



The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville!



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Welcome to Trinity

The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville

Sunday February 1, 2026 - 10 am

"Loving Hearts ... Open Minds ... Serving Hands"

*"We are travelling the Way of Jesus.
Aiming our lives toward Love."*

WE GATHER AS THE WHOLE PEOPLE OF GOD

Introit: "I have Called You by Your Name" (MV 161- verse 1)

**All: I have called you by your name, you are mine.
I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.
I will not abandon you; all my promises are true.
You are gifted, called and chosen; you are mine.**

Greeting

One: Jesus calls us to follow him!

**All: We are here to learn about his ways and to become
all the person we were created to be.**

Welcome in Friendship! Welcome in Faith!
Welcome in Spirit's all-inclusive love!

*We are a lively Spirit-filled community with arms open wide to
welcome you too! If you're visiting or shopping around for a
new spiritual home, we are glad you're here with us. We
gather every week as followers of Jesus to grow our hearts
and to aspire to be better human beings in order to build a
better world for all God's people.*

Announcements

Joys, Concerns and God Moments

Moment of Meditation

Call to Worship and Prayer of Approach

One: Come, all who are seeking, come with hope in your hearts and questions on your lips.

**All: We come longing for a faith that is deep, real, and
alive.**

One: We are called to a way of living:

**All: to do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly
with our God.**

One: Jesus invites us onto a path that reshapes blessing.

**All: A path where the meek are strong, the merciful are
powerful and the poor in spirit are close to the heart of
God.**

One: So, come everyone, here and in your sacred spaces at home. Come to listen. Come to be shaped and come to walk the Way of Jesus together.

Opening Hymn: "All Are Welcome" (MV 1 - verses 1, 2 and 4)

Opening Prayer

**All: Spirit of life, we come with our busy minds,
distracted hearts and lives shaped by many voices calling
for our attention. Yet here you call us back to what
matters most. Through your prophets, you call us to
justice that restores, kindness that heals, and humility
that keeps us grounded in you. As we gather both here
and online, shape us through the practices of prayer,
reflection and listening. We offer this time to you, and
we offer ourselves. Amen.**

Light Beamer Song: “Sing a Happy Hallelujah” (VU 224)

All: **Sing a happy hallelujah,
sing it out with heart and style,
we’re the echo of God’s laughter,
we’re the image of God’s smile.
Hallelujah, all creation, hallelujah, everyone!
Hallelujah, all creation, hallelujah everyone!**

Lighting of the Christ Candle – The Light Beamers

Light Beamer Moment

It’s time to hear the stories of Jesus and how his stories teach us a better, more loving way to live. We strive to teach our Light Beamers to follow in the footsteps of Jesus growing in kindness and love. As their hearts grow larger, they too can go into the world and shine their light, the light of Christ, of love for others.

Congregational Blessing

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

All: **And also with you.**

Anthem: "Go Ye Therefore" by Mary MacDonald

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

One: Creator God, we have gathered today wanting to experience something greater than ourselves. May we be granted the wisdom you offer as we receive the words of Scripture today. Amen.

Our Scripture Reader today is Faye McKnight.

Old Testament Reading: Micah 6: 6-8

(Here the Prophet Micah gives us a simple clear compass of a faithful life.)

Reader: God’s Word is a lamp to our feet.

All: **And a light to our path. Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Matthew 5: 1-12

(While Micah gives us direction, Jesus takes that direction and paints a picture of what the journey actually looks like. Micah is the compass and the Beatitudes are the road signs on the journey.)

Minister’s Message: “Travelling the Way –
Aiming to Follow Jesus”

One: This week we are starting a new sermon/message series called “**Travelling the Way - Aiming to Follow Jesus.**”

Since the new year began, we have shown up at the Jordan River and heard again the words that we are God’s beloved sons and daughters and we are cherished greatly. We remembered and renewed our baptism. Then, we were invited to “come and see” and “to follow” Jesus when he was standing on the lakeshore calling his first disciples to be part of his mission and ministry of love. We were called to be fishers of people casting our nets of love far and wide. This month I am going to unpack what following Jesus and becoming a Christ follower looks like.

In this series we will be exploring the six markers that are central to living life as a follower of Jesus. The book written by Jamie Holtom and Debbie Johnson called “Bullseye - Aiming to Follow Jesus” will provide materials and direction for our journey together.

The Way of Jesus is known not by correct answers, but by lives shaped by love, justice, humility and courage.

Remember, as the hymn reminds us, *we are pilgrims on a journey... fellow travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.* Let's begin our journey of discipleship step by step, together.

Brief Musical Reflection

Hymn: "What Does the Lord Require of You" (VU 701)

Offering Invitation

One: The One who blesses the poor in spirit invites us to share from a place of trust and gratitude. So, we offer our gifts today of money, time, compassion and commitment aiming our hearts toward love.

Our morning tithes and offerings will now be received.

Offertory Hymn: "To Love More Truly"

All: **To love more truly this is my goal.
To care more deeply with all my soul.
To show compassion, extend forgiveness.
To make a difference, I give my all.**

Offering Prayer

All: **Generous God, receive these gifts and receive us.
Shape us through our giving to walk your way of justice,
mercy and humility. May our gifts and our lives help
bring blessing where there is need, hope where there is
weariness and love where it is most longed for. Amen.**

Hymn: "Prayer"

(sung to the tune of "Rock of Ages Cleft for Me")

All: **God of life and God of love,
Holy Spirit, Blessed Dove,
in each moment of my life,
in times joyful, times of strife,
listen to the words I share,
as I come to you in prayer.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

(an Alternate version of the Prayer of Jesus)

All: **Eternal Spirit,
Pain-Bearer and Life-giver,
source of all that is and all that shall be.**

**The hallowing of your name echo
through the universe.**

Your will be done by all people.

**Your peace and freedom sustain our hope and
come on earth.**

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In 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.**

Closing Hymn: "I Love to Tell the Story" (VU 343)

Benediction

All: As you travel into this coming week,
aim your hearts toward the Way of Jesus,
toward justice that restores,
kindness that heals,
and humility that keeps you close to God.
May God walk beside you,
Christ go before you,
and the Spirit gently keep you on course
this day and forever more. Amen.

Sung Blessing: "Go, Make A Difference" (MV 209)

All: **Go make a difference. We can make a difference.**
Go make a difference in the world.
Go make a difference. We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world. (repeat)

Musical Postlude: Kyung-A Lee

Following the Postlude, let us take three minutes to turn and greet one another with signs of Christ's peace and blessing as we move into a brand-new week.



Please join us in Trinity Hall following today's service where you are invited for a cup of tea or coffee and fellowship time.

*Thanks to today's Coffee Hosts, the Outreach Team:
Cherryll Demaine, Sylvia Leeder, Rick Boddy, Shirley Boon,
Janice Elliott, and Diane Schamehorn.*



Thought for your week ahead!

Being a Pilgrim
To journey without being changed
is to be a nomad.
To change without journeying
is to be a chameleon.
To journey and to be transformed by the journey
is to be a pilgrim.

Mark Nepo

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER STUFF!

Come and say hello to Fran Mitchell on her 82nd Birthday!

It is a drop-in event from 2:00 pm-4:30 pm on Saturday February 7 in Trinity Hall. Please RSVP to Gord at 705-571-4096 or gordmitchell46@gmail.com if you are able to attend.

There will be plenty of food to go around!

The cake will be cut at 3:00 pm.

If you wish, please bring Fran a birthday card as she loves opening them! If you would like to share a memory of Fran, we would love for you to share!

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

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

February is granola bars (no nuts), fruit cups and pudding cups.

FundScrip orders are due TODAY!!

Order the amount you need for your month's groceries, gas and



gifts and in doing so, Trinity benefits!

Thank you for your support of this fund raiser!

The Men of Trinity – Wednesday February 4 at 9:00 am in the Arnold Room. Call Len Ross (705-349-2553) for details.

The Knitting Circle – Wednesday February 4 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Arnold Room. Questions, call Joan on 705-788-5838.



Mug Up with the Minister! – Join us this coming Thursday



February 5 in the Arnold Room at 10 am and enjoy a cup of coffee with your church family. This is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with friends, meet new people and explore how our faith connects with our everyday lives. Bring your own mug and we will supply coffee!

Something new! Trinity is expanding its online ministry to include small groups.

Online Coffee Time starts **Thursday February 5 from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm.**

This online gathering is especially for people who come to church online with us every week but is also open to people who are looking for a place to connect and make new friends. This is a space where we can meet one another, share our stories and connect our faith with ordinary everyday happenings in our world. And you get to do it without leaving the comfort of your home!

If you're interested, please contact Suzy at the church office and we will send you a Zoom link as we get closer to the day.

Hope you can join us! I look forward to meeting you!

Blessings, Rev. Diane



Trinity's Annual Meeting will be held in Trinity Hall following worship on **Sunday, March 1, 2026**. Everyone is invited to attend. The 2025 Annual Report will be available the week prior online and in print.



The **"Blood Donor Clinic"** is starting up again and reaches out to the public for donations of cookies for their "refreshments" after donating blood. Trinity has been approached with a request for 24 dozen homemade cookies for February 16. These can be brought to the church on February 15 if you wish to donate. Request for "no nuts" in the cookies! Please contact Nancy Waxl 705-789-5679 or email: nancywaxl2@gmail.com if you can bake for this request of 2-3- dozen per donor.



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!