



Trinitopics & Church Announcements



To Grow in Faith, Fellowship & Service Through Christ Jesus
22 ~ Thursday, October 21st, 2021

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Nominations 2022

Hello to all,

As we are enjoying the beauty of this Fall and wonder of nature that surrounds us, we also are waiting in anticipation to gather in gratitude and joy.

During the absence of face to face gathering the Board and committees continue to be busy in meetings and actions preparing for the future.

At this time we start to plan and prayerfully consider how we can serve our Church in 2022.

There will be openings on the Board and on committees. Serving our church in this manner will give you great enjoyment and more importantly time to get to know your church family.

Please consider this as your invitation and an opportunity to share your talents.

For more information please contact Miranda
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I hope to hear from you soon.

Trinity Christmas Gift Card Fundraising Project

We are having a Christmas Gift Card fundraiser during the month of November. The order forms will be distributed electronically or by hand during the week of October 25th. Deadline for receipt of orders will be **Tuesday, November 23rd**, with the order being sent on Thursday, November 25th. Weather permitting, the cards should arrive by November 30th or December 1st.

If you are considering using these cards as potential gifts, FundScrip has indicated all gift cards are good across Canada and as such can be used in any province.

Blessings to Everyone! Alan

You are invited!

**Affirming Ministry
Service of Celebration**

**Sunday, November 21, 2021
Trinity United Church, Brandon**



Stay tuned – more details coming soon!

Rainbow Christ Prayer

By lesbian Christian author Kittredge Cherry
and gay theologian Patrick S. Cheng



Rainbow Christ, you embody all the colors of the world. Rainbows serve as bridges between different realms: heaven and earth, east and west, queer and non-queer. Inspire us to remember the values expressed in the rainbow flag of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer community.

Red is for life, the root of spirit. Living and Self-Loving Christ, you are our Root. Free us from shame and grant us the grace of healthy pride so we can follow our own inner light. With the red stripe in the rainbow, we give thanks that God created us just the way we are.

Orange is for sexuality, the fire of spirit. Erotic Christ, you are our Fire, the Word made flesh. Free us from exploitation and grant us the grace of mutual relationships. With the orange stripe in the rainbow, kindle a fire of passion in us.

Yellow is for self-esteem, the core of spirit. Out Christ, you are our Core. Free us from closets of secrecy and give us the guts and grace to come out. With the yellow stripe in the rainbow, build our confidence.

Green is for love, the heart of spirit. Transgressive Outlaw Christ, you are our Heart,

breaking rules out of love. In a world obsessed with purity, you touch the sick and eat with outcasts. Free us from conformity and grant us the grace of deviance. With the green stripe in the rainbow, fill our hearts with untamed compassion for all beings.

Blue is for self-expression, the voice of spirit. Liberator Christ, you are our Voice, speaking out against all forms of oppression. Free us from apathy and grant us the grace of activism. With the blue stripe in the rainbow, motivate us to call for justice.

Violet is for vision, the wisdom of spirit. Interconnected Christ, you are our Wisdom, creating and sustaining the universe. Free us from isolation and grant us the grace of interdependence. With the violet stripe in the rainbow, connect us with others and with the whole creation.

Rainbow colors come together to make one light, the crown of universal consciousness. Hybrid and All-Encompassing Christ, you are our Crown, both human and divine. Free us from rigid categories and grant us the grace of interwoven identities. With the rainbow, lead us beyond black-and-white thinking to experience the whole spectrum of life.

Rainbow Christ, you light up the world. You make rainbows as a promise to support all life on earth. In the rainbow space, we can see all the hidden connections between sexualities, genders and races. Like the rainbow, may we embody all the colors of the world! Amen



Kind words do not cost much; Yet they accomplish much. ... Blaise Pascal
The wedding was so beautiful even the cake was in tiers.

Trinity 55 Plus Group ~ 2021-2022



Another year has come & gone ... We pray for those who have experienced a difficult year of loss, isolation and illness. We miss you all!!

We are looking forward to, hopefully, being able to meet again, enjoy our time of fellowship , sharing and learning.

Winter is on its way and our mission for mittens, socks, etc. continues and we are always open to receiving them. To remain safe we will place the container on the front step (26 Driftwood) ; or we will come around and pick up from you. Please call Glenn or Ruth if you wish us to pick them up (204 728. 4683).

"Trinity 55 Plus Striving to make a difference ... a little at a time".

WHEN MOE RETIRED , HE WANTED TO GIVE BACK TO HIS COMMUNITY. SO HE VOLUNTEERED TO ENTERTAIN SENIORS IN OUR ASSISTED LIVING HOMES, CARE HOMES AND OUR HOSPITAL.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, HE ENTERTAINED A GROUP OF ASSEMBLED PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL, TAKING ALONG HIS PORTABLE KEYBOARD.

AFTER TELLING A NUMBER OF JOKES AND SINGING QUITE A FEW SONGS, HE SAID HIS FAREWELL, AND SAID, " I HOPE YOU GET BETTER."

ONE ELDERLY GENTLEMAN CALLED OUT TO HIM AS HE WAS LEAVING, "I HOPE YOU GET BETTER TOO!"



Trinity has a new Office Administrator

Eden Snider has been hired as Trinity's Office Administrator. With issues slowly getting repaired and opening, hopefully, coming soon, she is excited to join the Trinity Family and looks forward to meeting everyone.

Welcome to Trinity, Eden!!



ARBITRAITOR

A cook who leaves Arby's to work at McDonald's.

BURGLARIZE

What a crook sees through.

BERNADETTE

The act of torching a mortgage.

AVOIDABLE

What a bullfighter tries to do.



Growing Stronger Together: Mainai's Story

The Association of Strong Women Alone made all the difference for Maina.

Maina Bai's mother died when she was a baby, and Maina never went to school. When she was just 10 years old, her father married her off to an older man. By 16, she had a child. A few years after the birth of her daughter, her husband died. When she returned to her maternal home, Maina was married off—again.

After a few years of marriage, Maina became a widow again.

Single, she faced extraordinary stigma.

Approximately 2.18 million single women like Maina live in the state of Rajasthan, India. Whether they are widowed, divorced, or have never been married, these women are deemed "incomplete" and a disgrace to their families. As a result, many live lives marked by stigma, fear, and violence—simply for not being married.

In 1986, The United Church of Canada partnered with Astha Sansthan, an organization that empowers marginalized individuals to advocate for their needs. In 1999, Astha Sansthan launched the Association of Strong Women Alone (ASWA), which your Mission & Service gifts support. Immediately, 450 single women joined. Today, there are more than 70,000 members.

ASWA's approach is simple: Create a safe space for single women to come together and get the knowledge and skills necessary to improve their lives.

The association has made all the difference for Maina. She can now read and write and is empowering other women to become literate. Because of her leadership, 35 women have enrolled in adult learning. All of them now have grade eight certificates. What's more, the generational cycle of illiteracy has been broken. Maina's daughter can not only read and write but is also teaching others to do the same.

Your Mission & Service gifts empower women like Maina to be agents of change within their communities. Thank you for your generosity.

A sweet grandmother telephoned St. Boniface Hospital. She timidly asked, "Is it possible to speak to someone who can tell me how a patient is doing?" The operator said, "I'll be glad to help, dear. What's the name and room number of the patient?"

The grandmother in her weak, tremulous voice said, Norma Findlay, Room 302." The operator replied, "Let me put you on hold while I check with the nurse's station for that room."

After a few minutes, the operator returned to the phone and said,

"I have good news. Her nurse just told me that Norma is doing well. Her

blood pressure is fine; her blood work just came back normal and her doctor has scheduled her to be discharged tomorrow."

The grandmother said, "Thank you. That's wonderful. I was so worried. God bless you for the good news."

The operator replied, "You're more than welcome. Is Norma your daughter?"

The grandmother said, "No, I'm Norma Findlay in Room 302. I just couldn't get anyone to tell me anything."

"What do you call a factory that makes okay products?"

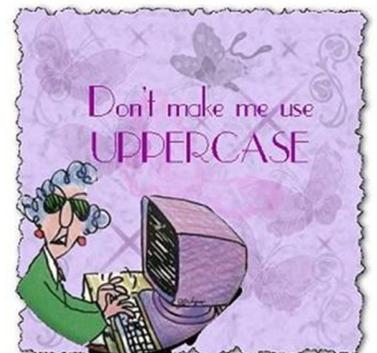
"A satisfactory."

"Why do fathers take an extra pair of socks when they go golfing?"

"In case they get a hole in one!"

What did Mr. and Mrs. Hamburger name their daughter?

Patty!



Good friends are like stars, you don't always see them, but you know they are always there.

Happy BELATED 36th Wedding Anniversary
Norm & Val Poersch on October 5th
 Another farmer who waited to be married
 until after the fall work was done!



Happy BELATED **65th** Wedding Anniversary
Harvey & Irene Smith on October 20th

Many congratulations to both of these couples!
 Hope **your** special day was perfect!!



Belated Happy Birthday:

Hillary Baker October 17th

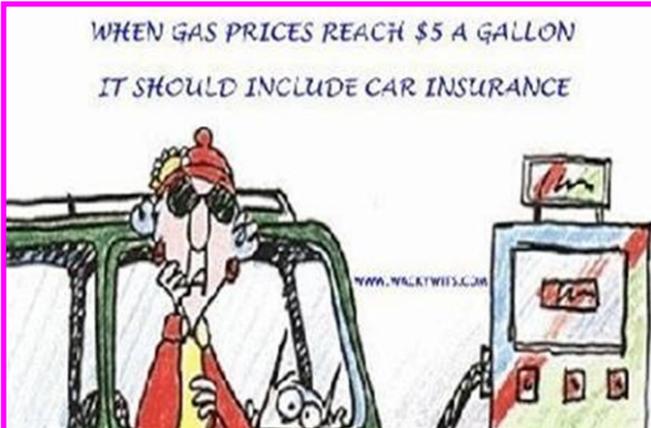
Harvey Smith October 20th
 (92nd birthday & 65th anniversary, same day!!)

Happy birthday
 Cathy Snelgrove October 22nd



UCW Birthdays
October

31st
 Viv Privat



*Would you like to know how it feels to
 be in hospitality during this
 corona-virus pandemic?
 Remember when the Titanic was sinking
 and the band continued to play? ...
 Well, we're the band!!*



5. COUNTERFEITER

Workers who put together kitchen cabinets.

**EQUAL RIGHTS
 FOR OTHERS
 DOES NOT MEAN
 LESS RIGHTS
 FOR YOU.
 IT'S NOT PIE.**

PARADOX
 Two physicians

PHARMACIST
 A helper on a farm.

RELIEF
 What trees do in the spring.

RUBBERNECK
 What you do to relax your wife.

HEROES
 What a man in a rowboat does.

PARASITES
 What you see from the Eiffel Tower.

There is also a way to 'drop a greeting' for
 our 'at home' folks! If you would like a
 'thinking of you' card sent, call our trusty
 card lady, Marlane Wilson (729.8574).

If you know someone, or yourself,
 who would like a care call from
 Rev. Neufeld; call 204-441-8140
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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>

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

Our thoughts & prayers to:

Judy Diswinka: spending a few days in hospital.

Irene Brown: in Assiniboine recuperating after a fall.

Gordon Fraser: Now in Valleyview Home; Gordon says welcome to anyone to call him on his own phone; 204 728-3685

Thoughts, Prayers & sincere sympathy to the family of **Frank Rabe** who passed away on October 6th.



Many thoughts, prayers & sincere sympathy to Sheila & family following the passing of **Grant McCausland** on October 19th. His memory and beautiful workmanship in Trinity will be remembered and enjoyed many years going forward. The service to celebrate his life will be on **Friday, October 29th @ 1:30**. It will be the first funeral to be held in **Trinity** since before the Pandemic.

Everyone entering Trinity must wear a mask and be double vaccinated.

Please be sure to call or e-mail Marlane Wilson, 204.729.8574 with any reports of folks in hospital or needing some contact.



October 17th: World Food Sunday Daily; 690 million people ask 'will we eat tonight'? Live your mission through 'Mission & Service' & 'Canadian Foodgrains Bank'

Our Friends in Personal Care and Senior Homes

Dinsdale: Lois Aube

Fairview: Audrey Campbell, Lillian Atchison, Linda Garson, Louise Hodge, Dennis Hume, Bea Lee, Betty Russell, Keith Vrooman, Alma Yule

Souris PCH: Emma Garden

Rideau: Don Chambers, Murray Hicks, Jean Hutchings, Robert Jarvie, Eleanor McCreath, Garry VanRenselaar

Valleyview: Cliff Bowslaugh, Laura Cliffe, Bernice Erskine, Gordon Fraser, Shirley O'Driscoll, Lois Wolfe,

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

Rotary Villas: Marg Lovstrom

Victoria Landing: Fred Miller, Pat Rathwell, Alice Wesley,

Want to find happiness in your life? Appreciate the small stuff ... you are blessed with more than you realize!!

You can't force someone to respect you ... But you can refuse to be disrespected!

Stay safe and have a magical night of fun.



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The next issue will be November 4th

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May God hold you in the palm of His Hand