



# Trinitopics & Church Announcements

## # 9 ~ Thursday, April 27th, 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 Services

**April 30: Acknowledgement of individuals who have transferred their memberships to Trinity will take place at this service.**

#### 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.

#### Pulpit Supply Needs 2023:

Worship Leaders are needed during Rev. Doug's absences this summer. Please reflect on your worship talents and consider taking a service during one or more of these dates.

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

Dates for consideration are:

- May 7: Worship Committee
- May 21: UCW
- June 4: Live-stream Prairie to Pine Region Annual Meeting Worship Service (Possible Potluck Breakfast/Fellowship prior to service)
- July 23: Faye McLoughlin
- July 30:
- August 6:
- August 13
- August 20:



WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Please see May Gift Card fundraising information on page 3

**Getting to Know You**  
**All Trinity ladies Event**  
**Wednesday, May 10th**  
**2 ~ 4 pm**



**Fun: Fellowship:**  
**Friendship: Food**  
42 signed up as of April 25th  
Room for many more!!!  
Sign up in narthex

# Trinity United Church

# May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 WIH Sanctuary 7pm	2 WW 9am UCW Meeting 1:15pm WW 4:30pm Prairie Group 8 pm	3 RCCG Bible Study 7pm	4 Bible Study 1:30pm Choir Practice 7pm	5 Prairie Group 8 pm	6 RCCG Basement 4pm RCCG Choir Practice 6pm
7 Trinity Worship (Worship Comm) 10am RCCG Worship 12:30pm COP Worship 5pm	8 Eastern Star Basement 5:30 pm WIH Sanctuary 7pm	9 WW 9am WW 4:30pm Board Meeting 7pm Prairie Group 8 pm	10 Getting to Know You Women's Event 2pm Basement RCCG Bible Study 7pm	11 Bible Study 1:30pm Choir Practice 7pm	12 RCCG Meeting 7pm Prairie Group 8 pm	13 Writer's Group Library 10:30am RCCG Choir Practice 6pm
14 Trinity Worship +SS 10am RCCG Worship 12:30pm COP Worship 5pm	15 WIH Sanctuary 7pm	16 WW 9am WW 4:30pm Prairie Group 8 pm	17 55+:Tim Smith 1:30pm RCCG Bible Study 7pm	18 Bible Study 1:30pm Choir Practice 7pm	19 Prairie Group 8 pm	20 RCCG Choir Practice 6pm
21 Trinity Worship (UCW) 10am RCCG Worship 12:30pm COP Worship 5pm	22 <b>Victoria Day</b> <i>Office Closed</i> WIH Sanctuary 7pm	23 WW 9am WW 4:30pm Prairie Group 8 pm	24 Trinity Supper 5pm RCCG Bible Study 7pm	25 Bible Study 1:30pm Choir Practice 7pm	26 Messy Church 5pm Prairie Group 8 pm RCCG Meeting 9pm	27 Drag Makeup Tutorial Basement 1pm RCCG Choir Practice 6pm
28 Trinity Worship +SS 10am RCCG Worship 12:30pm COP Worship 5pm	29 WIH Sanctuary 7pm	30 WW 9am WW 4:30pm Prairie Group 8 pm	31 RCCG Bible Study 7pm	Trinity Junior Sunday School occurring every second Sunday, marked as "SS" on the calendar. Senior Sunday School every week.		

Nobody who ever gave his/her best regretted it.

George Halas

Trinity Gift Card Fundraising Project:

We are having a Gift Card Fundraiser which will take place during the month of May. The order forms will be distributed by email during the first week of May and will be available from the church office.

Orders, including payment, must be received by Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:silviusa@mymts.net) or via phone at (204) 726-4169 (Home) or (204) 570-2338 (Cell).

**Trinity United Church**  
1515 6th Street ph: 728-4796

# Baron of Beef Supper

**DATE: MAY 24TH, 2023**

**1ST SITTING: 5:00PM**

**2ND SITTING: 6:30PM**

Menu: Roast Beef, Baked Potato,  
Peas & Carrots, Coleslaw, Bun,  
Pie, & Beverage (Diabetic & Gluten-free  
options available)



**Adults: \$20**

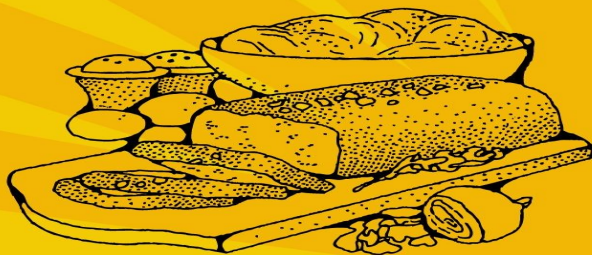
**Children 6-12: \$10**

**Under 6: FREE**

**Tickets available:**

**Sundays & Trinity Office**

**Only 200 tickets sold**



We are going to have a Spring Baron of Beef supper on Wednesday, May 24th. The posters will be available for distribution; please ask if you would like to post some. Tickets will be ready to purchase every Sunday, starting April 30th.

Thank you to Eden for the lovely poster and for preparing the tickets.

I used to be indecisive; now I'm not so sure  
Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I could do it with my eyes closed  
What did the grape say when it got stepped on? Nothing - but it let out a little whine

## Earth Day: A Diversity Issue

Earth Day happened Saturday, April 22, 2023. Climate change and extreme weather is an undeniable fact with far reaching consequences. There are individuals that are disproportionately impacted – the elderly, women, 2SLGBTQ+ people, children, and racialized people.

It is predicted that individuals with limited resources will be faced with fewer options and ability to adapt, as the Earth warms up. Elderly people often have more health issues, reduced incomes, increased social isolation, dependence on others, and reduced mobility hampering access to shelters in a climate disaster.

In lower income countries, women are more likely to be employed as agricultural workers and responsible for securing food, water, and fuel for their families. Climate change may increase conflict globally placing women and girls in these countries at greater risk for reduced education, gender-based violence, child marriage and other violence.

2SLGBTQ+ people are more likely to experience discrimination and hatred, family conflict, and homelessness making this population vulnerable to climate disasters without social and infrastructure supports.

Children are highly susceptible to climate change as they “metabolize more water, air, and food per kilogram of body weight than adults” and have increased vulnerability to environmental hazards over their lifetime.

Canada recognizes that racialized individuals are more likely to be exposed to environmental hazards. The *National Strategy on Environmental Racism and Environmental Justice Act* (Bill C-226) is currently in the Senate. Bill C-226 would “require the government to examine the links between racialization, socio-economic status and environmental risk, and develop Canada’s first national strategy on environmental racism and environmental justice”. Poverty and marginalization places racialized people at a higher risk in climate change.

Then there is the other Beings that share this creation with us. The voiceless Beings that are essential for human life - plants, animals, soil, water, air. These Beings are, literally, our relatives. We share 50% of our DNA with trees, for example.

As we think about living in faithfulness and supporting equity and diversity, perhaps the Golden Rule might apply to all our Relatives – Human and More-Than-Human. Being mindful of how we walk on this Earth honours the mystery and wonder of the Spirit.

How Marginalised Groups are Disproportionately Affected by Climate Change. <https://earth.org/marginalised-groups-are-disproportionately-affected-by-climate-change/> Climate Change and Older Adults: Planning Ahead to Protect Your Health. <https://www.ncoa.org/article/climate-change-and-older-adults-planning-ahead-to-protect-your-health>.

Explainer: How gender inequality and climate change are interconnected. <https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/explainer/2022/02/explainer-how-gender-inequality-and-climate-change-are-interconnected>.

How climate change affecting the LGBTQIA+ community. <https://www.downtoearth.org.in/blog/environment/how-climate-change-is-affecting-the-lgbtqia-community-74988>.

Global climate change and health in Canadian children. <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/global-climate-change> MPs pass long-awaited legislation to tackle environmental racism in Canada. <https://environmentaldefence.ca/2023/03/30/mps-pass-long-awaited-legislation-to-tackle-environmental-racism-in-canada/#:~:text=The%20bill%20now%20moves%20to%20the%20Senate.%20If,national%20strategy%20on%20environmental%20racism%20and%20environmental%20justice>.



**SAMARITAN HOUSE MINISTRIES**  
April food donations in the wagon go to Samaritan House.  
Thank you for your generosity!!

Knox United Church  
18th & Victoria



Knox Choir Spring Concert  
Sunday, April 30th, 7:30 PM

Knox United Music Collective  
presents a Spring Concert

The Theme of the Concert is "Home".

Our songs reflect our desire and longings for Home

Special Guest is Trinity United Church Choir

Admission is free but there is a FREE WILL OFFERING

Any donations marked "Trinity" will be forwarded to Trinity United Church  
(envelopes will be provided)



Thank you Barb Janzen for filing all the music that was donated to us from Central. All of what you see was in many boxes & Barb single handily emptied the boxes and filed it into this file that Central also gifted us.

Great job ~ Well done, Barb!!

KNOX UNITED CHURCH

Corner 18<sup>th</sup> Street & Victoria Avenue  
Use the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance

SPRING LUNCHEON

11:30 a.m. till 1:00 p.m.  
On Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>  
in the Auditorium

Bring your husband/wife, friends, family, groups  
and co-workers, and enjoy the tasty salads,  
sandwiches, desserts, tea/coffee/juice.

Gluten-free options are available

\$10.00 - all inclusive

Delivery being offered

call church office at 204-727-6975

The proceeds will go to our church general fund.

Reservations accepted but not necessary.  
Phone the Church Office at (204) 727-6975



What do you call a bee that can't  
make up its mind? A maybe  
I tried to sue the airline for losing  
my luggage. I lost my case

I went to buy some camouflage trousers yesterday but couldn't find any





**Our next meeting is  
Tuesday, May 2nd, 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 April Birthdays**

14th Leslie Preston

24th Shirley O'Driscoll (90th)

28th Marlane Wilson



Here are pictures of Shirley O'Driscoll on two of her 90th birthday celebrations; the one with the cake at our UCW meeting, the other on the day of her birthday. I played music there that day and the staff had 'dolled' her up, makeup and the whole 9 yards!!

Her son was taking more surprises up to her room as I was visiting with Shirley so her birthday was well celebrated!!

Which country's capital has the fastest-growing population? Ireland. Every day it's Dublin



Last weekend

Maia Placatka  
sang with the Egre Masterclass

**Congratulations Maia !**



Caitlin, who has shared her talents at Trinity over the last year, had her final recital at BU. She knows how to make that fiddle talk!! We were entertained with a wide range of music repertoire; ended by a medley of 'fiddle tunes' that we have heard her play at Trinity. That was her start in playing, at 4 years of age in her home town of Grand Rapids.



Her supportive parents drove her many miles, to many 'fiddle contests' to help her musical talent flourish.

She will be moving to Winnipeg to play with bands, but will have one class still at BU. We, at Trinity, have been so blessed to have had her in our fold, both with guitar, fiddle & her wonderful alto voice in choir!!

**Congratulations, Caitlin &  
Thank you!!**

**Trinity has \$100 Gift Cards from Sobeys/Safeway.  
Please see Eden in the office if you would like to purchase cards.**

## Trinity 55 Plus

Wednesday, May 17th @ 1:30 pm

Tim Smith, Brandon Sun and world renowned Photo Journalist, documenting the prairies, the Hutterites, photographing sensitive communities or subjects, mental health and the heartbreak and joy of being invited into people's lives. He covers assignments for a variety of editorial and commercial clients. He is the recipient of numerous awards and press from all over the world. Well known in Brandon for his beautiful photos in the Brandon Sun.

Beverage, cookies & fellowship to follow.

EVERYONE WELCOME PLEASE JOIN US

Voluntary donations to Manitoba Society of children with DisAbilities

'Trinity 55 Plus Striving to Make a difference a Little at a Time'.

Ruth & Glenn Sawyer 204 728-4683  
Gail Thickett 204 725-4934  
Hazel & Larry Sage 204 728-6215



Tuesday, April 25th

Constable Dufault spoke on scams and fraud. How informed we were following!! For more on fraud, visit the [Canadian anti fraud centre at www.antifraudcentre.ca](http://www.antifraudcentre.ca) 1-888-495-8501 For any incidents Contact Brandon City Police 204 729-2345

Always check before sending money!!

A cross-eyed teacher couldn't control his pupils



Bible Study has begun again Thursday's at 1:30pm.  
The new study is  
'The Book of Job by Francis Chan'



Choir practise  
Thursday, starting at 7 pm.  
Everyone is welcome to join at any time!!  
Soon winding up for the summer



Christian Education  
Sunday School will have their last class on  
Sunday, May 28th, 2023  
and resume after the September long weekend.

Prayer Shawls are available in the library/meeting room for you to take to comfort anyone; it does not have to be a Trinity person! There are so many beautiful designs and colors to be chosen. Thank you to the talented ladies who made these lovely creations!!!



**PRAIRIE TO PINE**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL  
The United Church of Canada

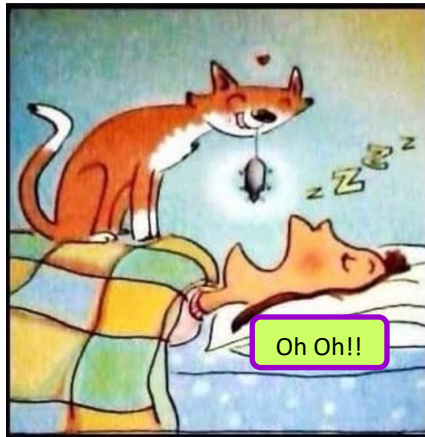


[prairietopine@united-church.ca](mailto:prairietopine@united-church.ca)

Alison Murray & Darlynn Smith

To receive weekly information to your email, or to read what is happening in the United Church:

<https://united-church.ca/e-newsletters>



**2023 Prairie to Pine Regional Council Meeting**

The Regional Meeting for this year will be on June 1-4, 2023 at the United Church in Meadowood (1111 Dakota Street, Winnipeg). Here is the [letter from Rev. Emma Seamone](#), Chair of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee

Letter can be read at <https://united-church.ca/e-newsletters>

There is also a ZOOM option

Please note the new logo for P2P

**MY WIFE TRIED  
TO BEAT ME  
AT SCRABBLE  
BUT I  
WOODEN LETTER**

**AGE IS NOT  
A NUMBER**

**IT'S CLEARLY  
A WORD**

**TALK IS CHEAP  
BECAUSE THE  
SUPPLY ALWAYS  
EXCEEDS  
THE DEMAND**

**MY CONTACTS HAVE  
BEEN BOTHERING ME**

**SO I DELETED THEM**

Affirming that Gender and Sexuality are Gifts from God.

Activists and Two Spirit or LGBTQIA+ folks share their personal and collective struggles and gains.



The United Church of Canada affirms that gender and sexuality are gifts of God, and that all persons are made in the image of God. We welcome into full membership and ministry people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

In February 2023, a consultation with Mission & Service partners in Asia provided a safe space for gender and sexual minorities to share their personal and collective struggles and gains. Scholars, theologians, and grassroots activists gathered to present theologies from the region, with a particular focus on the diverse and specific contexts, cultures, and challenges in Asia.

Through a series of panel presentations and in worship, participants heard stories from mass movements for social change, "revolutions toward gender justice," and experiences of advocacy work.

Mission & Service partners included the National Councils of Churches in Korea, India, Japan, and the Philippines; Pembizo Christian Council; and All Africa Theological Education by Extension. Solidarity partners included Union Theological Seminary, Jakarta Theological Seminary, and Beyond the Boundary: Knowing and Concerns Intersex.

Your Mission & Service gifts allow programs like these to help people continue to flourish. Thank you for your generosity.

Accept the fact that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue!

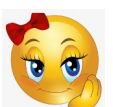
Drive carefully...It's not only cars that can be recalled by their Maker.

Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.

Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.

Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.

The second mouse gets the cheese.







## Norm & Val Poersch

And their beautiful 1965 Pontiac Parisienne Custom Sport two door convertible .

Read all about it in Friday's Brandon Sun; front page & Page A8.

(Don't make 'em like that anymore!!)



## Pat's Writers Group

The next meeting for the group will be Saturday, May 13th at 10:30 in the Trinity library. Our story starter for this month is

*"I knew he'd been there because he'd stubbed out his cigarette in the sink. . ."*

*All are welcome!*

*Might you be interested in joining this group?*

Contact :Alison Murray 204 725-3471 or [almark@mymts.net](mailto:almark@mymts.net)

**INVENTOR OF THE WIND CHILL FACTOR DIED RECENTLY HE WAS 82, BUT FELT LIKE HE WAS 64**

### Trinity April Birthdays

15th Val Poersch  
 20th Jason Splett  
 21st Barb Roberds 80  
 24th Ken Mitchell 96 Y Young  
 27th Pat King-Doctrovi

### Trinity May Birthdays

7th Heather Moore  
 15th Mickey Dux  
 28th Veronica Miller  
 29th Lorrie Snelgrove

### FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP EACH WEEK

Thank you for the helpers, donators & all who come for fellowship.

April 16th

Myrna & Sam Lennon, Randolph & Debbie Smyth & Darlyne

April 23rd

Sheila McCausland, Bea Allen, Bill & Beryl Everington

April 30th

Janice Seddon & the sisters

May 7th

Faye McLoughlin & Marg Cullen

Would you like to help with fellowship?

Please contact me, or sign up on Sunday's.



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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



We will be welcoming 18 new members  
to Trinity during  
worship on April 30th.

### Alice Laminman

Thinking of you, Alice.

Continued well wishes to **Marina Cram**  
& family!

**Don Jessiman** is in the Assiniboine on the  
third floor He loves phone calls! To con-  
tact him, call the hospital switch board at  
204 578-4000 and ask for A 3; Thinking of  
you, Don!

Thinking of **Helen Dyer** who had a fall  
and is in hospital Hoping for a speedy  
recovery!!

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



### Our deepest sympathy to:

**Louise Hume** & families on passing  
of Dennis on April 14th.

**Gloria McMillan** & families on the passing of  
Murray on April 23rd.

Service at Trinity on April 29th  
Lunch & fellowship at Clarion Hotel

Sending our love and prayers to all.



### 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, ,  
Shirley O'Driscoll, Del Pringle, Lois Wolfe,

**Riverheights Terrace:** Pheme Andrew, Elsie Franklin, Patty  
Hargreaves, Dave McClelland, Marlene Shantz, Vera Skayman

**Rotary Villas:** Myrna Barkley, Don Jessiman, Marg Lovstrom

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

To hear with my heart,

To see with my soul,

To be guided by a hand  
I cannot hold,

To trust in a way  
that I cannot see,

That's what FAITH  
must be.

This is posted on the Senior Sunday  
School bulletin board. Love it!!



### Trinitopics & Church Announcements

The newsletter is prepared every 2nd week

Delivery is being made to all non email

**The next issue will be May 11th, 2023**

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