

Summerside Trinity United Church

NewsLetter

Advent 2026

As we clear up the fallen leaves and harvest God's gifts, we are reminded, as we enter the Christmas season, of new life ahead, as represented by the birthday of the Christ, and by our excitement generated by the onset of a new chapter of ministry. Our congregation is remarkable for its caring, and I thank you.

On behalf of our Church Council it gives me great pleasure to wish each of you and your families a very happy Christmas, and all the peace your hearts can hold. May God bless us all!

~ Dr. Cyril Moyse, Chairperson of Trinity Council

Storm Policy

Before heading out for in-person worship on a blustery day or when there is a yellow or red weather warning, **please check Trinity's Facebook Page or call the church office at 902-436-3155 for cancellation information.** The storm policy takes into account distance service leader(s) or staff have to travel, road conditions and most important - the safety of staff, volunteers and worshippers!

Music News...

Folks of any age are invited to join Louise on the organ bench to take in the service from that vantage point - you will get to push some buttons & help Louise manage her music. Speak to Louise to set up a date...she would love your company!

WE NEED RINGERS!!!

Did you ever play an instrument at school? Do you know a little about reading music? Do you like to share in making music with a group? **Consider trying out the handbell choir.** Our group will assist you in learning and we have fun rehearsing together. Speak to Louise or any of our ringers. We rehearse on Wednesdays at 5:45 - 6:45 pm. Come and ring those bells!!!

Trinity Café / Advent Bible Study

Nov. 26 - Dec. 17 on Thursdays from 10 - 11 am at Trinity. Led by Nancy Small and Mary MacPherson. Stay tuned for Jan. dates & details.

Listen to Trinity's weekly sermon on your phone!

Call the toll free number, 1-877-200-7118 to hear the 15 minute recording - there is no fee to listen. Updated every Sunday.

Trinity has a Podcast!

Visit https://trinitysummerside.ca and scroll down to find the full audio of the weekly Worship Service.

Mitten Tree:

Items for the Mitten Tree can be dropped off at the church office during office hours until Friday, Dec. 11 or taken to the sanctuary during Sunday services on December 6 & 13. We appreciate your gifts of hats, mittens, scarves, socks & slippers.

News from Faith In Action:

Food Bank:

Available on Tuesdays (10am-1 pm)
& Thursdays (12-3 pm) at the Trinity Office.

***The last date for food boxes before Christmas is Tues, Dec. 22 (10am-1pm).**

Not available on holidays Dec. 24 & Dec. 31.
Food boxes will return on Tues, Jan. 5 at 10 am.

Feed My Sheep

Free Community Breakfast

2nd and 4th Saturday of every month.
8:30 - 10 am in the Trinity Auditorium.
November 14 & 28; December 12 & Dec. 26 (Volunteers especially welcomed for Dec. 26).

Outdoor Christmas Tree Display -
Andrew's Senior Care on Pope Road

View the Trinity Food Bank themed tree!

Tues, Dec. 1 at 6 pm: Lighting Ceremony and Carol Sing. Drive by during the holidays - donations welcomed for Summerside & Area Food Banks.

Faith in Action is welcoming new volunteers.
Please see the office if you would like to help.

Seeking Donations:

- **Cash & Food Donations** always welcomed for the Trinity Food Bank.
- **Small gift items**, winter hats, mitts, socks, $5 Tim Cards for Dec. 12 Feed My Sheep Breakfast & Holiday Party.
- **750ml mason jars** for "Gifts in a Jar" Fundraiser initiated by Faith in Action & UCW. Can be left at the office no later than Sunday, Nov. 22.
- Drop your **bottles & cans** to Don's Bottle Exchange in aid of the Trinity Food Bank.

Trinity Office Hours over the holidays

Thursday, Dec. 24: 8:30 am – 12 noon
Friday, December 25 & Monday, December 28: Closed
Tuesday, Dec. 29 & Wednesday, Dec. 30: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Wed, Dec. 30: Final day for offerings to receive a 2026 tax receipt.
Thursday, Dec. 31: 8:30- noon
Friday, Jan 1: Closed Monday, Jan. 4: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

2027 United Church of Canada Calendars can be ordered through the office for $10 each. Please place your orders by Friday, December 4.

NOVEMBER 2026



Wed, Nov. 11
The Church office will be **closed for Remembrance Day.**

Sun, Nov. 15 | 10:30 am
Worship led by Nancy Small.
NO Junior Church - returns next week.

Tues, Nov. 17 | 11:30 am
Ladies Monthly Luncheon at West End Bar & Grill.

Sun, Nov. 22
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.
Junior Church - rehearsal for Christmas presentation during worship. **Coffee, Tea & Conversation** following worship. **Discipleship Fete:** Trinity teams will showcase their work and opportunities to get involved.



Friday, Nov. 27 at 9:30 am
Seasonal window **decorating** of the church sanctuary. Volunteers are needed.

Sat, Nov. 28 from 9 am - 12 noon:
Puzzle/Book Fundraiser for Camp Abby.
North Bedeque United Church, 31 Clark Rd.

Advent Sunday Worship occurs **every Sunday at 10:30 am** - in person at Trinity Church and livestreamed to our Facebook page, website & YouTube channel.

Sunday, November 29 | Advent One (Hope) & Hanging of the Greens
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod. **Junior Church** - rehearsal for Christmas presentation during worship.

Sunday, November 29 | 2:30 pm
Community Carol Sing - Trinity Sanctuary
All ages are invited to join us as we prepare for Advent and to sing beloved Christmas carols! Featuring a full roster of choristers, the handbell choir and soloists. Audience participation invited.

Nativity: Night of Music

Mon, Dec 14 at 6 pm: St. Paul's Catholic Church
Sat, Dec. 19 at 2:30 pm: S'side Cmty Church
Sun, Dec. 20 at 6:30 pm: Harbourfront Theatre
(please book tickets for Harbourfront performance)

A project of the Summerside & Area Christian Council.

DECEMBER 2026

Sunday, December 6 | Advent Two (Peace)
Mitten Tree and White Gift Service
Junior Church & Youth Christmas Presentation during service.
Soup Luncheon hosted by Faith in Action and the UCW after service. Freewill donation at the door.
Faith in Action and UCW **"Gifts in a Jar" Fundraiser** (soup and cookie mixes with recipes: $20 per jar).

Sat, December 12 | 8:30 - 10 am: Annual Feed My Sheep Breakfast & Christmas Party

Sunday, December 13 | Advent Three (Joy)
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.
Last day to add items to the **Mitten Tree.**
Junior Church and Youth Christmas Party during worship.
Last day of Junior Church until Jan. 10.

Tuesday, December 15 | 11:30 am
Ladies Monthly Luncheon at Summerside Shipyard.

Sunday, December 20 | Advent Four (Love)
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.
Trinity Choir presents its Annual Christmas Cantata of song & narration: "They Came to Worship Him" written by former Trinity Music Director, Brian Stevens.



Monday, Dec 21 | 6:30 pm (candlelit service)
Blue Christmas Service - In person at Trinity.
Led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.

Thursday, December 24 | Christmas Eve
1 pm Service: Preparing for the Messiah (scripture, carols, Holy Communion). In person & livestreamed. All ages welcomed.

7 pm Service of Scripture and Music (candlelit service). In person only. All ages welcomed.



Sunday, December 27 at 10:30 am
Worship led by Nancy Small.

Sunday, Jan. 3 at 10:30 am | Epiphany
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.

Sunday, January 10 at 10:30 am
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.
Junior Church & Youth Group returns. Ages 3 to 15 welcome to join anytime.

Sunday, January 17 at 10:30 am
Worship led by Rev. Bill MacLeod.
Century Club Presentations.

The Trinity Business Office Is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
***Please see previous page for Holiday Hours**

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