



# Trinitopics & Church Announcements

# 3 ~ Thursday, February 10th, 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.

## TENTATIVE CHURCH RE:OPENING

Sunday, March 6th ~ First Sunday of Lent  
Current Public Health Rules followed



Might you be interested in teaching Sunday School?



There is someone interested in helping!

Please contact Lois Riley  
lriley@mymts.net or  
204.728.3443

## Annual General Meeting

Sunday, February 27th, 2022  
1:30PM via Zoom and Phone.  
(Details will be shared closer to the event)

*A warm welcome to all. Reflect and celebrate our 2021 blessings. Plan and collaborate to intentionally live our mission in 2022.*

What does the dentist of the year get? ... A little plaque.

Please 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

Trinity has  
\$100 Sobeys/Safeway  
gift cards in the office  
Please see Eden



## Pi (Pie) Riddles

- ◆ The mathematician says, “pi squared”. What does the baker say?
- ◆ What do you get when a flock of sheep stand in a circle?
- ◆ The scientist says pi equals 3.14 . . . . The mathematician says pi equals the circumference of a circle divided by its diameter. But if you ask the kids, what will they say?

**Affirming PIE Day is on March 14 (3.14)** Check the next newsletter for answers to the riddles and for details on Trinity PIE Day celebrations.

*Affirming Ministries are Public, Intentional and Explicit in their commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and social justice for all.*



**Lent: 40 DAYS OF ENGAGEMENT on Anti-Racism**

**Tuesdays, March 1 - April 12, 2022 @ 7:00 pm**

The Outreach Committee of **Knox United Church**, Brandon is inviting you to join an on-line community which is curious about how racism operates in our daily lives, in our communities and institutions and how we can work intentionally toward becoming anti-racist.

**During Lent, we will:**

- ◆ **Read a daily reflection on an aspect of racism**
- ◆ **Attend a weekly Zoom meeting to view a video and discuss the video and reflection**

**If you would like to join in, you will be sent a weekly email with the links to the daily readings and the Zoom meeting information.**

For further information, or to sign up (register by Feb. 22), please contact Lydia Glawson at [lydiamae1953@gmail.com](mailto:lydiamae1953@gmail.com) or call 204-724-4547.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

### Knox Affirm ZOOM invitation

The Affirm Committee will host a follow-up session to our “Beyond the Binary: Supporting Community” session held last November. This second session will be held via Zoom on February 14th at 12:00 noon. Racheal Wu, from SERC, will lead a discussion on pronouns, furthering our understanding of transgender and gender fluidity issues, leading to how we may be better allies. To register for the session, please email or phone Kim at the office. 204 727.6975 ; [knoxchurch@wcgwave.ca](mailto:knoxchurch@wcgwave.ca) ; Feel Free to invite friends!

### Trinity’s January 2022 Gift Card Fundraising Project

Thirty households participated in the January gift card fundraiser with a total of \$13,100.00 worth of orders. As a result Trinity earned \$405.00. The cards should arrive around February 9<sup>th</sup>. You will be notified how you can pick up your cards. **Our three gift card fundraisers have earned Trinity \$2,119.50 to date.** We were successful because of your generosity.

Our **next fundraiser** will be during the **month of March** with an **Easter Gift Card** campaign. More information to follow.

**Once again Trinity has purchased twenty \$100 Gift Cards from Sobeys/Safeway . Please see Eden in the office.**

Blessings to Everyone

Alan

## February is Black History Month in Canada



Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events and festivities that honour the legacy of Black Canadians and their communities.

The 2022 theme for Black History Month is: “February and Forever: Celebrating Black History today and every day,” which focuses on recognizing the daily contributions that Black Canadians make to Canada.

No matter where you live, we invite all Canadians to learn more about these communities, and how they continue to help shape the story of Canada.

Source: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html>

### Online program teaches Black Canadian history

(Excerpts from article in The Brandon Sun, February 2, 2022)

Andre Sheppard, who is a presenter of the Community Voices Series project, says the program— created by the Manitoba Museum and Black History Manitoba and aimed at grade 5 and 6 students — fills historical gaps in what school-children learn about the country and province they live in.

From a Manitoba perspective, the lesson focuses on role models, people such as John Robinson, a Black railway porter who in 1917 formed the Order of Sleeping Car Porters after being denied membership by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, an all-white union. His story is also presented in the museum’s Winnipeg Gallery. Families of those porters helped form the Pilgrim Baptist Church, the oldest Black church in Manitoba, and their stories, passed from one generation to the next, are part of the virtual lesson.

The lesson also introduces viewers to William Beal, who settled in the Swan River valley in western Manitoba in 1906 after moving from Minneapolis. The museum describes him as



The Railway Porters Union Band of Winnipeg pose in front of the Bank of Montreal. Founded in 1917, the porters union was the first Black railway union in North America. (L.B. Foote/Province of Manitoba Archives)

“Renaissance Man of the North” in its Parklands Gallery, owing to his many skills and interests.

Beal was a photographer and took many portraits of neighbouring settlers; he was also a steam engineer who oversaw logging operations. He formed a literary society, helped doctors administer vaccines during the Spanish flu epidemic in 1918 and 1919, and served as a school trustee for three decades.



William Beal, self-portrait, Swan River, circa 1918

“It not only features him as a really interesting person, but also shares some of his photographs, which really tells a lot of community life in the Swan River area in the early 20th century.”

# A Better World: One Water Project at a Time

Through **Mission & Service** you help provide solutions to water issues worldwide.



According to UNICEF, more than half of the global population does not have access to safe sanitation and 2.2 billion people still lack access to safe drinking water. Today—Baptism of Jesus Sunday—is a good day to consider our relationship with water.

How many Bible stories do you know have to do with water? Many of us have heard the story of Moses making water flow from rock and parting the Red Sea. We may remember stories about Jesus turning water into wine, walking on water, and calming it, too. So often, water is the focal point of God's miracles and grace. It figures

prominently because it's necessary.

Clean water is essential to life, and yet around the world people suffer for lack of it.

The issues are complex. Climate change is altering weather and water patterns, causing shortages and droughts in some areas and floods in others. In some parts of the world, a growing population means rising demand and there isn't enough water to go around. Water infrastructure problems sometimes mean people can't access water even when it is available. There are racial and gender implications to accessing water, too. Did you know that, on average, women and children in the Global South walk nearly 6 kilometres to access water and carry nearly 19 liters of water every day?

Through Mission & Service you help provide solutions to water issues worldwide.

Your generosity supports irrigation projects and provides accessibility to water. Your gifts help construct bore holes, wells, and rain catchment tanks, which in turn address food security and sanitation issues in communities. During crises, your gifts help deliver drinking water where it's needed most. In the midst of the global pandemic, your support is helping to construct sanitation stations and share life-saving hygiene communications through flyers and radio programs.

Thank you for your generosity!

Together, we *can* build a better world. One water project at a time.

## *Welcome to the 'Freedom' Café!*

We trust you to make your own choices if you want to wear a face mask. And, in the same spirit of individual liberty, we allow our staff to make their own choice about the safety procedures they prefer to follow as they prepare and serve your food.

We encourage employees to wash their hands after using the bathroom, but understand that some people may be allergic to certain soaps or may simply prefer not to wash their hands. It is not out place to tell them what to do!

We understand that you may be used to chicken that has been cooked to 165 degrees. We do have to respect that some of our cooks may have seen a meme or a YouTube video saying that 100 degrees is fine and we do not want to encroach on their beliefs.

Some servers may wish to touch your food as they serve it. There is no reason that a healthy person with clean hands can't touch your food. We will take their word for it that they are healthy and clean!

Water temperature and detergent are highly personal choices, and we allow our dishwashing team to decide how they'd prefer to wash the silverware you will put in your mouth.

Some of you may get sick, but almost everyone survives food poisoning. We think you'll agree that it's a small price to pay for the sweet freedom of no one ever being told what to do and especially not for the silly reason of keeping strangers healthy!!

~ Kathony Jeraul Amadorsity

Why wouldn't the sesame seed leave the casino?  
He was on a roll.



What did Cinderella say when her photos did not show up?  
'Someday my prints will come'

Why did the baby strawberry cry?  
His parents were in a jam

Our days are getting longer!

Sunrise 7:58 a.m.  
Sunset 5:50 p.m.



Gas ~ \$1.50 litre  
\$6.75 Gallon



Curiosity will conquer fear even more than bravery will.

Why couldn't the couple get married at the library?  
It was all booked up.

Everything that irritates us about others can lead us to an understanding of ourselves.  
Carl Jung

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, 'They couldn't get a baby-sitter.'



### 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](http://www.prairiemountainhealth.ca/pmh-well-wishes)



- \* Dad, are we pyromaniacs? Yes, we arson.
- \* She was only a moonshiner's daughter, but I miss her still.
- \* What do you call a pig with laryngitis? Disgruntled.
- \* Why do bees stay in their hives during winter? Swarm.
- \* Just so everyone is clear, I'm going to put my glasses on.
- \* A commander walks into a bar and orders everyone around. I lost my job as a stage designer. I left without making a scene.
- \* Never buy flowers from a monk. Only you can prevent florist friars.
- \* How much did the pirate pay to get his ears pierced? A buccaneer.
- \* I once worked at a cheap pizza shop to get by. I kneaded the dough.

### UCW Birthdays February



5th ~  
Carolyn  
Heard

Sorry it  
is  
belated!

If you know someone, or yourself, who would like a care call from Rev. Neufeld; call 204-441-8140  
204 729.1946

Thank you for the calls, emails & cards that I received, with your thoughts & caring, following the passing of my nephew. It was all very appreciated! Blessings ~ Darlyne



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**

**Irene Brown:** Home on February 2nd!!  
 After 4 months!! AWESOME

**Ruth Bilowus:** Assiniboine 3



God works in mysterious ways ...  
 He works with us & through us.  
 God is always calling us ...  
 ~ ~ Listen ~ ~

**Six Best 'Doctors' in the World**

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Sunlight        | Rest    |
| Exercise        | Diet    |
| Self-Confidence | Friends |

The nicest place to be is in someone's thoughts or prayers

The very best place to be is in the hands of God.

**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, Alma Yule
- Souris PCH:** Emma Garden
- Rideau:** Don Chambers, Murray Hicks, Eleanor McCreath, Garry VanRenselaar
- Valleyview:** Cliff Bowslaugh, Laura Cliffe, Bernice Erskine, Shirley O'Driscoll, Lois Wolfe,
- Riverheights Terrace:** Patty Hargreaves, Al & Helen Lauder, Vera Skyman
- Rotary Villas:** Marg Lovstrom, Marg Speers
- Victoria Landing:** Fred Miller, Pat Rathwell, Alice Wesley,

Thank you, Sheila! 

Our thoughts and prayers to Bill Hutchings and families on the passing of Jean on January 21st. On that day, as well as the family losing a wife, mother, sister, grandmother and great grandmother, the UCW movement lost a true friend and supporter! 

Rest in Peace, Jean!!

Advice is like snow - the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind.  
 ~ Samuel Taylor Coleridge

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

