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SIMCOE, FRIDAY 30th January 2026

No.05-26

WELCOME TO WORSHIP**SUNDAY 1st FEBRUARY**

EPIPHANY IV

8:00am Holy Eucharist

Traditional (BCP). Said service

10:30am Holy EucharistContemporary (BAS) with Music, Choir, & Sunday School
Refreshments & fellowship follow in the Parish Hall**WEDNESDAY 4th FEBRUARY (Chapel)****10:30 am Holy Eucharist**

Traditional (BCP). Said service.

Fourth Sunday after
*Epiphany***UPCOMING EVENTS**

TUE 3 rd FEB	Tai Chi Foundations	9:00am
TUE 3 rd FEB	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
WED 4 th FEB	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
WED 4 th FEB	Lynn Valley Voices	4:00pm
THU 5 th FEB	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
THU 5 th FEB	Choir Practice	4:00pm
FRI 6 th FEB	Tai Chi Foundations	9:00am

CON BRIO MUSIC School

Announcing a music program for ages 5-16. There is one class at 6:00-6:45 for all and a class for older students at 6:45-7:15. (these students are chosen by the teacher) This program will begin on **January 15, 2026 at 6 pm**. Classes will take place on **Thursdays** at Trinity Anglican Church in Simcoe. A designated music room is in the basement of the church and the classes will be delivered by music specialist, Gena Norbury B. Mus.; B. Mus. Ed.; ATCL; Kodály Certified

*participation in the program will be verified by email.

Reserve your child's place now!

conbriomusicprogram@gmail.com

Confirmation and payment to be sent by
January 2, 2026 via email/etransfer
conbriomusicprogram@gmail.com to
confirm placement.

80 Colborne St. S., Simcoe



NORFOLK MUSICAL ARTS FESTIVAL
PRESENTS

FESTIVAL WEEK

2026

40th ANNIVERSARY

MARCH 2-6, 2026

GET STARTED TODAY

The Norfolk Musical Arts Festival is preparing to celebrate a major milestone in 2026 — its 40th year — and registration is officially open now.

For more information please see their website: <https://nmaf.ca/>

Prayer for Justice

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it: a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor; a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them; a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect; a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.

Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Submitted by AFP executive member Rev'd Stephanie Donaldson via Grace Brubacher



King Charles the Martyr, or Charles, King and Martyr, is a title of Charles I, who was King of England, Scotland and Ireland from 1625 until his execution on **30 January 1649**. He believed in a sacramental version of the Church of England, called High Anglicanism, with a theology based upon Arminianism, a belief shared by his main political advisor, Archbishop William Laud. Laud was appointed by Charles as the Archbishop of Canterbury in 1633 and started a series of reforms in the Church to make it more ceremonial. The observance was one of several "state services" removed in 1859 from the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England and the Church of Ireland.



PARKVIEW MEADOWS CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT VILLAGE
72 Town Centre Drive, Townsend, Ontario

PRESENTS



ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

THURSDAY MARCH 26, 2026
DINNER 6:30P.M.

TICKETS: \$25.00 EACH

and includes all you can eat spaghetti, Caesar salad, garlic bread, coffee or tea and dessert.

** Proceeds from this event will be used to support our Annual Carnival Day Open House.

This event plays an important role in raising funds for the Norfolk Haldimand Community Hospice, which provides essential care to individuals and families in our community

For more information or to purchase tickets please call

519-587-2448 ext. 400

Tickets can also be retrieved in the Gardenview entrance at the reception desk.

The Venerable Jonathan Egasi has recently moved to Simcoe and is looking to rent a room.

Please contact him at 437-907-8695 if you can help.



SPREADING OUR WINGS

The Prayer Shawl ministry is branching out. Instead of just making prayer shawls, lapghans and baptismal blankets, we are now knitting &/or crocheting hats for preemies, hand warmers for the elderly, hats, mitts and scarves for the homeless and knitted knockers (prosthetics for breast cancer survivors). These smaller projects are perfect for in-between those bigger projects or for those warm summer days or evenings—that will be here before you know it!!! If you are interested, but would need patterns and/or yarn, please contact Rose Langley at furbabiesmama123@gmail.com



IMPORTANT NOTICE re: ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Guild is no longer able to pick up the flowers from Sobey's on Saturday

morning. Sobey's will deliver the flowers to the church. The delivery fee will be included in the cost of your flowers (minimum \$70.), or you can pick up deliver the flowers yourself. In that case, they **MUST** be at the church between 9 – 9:30 AM Saturday morning.

“The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference. The opposite of art is not ugliness, it's indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy, it's indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, it's indifference.”

ELIE WIESEL

National days on **January 30, 2026**, celebrate flaky pastries and taking breaks with **National Croissant Day** and **National Escape Day**. It is also designated as **National Inane Answering Message Day**, **Yodel for Your Neighbors Day**, and is often marked by **National Big Wig Day** or **Fun at Work Day** depending on the last Friday of the month.



This 2 litre Corningware La Marjolaine casserole was found at Trinity after the Bazaar.



It does not belong to the Church so if it is yours, please notify the Office to claim it. If it remains unclaimed it will be sold.

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9:00am-12:00 noon

Visitors always welcome.



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Blessed are those who wear name tags, for they shall be called by their proper names and not 'Hey, you!'

Let's help Rick, new

members, and visitors out by wearing our Trinity name tags! Consider it a grace-filled memory booster and a warm 'hello' to our newest members. If you've misplaced yours, or don't have one let the office know.



Calling on all Offertory Envelope users!

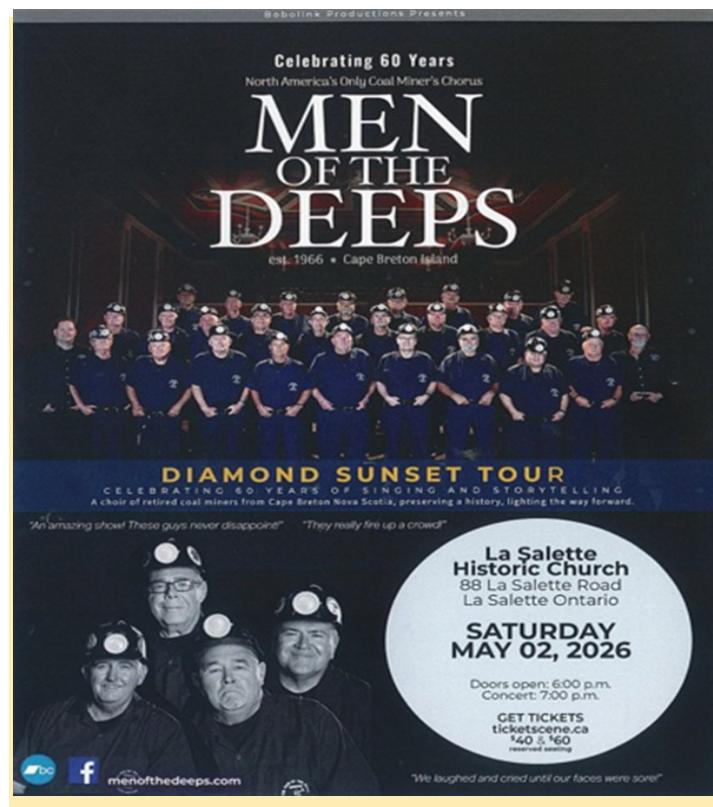
Now may be a good time to consider switching to Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

Benefits of PAG

- Provides better information for Wardens & Parish Council for budgeting income & planning for project expenditures etc. (e.g. Ministry/Mission work or Building expenses)
- Less work for counters.
- Reduces the cost of envelopes for the church.
- Convenient for Parishioners; do not have to remember weekly envelope.
- You can change your offering at any time, more or less, or cancelled it at any time.
- You can still give special offering at Easter, Thanksgiving & Christmas via special envelopes.

How to apply for PAG

- Contact the Church office at 519-426-0501, Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 12 noon to arrange pick up of a PAG form or arrange to have it mailed to you.
- Complete the Pre Authorized Giving Form Using a VOID cheque or credit card.
- If you use a credit card with points you still collect the points, however need to notify the Office when you get a new credit card, i.e. new expiry date.
- Plan your contributions – Direct Withdrawals are done on the 10th and 25th each month; Credit Card withdrawals on the 15th of each month.
- The process is in compliance with the Dioceses of Huron Privacy Standards Policy.



Meekness and Power

The political and moral center of the world is shifting. And not in a good way. I still believe that the arc of the universe bends toward justice. But for now, the world is taking a detour through the Will to Power. We cannot predict how long this detour will last. But we can say that it is already deadly.

Nations are forsaking a geopolitical order committed to the rule of international law for one defined by a clash between great powers. The actions of those great powers are guided by the Thucydidean Principle: "The strong do what they can, and the weak suffer what they must."

So, what does Jesus require of his followers now? Russia invades Ukraine. The United States asserts its power beyond international norms, and some among us even speak casually of acquiring new territory. China flexes its economic muscle.

On the streets of America, masked federal agents demand identity papers from civilians. They arrest individuals without clear due process. And civilians have died in the course of these operations. I grew up hearing stories of the Nazi Brown Shirts and SS from my WWII-era immigrant grandparents. What I see from iPhone videos shared on the news is uncomfortably reminiscent of those stories.

To repeat Thucydides: "The strong do what they can, and the weak suffer what they must." The Will to

Power strives for dominance and demands submission. It craves success, privilege, and control.

So, what does Jesus require of his followers now? He tells us to resist. To exercise power. Only, not that kind of power. Here's how he put it in the Sermon on the Mount:

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." (Matthew 5:5)

Meekness is the paradoxical power that Jesus-followers exercise only by first submitting themselves to Jesus. It is neither passivity nor niceness.

Rather, to echo Augustine, to be meek begins with surrendering the illusion of our own control. Only then do we make space for Jesus to work through our hands and feet.

The core of the Will to Power is self-will. By contrast, the meek are willing, not willful. They intentionally align their desires with God's desire. This is the essence of being a disciple. And Jesus is clear about what God desires. "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

For Jesus, love is a set of practices, a way of being in this world:

Do the next right thing. Don't make a big production of it. (Matthew 5:37)

Give to those in need, because they need. (Matthew 5:42).

Respect everybody as somebody important to God: even the ones who make your skin crawl and the ones who hate your guts. (Matthew 5:43-46)

Remember that we're meant to love people and to use things. Not to love things and to use people to get those things. (Matthew 6:19-21)

Jesus calls us to die to self-will. To die to slavish devotion to self-assertion, self-fulfillment, and even self-preservation. To love our neighbor as ourselves even at great cost. To resist the worldly obsession with success, privilege, influence, and status.

We may do this in the voting booth and by communicating with elected officials. Some of us will walk in peaceful protest. But the core of our resistance to the world's turn toward the Will to Power is to walk daily—one day at a time—in humility. Trusting that God will, in God's time, work through the likes of us.

Or, as Micah summarized it centuries ago: "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice and

to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8).

Food for Thought

"The new humanity that is created around Jesus is not a humanity that is always going to be successful and in control of things, but a humanity that can reach out its hand from the depths of chaos, to be touched by the hand of God."—Rowan Williams, *Being Christian*

"What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like."—Augustine, *Confessions*

"We don't wake up daily and form a way of being-in-the-world from scratch, and we don't think our way through every action of our day. We move in patterns that we have set over time, day by day. These habits and practices shape our loves, our desires, and ultimately who we are and what we worship."—Tish Harrison Warren, *Liturgy of the Ordinary*

Bishop Jake Owensby, From the Woodlands

