

# TRINITY CONNECTED



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## Lest We Forget



Please join us for our Trinity Remembrance Day Church Service at 10:00 a.m on Sunday November 10th, and the Verona Area Service at McMullen Manor at 11:00 a.m on Monday November 11th, followed by a light lunch at the Verona Free Methodist Church.



Our Trinity United Church, Verona, WWII Veterans, November 11, 2006

L to R: Ted Landsell, Bill Campsall, Don Brown, Gerald Kerr  
Photo: Louise Day

## A Special Music Service on Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>

This will be the second Music Service of our church year on Sunday.

### The concert will feature:

Levi Peters, *Shofar Rams Horn*

Stanley Stinchcombe, *Piano*

Margaret Smith and Annabelle Twiddy, *Piano/Organ Duo*

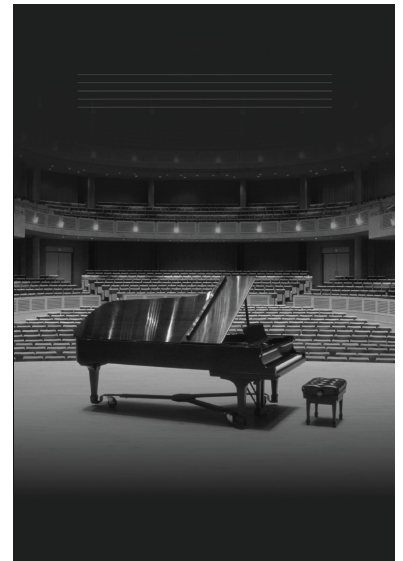
Rebecca Peters, *Soprano*

Jocelyn Tryon, *Soprano*

The Trinity United Church Choir

And special guests:

Kate and Corey Van Allen, *Piano and French Horn Duo*



## United Churches in Celebration

The service on Sunday morning June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 will begin the celebrations of the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada. There will also be a Multi-Congregational Service Telecast that night. Get this on your calendar.



Wishing everyone who has celebrated and will celebrate a birthday in the upcoming months a very happy birthday!

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you.  
May God's richest blessings fall upon you!

Jane Mackay	October 8 <sup>th</sup>
Jean Clair	November 14 <sup>th</sup>
Bill Spain	November 14 <sup>th</sup>
Maryl Hughes	November 18 <sup>th</sup>
Eileen Manson	November 24 <sup>th</sup>
Inez Dartt	December 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Shirley Ellison	December 17 <sup>th</sup>
Millie Cuthill	December 19 <sup>th</sup>

## Things to Ponder

"I am ready to meet my Maker. Whether my maker is ready for the ordeal of meeting me is another matter." *Winston Churchill in a speech on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday*

"We have been taught to believe that negative equals realistic and positive equals unrealistic." *Susan Jeffers*

"I have found the best way to give advice to your children is to find out what they want and advise them to do it." *Statesman, Harry Truman*

Reporter: "Is it true, Mr. Prime Minister, that you were born in a log cabin?"  
Prime Minister: "Why are you confusing me with Abe Lincoln? Everyone knows that I was born in a manger." *Prime Minister Trudeau, being interviewed by a reporter in 1982.*



"Many listen but few hear." *G.F. Handel*

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## ***Sing Till Sundown***

Gladness deepens into grace, weaves its light on every face.  
Let us wake the sleeping earth, celebrate the sweetest birth,  
Pierce the night with festive cry, bloom the colours of the sky.  
Bring the flute, the tambourine, wave the branch of evergreen.  
Lost we were a grief ago, now we're dancing through the snow.  
By Author Eileen Spinelli VU #78



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## ***Looking Ahead in 2024***

Remembrance Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday November 10 <sup>th</sup>
Trinity Sharing Cupboard	2:00 p.m	Wednesday November 13 <sup>th</sup>
Music Sunday	10:00 a.m	Sunday November 17 <sup>th</sup>
Trinity Sharing Cupboard	2:00 p.m	Wednesday November 27 <sup>th</sup>
Communion Sunday	10:00 a.m	Sunday December 1 <sup>st</sup>
Trinity Sharing Cupboard	2:00 p.m	Wednesday December 11 <sup>th</sup>
Trinity Christmas Choir Concert	7:30 p.m	Friday December 13 <sup>th</sup>
Christmas Hamper Delivery		Monday December 16 <sup>th</sup>
Christmas Eve Family Service	5:30 p.m	Tuesday December 24 <sup>th</sup>
No Service		Sunday December 29 <sup>th</sup>
Happy New Year		Tuesday December 31 <sup>st</sup>



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## ***Addressing the Needs of Our Community***

Food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs for an active and healthy life. Sadly, this is not the case for many families in our community and that is why we do Food Hampers twice a year , and opened the Sharing Cupboard in January 2023. Our continued commitment to providing our families with food and basic hygiene supplies simply reinforces Jesus’

statement to the Pharisees ,” Love your neighbour as yourself”.

And so we continue - the Sharing Cupboard opens every two weeks. Some weeks are busier than others but consistency is such an important part of outreach. Our Annual Christmas Hamper Campaign has begun with 25 hampers being delivered on December 16. It is also important to note that we are in

a network of support organizations in our area - Storrington Pastoral Charge, Loughborough Christmas Fund, Harrowsmith Free Methodist Church, Verona Free Methodist Church and the South Frontenac Community Services Corporation. Together, committed, we strive for food security.



***Submitted by Sheila Anthony***

## A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



Many years ago, a brilliant mathematician, Archimedes, worked on the principle of the lever. He said that if he could find a lever long enough, and a pivot located strategically somewhere out in space, he could, himself, lift up the world. Theoretically, apparently, he was right. In practice, though, he was not able to do it!

However, by the power of God's work alive in the world, it has happened in a way for all of us to see. God accomplished it not with a lever but with a lover; and that work of love came to the world in the event we choose to celebrate at Christmas time. Once upon a Christmas time, God began to lift up the world through the power and glory of sacred love. This Christmas story, called Nativity, is not only a tale of long ago and far away. It is the bed-rock truth of life happening here and now. It does not necessarily belong within the mighty corridors of power and wealth where leaders of state and giants of international business corporations have their say and make their influences felt. It is found in many other places; places where people willingly find room for each other, places where people want to live and grow in community, places where human body, soul and spirit can be nurtured. It is in places

where voices can be raised in praise to the God who is our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend. It is in places where Holy Spirit comes and invests itself in human spirit. It is wherever we find and know ourselves being lifted up in love by a power that the world, on its own, cannot provide.

Our church is not a palace. It is just a simple place, not unlike a little stable. And it was in a very simple setting that something very special happened a long time ago, and still happens at Christmas time and all the time. It is God's work of love in Christ and Christ's love at work in us ... ever ancient, ever new ... Body of Christ!!

And angel voices still sing gladly within our midst: Glory to God in the highest... and on earth ... **PEACE!**

And the miracle of Christmas will be remembered and celebrated deeply in a beloved and simple setting, our church, this year, as always, ever old and ever new.

With warmest, precious Christmas blessings,  
**Rev. Ian Mackay**

*Trinity United Church Proudly Presents*

## ON THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM

Join us in Verona for our annual evening of  
carols and Christmas music with the  
Trinity United Church Choir  
& Friends

Special guests: The Frontenac Youth Choir

Friday December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 7:30pm  
Trinity United Church  
6689 Road 38 Verona

Admission by a  
Food Bank Donation

