



Trinity Presbyterian Church
Weekly Newsletter
April 13, 2022

UPCOMING SERVICES – EASTER 2022

We would like to invite you to our Easter services at Trinity this weekend!



On Good Friday, we will hold a Tenebrae Service starting at 7:30 PM. Together we will reflect on Christ’s suffering and death through song as well as the narrative provided in the gospel of John ([John 18:28-19:42](#)). This service will be available in person and via Zoom.

We will gather again on Easter morning at 10 AM to celebrate Christ’s resurrection. Rev. Fair’s sermon, “Preparing for Arrival: Called to Return”, will be based on [John 20](#). This service will also be available in person and via Zoom.



Trinity’s sanctuary is open for in-person worship, and worship services will continue to be offered via Zoom. The link to Friday's service will be sent out from the Church Office on Thursday, and the link to Sunday’s service will be sent out on Saturday.



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

Jennifer has resumed office hours (9 AM – 3 PM) at the Church on Thursdays. 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.

TRINITY’S CALENDAR

Thursday, April 14

6:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday, April 15

7:30 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service (in person & Zoom)

Saturday, April 16

12:00 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, April 17

10:00 am Easter Worship Service (in person & Zoom)

Monday, April 18

7:30 pm Trinity Hilltop Ringers Practice

Wednesday, April 20

10:00 am Walkers’ Group (meet by Farm Boy, Signature Centre, Kanata)

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION



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

Services will be held in person and via Zoom.

In-person services will follow COVID protocols outlined in Trinity's weekly newsletter.

It's time to order your grocery cards!

Cards for Loblaws, Metro, Sobeys, Farm Boy, and Food Basics will be available by ordering them in advance and they can be picked up at the church.



If you wish to place an order, please contact Marilyn O'Brien by the end of the day on **Sunday, April 24**.

Marilyn will be at the church on **Thursday, April 28** for the sale/pickup of the cards from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm.

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.

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. For the month of April, that will be on Thursday, April 28.

Please do **not** 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.

LOCAL INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

The Campus Minister at Algonquin College, Yuriy Derkach, is appealing to Ottawa area churches and residents for help for the people of Ukraine.

Medical supplies – specifically first-aid kits (NATO standard), tourniquets, painkillers, antiseptics, wound care products, and baby food – can be accepted. Arrangements are in place for these supplies to be shipped to Poland, and driven across by border by volunteers.

English Language Instruction is needed for Ukrainian refugees arriving in Ottawa. Volunteers are being sought who would be willing to help teach English this summer.

If you are in a position to assist with either of these requests, please contact Yuriy Derkach (derkacy@algonquincollege.com).

GRACEFIELD NEWS



Gracefield Christian Camp and Retreat Centre is hosting a **Spring Plant Sale** and Camp Registration Event! Pre-order a beautiful summer standing or hanging basket created and supplied by Richmond Nurseries. Simply use this link to view, order and pay for your plant purchase by May 4: <https://gccrc-fundraising-event.square.site/>

All plant purchases can be picked up on Saturday, May 7 at Richmond Nurseries (5740 Old Richmond Road, corner of Richmond and Fallowfield) between 10 AM and 2 PM. This makes it perfect timing to pick up a thoughtful and fantastic Mother's Day gift!!

This fun Spring event is also an opportunity to meet our summer counselors and staff, and sign your children, friends, and grandchildren up for camp this summer! Bring the kids, as there will be facepainting and camp song sing-alongs!

And don't forget to contribute to Gracefield's "Give it Up for Lent" fundraiser: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/gracefield-2022-give-it-up-for-lent-fundraiser/>

TRINITY'S UPDATED COVID PROTOCOLS — MARCH 6, 2022

Trinity has announced plans to return to in-church worship beginning on March 6th, 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.