



Trinitopics & Church Announcements

8 ~ Thursday, April 21st, 2022



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1962 ~ 2022 Trinity United Church & Trinity UCW ~ 60th Anniversary

At Trinity United Church our Vision is to Grow in Faith, Fellowship and Service Through Christ Jesus. We believe that all people are children of God and we embrace the fullness of our diversity in ability, age, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, social economic status or any other human division as we unite in worship and full participation in all aspects of our ministry. As a congregation we are all committed to surroundings that reflect safety and support in respect of social justice and human rights.



Pulpit Supply Needs:

Worship Leaders will be needed during Rev. Doug's absences this spring and summer due to Prairie Region meetings, continuing education and vacation. Please reflect on your worship talents and consider taking a service during one or more of these dates. These services will not be recorded or live-streamed.

Please contact Alan Silvius at (204) 726-4169 or silviusa@mymts.net.

Dates for consideration are:

May 22: UCW

June 19:

July 31:

August 7:

August 14:



May Gift Card Fundraiser:

We are having an Gift Card Fundraiser which will take place during the month of May. Further details and order forms will be available this week.

Trinity Sunday School will meet every other Sunday for the month of May;



May 15 and May 29th,
and then take a break for the summer months.

Our Sunday School department would like to welcome you to join us for cake and coffee following Service on Sunday, May 29, 2022. We hope to see you there !!

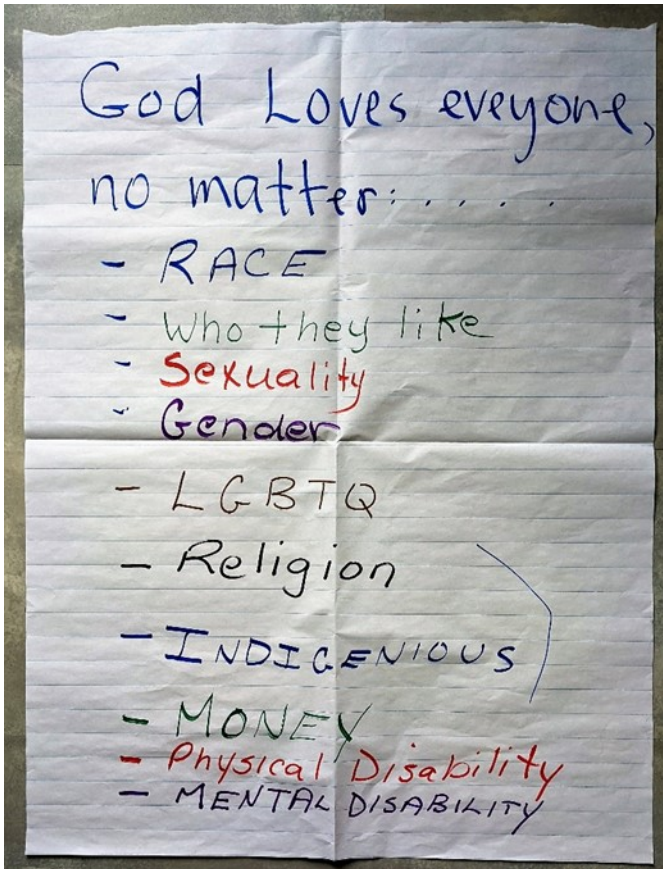


This is a logo that our creative Office Admin, Eden Snider, made. She has had no instruction in making of such; but self taught herself. She tells me if she has a question, she 'Googles' it!

A very lovely logo & on our 60th year!!
Thank you, Eden, well done!!

Affirming Ministry – A Youth Perspective

The Senior Sunday School students engaged in a presentation on "Affirming Ministry" facilitated by Al Friesen. Following introductory prompting on what they perceived an Affirming Ministry to be, the students suggested phrases to complete the statement "God loves everyone, no matter . . . " The session concluded with brainstorming short statements relating to social justice that they plan to paint on signs to display on the church grounds. Thanks to Sunday School leaders Connie Haigh and Lois Riley for directing this initiative.



A man and a woman
were traveling in a train.

Woman : Every time you smile,
I feel like inviting you to my place.

Man : Awwww! Are you single ?

Woman : No, I am a Dentist....



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Its Back,

Our Drive thru BBQ is Back, Thursday May 26th at the
Keystone south parking lot. 11:30am – 1:00pm

- * \$10.00 gets you pulled pork on a bun, drink and a bag of chips
- * All pre-orders will be entered to Win an office lunch, drinks and dessert for up to 10 people from Joe Beeverz.

Deadline for pre-orders is
Tuesday May 24th at 12:00 noon.

Thank you for your continuing support
of our United Way.

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Trinity has \$100 Sobey's/Safeway gift cards in the office



There were 15 women gathered for our May meeting.
Winnie Black presented a Devotion that has a big question. Why is there such a change in Christianity? Follow Proverbs 3:6 ... Discussion followed.

UCW are ushering in May

UCW will be doing Worship on May 22nd (May Long), due to Rev. Doug's absence.

Trinity Sunday school going to camp? Contact us by May 31st for help with costs.

Our next meeting is **Tuesday, June 7th, starting at 1:15 pm.** All woman are welcome!!

UCW Purpose

To unite women of the congregation for the total mission of the church and to provide a means through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship and service.

UCW supplies the coffee, tea, drink crystals, creamers, sugar & sweetener for all Trinity functions.



May 3rd:	Lillian Atchison
May 7th:	Marlene Campbell
May 8th:	Irene Thompson
May 16th:	Elaine Nairne
May 17th:	Georgie Pidhorny
May 31st:	Darlynne Smith



Love your neighbour

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself'. There is no commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)

I just got a full tank of gas for \$22. Granted it was for my lawn mower but I am trying to stay positive

Thanks to the following UCW members and helpers who delivered Meals on Wheels on the Mondays in April.

Darlene and Alan Silvius, Gloria and Murray McMillan, Irene and Dave Thompson, Vivian and Keith Privat, Georgina and Marv Pidhorny, Carolyn and Ralph Heard, Joanne McMillan and Edna Stewart.



Your dedication is very much appreciated.
..... Elaine Nairne

Did You Know?

The United Church was inaugurated on June 10, 1925 in Toronto when the Methodist Church, Canada, the Congregational Union of Canada, and 70 percent of The Presbyterian Church in Canada entered into a union.

Another 'fun fact' is that while chatting with Winnie Black today (Wednesday), she shared with me that it was her Grandfather, Charlie Garner, who was the representative who went to Toronto to represent their district.

Charlie was her dad's father.

As sent by Winnie:

The name of the Church I attended was Petrolia United Church; it was in the Municipality of Moose Jaw. It was opened in 1914 and the first service Oct. 14 1914. It was about an 8th of a mile from my grandparents farm and was South of Moose Jaw approx. 8 miles. From what I gather it was a Methodist Church. When Grandpa lived in Fontanel, Iowa he belonged to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He was chosen by the Moose Jaw district to go to Toronto for the amalgamation of the 3 churches. They went by train from Moose Jaw on the C.P.R. Grandpa was a farmer; his name Charlie William Garner. I always thought it was funny it wasn't 'Charles'.

We always had prayers in the morning after breakfast when we visited their place. Grandma made sure there were four times a year that we had all the family together; therefore I knew all my cousins. I was lucky to have known grandma and grandpa. They had a lasting influence on my life. Winnie

Thank you Winnie!!





The United Church
of Canada

Ukraine Crisis

The invasion of Ukraine is costing precious lives and creating a humanitarian crisis as people flee to safety. The United Nations reports that a growing number of over eleven million people are displaced from their homes, many seeking refuge in neighbouring countries. Many have lost loved ones, friends, and property. The people of Ukraine struggle to meet their basic needs and face an uncertain future.



ACT Alliance member Hungarian Interchurch Aid is working at the Hungary/Ukraine border to provide relief to Ukrainian refugees. *Credit: Hungarian Interchurch Aid/ACT Alliance*

United Church Mission & Service partners are responding to the rapidly unfolding crisis. You can help. Right now, people urgently need shelter, clean water, food, and medical attention.

Please show your support by making a gift today. Donate now! Specify: Ukraine Crisis

Online at <https://www.gifttool.com/donations/Donate?ID=1955&AID=2274&PID=6507>

Cheque: The United Church of Canada, 3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 200, Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4

Cheque or e-Transfer to Trinity United Church (Indicate: Ukraine Crisis)

Thanks to Al Friesen for the excellent artwork and presentations he sends me for newsletters! In this issue, he has articles from Affirming, Trinity Sunday school, info & prayer for International day against H, T & Biphobia's as well as the above Ukraine Crisis. Thank you, Al; excellent messages and 'Design by Al'!

The International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia takes place around the world on May 17. This day emphasizes that homophobia, transphobia, and biphobia are still the reality in the daily lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and trans members of our communities.

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia

#IDAHOT



For the Great Diversity You Have Created

Creator, we come to you with both the joys and the sorrows of our hearts.

We are grateful for the gift of life and the joy that it can bring. For families and friends who love us.

For allies who stick up for us,
even when we cannot risk sticking up for ourselves.

For the great diversity you have created in our world.

We pray for those who suffer from discrimination
because of their gender identity or sexual orientation.

Who worry about their employment or who cannot find a job.

For those who must hide who they are to find housing.

For those who are not safe on our streets.

For those who do not feel safe in their place of worship.

Help us to end homophobia, transphobia, and biphobia,
and all forms of discrimination and hate.

Show us the way to make this world a better place for all.

—a prayer by Ruth Wood, from the worship service “Speaking Our Truth”
for the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia.

The United Church of Canada

<https://united-church.ca/prayers/great-diversity-you-have-created>

CHILDHOOD INJURIES:
FELL OFF MY BIKE
FELL OUT OF A TREE
TWISTED MY ANKLE

ADULT INJURIES:
SLEPT WRONG
SAT DOWN TOO LONG
SNEEZED TOO HARD



The ‘Wicked’ Bible

It’s considered “one of the most serious blunders in publishing history,” according to the University of Canterbury in New Zealand.

But also one of the funniest:
A Bible printed in England in 1631 left out the word “not” in the Seventh Commandment and thus instructed readers:

“Thou shalt commit adultery.”

The typo caused an uproar at the time—King Charles I was not amused—resulting in the destruction of nearly all of the approximately 1,000 copies in print.

However, about 20 specimens of the aptly nicknamed “Wicked Bible” are known to have survived, and one just surfaced in New Zealand for the first time.

“It’s a mystery, it’s fascinating, and it has made its way halfway around the world,” Chris Jones, associate professor in medieval studies at the university, tells the Guardian. A former student brought him the copy, obtained in an estate sale, and Jones is unveiling it for the first time after a few years of study and restoration work.

Much debate exists about how the typo came to be, including a theory that a rival printer sabotaged the efforts of royal printer Robert Barker. Jones, however, thinks the reason is less sinister: He chalks it up to overworked copy editors operating in what was then a highly competitive industry.

The official mascot of 2020:





Acts of Compassion Give Rise to Peace

There is one thing that will never fail us: compassion.

Acts of compassion both big and small give rise to peace. We can't wave a magic wand and bring about world peace, but with every act of compassion we harness the power of love, the same love Jesus lived and died for and that he promised would move mountains.

Over two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began to sweep the globe, life has become harder for millions of families.

- 148,000,000 more people are having trouble putting food on the table than in 2019.
- Last year more than 80,000,000 people around the world were forced to flee their homes because of rising violence and conflict; half of them were children.
- In the last two years, visits to Canadian food banks have climbed 20 percent, with the cost of food predicted to rise 5-7 percent this year.

When people don't have what they need to survive, conflict is inevitable.

That's why your generosity matters so much.

The food security initiatives, refugee support work, educational programs, as well as emergency and advocacy efforts your gifts through Mission & Service support aren't just about food, safety, education, and human rights. They are ultimately about peace. And in a world where division tears the fabric that binds us together, that's everything.

Jesus put compassion into action every day he lived. He brought hope into every room he walked into. He was literally the calm in the storm. He stretched out his arms in the ultimate sacrifice of love, and the world was never the same. The Easter story is a testament to our ability to make a powerful, positive difference.

Every act of compassion gives rise to peace.

Thank you for your generosity through Mission & Service.

Your gifts truly do help move mountains.

A 'man of the cloth' woke up one Sunday morning and realizing it was an exceptionally beautiful and sunny early May day, decided he just had to play golf.

So... he called the Associate Pastor that he was feeling sick and persuaded him to take the service in church for him that day.

As soon as the Associate Pastor left the room, the priest headed out of town to a golf course about 40 km away.

This way he knew he wouldn't accidentally meet anyone he knew from his parish.

Setting up on the first tee, he was alone.

After all, it was Sunday morning
and everyone else was certainly in church!!!!!!

At about this time, Saint Peter leaned over to God while looking down from the heavens and exclaimed,

"You're not going to let him get away with this, are you?"

The Lord God sighed, and said, "No, I guess not."

Just then, the priest hit the ball and it shot straight towards the pin, dropping just short of it, rolled up and fell into the hole.

IT WAS A 430 YARD HOLE -IN-ONE!

St. Peter was astonished. He looked at The Lord and asked,

"Why did you let him do that?"

The Lord smiled and replied, "Who's he going to tell?"



Collection Dates are:

Sunday May 1st, 2022 to

Tuesday May 31st, 2022

***Please note: Due to the pandemic, there will only be two drop off locations**

Brandon Cleaners,

349 9th Street

7:30am – 4:30pm (Mon – Fri)

Shoppers Mall

10:00am – 8:00pm (Mon – Fri)

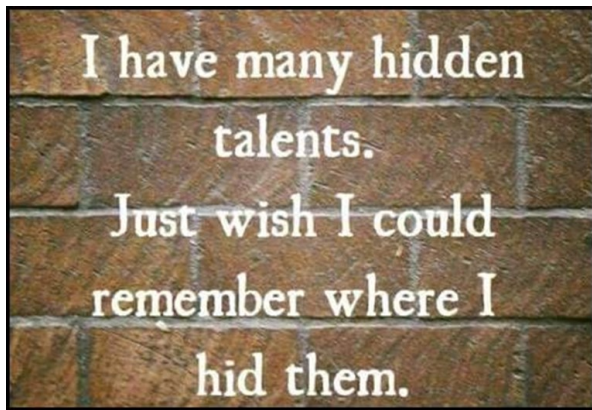
10:00am – 6:00pm (Sat)

11:00am – 6:00pm (Sun)

United Way's Coats for Kids Program will gladly take your gently used children's winter coats and ski pants for ages 2 – 10 so that no child has to face the cold winter unprotected.

For more information please contact
United Way Brandon & District at
(204)571-8929

Please No other Clothing



Trinity **May** Birthdays

I have no May birthdays or Anniversaries in my collection! Anyone want to share????



Why were the teacher's eyes crossed?
She couldn't control her pupils!

Our days are getting longer!

Sunrise 6:08a.m.

Sunset 9:04 p.m.



Please be sure to call or e-mail
Marlane Wilson,

with any reports of folks in hospital or
needing some contact.

204 729-8574 or marlane.w@yahoo.com

Patient/Resident Well Wishes

In this season, with our hospitals, **care and senior homes** so restricted, please remember the option of being able to go on the Prairie Mountain Health website and leave a message for a shut in. Be sure to leave your name with the message so folks know that it is you contacting them.

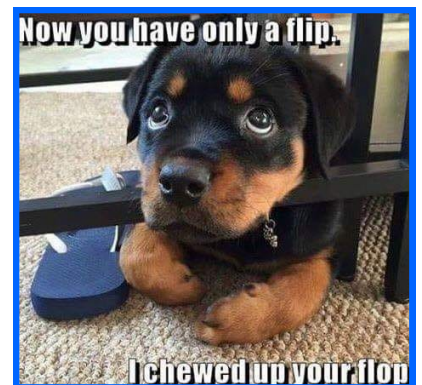
It just takes a few minutes and might brighten someone's day!

www.prairiemountainhealth.ca/pmh-well-wishes

I visited a monastery and as I walked past the kitchen I saw a man frying chips. I asked him "Are you the friar?" He replied "No, I'm the chip monk..."



When I lost the fingers on my right hand in a freak accident, I asked the doctor if I would still be able to write with it. He said, "Probably, but I wouldn't count on it" 😂



This cartoon was supposed to be funny but there is no punch line!

A Winnipeg science professor, so interested in conserving energy, actually built a pig-manure-powered car. It worked beyond his expectations! He had to get rid of it, though. Every time he turned a corner, the tires squealed.



Please think about our folks in hospital and care homes and drop them a greeting through the Prairie Mountain Health website.
<https://www.prairiemountainhealth.ca/pmh-well-wishes>

If you know someone, or yourself, who would like a care call from Rev. Neufeld; call 204-441-8140
204 728-4796
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'Love Your Neighbour as Yourself'
Thanks, Barb Roberds, for making toques for Ukraine Relief!



Our thoughts and prayers to anyone we have missed who are spending time in hospital: or having health issues



I know of no one in the hospital!
I hope that is a true fact!

Had a phone visit with

Gordon Fraser.

He loves hearing from people! Right now he is in quarantine due to an outbreak of Covid; but hopes soon to be out.

He said to say hi to everyone & to give him a call:
204 728-3685.

Porridge

For many years my mother made me porridge for breakfast. Every morning; winter and summer. It'll stick to your ribs,' she told me cheerfully.

As a child, I used to feel my ribs, to see if anything had stuck to them inside. I took me along time to realize she was speaking figurately, not literally.

I have been going to church for almost 60 years now. I go for the same reason I ate my mother's porridge all those years. To get nourishment. Spiritual nourishment, in this case – but every Sunday, I hope some of it will stick to me (figurately of course)!

There is a lot of similarity between porridge and church attendance. Both are best when you receive them warm. In the bowl with the warmth of the stove; in church with the warmth of friendship.

Both can be pretty bland when they're too uniform. I preferred the crunch and variety of Red River Cereal to the smooth uniformity of 'Cream of Wheat' & I still prefer churches that encourage diversity of views – even a touch of heresy now and then - to those that expect strict conformity to their standards. 'Everyday Parables' ... James Taylor

Our Friends in Personal Care and Senior Homes

Dinsdale: Lois Aube

Fairview: Lillian Atchison, Audrey Campbell, Judy Diswinka, Gordon Fraser, Linda Garson, Louise Hodge, Dennis Hume, Betty Russell, Keith Vrooman

Souris PCH: Emma Garden

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Riverheights Terrace: Patty Hargreaves, Al & Helen Lauder, Vera Skayman

Rotary Villas: Marg Lovstrom, Marg Speers

Victoria Landing: Fred Miller, Pat Rathwell



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'May God hold you in the palm of His Hand'