

Trinity-St. Andrew's United Church
Sunday, March 19, 2023
Lent Four
10:30am

Prelude

Greeting

May the Lord be with you

And also with you.

Land Acknowledgement

The United Church of Canada acknowledges that its buildings and ministries, from coast to coast, are on traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples. For thousands of years, Indigenous peoples have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are gathered on the traditional territory of the Mississauga peoples and acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

Announcements

Opening Hymn: VU 232, Joyful, Joyful

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore you, God of glory, life and love;
hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays,
stars and angels sing around you, centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, sound their praise eternally.
- 3 You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Source of grace and fount of blessing, let your light upon us shine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.
- 4 Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
God's own love is reigning o'er us, joining people hand in hand.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

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Time With Our Children: Jesus Loves Me

[Verse]

C

Jesus Loves me, this I know.

F

For the Bible tells me so.

C

Little ones to him belong.

F C G C

In His love, we shall be strong.

[Chorus]

C F

Yes Jesus Loves me.

C G

Yes Jesus Loves me.

C F

Yes Jesus Loves me.

C G C

the bible tells me so

[Verse]

C

Jesus loves me! This I know,

F C

As He loved so long ago,

C

Taking children on His knee,

F C G C

Saying, "Let them come to Me."

[Chorus]

[Verse]

C

Jesus loves me still today,

F C

Walking with me on my way,

C

Wanting as a friend to give

F C G C

Light and love to all who live. [Chorus]

Prayer of Confession

Loving God: May your Spirit be among us and fill our souls with hope. May we know that we are blessed by you as we serve you with joy. Instill in us, God, excitement for your word, love for your world, and a sense of mission to your world. As followers of the living Christ, may we respond to the opportunities you place before us, symbolized in the new life bursting all around us. Forgive us for the times when we did not care for your gifts and turned our backs on your peace, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Know that although we are well made, we are not perfectly made. God knows we trip and fall short. He sent his only son who died on the cross for our short comings. Our forgiveness is assured. Praise be to God.

Scripture: Matthew 5: 11-20

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Ten things to forget, one to remember

Song In Response: VU 585, Jesus Bids Us Shine

- 1 Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light, like a little candle burning in the night.
In this world is darkness, so let us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- 2 Jesus bids us shine first of all for him; well he sees and knows it if our light grows dim:
Jesus walks beside us to help us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- 3 Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around; many kinds of darkness in the world are found:
sin, and want and sorrow; so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

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Offering

Offering Prayer

**We give thee but thine own.
Whatever that gift may be,
all that we have is thine alone.
A trust O'Lord from thee.**

Bless each of our gifts, so that we reach out to those who are lost or struggling, so that all might say, I believe. Amen.

Prayers of the People (*Remembering: Keith Stainton, Dave Harrison, Harry Keating, Robbie, Cheryl, Henry, Danny, Earlien, Alexandra, Ron, Margaret Knight, Ron & Roxanne, Denise, Brendan, the family of Carl Epp, the family of Don Kennedy, Ena, Bill, Barb, Kaitlyn Ostrander (as she enters interviews for ordination) and the survivors and families of the Alberni Indian Residential School and all other Residential School survivors.*)

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Closing Hymn: VU 675, Will Your Anchor Hold

1 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life?
When the clouds unfold their wings of strife,
when the strong tides lift and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift or firm remain?

We have an anchor that keeps the soul
steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
fastened to the rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!

2 It will surely hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers tell that the reef is near;
though the tempest rave and the wild winds blow,
not an angry wave shall our bark o'erflow. R

3 It will surely hold in the floods of death,
when the waters cold chill our latest breath;
on the rising tide it can never fail
while our hopes abide within the veil. R

4 When our eyes behold, through the gathering night,
the city of gold, our harbour bright,
we shall anchor fast by the heavenly shore,
with the storms all past for evermore. R

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Benediction

Sung Blessing: VU 884, You Shall Go Out With Joy (sing twice)

You shall go out with joy
and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you
there'll be shouts of joy
and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap clap)
while you go out with joy.

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Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us in person or by Zoom, Sunday Mar 19, 2023 at 10:30am for our Worship service. The **Zoom** link is below or if you are on a computer, you will be able to participate in our live-streaming, even if you don't have a Facebook account. Just click on this link and the latest live-video should be near the top. <https://www.facebook.com/TSAUC/live>

Please consider wearing a medical grade mask. Please wear your nametag and if you don't have one, contact Pamela in the church office to arrange one. If you wish to donate towards your nametag, our cost for ordering is \$8 per nametag.

Ukulele church 9:00-9:45 first Sunday of each month. Everyone is welcome to come - bring your instrument if you have one, or you can use one of our rainbow ukuleles. This is kind of like messy church with snacks, stories, lots of music and fun! Next one is April 2.

Welcoming... Just a friendly reminder that if you see someone you don't know at church, why not take a chance and strike up a conversation with them? It's so important that each person who steps through our doors is reminded that we believe in a God of love... and that love can shine through each of us. By the same token, if you are new, thank you worshiping with us. We would love to hear from you! Please leave your phone number or email on the sign up sheet near the Rainbow step entrance. Or call the church and introduce yourself 613-475-1311.

Have you been attending and been thinking about transferring your **membership to Trinity-St. Andrew's United Church?** Please speak with Rev. Wanda (416-919-0436 or email minister@trinitystandrews.ca). If you are interested in exploring your own faith and wondering what membership means, please reach out!

Lenten Study, Home On Native Land

You have no doubt read about the Indian Residential School program over the past few years. You probably are aware that there are several reserves within a short drive of Brighton... you probably know a lot, but do you know the history of how we arrived at a system where some people in Canada live in small, separate communities and have different rights from the others?

Home on Native Land is meant to be a self-guided, online educational tool for all Canadians. It includes ten brief videos with accompanying information and reflection questions. The videos are

professional, humorous, and informative. A group of us have decided to watch, read and discuss together over five weeks in Lent. The study will take place **Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm in person and on zoom. It continues Tuesday March 21 and 28**(we do not meet during March Break). Please consider joining us, and let the office know if you are interested. As people who have benefited from the treaties that dictate our relationship with First Nations people in our area, it behooves us to learn and understand how we ended up where we are.

2022 AGM, Sunday March 26th after worship. Join us for a light lunch, then we will move into our meeting to pass this year's budget, hear about the wonderful work being done by our committees, and discern where God is calling us next.

Prayer Shawl Ministry ...Do you crochet or knit? We have wool and a need for shawls! Please contact the church office 613-475-1311 or email admin@trinitystandrews.ca, if you are able to help.

You are invited to join a **virtual drop-in seniors group**. The group is sponsored by the Lakeview **Family Health Team**. The social workers, who are part of the Family Health Team, have arranged for speakers to lead weekly sessions. This is information about resources that are available to seniors in Brighton. The sessions run every Friday morning, Jan.13th to March 31st (except Feb.17th), 9:30-11:30 am. See the poster and schedule of speakers on the bulletin board located by the hall washrooms.

We hope you will join us in supporting HUGS in Brighton by attending this wonderful event!

Title: Come Fly with Me Gala **Date:** Saturday, May 27, 2023

Location: National Air Force Museum of Canada, 220 RCAF Road, CFB Trenton

Time: Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Ticket Price: \$100 per ticket (a nominal admin fee will be added to purchase at checkout)

Tickets available: As of Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 10 am

Buy Tickets Online: hugsgala2023.eventbrite.ca (option to purchase a table of 8 is available)

For more information, please contact HUGS in Brighton at HUGSinBrighton@gmail.com

Clothing Depot Coordinator/Director...The Clothing Depot has made big changes, and is now looking for a new TSA person to coordinate weekly operations. We are looking for someone who enjoys working in a collaborative, team environment, who has a passion for justice and helping others, who has organizational ability and flexibility. Is this you? Is this someone you know? Please pray about this, and reach out to Janet Enns or Rev. Wanda by calling the office 613-475-1311 or emailing directly minister@trinitystandrews.ca

Clothing Depot Volunteers needed! We need volunteers to fill in some of the shifts, they could be evenings or afternoons. This is not a leadership position! Please contact the church office, if you can help. Thank you for your consideration.

Upcoming Yardsale in May...Spring is here"! That means the Church Yard Sale is just around the corner....April 28th and 29. If you are cleaning out your basement, garage, garden shed, attic, linen closet etc., please consider setting aside some 'treasured', gently used items for donations to the sale. Please no large furniture, electronics or large exercise equipment. Items dropped off at the Hall on Thursday April 27 from 10 am to 6pm. Volunteers are needed. If you can help please sign the 'Volunteer' sheets during fellowship. If you need items picked up, please call Keith Smith 475-0728. Items must be at the door for pick-up. We are not accepting large furniture.

The Church Office Hours: The church office is open! Regular office hours ARE 10am—12:30pm. (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). **We have a mailbox outside the office on Chapel Street** to make it more convenient for you to leave your cheque donations or anything else for the office that fits in an envelope. It has been secured to the brick and is a locked mailbox.