

Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter April 6, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - APRIL 10, 2022

Sermon – "Preparing for Departure: Called to Praise" (Rev. John Fair) Scripture – John 12:12-26

Rev. John Fair is nearing the end of his new 8-part sermon series for Lent and Easter, with the overall theme of *"Preparing for Departure"*. The departure is the death of Christ and how he prepared his disciples and himself for it.

- Palm Sunday's service will focus on John 12 and Jesus' entry into Jerusalem to the praise of the people.
- On Good Friday we will be in John 19 and on Easter Sunday we go to John 20.

John, the gospel writer, will provide us with a rich glimpse into the events of the first Holy Week and how they serve as a sure foundation for our faith and salvation.



Sunday's worship service will also include the celebration of Communion. For those attending the service in person, prepackaged Communion supplies (which are not gluten-free) will be available.

For those who are joining the service through Zoom, please feel free to use whatever you might have on hand at home ... water, wine, or juice and a cracker, a piece of bread, or a roll.

Trinity's sanctuary is open for in-person worship, and worship services will continue to be available via Zoom. As in previous weeks, the link to Sunday's service will be sent out from the Church Office on Thursday.



Our services are recorded and made available on Trinity's YouTube channel: <u>https://bit.ly/3u7717U</u>. (Older services remain accessible from Trinity's website.)

TRINITY'S CALENDAR

Thursday, April 7
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Praise Team Practice
Saturday, April 9
12:00 pm Praise Team Practice
Sunday, April 10
10:00 am Lent VI Worship Service & Communion (in person & Zoom)
Monday, April 11
6:30 pm Trinity Hilltop Ringers Practice
Wednesday, April 13
10:00 am Walkers' Group (meet by Farm Boy, Signature Centre, Kanata)
Friday, April 15
7:30 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service (in person & Zoom)

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION



Services will be held in person and via Zoom.

In-person services will follow COVID protocols outlined in Trinity's weekly newsletter. Celebrate Easter and the joyous resurrection of Jesus with Trinity!

Good Friday Tenebrae Service ~ April 15 at 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday Worship ~ April 17 at 10:00 AM Jennifer has resumed office hours at the Church on Thursdays. *Note tomorrow's hours will be from 11 AM – 3 PM.* She continues to work from her home office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In the event of an emergency, contact the Church Office (613-836-1429), or Trinity's Clerk of Session, Marg Connelly.

Need help or need a listening ear? If you, or a friend, would like to talk to someone who has a compassionate and confidential listening ear, please reach out to the Pastoral Care Team by contacting Muriel Laughton.



The Weekly Walkers' Group will be meeting on Wednesdays at 10:00 am. Please join us if you are interested in walking for about an hour outdoors and in fellowship. The walking path is on the north side of Farm Boy at 499 Terry Fox Drive. Just park at the Signature Centre and we'll meet at the beginning of the path. Let's hope we have a beautiful day!

DONATIONS, OFFERINGS & FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for your continued generosity to Trinity. Donations can be made via eTransfer, credit card (via CanadaHelps – note that Trinity incurs a fee for this service), PAR donations, or cheque.

Offerings can be dropped off at the church when Marilyn O'Brien is selling grocery cards, and they will be counted by Marilyn O'Brien and Terry Bishop.

Please do <u>not</u> send cheques to the church by mail at the present time. The mailbox at the road is not very secure and we are unable to check it on a daily basis. If you choose to mail a cheque, please send it to Bob & Margaret Connelly's home address.

TRINITY'S UPDATED COVID PROTOCOLS - MARCH 6, 2022

Trinity has announced plans to return to in-church worship beginning on March 6^{th} , 2022. With the recent announcement by Ontario that proof of vaccination is not required, but is voluntary, to enter all indoor public settings, Session has carefully considered the matter and has decided to take a cautionary approach for the time being. To assist you with what to expect while worshipping at the church, here is a description of the practices we will follow:

- As you enter the church, those eligible for vaccination will need to show proof of being fully vaccinated unless you have previously done so, or have a valid exemption.
- You will need to wear a mask. Bring your own or disposable masks will be available at the church.
- Hand sanitizing will be available to allow you to clean your hands when entering and leaving the church.
- Seating will no longer be required to respect physical distancing although you may wish to do so.
- Children are to remain with family members as there will be no Sunday School.
- David Chin will be providing the prelude and postlude live from the sanctuary each Sunday. The services will include musical selections that have been pre-recorded by the praise team. Congregation singing (with masks) and responsive readings (with masks) are permitted.
- Communion services will be on the second Sunday of each month. A pre-filled, individual communion package will be available for those wishing to participate in communion. It contains a non-gluten free wafer and grape juice. You may also bring your own communion bread, wine, or grape juice if you prefer.
- For those attending the in-person service, offering envelopes can be placed in the offering plate as you enter the church foyer.
- We will have coffee and tea available after the service in the church lobby. Those who stay for coffee must be seated at tables.
- For those who are uncomfortable or unable to attend church in person, the service will continue to be on Zoom. Those attending via Zoom will be able to chat with each other before and after the service.

Stay safe. Stay well.