

Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

September 27, 2023

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE — OCTOBER 1, 2023

Sermon – "Forgive as You are Forgiven!" (Pastor Dave Whitecross)

Scripture – Ephesians 4:22-32; Matthew 6: 9-15



October 1 is World Communion Sunday. In order to observe Communion with our brothers and sisters around the globe, Trinity has shifted our Communion service to be on Sunday, October 1 (instead of the usual second Sunday of the month).

Communion supplies will be provided for those attending the service in person. If you are connecting virtually, 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.

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Dave's regular office hours will be 9 AM - 12 Noon, Tuesday to Friday. Jennifer will be in the church office from 9 AM - 3 PM on Wednesdays and

Thursdays.

Trinity's sanctuary is open for in-person worship. Our service continues to be available virtually for those who are unable or uncomfortable to attend in person. Our services will be available via YouTube (and no longer via Zoom). Go to https://bit.ly/3u7717U to join Sunday's service at 10 AM (and also to access past services).

TRINITY'S CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 27

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

1:00 pm Prayer Team Meeting (Trinity Library)

7:15 pm Bible Study

Thursday, September 28

1:30 pm Grocery Card Pickup

6:30 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, October 1

10:00 am Worship Service & Communion (in person & YouTube)

Monday, October 2

6:30 pm Trinity Hilltop Ringers Practice

Saturday, October 14

8:30 am Trinity Women's Day Retreat (RSVP by October 4!)

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION



Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Last Friday's Wine, Women & Song event was wildly successful, thanks to all those who gave so generously of their time and talents to support Hospice Care Ottawa!

The loose offering collected this week will go to Presbyterian World Service & Development.



We hear on the news of the many disasters affecting people around the globe – this month we will continue to assist PWS&D's efforts as they support people worldwide.



Did you order grocery cards this month?

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

The Worship & Music Committee met on September 17 to finalize Trinity's Indigenous Peoples Land Acknowledgement Statement.

"Trinity Presbyterian Church believes that all of nature has been given by the Creator to be nurtured and cared for with equity and justice. We recognize that the land on which we gather and worship has been traditionally occupied and honoured by the Anishinaabe Algonquin peoples and their ancestors for time beyond memory and has been neither ceded nor surrendered. We acknowledge that justice obliges all of us, as humans of equal worth, to strive equally to protect this land."

September 30 is Orange Shirt Day and will be observed at Trinity's next worship service on October 1.

From Wikipedia: "Orange Shirt Day was first established as an observance in 2013, as part of an effort to promote awareness and education of the residential school system and the impact it has had on Indigenous communities for over a century. The impact of the residential school system has been recognized as a cultural genocide, and continues to this day.

The use of an orange shirt as a symbol was inspired by the accounts of Phyllis Jack Webstad, whose personal clothing—including a new orange shirt—was taken from her during her first day of residential schooling, and never returned. The orange shirt is thus used as a symbol of the forced assimilation of Indigenous children that the residential school system enforced.

The day was elevated to a statutory holiday for federal workers and workers in federally-regulated workplaces by the Parliament of Canada in 2021, and named "National Day for Truth and Reconciliation", in light of the claims of over 1,000 unmarked graves near former residential school sites."

We are asking congregants to consider wearing orange shirts to the service this Sunday as a way to acknowledge this important day. Additionally, orange ribbons will be available at the church to wear during the service.





God's Message to the 7 Churches of Revelation

Wednesday Bible Study 7:15 PM – 8:45 PM led by Pastor Dave

Women's Day – Saturday, October 14, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm (RSVP by Wednesday, October 4!)

Please plan to join the women of Trinity for a day together. What does God's word teach us about living a healthy and balanced life? In this busy world where we can feel pulled in many directions, how do we manage to take care of ourselves and find balance in our days?

Please join us for a time of getting to know one another better, discussion, sharing our stories, and fellowship. Registration for the day is \$35.00, which includes coffee and muffins in the morning and a boxed lunch at 11:45 am or so. Register – by October 4 -- and provide cash or cheque (made payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church) to Rhonna.



The Holly Berry Bazaar is just under two months away! We are looking for many volunteers ... if you can help, Rhonna Levere would love to hear from you!



Weekly Walkers' Group has resumed on Wednesday mornings at 10 AM! Please join us – the walking path is on the north side of Farm Boy (499 Terry Fox Drive). Just park at the Signature Centre and we'll meet at the beginning of the path.

DONATIONS, OFFERINGS & FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for your continued generosity to Trinity. Session has decided to resume collecting offerings during the Sunday morning service by passing the collection plates. It is understood that many will still prefer to make their donations via eTransfer, credit card (via CanadaHelps – note that Trinity incurs a fee for this service), PAR donations, or cheque.

Offerings can still be dropped off at the church when grocery cards are being sold. *The next grocery card day will be tomorrow* – *Thursday, September 28 – 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.