

Today's bulletin is kindly sponsored by
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"Honouring all Dads on Father's Day!"



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Welcome to Trinity
The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville
Happy Father's Day!
Sunday June 15, 2025 – 10 am

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

*“On the day of Pentecost, God’s Spirit empowered people
to do things they never dreamt possible.”*

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Processional: “Find a Home Here”

**All: 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

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

All: In our lives, may this be so.

Good morning and welcome to Trinity United Church both here and online!

Welcome in Friendship! Welcome in Faith!
Welcome in God’s inclusive and healing Love!

Whether you consider yourself to be a Progressive Mainliner, a quiet Contemplative, a spiritual seeker or a

deconstructing post evangelical - come on in and join us!
God meets us here in the messy middle of our lives!

*If you’re visiting with us for the first time today- welcome!
Our time together is enriched by your presence.*

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

A Quiet Moment

Call to Worship

One: Come, all who are waiting, waiting for healing, for hope, for change.

**All: We gather by the waters, longing for renewal,
tired of what has been.**

One: Jesus comes to us, not with pity, but with power. He asks, *“Do you want to be made well?”*

All: We hear his call: “Stand up, take your mat and walk.”

One: Perhaps today we can lay down our excuses and release the blame.

**All: We are here to celebrate the One who heals, the
One who calls us forward into new life.**

Opening Hymn: “Holy Spirit, Come into Our Lives”
(MV 6 - verses 1, 3 and 6)

Opening Prayer

**All: Healing Spirit, you meet us in our stuck places- in
our waiting, our weariness and our blaming. Forgive
us when we blame you or others for our troubles.**

Forgive us when we refuse to take responsibility for our own actions and our own precious life. Call us out of our victim stories and into resurrection stories. Blow your healing spirit into our wounded bodies and souls so we can become whole and holy again. Amen.

Hats off to Fathers!

One: Today is Father's Day- a day we celebrate and honour our dad's, our step dads, our grandfathers, uncles and all the men who are father-like figures in our lives. For some, it's a day of quiet reflection upon the fathers they never had or fathers that didn't live up to our expectations. May we find grace in our hearts for they too were struggling with the burdens of life.

A PRAYER IN HONOUR OF OUR FATHERS

All: Spirit of Life, today we give thanks for fathers who strive to balance the demands of work, marriage and children.

Let us give thanks for fathers, who despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives.

Let us give thanks for those fathers whose children are adopted and whose love and support has offered much needed healing.

We give thanks for the fathers who had to work at becoming good fathers because they lacked a good role model for being a father. Their loving and fruitful efforts have broken an unhealthy cycle.

For our fathers who are no longer with us... we are grateful they live on in our hearts and memories and whose love continue to nurture us.

And to the men who are about to become a father- may they openly delight and unconditionally love their children. Amen.

Time with our Light Beamers

(Our young people are taught the stories and values of Jesus of Nazareth especially his love and compassion for all God's people. In turn, they learn to share this love at home, at school and in their communities.)

Light Beamer Song: "Come to My Heart"
(VU 661 - verse 1 only)

The Lighting of the Christ Candle by our Light Beamers

One: As we light the Christ candle today, may its flame remind us of the Divine Spark of love which resides in each and everyone of us. Help us to fan this flame into a fabulous fireball of unconditional love and acceptance for all people. Love is the heartbeat of our faith.

Light Beamer Moment with Reverend Diane Congregational Blessing

Light Beamers: "May the peace of Christ be with you."

All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: "Love One Another" (Music by Brad Nix)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Our Scripture reader today is Faye McKnight.

New Testament Reading: John 5: 1-8

(Jesus heals a man at the Bethesda pool. In this story, we get a glimpse of a man who refuses to take responsibility for his own well being. Change always requires action.)

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

All: **Amen.**

The Minister's Message: "Get up and Walk."

Brief Musical Reflection

Our Offering Invitation

One: Like the man by the pool longing for healing, our gifts help make the church a place where people still hear Jesus say, *"Stand up, take your mat and walk."* Let us give with open hands and hearts, trusting that our gifts will be used to bring wholeness and new life.

Our morning tithes and offerings will now be received.

Offering Hymn: (sung to the tune of the Traditional Doxology)

**Praise God for love in all its forms.
Love sees us through both calm and storms.
God's love is meant for us to share.
May we, in love, reach out to care.
Amen.**

Offering Prayer

All: **God of mercy and healing, you met a man by the water who had nearly given up hope. You saw his need and brought him new life. As we bring our gifts to you today, use them to bring healing to our communities, hope to the discouraged and life where there is despair and weariness. In the name of Jesus, our healer, we pray. Amen.**

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.**

Closing Hymn: "Come, My Way, My Truth" (VU 628)

Commissioning

One: May the God who restores,
the Christ who heals,
and the Spirit who empowers
go with you now and always.

Benediction

One: Go now in the grace of Christ who meets us in our brokenness and speaks words of healing and hope.
Rise from whatever is holding you back.
Take up your mat, your story, your journey,
and walk in the new life God gives.
Amen.

Sung Blessing: "It Only Takes a Spark" (VU 289)

**It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing,
that's how it is with God's love,**

once you've experienced it,
you spread God's love to everyone,
you want to pass it on.

Musical Postlude: Kyung-A Lee



Please join us in Trinity Hall following the service where you are invited to have a cup of tea or coffee and fellowship time.

Your hosts today are Kaitlin McDonald and Shirley Crawford.



Your spiritual take home for the week ahead!

"Change always requires action.

*Where are we being called to rise up
and take responsibility for our own lives today?"*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER STUFF!



**A special note of thanks to
Jane Booker and Judy White
for putting the New Members' Survival
Kit together!**



The Outreach Team thanks you for helping to collect food for the
Corner Lighthouse food bank.

JUNE is BOXED CAKE MIXES.

Dates for your diary!

Directors meeting – Tuesday June 17th at 10:00 am in the Arnold Room.

The Men's Group will be taking a break for the summer but will meet again on Wednesday September 10th at 9 am in the Arnold Room. However, if you are available and willing, help is needed Tuesday evening June 17th to move bags of cement to the basement. For more information, please call Len (705-349-2553) or just show up! Thanks!

Can you help? One of our Trinity folks is in need of an under-used vehicle for a modest price. If you can help, please contact Lynda Arnold or Suzy in the office. Thank you!!!



Please remember the **Benevolent Fund Basket** in Trinity Hall at Coffee Hour after worship. Your donation for the coffee and goodies helps the Outreach Team to help others in our community who are going through a difficult time in their lives. Thank you for your support!



A Trinity United Church **Congregational Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, June 22, 2025** following worship (11 am) regarding the Trinity Theatre Proposal below.

Trinity Theatre Proposal - Phase #1 details

Phase #1 could be completed by church personnel.

Prefabricating extension sections off site so disruption to the Sanctuary would be a matter of a few days.

1. extension of chancel 6 ft;
2. mobilization of the pulpit, lectern, communion table;
3. removal of choir pews and permanent risers in the choir loft (possibly replaced with our portable risers and chairs);
4. removal of one front pew only – both sides of the main floor Sanctuary would then be the same, replaced with stacking chairs as/if needed;
5. organ stays of course;
6. the design allows for conversion from theater mode to church service mode in a matter minutes.



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within us.

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