



The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville!

Sunday June 28, 2026



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Summer Office Hours!

Summer office hours start
the week of Monday, July 5th!

The office will be open
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,
from 9.30 am – 12.30 pm.



The United Church of Canada acknowledges that its buildings
and ministries, from coast to coast, are on the
traditional territories of Indigenous people.

Welcome to Trinity

~ The Heart in the Heart of Huntsville ~

June 28th, 2026

Canada Day Sunday

10:00 am

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

“In God’s world, greatness looks like love that kneels.”

We Gather as God’s People

Introit: “Dance with the Spirit” MV 156

Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin’

Walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.

Work and hope for the new life aborn-in’,

listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

(repeat)

Greeting:

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

All: In our daily lives may this be so.

Welcome to Trinity United Church

- the heart in the heart of Huntsville!

Happy Canada Day Sunday!

Welcome in Friendship!

Welcome in Faith!

Welcome in God’s all-inclusive and hospitable love!

Whether you’re a quiet contemplative, a spiritual seeker, a progressive mainliner or an ex-evangelical- we are glad you’re with us! Our time together is enriched by your presence.

*Trinity United Church is an Affirming community of faith-
whomever you love, whatever your gender or economic status*

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this is your community of faith. Jesus welcomed everybody and so do we! We are all God’s beloved part of our one grand human family. Love has no labels. Welcome!

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

A Moment of Quiet Reflection

Call to Worship

One: As we gather on this Canada Day Sunday we give thanks for this land, its beauty and its people.

All: We come to celebrate this great country and a God who works through our ordinary acts of love.

One: No act of compassion is too small. No gesture of love is ever wasted.

All: We come to follow the Servant Christ.

Opening Hymn: “This Land is My Land”

Chorus

This land is your land this land is my land.

From Bonavista to Vancouver Island.

From the Arctic Circle to the Great Lake waters

This land was made for you and me.

1. As I was walking that ribbon of highway,

I saw above me the endless skyway

I saw below me a golden valley

This land was made for you and me.

Chorus

**2. As the sun came shining and I was strolling
and the wheat fields waving**

and the dust clouds rolling,

a voice was sounding as the fog was lifting

This land was made for you and me!

Chorus

Opening Prayer:

Holy One, on this Canada Day Sunday we give thanks for this nation- its freedoms, its diversity and its spirit of peace. In a world that often measures worth by the bottom line and our worldly achievements, remind us that your world is built through love, kindness and service to one another. May our time together inspire us to be people of generosity and hospitality offering cups of cold water in a thirsty world. Amen.

Light Beamers' Song "This Little Light of Mine"

***This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine. I'm going let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine. Let it shine.***

***Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm going let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.***

***Shine all over Huntsville, I'm gonna let it shine,
Shine all over Huntsville, I'm gonna let it shine.
Shine all over Huntsville, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!***

Lighting of the Christ Candle by our Light Beamers

Time with our Light Beamers

(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 how to shine their love with others at home, at school and at play.)

Congregational Blessing:

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

All: And also, with you.

God's Word for an Easter People

Reader:

Prayer of Illumination:

One: Holy Wisdom, come quiet all that turns us against ourselves, one another and any of your creations. Lead us in love that mends and restores. Amen.

New Testament Reading Matthew 10: 40-42 *(Remind us once more the way of Jesus who came not to be served but to service and to offer living water to all those who thirst.)*

Second New Testament Reading John 13: 12-16 *(Jesus wraps a towel around his waist, pours the water into a basin and begins washing his friends' feet and then dries them with a towel.)*

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

All: Amen.

The Minister's Message "A Holy Act"

Brief Musical Reflection

Offering Invitation:

One: In God's dream for the world, no gift is too small and no act of generosity is insignificant.

As we bring our gifts, we remember that God often does extraordinary things through ordinary acts of faithfulness.

Our morning tithes and offerings will now be received.

Special Offering music: Judy White

Heather, Roses, and Moonlight by neo-classical composer Shoshana Michel

Offering Hymn: "Grateful" MV 182

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of love. Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy word, Joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you, Lord.

Offering Prayer

Generous God, receive these gifts that we offer in gratitude and love. Bless them and use them to bring welcome where this is loneliness, comfort where there is sorrow and justice where it is needed. Make us willing servants of your vision for our world, ready to share a cup of water or a word of kindness in Christ’s name. Amen.

Hymn “To Show by Touch and Word” VU 427
Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer-
A contemporary version of the Prayer of Jesus

**Eternal Spirit,
Pain bearer and life giver,
Source of all that is and all that shall be.
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.**

We Go into the World to Share God’s Love

Closing Hymn “O Canada” VU 524

Commissioning: In the Spirit of Love, we have gathered and 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.

Musical Postlude: Martha Watson

Sonate Pathetique First Movement (edited) - Beethoven

Please join us in Trinity Hall following today’s service where you are invited for a cup of tea or coffee and fellowship time.
With thanks to Judy White, Jackie Horrocks, Darlene McNeil and Martha Watson for hosting Coffee Hour today!

Thought for the Week

“All acts of love, big or small, require some sacrifice.”

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER STUFF!

The Outreach Team thanks you for helping to collect food for the Corner Lighthouse Food Bank. **June is Evaporated Milk!**

FundScrip orders are due next week! 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!



Therapeutic Touch – Monday June 29 at 1:30 pm in the Arnold Room. Everyone is invited to attend for a free Therapeutic Touch session.