World"* by Chris Tomlin.
(Marion Nichols and Lynda Arnold.)

Today's Scripture Reading

Today's reader is Judy White.

Reader: God of love, as we prepare to hear Your Word, we ask for the presence of Your Holy Spirit. May we feel Your nearness. May our hearts be open to encountering You. Amen.

New Testament Reading: *Ephesians 4:25-5:2*

(A message from Paul to the church of Ephesus)

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

All: Amen.

The Morning Message: *"People on the Way."*

Musical Reflection

Hymn: *"Spirit of the Living God"* (VU 376)

Mission Moment

OUR OFFERING

Invitation

As we are loved,

All: let us show our love for others.

As we have been blessed,

All: may we now be a blessing to others.

Let us join together in our morning offering - a time to symbolically offer to God all that we have, all that we are and all that we are working to become.

Our offerings and prayers will now be received.

Offering Hymn

**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

Lord, let our congregation be a witness to you:
immersed in scripture,
constant in prayer,
joyful in worship,
generous in giving.

A loving, supportive community reaching out to those in need.

Accept these gifts we offer, in Jesus' name, Amen.

OUR PRAYERS

Hymn: *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"*

**Lord, listen to your children praying.
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

Prayers of the People

Ending with The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Closing Hymn: "One More Step" (VU 639)

The Blessing (from Numbers 6: 24-26)

**May God bless us and keep us;
May God make his face to shine upon us and be
gracious to us;
May God turn his face towards us and give us peace.**

Musical Postlude: Lynda Arnold



Join us in Trinity Hall following today's service for a glass of lemonade and fellowship time.

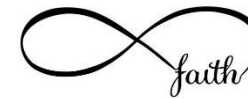
Your hosts today: Barb and Rob Dalziel.



Our thought for the week:



A teachable heart.
A willing spirit.
A bendable will.
A loving attitude.
This is a person guided by God.
This is the person I want to be.
- Lysa Terkeurst



We welcome Cathy Fairley as our Worship leader today.

Cathy and her husband Craig moved to Huntsville in June 2023 and are happy to call Trinity home.

Cathy was a Lay Minister for many years in the Burlington area.



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER STUFF!

The Outreach Team is asking you to help the local food banks. On the last Sunday of each month, we will be collecting food for the Salvation Army and the Table Soup Bank.

➤ **August is Soup!**



“Dock Talk” – Our Inspirit Team is inviting you to be part of this reflective conversation-filled event.

When: Thursday August 15th from 2-4 pm.

Where: Marc and Diane’s dock on Lake of Bays.

What to Bring: A question or query you would like to share with this group for discussion.

Registration is limited to 12! First come – first served!

Please call or email Suzy on 705-789-5660 or email:

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Trinity Kindness Rock Garden.

Just a reminder to bring your rocks on Sunday.

We now have 30 rocks!

Please keep the rocks around fist size.



The United Church has been designated a **Scent Sensitive Building**. Scented products can trigger reactions such as respiratory distress and headaches.

Please refrain from wearing perfume and cologne.

Thank you.



If you would like a prayer included with the prayers of the people, **Prayer Pockets** are available and should be placed on the offering plate. *Thank you!*

Upcoming Fall Book Study starting in September

Have you ever noticed that some people are living vital years past the time most people would call them “productive” ones?

What do they have that you may like to have also?

In Sister Joan Chittister’s book called: **“The Gift of Years - Growing Older Gracefully”**, Chittister writes about life beyond its physical dimension to its spiritual development. In our time together we will discover the mental and spiritual attitudes we bring to the challenges we face as we transition from one decade to another. We must be, in the words of writer Parker Palmer, willing to let go of the life we have planned in order to have the life that is waiting for us.

Would you like to dive more deeply into exploring how each stage of life brings with it its own purpose?

Please join me and our Inspirit Team as we unpack this book starting **Tuesday September 10th from 2-3 pm in the Arnold Room** at Trinity United Church.

This book study will continue weekly until Tuesday October 8th. Please let me or Suzy know if you would like to be part of this book group. It may be a good idea to get a jump on your reading while there are still some summer days to do so. This inspirational and illuminating book encourages us to surmount our fears of getting older and find our meaning and joy in aging well. You can buy this book on Amazon or maybe pick it up at your local bookstore or library. Again, the book is called: **“The Gift of Years - Growing Older Gracefully.”**

Hope you can join us on this spiritual journey of embracing our senior years and all the challenges and gifts they bring to us.

Blessings, Rev. D

