

Upcoming Dates:

February 2026

February 1: Engaging at TSP / Volunteer Fair

February 8: Book Talk - "*On Dismantling Settler Colonialism*" (after service)

February 10: Board Meeting

February 15: TSP Treasures and Treats Winter Fundraiser (11:45-2pm)

February 18: Ash Wednesday (7pm)

March 2026

March 8: New Members' Session (Follow Up)

March 22: Annual General Meeting

Further Ahead (please save the date - more details to follow):

April 24-26: Climate Justice Weekend Event

June 12-13th: Artists Wage Peace Weekend Event

Sunday Announcements

A friendly reminder that announcements made on Sunday mornings should not exceed 1 minute in length. Thank you!

Board Game Night

Board games and fun! Join us on Monday January 26th in the Circles Room from 7-10pm to hang out and play games. All "younger folks" welcome.

Wednesday Evening Reflection Group

The next Wednesday Evening Reflection Group gathering is on Jan. 28th from 7-8 pm on [Zoom](#). See the E-Newsletter for the full description.

February (Additional) Church Board Meeting

There will be an additional Church Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:30pm in the Fireside Room. If you have items for the meeting's agenda, please advise Dan Main, tspdanmain@gmail.com by January 25, 2026.

Guaranteed Livable Basic Income Advocacy

The Anti-Racism Working Group (ARWG) at TSP continues its advocacy for a Guaranteed Livable Basic Income (GLBI). We are asking TSP congregants to write a letter to Senate Finance Committee members in support of Bill S-206. See the E-Newsletter for the letter template and background information.

Engaging at TSP/Volunteer Fair

Please join us after worship on February 1 for a conversation about ways to get involved in the shared work of our community. At TSP, the life of the church is shaped not only by worship, but by the gifts people choose to share with one another throughout the year. We'll offer a brief overview, then move into the Narthex for more conversation, questions and, hopefully, sign-ups. Join us as we discern together how your gifts might serve the life and ministry of TSP.

Celebrating Black History Month at TSP

As February approaches, we prepare to celebrate the histories, contributions, and stories of Black people, both in Canada and across the diaspora. At Trinity-St. Paul's, our celebrations will include a Caribbean Communion Service on February 1, with musical guests Sattalites and George Koeller. On February 15, the Choir will sing Aaron Manswell's *Stick with Love*. Join us for these services and more as we celebrate Black History at TSP!

Winter Choral Development Program

The Choral Development Program (CDP) offers a dynamic and enriching environment for singers to elevate their musical abilities through Solfege and Dalcroze methods. Join us for an intensive one-month session every **Thursday at 6 pm - 6:50 pm, starting February 5th**. No reservation needed. All welcome. See the E-Newsletter for the full description.

Indigenous Rights Solidarity & Book Talk

On February 8th in the Studio after morning service, John Olthuis will lead a discussion about TSP's Indigenous Rights Solidarity Group and make some comments about his recently published book *On Dismantling Settler Colonialism – An Insider's Perspective on Reconciliation WITH Indigenous Peoples*.

Tending our Communion Table

We're seeking a person or team to decorate our communion table before Sunday services on the second Sunday of the month from Feb to June, 2026. (No experience necessary and training provided.) If you'd like to learn more or sign up, please contact Alexandra.Horsky@yahoo.com or text/call Alex at 416-516-8840.

Be a Sunday Greeter!

Help create a warm welcome at TSP. This is a one-Sunday-per-month commitment (either the 1st or 3rd Sunday). See the E-Newsletter or contact Alex Horksy (alexandra.horsky@yahoo.com) or Jim Lewis (tspjimlewis@gmail.com) to discuss.

Treasures and Treats Winter Fundraiser

Join us for TSP Treasures & Treats, a community fundraising market featuring thoughtfully curated pre-loved items, vintage finds, jewellery, home goods, and delightful treats - all in support of TSP. Sunday, February 15, 2026, 12 – 3:00 PM in the Gymnasium & Studio .

We are collecting the following donations:

- Jewelry, bangles, earrings, vintage and new
- Valuable books, high end, good condition, best sellers, unique cookbooks: good condition
- Kitchen Items, small appliances and electronics; cooking/baking equipment
- Clothing, new or washed and in good condition; purses, small valises: new or in good condition

Please contact Gillian or Lina with a note of your items, and approximate value/price. Please note: any items that are not sold will be donated at the end of the event unless you take them away with you at 3pm.

We will receive items on the following dates:

- **Sunday February 8th**, 10am - 10:25 AM and after Service until 12:30pm in the Narthex
- **Monday February, 9th - Thursday, February 13th**, 10 AM - 12PM by accessible washroom
- **Monday, February 9th and Wednesday, February 12th**, 4PM - 6PM by accessible washroom

For more details, or to volunteer, please contact:

Lina Medaglia (647-525-1011, medaglia.miller@rogers.com) or Gillian Graham (647-550-6013, gillian.graham@alumni.utoronto.ca)

Lay Leadership Opportunities for 2026

Do you want to share your gifts with the wider TSP family or join our team of leadership? We are prayerfully seeking lay leaders to serve in several important roles in the life of Trinity-St. Paul's.

- **Incoming Chair of the Board:** to receive mentoring from the current Chair of the Board on the functions of the Board.
- **Co-Chair Finance:** Oversees the church's budget, manages resources responsibly, and supports the congregation's long-term financial health.
- **Stewardship** — We seek Co-Chairs: one with a focus on finance and one on lay leadership.
 - **Co-Chair Stewardship Volunteers / Lay Leadership Focus:** Invites adherents/members into meaningful service and helps people discover where they are called to lead.
 - **Co-Chair Stewardship Focus on Finance:** Supports the congregation's financial health through budgeting and encouraging generous giving. (The person in this role may also serve as Co-Chair Finance concurrently, as is currently the case.)
- **Other Leadership Roles:**
 - **Member-at-Large:** Brings independent listening and voice to the Board discussions and decisions.
 - **Regional Council Representative:** Acts as a liaison between our congregation and the wider church. TSP is allowed two representatives.
 - **Chair of the Children's Circle:** Supports the spiritual life and programming for children.
 - **Co-Chair of Worship & Faith Formation:** Shapes worship and faith development (we are seeking two co-chairs).

If you feel even a gentle nudge to explore any of these opportunities, please speak with either the Board Chair, Lois, the Minister, Hewitt, Stewardship of Volunteers, Alex.

New Members Follow-Up Session

If you have attended a previous New Member Session, please plan to attend a "Part 2" Session on **Sunday, March 8**, after service from 12–1:30 pm. If you have not yet attended a New Members Session, you are welcome to join, and a follow-up time will also be arranged for you to meet with Hewitt as part of our shared discernment.