

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

July 18, 2010

Welcome to Trinity United Church. We're delighted that you have joined our worship. We hope your morning is filled with opportunities for you to collect your thoughts, focus your energy, and dwell within the spirit of God. Please join us for a cup of organic, fair trade coffee or tea after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

This morning, our prayers of joy and concern will be gathered. One of us will wander throughout the Sanctuary inviting you to express what is on your heart and mind. Then we will gather those joys and concerns in our prayers. Your prayer concerns recorded in the prayer book by the center entrance of the Sanctuary may be heard during the service and will be given to Prayer Group (Thursday afternoon gathering.)

If you are new to Trinity or visiting from another congregation or exploring what it might mean to participate in this community, please record your visit with us. You'll find lots of information about Trinity and our guest book at the Information Centre in the foyer.

All Youth and children are encouraged to participate in worship until after *Community Learning Time* when they are invited to leave the Sanctuary to go to their age-specific rooms. Please feel free to accompany your child, until child and parent are comfortable. You will also find ongoing baby care in the entrance foyer.

Toddlers Plus	Room 3 (fireside)
Kindergarten – Grade 3	Rooms 6 and 7
Grades 4-6	Room 5
Grades 7& up	Room 8 (Back of the hall)

We Prepare for Worship

This is the setting out.
The leaving of everything behind.
Leaving the social milieu. The preconceptions. The definitions.
The language. The narrow field of vision. The expectations.
No longer expecting relationships, memories, words, or letters to mean what they used to mean. To be, in a word: Open.

-Rabbi Lawrence Kushner

Prelude

We Gather In Community

Words of Welcome

Trinity in Action

...with Margaret Alexis

We Sing: VU #381 Spirit of Life (X2)
VU #563 Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Gathering Prayer

**Spirit of truth
whom the world can never grasp,
touch our hearts
with the shock of your coming;
fill us with desire
for your disturbing peace;
and fire us with longing
to speak your uncontainable word
through Jesus Christ. Amen**

-Janet Morley

Passing the Peace

Learning in Community

Listening For Wisdom

Readings: Luke 10:38-42

...with Margaret Alexis

We read these texts so that in them we may find wisdom for our life.
May we be open to the Wisdom we understand and hear.

Message: *Martha and Mary*

...Sharon Ferguson-Hood

Silent Reflection & Music

...Marina Durham

We Respond

We make our offering & sing:

We Give Thanks to You, Dear Earth

We give thanks to you, dear Earth,
for your gifts so rich and rare,
For new life you bring to birth,
teaching us your tender care.
May we nurture you each day,
Dear Creator guides our way.

Jann Aldredge-Clanton

Minute for Mission

...Donna Marie Milne

We Sing: VU #959 The Lords Prayer

Words of Preparation (a gathering of concerns and celebrations)
Prayers of the Day

The Prayer of Jesus (from the Aramaic)

O Thou, the Breath, the Light of All
Let this light create a light shrine within,
And your Counsel rule 'til Oneness guides all.
Your One Desire then acts with ours, as in all light,
so in all forms.
Grant what we need, each day, in bread and insight.

Loose the cords of mistakes binding us,
as we release the strands we hold of other's faults.
Don't let surface things delude us,
But keep us from unripe acts.
To you belongs the ruling mind, the life that can act and do,
the song that beautifies all, from age to age it renews.
In faith, I will to be true. Amen

(Neil Douglas-Klotz. *Prayers of the Cosmos: Meditations
of the Aramaic Words of Jesus*. San Francisco, Harper Ros 1990)

Going Into The World

Gift of Music

Closing Hymn: VU #582 There's a Spirit in the Air

Benediction

Sending Forth:

May all I do today be for the healing of the whole.
May all I do today mend our broken world.
May all I do today bring blessing on the earth.
May all I do today be for the good of all,
all I do today.

In The Name Of All That Is Jan Novotka

Postlude

TUESDAY NIGHT SPIRITUAL STUDY

“The Gift of Years, Growing Older Gracefully” by Joan Chittister.
Chittister is an internationally known writer and lecturer; she currently serves as co-chair of the UN-sponsored Global Peace Initiative of Women. She is one of our most celebrated spiritual writers; she invites us to embrace older age as a natural part of life that is both active and contemplative, productive and reflective, and deeply rewarding. She believes that older age gives us wisdom, freedom, and prosperity of another kind. This study will take place on the following dates:
Tuesday – October 4th and every Tuesday thereafter till November 30th from 5:00 – 7:00 pm (with the exception of November 16th)
Please read the Introduction and the chapters “Regret” and “Meaning” for the first meeting. Please sign up for this study on the sign up sheet under the office window in the Narthex. We will break for supper at 6:00 pm so if you can bring food that first night. Please indicate what you are bringing on the sheet i.e. soup or bread.

To order your copy of Joan's book call the KOP Resource Center in Kelowna at 250-762-5777 or email koprc@telus.net

