

Trinity Presbyterian Church Weekly Newsletter

February 21, 2024

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE — FEBRUARY 25, 2024

Sermon – "A Life Transformed – Zacchaeus" (Pastor Dave Whitecross) Scripture – <u>Luke 19:1-10</u>; <u>II Corinthians 5:16-21</u>



The 40-day season of Lent is now underway. Lent is oftentimes described as a time of preparation, or a time of repentance and it invites us to enter into deeper relationship with God. Join us over the next several weeks for Pastor Dave's Lenten sermon series entitled "A Life Transformed".

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

Thursdays.

Our worship services continue to be available virtually (via YouTube) for those who are unable or uncomfortable to attend in person. Go to https://bit.ly/3u7717U to join Sunday's service at 10 AM (and also to access past services).



Grocery Card Reminder: Cards for Loblaws, Metro, Sobeys, Farm Boy, and Food Basics can be ordered by contacting Marilyn O'Brien by the end of the day on Sunday, February 25.

Cards can be picked up at the church on Thursday, February 29 from 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm.

TRINITY'S CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 21

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

7:15 pm Bible Study **Thursday, February 22**

9:30 am Introduction to the New Testament Study

6:30 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, February 25

10:00 am Worship Service (Lent II)

11:59 pm Grocery card orders due to Marilyn O'Brien

Monday, February 26

1:00 pm Bazaar craft workshop postponed until March 25!

6:30 pm Trinity Hilltop Ringers Practice

Wednesday, February 28

7:15 pm Bible Study

Thursday, February 29

1:00 pm Grocery card pickup at the church

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

Finger food potluck lunch at 11:30 AM. Consider bringing finger foods to share – wraps, sandwiches, cheese, veggie or fruit plates, sweets.

The Annual General Meeting will be in person only. Reports have been sent electronically from the Church Office. If you did not receive the email or had problems accessing the file, please contact Jennifer (613-836-1429; info.trinity.kanata@gmail.com).



"Song Book of the Saints"

A study of The Psalms

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

Snacks and fellowship will follow – we hope you will join us!

INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT

 every Thursday morning 9:30 AM – 11 AM at Trinity Presbyterian Church

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Trinity Presbyterian Church? To help potential new members discover and make a decision about church membership, Dave will be leading some membership preparation classes.

New Members' Orientation Class Tuesday, March 12 and Tuesday, March 19 at the church from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Please contact Dave or Jennifer (<u>info.trinity.kanata@gmail.com</u>; 613-836-1429) if you would like to attend the classes.

Craft Workshops for the Holly Berry Bazaar 2024

During our workshop in January, we did some brainstorming to come up with some additional ideas for crafts and workshops. The session was very productive and resulted in an exciting craft theme for the Bazaar ... the focus would be to offer a selection of hand-crafted **angels**. So ... a number of our workshops throughout the year will be making various types of angels.

We also identified a number of "practical/useful" crafts that we are asking members of the congregation to make, namely ...

- neck warmers (knitted and sewn)
- items for sport enthusiasts made with team colours (knitted or sewn)
- colourful socks for men (knitted)
- oven mitts (knitted)
- baby blankets (knitted)
- coasters (sewn)



Our next craft workshop is scheduled for **Monday**, **March 25 at 1:00 pm** at the church. We will be making Christmas cards and gift tags with the angel theme.

Questions? Contact Mattie Montgomery.

DONATIONS, OFFERINGS & FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for your continued generosity to Trinity. Collection plates are passed during the Sunday morning worship service, although many may 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 Thursday, February 29 from 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm.

TRINITY MISSION ACTIVITIES



We are scheduled to serve at "In from the Cold" on March 16 (3:00 pm – 5:30 pm; Parkdale United Church at 429 Parkdale Avenue). Please sign up in the binder if you can join us.

BEYOND TRINITY



Last Easter, a new city-wide interdenominational Christian effort, the Easter Blood Drive, began to mobilize Christians in Ottawa to donate blood or plasma. This was an effort to help the blood supply recover from declining donations due to the pandemic. The need to donate remains ongoing: while 1 in 2 Canadians are eligible to donate, only 1 in 81 does. Christians

are a giving and grateful people – and donating is another impactful way to live out these qualities. In 2023, the Drive achieved 200 donations. Our 2024 goal is to double the team's donors to 300 and double donations to 400. If you are already a registered donor, all you need to do is click on "partners" from the menu when logged into your profile at www.blood.ca or while using the app and select "Easter Blood Drive". All donations during 2024 will be counted towards the goal. Visit Easterblooddrive.ca to learn more. Canadian Blood Services has also reserved spots for Easter Blood Drive donors on March 23 and March 30 as a special team event and to provide the opportunity for fellowship and some fun. If you have any questions or need assistance to register, Owen Mahaffy of St. Stephen's Presbyterian is representing the Ottawa Presbytery. You can also contact the Easter Blood Drive directly at info@blooddrive.ca for answers or to let them stay in touch with you.