



Trinitopics & Church Announcements

22 ~ Friday, November 15th, 2024



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December 1:
Advent 1 & Communion

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

"Watch out for your Trinity Board and Committees"

NOMINATION 2025 Report.
Key positions remain vacant.
Please consider this invitation to prayerfully consider how you can help."

DECORATE the Church

Church Decorating for Advent Season:
Sanctuary
Tuesday, November 26th 10 am.
Lower Level
Wednesday, November 27th 10 am
Everyone Welcome! We need your help!

Christmas Gift Card Fundraiser information on Page 5.
All orders to Alan no later than November 28th @ 4 pm.

Celebration of Day of Transgendered Remembrance Memorial Service
Knox United Church, Brandon,
November 20, 2024, at Noon.
Submitted by Denise Weir

Celebrating Three Years of Affirming Ministry

 On November 21, 2021, Trinity United Church community of faith voted to be an affirming congregation. We agree to be public, intentional, and explicit in our commitment to diversity and inclusion. Inside and outside of the church walls, we agree to live a radical message of God's love and inclusion to everyone equally without reserve.

As an intentional ministry, we are encouraged to examine where we need to grow. Our Equity and Diversity committee is tasked with guiding diversity in all the various ministries of Trinity, providing educational events, and partnering with other Affirming Ministries. Posts on Affirm United indicate educational activities in other congregations include such subjects as how to address media and parenting/grandparenting LGBTQ+ and Transgendered youth.


If there is a demand for a specific topic of interest, Equity and Diversity welcomes working to bring information events to our faith community.

We are currently working with Knox United Church, Brandon, to plan the March 2025 PIE day event and encourage participation in The Day of Transgendered Remembrance at Knox United Church, November 20, 2024, at Noon.

To engage with the wider community, Trinity United Church's Equity and Diversity Committee participates in the Brandon Pride Parade annually in collaboration with Knox United Church.

Jesus' only commandment was to love God and love each other. So be it.

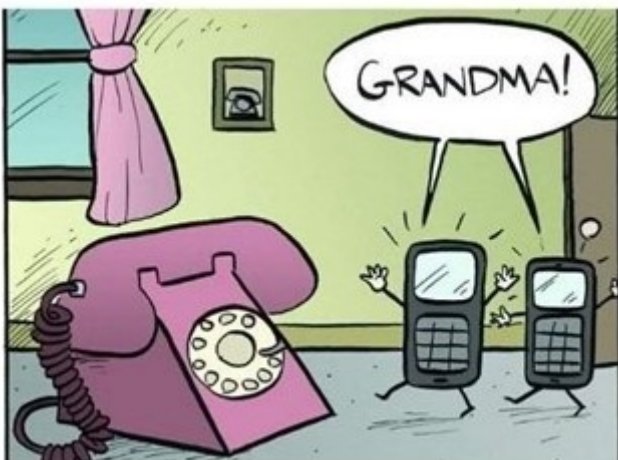
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Affirming Vision, Trinity United Church, Brandon, MB

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 safely and support in respect of social justice and human rights.



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>

Their names are on the back page of this newsletter.



Stewardship letters were mailed out this week. If you didn't get one, please contact the office.



Trinity and Christmas Cheer Hampers

The season of Advent is approaching, and the Outreach committee is making plans to help families in our community with Christmas hampers. The Mission statement of the Christmas Cheer Board is

'To provide Christmas dinner and gifts for families in the Westman area who would otherwise go without'.

Trinity will be preparing **20 hampers** for families this year.

So, here is how you can help ...

- ◆ Bring in perishable food items (see list of needed item below)
- ◆ Donate new unwrapped gifts for children ~ **Tree of Giving** (coming soon)
- ◆ Donate monetary gifts to support the purchase of hamper items

White Gift Sunday is December 8th

The Christmas Cheer donation wagon will be receiving your gifts this month. Please consider bringing your donations before Dec. 8th when the gifts will be dedicated. Please make monetary donations to Trinity United Church marked Christmas Cheer and place them on the offering plate. The Outreach committee will be purchasing fresh vegetables, hams or chickens, oranges, milk, buns and baby formula as well as any needed hamper items.

Please know that in this time of need and increased costs of food etc., we appreciate that giving to Outreach appeals is your choice as you are able.

Christmas Cheer hampers will be delivered on Dec. 18 & 19th.

Volunteers are needed to deliver the hampers.

Soup

Canned fruit and vegetables *

Cranberry sauce

Pasta, Pasta sauce

Canned meats (tuna, salmon, ham) *

Coffee & tea

Crackers *

Cookies

Peanut Butter

Jam *

Stuffing mix

Beans

Jelly or Pudding mix

Juices *

Cereal

Gravy mix

Other needs. - new personnel care items, toys and books, colouring books and crayons, knitted items, stocking stuffers for kids and adults.

Grocery bins for carrying hampers. If you wish to lend your bin, please mark with your name.

Trinity Outreach Committee

Kathy K, Connie H, Heather M, Linda F, Lois R.



Pat's Writers Group

Friday, November 29th at 10:30 in the library.

Edie reports that when everyone is there, there are 8 folks!
The prompt is 'What we remember about Remembrance Day'
All are welcome!

Please contact Edie Mowat for more info
204 729-9301 emowat39@gmail.com

TRINITY 55 PLUS GROUP
Wednesday, November 27, 2024 1:30 pm

Guest - NGAIRE (Ny-ree)ABERNATHY-- PAT Prairie Therapy Dogs – Primary therapy group for Prairie Mountain Health and for Project Resilience 911. A growing group of volunteer handlers and their canine partners who are providing therapy dog visits in Brandon and the Westman area.

Ngaire is a retired social worker – currently finishing a graduate certificate in animal assisted social work.

She is happy to do a presentation to our group and bring a couple of their therapy dogs to “share smiles and joy”

Cookies and beverage to follow

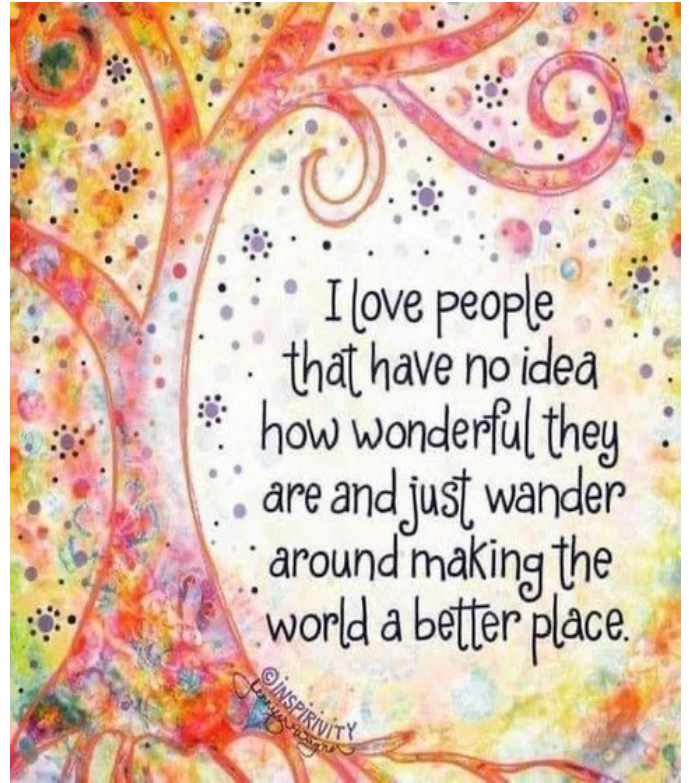
Come and join us, everyone welcome

Voluntary donations towards Manitoba Possible
(previously Manitoba Society of Children with Disabilities)

**A leader is one who knows
the way,**
Trinity 55 Plus Group
“Striving to make a difference a little at a time ”

Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex
**goes the way, and shows the
way.**

Ruth & Glen Sawyer 204 728 4683
Gail Thi **John C. Maxwell**
Hazel & Larry Sage 204 728 6215



Peace Train Vigil Rivers VIA Rail Station

Meet the Train

November 17 5:15 PM

Over 40 forty people are rolling on Peace Train Canada bound for Ottawa to ask our government to establish a National Centre of Excellence for Peace and Justice

Music Speeches Singing Reflections

Train is a verb

If you want Peace, Train for Peace

www.peacetraincanada.com

PTC GOAL:

To Get Peace Back on Track in Canada.

The Peace Train project is not a protest but an effort to lift up all those who will rise to the current global challenges of resisting polarization, rampant self-interest, and an industrial war machine that is out of control.



Our next meeting is
Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024
 Christmas Pot Luck @ noon
 Meeting to follow at 1:15
 UCW & Partners Welcome



2024 UCW Executive

Pres: Darlyne Smith
 Vice Pres: Faye McLoughlin
 Secretary: Leslie Preston
 Treasurer: Darlene Silvius
 Past Pres: Irene Thompson

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

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 November Birthdays

6th Audrey Campbell 95th
 9th Darlene Silvius
 20th Gail Thickett

Hello Supporters of Trinity United Church,
We are having a Christmas Gift Card Fundraiser which will take place during the month of November. If you are considering using these cards as potential gifts, FundScript has indicated all gift cards are good across Canada and can be used in any province.
 You will find attached the Gift Card Order Form. **Orders, including payment, must be received by Thursday, November 28th at 4:00 pm.**

Please note if payment has not been received by our deadline, your order will not be sent.
 Payment for orders will be to Trinity United Church by cheque, cash or E-transfer (trinityucbdn@wcgwave.ca).
 Please clearly indicate money is for payment for your gift cards.
 Credit cards cannot be used as a method of payment.

Once again, our target goal is a minimum of \$5000 of sales to avoid any shipping charges.
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 (Cell). If you have any questions, please contact Alan Silvius.

Some of the FundScript November & December 2024 Promotions are:

- Boston Pizza – Regular 5% Increased to 8%**
- Winners – Regular 6% Increased to 8%**

Pastoral CARE



Rev. Doug & the Pastoral Care Team have dates set for Christmas Communion. We will need some help from outside the committee so anyone interested in assisting please contact one of us. Many thanks!!

Carolyn Heard, Myrna Lane, Irene Smith, Faye Wilcox
 Darlyne Smith

Hillcrest PCH: Friday, December 6th @ 2 pm
 Valleyview PCH: Wednesday, December 11th @ 2 pm
 Victoria Landing: Tuesday, December 17th @ 2 pm
 Fairview PCH: Wednesday, December 18th @ 10:30 am
 Riverheights Terrace: Thursday, December 19th @ 11 am



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



Trinity's Prayer Shawl Group
 Next gathering
 Thursday, November 21st starting at 10 am,
 at the home of Jean Cory ~ 228-333 Durum Drive.
 You can call Jean at 204 725.4007



One of the Sunday school kids pointed out to me that the fruit is set up in the colours of the rainbow



The set up team



Fellowship on November 10th was 'powered' by the Youth Sunday School, their leaders and parents. What great treats that were shared!! And the entertainment was such a great part of it!!

Thank you to all of you & to Andy for the 'fun' picture!!



What the Women Saw – RightNow Media

Through this six-session study, you will discover who Jesus is through the unique perspective of women in the Bible. As you study the lives of Mary, Martha, Mary Magdalene and others, you will learn from their faith and failures and be reminded that Jesus cared for and valued the women he was surrounded by. He equipped them, listened to them, walked with them, healed them, and empowered them. And he does the same for you now.

Sounds like another interesting study!! **Bible Study** happens on **Thursday afternoon at 1:30**, 'in the upper room'.

The same link works for all of these sessions.

Marlane Wilson will send a card to someone who is in the hospital, or needing some cheering up. Please call/contact her with anyone's name that you are aware of. **204 729.8574 or marlane.w@yahoo.com**

I cannot think of a better Mission and Service scripture, especially for this time of year, than the following:



Matthew 25: 35-40

"For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you gave me clothing. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing?"

And the king will answer them, "Truly, I tell you, just as you did it to one of least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me."

Thank you Trinity for your abundance of donations for the Christmas Cheer season.

If you have a chance, please read the newest copy of "Broadview" and go to page 20 for an excellent article entitled "I Saw Christ Today" by Rev. Jason Meyers who writes about seeing the light of Christ in each of us.

Submitted by Faye McLoughlin

Brockie Donovan

Tree of Memories

*Caring, Sharing
and Remembering*

Tree of Memories
Community Candlelight
Memorial Service

Thursday, December 5, 2024

at 7:00 p.m.

**McDiarmid Drive Alliance Church
635 McDiarmid Dr**

This service is free of charge and open to anyone who has ever lost a loved one.

We will prepare an ornament, bearing the name of your loved one for the Tree of Memories.



**PLEASE CALL
(204) 727-0694**

**TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE
& TO ORDER A 2024 ORNAMENT**

Knox United Church

451-18th Street & Victoria Ave., Brandon
(204)727-6975

Invites you to our Annual

A Taste of the Holidays

Roasted Pork Loin, Meat Balls, and lots of delicious extras
Gluten Free options available

Sunday, December 1, 2024

One Sitting @ 5:30 pm

160 Tickets Available

Adults \$20.00

Children under 12 years \$10.00

Preschoolers – free

**Tickets available at the
Church Office.**

**Options: Delivery 4:30 pm or
Pickup 5:00 pm.
Order deadline Friday, Nov 29, 2024**



**Trinity has \$50 & \$100 Gift Cards from
Sobeys/Safeway and Superstore.
Please see Eden in the office if you would
like to purchase cards.**

PRAYER CHAIN



Would you like some prayers or do you know someone who needs prayers?

Please contact

Faye Wilcox 204 728-3654

All information is confidential.

Thank you Faye, for your great work!

Some people could be given an entire field of roses and only see the thorns in it. Others could be given a single weed and only see the wildflower in it. Perception is a key component to gratitude. And gratitude is a key component to joy.

— amy weatherly



November Birthday's

5th	Laurie Wagner
6th	Del Pringle
11th	Alan Booth
15th	Beth Cass
19th	Eric Neufeld
20th	Barb Janzen
26th	Al Friesen

How was Rome split in two?
With a pair of Caesars

How does a taco say grace?
Lettuce pray

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).

"Talent is God given. Be humble.
Fame is man-given. Be grateful.
Conceit is self-given. Be careful."
— John Wooden



November

16th Ken & Carol Winstone
18th Ernest & Pat Kempthorne

Would you like your birthday/ anniversary/special events shared with others in the newsletter? If so, please contact me. I love celebrating and would like to share yours, if you are willing.

Darlynne

FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP EACH WEEK

November 17th
Faye Wilcox, Nancy Syntak & Clint Moffat

November 24th
Mary Wardle, Helen & Barrie Cochrane

December 1st
The Sisters & Janice

December 8th
Need people here

Please note the information lists for Fellowship on the cooler.

Darlynne Smith
Pinch hitting for Myrna
204 724-2923

Myrna Lane
204 763-4429
myrnal@mynetset.ca



Please be sure to call or e-mail
Marlane Wilson, letting her know of any-
 one needing some contact and to send a
 card. 204 729-8574



A truly thoughtful service by Rev. Doug.
 Complete with bugler (trumpeter), Davis Placatka,
 Representatives Shirley Kernaghan, Barb Roberds
 & to Alan and decorating crew.

Thinking of **Marv & Georgina Pidhorny** as
 Marv convalesces & nurse Georgie cares for
 him.

Thinking of **Frank Skuce** who has been in
 hospital for a while now, but I understand
 that he will be home soon!

Thinking of Cheryl McClelland & Sherie as
 they travel through their journey.

Our thoughts & prayers to all!



Sending our prayers and love to Esmor &
 Miranda Edwards on the loss of Esmor's on-
 ly sibling, Wyn. Esmor will be travelling to
 Wales in the near future.

Our prayers and love to Faye & Trevor
 McLoughlin on the loss of her sister in
 Ontario.



Thinking of all of you!

Our Friends in Personal Care and Senior Homes

Dinsdale: Lois Aube

Fairview: Audrey Campbell, Judy Diswinka, Louise Hume,
 Eunice Lindenberg

Hillcrest PCH: Don Jessiman

Rideau: Don Chambers

Valleyview: Del Pringle

Riverheights Terrace: Pheme Andrew, Dave McClelland,
 Marlene Shantz,

Rotary Villas: Myrna Barkley, Winnie Black

Victoria Landing: Elizabeth Cass, Myrna Hall,
 Shirley Kernaghan, Al & Helen Lauder, Betty McFarland,
 Pat Rathwell, Wilma Seafoot

Wawanesa PCH: Elsie Franklin, Alice Laminman

Have Faith

Faith when days are
 bright and sunny,
 Faith when hours are
 dark and long!
 Faith when things are
 going nicely,
 Faith when everything
 goes wrong!
 Faith when friendships are
 a blessing,
 Faith when some may
 prove untrue!
 May God grant His
 special blessing
 Of enduring Faith to you!

*From 'Inspirational Treasures of
 Faith'; writings of Jon Gilbert*

Congregational Meeting

Sunday,
 November 24th

Following the
 Worship Service



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Delivery is being made to all non email

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

