

Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

December 7, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE — DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sermon – "Jesus Gives Us Joy" (Rev. Dr. Victor Lujetic) Scripture – John 15:11; John 16:22; John 17:13; II Corinthians 6:10



We invite you to join us as we journey together through Advent — a season to reflect and prepare for the birth of Christ. We will light the candle of joy and praise God for the gift of joy which strengthens us, even in our darkest times. We hope to see you on Sunday morning!

As an expression of our joy, we invite you to raise your voices in some pre-service carol singing, beginning at 9:55 AM in the sanctuary!

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.

Jennifer has resumed office hours (9 AM – 3 PM) at the Church on Thursdays. In the event of an emergency, contact the Church Office (613-836-1429), or Trinity's Clerk of Session, Marg Connelly.



Grocery Card for December: 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 **Bob or Marg Connelly** by the end of the day on **Sunday, December 18**. Cards can be picked up at the church on **Thursday, December 22** from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm.

TRINITY'S CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 7

7:00 pm Coffee Orders due to Steve Gillett!

Thursday, December 86:30 pm Choir Practice

7:50 pm Praise Team Practice

Sunday, December 11

10:00 am Advent III Worship Service & Communion

& Sunday School for children

2:00 pm Carolling at Forest Hill (6501 Campeau Drive, Kanata)

Wednesday, December 14

10:00 am Walking Group (499 Terry Fox Drive, Kanata)

Thursday, December 15 6:30 pm Choir Practice

7:50 pm Praise Team Practice

Sunday, December 18

10:00 am Advent IV Worship Service & Choir Cantata

& Sunday School for children

Saturday, December 24

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service (in person & Zoom)

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION

Join us for an afternoon of carol singing at Forest Hill (6501 Campeau Drive, Kanata) on Sunday, December 11 at 2 PM. Bring a bag lunch to eat after church then join the group for a brief rehearsal at Trinity before heading over to Forest Hill for 2 PM!



Angel Tree for Forest Hill Retirement Home



Thanks to everyone who signed up to purchase gifts for our friends at Forest Hill! A reminder that gifts should be placed in gift bags and dropped off at the church by December 18.

Questions? Please contact Pam Curzon or Susan Hahn.

The **2023 Offering Envelopes** will be available for pickup on Sunday, December 11. They will be in the usual place; the hall at the Sanctuary entrance. They will also be available for two Sundays in January, yet to be determined.

BEYOND TRINITY



Miracle on 34th Street, the Musical will be presented by ASNY Productions in Trinity's sanctuary this week!

Showtimes are as follows: Wed. December 7 (7:30 PM) Fri. December 9 (7:30 PM) Sat. December 10 (3:30 PM & 7:30 PM)

For tickets, please visit

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/miracle-on-34th-street-tickets-456206424697



Blue Christmas Service: Christmas is a time of celebration and joy for most. We embrace baking, singing carols, invitations, family, and friends. However, for some, loss of employment, a change in their housing situation, loneliness, addiction or mental illness, or the passing of a friend or family member fills the season with pain.

There are several Blue Christmas services happening this year:

- Glen Cairn United Church December 11, 2022 at 11:30 AM Light refreshments to follow. All welcome. For further info contact GCUC office (613-836-4756; office@gcuc.ca).
- Kanata United Church December 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM
 For more info contact KUC office (613-592-5834; office@kuc.ca)

The Goulbourn Male Chorus will be singing at the Kanata Food Bank Benefit Concert on December 10, 2022 at 7:30 pm (St. Paul's Anglican Church, 20 Young Road, Kanata).

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 December, that will be Thursday, December 22 from 1:30 pm until 3:00 pm.

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 — JUNE 19, 2022

Beginning on June 19, 2022, Trinity's Session has approved the following:

COVID Protocols Lifted

Masks are welcome, but not mandatory. Proof of **vaccination** is no longer required.

For those who are **uncomfortable or unable** to attend church in person, the service will continue to be on Zoom.

If you are unwell, please stay home and join us on Zoom.

Coffee and a time of fellowship will be available after the service.



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