



Trinitopics & Church Announcements

2 ~ Thursday, January 19th, 2023



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Affirming Vision, Trinity United Church, Brandon, MB



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 committed to surroundings that reflect safety and support in respect of social justice and human rights.

Love your neighbour We are on Treaty 2 Territory --- "As long as the sun shines, the grass grows, and the rivers flow".

Worship News:

Scripture Readers Needed for Sunday Services:

If you are interested in helping with this part of our worship service, please contact Alan Silvius or check the purple binder on the pew at the back of the sanctuary and sign up for the Sunday(s) that would work for you, Responsibilities are outlined in the binder.

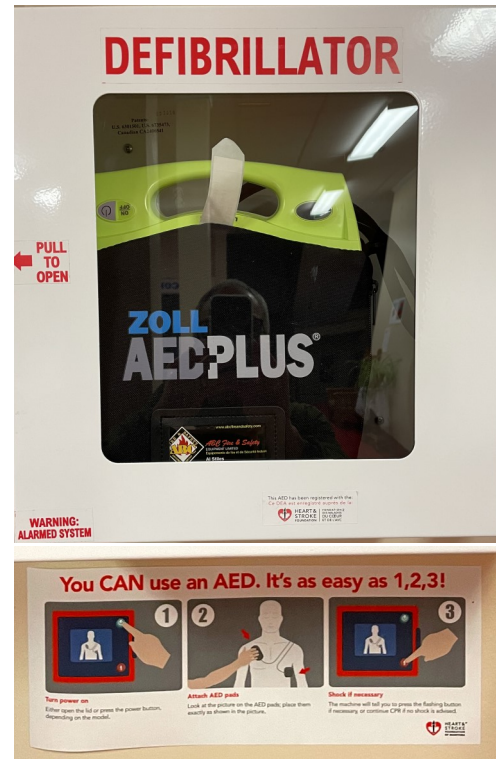
Trinity Gift Card Fundraising Project:

We are having a Gift Card Fundraiser which will take place during the month of January. The order forms have been distributed and if you didn't receive a form, stop by the church office and Eden will have forms or pick one up on Sunday. **Orders, including payment, must be received by Monday, January 30th at 4:00 pm.** Orders will be received by Alan Silvius at any time so there is no need to wait until the deadline date. If you prefer, you can send order via email to silviusa@mymts.net or via phone at (204) 726-4169 (Home) or (204) 570-2338

Trinity's AED

(Automated External Defibrillator):

A brief information session on the use of our AED is in the planning stages. Stay tuned for further details.



Trinity Directory

Did everyone get the pictures that they ordered? If there are any concerns, please contact me.

For folks who did not get their picture taken, if there is any change in your phone number or email addresses, please contact me.

Thanks! Darlyne

If you know of someone who could use a warm hug we have Prayer Shawls available. They can be found in the room next to the Minister's office. Ask Eden for the key and feel free to take one.

The following congregations are celebrating becoming Affirming Ministry in January, 2023:

Humber Valley United Church, Toronto-
January 22

Email for congratulations:

kelly@hvuc.ca

Time: 11 :00 am CST

Erin Mills United Church, Mississauga-
January 29

Zoom Address:

<https://zoom.us/j/792083172>

Password:000042

Time: 11:00 am CST

Email for congratulations:

office@emuc.ca

Trinity Equity & Diversity

Equity and Diversity Committee of three members is looking for at least an additional two people to join us.

The Committee is an opportunity to work for faithful inclusion of all persons in our faith community and in the world regardless of gender, culture, sexual orientation, and countless other domains.

If interested in more information or to serve on this committee, please contact the church office (204 728-4796) and leave your name and phone number. Denise Weir, Chairperson, will get back to you.

Thanks. Denise



Just a heads up to people ... there are 2 handicap parking spots on the west side of the churches main doors. One of our renters received a parking ticket from Brandon City Police for not displaying a handicapped parking permit.

Murray McMillan ... Property Chair





**Our next meeting is
Tuesday, February 7th, 2023
Meeting: starting at 1:15 pm.**



Calling All Women

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

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 January Birthdays
No one in January!!**



Thanksgiving tea 2017



Marcel Krings
Founder & CEO of
Bushel Plus.

Trinity 55 Plus

Rescheduled speaker

**Wednesday, February 8th, 2023
Starting at 1:30 pm**

Designed and developed the Bushelplus System to help farmers to calibrate their combines measuring grain loss.

*"If it is lost or wasted at harvest, then we grew it for no reason.
Less grain loss means more food for the world."*

Founded a custom app, software, and videography development company targeting the agricultural sector.

Cookies and beverages to follow Come join us, everyone welcome

Voluntary donations towards:
Manitoba Society for Children with Disabilities

Trinity 55 Plus Group

"Striving to make a difference, a little at a time."

Gail Thickett: 725 4934

Hazel & Larry Sage: 728 6215



Next
Messy Church
Friday,
January 27th
5 ~ 7 pm

Our new members & adherents:

The 'Three Sisters:' ???
 Murray & Shirley Hagyard

Welcome all!!

Trinity has \$100 Gift Cards from Sobeys/Safeway.

Please see Eden in the office if you would like to purchase cards.

When my kids are wild & unruly, I bring out a nice, safe playpen. When they are finished, I climb out.



Bible Study will meet on **January 26th** starting at 1:30.
 We will be studying 'Jesus's Farwell Message'
Jesus's Farewell Message FRANCIS CHAN

Do you know Jesus? It's one thing to know facts about him, but to experience his love, wisdom, and guidance in your life is what it means to follow him. On the night before he was crucified, Jesus invited his disciples into a deep relationship with the triune God—and his invitation stands for us too. In this 6-part series, Francis Chan dives into John 13–17, a passage rich in promises, commands, and eternal truths. He'll remind us we aren't called to a part-time faith—we were made to know, walk with, and commune with God.

Everyone Welcome!



Shrove Tuesday

The Trinity Choir Proudly Presents

The *Return of Shrove Tuesday!!*

Tuesday, February 21st

Please mark it on your calendar!!

usual great pancake, sausages, fruit etc.,
 With appreciation to Keith privat who accepted our plea to help!!

◆ Entertainment

More information to follow!!





**PRAIRIE TO PINE
WEEKLY NEWS**
THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
EVENTS EDITION



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Alison Murray & Darlynn Smith

To receive weekly information to your email, or to read what is going on in the United Church:
<https://united-church.ca/e-newsletters>

ZEEBU 2023 REGIONAL YOUTH RETREAT IN BRANDON

FEBRUARY 18 @ 6:30 PM - FEBRUARY 20 @ 1:00 PM
(Saturday to Monday of Louis Riel Weekend)
at Knox United Church

A great opportunity to make friends with other youth from across the United Church's Prairie to Pine Region while exploring the theme (Hobbies) through Worship, Song and Inter-active Theme Times. The retreat wouldn't be complete without social time — dancing, games, chatting over meals (and canteen treats)!



Working With Young Leaders: Amy Crawford's Work

"The youth are here because they choose to be here."

Jesus says, "Let the children come to me."

But as Amy Crawford knows, you can't be passive when trying to bring young people to the church.

"We took it for granted that youth and young adults were going to be in the church," the Team Lead for Identity and Mission says. "And we can't take that for granted anymore."

But Crawford is not painting a dark picture here. "Our youth ministry in the United Church in many ways has *grown* in recent years," she says. "The youth are here because they choose to be here. And they're here because they find a place for themselves."

Crawford has been doing ministry with youth and young adults for almost 30 years, and she's never been more excited about the future for youth leadership in the church.

Recently, 45 youth at the General Council Youth Forum received honorariums to pursue passion projects on social justice, anti-racism, and Indigenous justice issues. As a result, they developed educational resources and social media programs for their congregations.

"These will be resources for the whole church," Crawford says excitedly.

Mission & Service has funded outdoor ministries like camps and supported youth and young adults to take education trips, receive project grants, and initiate new ministries.

Crawford recalls one young woman who attended the General Council 43 Youth Forum. She went on to serve as a summer intern with the Church in Mission Unit, working on social justice Initiatives for youth. Now, four years later, she serves on the General Council Executive and the Moderator's Advisory Committee.

"When we provide opportunities for young people, it really does have a lasting impact on their lives and on the church," Crawford reveals.

What would Crawford want supporters like you to know about the impact of your generosity? "I would want them to know that young people make a difference," she says, "that they are creating the next generation of leaders in the church and even beyond the church."

Congrats to Trinity Brandon for reaching \$18,859 out of the budgeted \$19,000 for 2022!



Choir practise
Thursday, starting at 7 pm.
Everyone is welcome to join at any time!!

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest. After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away."

The distressed woman wailed, "Are you sure?"

Yes, I am sure. Your duck is dead," replied the vet.

"How can you be so sure?" she protested. I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something.

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck."

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman.

The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. "\$1500!" she cried, "\$1500 just to tell me my duck is dead!"

The vet shrugged, "I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$50, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it's now \$1500."

Thanks Pat!!

A place for everything, everything in its place.
Benjamin Franklin

What happened when the computer fell on the floor
It slipped a disk.

The important thing to remember is that I'm probably going to forget."


What did Adam say to Eve when handing her something to wear? "Take it or leaf it."

What size was the lumber that was made to build the ark?
2x2.

What types of boats do believers want to go on?
Discipleship and worship.

"I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a lot more as they get older, and then it dawned on me — they're cramming for their final exam." George Carlin

"Inside every older person is a younger person wondering what happened."
Jennifer Yane

 **Happy Anniversary**
I have no January Anniversaries in my records!!

FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP EACH WEEK
Thank you for the helpers, donators & all who come and have fellowship together!!

Jan 22nd: The Faye's;
McLoughlin & Wilcox .
Jan. 29th:
Myrna Lennon & Kathy Knight

Trinity January Birthdays
2nd Marv Pidhorny
18th Rev. Doug



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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

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

Continued thoughts and
prayers to **Marina Cram** & all
her family!

Our thoughts and prayers to
Glenn Sawyer as he recovers
following surgery.

Sending our thoughts ,
prayers and HUGS to all who are
experiencing health issues



January 15th
You Are the Light of the world



Thank you

My Family and I would like to
thank all of our Church Friends
& UCW members for all of their
care and support in the recent
death of my husband, Dave, and
my mom, Evelyn Thompson.
Thank you also for all of the lovely
cards & donations which
I received.

Sincerely,
Joanne McMillan & Family



Our Friends in Personal Care and Senior Homes

Dinsdale: Lois Aube, Malcolm Macdonald

Fairview: Audrey Campbell, Judy Diswinka, Linda Garson,
Dennis & Louise Hume, Eunice Lindenberg, Betty Russell

Souris PCH: Emma Garden

Rideau: Don Chambers, Murray Hicks, Garry VanRenselaar

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

Riverheights Terrace: Patty Hargreaves, Marlene Shantz,
Vera Skyman

Rotary Villas: Myrna Barkley, Don Jessiman, Marg Lovstrom

Victoria Landing: Al & Helen Lauder, Fred Miller,
Pat Rathwell, Marg Speers

May the mind of Christ, my Saviour,
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His power.

May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me,
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing,
This is victory.



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The newsletter is prepared every 2nd week
Delivery is being made to all non email

The next issue will be February 2nd, 2023

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