



Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

December 14, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE – DECEMBER 18, 2022

Sermon – “Jesus Gives Us Love” (Rev. Dr. Victor Lujetic)

Scripture – [John 3:16, 19](#)



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 love and remember, with thanks, God’s immeasurable gift of love through his son, Jesus Christ. We hope to see you on Sunday morning!

During Sunday’s worship service, Trinity’s choir will present excerpts from the cantata “*Tapestry of Light*”. Sunday’s music will feature David Chin and Kunhwa Im.

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.



Christmas Holidays & Contact Information:

The Church Office will be closed at the end of the day on December 22. Jennifer will be returning to work on Tuesday, January 10, 2023. Email and voicemail may be checked periodically by volunteers. In the event of an emergency, please call Trinity’s Clerk of Session, Marg Connelly.

TRINITY’S CALENDAR

Thursday, December 15

6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:50 pm Praise Team Practice

Sunday, December 18

10:00 am Advent IV Worship Service (in person & Zoom)
& Sunday School for children

Wednesday, December 21

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

Thursday, December 22

1:30 pm Grocery Card Pickup
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:50 pm Praise Team Practice

Saturday, December 24

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

Sunday, December 25

No worship service at Trinity!

Sunday, January 1

10:00 am New Year’s Day Worship Service (in person & Zoom)

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION

Angel Tree for Forest Hill Retirement Home



A reminder that gifts for our friends at Forest Hill should be placed in gift bags and dropped off at the church by December 18.

Questions? Please contact Pam Curzon or Susan Hahn.



Grocery Cards 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.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

You are invited to join us for our Christmas Eve service! This year, we will have one service – beginning at 7:00 PM – which will be offered in person and via Zoom. All are welcome to attend!



Please note that there will be no worship service at Trinity on Christmas morning. Westminster Presbyterian Church (470 Roosevelt Avenue) is extending an invitation for us to join their Christmas worship service, which will be held in person and via Zoom. More details will be provided in next week's newsletter.



YEAR END ANNOUNCEMENTS

Receipts for Reimbursement: Please submit all receipts for 2022, as per the finance policies, by **12 Noon on January 8, 2023**. You will need to fill out the reimbursement form fully (name, signature, receipts, etc.), get the appropriate approval signatures (scanning & e-mailing them to the appropriate person and then having them print, sign, scan & send it back to you is allowed) and have a copy of a cheque to your account (if not previously done).



Scan all documents and send to Deb. Payment will be deposited directly to your account. If you have submitted something and have not been reimbursed yet, please contact Deb.

Offering Envelopes: The **2023 Offering Envelopes** will be available for pickup for two Sundays in January, yet to be determined. If you have questions about envelope usage, please contact Brent Robinson.



2022 Annual Reports: As 2022 draws to a close and 2023 is about to begin, we pause to look back on the year that has been. Part of this process is through our Annual General Meeting. A date for Trinity's Annual General Meeting has not yet been determined, but details (once available) will be communicated in the new year.

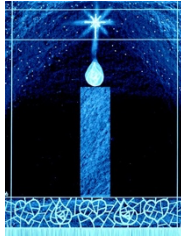
In preparation for that meeting, we will be preparing an annual reports package for the congregation. Committee reports and other submissions for the 2022 Annual Report need to be submitted by Sunday, January 15, 2023. Submissions can be sent to Marg Connelly and/or to Jennifer at the Church Office (info.trinity.kanata@gmail.com).

BEYOND TRINITY



Sunday, December 18 at 3 PM at Trinity
Winter Concert & "A Christmas Line"
Musical by SOPAC (South Ottawa Performing
Arts Collaborative)
Contact Morgan Strickland for more
information (www.sopacottawa.com;
613-884-7464)

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.



Kanata United Church is holding a Blue Christmas service on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM. For more info contact KUC office (613-592-5834; office@kuc.ca).

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 ***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.

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.)