



The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville!

Today's bulletin is provided by
Diane Litchfield and family in loving memory
of her husband, Ron and son, John.

"Dearly missed each and every day"



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Welcome to Trinity
The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
PIE Sunday
March 15, 2026 - 10 am

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

Jesus welcomed everybody and so do we!

WE GATHER AS THE WHOLE PEOPLE OF GOD

Introit: “He Came Singing Love” (VU 359)

All: He came singing love and he lived singing love;

He died singing love.

He arose in silence.

**For the love to go on we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.**

Greeting

One: 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 all-inclusive love!

Today we are recognizing PIE Sunday. Pie means public, intentional and explicit about our commitment to welcoming everybody, all genders and identities in our spaces. We remember the One who brings us all together. We come with different viewpoints and experiences and yet we come together in love, knowing that God is love.

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. If you’re visiting or shopping around for a new spiritual home, we are glad you’re here with us. May this service be a blessing to you and may you be a blessing to others this coming week.

This Weeks Announcements

Joys and Concerns and God Moments

Moment of Meditation

Call to Worship (John 9: 1-15)

One: Jesus sees a man who was blind since birth.

All: Lord, open our eyes.

One: Others look for someone to blame.

All: Save us from being too quick to judge others.

One: The man washed and came back seeing.

All: Wash us also in your grace that we too may see more clearly.

One: Come, let us worship the Light of the world.

All: Shine in us and through us. Amen.

Opening Hymn: “My Love Colours Outside the Lines” (MV 138)

Opening Prayer

All: Light of the World, we come knowing that we do not always see clearly. We miss what matters. We carry assumptions. We cling to what feels certain. Open our eyes today. Where we have been blind to suffering, open us. Where we have rushed to judgment, soften us.

Free us from the blindness of pride that keeps us from recognizing you at work. In the Light who sees us fully and loves us still, we pray. Amen.

Light Bearer Song: “Open My Eyes, That I May See”
(VU 371 - first verse only)

A Lenten Candle Liturgy

One: Each Sunday leading up to Easter we will extinguish a candle as we approach the impending darkness of Holy Week and Good Friday.

Today, as we extinguish our fourth candle, we recall things in our lives that may keep us spiritually blind. Jesus calls us to a different way of seeing. It is only when we see the world through the eyes of spirit and love that we discover what real life is all about.

Our fourth candle is extinguished by our Light Bearers.

Time with our Light Bearers

Our young people are taught the values and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth, his love and his compassion for all God’s people. In turn, they learn to share this love with others at home, at school and in their communities.

Congregational Blessing

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

All: **And also, with you.**

Morning Anthem: “All Praise to Thee”

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S LIFE-GIVING WORD

Our Scripture Reader today is Jeannette McCullough.

Prayer of Illumination

Reader: Let us pray: On this fourth Sunday of Lent, we come to hear your word and be inspired into faithful action. May we be granted the wisdom you offer as your words land tenderly in our hearts. Amen.

First New Testament Reading: John 9: 1-15

(Jesus heals a man who is blind since birth.)

Second New Testament Reading: Matthew 7: 1-5

(Why do we make judgments about others when we are far from perfect ourselves?)

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

All: **Amen.**

Minister’s Message: Today we are continuing with our message series called, “*Becoming Whole- Our Lenten Journey of Transformation.*” Lent is the season of learning to become a little more spiritually healthy and whole. It can be tempting at times to allow our brokenness to define us. Instead, we can transform our pain and our suffering so we are empowered to be healers in our lives, our relationships and our world.

Minister’s Message: “Distorted Vision”

Brief Musical Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LIFE-GIVING WORD

Offering Invitation

One: When we share, we participate in Christ’s healing work. We help to create communities where people are seen, valued and restored. A community where every person is seen as beloved and where difference is honoured.

Let us offer our gifts as a commitment to a clearer, kinder vision for our whole human family.

Offertory Hymn: “We are Pilgrims” (VU 595 – Giving as a way of supporting one another’s journey.)

All: **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.**

**Sister, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.**

Offering Prayer

All: **Holy One, you open our eyes to the broken places in our life. Bless these gifts and use them to challenge injustice, strengthen weary hearts and to restore dignity where it has been denied. May we be a community where all our cherished and where your light shines through every story and everybody. May we see as Jesus sees and serve as Jesus serves. Amen.**

Brief Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

All: **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: “We Are One” (VU 402)

Benediction

One: **May you be a window
through which Christ’s light shines.
May you be a voice
through which Christ’s message is heard.
May you be a heart
through which Christ’s love is shared.
May you see the face of Christ in all you meet.
And may all you meet, see the face of Christ in you.**

(Written by Rev. Denis Posno 2002 but adapted 2026)

Sung Blessing: “The Celtic Prayer”

Musical Postlude: Kyung-A Lee

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



The St Patrick’s Day Irish Stew,
hosted by the UCW, will be held today
in Trinity Hall following worship.
Cost is \$20.

Hope to see you there!



Spiritual thought to go!

“The only thing worse than being blind is having sight and not being able to see.”

Helen Keller

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER STUFF!

The Outreach Team thanks you for helping to collect food for the Corner Lighthouse Food Bank. **March is Macaroni and Cheese!**

The funeral for Lloyd Henry will be held on **Tuesday March 17, 2026, at 10 am in Trinity’s Sanctuary.** All are welcome to attend to say farewell to a Huntsville icon.



God in the Dark — Movie Nights for Meaningful Conversation

Looking for something to pick you up out of the winter doldrums? Join us for *God in the Dark*, a six-week movie series where film, conversation, and community come together.

Tuesday March 17 – Movie: **“The Miracle Club”** Set in 1967, this is a heartwarming film that follows the story of three generations of close friends who have one tantalizing dream: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. Old wounds are reopened along the way, forcing the women to confront their pasts even as they travel in search of a miracle. Their shared traumas can only be healed by the curative power of love and friendship.

Cost: \$5 admission (includes popcorn!). **Time:** 7:00 pm.

Following the movie, we will share relaxed, open discussions about themes like love, compassion, courage, hope and the moments that move us. No pressure, no expectations, just a welcoming space to reflect, connect, and explore life’s bigger questions together. Come as you are, bring a friend or meet new ones here. Whether you’re curious, reflective, spiritual, or just love good movies and meaningful conversation, you are warmly welcome.



The Huntsville Community Choir is performing a St. Paddy’s Day celebration at the Canvas Brewing Company!



The event will be held on **Tuesday March 17** at 6:30 pm.

We will be singing all the traditional Irish favourites with our musician friends in a pub atmosphere. Tickets can be purchased online at Canvas Brewery or Huntsvillecommunitychoir.com will take you there. *Singing along is recommended!*

Men of Trinity – Wednesday March 18 at 9:00 am in the Arnold Room.

The Outreach Team – Wednesday March 18 at 11:15 am in the Arnold Room.

Forest Bathing – Join a guided forest therapy walk on the International Day of Forests, Saturday March 21 from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm in Huntsville. For more information or to register call 905-510-0825 or email: kristy@backtotheforest.ca.



International Day of Forests

Easter Flowers! If you would like to contribute to the purchase of Easter Flowers in memory or honour of a loved one, you may do so by completing the Easter Flower Form found where you picked up your bulletin. The completed forms can be put on the offering plate or dropped off at the office no later than Monday March 23 for inclusion in the Palm Sunday bulletin.

Our suggested donation is \$12 per plant which can be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the office or e-Transferred noting “flowers” in the memo line.

These Easter flower donations will be used to purchase spring-time plants that will be delivered to members of our congregation that are in retirement residences, long-term care homes or who are unable to attend our Easter Service in person.

We will need drivers who would be willing to help deliver these following the Palm Sunday Service please. Thank you!!

Easter Blessings from the Member Care Team!

Coffee Hour Hosts for our second quarter Sundays (April, May, June) are being organized now. If you would like to host or help, please let Lynda Arnold know! Thanks!

Cancelled ... Cross-country skiing! Unfortunately, the trails at Arrowhead have been closed for this year.

We will try again next year!

