



Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

April 27, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE – MAY 1, 2022

Sermon – “God Doesn’t Make Junk!” (Rev. Dr. Victor Lujetic)

Scripture – [Psalm 139:13-16](#)

Our guest minister for the month of May will be Rev. Dr. Victor Lujetic. Victor is a retired Baptist minister who was born and raised in the United States. He has served congregations in Ottawa and Toronto, as well as in Maryland, Virginia, and New York. Last August, Victor retired after forty-three years in the ministry. He and his wife, Sally, have moved back to Ottawa and they have two daughters, Hannah and Sarah.

Trinity’s sanctuary is open for in-person worship, and worship services will continue to be offered via Zoom. 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: <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.



Did you order grocery cards this month?

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

TRINITY’S CALENDAR

Thursday, April 28

1:30 pm Grocery Card pickup

6:30 pm No practices!

Saturday, April 30

12:00 pm No practices!

Sunday, May 1

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

Monday, May 2

6:30 pm Trinity Hilltop Ringers Practice

Wednesday, May 4

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

Sunday, May 8

10:00 am Mother’s Day Worship Service & Communion
(in person & Zoom)



We would like to extend our sincerest sympathy to Heather & Shaun Seaman on the passing of Heather’s mother, Joan Gifford. Joan passed away at the age of 92 on Sunday, April 17, 2022.

Please remember Heather, Shaun, and their children in your prayers as they mourn the

loss of a dear mother and grandmother.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

We were also saddened to learn of the recent passing of Rev. Dr. Cheryl Gaver on April 21, 2022. Cheryl served as the Presbytery Ministry Animator for the presbyteries of Ottawa and Seaway-Glengarry. Cheryl faithfully provided monthly newsletters to the congregations, keeping everyone informed of upcoming events.

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION



A quartet of Trinity hikers are slipping on their sneakers and walking to raise money for Hospice Care Ottawa.

Mattie Montgomery, Sheila Brady, Muriel Laughton, and Linda Smith have signed up to participate in the hike, which is a major fundraiser for Hospice Care Ottawa.

As you know, hospice bought Trinity's former building on McCurdy, adding a 12-bed residence where families gather to be with loved ones in the final weeks and days of their life.

"There are tears, smiles, laughter, and a whole lot of love at Ruddy-Shenkman Hospice and in Hein House," says Sheila Brady, who volunteers in the residence every Wednesday.

"I whip up a lot of cheese omelettes and hot coffee for residents, help with baths or simply sit and listen at a bedside."

"This is often the best time of the week for me. It is an honest few hours, filled with love."

Ottawa cannot afford to lose this service, a free service which is only partially covered by provincial funding. A big chunk of revenue is raised in the community for Hospice.

Please visit hospicecareottawa.ca, click on Hike for Hospice and click on participants. Type in Mattie Montgomery, Sheila Brady, Muriel Laughton, or Linda Smith and make a pledge. When you support one of us, you support all and you support Hospice.

The hike, set for May 1, is a virtual affair thanks to the pandemic. But we four are planning to hike in the next few days. We are the Trinity Trotters.

And yes, we will be holding an event in the coming months to fulfill Trinity's 40th Anniversary pledge to give \$40,000 to Hospice.

Thank you for your generosity.

~ Mattie, Sheila, Muriel, & Linda

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 tomorrow – 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!

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.